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Unit 5th Aust. Inf. Bde. A.I.F. Date and Time.—From 1 Oct. To

Place	Date October.	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
NARNGULU W.A.	1		C.O. on lines all day. During the morning he made an inspection of the coy areas.	Bde Routine Orders see Appx B.
			The day has been very warm	
	1700		Maj. R. B. Carroll returned from PEARCE AERODROME, where he has spent the last three or four days under an inter-service liaison scheme.	
	2		C.O. on lines.	W3008 & W3009.
			Weekly Strength returns submitted see Adjt. Capt. R. L. O'Neill and 2i/c Maj. R B Carroll inspected the unit lines.	Appx D.
	3.		C.O. on lines all day. Church Parades were held in the morning	Bde R.O. see Appx B.

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			Divisional Sports were held in the afternoon at GERALDTON oval. Contestants from this unit acquitted themselves well, Pte Green winning the 100 yds Championship and gaining third place in the Broad Jump Championship which Cpl Rodwell won, while Pte Royal won the 1 mile Championship. Time for 100 yds was 9 4/5 secs and for 1 mile 5 mins 32 secs.	

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	Oct 4.		C.O. Inspection in morning and Pre-Selection of Offrs Board at MOONYOONOOKA Hall in afternoon. 56 Bn took over Div. duties from this unit. A very windy day.	
	5.		C.O. in lines all day. Bn. commenced a short hardening up course in preparation for J.W. School.	
	6.		C.O. in lines all day. Bn Parade in Full Marching Order at 1000 hrs.	Weekly Int Report see Appx C.
	7.		C.O. left this morning for J.W. School. Weekly Int Report sent	

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	Oct. 7		Hq Bde. Adm. Instn No 3 received.	~~See Appx.~~ See Appx E for.
	8.		2/c Adm. Cond. In lines all day.	Adm Instns re move to
			Bn engaged in toughening up	COLLIE.
			exercises.	
	9.		2/c. in lines all day. Bn. packing in	
			preparation for move. Weekly Strength	
			returns submitted. W3008 & W3009 See	Appx. D
			Adm. Instn No 4 received. See	Appx. E
	10		246 personnel left GERALDTON for	
			WORSLEY at 0800 hrs. The 2/C. Major	
			Carroll went to GERALDTON to be present	
			when the troop train departed	
	11		Remainder of Bn left GERALDTON	
			at 1400 hrs.	

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COLLIE	11 - 13		Tps. having been moving in to J. W. Trg.	
(WELLINGTON DAM)			Centre - for details of train times see Appendix	
			All preparatory work in adm. and adjustments	
			to camp area are well in hand. The	W3008 & 3009 submitted
			policy of the Bn. for this phase of J. W.	see Appx D.
			Trg being to complete all works prior	
			to commencement of trg. and thus release	
			the maximum number for the trg.	J. S. Schf
	14 - 27		~~Lr~~ Trg Syllabus for this period	see Appx. F
			The Bn Exercise on 26 & 27 brought	Weekly Int Report. Appx E.
			out the difficulties that arise in Jungle	W3008 & W3009 submitted
			Warfare. The exercise was ~~good~~ well done	on 23 Oct. See Appx D
			and proved that we have benefited	Bn R.O. see Appx B.
			considerably from the trg.	

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			Signal Service provided excellent comms.	
			and the Sig. Section are to be congratulated	
			on their efforts.	Weekly Int report
			The need for efficient comms (eg a small	submitted on 27Oct.
			efficient walky-talky set) for inter pl. comm	see Appx. C.
			particularly ~~there~~ in the fwd coy was	
			emphasised. Other problems realised are	~~H.Q. issued 23Oct~~
			the carriage of reserve ammn. - the number	~~See Appx B.~~
			of signals personnel required in the van	
			gd. to lay cable, the evacuation of casualties	
			For Op Instructions & Op. Orders of Ex. see Appx	Appx G.
			Casualties during the trg consisted of	POSH POSH Ex.
			Two broken legs - two broken arms and	
			about fifty minor cases of sprains etc.	

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COLLIE.	28		C. O. and Capt. Gibson left today for SWANBOURNE to make necessary arrangements for unit to march in on 31 Oct. for range practice.	For W3008 + W3009 see appx. D.
	29-31.		Unit moved by train to SWANBOURNE	For Adm Instns see appx. H.
				L.G.
				For Message log see Appx A.
			L. Fitzpatrick.	

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1	1	5A/ 5B 5Bde 1/Welch	5 Bde	GA118	—	1540	1541	1625	Bn Duties © confirmation © Duties change 11 Oct © ref 5 Bde admin instno A1 5/59/43 of 26 Sep 43 © APPX A serials 14-16 are cancelled © Appx A1 cancelled © cancel-ident-reference © Amendment 4	C	Adjt	GHC.
2	2	5 Bde	5A Bn	128	—	0855	—	—	Ack eight zero unit code list Oct	C	Sigs	GHG
	3.	5A, 5B 44 Bn	5 Bde	QC37	-	1045	1046	1125.	INSTRUCTION Drafts officers and N.C.O's names will be supplied for the correction of lists in the notes from grounds for sports meetings during rest © Please instruct all companies © Ack	C	Adjt	JEK.
2	4	5A Bn	5 Bde	QE38	—	1145	1153	1215	DUTIES © convoy payment ration grenade 3 Oct units to supply © Among the one officer two NCOs 10 ORs © Rest of duties 1205 hrs Nil enclosures of Div reports meeting © Ack.	C	Adjt	GHG
2	5	5 Bde	5A Bn	ON205	QE38	1225	-	-	Ack.	C	Sigs	GHG
2	6	5A Bn	5A Bn	032.	—	1100	1211	1405.	Index School training T.W. © when do you require your rest party NO41 to return.	C	Adjt.	JEK.
4	7	44 Bn	5A Bn	ON203	032	1534	-	-	2 Asst Div arranging for return of number one rear party in sufficient time to allow departure of main body.	C	Sigs	GHG.
"	8	44 Bn fwd 5/7 5/8 Bns	5 Bde	QE42	-	1500	1527	1545	Bn TAILORS © confidential report required stating if unit tailors have been trade grouped and when also if employed as same in civilian life © Urgent	C	Adjt	GHG.
"	9	5 Bde Comm Offr.	5A Bn	ON204	-	1645			confirming telephone conversation © Unit requires six pressure lamps if available	C	Sigs	JEK
	10	5A Bn	5 Bde	QE.44	—	1730.	1757	1815	CONSERVATION OF FOOD STUFFS © all units will strictly comply with G.R.O. 610/ re and D.R.O. 256/42 to which attention is drawn © all informed	C	Sigs	JEK.

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Date	Sil No	54 Bn Rpt 2 Div	5 Bde	Orig QA43/1272	In Rep To No	2002	2119	2130	Transfer 3 carriers from 18 Fd Regt ⊙ our QA106 refers. Advise if action complete	C SYSTEM	Adjt ACTION	C LOGGED
3	12	5 Bde	54 Bn	ON208.		0823.			Pack train figures 5 OCT ⊙ ONE.	C	Sigs	[illegible]
3	13	54 Bn	5 Bde	OB342	—	0945	1000	1035	Daylight saving commence 0200 hrs 3 OCT all states except WA ⊙ that is time operates eastern and central time zone ACK all informed	C	Adjt	R.H.
3	14	5 Bde	54 Bn	QM2	QA43/1272	1045			Action complete.	C	Sigs	R.H.
3	15	ADOS 2 DIV	54 Bn	QM3	—	1110			Please advise cost of watches G.S. Mk II	C	Sigs	R.H.
3	16	54 56 44 Bns	5 Bde	OB141	—	1440	1447		Advise urgently following details of refrigerators held by unit ⊙ cabinet NO engine NO compressor NO refrigerator serial NO if any.	C	Adjt.	R.J.
3	17	5 Bde	54 Bn	LE101	QB121	1545	1600	[illegible]	Refrigerator cases NO 11 compressor NO TM 45995 engine NO 25987 serial NO M1069	C	Sigs	R.J.
3	18	Sgt of Regd Rec DIV	54 Bn	JG2	—	1925	—		Cpl Hall and Pte Priest to be ready to go to Geraldton for wool classing 0800 hrs 4 Oct.	C	Sigs	ARML.
4	19	44, 54 56 Bns.	5 Bde	OB346	-	1225	1237	1257	INDEX STAFF AITBS ⊙ additional staff required from this Bde ⊙ 13 AITB one sgt. one cpl. 44 Bn one sgt. 54 Bn one sgt one cpl 56 Bn ⊙ 35 AITB one lieut 54 Bn ⊙ nominal rules particulars and C.O. certificate these H.Q. by 6 OCT.	C	Adjt.	[illegible]
4	19	44 54 56 Bns	5 Bde	OB341	—	1347	1357	1439	LHQ gas school 3 NOV to 7 DEC for offers suitable GSO'S. CW ⊙ one vacancy 2 DIV ⊙ nominations required these HQ 6 OCT.	C	Adjt	ARML
4	20	5 Bde	54 Bn	ON213	QA43/1272	1532	—	—	Action complete ⊙ advised in our message QM2 3 Oct.	~~Sigs~~ C	Sigs	ARML

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4	21	5Bde	54Bn	ON 214	QB 121	1543			ref REFRIGERATOR ⊙ engine No. 25987 cabinet No. M1069 compressor No. TM 45995 refrigerator serial No 4788	C	Sigs	JAR
4	22	5Bde	54Bn	ON216	DWB43/1051	1607			confirming telephonic comm with S.C. ⊙ might documents AAF A4 certificate of arrest report of arrest and HLR be returned to unit from 2 Aust Div in connection with NX 122382 pte MASTERS CC.	C	Sigs	JAR
4	23	DAPM WAL C area reptd to Clermont	54 Bn	ON217		1613			WX 35308 pte BALL FW AWL ⊙ this soldier unknown to unit and has NOT reported here	C	Sigs	JAR
4	24	54Bn	5Bde	OB350	—	1730	1741	1755	Sketches miniature ranges showing location direction of fire danger areas required these H.Q by 1300 hrs 6 Oct	C	Adjt.	ARWP
5	25	44 54 56 Bns	5Bde	OB352	-	1025	1037	1055	5 Aust Cookery school elementary course commencing 11 Oct ⊙ Vacancy 44Bn one 54Bn One 56Bn one ⊙ nominal rolls & particulars this H.Q 7 Oct.	C	adjt	JAR
6	26	44 54 56 Bns	5Bde	OB57	-	1055	1105	1145	Ref gas Offrs and NCOs ⊙ submit this HQ by 9 Oct list pers qualified for above ⊙ also pers at present carrying out gas instn ⊙ return to show no rank, name school attended and date qualified	C	adjt	EHS
6	27	44 54 56 Bns	5Bde	I836	-	1200	1201	1215	Ref 5Bde Standard Sheets ⊙ please return sheets No 3, 9, 9A for amendment to reach this HQ by 13 Oct.	C	Adjt	EHS
6	28	54Bn	MIL BASE SYDNEY	227879	—	~~160~~	1540	1800	NX 136303 SIG BR LANGDON applied extension leave without pay ⊙ department of manpower recommend 3 weeks leave ~~for the~~ father ill harvesting due ⊙ 3 weeks approved by this HQ subject your concurrence ⊙ advise decision	C	Adjt	ARB
6	29	MIL BASE SYDNEY	54Bn	ON 225	215378	1607	—	—	ref NX 84099 Pte WILLIS WR ⊙ did soldier apply in writing as required for 28 days leave without pay ⊙ if so was leave approved ⊙ please treat matter as urgent ⊙ LTD camp PELL report soldier AWL from 20 Sept.	C	sigs	"

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6	30	MIL BASE SYDNEY	54Bn	ON226	2279	1715	—	-	Ref NX136303 LANGDON B.R. extension leave without pay unit concurs three weeks extension without pay.	C	Sigs	ARWL
7	31	5Bde	54Bn	ON230	—	0810	-	-	No 5(A) WEAPON TRG. INST COURSE LHQ SAS BONEGILLA. Please advise when Cpl Cheeseman WAL is to move. Course commences 18 Oct.	C	Sigs	WLB
7	32	5Bde	54Bn	ON229	-	0805	-	-	Pack train figures 10 Oct. Nil	C	Sigs	WLB
7	33	5Bde	54Bn	ON234	—	1233	-	-	OFFICERS REST CAMP ⊙ NIL return	C	Sigs.	[illegible]
"	34	44 54 56 Bns	5Bde	OB362	-	1205	1221	1300	return reqd by 13 Oct showing personnel who have attended OTS prep 3 Corps Schools or any equivalent course ⊙ results obtained ⊙ educational and other qualificat[illegible]	C	Adjt	EHG
7	35	54Bn	5Bde	OB365	—	1710	1720	1917	STAFF AITBS ⊙ Move on Geraldton pack train night 10/11 OCT. ⊙ WX31716 LIEUT LEUNIG H.B. 35 AITB NX148972 L/SGT DOWELL J.S. 35 AITB	C		[illegible]
8	36	54Bn	5Bde	QE70	—	0920	0931	0945	REINFTS ⊙ 2 arrive NARNGULU 1623 hrs 8 Oct ⊙ unit arrange tpt ⊙ ack.	C	Adjt	ARWL
8	37	5Bde	54Bn	ON236	QE.70	1445			ack	C	Sigs	[illegible]
	38	54Bn	MIL BASE SYDNEY	~~ON 225~~ 230446	ON225		2045	2130	NX84099 Pte WILLIS W.R. advised 27 Sept. extention 28 days LWOP approved providing written application forwarded this HQ ⊙ Application received 1st Oct.	C	Adjt	[illegible]
	39	5Bde	54Bn	ON222	QE73	2000	2030	—	NOT found by this unit			
13	40	5Bde	54Bn	ON248	—	1735	-	-	course commences 14 Oct finishes with two day exercise on 26/27 Oct.	C	Sigs	KW
13	41	LTD Claremont	54Bn	ON250	—	2022	-	-	Please do NOT divert any personnel to JW SCHOOL other than offrs and NX148978 WO II MASTIN J AO return all other personnel to usual unit location	C	Sigs	KW

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14	42	54 Bn	Milbank Perth	A6211	—	0930	1240	1325	WX18489 Pte SD Paltridge compassionate leave extended to 16 oct. fact verified	C	Sigs	Kw
14	43	54 Bn	5 Bde	QA151	43/267	2200	2227	0008	NX137719 Pte Howard M.S. ⊙ ARL compassionate grounds approved ⊙ move soldier LTD by 21 oct for onward mout	C	Sigs	Kw
15	44	54 Bn	Milbank Perth	0625	—	1630	1845	2000	WX 31500 Pte Newly Compassionate leave extended 19 Oct	C	Sigs	EH
15	45	MILBASE PERTH	54 Bn	ON255	—	1255	-		WX18489 pte PALTRIDGE SD ⊙ requests 28 days special leave ⊙ have advised soldier to apply direct MILBASE for LWOP for period ⊙ subject satisfactory investigation unit concurs	C	sigs	Kw
15	46	5 Bde	54 Bn	ON259	—	1543	1550	-	N19075 pte WALKER W.M. att from your HQ requests ARL Compassionate ⊙ grandmother dying 167 William St Bathurst ⊙ grandmother has looked after soldier since babyhood ⊙ case seems genuine ⊙ no ARL taken since arrival WA	C	sigs	Kw
16	47	5 Bde	54 Bn	~~1600~~ sigs 1	CY591	1600	1610		ack	C	Sigs	[illegible]
16	48	54 Bn	MIL BASE SYDNEY	23 AQ 51716	—	1956	2212		NX 142415 Pte G S Inford advise present [illegible] ⊙ This HQ 2208 ECDG Sept 7 ref LRS	C	sigs	Kw
18	49	44 Bn 54 Bn 56 Bn	5 Bde via 3 Corps	QA158	—	1350	-	2095	— — rural work ⊙ Further our QA137 Date 10 ⊙ offrs NCO and specialist not to be granted leave ⊙ apply GRO 598 Part one	C	Sigs	Kw
18	50	~~[illegible]~~ 54 Bn	Milbase Perth	Q6233	—	1407	2125	2155	WX18489 Pte Paltridges 5 leave without pay extended to 13 nov vide unit signal soldier	C	Sigs	[illegible]

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19/OCT	51	3rd Aust Corps SW School	3 Aust Corps	A8310	—	1030	1105½/19	1210	Sgt Keating to be detached forthwith to 3 Aust Corps amphibious training centre Pt Walter ⊙ please affect	C	Sigs	
19	52	FORMIL TORY SYDNEY	54 Bn	GM48	—	1615	1650		Cancel allotment four shillings NX142428 LEWIS LW	C	Sigs	
19	53	FORMIL TORY SYDNEY	54 Bn	GM49	—	1615	1650		Decrease allotment five shillings and sixpence to three shillings and sixpence NX130004 Smith W.B.	C	Sigs	
19	54	Formil tory Sydney	54 Bn	GM50	—	1616	1650		Cancel allotment three shillings NX131179 Whatley K.T.	C	Sigs	
19	55	Formil tory Sydney	54 Bn	GM51	—	1616	1650		Cancel allotment three shillings NX129124 KJOLLER C.L.	C	Sigs	
19	56	54 Bn	5 Bde ASC offr	HE16	—	1030	—	1600	Information returns ref toilet paper not available ⊙ contact local D.I.D. There is no Basco	C	Sigs	
19	57	54 Bn	L.T.O Claremont	749	—	1430	1940	2250	case and spectacals marked 32857 Sgt Mabrikant 54 Bn H.Q. picked up on pack train and handed into this ~~office~~ depot ⊙ please advise disposal	C	Sigs	
20	58	5 Bde	54 Bn	ON263	OB378	0920	0923		SCHOOLS COOKING ⊙ NX130004 Pte Smith WB nominated for course 15 Nov 29 Nov	C	Sigs	
20	59	49 Bn 54 Bn 58 Bn	5 Bde	OB384		0915	1930	~~1858~~ 1858	Schools sigs 3 ACS ⊙ Reporter cause 14 allotment vacancies 5 Bde serial 116 ML orderlies 8 nov 27 nov serial 120 Reg. Sigs 24 8 Nov 18 dec 10 ⊙ Vacancies regd this H.Q. by 22 oct.	C	Sigs	

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20/10/43	60	54R	5Bde	OB385	—	0943	1024	—	Schools NIVTIC Greylands ⊙ Drum Medanis course HP127 is now 18 MEC Vacancies 5 Bde 3 ⊙ unit requirements this by 22 Oct	C	Sigs	
20/10/43	61	54Bn	54th Bn	—	—	1055	1058	—	Ord Sec Delivery Of mail this to 43 Bde for engrs Sqdns and others	C	Sig	
20	62	54R	5Bde	QA165	—	1025	1028	1330	returns census warlike stores due this HQ 19 Oct — NOT received ⊙ request check immediately	C	Sigs	
20	63	5Bde	54Bn	QN267	—	1330	1335		NX142415 pte GAINSFORD J ⊙ has any reply been received to our RBC/NL 43/681 of 8 Oct 43	C	Sigs	
20	64	5Bde	54Bn	QN268	OB384	1331	1340	—	your Sig did NOT state number of vacancies for serial 116 NIC orderlies course ⊙ please advise	C	Sigs	
20	65	AMOPO PERTH	54Bn	QN271	—	1517	1522	—	Mail seperately bagged and labelled 54 Bn regt Party FPO 155 not reaching destination please advise	C	Sigs	
20	66	5Bde	54R	QN272	OB381	1537	1545	—	School requirements ⊙ See our 43/466 of 15 Sep which contains complete list	C	Sigs	
20	67	54BN	5Bde	QA160	—	1630	1635	1940	Lost medical stores RAPO next-of-kin QA 43/1192 dated 11 Oct ⊙ expedite reply	C	Sigs	
20	68	54BN rptd 2 DIV	5Bde	OB388	QN268	1530	1540	1940	schools sigs 3 ACs ⊙ fill copies OB 384 needs vacancies 4	C	Sigs	
20	69	5Bde	54Bn	QN274	—	2110	2140	—	LOST MEDICAL STORES ⊙ investigation held awaiting statement from Capt CONNAUGHTON and costings from M and V stores ⊙ when received file will be returned	C	Sigs	

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20	70	5 Bde	54 Bn	ON 275	QA 1760	2115	2140	-	ref L HQ gas school course 25 from 3 Nov to 7 dec ⊙ advise date Lieut WILLIS will report to ~~the~~ CLAREMONT	C	Sigs	
21	71	44 Bn 54 Bn	5 Bde	OB 389	-	0953	10 3/4 21	1240	Schools requirements 3 AGH ref 5 Bde OB 281 of 19 ~~Aug~~ Oct ref 2 div G1/294/43 of 25 ctg para 2 B ⊙ over due returns still not received expedite	C	Sigs	
21	72	54 Bn	4 Bde	TS 816	-	1200	1220	-	NX 136145 Pte Reynolds W 54 Unit Sig Bn ~~reported into~~ this unit for discharge not in possession of F 200 pleas expedite the forwarding of this document	C	Sigs	
21	73	5 Bde	54 Bn	ON 277	OB 384	1410	1415	-	SCHOOL Sigs 3 AGS ⊙ four vacancies required for serial 120 Regimental Sigs Inf. 8 nov 18 dec ⊙ NIL vacancies required required for serial 116 MC ordenlies	C	Sigs	
21	74	44 Bn 54 Bn	5 Bde	OB	-	1138	1158	1437	ref semaphone sigs ⊙ report by signal number personnel trained and speed obtained	C	Sigs	
21	75	5 Bde	54 Bn	ON 278	OB 389	1147	1455	-	reply made by sigs ON 272 ⊙ JLS/43/16 three ⊙ R/43/13 two ⊙ 1143/19 one	C	Sigs	
21	76	5 Bde 8 Bde	54 Bn	ON 279	-	1615	1630	-	NX 84099 Pte Willis W B ⊙ ~~one~~ memo ref 43/1281 of 16/10 re ~~application for extended leave was~~ absence fishing ⊙ out of station ~~leave~~ leave not NWL.	C	Sigs	
21	77	54 Bn	5 Bde	QA 1769	ON 267	1430	1438	1209	exemption WX 14245 Pte Gainsford J ⊙ copies relevant reports required vide our QA/43/1058 of 18 Oct	C	Sigs	

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21	78	44 Bn 54 Bn	5 Bde	OB390		1533	1551	1809	Schools D and M ⊙ 4 MTTD Bonthorn course [F] now to 11 dec ⊙ Has one vacancy been allotted your Bn ⊙ if not each Bn ⊙ may submit one nomination for conc- urrence ⊙ nominal role this H.Q. by 24 oct at latest	C	sigs	
21	79	5 Bde	54 Bn	ON280		1753	1755	—	WATER CARTS ⊙ essential 56 Bn having two water carts to SCHOOL ⊙ SCHOOL cart is grounded ⊙ please treat as URGENT	C	Sigs	
21	80	2 DIV 7 Fd Bn 54 Bn 56 Bn	5 Bde	1862	—	1800	1814	2020	warning ⊙ 19 Garr Bn using live ammn 0900 1000 hrs 22 Oct ⊙ guns 483323 stop butt 480322	C	sigs	
22	81	5 Bde	54 BN	ON281	—	0905	0915	—	application compassionate leave NX122699 cpl. FITZGERALD I.H. ⊙ mother seriously ill soldier asks compassionate leave ⊙ case genuine ⊙ address Mrs E.M. FITZGERALD BARSVALE DUBBO ⊙ soldier has credit eight days ⊙ strongly recommend for immediate investigation MILBASE	C	Sigs	
22	82	44 BN FWD 54 BN FWD 56 BN	5 Bde	PA173	—	2338	2350	1205	naval work ⊙ ref our PA137 of 10 oct ⊙ amend ⊙ application through this H.Q. ⊙ request forwarded by C.O.S. report	C	sigs	
22	83	54 Bn	5 Bde	OB393	ON273	1003	1010	1237	Schools gas L.H.Q. ⊙ course 25 cancelled	C	sigs	
22	84	5 Bde	54 Bn	ON284	—	1434	1450		SCHOOLS MVTTC GRAYLANDS ⊙ driver mechanics course 127 from 15 nov to 18 dec ⊙ NX122471 pte THOMAS J is nominated from this unit	C	sigs	

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23/10/43	85	[illegible]	54 Bn	JM48	28/9/19	1050	1100	–	forward of specificals this unit under registered cover	C	sigs	[illegible]
"	86	5 Bde	54 Bn	ON290	QM1	1055	1100	–	Vehicles ⊙ thirteen 3 ton one water cart three water coolers two fourteen four 15 cwt six MC ⊙ twenty five offs and six hundred ninety three personnel ⊙ confirm telephone conversation even date	C	sigs	[illegible]
23	87	54 Bn	5 Bde	022	–	0955	0958	1145	Ref this H.Q. 43/1349 of 18 oct ⊙ please advise if reply forwarded direct	C	sigs	[illegible]
23	88	5 Bde	54 Bn	ON292	022	1152	1155		reply forwarded direct 5 Bde 21 oct as result C.O.'s telephone conversation 20 oct	C	sigs	[illegible]
23	89	5 Bde	54 Bn	43/658	–	1200	1205	–	NX156582 pte MASTYN R. ⊙ has any finality been reached regarding exemption this soldier ⊙ see our 43/658 of 25 sep.	C	sigs	[illegible]
23	90	54 Bn	Formalitary Sydney	PAY 20116	–	–	1321	–	NX95013 Davis J.H. confirm period LWOP commencing 3 July urgent	C	sigs	[illegible]
24	91	5 Bde	54 Bn	ON293	QA179	0830	0835	–	this ~~[illegible]~~ return dispatched 20 oct	C	sigs	[illegible]
24	92	5 Bde	54 Bn	ON294	OB396	0900	0928	–	delete NX137545 pte COFFEE J.M. from nominal roll to reduce nominations to three	C	sigs	[illegible]
25	93	5 Bde	54 Bn	ON297	017	1115	1125		semaphore sigs ⊙ reports from coys indicate approx an hundred eighty personnel can send four words per min ⊙ no trg conducted past month consequently no progress made	C	sigs	[illegible]

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25	94	GGD Claremont	54Bn	ON298	TS816	1117	1130	–	NX136145 pte REYNOLDS W ⊙ all documents sent with soldier when evacuated to hospital ⊙ F200 NOT with unit	C	sig	Kr
25	95	5Bde rptd ~~5Div~~ 54Bn	2 div	G1/327/43	–	0900	1015	–	ref our G1/327/43 dated 26 sep special PT. and unarmed combat course No 43 Frankston 9 nov 11 dec ⊙ students ~~rp~~ report LTD Claremont by 1400 hrs 29 oct	C	Sig	Kr
25	96	54Bn	5Bde	OS399	–	1455	1500	1800	index schools PT LHQ ⊙ course 4 3 9 nov 11 dec ⊙ Frankston ⊙ NX125733 LUIT N EVANS NX122416 SGT FURLERSON RC report LTD CLAREMONT by 1400 hrs 29	C	sigs	Kr
25	97	44Bn Rptd 54Bn via 2div	5Bde	028	–	1445	–	2045	All Bn and coy comds to carry pde states all times	C	sig	Kr
26	98	54Bn Trnd 56Bn	5Bde	9A152	–	2150	2200	1050	ARL ⊙ train ex Perth 2 nov ⊙ 54 Bn one offrs 5 ors ⊙ 56 Bn 12 ORs ⊙ corps Authority A8333 ⊙ mob 3 duplicate reach LTD 31 oct certif mob 3 shall hold state address on leave date train departs corps authority and unit stamp	C	sig	Kr

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26	99	5 Bde	54 Bn	DN303	PA152	1055	1105	–	ack	C	sigs	[illegible]
26	100	FOMILIT-ARY SYDNEY	54 Bn	A49	–	1400	1405	–	Decrease allotment three shillings and sixpence to one shilling NX142417 Wright WH ⊙ Member now married	C	Sigs	[illegible]
26	101	54 Bn	5 Bde	OB403	–	1250	1259	1452	staff releif OCTU ⊙ ref 5 Bde 43/1346 of 19 oct please expedite nominations ⊙ required by 27 oct	C	sigs	[illegible]
26	102	54 Bn	5 Bde	OC93	–	1500	1501	–	NY95778 Pte O'Brien J.F. has solofier returned 100 ARL ⊙ if so expedite submission reports stating action taken reference your RLDN 706 47	C	Sigs	[illegible]
26	103	54 Bn	5 Bde	OB405	–	1333	1450	2050	School cooking ⊙ advance course claremont 15 nov 29 nov RES ROB 378 ⊙ allotment vacancies 44 Bn 2 54 Bn 1 56 Bn 1 ⊙ 54 Bn nominal roll for N130004 AII Smith WB has been received by this H.Q. joining instructions later	C	sigs	[illegible]
26	104	54 Bn	5 Bde	O30	–	1745	1750	2050	desired H.Q. Tenth attached 54 Bn return completion JW ~~school~~ trg ⊙ will not attend swanbourne Rifle range appreciate if movement arranged direct with unit ⊙ please advise this HQ	C	sigs	[illegible]
27	105	54 Bn rpt 5 Bde DAPMG	2 div	0139	–	0845	1030	–	personel H.Q. 5 Aust Inf Bde attached 54 Bn will return to unit at completion JW trg ⊙ please arrange	C	sig	[illegible]

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27	106	54 Bn	5 Bde	QE 95	–	1120	1445	1430	all restrictions lifted on return of all stores to RSD	Adjt.	[illegible]
27	107	54 BN FWD 56 BN	5 BDE	QA 190	–	1110	1115	1430	ARL ⊙ our QA 182 of 25 Oct is cancelled ⊙ confirms verbal advise	"	[illegible]
27	108	54 Bn.	5 BDE	QE 96	–	1120	1144	1430	exception NX122714 L/Cpl. BATUP A.H.W. ⊙ require CO report in accordance A SO 5/7 also DDGMP report and any other correspondence	"	[illegible]
27	109	54 BN	5 BDE	OB 409	–	1010	1205	1430	schools OCTU ⊙ LHQ ⊙ course 7 commencing 1 Nov 43 ⊙ to complete files copy required nomination forms NX122487 Sgt Mallhorn BJ NX 123766 Cpl Borthwick R this HQ by 3 Nov	"	[illegible]
27	110	54 BN	5 BDE	QE 97	–	1230	1325	1600	ref DRO 954/42 certificate to reach this HQ before 1200 hrs 29 Oct ⊙ by signal if necessary ⊙ all informed	"	[illegible]
27	111	54 Bn	5 Bde	QE 98	–	1230	1322	1600	ref signal my QA 43/1339 ⊙ please ack receipt.	"	[illegible]
27	112	54 Bn	FOMILITARY SYDNEY	PAY 20412	–	–	1225	1935	N34841 Brundy VT WF174 following	"	[illegible]
27	113	54 Bn	5 Bde	OB 414	–	1545	1647	2109	SCHOOLS D and M 4 MTTD NORTHAM ⊙ course E 1 Nov 11 Dec nomination NX 136367 Pte Staines KA received too late ⊙ suggest Staines course B 14 nov 25 Dec F on which joining instruction following later	"	[illegible]
27	114	54 BN 54 Bn	5 Bde	OB 416	–	1705	1717	2105	SCHOOLS TAC LHQ Jungle defence engineers aids camouflage course 1 22 nov 18 ⊙ 1 vacancies allotted 5 Bde ⊙ this required signal nominations for concurrence ⊙ advise by 29 Oct ⊙	"	[illegible]
27	115	54 Bn	5 Bde	OB 417	–	1801	1811	2155	School PT LHQ ⊙ ack our OB 399 of 25 Oct NOT received advise	"	[illegible]
27	116	54 Bn	5 Bde	OB 419	–	2125	2133	2325	Staff relief 35 A.I.T.B. ref our 43/863 of 19 Oct signal nominee relief WX 25439 Cpl Hocking and advise when moved	"	[illegible]
28	117	54 Bn rfld 2 Div	Millbase Sydney.	247651	ON 226	–	1907	2040	demamper recommends this HQ concurs discharge NX 136303 Sig Langdon BR ⊙ prepare discharge if you concur ⊙ two weeks extension leave without pay pending reply ⊙ please advise urgent	"	[illegible]
28	118	54 Bn	5 Bde	OB 431	–	1757	1820	2040	SCHOOLS PT LHQ ⊙ ref our OB 399 of 25 Oct and OB 417 of 27 Oct ⊙ ack still not received advise urgent	"	[illegible]
28	119	5 Bde	54 Bn	ON 304	OB 431	2208	2210	[illegible]	OB 399 ack ⊙ students left for CLAREMONT 28 Oct ⊙ delay regretted	"	[illegible]
28	120	54 Bn	FOMILITARY SYDNEY	20578	–	–	2010	2230	NX 142428 Lewis LW allotment cancelled as from 22 Oct 2 V 94977	"	[illegible]

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28	121	5Bde	54Bn	ON306	QF97	2345	2350	0005/29	ref DRO 954/43 ⊙ necessary action taken	Adjtgs	[illegible]
28	122	44Bn 54Bn	5Bde via 2Div FMD	OB425	—	1605	1740	0205/29	Schools mec LHQ ⊙ number two det mob wing ref Geraldton 1/63360 ⊙ 533327 ⊙ course three and four commencing 7 nov ⊙ allotment vacancies 44Bn wheeled vehicles one offr carriers one offr one NCO 54Bn carriers one NCO ⊙ signal nominations this HQ by 31 Oct ⊙ joining instrs following	Adjt.	[illegible]
29	123	5Bde	54Bn	ON307	—	0950	1050	1125	NX 136303 pte LANGDON BR ⊙ MILBASE advise propose discharge soldier if unit concurs ⊙ two weeks extension leave without pay has been granted pending units reply as soldier present NSW ⊙ no file available as application made direct MILBASE ⊙ MILBASE sig 247651 of 28 Oct refers was rptd 2 Aust Div ⊙ please advise 2Div unit concurs ⊙ urgent.	Sigs.	[illegible]
29	124	ATC(3W) Cunningham & Lowe	54Bn	GM50	—	1200	1205	—	NX 122526 Cook WC appointed A/Lieut 1 Aug 43 RO 24/226/43 ⊙ adjust payback and WF 140		[illegible]
29	125	FORM. SIG	54Bn	GM54	—	1200	1205	—	Cancel allotment three shillings NX 131150 Ryan AA.		[illegible]
29	126	5Bde	54Bn	ON310	OB416	1150	1155	—	SCHOOL TAC. LHQ jungle defence engineers aids camouflage course 1 ⊙ NX124615 lieut TONKIN LAG nominated for consideration		[illegible]
29	127	5Bde	54Bn	ON309	QA/43/1339	1147	1155	—	ack		[illegible]
29	128	5Bde	54Bn	ON308	OB403	1145	1150	—	staff relief OCTUQ if NOT too late VX 119793 WO7 GARDINER RP is nominated for this relief ⊙ nominee is number A1C.		[illegible]
29	129	5Bde	54Bn	ON311	QA/43/1325	1157	1206	1230	WX 25706 pte MIDALIA R reported 54Bn rear 21 Oct		[illegible]
29	130	44Bn 54Bn 56Bn	5Bde	OB432	—	0938	0950	1245	schools gas LHQ course 26 17 dec 11 jan vacancies 5Bde 1 Sgt ⊙ signal nominations of each Bn this HQ by 30 Oct	Adjt	[illegible]
29	131	54Bn rptd 5Bde	2Div	A262	43/706	1014	1027	1240	N 195797 O'Brien J S use of coupons ⊙ has soldier returned from ARL ⊙ request immediate submission of report and return of file ⊙ advise position by signal.		[illegible]
29	132	2Div rptd 54Bn FMD	5Bde	QA201	—	1035	1038	1345	Comp leave NX 122699 Cpl FITZGERALD 5 Batt ⊙ [illegible] QA 177 refers ⊙ any info please		[illegible]

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29	133	54Bn	5Bde	OB433	-	1000	1009	-	Schools D and M A MTTD ⊙ Northam ⊙ ref our OB414 of 27 Oct please advise by 30 Oct	adjt.	[illegible]
29	134	54Bn	5Bde	OB435	-	1215	1225	-	Schools MVTTC Greylands ⊙ refresher course MECHS MT 8 Nov of 50 ct 56 Bn not able submit nominations can you fill vacancies ⊙ signal reply ⊙ nominal role this HQ by 31 Oct	"	[illegible]
29	135	5Bde	54Bn	ON316	OB435	1605	1625	-	Unable to apply at present	Sigs	[illegible]
29	136	LTD SYDNEY	54Bn	ON315	-	1633	1640	-	N234518 pte BULL PC ⊙ soldier has NOT rejoined unit	sigs	[illegible]
29	137	2 div rptd 5Bde	54Bn	ON316	AZ62	1645	1655	-	N100797 pte O'BRIEN JS. ⊙ advise received soldier reported 54 Bn near 24 oct ⊙ unable to take action until soldier rejoins main body with near party	sigs	[illegible]
29	138	5Bde	54Bn	ON317	-	1650	1655	-	NX122699 bpl FITZGERALD I.H. ⊙ soldier has received further advise mothers condition grave ⊙ can matter be hastened please ⊙ our ON281 and 43/325 of 21 oct refer	sigs	[illegible]
29	139	FOMIL ITARY Sydney	54Bn	ON318	PAY 20116	1700	1706	-	NX95013 DAVIS JH NOT member this unit	sigs	[illegible]

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ROUTINE ORDERS.

BY

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PART I. 1 OCTOBER, 43.

263 UNIT CENSORS

Instances have occurred where unit censors have been opening correspondence after franking, for the purpose of re-checking. Such practice is to cease. The attention of all concerned is directed to LHQ Field Censorship Instn No 4 Appx "B" para 9 (a), an extract of which is quoted hereunder;-
"The unit censor is NOT a Censor within the normal meaning of the word. Neither he nor any other unit officer has the authority to read or undertake any re-check of franked correspondence - such responsibility rests with a Base Censor, or a member of a Field Censor ship Section in the Course of official duty only."

264 LEAVE - MT PICQUETS.

Reports indicate that picquets on the MT at the leave car park GERALDTON are NOT functioning as they should. Frequent inspections will be made and any slackness will meet with strong disciplinary action. Picquets must be always on the alert.

265. OUT OF BOUNDS - BREAKWATER - FISHING AREAS.

GERALDTON BREAKWATER is out of bounds to all personnel. Personnel will NOT move beyond line BREAKWATER - LIGHTHOUSE or line BLUFF PT - mouth CHAPMAN river.
Approach will NOT be made to RAAF, RAN, or other services or authorities nor arrangements made for boat fishing except through Bde HQ.
(All personnel are to be warned on parade of the above).

266 OFFICIAL TIME

In order to eliminate errors in the notification of official time all units of the Australian Corps of Signals will make arrangements, where possible, to obtain the correct time direct from broadcasts of the Australian Broadcasting Commission or the British Broadcasting Corporation. Where reception of broadcasts is not possible, time will be obtained from the signal office of the next senior formation.
2. Units of the Australian Corps of Signals will be responsible for the distribution of official time and will use the procedure laid down in Signal Training (All Arms), Pamphlet No.8,1942. Sec.12.

267 TRAIN DISCIPLINE

RTOs have reported further cases of interference with Railway property, such as vacuum brakes.
To this effect it is desired that attention of all ranks be drawn to Div RO 470 of 12 May 43, reference the abovementioned subject.

"Several instances have been reported during the past weeks of personnel whilst travelling on the various Railway Systems riding on the steps of vehicles and stepping from one vehicle to

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another whilst the train is in motion. Accidents have occurred, some with fatal results.

Attention of all ranks is therefore drawn to the following:

The OC train is responsible for the discipline of the troops travelling and security of unit equipment and other Service stores conveyed on the train. He will ensure that the regulations of the Railway system are strictly observed by the troops. He will not, however, interfere with prescribed running of the train or the working of the Railway Service. At stations where an RTO is located, OC Train will make any requests to the Railway authorities through that Officer who is the channel of communication between the troops and the Railway Operating Staff.

Before leaving the entraining station, OC Train will warn troops against;

(a) Boarding or leaving trains in motion;
(b) Leaning out of windows and doors, or protruding any portion of the body from the train as to be in danger of being struck by side or overhead structures;
(c) Throwing anything out of the train;
(d) Interfering with or causing damage to railway property (windows, doors ,brake-gear and other fittings);
(e) Chalk marking of rolling stock;
(f) Discharging firearms except pursuant to orders;
(g) Carrying or consuming liquor on the train, unless supplied as part of the normal service available in a dining car;
(h) Occupying any portion of the train other than that set aside for their accommodation.

268 LOSS OF PAY BOOKS.

1. With reference to GRO P.623/1942, para 4, members wilfully destroying or losing by neglect their pay books will be charged under AA 24(i), AA24(2) or AA 40, whichever is appropriate in the particular circumstances.

2. Members making false statements in declarations regarding the loss of their pay books will be charged under AA25(i).

269 M.T. - FAN BELTS.

Recent inspection of unit MT by AEME has revealed cases of badly worn front and generator bearings. This is attributed, and confirmed by special inspection, to drivers not observing correct tension on fan belts. In many cases tension was found excessive - particularly with Carriers MG, where fan belt play can be over more than one inch between generator and water pump.

CHURCH PARADES.

O.Ds. 0930 hrs 3 Oct, 43.

R.Cs. 0700 hrs 3 Oct, 43.

CONFESSIONS. 1900 hrs 2 Oct, 43.

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PART I 3 OCTOBER,43.

270. SUMMER DRESS
Summer dress as laid down in AS08/3 will be worn by all personnel of 2 Aust.Div.as from I Oct.43.

27I. DAILY TIMETABLES.

	OFFRS.	ORs.
Reveille	0600	0600
Offrs Trg.	0645	
Breakfast	07I5	0700
Sick Parade	0730	0730
Parade	0830	0830
Stand Down	I200	I200
Lunch	I230	I2[illegible]
Parade	I330	I330
Stand Down	I700	I700
Retreat	I730	I730
Mess	I8I5	I730
Lights Out	23I5	22I5

The above daily timetable will come into effect for all Units as from 40ct.43.

272. TRESPASSING ON RAILWAY PROPERTY BY ARMY VEHICLES.
Complaints have been received of damage to the permanent way and railway water service pipes by army vehicles crossing lines and water mains.
This practice causes spreading of the rails with obvious possible serious consequences to rolling stock.Damage to water pipe lines or signal communications can have equally disasterous results.
NO army veh will enter railway yards or cross railway lines or other railway installations except at authorised crossing places. No veh. will be driven astride or "straddling" railway lines.

Severe disciplinary action will be taken in respect of any breach of this order.

NOTICE.

W.A.L.of C. CONCERT PARTY
The above party will be in 54 Aust. Inf.Bn.(AIF) lines on FRIDAY 8 OCTOBER 43.

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PART. 1

273. FOURTH LIBERTY WAR LOAN.

The fourth Liberty War Loan of £125,000,000 is now open for subscription.

Arrangements have been made for Paymasters to accept applications for Commonwealth Government Inscribed Stock or Treasury Bonds from members of the forces serving in Australia or New Guinea who may be desirous of investing their savings in the loan.

Particulars of Loan. Loan applications may be made for an amount of £10, or higher amount being a multiple of £10.
Stock will be inscribed at par for amounts of £100 or multiples of £10 above £100 as required.
Treasury Bonds are payable to bearer and are issued at par for £10, £50, £100, £500 and £1,000.
Interest is payable at 2½% per annum if invested for five years and at 3½% per annum if invested for sixteen years, and will be credited half yearly to the member's savings bank account or current account if desired.
Interest will be subject to Commonwealth taxation, but will not be subject to any income tax under the law of a state. During the period of uniform taxation, a rebate of 2/- in the pound on interest will be allowed to cover freedom from state taxation.
Any Bank nominated by the member will hold the bonds in safe custody for the member if so desired.

Procedure for Lodging Application. Application forms will be available from Paymasters or may be obtained through unit Pay Sergeants, and are required to be completed in duplicate. The applicant's signature will be witnessed by an officer of the same unit.
Sufficient credit must be available in the member's paybook to cover the amount it is desired to invest in the loan. The amount subscribed will be debited in the member's paybook.
Paymasters may accept cash in payment of loan subscription, in which case the amount tendered will be entered in the paybook to establish the necessary credit and an official receipt issued and pasted in the paybook.
The Commonwealth Bank will forward to members an interim receipt for the amount subscribed.

General. Both Treasury Bonds and Inscribed Stock are readily realisable and may be sold at any time. Any Bank will arrange this for the member if desired.
Where practicable, the substance of this order will be explained to personnel on parade.

274. AVIATION PETROL UNLEADED.

No indents will be placed on RAAF or US Army Air Force for 73 octane aviation gasoline (containing no tetra-ethyl lead) unless specifically required for use in aircraft engines. Any such indents will be endorsed by the Commanding Officer of unit "Required for Aircraft Engines".

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275. ENTITLEMENT OF ISSUE CLOTHING BY MEMBERS ON DISCHARGE FROM THE FORCES.

Upon discharge from the forces, members, other than those that are discharged for disciplinary reasons, shall be entitled to retain -

(a) Greatcoats.
(b) Jackets and Trousers SD, uniforms khaki drill and headgear.

Members discharged for disciplinary reasons shall not be entitled to retain the items shown in para 1 hereof, but may be issued, subject to availability and upon request, with a second-hand army greatcoat suitably dyed.

All members on discharge (including disciplinary reasons) may retain the following :-

(a) All personal issue items, such as underclothing, boots, braces, brushes, combs, housewives, holdalls, identity discs, cardigans, pullovers, razors, shirts, socks, stockings, towels etc.
(b) Shirts (with badges removed) shorts and kit-bags.

Working dress and clothing on loan will remain the property of the Commonwealth at all times.

276. PURCHASE OF READY-TO-WEAR OR MADE-TO-MEASURE UNIFORMS.

The conditions governing the purchase of ready-to-wear or made-to-measure officer pattern uniforms, and warrant-officers Class 1, of the AIF (vide GRO A.352/1943) are set out hereunder :-

Method of Purchase.

(a) From Commonwealth Clothing Factory.
(i) Payment will be made on or before delivery of the goods.
(ii) In the case of orders received through the post, an immediate notification will be forwarded by the factory to the purchaser, intimating that the order has been put in hand and the amount involved. The purchaser will then forward a remittance and the goods will be despatched when ready.
(iii) When submitting an order, a member will furnish his or her army number, rank and signature.

(b) From Tailors and Retail Stores.
When giving an order to a tailor or retail store, a member will furnish his or her army number, rank and signature, producing upon request paybook as proof of identity.

(c) Officers purchasing fabric for making up by Tailors or Retail Stores.
Officers may themselves obtain material on prepayment from ordnance depots for subsequent making up by authorised tailors or retail stores.

Tailors and Retail Stores authorised to sell made-to-measure uniforms.

(a) A supplier of military uniforms can be authorised only by a commander of a L of C Area or his nominee.
(b) Members will not purchase uniforms from persons who they know to be unauthorised.

Supply of Material to Tailors and Retail Stores.

Tailors and retail stores authorised to sell made-to-measure uniforms may obtain the necessary material as follows :-

(a) A piece of each type of material may be purchased from ordnance in advance of orders received.
(b) Purchase of a further piece may be permitted when only 20 yards remain of the original piece. Thereafter no approved purchaser may hold at any time more than one piece plus 20 yeards.
(c) When replacement issues of material are required, the firm will produce to the ordnance depot the orders from members for whom uniforms have been made. These orders will show details of army numbers, ranks and names, and will be retained by the ordnance depots.

G.R.O. 665/1943 is cancelled.

ARTICLE LOST. One rifle magazine between Camp Area and Training Area. Finder please return same to Bn. H.Qrs.

(R.L. O'NEILL) Capt.

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ROUTINE ORDERS.
BY
Lt.-Col.J.S.G.COLLIER. COMD.54 AUST.INF.BN(AIF).

PART. 1. 23 OCTOBER 1943.

277. UNLAWFUL DISPOSAL OF EQUIPTMENT.

(1) Attention has been directed to the unauthorized disposal of AMF equiptment to members of the Allied Forces, and civilians and the unauthorized receipt of Allied equiptment by barter and otherwise by members of the AMF.

(2) Members are forbidden to part with, dispose of, or exchange by barter or otherwise, any item of AMF equiptment or to receive by barter or otherwise any item of Allied equiptment without the consent of the commanding officers of their Units. Such consent will only be given on the direction of superior authority or when the exigencies of the service render it necessary and reference to superior authority is impracticable.

(3) Disciplinary action will be taken against members unlawfully disposing of AMF equiptment, or unlawfully in possession of Allied equiptment, charges being laid under AA 17, AA18(4) or AA40, which ever is appropiate.

278. DENTAL FITNESS OF AMF MEMBERS ON DISCHARGE.

(1) On the finalization at GDD of any member of the AMF who is to be discharged, a dental examination of the member will be made by a Dental Officer.

(2) The object of this dental examination is to record the dental condition of a member, and the result of the examination will therefore be entered on AF I.5033, which will be attached to the member's AAF D2, or AAD-D2(a).

(3) If the examining dental officer considers that the member has insufficient natural teeth in occlusion to enable him to mast-icate efficiently and the member has not been supplied with suitable dentures, he will be supplied with suitable dentures.

(4) It is desirable that the supply of any necessary dentures should be effected prior to the discharge of the member concerned but when this is not practicable the member will be requested to attend at an appropiate army dental centre and will be provided with a rail warrant from his ordinary place of intended residence to that centre.

(5). No other dental attention will be undertaken by army dental officers as a result of any such examination, except such as may be necessary for the urgent relief of pain and minor repairs to dentures.

(6) Any ex-member discharged prior to the issue of this order who had insufficient natural teeth in occlusion to enable him to masticate efficiently and who had not been provided with suit-able dentures may, on the authority of an ADDS, be supplied with suitable dentures. To enable him to attend at an appropriate army dental centre, he may be provided with a rail warrant from his ordinary place of residence to that centre.

(7) (a) In this order "discharge" includes the termination of the appointment of an officer.
(b) The provision of this order relates only to members of THE AMF who are serving or who have served on continuous full time war service.

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279. PENSION AND COMPENSATION BENEFITS FOR MEMBERS OF THE AM AND THEIR DEPENDANTS.

Members covered by the provisions of the Australian Soldiers Repatriation Act:-

1. By virtue of the recent amending Act No.22 of 1943, the Australian Soldiers' Repatriation Act 1920-1943 (hereinafter called "the Act") now has an extended field of application and the following information is promulgated.

2. All members of the AMF, including members of the AANS, the AWAS and the AAMWS, who are serving in pursuance of an enlistment or appointment or call up, such enlistment, etc., bain for continuous service for the duration of and directly in connection with the war, may, under certain conditions, become eligible for pensions and other repatriation benefits under the Act and/or the regulations thereunder in respect of incapacity resulting from war service. The Act makes provisions also for the dependants of such persons to receive pensions in respect of such incapacity.

3. In the event of death resulting from the war service of any such member, his or her dependants may enjoy certain rights, such as pensions, and, in certain cases, other repatriation benefits, e.g. assistance under the Soldiers' Children Education Scheme.

4. The bases of eligibility are incapacity or death which, in the case of a member who was employed on active service (e.g., service in New Guinea or elsewhere over seas), results from any occurrence happening during the period from the date of his or her enlistment to the date of the termination of service in respect of that enlistment; or, in the case of any other member of the forces, incapacity or death which has arisen out of or is attributable to his or her service as a member of the forces:

Provided the incapacity or death of the member-

i. is not due to the serious default or wilful act of the member;

ii. does not arise from intentionally self-inflicted injuries; and

iii. does not arise from, or from any occurrence happening during the commission of, any serious breach of discipline by the member.

5. Responsibility for the administration of the Act and the regulations thereunder is vested in the Repatriation Commission, Melbourne. The Commission is represented in each capital city in the states of the Commonwealth by a Deputy Commissioner of Pensions, Repatriation. Applications under the Act or the regulations should be addressed to the Deputy Commissioner in the State in which the applicant resides.

6. War pension claims, usually, are dealt with in the first instance by a Repatriation Board, which is located in each State at the office of the Deputy Commissioner. Any appeal against an adverse decision of a Repatriation Board lies to the Repatriation Commission, but such appeal should be addressed to the Deputy Commissioner, who will give the matter attention and refer it to the Repatriation Commission. Should the Repatriation Commission decide that incapacity or death has not resulted from an occurrence happening during the period from date of enlistment to date of termination of service in respect of that enlistment, or has not arisen out of service or is not attributable to service, the claimant, or appellant, may then exercise his or her right of appeal to the Independent War Pensions Entitlement Appeal Tribunal, which is the final appeal authority in such matter.

7. The Army Rehabilitation Section gives to each member whose services are about to be terminated a copy of Army Book 84 which contains an outline of entitlements provided for ex-members of the forces. Further information in regard to entitlements under the Act is given in the booklet "An Outline of Repatriation" which has been issued by the Repatriation Commission and is obtainable on application at the office of the Deputy Commissioner of Repatriation in each State.

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8. Where a members services are to be terminated on the grounds of medical fitness the member is examined by a Final Medical Board, of which one of the members is a medical officer of the Repatriation Commission, and in addition, an Officer of the Repatriation Commission is in attendance to advise and assist the member in the preparation of claims. Where the final medical board indicates entitlement to pension, the member is retained on Army Pay for 60 days to enable the Repatriation Commission to deal with his or her claim and arrange payment of pension in approved cases.

Members Covered by the provisions of the Defence Act.

9. The rights to compensation of a member of the AMF not called up for continuous full time war service will continue to be governed by the Defence Act and the regulations made thereunder.

10. The basis of eligibility for compensation, as from 27 May 42, is, however, death or incapacity directly attributable to employment as a member of the Defence Forces and not, as prior to that date, death or incapacity on war service or on duty as prescribed by Section 57 of the Defence Act - vide Regulation 16 of the National Security (Supplementary) Regulations.

11. Compensation under the Defence Act is payable only to the widow and family of a member in the case of his death.

12. (a) Where the compensation provision of the Defence Act, i.e. lump sum payments, are considered inadequate, an act of grace payment may be made upon a scale not exceeding that which might be granted under the Australian Soldiers Repatriation Act If the member has been a member of a forces within the meaning of that Act and has otherwise complied with the conditions of eligibility prescribed by and his claim had been dealt with thereunder.

(b) All applications for compensation referred to L.H.Q. in accordance with M.F.R. 7 1289, et seq, will be accompanied by a report showing number of dependants, relationship and financial position of claimant and any further information which will assist in arriving at a decision whether the amount of compensation payable under the Defence Act and M.F.R & I is adequate in the circumstances.

(c) Cases which have occurred since the outbreak of the war and which have not been completed may be adjusted on the basis of set out in sub-para (a) of this para. Compensation in these cases has been paid on a weekly basis and any further action necessary in this connection will be taken by L.H.Q.

13. In view of the hardship which may result to members and their dependants as a result of delay in dealing with claims by reason of non-production of essential documents and by reason of incomplete information, reports of investigating officers and medical boards will contain all the necessary information and will be completed as soon as possible after the occurrance.

280. M.T. FUEL DRAININGS - ARMY 4 and 44 GALLON DRUMS.

1. Except in the cases referred to in para 2 hereof, M.T. fuels in 4 and 44 gallon drums will be thoroughly drained in to M.T. vehicle tanks before the drums are returned to Supply Officers.

2. In cases where the above action is impracticable or would be imprudent owing to the presence of small water accumulations or other contaminants, the dregs will be emptied into clean 44 gallon drums, The fuel thus saved will then be either used in Unit vehicles or passed to Salvage for disposal.

281. RETREAT.

In future when Retreat is sounded all personnel in tents or buildings within camp area will maintain silence.

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282. EQUIPMENT OF PERSONNEL ATTENDING SCHOOLS.

A number of cases have recently occurred in this Formation of Students attending 3 Aust Corps Schools without arms or equipment.

Units will, in future, ensure that all students are equipped as indicated in the Joining Instructions issued.

283. OUT OF BOUNDS.

The VENT JATH HOTEL, William Str , PERTH. is declared out of bounds to all soldiers in uniform from and including Thursday 30 Sept.43, until further notice.

L O'Neill Capt.
A.L.O'NEILL.
ADJT.54 AUST INF BDE (AIF).

NOTICE

ROYAL NAVAL OFFICERS CLUB, SYDNEY.

It is notified, for the information of officers who may be passing through Sydney, that the NSW Division of the Australian Comforts Fund has established the Royal Naval Officers' Club at 15 Elizabeth Bay Road, Elizabeth Bay, Sydney. The charges are :- 7/6 bed and breakfast; 2/- for midday meal and 3/- for dinner. Lounge room, writing room, billiard room and other facilities are available.

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Bn HQ
54 Aust Inf Bn A.I.F.
6 Oct 43.

WEEKLY INTELLIGENCE REPORT.

WEEK ENDED 6 Oct 43.

Containing:-

PARA 1. INFM RE ENEMY OR POSSIBLE ENEMY.

PARA 2. INFM RE OWN TROOPS.

A. TRAINING.
B. MORALE.
C. HEALTH.

PARA 3. INFM RE UNIT INT SECTION.

PARA 4. SECURITY.

PARA 5. TOPOGRAPHY.

for L.T. FITZPATRICK. Lieut.

I.O. 54 AUST INF BN A.I.F.

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PARA 1. INFM RE ENEMY OR POSSIBLE ENEMY.

Nil infm.

PARA 2. INFM RE OWN TROOPS.

A. Training:- The Bn returned from duties on Monday 4 Oct. On Tuesday 5 Oct., a short har dening-up course in preparation for the J.W. School, commenced. Particular attention is being given to All-in Combat and Route Marches. There are evening lectures for N.C.O's on Jungle Warfare.
At 1000 hrs on 6 Oct a Bn Parade in Full Marching Order was held.

B. Morale:- Good.
Contestants from this unit acquitted themselves well at the Div. Sports held in GERALDTON on Sunday 3 Oct. The Mobile Cinema Unit visited this area on Saturday 2 Oct.

C. Health:- Excellent.

PARA 3. INFM RE UNIT INT SECTION.

Lieut.L.T.FITZPATRICK marched out to J.W. School on Sunday 3 Oct.
Ptes. Paltridge S. and Sullivan L. marched out on Friday 1 Oct.to a 5 days' course of instn in Malay at GERALDTON.
On Sunday 3 Oct. Pte Paltridge S. marched out on 8 days A.R.L. Taken early on Compassionate grounds.

PARA 4. SECURITY.

Nil infm.

PAFRA 5. TOPOGRAPHY.

Nil infm.

J.S.G.COLLIER Lt Col.
C.O. 54 AUST INF BN A.I.F.

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Bn Hq.,
54 A ust Inf Bn, A.I.F.
AUSTRALIA.
14 Oct 43.

WEEKLY INTELLIGENCE REPORT.

WEEK ENDED 13 Oct 43

Containing:-

PA PA 1. ITEMS OF ENEMY OR POSSIBLE ENEMY

Nil info

2. ITEMS OF OWN TROOPS

A. TRAINING

B. MORALE

C. HEALTH

3. ITEMS OF UNIT INTEREST

4. SECURITY Nil info

5. TOPOGRAPHY Nil info

Lieut

L. T. FITZPATRICK

I. O., 54 Aust Inf Bn A.I.F.

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Bn HQ.
54 Aust Inf Bn, A.I.F
AUSTRALIA
28 Oct 43.

WEEKLY INTELLIGENCE REPORT

WEEK ENDED 27 Oct 43.

Containing :-

PARA 1. INFM RE ENEMY OR POSSIBLE ENEMY

Nil Infm.

PARA 2. INFM RE OWN TROOPS

A. TRAINING.

B. MORALE

C. HEALTH

PARA 3. INFM RE UNIT INT SEC.

PARA 4. SECURITY

Nil Infm.

PARA 5. TOPOGRAPHY

Nil Infm.

Lieut.

L. T. FITZPATRICK

I.O. 54 Aust Inf Bn A.I.F.

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PARA 2. INFM RE OWN TROOPS.

A. Training:- On Wednesday, 27 Oct, the Bn. completed the J.W. School as per syllabus, the last two days being occupied with a Bn Exercise over the Long Jungle Trail. This exercise was very benificial to the Bn. The many difficulties in transport, movement and communication encountered in jungle warfare were appreciated. The troops received good training in encirclement and counter-encirclement tactics.

B. Morale;- The Morale is of a high standard.

C. HEALTH :- Health throught the unit is good. During the past week there have been 38 casualties resulting directly from the J.W. training. These were only of a minor nature consisting chiefly of slight sprains and bruises.

PARA 3. INFM RE UNIT INT SEC.

During the week the Unit Int Sec carried out training in Intelligence duties in Jungle Warfare and operated as an Int. Sec in the Bn exercise over the Long Trail.

Lieut Col.

J.S.G. COLLIER.

Comd, 54 Aust Inf Bn A.I.F.

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FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 2 / 10 /194 3. 54 Aust. Inf. Bn. (AIF) (Unit)

W.E. 11 / 12 / 43 (as amended) OFFRS. ..... O.R's. ..... + OFFRS. ..... O.R's. ..... ATT. BY W.E.

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

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.				
Rein'fts Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein'fts Required.
				*					
1	-	-	1	Lieut.-Colonels					
3	-	-	3	Majors					
9	1HR	1	8	Captains	AAMC	1	-	-	1
20	-	-	20	Lieutenants					
1(Capt)	-	-	1	Quarter-masters					
				A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.	(NB Chaplain is not an authorised attachment)				
				Civilians Counting as Offrs.					
34	1HR	1	-	35		1	-	-	1

Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in pars. 10 of instructions for compilation of form will complete Part E(1) & E(2).	DETAIL		A.I.F.	C.M.F.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.N.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL.	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	* *	TOTAL.
	A.		34	Nil	(including one attached officer)							34
	E.(1)		(N.B. The above 34 officers are all Med.Class.A.1).									
	E.(2)											

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

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

OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit From.	Date.	CAUSE.
NX124505	Lieut.	SCEATS. CME.	54 Bn.	30/9/43.	Ex ARL
NX124624	Capt.	McKECHNIE. R.	do	29/9/43.	Ex AHL.

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit To.	Date.	CAUSE.
		(N.B. FOR OFFICERS ON "X" LIST SEE BACK HEREOF).			

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

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

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OFFICERS ON "X" LIST.

NO.	RANK.	NAME.	DATE X-LISTED.	REASON FOR X-LISTING	PRESENT WHEREABOUTS.	ANTICIPATED DATE OF RETURN.
NX124606.	Lieut.	BRYEN. C. R.	3/9/43. RO.21/43.	Hospital (sprained ankle).	118 AGH.	Six mths from date of X-listing.
NX122380.	Lieut.	HOOD-STEVENS.S.A.	12/8/43. RO.21/43.	LHQ.Sec. of Mil.Int., Southport, Q'land.	At said School.	At termination of School.

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PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 2 / 10 / 3 /194. (Total to agree with Columns 4 and 7 of Part A.)

1 Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held.	2 Army Number.	3 Surname.	4 Initials.	5 Posting.	6 Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No)	7 If not present with Unit, state how employed.	8 Date of Detachment.
Capt(T/Lt.-Col)	NX124621	COLLIER.	JSG.	CO.	Yes.		
Lieut(T/Maj)	NX124607	STEVENS W.	BH.	2i/c	No.	HQ.3 Aust.Corps Court Martial duties.	15.9.43
Lieut (T/Capt)	NX124619	O'NEILL.	RL.	Adjt.	Yes.		
Lieut.	NX124618	FITZPATRICK	EJ.	IO	Yes.		
Lieut (T/Maj)	NX124650	ARROT.	NJ.	CO.	No.	ARL	23/9/43
Lieut.	NX124623	SNELLING.	RL.	AA/O	No.	ARL	24/8/43
Lieut.	VX31916	LEUNIG.	HB.	Ptr/O	Yes.		
Lieut (T/Capt)	NX124626	MACDONN.	TS.	Carr/OC	Yes.		
Lieut.	NX122488	COOMER.	RB.	Carr/2i/c	Yes.		
Lieut.	NX124505	SCEATS.	GWE.	Tk/A	Yes.		
Lieut.	NX124611	MEAD.	JH.	Pion/O	No.	ARL	2/9/43
Lieut (T/Capt)	NX124613	MICHELL.	JB	CM.	Yes.		
Lieut.	NX156097	BROOKS.	IR	T.O.	Yes.		
Lieut(T/Maj)	NX124620	CARROLL.	RB.	IO	Yes.		
Lieut (T/Capt)	NX124651	HARRISON.	SR.	2i/c	No.	S ACTS, Harvey.	26/8/43
Lieut.	NX124606	GUILLAM.	GA	PlCond	Yes.		
Lieut.	NX128098	WEBSTER.	WA	do	Yes.		
Lieut.	NX109576	SIMPSON.	D	do	Yes.		
Lieut(T/Capt)	NX124624	McKEON.	R	OC	Yes.		
Lieut (T/Capt)	NX124610	GIBSON.	JM	2i/c	Yes.		
Lieut.	NX129900	RYAN.	DA	PlCond	Yes.		
Lieut.	NX124609	WILLIS.	JC	do	No.	ARL	31/8/43
Lieut (T/Capt)	NX124609	TONKIN.	HR	OC	No.	J/S School, Colley.	21/9/43
Lieut.	NX109575	HOSKEN.	CA	PlCond	No.	ARL	2/9/43
Lieut.	NX124629	O'CONNELL.	MF	do	Yes.		
Lieut.	NX124612	SNELLING.	AB	do	Yes.		
A/Lieut.	VX76928	WALLACE-MITCHELL.	RM.	do	No.	J/S School, Colley.	17/8/43
Lieut (T/Capt)	NX124614	CANTRILL.	WA	OC	No.	ARL	2/9/43
Lieut (T/Capt)	NX124628	HUNT.	LES	2i/c	No.	ARL	29/8/43
Lieut.	NX124615	TONKIN.	LAC	PlCond	Yes.		
Lieut	NX124627	FISHWICK.	KA.	do	No.	OCTU (Instructor) Secondment pending	28/8/43
Lieut	NX122334	EVERETT.	LM.	do	Yes.		
Lieut.	VX16671	LOCKE.	CF	do	No.	J/S School, Colley.	22/9/43

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

Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank, if Held.	Army Number.	Name and Initials.	Unit.	Date of Attachment.	Nature of Attachment.
Capt.	SX20257	McGLASHAN, JG.	AAMC	24/8/43.	RMO.
Chaplain	VX142640	KIRBY, JF.	AACHD	15/5/43.	Chaplain.
A/Lieut.	NX112366	COLLIER, GD.	Con.Reinft.Inf.	2/7/43.	Awaiting posting. NS List 80.
do	NX126476	BRUDERLIN, RH.		do	
do	NX126745	CULKIN, PJ.		do(Det.J/S School, Colley)	17/8/43
do	NX120180	EDWARDS, RC.		do(Applcn.for posting as Sig Off forwarded).	
do	NX122329	TURNER, W.G.		do	

2 October, 1943.
Date of Despatch

for J. S. C. COLLIER. Lt-Col.
Comd. 5 *Signature of Commander* Aust. Inf. Bde (AIF). 2 Aust. Div. (AIF).

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1 Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held.	2 Army Number.	3 Surname.	4 Initials.	5 Posting.	6 Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No)	7 If not present with Unit, state how employed.	8 Date of Detachment.
C							
Capt (T/Lt.Col)	NX124621	COLLIER	JSG	CO	Yes		
Lieut (T/Maj)	NX124607	STEVENSON	BH	2/ic	No	HQ 3 Aust.Corps. Court Martial duties	13.9.43
Lieut (T/Capt)	NX124619	O'NEILL	RL	Adjt.	Yes		
Lieut.	NX124618	FITZPATRICK	LTJ	IO	No	3ACT J/W School	3/10/43
Lieut (T/Maj)	NX124630	ARROW	NJ	OC	Yes		
Lieut (T/Capt)	NX129180	EDWARDS	RC	SIG O	Yes		
Lieut	NX124623	SNELLING	RL	AA O	Yes		
~~Lieut (T/Capt)~~	~~NX12~~	xxx	x				
Lieut	WX31916	LEUNIG	HB	Mtr/O	Yes		
Lieut (T/Capt)	NX124626	MACADAM	TS	Carr/OC	Yes		
Lieut	NX122488	COOPER	RB	Carr2ic	No	LHQ Sch. of Mech.	26/9/43
Lieut.	NX124505	SCEATS	GME	Tk/A	Yes		
Lieut	NX124611	HEAD	JH	Pion/O	No	ARL	
Lieut (T/Capt)	NX124613	MICHELL	JB	QM.	Yes		
Lieut	NX156097	BROOKS	LR	TO	Yes		
Lieut (T/MAJ)	NX124628	CARROLL	RB	OC	Yes		
Lieut	NX124604	GUILLAN	OA	Pl Comd	Yes		
Lieut	NX128898	WEBSTER	WA	do	Yes		
Lieut	NX109576	SIMPSON	D	do	Yes		
A/Lieut	NX112366	HOLLIER	GD	do	Yes		
Lieut (T/Capt)	NX124624	McKEOWN	R	OC	Yes		
Lieut (T/Capt)	NX124610	GIBSON	JM	2ic	Yes		
Lieut	NX128900	RYAN	DA	Pl Comd	Yes		
Lieut	NX124608	WILLIS	JG	do	No	ARL	
A/Lieut	NX126476	BRUDERLIN	RH	do	Yes		
A/Lieut	NX126745	CULKIN	TJ	do	No	3ACT J/W School.	17/8/43
Lieut (T/Capt)	NX124609	TONKIN	HR	OC	No	3ACT J/W School	21/9/43
Lieut.	NX109575	HOBDEN	CA	Pl Comd	No	ARL.	
Lieut.	NX124629	O'CONNELL	MW	do	Yes		
Lieut.	NX124612	SNELLING	AB	do	Yes		
A/Lieut	WX76928	WALLACE-MITCHELL.	RH	do	No	3 ACT J/W School	17/8/43
A/Lieut.	NX122328	TURNER	WG	do	Yes		
Lieut (T/Capt)	NX124614	CANTRILL	WA	OC	No	ARL.	
Lieut (T/Capt)	NX124620	HUNT	LEE	2ic	x No	ARL	
Lieut	NX124615	TONKIN	LAG	Pl Comd	Yes		
Lieut	NX124627	FISHWICK	EB	do	No	OCTU (instructor) Secondment pending.	
Lieut	NX122334	EVERETT	LH	do	Yes		
Lieut	Wx16671	LOCKE	CF	do	No	3 ACT J/W School	22/9/43

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

Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank, if Held.	Army Number.	Name and Initials.	Unit.	Date of Attachment.	Nature of Attachment.
Capt.	SX20957	McGLASHAN. J.G.	AAMC	24/6/43.	RMO.
Chaplain	VX~~14864~~40	KIRBY J.F.	AAChD	15/5/43.	Chaplain

9 OCT. 43
Date of Despatch

R.B. Carroll Maj.
R.B. CARROLL.
Signature of Commander
ADM COMD 54 AUST INF BN AIF.
5 Aust Inf Bde (AIF) 2 Aust. Div. (AIF).

Truth—7/43.

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FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 16/10/1943. 54 AUST. INF. BN. (AIF) (Unit)

W.E. 11/12/3 (as amended) OFFRS. 34 O.R's. 833 + OFFRS. 1 O.R's. 44 ATT. BY W.E.

PART A.—POSTED STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED L G Deary

WE	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
	W E EXCLUDING ATTACHED				DETAIL	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W E				
WE	Rein'fts Required.	Deficient W.E	Surplus to W.E	Posted Strength		Arm or Corps	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E	Deficient W E	Rein'fts Required
					*					
					*					
1	-	-	-	1	Lieut.-Colonels					
3	-	-	-	3	Majors					
9	1 NR	1 NR	-	8	Captains	AAMC	1	-	-	-
20	5 S	-	5	25	Lieutenants	(NB. Chaplain not an authorised attachment).				
1(Capt)	-	-	-	1	Quarter-masters					
					AANS. and AAMWS Offrs.					
					Civilians Counting as Offrs.					
34	4 S	1	5	38			1	-	-	-

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

DETAIL		A.I.F.	C.M.F	A.W.A.S	A.A.N.S	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	**	TOTAL.
A.		39	Nil	(Including one attached officer)							39
E.(1)		(NB. The above 39 Officers are all med. Class A.1.)									
E.(2)											

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

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

OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit From.	Date.	CAUSE.
NX124631.	T/Capt.	HARRISON.S.R.	54 Bn.	12/10/43	Rejd.Unit from 3 ACTS, ~~Harvey & struck off X list~~
~~xx112366x~~	~~x/xieut~~	xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx	xdoxxxxxxxxx	xx/xx/xx.	
NX128900.	Lieut.	WILLIS. JG.	do	14/10/43.	Ex ARL.
NX124620.	T/Capt.	HUNT.	do	14/10/43	do
NX124618.	Lieut.	FITZPATRICK.LTJ.	do	12/10.43.	Ex J/W Sch. Advance ~~Party~~

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit To.	Date.	CAUSE.
NX112366.	A/Lieut.	HOLLIER. GD.	54 Bn.	26/9/43.	LHQ Sch.of Mech.
NX124629.	Lieut.	O'CONNELL. MF.	do	16/10/43.	3 ACTS, Harvey.
NX128900.	Lieut.	RYAN. D. A.	do	16/10/43.	do

N.B. Since compilation of this return Maj. Arrow has been evacuated to 110 AGH with broken leg

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

Army No	Rank.	Name and Initials.	REMARKS (e.g., present whereabouts if known).
	(N.B. FOR OFFICERS ON "X" LIST, SEE BACK HEREOF.		

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OFFICERS ON "X" LIST.

NO.	RANK.	NAME.	DATE X-LISTED.	REASON FOR X-LIST NO.	PRESENT DISPOSITS.	ANTICIPATED DATE OF RETURN.
NX124606	Lieut.	BRYEN. C. R.	3/9/43. R/O. 21/43.	Hospital (Sprained ankle)	118 ACH.	Six mths from date of X-listing
NX122380.	Lieut.	HOOD-STEVENS.S.A.	12/8/43. R/O.21/43.	LHQ.Sch.of Mil. Int. Int.South Port. Q'land.	At said School.	At termination of school.

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PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 16 / 10 /194.3 (Total to agree with Columns 4 and 7 of Part A.)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held	Army Number.	Surname.	Initials	Posting.	Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No)	If not present with Unit, state how employed	Date of Detachment
Capt(T/Lt.-Col)	NX124621.	COLLISK.	JSG.	CO	Yes.		
Lieut(T/Capt).	NX124607.	STEVENSON.	DH.	2i/c.	No.	HQ.3 Aust. Corps.	
						Court Martial Duties	13.9.43
Lieut(T/Capt)	NX124619.	O'NEILL.	HL	Adjt.	Yes.		
Lieut.	NX124618	FITZPATRICK.	IPJ	Io	Yes.		
Lieut(T/Capt)	NX124630.	ARNOT.	NJ	OC	Yes.		
Lieut.	NX129194.	EDWARDS.	RO	Sig.O	Yes.		
Lieut.	NX124623.	ENGELBRINO.	HL	AA/Q	Yes.		
Lieut.	NX31916	LEONIO	RD	Str/O	Yes.		
Lieut(T/Capt)	NX124625.	MACADAM.	IS	Carr/OC.	Yes.		
Lieut.	NX124608.	COUPER.	RS	Carr.	2i/c.	No. LHQ. Sch of Mech.	26/9/43
Lieut.	NX124605	BOWATER.	CHS	Trk.A/O	Yes.		
Lieut.	NX124611.	READ.	JH.	Plon/O	No.	AHL	2/9/43
Lieut(T/Capt).	NX124615.	MICHELL.	JB	Coy.	Yes		
Lieut(Rxx	NX158097	BROOKS.	IM	Pio	Yes.		
Lieut(T/Capt)	NX124626.	CARROLL.	RS	OC	Yes.		
Lieut(T/Capt)	NX124631.	HARRISON.	SR	2i/c.	Yes.		
Lieut.	NX124604.	GILLIAN.	GR.	Plcomd	Yes.		
Lieut.	NX126098.	WEBSTER.	A	CO	Yes.		
Lieut.	NX100978.	ATKINSON.	S	do	Yes.		
A/Lieut.	NX1123	HOLLISH.	CD	do	Yes.	No. LHQ/Sch of Mech	26/9/43
Lieut(T/Capt)	NX124624.	[illegible]N.	K.	OC	Yes.		
Lieut(T/Capt)	NX124619.	GIBSON.	JH	2i/c	Yes.		
Lieut.	NX126200	RYAN.	DA	PlComd	No.	3 ACTS, Harvey.	16/10/43.
Lieut.	NX124608	WILLIS.	JO.	do	Yes.		
A/Lieut.	NX126470	BRUNSKILL.	RH	do	Yes.		
A/Lieut.	NX126478.	GILKIN.	TJ	do	No.	3 ACTS, J/ Schools	17/8/43
Lieut(T/Capt).	NX124609.	TONKIN.	HR.	CO.	No.	do (Staff)	21/9/43.
Lieut.	NX109575.	HODDEN.	CA	PlComd.	No.	AHL	2/9/43
Lieut.	NX124629.	O'CONNELL.	HW	do	No.	3 ACTS, Harvey.	16/10/43.
Lieut.	NX124612.	ENGLING.	AR.	do	Yes.		
A/Lieut.	NX76928.	MALLACE-MITCHELL.	RS	do	No.	3 ACTS J/ Sch.staff	17/8/43
A/Lieut.	NX122329.	TURNER.	EG.	do	Yes.		
Lieut(T/Capt)	NX122858.	CAMPBELL.	DA	OC	No.	AHL.	2/9/43
Lieut(T/Capt)	NX124630.	HUNT.	LES	2i/c	Yes.		
Lieut.	NX124615.	TONKIN.	IAC.	PlComd	Yes.		
Lieut.	NX124627.	FISHER.	ES	do	No.	OCTU (Instructor) second	
						-ment pending.	28/8/43
Lieut.	NX122334.	EVERETT.	LH.	do	Yes.		
Lieut.	NX16071	LOCKE.	CF	do	No.	Rear Party (whilst	26/9/43
						on are J/ training)	11/10/43

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

Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank, if Held.	Army Number	Name and Initials.	Unit.	Date of Attachment	Nature of Attachment.
Capt.	SX20937.	MCTIGHAN. JO.	AAEC	24/ /43.	REG.
Chaplain.	VX142540.	KINGT. J. F.	A.Chd.	15/5/43	Chaplain (With Rear Party whilst Bn. J/ training) 11/10/43.

16 October, 43.

Date of Despatch

J. S. G. COLLISK. Lt.-Col.

Signature of Commander

Comd. 54 Aust. Inf. Bn. (AIF).

5 Aust. Inf. Bde (AIF) 2 Aust. [illegible]

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FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 22 / 10 / 1943. 64 AUST. INF. BN. (AIF) (Unit)

W.E. 11/12/43. OFFRS. 34 O.R's. 833 OFFRS. 1 O.R's. 44 ATT. BY W.E. (as amended).

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

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
W E EXCLUDING ATTACHED				DETAIL	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W E				
Rein'fts Required.	Deficient W.E	Surplus to W.E	Posted Strength		Arm or Corps	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E	Deficient W E	Rein'fts Required
				*					
				*					
1	-	-	-	1 Lieut.-Colonels					
3	-	-	-	3 Majors					
9	1 NR	1 NR	-	8 Captains	AANC	1	-	-	-
20	5 S	-	5	25 Lieutenants					
1 (Capt)	-	-	-	1 Quarter-masters					
				AANS. and AAMWS Offrs.	(NB. Chaplain is not an authorised attachment).				
				Civilians Counting as Offrs.					
34	4 S	1	5	38		1	-	-	-

Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in para 10 of instructions for compilation of form will complete Part E(1) & E(2).	DETAIL*		A.I.F.	C.M.P	A.W.A.S	A.A.N.S	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	* *	TOTAL.
	A.		39	Nil	(Including one attached officer)							39
	E.(1)		(NB. The above 39 officers are Med.Class.A.1.)									
	E.(2)											

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

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

OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK

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

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit To	Date.	CAUSE.
NX124603.	T/Maj.	ARNOT. N.J.	54 Bn.	19/10/43.	To 110 AGH (fractured leg).
wx31916.	Lieut.	LEONIC. H.B.	do	10/10/43.	To 35 AITB (As instructor).

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

Army No	Rank.	Name and Initials.	REMARKS (e.g., present whereabouts if known).
		N.B. For officers on "X" list see over.	

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OFFICERS ON "X" LIST.

NO.	RANK.	NAME.	DATE X-LISTED.	REASONS FOR X-LISTING.	PRESENT WHEREABOUTS.	ANTICIPATED DATE OF RETURN TO UNIT.
NX124606.	Lieut.	BRYEN. C. R.	3/9/43. R/O/21/43.	Hospital (Sprained or fractured ankle).	118 AGH.	Six mths from date of x-listing.
NX122380.	Lieut.	HOOD-STEVENS.S.A.	12/8/43. R/O.21/43.	LHQ. Sch. of Mil.Int. Southport. Q'land.	At said School.	At termination of Scn and ARL.

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PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

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

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held	Army Number.	Surname.	Initials	Posting.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No)	If not present with Unit, state how employed	Date of Detachment
Capt (T/Lt.-Col).	NX124621.	COLLIER.	JSG.	CO	Yes.		
Lieut (T/Maj).	NX124647.	STEVENSON.	EM.	2i/c	No.	HQ.3 Aust.Corps Court Martial Duties.	13.9.43
Lieut (T/Capt).	NX124619.	O'NEILL.	NL.	Adjt.	Yes.		
Lieut.	NX124616.	FITZPATRICK.	JEJ.	IO	Yes.		
Lieut (T/Maj).	NX124608.	ARCH.	NJ.	OC	No.	119 ACH.	12/10/43
Lieut.	NX129186.	EDWARDS.	NO	Sig O	Yes.		
Lieut.	NX124623.	SMILLING.	RL	AA/O	Yes.		
Lieut	NX31916.	LEONIO	MS	Str/O	No.	55 ATD	10/10/43
Lieut (T/Capt)	NX124626.	MACATAN.	TS	Cart/OC.	Yes.		
Lieut.	NX124[illegible].	COOPER.	RD.	Cart/Sic.	No.	LHQ.Sch.of Mech.	26.9.43
Lieut.	NX124605.	SCRATS	CME	Tk/Accies			
Lieut	NX124611	HEAD	JH	Plon/O	No	ARL	
Lieut (T/Capt)	NX124[illegible]13.	MICHELL	JB	QM.	Yes		
Lieut	NX156097	BROOKS	LR	TO	Yes		
Lieut (T/Maj)	NX124628.	CARROLL	EB	OC	Yes		
Lieut (T/Capt)	NX124631.	HARRISON	SR	2i/c	Yes		
Lieut	NX124624	GUILLIAN	CA	Pl Comd.	Yes		
Lieut	NX128898	WEBSTER	WA	do	Yes		
Lieut	NX109576	SIMPSON	D	do	Yes		
Lieut	NX112366	HOLLIER	OD	do	Yes	No. LHQ.Sch. of Mech.	26/9/43
Lieut (T/Capt)	NX124624.	McKEOWN	R	OC	Yes		
Lieut (T/Capt)	NX124610	GIBSON	JH	2i/c	Yes		
Lieut.	NX128900	RYAN.	DA	Pl Comd	No.	3 ACTS, Harvey.	16/10/43
Lieut.	NX124609	WILLIS.	JG	do	Yes.		
A/Lieut.	NX126476.	BRUDENELL.	RM	do	Yes.		
A/Lieut.	NX126475.	QUILKIN.	TJ.	do	No.	3 ACTS, J/W Sch.Staff	17/8/43.
Lieut (T/Capt).	NX124609.	TONKIN.	HR	OC	No.	do	21/9/43
Lieut.	NX109575.	HOSKEN.	CA	Pl Comd	No.	ARL	2/9/43
Lieut.	NX124629.	O'CONNELL.	MB	do	No.	3 ACTS, Harvey.	16/10/43
Lieut.	NX124613.	SMILLING.	AB	do	Yes.		
A/Lieut.	VX76028.	WALLACE-MITCHELL.	HN.	do	No.	3 ACT J/W Sch.	17/8/43
A/Lieut.	N 128328.	TURNER.	WG	do	Yes.		
Lieut (T/Capt).	NX124614.	CANTRILL.	WA	OC	No.	ARL	2/9/43.
Lieut (T/Capt)	NX124620.	HUNT.	IKE	2 i/c	Yes.		
Lieut.	NX124615.	TONKIN.	IAO.	Pl Comd	Yes.		
Lieut.	NX124627.	FISHWICK.	EB	do	No.	OCTU (Instr) Secondment pending.	28/8/43
Lieut.	NX122334.	EVERETT.	LH.	do	Yes.		
Lieut.	NX16371.	LOCKE.	CF	do	No.	Rear Party whilst Bn at J/W trg.	11/10/43.

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

Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank, if Held.	Army Number	Name and Initials.	Unit.	Date of Attachment	Nature of Attachment.
Capt.	NX20957.	McGRAGHAN.JG.	AAMC.	24/8/43.	RMO.
Chaplain.	VX142640.	KIRBY. J.F.	AACHD.	15/6/43.	Chaplain. (With Rear Party whilst Bn J/W trg.) 11/10/43.

22 October, 43.
Date of Despatch

J.S.G.COLLIER.Lt.-Col.
Signature of Commander
Comd.54 Aust.Inf.Bn.(AIF).
5 Aust.Inf.Bde (AIF) 2 Aust.Div.(AIF).

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FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 30 / 10 / 1943. 54 AUST. INF. BN. (AIF) (Unit)

W.E. 11 / 12 / 3 (as amended). OFFRS. 34 O.R's. 833 + OFFRS. 1 O.R's. 44 ATT. BY W.E.

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

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
W E EXCLUDING ATTACHED				DETAIL	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W E				
Rein'fts Required.	Deficient W.E	Surplus to W.E	Posted Strength		Arm or Corps	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E	Deficient W E	Rein'fts Required
				*					
				*					
1	-	-	1	Lieut.-Colonels					
3	-	-	3	Majors					
9	1NR	1NR	8	Captains	AAMC	1	-	-	- 1
20	5	-	25	Lieutenants					
1 (Capt)	-	-	1	Quarter-masters	(NB. Chaplain is not an authorised attachment)				
				A A N S. and A A M W S Offrs.					
				Civilians Counting as Offrs.					
34	4	1	38			1	-	-	- 1

Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in para 10 of instructions for compilation of form will complete Part E(1) & E(2).	DETAIL		A.I.F.	C.M.F	A.W.A.S	A.A.N.S	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	* *	TOTAL.
	A.		39	Nil	(including one attached officer)							39
	E.(1)		NB. The above 39 officers are not class. A.1.)									
	E.(2)											

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

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

OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK

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

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

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

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

Army No	Rank.	Name and Initials.	REMARKS (e.g., present whereabouts if known).
		N.B. For officers on "X" list, see over)	

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OFFICERS ON "X" LIST.

NO.	RANK.	NAME.	DATE X-LISTED.	REASON.	PRESENT WHEREABOUTS.	ANTICIPATED DATE OF RETURN TO UNIT.
NX124606.	Lieut.	BRYEN. C. R.	3/9/43. R/O.21/43.	Hospital (sprained or fractured ankle)	118 AGH.	Six months from date of X-listing.
NX122380.	Lieut.	HO[illegible]-STEVENS. C.R.	12/8/43. R/[illegible].21/43.	LHQ. Sch. of MIL.Int. Southport, Q'land.	At main school.	At termination of school and ARL.

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

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held	Army Number.	Surname.	Initials	Posting.	Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No)	If not present with Unit, state how employed	Date of Detachment
Capt (T/Lt-Col).	NX124621.	Collier.	JSO.	CO.	Yes.		
Lieut(T/Maj).	NX124607.	STEVENSON.	BH.	2i/c.	No.	HQ.3 Aust.Corps Court Martial duties.	13/9/43.
Lieut(T/Capt).	NX124619.	O'NEILL.	RL	Adjt.	Yes.		
Lieut.	NX124618.	FITZPATRICK.	EFJ	I.O.	Yes.		
Lieut(T/Maj).	NX124603.	ARNOT.	NJ.	OC.	No.	IIO AGH.	19/10/43.
Lieut.	NX129186.	EDWARDS.	RC	Sig.O.	Yes.		
Lieut.	NX124623.	KELLING.	RL	A/A.G	Yes.		
Lieut	NX31916.	LEWIS.	HB.	Mtr.C	No.	35 AITB.	10/10/43.
Lieut(T/Capt).	NX124626.	MACADAM.	TS.	Depr.OC	Yes.		
Lieut.	NX124609.	COOPER.	RS.	"	2i/c.	No. IEO.Sch.of Mech.	26/9/43.
Lieut.	NX124605.	CORBETT.	GWS	Tk/A/O.	Yes.		
Lieut.	NX124611.	[illegible]	JH.	Tpt/O.	No.	ARL	2/9/43.
Lieut(T/Capt).	NX124615.	MITCHELL.	JB.	QM	Yes.		
Lieut.	NX158077.	BRUCE.	LR.	TO.	Yes.		
Lieut(T/Maj)	NX124629.	CARROLL.	RB.	OC	Yes.		
Lieut(T/Capt)	NX124631.	HARRISON.	DR.	2i/c	Yes.		
Lieut.	NX124624.	QUILLAN.	CA	Tpt Coy	Yes.		
Lieut.	NX129808.	FORSTER.	RA	do	Yes.		
Lieut.	NX100578.	SIMPSON.	D	do	Yes.		
Lieut.	NX119306.	POLLISER.	GD.	do	No.	IEO.Sch.of Mech.	26/9/43.
Lieut(T/Capt).	NX124614.	BROWN.	R.	OC	Yes.		
Lieut(T/Capt).	NX124610.	GIBSON.	JM.	2i/c	Yes.		
Lieut.	NX128906.	RYAN.	DA	Tpt Coy	No.	3 ACTS Harvey.	16/10/43.
Lieut.	NX124606.	FILLIS.	JG.	do	Yes.		
A/Lieut.	NX126478.	BRUCKLIN.	RH.	do	Yes.		
A/Lieut	NX126475	CULKIN	TJ	do	No	3 ACTS J/ Sch.Staff	17/8/43.
Lieut(T/Capt)	NX124609	TONKIN	RH	OC	No	do	21/9/43.
Lieut	NX100575	HOGAN	CA	T.Coy	No	ARL	2/9/43.
Lieut.	NX124629.	O'DONNELL.	WE	do	No	3 ACTS, Harvey.	16/10/43
Lieut.	NX124613.	SPELLING.	AB.	do	Yes.		
Lieut	VX76928.	WALLACE-MITCHELL.	RM.	do	No	3 ACTS, J/ Sch. (Staff)	17/8/43
A/Lieut.	NX122328.	TURNER.	WG.	Tpt Coy	Yes.		
Lieut(T/Capt)	NX124614	CANTRILL.	RA	OC	No.	IEO.Fact.Sch.Bemleigh. O'land.	11/10/43
Lieut(T/Capt)	NX124626.	HUNT.	IRE	2i/c	Yes.		
Lieut.	NX124616.	TONKIN.	LAC.	Tpt Coy	Yes.		
Lieut.	NX124627.	PIGNEUR.	EA.	Tpt Coy	No.	OCTU (Instructor) Second-ment pending.	26/9/43.
Lieut.	NX122334.	EVERETT.	LH	do	Yes.		
Lieut.	NX16371.	LOGAN.	CF.	do	No	Rear Party whilst Bn at J/ training.	11/10/43.

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

Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank, if Held.	Army Number	Name and Initials.	Unit.	Date of Attachment	Nature of Attachment.
Capt.	NX20957.	McGLASHAN, JG.	AA'C	24/8/43	RMO.
Chaplain.	VX142648.	KITNEY, J.F.	AACHD	15/5/43.	Chaplain. (with Rear Party whilst Bn. J/W training). 11/10/43.

30 October 43.
Date of Despatch

for R.S.Carroll May
J.P.S.COLLEN, Lt.-Col.
Signature of Commander

Comd.54 Aust. Inf. Bn. (AIF).

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FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS

26 / 43 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 2 / 10 / 194 3 — 54 Aust. Inf. Bn. (AIF) (Unit)

W.E. 11 / 12 / 43 (as amended) OFFRS. 34 O.R's. 833 + OFFRS. 1 O.R's. 44 ATT. BY W.E.

Part A. Posted Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements Required.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.					ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.				
W.E. Reinfts. Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength	DETAIL.	Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Reinfts. Required.
1 (See attached sheet)			1	W.Os. Class I.					
6	do		6	W.Os. Class II.	AAOC	1			1
5 -	-	-	5	Squadron or Company Quartermaster Sgts.					
- (See attached sheet)			-	Staff Sergeants					
36 -	-	-	36	Sergeants AEME, AAOC, AAOC, AAOC	9	-	1	1MR	1
72 2MR	2MR	-	70	Corporals AEME, AAOC, AAOC, AAOC	10	-	-	-	1
713 79	79	-	624	Troopers, Privates, etc. AAOC, AEME	25	-	-	-	23
				Civilians counting as O.R.					
853. 81. *	81	-	742	Totals of cols. marked * should agree with details shown in Part E on Page 2.		43 *	-	1	1MR * 44

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

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

Detail		A.I.F.	C.M.F. Under 18 Years.	C.M.F. 18 Years and over.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	* *	TOTAL.
A		607	135					[redacted]	[redacted]		742
B(1)		41		2							43
B(2)		(All Med. Class A.1.)					[redacted]				

Part B. Other Ranks Attached from Other Units.

Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong
1	YMCA		
1	Salvage Unit		
1	5 Fd. Amb;.		
1	5 Sqn.		

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

Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.
8	Hospital		
125	Leave.		
19	School		
1	3 Corps.		
1	DRO		
12	GHQ		
1	NSW L of C Area.		
3	5 Bde.		
36	J/W School.		
207			

Part D. Description of Other Ranks Whose Return To.....(Unit) is Particularly Requested. ...../...../194.....

Army No	Rank.	Name and Initials.	REMARKS (e.g., present whereabouts if known).
NX122479.	Tp.Lt.	LINES.T.N.	Accg. MTTC, Greylands, until 16/10/43. until 25/10/43
NX146977.	Tp.1.	McATAMNEY.P.M.	

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54 Aust. Inf. Bn. (AIF). ..... Unit

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PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 2 / 10 /1943.

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.
Ammunition Examiners			
Armament Artificer Fitter			
Armament Artificer Fitter (Electrical)			
Armament Artificer Fitter (M.V.)			
Armament Artificer Fitter (A.F.V.)			
Armament Artificer Instrument			
Armament Artificer Radio			
Armament Artificer Signals			
Armament Artificer Wireless			
Artificer, Artillery			
Artificer, Engine			
Blacksmiths (Rte)	1	1	-
Bricklayers			
Computors			
Cooks, Hospital			
Coppersmiths			
Dispensers			
Draughtsmen			
Draughtsmen (Architectural)			
Draughtsmen (Engineering)			
Draughtsmen (Mechanical)			
Draughtsmen (Topographical)			
Electricians			
Electricians (M.V.)			
Electricians (Signals)			
Fitters			
Fitters (Cycle)			
Fitters (Electrical)			
Fitters (Gun)			
Fitters (Instrument)			
Fitters (M.V.)			
Fitters, Railway Signal			
Fitters, Signals			
Grinder, Precision			
Mechanics, Instrument			
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)			
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)			
Mechanics, Radio			
Mechanics, Typewriter			
Mechanics, Wireless			
Millwrights			
Operators, Excavator			
Pattern Maker			
Pharmacist			
Photographer, Wet Plate			
Photowriter			
Plumber			
Saw Doctors			
Surveyors			
CARRIED FORWARD	1	1	-

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.
Surveyors, Engineering			
Surveyors, E.A.A.			
Surveyors, Topographical			
Surveyors, Trigonometrical			
Toolmakers			
Turners			
Watchmakers			
Welders			
GROUP II.			
Armourers			
Axemen			
Bakers			
Bty. Comd's. Asst.			
Boilermakers			
Carpenters (Rtes)	6	6	-
Carpenters and Joiners			
Cooks			
Dental Mechanics			
Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Med.)			
Driver-Operator			
Drainers			
Electricians			
Electricians (Engineers)			
Fire Control Operators			
Gun Operator			
Hatchman			
Height Taker			
Helio Operator			
Instrument Operator			
Intelligence Duties			
Joiners NCOs.	3	3	-
Lineman Rtes.	7	6	1R
Lineman, Signals			
Lithographers			
Machinists, Metal			
Machinists, Wood			
Masons			
Masseurs			
Mechanics, M.T.			
Miners			
Moulders			
Nurses, Trained			
Observation Post Assts.			
CARRIED FORWARD	17	18	1R

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.
Operating Room Assts.			
Operator, Keyboard			
Operator, Line			
Operator, Signal			
Operator, Switchboard			
Operator, Wireless			
Opticians			
Painters			
Panel Beaters			
Photographer, Dry Plate			
Predictor Numbers			
Printers			
Radiographers			
Riggers			
Sawyers			
Signallers NCOs	3	2	1R
Signallers Rtes	24	18	6R
Signwriters			
Telescope Identfn. Numbers			
Well Borers			
Wheelers			
Winchman			
Wireman			
Woodturners			
TOTAL SPECIALIST -TE.			
GROUP III.			
Battery Surveyors			
Butchers (Rte)	1	2	1R
Clerks NCOs	7	7	-
Clerks, Rtes	5	5	-
Clerks, Supply			
Clerks, Technical			
Coach Trimmers			
Concretors			
Cooks			
Dental Clerk Orderlies			
Despatch Riders			
Draughtsmen, Signals			
Drivers, H.T. (Rte)	37	34	7R
Driver Mechanics			
Driver Tptn. Plant			
Engine Hands, I.C.			
Equipment Repairers (Rte)	1	1	-
Farriers			
Fitters' Mates			
Gun Layers			
CARRIED FORWARD	85	87	2R

DETAILS OF NON-TRADESMEN.			
	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.
Rtes.	105	104	1NR
	636	637	9.
G/TOTAL.	933	742	91
ATTACHED BY T.S.			
ORs :			
AEME	8	7	1NR
AACC	14	15	1R
AANC	1	1	-
ATTACHED BY W.E.	23	23	-
NCOs :			
AACC	11	11	-
AACC	1	1	-
AAPC	2	2	-
AANC	3	2	1NR
AEME	3	3	-
AAPS	1	1	-
G/TOTAL	44	43	1NR
Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively.		*	*

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

2 October, 1943.
Date of Despatch

R.O'Neill Capt
for J.S.C.COLLIER. Lt.-Col.
Comd.54 Aust. Inf. Bn. (AIF).
Signature of Commander)
5 Aust.Inf.Bde (AIF) 2 Aust. Div.(AIF).
AQD

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APW.3009. for 8 October, 1945.

WD

SPECIALISTS.

UNIT PERSONNEL.

1 TG.11. "I" dutyman surplus.

1 Sig. Cpl. deficient (Reinft NOT reqd for reason stated below)
6 Sig. TG.11's deficient (Reinfts NOT required as unit personnel are being trained to fill vacancies.
1 TG.11. Butcher surplus. (However, unit butcher is under close arrest awaiting disposal of charge for AWL and services of surplus butcher are therefore required).
7 Dr.Mechs (TG.111) surplus.
1 Rangetaker (TG.111) surplus.
2 Bricklayers surplus (no provision on Unit's W.E. for such tradesmen)
4 Bakers " " " " " " " "

ATTACHED PERSONNEL

1 Fitter M.V. (TG.1) deficient (Reinft NOT required as unit personnel in training at MVTTC for vacancy) see part D
1 Cook (TG.11) supplus.
1 RAP Sgt. deficient. (Reinft is NOT reqd as it is proposed to promote Cpl.Fearn N (Chiropodist Cpl) to Sgt and apply for a Cpl. Chiropodist to replace Fearn.

NON - SPECIALISTS.

UNIT PERSONNEL

~~1 Cpl deficient~~ (Reinft NOT reqd for reason stated below).
99 Ptes deficient (These reinfts are required and General Dutymen will meet needs of Unit).

ATTACHED PERSONNEL

No deficiencies or surpluses.

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N.B. A deficiency of 2 Cpls is shown on face of return. Reinforcement NCO are not required, and promotion of unit personnel to fill the said two vacancies cannot be made, as the unit has been notified by formal Reinforcement Orders that three (3) Reinforcement Cpls have been allotted to Unit and are on their way to join Unit.

N.B. WOs, S/Sgts and Sgts are shown on the face of the return according to their WE postings in preference to their actual ranks. The fact that this Unit has four upgradings (approved by DRO to be held above the rankings authorised for the appointments) causes confusion when an attempt is made to show the true picture by a system of surpluses and deficiencies in the respective ranks.

The ranks affected are as follows :

WO.1.RAUCHLE. F.N. CSM included in WO.lls, which is WE rank for his Apptment.
WO.ll.ELLIOTT.A.E. S/S Sgt " " Sgts " " " " " " "
S/Sgt.THURLING.J. Ord.Rm.Sgt." " " " " " " " " "
S/Sgt.BRYANT.J. Sgt.Tailor " " " " " " " " " "

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FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS

27 / 43 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 9 / 10 / 194 3 (Unit) 54 Aust. Inf. Bn. (AIF)

W.E. / / 11 12 43 OFFRS. 34 O.R's. 833 OFFRS. 1 O.R's. 44 ATT. BY W.E.

Part A. Posted Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements Required.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.				
Reinfts. Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Reinfts. Required.
WE				W.Os. Class I.					
1	(See attached sheet)		1	W.Os. Class II.		1	-	-	- 1
6	do		6	Squadron or Company Quartermaster Sgts.	AAOC				
5 -	-	-	5	Staff Sergeants					
-	(See attached sheet)		-	Sergeants					
36 -	-	-	36	Corporals	AMMO, AAOC, AAOC, AAOC	9	-	1NR	1NR 1
72 2NR	2NR	-	70	Troopers, Privates, etc.	AMMO, AAOC, AAOC, AAOC	10	-	-	- 1
713 82	82	-	631	Civilians counting as O.R.	AAOC	23	-	-	- 2
N13 - *	-	-	N12 *	Totals of cols. marked * should agree with details shown in Part E on Page 2.	N11	- *	-	-	- N
833 84	84	-	749			43	-	1NR	1NR* 1

Detail		A.I.F.	C.M.F. Under 19 Years.	C.M.F. 19 Years and over.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	* *	TOTAL.
A			[illegible]					[redacted]	[redacted]		749
B(1)		619		130							43
B(2)		41		2			[redacted]				

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

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

Part B. Other Ranks Attached from Other Units.

Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong
1	YMCA		
1	Salvage Unit		
1	5 Fd. Amb.		
1	5 Bde.		

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

Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.
9	Hospital		
91	Leave.		
21	Schools		
1	3 Corps.		
1	DMO		
11	GLD		
1	NSW Lofc		
3	5 Bde.		
36	J/W School.		
174			

Part D. Description of Other Ranks Whose Return To ..... (Unit) is Particularly Requested. ... / ... /194...

Army No	Rank.	Name and Initials.	REMARKS (e.g., present whereabouts if known).
NX122476.	TG. 11.	LINES. T. H.	Attg. METTC School, Greylands. until 16/10
NX148977	TG. 1.	McATAMNEY. P. S.	do 23/10

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54 AUST. INF. BN. (AIF) *Unit*

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PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 9 / 10 /194 3.

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.
Ammunition Examiners			
Armament Artificer Fitter			
Armament Artificer Fitter (Electrical)			
Armament Artificer Fitter (M.V.)			
Armament Artificer Fitter (A.F.V.)			
Armament Artificer Instrument			
Armament Artificer Radio			
Armament Artificer Signals			
Armament Artificer Wireless			
Artificer, Artillery			
Artificer, Engine			
Blacksmiths (Pte)	1	1	-
Bricklayers			
Computors			
Cooks, Hospital			
Coppersmiths			
Dispensers			
Draughtsmen			
Draughtsmen (Architectural)			
Draughtsmen (Engineering)			
Draughtsmen (Mechanical)			
Draughtsmen (Topographical)			
Electricians			
Electricians (M.V.)			
Electricians (Signals)			
Fitters			
Fitters (Cycle)			
Fitters (Electrical)			
Fitters (Gun)			
Fitters (Instrument)			
Fitters (M.V.)			
Fitters, Railway Signal			
Fitters, Signals			
Grinder, Precision			
Mechanics, Instrument			
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)			
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)			
Mechanics, Radio			
Mechanics, Typewriter			
Mechanics, Wireless			
Millwrights			
Operators, Excavator			
Pattern Maker			
Pharmacist			
Photographer, Wet Plate			
Photowriter			
Plumber			
Saw Doctors			
Surveyors			
CARRIED FORWARD			

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.
Surveyors, Engineering	1	1	-
Surveyors, R.A.A.			
Surveyors, Topographical			
Surveyors, Trigonometrical			
Toolmakers			
Turners			
Watchmakers			
Welders			
GROUP II.			
Armourers			
Axemen			
Bakers			
Bty. Comd's. Asst.			
Boilermakers			
Carpenters (Ptes)	6	6	-
Carpenters and Joiners			
Cooks			
Dental Mechanics			
Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Med.)			
Driver-Operator			
Drainers			
Electricians			
Electricians (Engineers)			
Fire Control Operators			
Gun Operator			
Hatchman			
Height Taker			
Helio Operator			
Instrument Operator			
Intelligence Duties			
Joiners			
Lineman NCOs	3	3	-
Lineman PTES	7	8	1R
Lineman, Signals			
Lithographers			
Machinists, Metal			
Machinists, Wood			
Masons			
Masseurs			
Mechanics, M.T.			
Miners			
Moulders			
Nurses, Trained			
Observation Post Assts.			
CARRIED FORWARD	17	18	1R

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II. (cont.)	W.E. 17	Posted Strength. 18	Reints. Required. 1R
Operating Room Assts.			
Operator, Keyboard			
Operator, Line			
Operator, Signal			
Operator, Switchboard			
Operator, Wireless			
Opticians			
Painters			
Panel Beaters			
Photographer, Dry Plate			
Predictor Numbers			
Printers			
Radiographers			
Riggers			
Sawyers			
Signallers NCOs	3	2	1NR
Signwriters PTES	24	18	6NR
Telescope Identfn. Numbers			
Well Borers			
Wheelers			
Winchman			
Wireman			
Woodturners			
GROUP III.			
Battery Surveyors			
Butchers (pte)	1	1	-
Clerks	7	7	-
Clerks, Supply NCOs			
Clerks, Technical PTES	5	5	-
Coach Trimmers			
Concretors			
Cooks			
Dental Clerk Orderlies			
Despatch Riders			
Draughtsmen, Signals			
Drivers, H.T.			
Driver Mechanics	27	35	8S
Driver Tptn. Plant			
Engine Hands, I.C.			
Equipment Repairers			
Farriers (Pte)	1	1	-
Fitters' Mates			
Gun Layers			
CARRIED FORWARD	85	87	2S

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.)	W.E. 85	Posted Strength. 87	Reints. Required. 2S
G.P.O. Assistants			
Hammermen			
Leather Stitchers			
Orderlies, Nursing			
Orderlies, Nursing Mental			
Plate Layers			
Rangetakers (Ptes)	2	3	1R
Riveters			
Roughriders			
Saddlers			
Saddletree makers			
Shoemaker and Boot Repairer			
Stevedores			
Stokers, Staty. Engine			
Storemen, Technical (Ptes)	3	2	1NR
Tailors (NCOs)	2	2	-
Textile Refitters			
Tinsmiths			
Vulcanizers			
Wagon Erectors			
Whitesmiths			
	92	94	2 S
NOT ON WE			
Bricklayers	-	2	2S
Bakers	-	4	4S
	92	100	8S
DETAILS OF NON-TRADESMEN.			
NCOs	105	104	1 NR
Ptes	636	645	91
G/TOTAL	833	749	84
ATTACHED BY W.E.			
ORs :			
AEME	8	7	1NR
AACC	14	15	1S
AAMC	1	1	-
ATTACHED BY W.E.	23	23	-
NCOs			
AACC	11	11	-
AAOC	1	1	-
AAPC	2	2	-
AAMC	3	2	1NR
AEME	3	3	-
AAPS	1	1	-
G/TOTAL	44	43	1NR.
Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively.		*	*

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

9 October, 43
Date of Despatch

R. B. Carroll Maj
R. B. CARROLL Major
Signature of Commander
Adm. Cond. 54 Aust. Inf. Bn. (AIF)
5 Aust. Inf. Bde (AIF). 2 Aust. Div. (AIF).

a.w. 6m bks 3/43

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AFW.3009 for 9 October, 43.

SPECIALISTS.

UNIT PERSONNEL.

1 TG.11. "I" dutyman surplus.
1 Sig. Cpl. deficient (Reinft. NOT required for reason stated below)
6 Sig. TG.11's deficient (Reinfts NOT required as unit personnel are in training to fill vacancies)
8 TG.111. Dr.Mechs surplus.
1 TG.111. Rangetaker surplus.
1 TG.111. Tech.Storeman deficient (reinft. NOT required as TG.111.Dr. Mech., Pte. Sharpless, is filling vacancy efficiently and is to be trade tested for position)
2 Bricklayers (TG.1.) surplus (no provisionon Unit's W.E. for such tradesm
4 Bakers (TG.11) " do

ATTACHED PERSONNEL.

1 Fitter M.V. (TG.1) deficient (Reinft NOT required as unit personnel are in training at MVTTC for vacancy) See part D.

1 Cook (TG.11) surplus.
1 RAP Sgt. deficient. (Reinft is NOT reqd as it is proposed to promote Cpl. Fearn H.(Chiropodist Cpl) to Sgt. and applyfor an AANC Cpl Chiropodist to ~~xxx~~ replace Fearn)

NON - SPECIALISTS.

UNIT PERSONNEL.

1 Cpl. deficient (Reinft NOT required for reason stated below.)

82 Ptes deficient (These reinfts ARE required and General Dutymen will meet needs of Unit).

ATTACHED PERSONNEL.

No deficiencies or surpluses.

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N.B. A deficiency of 2 Cpls is shown on face of return. Reinforcement NCOs are not required and promotion of unit personnel to fill the said vacancies cannot be made, as the unit ~~xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx~~ has been notified by formal Reinforcement Orders that

three (3) Reinforcement Cpls (one of whom arrived on 8 Oct.43) have been allottedto unit and are on their way to join unit.

N.B. WOs, S/Sgts and Sgts are shown on the face of the return according to their WE postings in preference to their actual ranks. The fact that this unit has four upgradings (approved by DHQ to be held above the ranks authorised for the appointments) causes confusion when an attempt is made to show the true picture by a system of surpluses and deficiencies in the respective ranks.

The ranks affected are as follows :-

WO.1. RAUCHLE. F. N. CSM included in WO.11s, which is WE rank for his Apptment.
WO.11. ELLIOTT. A.E. S/B Sgt. " " Sgts " " " " " " "
S/Sgt. THURLING. J. Ord.Rm.Sgt. " " " " " " " " " " "
S/Sgt. BRYANT. J. Sgt. Tailor " " " " " " " " " "

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FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS

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At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 16/10/1943 54 Aust. Inf. Bn. (AIF) (Unit)

W.E. 11/12/43 (as amended) OFFRS. O.R's. + OFFRS. O.R's. ATT. BY W.E.

Part A. Posted Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements Required.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.					ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.				
Reinfts. Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength	DETAIL.	Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Reinfts. Required.
1 (See attached Sheet)			1	W.Os. Class I.					
6	do		6	W.Os. Class II.	AACC	1	-	-	- 1
5 -	-	-	5	Squadron or Company Quartermaster Sgts.					
-(See attached sheet)			-	Staff Sergeants					
36 -	-	-	36	Sergeants		9	-	1 NR	1 NR 10
72 2NR	2NR	-	70	Corporals		10	-	-	- 10
713 74	74	-	639	Troopers, Privates, etc.	AACC.	24	1	-	13 23
	NIL			Civilians counting as O.R.		NIL			
833 76 *	76	-	757 *	Totals of cols. marked * should agree with details shown in Part E on Page 2.		44 *	1	1 NR	44

Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in para. 7 of instructions for compilation of this return will complete analysis of Part B(1) and B(2).	Detail		A.I.F.	C.M.F. Under 19 Years.	C.M.F. 19 Years and over.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	* *	TOTAL.
* * Personnel belonging to a category not provided for in the analysis will be shown in this Col. Particulars will be shown, e.g., 20 U.K. Forces, 10 N.Z. Forces.	A		627	130					[redacted]	[redacted]		757
	B(1)		42		2							44
	B(2)							[redacted]				

Part B. Other Ranks Attached from Other Units.

Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong
1	Salvage Unit		
1	5 Fd. Amb.		
1	5 Bde.		
18	do		
31	56 Bn		For J/S trs.
46	22 Aust.Fd.Coy		
4	132 Aust.Bde T/Shops		
3	F.F.S.		

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

Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.
1314	Hospital		
1646	Leave.		
1314	Schools		
1	3 Corps.		
1	DRO		
2	GHQ		
1	Retn.		
37	Reap Party		
3	AITB's		
3	J/S Sch.Staff.		
3	5 Bde.		
1	NSW LofC Area.		
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Part D. Description of Other Ranks Whose Return To.....(Unit) is Particularly Requested. ...../...../194.....

Army No	Rank.	Name and Initials.	REMARKS (e.g., present whereabouts if known).
NX122476	S.T.I.	LINES. T. H.	Attd. HQ TC Sch., Graylands until 16 Oct
NX148977	T.G.1.	McATAMNEY. P.S.	do 23 Oct

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PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 16/10/1943. W/Diary

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.
Ammunition Examiners				Surveyors, Engineering				Operating Room Assts.				G.P.O. Assistants			
Armament Artificer Fitter				Surveyors, R.A.A.				Operator, Keyboard				Hammermen			
Armament Artificer Fitter (Electrical)				Surveyors, Topographical				Operator, Line				Leather Stitchers			
Armament Artificer Fitter (M.V.)				Surveyors, Trigonometrical				Operator, Signal				Orderlies, Nursing			
Armament Artificer Fitter (A.F.V.)				Toolmakers				Operator, Switchboard				Orderlies, Nursing Mental			
Armament Artificer Instrument				Turners				Operator, Wireless				Plate Layers			
Armament Artificer Radio				Watchmakers				Opticians				Rangetakers (Ptes)	2	3	1S
Armament Artificer Signals				Welders				Painters				Rivetters			
Armament Artificer Wireless								Panel Beaters				Roughriders			
Artificer, Artillery								Photographer, Dry Plate				Saddlers			
Artificer, Engine								Predictor Numbers				Saddletree makers			
Blacksmiths (Ptes)	1	1	-					Printers				Shoemaker and Boot Repairer			
Bricklayers								Radiographers				Stevedores			
Computors								Riggers				Stokers, Staty. Engine			
Cooks, Hospital				GROUP II.				Sawyers				Storemen, Technical (Ptes)	3	2	1NR
Coppersmiths				Armourers				Signallers NCOs	3	2	1NR	Tailors (NCOs)	2	2	-
Dispensers				Axemen				Signwriters Ptes	24	18	6NR	Textile Refitters			
Draughtsmen				Bakers				Telescope Identfn. Numbers				Tinsmiths			
Draughtsmen (Architectural)				Bty. Comd's. Asst.				Well Borers				Vulcanizers			
Draughtsmen (Engineering)				Boilermakers				Wheelers				Wagon Erectors			
Draughtsmen (Mechanical)				Carpenters (Ptes)	6	6	-	Winchman				Whitesmiths			
Draughtsmen (Topographical)				Carpenters and Joiners				Wireman					92	94	2S
Electricians				Cooks				Woodturners				NCT ON TE			
Electricians (M.V.)				Dental Mechanics								Bricklayers	-	3	3S
Electricians (Signals)				Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Med.)								Bakers	-	4	4S
Fitters				Driver-Operator									92	102	9S
Fitters (Cycle)				Drainers											
Fitters (Electrical)				Electricians											
Fitters (Gun)				Electricians (Engineers)											
Fitters (Instrument)				Fire Control Operators				GROUP III.				DETAILS OF NON-TRADESMEN.			
Fitters (M.V.)				Gun Operator				Battery Surveyors				NCO's	105	104	1 NR
Fitters, Railway Signal				Hatchman				Butchers (Pte)	1	1	-	Ptes	630	552	84
Fitters, Signals				Height Taker				Clerks NCOs.	7	7	-				
Grinder, Precision				Hello Operator				Clerks, Supply	5	5	-		833	757	76
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator				Clerks, Technical				ATTACHED BY T.E.			
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Intelligence Duties				Coach Trimmers				ORS:			
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Joiners NCOs.	3	3	-	Concretors				AEF	8	8	-
Mechanics, Radio				Lineman	7	6	1S	Cooks				AACC	24	16	1S
Mechanics, Typewriter				Lineman, Signals				Dental Clerk Orderlies				AANC	1	1	-
Mechanics, Wireless				Lithographers				Despatch Riders				ATTACHED BY W.E.			
Millwrights				Machinists, Metal				Draughtsmen, Signals					23	24	1S
Operators, Excavator				Machinists, Wood				Drivers, H.T.				NCOs:			
Pattern Maker				Masons				Driver Mechanics	27	35	8S	AACC	11	11	-
Pharmacist				Masseurs				Driver Tptn. Plant				AAOC	1	1	-
Photographer, Wet Plate				Mechanics, M.T.				Engine Hands, I.C.				AAPC	2	2	-
Photowriter				Miners				Equipment Repairers	1	1	-	AARC	3	2	1 NR
Plumber				Moulders				Farriers (Pte)				AEME	3	3	-
Saw Doctors				Nurses, Trained				Fitters' Mates				AAS	1	1	-
Surveyors				Observation Post Assts.				Gun Layers				C/TOTAL	44	43	1 NR.
CARRIED FORWARD				CARRIED FORWARD	17	18	1S	CARRIED FORWARD	85	87	2S	Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively.		*	*

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

16 October, 43
Date of Despatch

J. S. G. COLLER. Lt.-Col.
Comd. 54 Aust. Inf. Bn (AIF)
5 Aust. Inf. Bde (AIF) 2 Aust. Div. (AIF).
Signature of Commander

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W/Diary.

SPECIALISTS.

UNIT PERSONNEL.

1 TG.11. "I" dutyman surplus.
1 Sig. Cpl. deficient (Reinft NOT required for reason stated below)
6 Sig.TG.11's deficient (Reinfts NOT required as unit personnel are in training to fill vacancies)
8 TG.111. Dr.Mechs surplus.
1 TG.111. Mongetaker surplus.
1 TG.111. Tech. Storeman deficient (reinft NOT required as TG.111. Dr. Mech, Pte Sharpless, is filling vacancy efficiently and is to be trade tested for position)
3 Bricklayers (TG.1) surplus (No provision on Unit's WE for same)
4 Bakers (T .11).

ATTACHED PERSONNEL.

1 Fitter M.V. (TG.1) deficient. (Reinft NOT required as unit personnel are in training at MVTTc for vacancy) See part D.
1 Cook (TG.11) surplus.
1 RAP Sgt deficient (Reinft NOT required as it is proposed to promote Cpl. Fearn H (Chiropodist Cpl) to Sgt and apply for an AAMC Cpl Chiropodist to replace Fearn)

NON - SPECIALISTS

UNIT PERSONNEL
1 Cpl deficient (Reinft NOT required for reason stated below)
74 Ptes deficient (These reinfts ARE required and General Dutymen will meet needs of Unit)

ATTACHED PERSONNEL

No deficiencies or surpluses

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N.B. A deficiency of 2 Cpls is shown on face of return. Reinforcements are, however, not required and promotion of unit personnel to fill the said vacancies cannot be made, as the unit has been notified by formal Reinforcement Orders that two (2) Reinforcement Cpls have been allotted to unit and will shortly march in.

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The ranks affected are as follows :-

WO.1.RAUCHLE.F.N. CSM included in WO.11s, which is WE rank for his Apptment.
WO.11.ELLIOTT.A.E. S/S Sgt. " " Sgts " " " " " "
S/Sgt. THURLING. J. Ord.Rm.Sgt." " " " " " " "
S/Sgt. BRYANT. J. Sgt. Tailor" " " " " " "

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FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS

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At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 23/10/194 3 ..... (Unit)

W.E. 1/12/43 OFFRS. 34 O.R's. 833 + OFFRS. 34 1 O.R's. 44 ATT. BY W.E.
(as amended)

Part A. Posted Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements Required.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.				
Reinfts. Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Reinfts. Required.
				W.Os. Class I.					
1 (See attached sheet)			1	W.Os. Class II.		1	-	-	-
6 1 NR	1	-	5	Squadron or Company Quartermaster Sgts.	AAOC				
5 -	-	-	5	Staff Sergeants					
- (See attached sheet)			-	Sergeants	AAPC				
36 -	-	-	36	Corporals	AEME, AAMC, AACC, AAIS	9	-	1	NR 1NR
72 5 NR	5	-	67	Troopers, Privates, etc.	AEME, AAMC, AACC, AAPC	10	-	-	-
713 77	77	-	636	Civilians counting as O.R.	AAOC				
					AEME, AAMC	24	1	-	18
833 83 x 83 (6 ACC not reqd)		-	750	Totals of cols. marked * should agree with details shown in Part E on Page 2.		44	1	1	-

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

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

Detail		A.I.F.	C.M.F. Under 19 Years.	C.M.F. 19 Years and over.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	* *	TOTAL.
A											
B(1)		616		134							750.
B(2)		42		2							44

Part B. Other Ranks Attached from Other Units.

Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong
1	Salvage Unit		
2	5 Fd.Amb.		
19	5 Bde.		
31	56 Bn.		
46	22 Aust.Fd.Coy.		
4	132 Aust.Bde./Shops		
3	F.F.S.		

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

Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.
21	Hospital		
50	Leave.		
20	Schools.		
1	3 Corps.		
1	DRO.		
9	GHQ		
36	Rear Party		
3	J/K Sch.Staff		
1	NSW LofC		
3	5 Bde.		

Part D. Description of Other Ranks Whose Return To.....(Unit) is Particularly Requested. ...../...../194.....

Army No	Rank.	Name and Initials.	REMARKS (e.g., present whereabouts if known).
NX148977.	T/O.1.	McNAMARA, P.S.	Attg. NSW LofC Sch, Craylands, until 23 Oct. 43.

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PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 23 10 /194 3.

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.)	W.E. 1	Posted Strength. 1	Reints. Required. -	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II (cont.)	W.E. 17	Posted Strength. 18	Reints. Required. 18	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.)	W.E. 85	Posted Strength. 85	Reints. Required. -
Ammunition Examiners				Surveyors, Engineering				Operating Room Assts.				G.P.O. Assistants			
Armament Artificer Fitter				Surveyors, R.A.A.				Operator, Keyboard				Hammermen			
Armament Artificer Fitter (Electrical)				Surveyors, Topographical				Operator, Line				Leather Stitchers			
Armament Artificer Fitter (M.V.)				Surveyors, Trigonometrical				Operator, Signal				Orderlies, Nursing			
Armament Artificer Fitter (A.F.V.)				Toolmakers				Operator, Switchboard				Orderlies, Nursing Mental			
Armament Artificer Instrument				Turners				Operator, Wireless				Plate Layers (Ptes)	2	3	1s
Armament Artificer Radio				Watchmakers				Opticians				Rangetakers			
Armament Artificer Signals				Welders				Painters				Rivetters			
Armament Artificer Wireless								Panel Beaters				Roughriders			
Artificer, Artillery								Photographer, Dry Plate				Saddlers			
Artificer, Engine								Predictor Numbers				Saddletree makers			
Blacksmiths (pte)	2	1	-					Printers				Shoemaker and Boot Repairer			
Bricklayers								Radiographers				Stevedores			
Computors								Riggers				Stokers, Staty. Engine			
Cooks, Hospital				GROUP II.				Sawyers				Storemen, Technical (Ptes)	3	3	-
Coppersmiths				Armourers				Signallers NCOs 3 2 1HR				Tailors (NCOs)	2	2	-
Dispensers				Axemen				Signwriters xxxxx Ptes.24 18 6HR				Textile Refitters			
Draughtsmen				Bakers				Telescope Identfn. Numbers				Tinsmiths			
Draughtsmen (Architectural)				Bty. Comd's. Asst.				Well Borers				Vulcanizers			
Draughtsmen (Engineering)				Boilermakers				Wheelers				Wagon Erectors			
Draughtsmen (Mechanical)				Carpenters (Ptes)	6	6	-	Winchman				Whitesmiths			
Draughtsmen (Topographical)				Carpenters and Joiners				Wireman					92	93	1 s
Electricians				Cooks				Woodturners				NOT ON NE			
Electricians (M.V.)				Dental Mechanics								Bricklayers	-	3	3 s
Electricians (Signals)				Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Med.)								Bakers.	-	4	4 s
Fitters				Driver-Operator									92	100	8 s
Fitters (Cycle)				Drainers											
Fitters (Electrical)				Electricians											
Fitters (Gun)				Electricians (Engineers)									105	100	5 s
Fitters (Instrument)				Fire Control Operators				GROUP III.				DETAILS OF NON-TRADESMEN.			
Fitters (M.V.)				Gun Operator				Battery Surveyors (Ptes)	1	1	-	PTES	636	550	86
Fitters, Railway Signal				Hatchman				Butchers NCOs 7		7	-				
Fitters, Signals				Height Taker				Clerks xxxPtes 5		5	-		833	750	83
Grinder, Precision				Helio Operator				Clerks, Supply							
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator				Clerks, Technical				ATTACHED BY WE.			
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Intelligence Duties				Coach Trimmers				Ptes:			
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Joiners xxx NCOs. 3		3	-	Concretors				AACC	8	8	
Mechanics, Radio				Lineman xxxPtes. 7		8	1s	Cooks				AAMC	14	15	1
Mechanics, Typewriter				Lineman, Signals				Dental Clerk Orderlies					1	1	
Mechanics, Wireless				Lithographers				Despatch Riders					23	24	1
Millwrights				Machinists, Metal				Draughtsmen, Signals				ATTACHED BY W.E.			
Operators, Excavator				Machinists, Wood				Drivers, H.T.				AACC	11	11	
Pattern Maker				Masons				Driver Mechanics (Ptes)	27	33	6 s	AAAC	1	1	
Pharmacist				Masseurs				Driver Tptn. Plant				AAPC	2	2	
Photographer, Wet Plate				Mechanics, M.T.				Engine Hands, I.C.				AAMC	3	2	
Photowriter				Miners				Equipment Repairers (Pte)	1	1	-	AAME	3	3	
Plumber				Moulders				Farriers				AAAS	1	1	
Saw Doctors				Nurses, Trained				Fitters' Mates					44	44	
Surveyors				Observation Post Assts.				Gun Layers							
CARRIED FORWARD				CARRIED FORWARD	17	18	1s	CARRIED FORWARD	85	85		Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively.		*	*

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

23 October, 43.

Date of Despatch

J.S.O. COLLIER. Lt.-Col.
Comd. 54 Aust. Inf. Bn. (AIF)
5 Aust. Inf. Bde (AIF) 2 Aust. Div. (AIF).

Signature of Commander

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FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 30/10/1943 ..... (Unit)

W.E. 11/12/43 (as amended) OFFRS. 34 O.R's. 833 + OFFRS. 1 O.R's. 44 ATT. BY W.E. 54 Aust. Inf. Bn. (AIF).

Part A. Posted Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements Required.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.				
W.E. Reinfts. Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Reinfts. Required. W.E.
1 (See attached sheet)			1	W.Os. Class I.					
6 "	"	"	6	W.Os. Class II.	AACC	1	-	-	- 1
5 -	-	-	5	Squadron or Company Quartermaster Sgts.					
- (See attached sheet)			-	Staff Sergeants	AA PC				
36 -	-	-	36	Sergeants AEME, AAMC, AACC, AAPC	9	-	1 NR	1 NR	10
72 4 NR	4 NR	-	68	Corporals AEME, AAMC, AACC, AAPC, AA OC	10	-	-	-	10
713 87	87	-	626	Troopers, Privates, etc.	AEME, AACC, AAOC	25	2	-	2 S 23
				Civilians counting as O.R.					
833 91 *	91	-	742 *	Totals of cols. marked * should agree with details shown in Part E on Page 2.		45 *	2	1	1 S 44

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

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

Detail		A.I.F.	C.M.F. Under 19 Years.	C.M.F. 19 Years and over.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	* *	TOTAL.
A		614	128		(Unit personnel attached		"	[redacted]	[redacted]		742
B(1)		42		3							45
B(2)		NIL	All	are	Class A1.		[redacted]				

Part B. Other Ranks Attached from Other Units.

Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong
15	5 Sdn.		
50	55 Bn.		
44	22 Aust. Fd. Coy.		
4 NR	132 Aust. Bde H/Shops.		
4	17 Coy. A.A.S.C.		
1	Salvage Unit.		

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

Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.
24	Hospital		
39	Leave.		
20	Schools.		
3	J/ Sch. Staff.		
1	3 Aust. Corps.		
1	NSW Lof C Area.		
1	IRO		

Part D. Description of Other Ranks Whose Return To ..... (Unit) is Particularly Requested. ...../...../194.....

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

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PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 30 / 10 / 1943.

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.
Ammunition Examiners			
Armament Artificer Fitter			
Armament Artificer Fitter (Electrical)			
Armament Artificer Fitter (M.V.)			
Armament Artificer Fitter (A.F.V.)			
Armament Artificer Instrument			
Armament Artificer Radio			
Armament Artificer Signals			
Armament Artificer Wireless			
Artificer, Artillery			
Artificer, Engine			
Blacksmiths (Ptes)	1	1	-
Bricklayers			
Computors			
Cooks, Hospital			
Coppersmiths			
Dispensers			
Draughtsmen			
Draughtsmen (Architectural)			
Draughtsmen (Engineering)			
Draughtsmen (Mechanical)			
Draughtsmen (Topographical)			
Electricians			
Electricians (M.V.)			
Electricians (Signals)			
Fitters			
Fitters (Cycle)			
Fitters (Electrical)			
Fitters (Gun)			
Fitters (Instrument)			
Fitters (M.V.)			
Fitters, Railway Signal			
Fitters, Signals			
Grinder, Precision			
Mechanics, Instrument			
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)			
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)			
Mechanics, Radio			
Mechanics, Typewriter			
Mechanics, Wireless			
Millwrights			
Operators, Excavator			
Pattern Maker			
Pharmacist			
Photographer, Wet Plate			
Photowriter			
Plumber			
Saw Doctors			
Surveyors			
CARRIED FORWARD			

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.
Surveyors, Engineering	1	1	-
Surveyors, R.A.A.			
Surveyors, Topographical			
Surveyors, Trigonometrical			
Toolmakers			
Turners			
Watchmakers			
Welders			
GROUP II.			
Armourers			
Axemen			
Bakers			
Bty. Comd's. Asst.			
Boilermakers			
Carpenters (Ptes)	6	6	-
Carpenters and Joiners			
Cooks			
Dental Mechanics			
Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Med.)			
Driver-Operator			
Drainers			
Electricians			
Electricians (Engineers)			
Fire Control Operators			
Gun Operator			
Hatchman			
Height Taker			
Helio Operator			
Instrument Operator			
Intelligence Duties			
Joiners NCOs	3	3	-
Joiners Ptes.	7	8	1R
Lineman			
Lineman, Signals			
Lithographers			
Machinists, Metal			
Machinists, Wood			
Masons			
Masseurs			
Mechanics, M.T.			
Miners			
Moulders			
Nurses, Trained			
Observation Post Assts.			
CARRIED FORWARD	17	18	1R

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.
Operating Room Assts.			
Operator, Keyboard			
Operator, Line			
Operator, Signal			
Operator, Switchboard			
Operator, Wireless			
Opticians			
Painters			
Panel Beaters			
Photographer, Dry Plate			
Predictor Numbers			
Printers			
Radiographers			
Riggers			
Sawyers			
Signallers NCOs	3	2	1
Signallers Ptes	24	18	6
Signwriters			
Telescope Identfn. Numbers			
Well Borers			
Wheelers			
Winchman			
Wireman			
Woodturners			
GROUP III.			
Battery Surveyors			
Butchers (Ptes)	1	1	-
Clerks NCOs.	7	7	-
Clerks, Supply Ptes	5	5	-
Clerks, Technical			
Coach Trimmers			
Concretors			
Cooks			
Dental Clerk Orderlies			
Despatch Riders			
Draughtsmen, Signals			
Drivers, H.T.			
Driver Mechanics (Ptes) 27/31/43			
Driver Tptn. Plant			
Engine Hands, I.C.			
Equipment Repairers (Ptes)	1	1	-
Farriers			
Fitters' Mates			
Gun Layers			
CARRIED FORWARD	65	83	2

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.
G.P.O. Assistants			
Hammermen			
Leather Stitchers			
Orderlies, Nursing			
Orderlies, Nursing Mental			
Plate Layers			
Rangetakers (Ptes)	2	3	1R
Riveters			
Roughriders			
Saddlers			
Saddletree makers			
Shoemaker and Boot Repairer			
Stevedores			
Stokers, Staty. Engine			
Storemen, Technical (Ptes)	3	3	-
Tailors (NCOs)	2	2	-
Textile Refitters			
Tinsmiths			
Vulcanizers			
Wagon Erectors			
Whitesmiths			
	92	91	1
NOT ON T.E.			
Bricklayers	-	3	3R
Bakers.	-	4	4R
	92	98	6R
DETAILS OF NON-TRADESMEN.			
NCOs.	105	102	3 NR
PTES	636	542	94
	833	742	91
G/TOTAL			
ATTACHED BY W.E.			
AASC	8	9	1R
AACC	14	15	1R
ATTACHED BY W.E.			
AAOS	1	1	-
	23	25	2R
NCOs:-			
AACC	11	11	-
AACC	1	1	-
AAPC	2	2	-
AAMC	3	2	1 NR
ASME	3	3	-
AAPS	1	1	-
Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively.	44	45	1R

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

K. B. Barrett Maj.

30 October, 43.
Date of Despatch

for J.S.O. COLLINS. Lt.-Col.
Comd. 5[illegible] Bde (AIF) 2 Aust. Div. (AIF).
Signature of Commander
5 Aust. Inf. Bde (AIF)

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SPECIALISTS.

UNIT PERSONNEL.

1 TO.1l. "I" dutymen surplus.
1 Sig. Cpl. deficient (Reinft not reqd for reasons stated below).
6 Sig. TO.11's deficient (Reinfts not reqd as unit personnel are in training to fill vacancies.
4 TO.11. Mr. Mechs surplus.
1 TO.111. Rangetaker surplus.
3 TO.1. Brickl yers surplus (No provision on W.E.)
4 TO.11. Bakers surplus (No provision on W.E.)

ATTACHED PERSONNEL.

1 TO.11. Mech. T.V. surplus.
1 T.O. 11. Cook surplus.
1 AMC Sgt. deficient (Reinft not reqd as it is proposed to promote Cpl. Pearn, (Chiropodist Cpl) to Sgt and apply for an AMC Cpl Chiropodist to replace Pearn).

NON-SPECIALISTS.

UNIT PERSONNEL.

5 Cpls deficient (Reinfts not reqd for reasons stated below).
94 Pte deficient (These reinfts are reqd and General Dutymen will meet needs of Unit).

N.B. A deficient of 4 Cpls is shewn on face of return. However, as 2 Cpls have been allotted to the Unit by DRO and as promotion of unit personnel to fill these vacancies have already been recommended, reinfts are NOT reqd.

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N.B. WOs, S/Sgts and Sgts are shewn on the face of the return according to their WE postings in preference to their actual ranks. The fact that this unit has four upgradings (approved by DRO to be held above the ranks out arised for the appointments) causes confusion when an attempt is made to shew the true picture by a system of surpluses and deficiencies in the respective ranks.

The ranks affected are as follows :-

WO.1. RAUCHLE. F. T. now included in WO.11's, which is WE rank for his appt ment.
WO.11. ELLIOTT. A. B. S/S Sgt " " Sgts " " " " " "
S/Sgt. TURNING. J. Ord. Rm. Sgt " " " " " " " " " "
S/Sgt. DUNNE. J. Sgt. Teller " " " " " " " " " "

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War Diary

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES.

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Copy No. 20
Headquarters.
54 Aust. Inf. Bn. (AIF)
AUSTRALIA.
5 October, 43.

54 AUST.INF.BN.(AIF) ADM.INSTN. 3.

Ref. Maps
GERALDTON 1 in to 1 ml.
COLLIE 1 in to 1 ml.

1. 54 Aust. Inf. Bn. (AIF) and att. tps will move from present location on 10 Oct. 43 to 3 Aust. Corps J/W School, WELLINGTON DAM for trg. in J/W.

Att. tps.

22 - 5 Aust. Inf. Bde (AIF).
3 - FSS.
31 - 56 Aust. Inf. Bn. (AIF)
60(approx) - 22 Aust. Army Fd. Coy (to come under command at school).

2. No.1 Rear party, at present at J/W school with 44 Aust. Inf. Bn.(AIF) will return to present location at 1345 H on 9 Oct. to take over Gd and maintenance duties during the unit's absence.

3. Main body and att. tps will move to WELLINGTON DAM by train on 10 Oct. (separate movement instns to be issued later).

4. STORES AND EQUIPMENT.

(i) WE incl. picks & shovels but NOT WE amn.
(ii) HQ COY (a) Two 2 pdr Tk/A guns and portees.
(b) Six MMGs complete.
(c) Two 3" mortars.
(d) All L/T & W/T sig. equipment.
(e) Pioneer tools.
(f) Bootmakers & tailor's equipment.
(iii) BN.HQ. (a) Bn.Office records, stationery, tables & chairs.
(b) "I" Sec. Office records &c.
(c) RAP complete (10 stretchers).
(d) Band instruments & music.
(iv) GENERAL (a) Pyrotechnics.
(b) Ten(10) tent flys.
(c) Offrs' mess gear & crockery.
(d) Tables and forms.
(e) Sporting eqpt (Coy responsibility).
(f) Amplifier (Sig Offr to arrange)
(h) Lamps will be packed in such a way as to be readily accessible on arrival at destination.

(v) M.T.

13 x 3 ton.
4 x 15 Cwt.
2 x portees
1 x Recce car (moving by rd 7 Oct)
6 x M.C.

(vi) PAMPHLETS.

(a) MTP 23 Pt.xx. Jungle Wfare. & supp. notes for Pl Comds.
(b) Soldiering in tropics (SWPA)ifavailable.
(c) Jungle fighting.
(d) Friendly fruits & vegetables.
(e) SAT. Vol.1 Pam. 2. Applicn of fire.
3. Rifle.
5. Tk/A rifle.
12. Bayonet.
13. Grenade.

5. STORES &C. NOT REQUIRED.

(a) All tents will be struck on Saturday 9 Oct. and removed to Bn.HQ area where they will be stores under instns. from QM.
(b) Surplus stores from Coys (incl. Rifles, blankets &c for

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personnel on ARL) will be stored at Bn.Q Store under supervision QM.
(c) All surplus clothing will be returned to QM NOT later than 1800 H 6 Oct. 43.
(d) Camp amenities, refrigerator, bush huts and all engr. stores will be left in situ.
(e) WE amn will be moved by Coys to Bn.HQ area and dumped under supervision of QM on Saturday, 9 Oct. 43.
(f) Straw from palliasses will be dumped at Bn. Salvage Dump under supervision of Pte. Isbister. Dumping to be complete by 1000 H 9 Oct. 43.
(g) All vehicles NOT moving with main body will be parked in Bn.HQ. area under supervision of T.O.

6. DRESS.

Shirts Khaki, Trousers KWD. Hats khaki fur.
Marching Order (incl respirator at alert)
Helmets steel to be attached to pakk, water bottle to be filled. Packs & haversacks packed in accordance with 5 Bde. instn. Style "B".

7. KIT BAGS AND BLANKETS.

Kit bags will be loaded on vehicles allotted to Coys. Remaining 2 blankets NOT in pack will be rolled around kit bags and palliasse wrapped around outside. The bottom of the Kit bag will NOT be covered. The number & name of owner must be showing clearly.

8. RATIONS

Meals en route will be provided from Wiles Cooker on train.

9. POL.

All POL, other than required for the use of the rear party will be returned to AASC on Sat. 9 Oct. (T/O to arrange).

10. CLEANLINESS OF CAMP.

(a) When tents are struck all areas will be thoroughly cleaned of any litter.
(b) All salvageable material is to be transported to unit salvage dump NOT later than 1200 H 8 Oct. 43.
(c) Coy Comds will render a certificate that Coy areas have been inspected and are thoroughly clean by 1700 H 9 Oct. 43.
(d) The lids of all thunderboxes will be fastened by a nail prior to quitting coy areas.
(e) Greasetraps are to be cleaned and scalded with boiling water.
(f) Incinerators will be cleaned out before leaving the area.

11. SECURITY.

Coy Comds will ensure that no documents &c are left in coy areas. Particular stress must be placed on the fact that envelopes addressedto troops give valuable infm to enemy agents.
Any evidence of unit occupation will be erased or burnt.
Tps are to be warned that sending letters or telegrams or making private phone calls en route is STRICTLY forbidden.

12. TRAIN DISCIPLINE - All troops will be warned against -

(a) Boarding or leaving trains in motion.
(b) Leaning out of windows & doors, or protruding any portion of the body from the train as to be in danger of being struck by side or overhead structures.
(c) Throwing anything out of the train.
(d) Interfering with or causing damage to railway property (windows, doors, brake gear & other fittings).
(e) Chalk marking of rolling stock.
(f) Discharging firearms.
(g) Carrying or consuming liquor on trains.
(h) No personnel will leave train at any stopping place unless permitted by O.C. train. O.C. trains will make themselves

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(i) Hygiene - At meal halts strict attention will be paid by all ranks to hygiene & all food waste disposed of as arranged by OC train. Troops will be warned against using train sanitary arrangements while trains are stationary in stations.

(j) An NCO will be detailed in charge of each compartment and will be responsible for discipline of members of that compartment and report any damage en route, cause of same to train Adjutant at first stopping place.

(k) Loading of M/T. - All three ton F.W.D. will have canopy frame lowered to at least the level of the driver's cabin. This will be done in sub-unit lines prior to being covered with tent flys where covered cehs are not provided. Care will be taken to see that when tent flys are used they are securely & neatly tied to the frame. Chimneys in Wiles Cookers will be lowered before load-ing.

(l) Picqueting of M/T on move.

Escort of two ORs will be detailed by O.C. train to each flat-topped waggon in addition to driver of each veh.

Frequent inspection of lashings will be madd en route.

IMPORTANT. Under no circumstances are vehs to be left unattended.

(m) Entraining & Detraining reports wil be submitted by O.C. train to these HQ as early as possible for transmission to 5 Bde

13. POSTAL ADDRESS

Normal unit address will be given without any reference to school address.

14. BUSH TIMBER AND FIREWOOD.

As portion of the surrounding area is at present under re-afforestation, units will obtain from camp Q.M. the exact location from which timber can be taken. General areas from which wood may be taken will be arranted by the camp staff with the Forestry Officer, COLLIE.

15. MEDICAL.

RMO will make available a first aid kit and orderly for each train.

16. Attached personnel will pack gear and adopt dress in accordance with paras. 6 & 7. Arrangements regarding picking up of 5 Bde and 56 Bn personnel and gear will be advised later.

R. L. O'NEILL. Capt.,
Adjt. 54 Aust. Inf. Bn. (AIF).

DISTRIBUTION.

Recipient.	Copy No.
HQ Coy.	1
A "	2
B "	3
C "	4
D "	5
5 Aust. Inf. Bde (AIF).	6 - 9
56 Aust. Inf. Bn. (AIF).	10
C.O.	11
2 i/c	12
Adjt.	13
I.O.	14
Q.M.	15
T.O.	16
R.M.O.	17
W.O. Caterer.	18
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MOVEMENT INSTRUCTIONS

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APPENDIX A to 54 Aust. Inf. Bn. (AIF)
Adm. Instn. 3 of 5 Oct. 43.

1. TRAIN A

Depart GERALDTON 0800 H 10 Oct. 43.
Arrive WORSLEY 1215 H 11 Oct. 43.
(for composition of train see appendix B)

(a) Loading of vehicles. - will be completed by 1200 H 9 Oct and vehicles will assemble at HQ Coy ready to move by 1215 H.
OC Convoy - Lieut. L. R. Brooks.
Start Time - 1230 H.
S.P. - Southern boundary gate 18 Aust. Fd. Regt. (AIF)
Route - NARNGULU - UTAKARAA - GERALDTON.
Dispersal Pt - Ry Sta. GERALDTON.
VTM - 10.
MIH - 20.

(b) Escorts (see appendix B)

All escorts incl. cooks will move with this convoy and assist in loading of vehicles on train. Train loading to be complete 1830 H. Escorts will remain with vehicles and will be fed for the evening meal on 9 Oct and breakfast 10 Oct by Hotbox from Bn.HQ kitchen (WO Caterer to arrange).

(c) Personnel (see appendix B)

O.C. train (Capt. Macadam) will arrange for tps to be assembled at Bn.HQ by 0645 H ready to be embussed.

Reveille - 0500 H.
Breakfast - 0600 H.

Tps will carry all gear when moving to Bn.HQ area for breakfast. Convoy will be arranged by T.O.

Start Time - 0650 H.

SP, Route, Dispersal Pt, VTM & MIH - as in para 1(a)

2. TRAIN B.

Depart GERALDTON 1945 H 10 Oct. 43.
Arrive WORSLEY 0245 H. 12 Oct. 43.
(For composition of train see appendix B).

(a) Loading of Vehicles.- will be completed by 1200 H 10 Oct. 43 and vehicles will assemble at Bn.HQ area ready to move by 1215 H.
OC Convoy - Lieut. L. R. Brooks. Start time - 1230 H.
SP, Route, Dispersal Pt., VTM & MIH as in para 1(a).

(b) ESCORTS (see appendix B)

All escorts incl Cooks will move with this convoy and assist in loading of vehicles on train. Train loading complete by 1830 H. Escorts will remain with vehicles and will be fed for the evening meal on 10 Oct by hot box from Bn.HQ kitchen (RSM to arrange).
Note -The vehicles loaded on this train will carry Kit bags &c from A, C & D Coys.

(c) ARL personnel - 37 personnel ex ARL 8 Oct will travel on train B. Kit bags &c will be loaded on their respective Coy vehicles. OC party Maj.N.J.Arrow. Personnel will assemble at Bn.HQ ready to embuss by 1815 H. TO will arrange tpt. Start time - 1830 H.

2. TRAIN C. SP,Route,Dispersal Pt.,VTM & MIH as in para 1(a).

Depart GERALDTON 1400 H. 11 Oct. 43.
Arrive WORSLEY 1840 H 12 Oct. 43.
(For composition of train see appendix B)

(a) Loading of Vehicles (kit bags and stores) will be complete by 0700 H 11 Oct. 43. A loading party will be supplied from rear party of 1 NCO and 12 ORs to move with convoy to load stores etc on train. TO will arrange for the movement of the

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vehicles to Ry Sta GERALDTON and have loading of train complete by 1300 H 1 Oct.

OC Convoy - Lieut. E. R. Brooks.
Start Time - 0800 H.
Start Pt, Route, Dispersal Pt., VTM & MIH - as in para.1(a).

(b) ESCORTS - incl. cooks will move with vehicles and remain with them. Cut lunch will be carried.

(c) PERSONNEL - (see appendix B).

OC Train, Capt. R. McKeown, will arrange for tps to be assembled at Bn.HQ.by 1230 H ready to be embussed.
MIDDAY MEAL - 1130 H.
Tps will carry all gear when moving to BN. HQ. area for the Midday Meal.
Convoy will be arranged by TO.
Start Time - 1245 H.
SP, Route, Dispersal Pt., VTM & MIH - as in para 1(a).

R O'Neill Capt.,

R. L. O'NEILL.
Adjt. 54 Aust.Inf.Bn.(AIF)

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MOVEMENT TABLE.

(Appendix B to 54 Aust. Inf. Bn. (AIF) Adm.Instn.3 of 5 Oct. 43).

TRAIN A.

Depart GERALDTON 0800 H. 10 Oct.43.
Arrive WORSLEY 1215 H. 11 Oct. 43.
MT Carried - 12 incl. 1 Wiles Cooker.
(7 x 3 ton & 4 x 15 Cwt vehicles allotted to HQ Coy & QM. Wiles Cooker supplied by A Coy.)
1 M.C.
ESCORTS - 1 Driver 1 OR with each veh.
(5 HQ,1 A,2 B,2 C,1 D & 11 ORs A Coy)
2 Cooks supplied by A Coy). = 24.

PERSONNEL -

HQ Coy	191
FSS	3
5 Bde	21
56 Bn	31
	246

OC Train - Capt. Macadam.
Adjt. " - Capt. Michell.

Loading to be completed by 1830 H. 9 Oct. 43.

TRAIN B.

Depart GERALDTON 1945 H. 10 Oct. 43.
Arrive WORSLEY 0245 H. 12 Oct. 43.
MT Carried - 12 incl. 1 Wiles Cooker.
(2 portees 5 x 3 ton, 5 MC - Wiles Cooker supplied by D Coy)

ESCORTS - 12 (10 HQ,1 A, 1 B)
2 Cooks (D Coy)

NOTE - HQ will include 1 Sgt in the 10 escorts provided. He will be i/c party.

Loading to be complete by 1830 H 10 Oct. 43.

SPECIAL NOTE - Personnel returning from ARL will travel on this train. Verbal instructions in confirmation will be issued later.

TRAIN C.

Depart GERALDTON 1400 H. 11 Oct.43.
Arrive WORSLEY. 1840 H. 12 Oct.43.
MT carried - 2 incl 1 Wiles Cooker (B Coy)
1 x 3 ton and Wiles Cooker supplied by B Coy.

ESCORTS - 2
2 Cooks (B Coy)

PERSONNEL -

A Coy	68
B Coy	72
C Coy	71
D Coy	78
Bn HQ	61 (Incl.T.O).
	352

O.C. Train - Capt. R. McKeown.
Adjt " - Capt. J.M. Gibson.

Loading to be complete by 1300 H. 11 Oct. 43.

R O'Neill
Capt.,
R. L. O'NEILL.
Adjt. 54 Aust. Inf. Bn. (AIF)

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APPENDIX C to 54 AUST. INF. BN. (AIF) ADM. INSTR. 3, of 5 OCT 43.

MESSING ARRANGEMENTS.

	SAT. 9			SUNDAY. 10.			MONDAY. 11.		
	Breakfast.	Dinner.	Tea.	Breakfast	Dinner	Tea.	Breakfast.	Dinner	Tea.
A Coy.	← AT "B" COY. →							AT BN, HQ.	X
B "	← NORMAL →							AT BN HQ.	X
C "	← AT "B" COY. →							AT BN. HQ.	X
D "	NORMAL	NORMAL.	NORMAL	← AT BN HQ. →					X
HQ "	AT BN HQ →			X	X	X	X	X	X
BN HQ	← AT BN HQ →								X
REAR PARTY	X	X	← AT "B" COY. →				← AT BN HQ →		

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ADM INSTN. NO. 4

54 AUST. INF. BN. AIF.
9 Oct, 43.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR REAR PARTY.

1. No.1 Rear Party will attend J.W. School with 44 Aust.Inf.Bn. (AIF) and return to present unit area at 1315 hrs 9 Oct, 43.

2. Party will act as a Gd and carry out maintenance duties during the unit's absence at J.W. School.

3. STRENGTH OF REAR PARTY.

1 Offr, 1 WO 11, 1Sgt, 31 or"s, (This number is subject to increase as ARL personnel return.)

4. DUTIES OF REAR PARTY.

(a) Maintain a 24 hr Picquet on central dump "Q" Area.

(b) Prevent any deterioration of eqpt, tpt, or stores by regular maintenance and by the provision of adequate protective arrangements.

(c) Maintain a 24 hr phone orderly system in attendance at Bde rear link telephone.

(d) Report immediately any loss of eqpt or stores to Bde HQ.

(e) Provide frequent roving patrols through all Coy areas to prevent any person or persons, civilian or military from INTERFERING with or removing any buildings, iron or wood or anything from those areas.

(f) To maintenance an run engines of all MT according to MT instructions,

(g) To repair boundary fence of area.

(h) All ARL personnel returning will be used for duties or training as directed by the O.C.

5. COMD OF PARTY.

Should an officer, senior to Lieut Locke, return to the area he will assume comd. and similarly if any offr arrives subsequently, who is senior, he will immediately assume Comd. Should this circumstance eventuate Bde HQ will be advised immediately.

6. POWERS OF COMD.

The officer Comd. the rear party is a "Commanding Offr" and has all the powers of a C.O. in dealing with charges (AMR & O 389) except that if under field rank he cannot award more than 7 days detention without the sanction of superior authority; ie his C.O. (AMR & O 422).
O.C. party will contact S.C. 5 Bde for any information or advice required on any matter.

7. RATIONS.

Will be drawn from normal S.P. and will be the responsibility of the R.Q.M.S.

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8. P.O.L.

As above but it should NOT be necessary to draw a great deal.

9. MEDICAL & DENTAL.

(a) RMO 18 Aust. Fd. Regt (AIF) will treat all cases .
(b) Evacuations will be as at present.
(c) RAP orderly and necessary kit will function as arranged by Capt. McGlashan, RMO.
(d) Dental unit at 18 Aust. FD. Regt. (AIF) will attend all dental cases.

10. FIRE PRECAUTIONS.

With the coming of warmer weather the danger of fire is increased and every precaution must, therefore, be taken.
Unit Standing orders for Fire will be strictly observed particularly in reference to water containers being kept full at all times.
An adequate fire break will be prepared around Bn. HQ. area immediately and O.C. party will arrange his duties to free personnel during the day to commence the preparation of a fire break around the whole BN area.
A fire break is in existance but will have to be re-cleared.

11. RETURNS.

All returns called for by Bde and BN. HQ will be promptly rendered.

12. COMMUNICATION

Line to 5 Bde.
Messages may be sent to BN. HQ. via 5 Bde to 3 Aust. Corps thence to J.W. School.
Messages will be addressed "5- BN fwd".

13. ADM.

(a) Strength increases and decreases will be advised by sig to BN. HQ. showing offrs and or's separately.

(B) In the event of any personnel having to march out Mob. 3. will be prepared in triplicate, 2 copies will be carried by the soldier and the third copy will be forwarded by DRLS to BN. Hq.

(c) Forms T1, HL L, HL 2, and PL 1 will be kept under lock and key.
Personnel marching out for travel by rail "on duty" will be issued with T 1.
Personnel proceeding on leave (see para d re leave) will be issued with HL 1 or HL 2 and P 1. HL 1 is issued to offrs and WO's.

(d) Leave. Normal rest day leave will be arranged by O.C. party and the present conditions governing rest day will be strictly observed.

O.C. party will inspect ALL personnel for dress etc, and no personnel will proceed on leave [illegible]
(For dress see [illegible]

No ARL will be granted — compassionate cases will be submitted to BN. HQ. for consideration.

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(e) STATIONERY ETC

A supply of stationary will be made available by orderly room Sgt. Strict economy must be exercised in its use.
Copy of "ASO", "AMR & O and Manual of Military Law" will be provided.

(f) MAIL ARRANGEMENTS.

All mail will be franked and unit censor stamp impressed on all mail matter. It will be forwarded to Fd Post Office in ration truck each night . Inward mail will be collected at ration point. The usual address will be used and BN. HQ will arrange for mail for rear party to be forwarded on. Tps are to be warned that no indication is to be given of the unit's movement or Trg.

(g) PAY.

Will be arranged through 5 Bde.

(h) PERSONNEL RETURNING FROM ARL.

Coy Q representative will issue personnel with blankets eqpt etc at present held in store.

(i) CAMP ROUTINE.

	OFFRS.	ORs.
Reveille	0600 hrs	0600 hrs
Offrs Trg.	0645	
Breakfast.	0715	0700
Sick Parade.	0730	0730
Parade.	0830	0830
Stand Down.	1200	1200
Lunch	1230	1230
Parade.	1330	1330
Stand Down	1700	1700
Retreat	1730	1730
Mess	1815	1730
Lights Out	2315	2215

A period will be devoted each day to PT and Blitz course for all available personnel.
Close order drill and rifle drill will be incorporated in trg.

14. CANTEEN.

Arrangements have been made with 18 Aust,Fd,Regt (AIF) for personnel of rear party to make purchases at that Unit's canteen. Party will attend CANTEEN as an organised party and O.C. Party will ensure that N.C.O. is i/c. Canteen opens 1830 H

SIGNED AT 1200 hrs. 9 Oct 43

R.L. O'NEILL. Capt.
ADJT. 54 AUST. INF. BN. AIF.

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3 AUST CORPS TRG CENTRE - JUNGLE WARFARE

SYLLABUS OF TRAINING

DAY	SUB-UNIT	INSTRUCTOR	SUBJECTS	REMARKS
ONE	"A" Coy	Lt Wilson	(a) Snipers Range (rifles & SMGs) (b) Jungle Firing Range (Rifles & SMGs) (c) (1 hr) Lect. Tropical hygiene & treatment of Natives;- (1 PL) Practise knots and lashings.	1 Pl on each task - change over every 2 hrs - Coy Off. to deliver Lect. & supervise knots & lashings: 10 rds Amn per rifle or SMG.
	"B" Coy	Lt Wallis Mitchell Lt Collins	(a) Short Jungle Trail (Rifles & SMGs). Plaiting of Reeds. (b) Tree climbing - Using ropes & irons. (c) Rope Climbing - All types.	1 Pl on each task - change over every 2 hrs - Unit Offrs to assist when required.
	"J" Coy	Lt Calkin.	(a) Crossing Water Obstacles by Improv. Engineer Equip. (b) Improvised Rafts - Swimming, Bamboo Poles. (c) Demo. & Explan. of Jungle Soldiers Equip.	Instructor sub-divides party as necessary. Equipment supplied by Trg Centre HQ. Explanations by Instructor.
	"L"	Lt Atkins	(a) Compass March over Rough Dense Country. (Web Equip. - Rifles or SMGs)	Coys to be divided into nine groups. Each group to have its own compass - maps supplied.
	HQ Coy	Lt Harris	(a) No. 1 & No. 2 Obstacle Courses. (b) Packhorses, Pack Saddlery Method of Loading. (c) (1 hr) Lect. - Antimalarial measures. (1 hr) Lect. - Soldiering in the Tropics.	1 Pl on each task. Change over every 2 hrs. R.M.O. to give Malaria Lecture.
TWO	"[illegible]" Coy		(a) Short Jungle Trail (Rifles & SMGs). Plaiting of reeds. (b) Tree climbing using Ropes & Irons. (c) Rope Climbing - All types.	1 Pl on each task - change over every 2 hrs. Unit Offrs to assist when required.
	"B" Coy		(a) Crossing Water Obstacles by Improv. Engineer Equip. (b) Improvised Rafts - Swimming. Bamboo Poles. (c) Demo. & Explan of Jungle Soldiers Equip.	Instructor sub-divides party as necessary. Equip. supplied by Trg Centre. HQ. Explanations by Instructors.
	"C" Coy		(a) Compass march over rough dense country. (Web Equip. - Rifles or SMGs)	Coys to be divided into nine groups. Each group to have its own compass - Maps supplied.
	"D" Coy		(a) No. 1 & No. 2 Obstacle Courses. (b) Packhorses, Pack Saddlery Method of Loading. (c) (1 hr) Lect.-Antimalarial measures; (1 hr) Lect. - Soldiering in the Tropics.	1 Pl on each task - Change over every 2 hrs. - R.M.O. to give Malaria Lecture.

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DAY TWO CONTINUED.

	HQ Coy	(a) Snipers Range. (Rifles & SMGs). (b) Jungle Firing Range (Rifles & SMGs). (c) (1 hr) Lect. - Tropical Hygiene & Treatment of Natives; 1 Pl practise Knots & Lashings.	1 Pl on each task - change over every 2 hrs - Coy Off. to deliver Lect. & supervise Knots & Lashings. 10 rds Amn per Rifle or SMG.
THREE	"A" Coy	(a) Crossing Water Obstacles by Improv. Engineer Equip. (b) Improvised Rafts - Swimming. Bamboo Poles. (c) Demo. & Explan. of Jungle Soldiers Equipment.	Instructor sub-divides party as necessary. Equip. supplied by Trg Centre HQ. Explanations by Instructors.
	"B" Coy	(a) Compass march over rough dense country. (Web Equip - Rifles or SMGs	Coys to be divided into nine groups. Each group to have its own compass. Maps supplied.
	"C" Coy	(a) No. 1 & No. 2 Obstacle Courses. (b) Packhorses. Pack Saddlery. Method of Loading. (c) (1 hr) Lect. - Antimalarial measures; (1 hr) Lect. - Soldiering in the Tropics.	1 Pl on each task - change over every 2 hrs. - R.M.O. to give Malaria Lecture.
	"D" Coy	(a) Snipers Range. (Rifles & SMGs). (b) Jungle Firing Range (Rifles & SMGs). (c) (1 hr) Lect. - Tropical Hygiene & Treatment of Natives; 1 Pl practise Knots & lashings.	1 Pl on each task - change over every 2 hrs - Coy Off. to deliver Lect. & supervise Knots and Lashings. 10 rds Amn per Rifle or SMG.
	HQ Coy	(a) Short Jungle Trail (Rifles & SMGs). Plaiting of Reeds. (b) Tree Climbing - Using ropes and irons. (c) Rope Climbing - All types.	1 Pl on each task - change over every 2 hrs. Unit Offrs to assist when required.
FOUR	"A" Coy	(a) Compass March over rough dense country. (Web Equip - Rifles or SMGs)	Coys to be divided into nine groups. Each group to have its own compass. Maps supplied.
	"B" Coy	(a) No. 1 & No. 2 obstacle courses. (b) Packhorses. Pack Saddlery. Method of Loading. (c) (1 hr) Lect - Antimalarial measures. (1 hr) Lect - Soldiering in the Tropics.	1 Pl on each task - change over every 2 hrs. R.M.O. to give Malaria Lecture.
	"C" Coy	(a) Snipers Range (Rifles & SMGs). (b) Jungle Firing Range (Rifles & SMGs). (c) (1 hr) Lect - Tropical Hygiene & Treatment of Natives; 1 Pl practise Knots & Lashings.	1 Pl on each task - change over every 2 hrs. Coy Off to deliver Lect & supervise Knots and Lashings. 10 rds per rifle or SMG.
	"D" Coy	(a) Short Jungle Trail (Rifles & SMGs). Plaiting of Reeds. (b) Tree climbing - using ropes & irons. (c) Rope climbing - All types.	1 Pl on each task - change over every 2 hrs. Unit Offrs to assist when required.

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DAY FOUR CONTINUED

	HQ Coy	(a) Crossing Water Obstacles by Improv Engineer Equip. (b) Improvised rafts. Swimming. Bamboo Poles. (c) Demo & Explan of Jungle Soldiers Equipment.	Instructor sub-divides party as necessary. Equip supplied by Trg Centre HQ. Explanation by Instructors.
FIVE	"A" Coy	(a) No. 1 & No. 2 Obstacle Courses. (b) Packhorses. Pack Saddlery. Method of Loading. (c) (1 hr) Lect - Antimalarial measures. (1 hr) Lect - Soldiering in the Tropics.	1 Pl on each task - change over every 2 hrs.. R.M.O. to give Malaria Lecture.
	"B" Coy	(a) Snipers Range (Rifles & SMGs). (b) Jungle Firing Range (Rifle & SMGs). (c) (1 hr) Lect - Tropical Hygiene & Treatment of Natives; (1 Pl) Practise Knots & Lashings.	1 Pl on each task - change over every 2 hrs.. Coy Off to deliver lect & supervise Knots & Lashings. 10 rds Amn per rifle or SMG.
	"C" Coy	(a) Short Jungle Trail (Rifles & SMGs).Plaiting of reeds. (b) Tree Climbing - Using ropes & irons. (c) Rope Climbing - All types.	1 Pl on each task - change over every 2 hrs.. Unit Offrs to assist when required.
	"D" Coy	(a) Crossing Water Obstacles by Improv Engineer Equip. (b) Improvised rafts. Swimming. Bamboo Poles. (c) Demo & Explan of Jungle Soldiers Equipment.	Instructor sub-divides party as necessary. Equip supplied by Trg Centre HQ. Explanations by Instructors.
	HQ Coy	(a) Compass March over rough dense country. (Web Equip - Rifles or SMGs)	Coys to be divided into nine groups. Each group to have its own compass. Maps supplied.

DAY	SUB-UNIT	INSTRUCTOR	AREA	SUBJECTS	REMARKS
SIX	"A" Coy			(a) Short Jungle Trail (All personnel on LMG - 6 guns required). (b) Jungle Range (All personnel on LMG-3 guns required). (c) Demo & Explan - Booby trap area.	1 Pl on each task - change over every 2 hrs. 10 rds per man from Unit Trg Pool.
	"B" Coy			(a) Sec Exercises - Adv when contact is imminent. (b) Sec in the attack - Jungle. (c) Sec mopping up tasks - Jungle.	Coy Comds to arrange own exercises.
	"C" Coy			(a) Trail Cutting Practice. (b) Jungle Fighting patrol exercise. (c) Exercise - Passing of verbal messages.	Coy Comds to arrange exercises.
	"D" Coy			Sec Exercises:-(a) Sec in defence. (b) Sec as an ambush party. (c) Action of Sec when ambushed.	Coy Comds to arrange own exercises.

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DAY	SUB-UNIT	INSTRUCTOR AREA	SUBJECTS	REMARKS
SEVEN	"A" Coy	Sec	Exercises:-(a) Adv when contact is imminent. (b) Sec in the attack - Jungle. (c) Sec mopping up tasks - Jungle.	Coy Comds to arrange own exercises.
	"B" Coy	(a) (b) (c)	Trail cutting practice. Jungle fighting patrol exercise. Exercise passing of verbal messages.	Coy Comds to arrange own exercises.
	"C" Coy	Sec	exercises. (a) Sec in defence. (b) Sec as an ambush party. (c) Action of Sec when ambushed.	Coy Comds to arrange own exercises.
	"D" Coy	(a) (b) (c)	Short Jungle Trail (All personnel on LMG. 6 guns required). Jungle Range (All personnel on LMG. 3 guns required). Demo & Explan - Booby Trap Area.	1 Pl on each task - change over every 2 hrs. 10 rds per man from Unit Trg Pool.
EIGHT	"A" Coy	(a) (b) (c)	Trail Cutting Practice. Jungle Fighting Patrol Exercise. Exercise - Passing of Verbal Messages.	Coy Comds to arrange exercises.
	"B" Coy	Sec	Exercises.(a) Sec in defence. (b) Sec as an ambush party. (c) Action of Sec when ambushed.	Coy Comds to arrange own exercises.
	"C" Coy	(a) (b) (c)	Short Jungle Trail (All personnel on LMG. 6 guns required). Jungle Range (All personnel on LMG. 3 guns required). Demo & Explan - Booby Trap Area.	1 Pl on each task - change over every 2 hrs. 10 rds per man from Unit Trg Pool.
	"D" Coy	Sec	Exercises.(a) Adv when contact is imminent. (b) Sec in the attack. Jungle. (c) Sep mopping up tasks. Jungle.	Coy Comds to arrange own exercises.
NINE	"A" Coy	Sec	Exercises (a) Sec in defence. (b) Sec as an ambush party. (c) Action of sec when ambushed.	Coy Comds to arrange own exercises.
	"B" Coy	(a) (b) (c)	Short Jungle Trail (All personnel on LMG. 6 guns required). Jungle Range (All personnel on LMG. 3 guns required). Demo & Explan - Booby Trap Area.	1 Pl on each task - change over every 2 hrs. - 10 rds per man from Unit Trg Pool.
	"C" Coy	Sec	Exercises.(a) Adv when contact is imminent. (b) Sec in the attack. Jungle. (c) Sec mopping up tasks. Jungle.	Coy Comds to arrange own exercises.

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DAY	SUB-UNIT	INSTRUCTOR	AREA	SUBJECTS	REMARKS
	"D" Coy			(a) Trail Cutting Practice. (b) Jungle Fighting Patrol Exercise. (c) Exercise - Passing of Verbal Messages.	Coy Comds to arrange exercise.
TEN	"A" Coy "B" Coy			(a) Pl Exercises. Pl in Adv & contact. Jungle Trails. (b) Pl in defence & Fwd defensive roles. (c) Pl as a raiding party.	Coy Comds to arrange these exercises-Suggested midday meal in the field. Working period 0800-1600.
	"C" Coy "D" Coy			Coy Exercise. To include small ambush, avoidance of contact with Coy working in opposite direction, perimeter defence and local protection.	Coy Comds to arrange these exercises. Suggested midday meal in the field. Working period 0800-1600.
ELEVEN	"A" Coy "B" Coy			Coy Exercise.-To include small ambush, avoidance of contact with Coy working in opposite direction, perimeter defence and local protection.	Coy Comds to arrange these exercises - Suggested midday meal in the field. Working period 0800-1600.
	"C" Coy "D" Coy			Pl Exercises.-(a)Pl in adv & contact. Jungle trails. (b)Pl in defence & fwd defensive roles. (c)Pl as a raiding party.	Coy Comds to arrange these exercises-Suggested midday meal in the field. Working Period 0800-1600.
TWELVE THIRTEEN	COMPLETE BN	2 Days		Bn Exercise.- Pack horses may be utilised over certain portions of the trail. Percentage of W.E. of MMGs, MORTARS, etc. to be manhandled. Midday meal in the field.	C.O. to prepare and control exercise. Brief outline of requirements will be given by Trg Centre HQ. Bn to supply enemy force. Trg Centre HQ control enemy.

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SYLLABUS OF TRAINING - HQ COY
DAYS 6 to 12

SUB-UNIT	DAY 6	DAY 7	DAY 8	DAY 9	DAY 10	DAY 11	DAY 12
SIG PL	0800-0900. Horse management. Loading of tech stores on pack animals. 0930-1400. (a) Fighting patrols (b) Pl raiding parties. V A/A Pl.	0800-1000. No. 1 & 2 Obstacle Course Rifles & Equip. 1000-1200. Sec as an ambush party. 1200-1400. Action of Sec when ambushed.	0800-1230. Improvisation of slings etc for carrying sig gear. Manhandling of stores over "C" track. 1230-1430. Laying a cable line over obstacle course.	0800-1430. Laying & maintenance of communications over difficult country including crossing by improvised means, a water obstacle. No. 3 Trg Area.	0800-1430. Compass march. No. 1 carrying all normal Sig equipment.	0800-0900. Demo Booby Trap Area. 0900-1230. Estab. Bn Sig Centre in Jungle country. 1230-1430. Laying cable in Co-op with MMGs and Mortars, over short trail.	Bn Exercise
MORTAR PL	0800-1000. Sec as an ambush party. 1000-1200. Action of Sec when ambushed. 1200-1430. No. 1 & 2 Obstacle Courses (Rifles & Equip).	0800-0900. Horse management. Loading of tech stores on pack animals. 0930-1400. (a) Fighting patrols. (b) Pl raiding parties. V CARRIER PL.	0800-1430. Compass march (No. 1) carrying 50% of W.E. weapons & apparatus.	0800-1200. Transportation of weapons & equip across water obstacles (water crossing area). 1200-1430. Concealment & camouflage of Mortar Posns.	0800-0900. Lecture-Employment of Mortars in jungle warfare. 0900-1100 Occupation of posns and use of O.Ps in trees (climbing irons). 1100-1430. Transportation of weapons equip & personnel over vertical rock faces.	0800-1000. Elementary drill. 1000-1100. Demo area Booby Traps. 1100-1200. Practise fire control problems. 1230-1430. Manhandling equip over short trail in co-op with MMGs & Sigs.	Bn Exercise.
CARRIER PL	0800-1000. No. 1&2 obstacle courses (rifles & equip) 1000-1200. Sec as an ambush party. 1200-1430. Action of Sec when ambushed.	0800-0930. Improvised & normal methods for manhandling stores. 0930-1400. (a) Fighting Patrols (b) Pl raiding parties. V Mortar Pl.	0800-0930. Horse management, loading of tech stores on pack animals. 0930-1100 Lecture Uses & employment of MMGs in Jungle Warfare. 1100-1430. Transportation of weapons & equip over vertical rock faces.	0800-1430. Compass march (No. 1). carrying 50% of W.E. weapons and apparatus.	0800-0900. Demo Area Booby Traps. 0900-1300. Transportation of weapons & equip over water obstacles. (Water crossing area). 1300-1430. Concealment & camouflage of gun posns.	0800-1230. Occupation of Sec posns, siting of guns in jungle conditions. 1230-1430. Manhandling of equip over short trail in Co-op with Mortars & Sigs.	No. 1 Exercise

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TK/A PL	0800-0900. Lecture Jap A.F.Vs. 0900-1430. Specialist Trg as arranged by Pl Comd.	0800-1430. Specialist Trg as arranged by Pl Comd.	0800-1000. No. 1 & 2 obstacle courses (rifle & equipment). 1000-1200. Sec as an ambush party. 1200-1430. Action of sec when ambushed.	0800-1430. Exercise manhandling of guns & amn over difficult country and occupying tactical dispositions (use of drag ropes ("C" track area).	0800-1100. Employment of Tk/A guns in perimeter defences. 1130-1230. Demo area booby traps. 1230-1430. Manhandling amn, etc over short trail.	0800-0900. Floating of Tk/A gun on tarpaulin. 0900-1430. Exercise. Tank hunting & tank traps.	Bn Exercise
A/A PL	0800-0900. Horse management of pack animals (with Rigs). 0930-1400 (a) Fighting patrols. (b) Pl raiding parties V Sigs.	0800-1000. Sec as an ambush party. 1000-1200. Action of Sec when ambushed. 1200-1430. No. 1 & 2 obstacle courses. (Rifles & equip)	0800-1430. Specialist Trg as arranged by Pl Comd.	0800-1200. Practical use of aircraft identification signs & "T" parel signalling. 1200-1430. Exercise A/A defence of existing Bn HQ area.	0800-1030. Preparing & concealing A/A gun positions. 1030-1230. Carrying normal weapons & amn over short trail. 1230-1330 Rope climbing. 1330-1430. Demo Booby Traps.	0800-1430. Compass march (No. 1) carrying weapons, amn & apparatus.	Bn Exercise
CASUAL GROUP	UNDER SUPERVISION of an OFFICER.	Work to be arranged daily after Co-ordination with School HQ to ensure that areas required are available.					

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INTELLIGENCE SECTION

JUNGLE TRG. SYLLABUS 18 Oct to 23 Oct 43.

REF MAP: BUNBURY M.S

The object of this trg is to develop :-

(1) Physical Fitness.

(2) A knowledge of the operation of a Bn. Int Sec in the Jungle.

(3) A knowledge of Jungle conditions. .....

(4) Bushcraft.
- (a) Movement
- (b) A sense of direction ~~or direction~~.
- (c) Powers of Observation.
- (d) The ability to appreciate and describe Jungle topography.

(5) A sense of security in the jungle which can be brought about by the practical application of the principles of bushcraft , a constant use of the compass and complete familiarity of Jungle terrain and conditions.

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DAY 6

0800 - 0830 Obstacle Course.

0830 - 0930 Lecture - Functions of Bn Int Sec. in the Jungle and Outline of Objects of the Course. (Lieut. Fitzpatrick L.T.)

0930 - 1600
- (1) Reproduction of Friendly Fruits & Vegs. Charts.
- (2) Preparation of necessary enlargements and maps of J.W. Trg. Centre.

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Recce Patrol

Area: Tracks indicated on map between bridge 963756 and bridge ref 937762.

Lessons :
- (1) Map Reading
- (2) Fieldcraft and bushcraft.
- (3) Sense of direction
- (4) Study of Jungle conditions
- (5) " " ground.
- (6) Use of O.P.s . The selection of O.P.s in trees and the use of climbing irons

Int. Sec will be divided at all times into two groups. Each group will be subdivided into two syndicates. Groups will start at opposite ends of the track and syndicates will move off at different times.

Parties are to avoid contact at all times.

Track recce reports to be submitted after Ex.

Adm.

(1) M.T. 1 x 15 cwt Blitz will convey A group to ref. 937762 and remain there to pick up B group at the termination of exercise. Area NOT yet definitely established.

(2) DRESS: Battle order less respirator.

(3) MEAL : Cut lunches to be taken.

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1930 - 2230/.....

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1930 - 2230 Night Compass March
(Individual Effort)

Lessons (1) Movement through jungle at night

(2) Negotiation of Obstacles

(3) Sense of direction

(4) To instill confidence & reliability in the individual.

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DAY 7

All day. Compass Traverse of Long Trail.

Lessons (1) Physical endurance

(2) Speed of movement over difficult country.

(3) Compass traversing under adverse conditions.

(4) Preparation of going map.

(5) Study of topography.

(6) Fieldcraft and bushcraft.

(7) Preparation of sketch in the field.

Section will be divided into four syndicates, each being required to prepare own traverse, sketch and going map also short notes on any outstanding features, natural or artificial. These will be handed in at the termination of the Ex.

Adm. (1) M.T. : 1 x 3 ton Blitz will transport section to S.P. ref 934783

(2) Meal : Cut lunches will be required.

(3) Dress : Battle order less respirator.

NOTE Time of meal to be arranged by syndicate leaders. Time taken for task will be noted and considered in conjunction with the accuracy of the traverse when complete

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DAY 8 (See B Coy Comd)

Section attached to B Coy for rifle section work.

Includes : Sec in defence
Sec as ambush party
Action of section when ambushed.

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DAY 9

Morning: Selection of a trail for a Bn Adv. through the jungle.
Ref 935756 - 928747 - 936741.
Trail will be roughly indicated on the map.
Int Sec. will be required to blaze, and/or cut & plot a going map of the proposed route.

Lessons : (1) Map Reading
(2) Compass Work
(3) Study of ground

(4) Speed/.....

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(4) Speed of movement in jungle country.
(5) Selection of route for jungle movement.

Afternoon — The Selection of Bivouac area for a Bn. - Consideration to be given to:

(1) Tactical layout
(2) Allround defence
(3) Suitable O.Ps.
(4) Possible openings for enemy attack
(5) Patrolling policy
(6) Maintenance of commns. to rear.

Sketches showing layout and possible avenues for enemy attack and map showing proposed patrolling policy to be submitted as appendices to full written report on area.

Lessons :

(1) Study of ground from a tactical viewpoint.
(2) Speed in the preparation of sketches and reports in the field.
(3) Co-ordination of tasks.
(4) Priority of tasks.
(5) Fieldcraft.

Adm.

(1) MEAL : Cut lunches will be required
(2) DRESS: Battle order less respirator.

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DAY 10 — Reserved for special tasks.

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DAY 11

0800 - 0830	Obstacle course
0830 - 1230	Completion of maps - enlargements and reproductions.
1345 - 1600	Compass march

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War Diary

54 AUST. INF. BDE. (LE) EXERCISE (PUSH-PUSH)

ADM. INST. NO. 5.

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Ref. Maps BUNBURY 1" - 1 mile.

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TRAINING AREA Enlargement 4" - 1 mile.

1. OBJECT OF EXERCISE.

(i) To practice the Bn. in movement under jungle conditions and carry out minor tactical exercises.

(ii) To provide a basis for comments to further their knowledge and studies on jungle warfare.

2. LESSONS TO BE LEARNT.

(i) Movement of a Bn. along a jungle trail.

(ii) Man-handling and pack transportation of stores and equipment.

(iii) Communication by line and passing of written and verbal messages.

(iv) Action of fwd troops in adv. and first contact, incl-
Protection
Clearing of booby traps.
Detecting and clearing small ambushes.
Overcoming and mopping up minor resistance.

(v) Employment of supporting weapons.

(vi) Perimeter def. by night.

(vii) Coy and Bn. in offensive actions.

3. ASSUMPTIONS.

(i) That, on the first day, the area of operation is all jungle countryliniting movement to the TRAIL. On the second day, when offensive action is necessary terrain will be appreciated as it exists except that it will NOT be deemed practicable for patrols or other independent forces to operate ahead of the column except when it is halted.

(ii) That WILLINGTON INLET is an inlet on the coast of Australia and is known as WILLINGTON INLET.

(iii) That the village of WORSLEY is a jungle village with an emergency landing ground nearby.

(iv) That the Inf. Bns are well fwd of the remainder of the Bde. Gp. and that little air activity exists on either side.

4. NARRATIVE. (Ref. map Bunbury 1")

A Jap force roughly estimated at one Bn. effected a surprise landing at WILLINGTON INLET, vicinity 981730 and established a small beach head, apparently for the purpose of offensive operation against the air strip and small jungle village of WORSLEY

5 Aust. Inf. Bde. which is in the vicinity of WORSLEY has been ordered to contact and destroy the enemy force before the initial landing is consolidated and further landings effected.

The fwd. elements of the Bde. contacted the enemy in strength at 1800 hrs on 25 Oct., vicinity just south of track junct. 961791, and could not proceed further without incurring heavy losses.

Comd. 5 Aust. Inf. Bde. decided to pin the enemy in this locality and ordered 54 Aust. Inf. Bn. to move by the little known and unmarked jungle trailOLD MILL SITE 933783 --- BRIDGE approx ref 933751 --- TRACK at 963728 --- and attack and destroy BEACH HEAD.

5. OPENING SITUATION.

54 Aust. Inf. Bn. move from Worsley along the route OLD JUNCTION. 985835 --- X RDS. 976826 -- RD JUNC. 953796 to OLD MILL SITE. 933783. After the midday meal the leading troops of the Unit enter the trail at 1100 hrs 26 Oct. 43.

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6. [illegible] CO.'s Coys.

(i) . . will ensure that all RUKS participating in the exercise are conversant with the Narrative.
(ii) Officers conferences as laid down by Unit C.O.
(iii) Final conference conducted by C.I. of training centre will hold on the morning after completion of the exercise at a time nominated by trg.centre H.Q.

7. UMPIRES.

Umpires will be allotted by trg.centre HQ. They can be identified by white hat band and will be totally disregarded in tactical pictures.

8. ENEMY.

C.Coy (incl attachments) 1 Bren with 30 mags fitted with S.A.A. Ball and one MMG and crew with four belts fitted with ball ammn. will act as enemy on the second day. On the first day they will accompany the Bn.as part of the force and will be withdrawn at 0630 hrs 27 Oct.,MMG Sec. then coming under command.

Enemy party will be under command trg.centre H.Q. who will arrange R.V. etc.

T.O. will arrange for four 3 ton 4x4 and one 4x2 to report at BRIDGE ref.935748 at 0630 hrs 27 Oct. 43.

Enemy tps will wear normal equiptment with hats felt in lieu of helmets steel.To avoid changeover this dress may be worn on both days.

9. REPRESENTATION OF ENEMY FIRE.

(i) Rifles - blank
(ii) L.M.G. - Bren firing ball
(iii) M.M.G. - Vickers.
(iv) Grenades and 2" M. - Gelignite.
(v) 3" M. - 69 Grenade.

10. DRESS.

(i) Web.equipment - Battle order
(ii) Water Bottle (filled) and slung.
(iii) 1 Blanket rolled in ground sheet and attached to back of web belt or suspended below haversack.
(iv) Rifles, S.M.G., and L.M.G. to be carried.
(v) Respirators will NOT be taken.
(vi) Steel helmets to be worn.

11. LOADS TO BE CARRIED.

(i) The following is to manhandled.:-
(a) Sufficient to provide all rifle pls. (except leading Coy) with one box of reserve S.A.A. two boxes No.36 Grenades.
(b) M.M.G. Pl. - 2 M.M.G. and appertances each with six belts or equivelant loads of ammn. Condenser to be ¾ filled.
(c) MORTARS Pl. -- 2-3" mortars and appertances each with 18 bombs or equivelant load of ammn.
(d) PIONEER PL. -- with necessary stores.
(e) One shovel per Sec. or Det. (all coys)
(ii) Pack trains will be provided as follows:-
14 Horses will be available - 12 carrying loads and two horses spare in case of casualties
LOADS.

1 Horse carrying MMG(complete)
1 " " " Ammunition (5 boxes belt)
1 " " 3" Mortar (Complete)
1 " " 3" " Bombs (2boxes)
1 " " Sig..Cable (2 mile drums 2 1/3 mile)

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LOADS. (Cont'd)

5 Horse carrying S.A.A.- 2 boxes per horse-1248 rds box
1 " " boxes Bully Beef - boxes 3.
1 " " tins biscuits (3)

Any unavoidable change in Pack Train will be notified on day prior to exercise.

(iii) Stores for Pack Train to be taken to Horse Transport lines by 0800 hours D day.

2. PACK ANIMALS.

(i) All animals will travel in one Pack Train.

(ii) Pack animals will be utilised only between BRIDGE 935746 and Track sign 41, at approx 967727. Pack Train will report at bridge 935746 at 0900 hours D + 1 and await instructions from Unit.

MEDICAL.

(i) Casualties will be marked by tags and evacuated in normal manner.
R.M.O. will deliver to training centre H.Q. 20 casualty tags suitably inscribed with wounds etc. on D - 1 of exercise.

(ii) 4 S.B's will move with each company. A.A.M.C. Sgt will move at rear of forward coy. and A.A.M.C. orderly at rear of No. 3 Coy. each with an additional 2 S.B's.
R.M.O. will move at rear of Bn. with remaining S.B.

(iii) Motor ambulances can be brought to close proximity to the trail as follows (if necessary):-

1st Day. Trail sign No. 11 - "B" Track at 939765.
Trail sign No. 17 - "B" Track at 936759 (No 2 Training area signpost).
Trail sign No. 13 - "B" Track at 936755(road sign E9).

2nd Day. Evacuation via Watercourse from river junc. - To Track sign C7 or C8. 944739 ?

Via watercourse from river junc. 952736 taking left branch. - To track sign C5.

From trail at 960735 - Via "B" track from vicinity B4.

From trail at 966728 - Via "A" track from vicinity A8.

(iv) Genuine casulties will be reported to Bn. H.Qrs. or priority Sig. message.

4. HYGIENE.

(i) Companies will ensure that Sanitary arrangements are completed in Biv. area.

(ii) All refuse, waste food and tins is to be burnt and then buried.

(iii) All Officer s and N.C.O's to see that troops do not litter trail with papers, food wrappings and empty cigarette boxes.

(iv) Water sterilization tablets will be carried by all Officers and N.C.O's.

5. SPECIAL PROTECTIVE PLATOON.

A.A. Pl. under command Sgt. Larkin will provide protection for Bn. H.Q. throughout the exercise.
O.C. Pl. will receive special instructions from the Adjt.

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MOVEMENT TO OLD MILL SITE.

Order of march :-

Bn. H.Q.
Special Pl.
C Coy
A Coy
H.Q. Coy less A.A. Pl and attachments to Rifle Coys.
See. O.O. No.1.
B Coy
D Coy

S.P. Road junction opposite J.W. H. Qrs.
S.T. 0800 hours D.
Route S.P. to Road Junc. KM962790 - 953796 - OLD MILL SITE 933783.
Move will be by route march halts - 10 minutes before each clock hour.

1. GENERAL.

(a) C.O. will attend the opportunity, to, a member of the Training Centre staff, of talking to all ranks on safety precautions in handling booby traps on the long jungle trail, and other points to note on exercise before moving out on D day.
(b) Any personnel not armed with rifles will be so armed if possible by details remaining in camp.

STORES CHECK.

All Coys will arrange stores and equipment check on return and advise H.Q. by 2000 hours 27 Oct. 43.

DEMONSTRATION PLATOON.

D Coy will provide a special demn. pl. consisting of 1 Officer, 1 Sgt. 3 Cpls and 18 O.Rs. to remain in camp on first day of exercise. Pl. Comd. to report to Camp. Adjt., as soon as detailed, to receive instructions.
Demn. Pl. will rejoin the Bn. in the perimeter defence on the late afternoon of the first day. Movement to be by arrangement with umpires.

MEALS.

(a) Hard rations for evening meal the first day and breakfast and lunch on the second day will be carried on the man.
(b) Hotbox meal will be taken to OLD MILL SITE and be available to Coys at 1030 hours on the first day.
(c) Reveille 26 Oct. 43 at 0530 hours.
(d) Breakfast 26 Oct. 43 at 0645 hours.

REAR PARTY.

O.C. Lieut. SPELLING R.L.
Essential camp duties as previously detailed.
One storeman and two picquets per rifle coy. } to be provided by Light duty personnel.
One storeman and 4 picquets H.Q. coy. }

Kitchen staff } These personnel to attend special
Drivers } training course-for details see O.C. party.

This party will mess at C and D Coys kitchens.
Numbers to be submitted to Bn.H.Q. by 1700 hours 25 Oct.43.
Duties.
(i) To picquet lines during absence of Unit.
(ii) To arrange maximum supply of hot water for return of troops at approx. 1600 hours on 27 Oct. 43.
(iii) Arrange for drying room to be functioning if wet.

INTERCOMMUNICATION.

All messages in connection with the exercise will be prefixed by the word "PUSH-PUSH".

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DISTRIBUTION.

H.Q. Coy.	Copy No.	1	
A "	" "	2	
B "	" "	3	
C "	" "	4	
D "	" "	5	
C.O. "	" "	6	
2 i/c "	" "	7	
Adjt "	" "	8	
I.O. "	" "	9	
Sig.O. "	" "	10	
M.O. "	" "	11	
Carr.O "	" "	12	
Q.M. "	" "	13	
T.O.	Copy No.	14	
R.M.O.	" "	15	
O.C. Rear Pty	"	16	
5 Bde.		17	
"	" "	18	
"	" "	19	
Trng. Ctr H.Q.	"	20	
R.S.M.	" "	21	
War Diary	"	22	
"	" "	23	
File	" "	24	
"	" "	25.	

R O'Neill
Capt.
(R.L. O'NEILL)
Adjt. 54 Aust. Inf. Bn. (AIF)

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War Diary

COPY NO. 23
SECRET.

25 October, 1943.

O. O. No. 1.

Ref. Map. BUNBURY 1 inch x 1 mile. Training Area Enlargement 4" x 1 mile.

INTN. 1. (a) Enemy force has affected a landing at WELLINGTON INLET
(b) FWD elements of 5 Aust. Inf. Bde (AIF) have made contact at 1800 hours 25 Oct. 43 vicinity SOUTH of TRACK JUNC. 961791. Bde cannot advance without incurring heavy losses and Cmd. has decided to pin the enemy in this locality and send one Bn on an encirclement to attack the enemy from the right flank.

INTENTION. 2. 54 Aust. Inf. Bn. will move via JUNGLE TRAIL to attack and destroy the bridgehead at WELLINGTON INLET.

METHOD. 3. Order of March.

i. Advance guard under command Lieut. SPELLING A.B. "C" Coy. with under command one det. M Pion. Sgt and 8 Pion. One Sgt and 2 "I" personnel, Sig Sgt and 14 Sigs A.A.M.C. Sgt and 6 S.B.'s.

ii Main Body.
(a) One section Special Pro.Pl.
(b) "R" Group. 2 Sigs Coy runners.
(c) One section Special Pro. Pl.
(d) Bn. H. Qrs.
(e) Sig. Pl less det.
(f) Special Pro. Pl. less 2 secs.
(g) 2 Pack Horses (M.M.G.) with crew. } second
2 Pack Horses (M.) with crew. } day
1 Pack Horse Sigs. } only.
(h) A Coy with under cond. 2 sigs, 2 "I" personnel 4 S.B's.
(i) H.Q. Coy less dets.
(j) B Coy with under cond as for "A" Coy.
(k) D Coy less 2 secs with under cond as for A Coy.
(l) Pack train less det. i/c Sgt. Napier.
N.B. One section D Coy to move in rear of Pack train.
(m) R.M.O. and two A.A.M.C personnel with one section from D Coy for local protection.
(n) If Mortars, Vickers and Sig Horses are required on trail South of A Track, this can be arranged - other horses to leave column at A Track and proceed back to camp. Pack train will report at "B" Track bridge at 0015 hours D + 1.
N.B. Pack train will join column on second day and will march in position as above irrespective of any alteration in disposition of Coys.

4. S.T. 1100 hours 26 Oct. 43.

5. S.P. OLD MILL SITE Ref. 936703.

6. ROUTE. JUNGLE TRAIL.

7. BOOBY TRAPS ETC. Leading troops will locate, clear and mark all enemy mines, traps and obstacles.

8. PERIMETER DEFENCE. The distance being too great for the bridgehead to be reached on the first day, the Bn. will form a perimeter defence for the night. Time and position to be notified later according to progress.

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9. SUPPORTING ARMS. All Supporting arms will come under cond as detailed above at 0730 hours.

10. ADK. Rations. 48 hours rations will be carried by all ranks - 24 hours token.

11. DRESS. Battle order (exclusive of Respirator)

12. BLANKETS. One blanket per man rolled in Ground sheet and slung from belt at back.

13. AMN. 100 rounds per man (token)

14. MEDICAL. As detailed on march via Bn. H. Qrs in perimeter defence. Casualties will be left on trail for evacuation as arranged by R.M.O.

15. P.W. Will be despatched to Fwd. H. Qrs as soon as possible.

16. CURFEW. Will be instituted at 1900 hours after which hour all movement outside the perimeter will be treated as hostile. and inside the perimeter challenged.

17. INTERCOM. Fwd. H. Qrs. At rear of Advance Gd. on the move and at centre of perimeter defence when in bivouac.

18. RUNNERS. Each Coy. will detail one runner to move with Fwd. H. Qrs and remain with it in bivouac.

19. SIGNALS. (a) Cable communications from Adv. Gd. throughout the column will be maintained. Line will be tapped at regular intervals of 10 minutes beginning 1100 hours 26 Oct. 43.
(b) Sigs to ensure that all cable is laid clear of the trail and preferably on left side of advance, so that no interference is caused to movement of horses.
(c) Bamboo message box will be employed where necessary and runners only used in an emergency.

20. SYNCHRONISATION. 0700 hours and 1200 hours on 26 Oct. 43 and every three hours thereafter till curfew, 0600 hours 27 Oct. 43 and every three hours thereafter till bridgehead is beached.

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Capt.
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ACK.
TIME OF SIGNATURE. 2000 h
METHOD OF DELIVERY. Safe hand

Distribution.

H. Q. Coy.	Copy No. 1		H.C.	Copy No.	11
A. Coy	" " 2		Carr. O.	" "	12
B "	" " 3		Pioneer	" "	13
C "	" " 4		T.O.	" "	14
D "	" " 5		Q.M.	" "	15
C.O. "	" " 6		R.M.O.	" "	16
2 i/c	" " 7		O.C. Rear	" "	17
Adjt.	" " 8		5 Bde.	" "	18, 19 & 20.
I.O.	" " 9		R.S.M.	" "	21
Sig O	" " 10		War Diary	" "	22 & 23
			File	" "	24 & 25.

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ADM. INST. NO. 6

1. 54 AUST. INF. BN. AIF. will move from J.W. CENTRE WELLINGTON DAM to SWANBOURNE rifle range 31 Oct.

Attached tps will move to parent units on same dates (excl. F.S.S. personnel and 132 Bde W/shops.

16 5 Aust. Inf. Bde.
46 22 AUST. ARMY. FD. COY
31 56 AUST. INF. BN. AIF. (remain at present location and rejoin parent unit on 30 Oct, 43.

2. RAER PARTY.
(a) O.C. party Lieut. J. WILLIS.
(b) Strength. 1 Offr, 1 Sgt. 3 Cpls. 26 ORs. to be supplied by B. Coy. This party will remain at present location and will be attached to 56 Aust. Inf. Bn. AIF. for rations and discip. O.C. party will mess with school staff and duty will be detailed from time to time by C.I.

3. MAIN BODY. will move by foot to Worsley and by train to Claremont (see appendix A for details)

4. STORES. all surplus Coy stores will be packed and dumped at R.Q. store NOT later than 29 Oct 45. (1300 H)

5. ALLOTMENT OF M.T. BN. H.Q. 1 x 3 ton
H.Q. Coy 4 x 3 ton, 2 x 15 cwt. (1 x 15 cwt to carry Bn. HQ office gear)
A & B 1 x 3 ton each.
C & D 1 x 3 ton each and 1 x 3 ton to be shared Offrs and Sgts mess 1 x 3 ton (also carry any surplus from A Coy
2 i/c 1 x 15 cwt.
Transport officer will allot vehicles to Coys as above. 4 x 3 ton A.A.S.C. vehicles will carry surplus stores. etc to Worsley for loading on train D. Vehicles will report to Q.M. at 1400 hrs 29 Oct. H.Q. coy will provide a loading party for the task as required by Q.M.

6. LOADING OF COY ETC. VEHICLES: kit bags and stores will be loaded on Coy vehicles by 0800 hrs 30 Oct. Stores to be loaded first to enable kit bags to be unloaded at bivouac area. Blankets and paliasses will be wrapped round kit bags. Packs will be correctly labelled and stacked at side of road near Coy areas. Labels to be retained for identification at Claremont. 4 x 3 ton A.A.S.C. vehicle will return to camp after unloading stores at Worsley and will pick up packs and transport them to bivouac area. Each Coy will provide 1 Or to remain with packs to act as a guard and load packs on vehs.

7. EMPTYING OF PALLIASSES. H.Q. will arrange for two vehicles to report to H.Q. coy and one to each Rifle coy at 0730 hrs 29 Oct. (Bn. HQrs will use H.Q. Coy vehicles. Coys will empty straw into trucks and trucks will transport straw to dump on D track for burning. Coys will supply two men each to unload and supervise the burning. (Sgt Humphreys Bn. HQ will be i/c burning party).

8. DRESS: Shirts khaki trousers K.W.D., anklets web, hats khaki fur, marching order (including respirator at alert)
Helmets steel to be attached to pack. water bottles to be filled.

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DRESS (Cont(d)

packs and haversacks to be packed in accordance with 5 Bde. instruction stly B.
N.B. for movement from camp to bivouac area packs will NOT be carried (see para 6 above)

9. RATIONS. 30 OCT.
0700 hrs breakfast - normal
9. 1300 hrs midday meal - bivouac area normal
17 00 hrs evening meal - " " "
A & D Coy "ILES COOKERS will move to Worsley for loading under arrangements T.O. as soon as possible after evening meal. These kitchens will carry rations for consumption 31 Oct. (for Coys and personnel involved see appendix A.)

31 OCT.

Breakfast Train D Sandwiches carried on train.
Meal to be arranged on arrival at Claremont by T.O. caterer.
Train E. From wiles cooker at Pinjarra.
Remainder at bivouac area from A Coy Wiles cooker.

Midday Meal. Train D & E personnel at Swanbourne to be arranged by T.O. caterer.
Remainder at bivouac area as for breakfast.

EVENING MEAL as for midday meal.

1 NOV.

All personnel will be fed at Swanbourne.

10. MOVEMENT OF M.T. All vehicles will move from camp area in convoy at 0900 hrs on 30 Oct. for Worsley. Vehicles NOT moving with train D. & E will remain at bivouac area including cookers.
O.C. Convoy Lieut. BROOKS.
V.H.M. 10
M.I.H. 15
All escorts incl cooks will move with this convoy. Escorts will assist with unloading of vehicles. All escorts for train D. & E. will remain at Worsley. Lieut Brooks to arrange for M.C. accomodation to carry meals en hot box.

11. Movement of Personnel to Worsley. Coys will assemble in Coy lines at 0900 hrs 30 Oct.
Start Time. 0915 hrs.
Order of March. Bn. H.Q., H. Coy, A.B.C.D. Coys.

Halts. 10 mins to every clock hour.

12. Movement from claremont to Swanbourne, except details NOT available. If by R.A.O.C. which train Discipline MUST be observed. Personnel will stay back to back.

13. Cleanliness of Camp.
(a) Coy Comds will render a certificate that Coy areas have been inspected and are thoroughly clean by 0800 hrs 30 Oct.
(b) Grease traps are to be cleaned and scalded with boiling water.
(c) Incinerators will be cleaned out before leaving the area.

14. TRAIN DISCIPLINE. All ops will be warned against:
(a) Boarding or leaving trains in motion.
(b) Leaning out of windows or doors, or protruding any portion of the body from the train as to be in danger of being struck by side or overhead structures.
(c) Throwing anything out of the train.
(d) Interfering with or causing to railway property Arrows, Hoops, breaking glass or other fittings,

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TRAIN DISCIPLINE (cont'd)

(e) Chalk marking of rolling stock.
(f) Discharging of firearms.
(g) Carrying or consuming licquor on train.
(h) No personnel will leave train at any stopping place unless permitted by O.C. train. OIC. train will make themselves responsible.
(i) Hygiene - at meal halts strict attention will be paid to hygiene and all food waste disposed of as arranged by O.C. train. Troops will be warned against using train sanitary arrangements whilst trains are stationed at stations.
(j) An N.C.O. will be detailed in charge of each compartment and will be responsible for discipline of members of that compartment and report any damage en route, cause of same to train Adjt. at first stopping place.
(k) Loading of FT . - all 3 ton F.S.D. will have canopy lowered to at least the level of the drivers cabin. This will be done in sub-unit lines prior to being covered with tent flies where covered cabs are not provided. Care will be taken to see that when tent flys are used they are securely and neatly tied to the frame. Chimneys on Willys cookers will be lowered before loading.
(l) Picketing of M.T. on Move. Escort of two ORs will be detailed by O.C. train to each flat top wagon in addition to driver of each vehicle.
Frequent inspection of lashings will be made en route.
IMPORTANT. Under no circumstances are vehicles to be left unattended.
(m) Entraining and detraining reports will be submitted by O.C. train to these HQRS as early as possible for transmission to 5 Bde.

15. POSTAL ADDRESS: normal Unit address will be given without any reference to school address. NOTE. mail closes at 0700 hrs daily. Swanbourne

16. CANTEEN AT SWAN BOURNE. One coupon will be issued each week to each man to cover purchases of -

105 cigarettes or 3 oz of tobacco.	
Matches	Washing powder
Biscuits	Boot polish
Chocolates	Confectionery.

17. ROUTINE AT SWAN BOURNE. Routine instructions will be issued later.

18. MEDICAL.
R.M.O. will make available a first aid kit and orderly for each train.

DISTRIBUTION:

RECIPIENT.	COPY NO.	RECIPIENT.	COPY NO.
H.Q. COY	1.	A.M.	12
A.COY.	2.	S.O.	13
B.COY.	3	R.S.O.	14
C.COY.	4	M.O. CATERER	15
D.COY.	5	5 Aust.Inf.Bde. A.F.	16 - 18
O.C. 5 Aust.Inf.Bde (attn Brigade Maj)	6	3 A.C.J.W.SCHOOL	19
O.C. 22 Aust.Army Tk.Coy.	7	WAR DIARY	20 - 21
C.O.	8	SPARE	22 - 25.
2 i/c	9		
HQ Pl.	10		
I.O.	11		

Capt.
R.L. O'NEILL
for Lt. Col.

MOVEMENT TABLE

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28 Oct. 43.

TRAIN D.

COMPOSITION: 8 Coaches
5 L.M. Flat Tops
1 V.A. Van.
Depart Worsley 2045 H 30 Oct.
Arrive Claremont. 0530 H 31 Oct.

M.T. CARRIED. 8 M.T. 1 Wiles Cooker 2 M.C. (MT to include 4 x 3 ton 1 x 15 cwt from H.Q. Coy 2 x 3 ton from L.M. 1 x 3 ton Offrs and Sgts Mess.)

ESCORTS: 1 Dvr and 1 O/R with each vehicle (all to be supplied by H.Q. Coy) Total 16.
N.B. Wiles Cooker will be supplied by A.Coy with Sgt. Burke. I/C.

PERSONNEL:
H.Q. COY. 215
(excl. escorts above)
5 Aust.Inf.Bde. Aif. 16

O.C. TRAIN. Capt. MACADAM. T.S.
TRAIN ADJT. Lieut. SCEATS. G.M.E.

TRAIN. E.

COMPOSITION: 8 Coaches
5 L.M. Flat Tops
Depart Worsley 0250 H 31 Oct.
Arrive Claremont 1120 31 Oct.

M.T. CARRIED: 7 M.T. 1 Wiles Cooker 2 M.C. (MT to include 1 x 3 ton Ln.Wk 1 x 15 cwt L.M. 1 x 15 cwt W.T. Coy. 1 x 3 ton A.Coy. 2 Portees.

ESCORTS: 1 Dvr and 1 O/R with each vehicle (Dvrs as arranges by T.Coy Escorts 7 to be supplied by D.Coy) N.B. Wiles cooker will be supplied by D.Coy and Sgt Lay will be I/C.

PERSONNEL:
22 Aust Army Bd. Coy. 45
Ln.Wk. 65
F.S.S. 3
A.Coy. 98
TOTAL. 211

O.C. TRAIN. Capt. MACARTHUR. S.R.
TRAIN ADJT. LIEUT. SIMPSON. D.

(Rations for breakfast 31 Oct. will be arranged by H.Q. Coy here). O.C Train will arrange the meal at PINJARRA from Wiles Cooker)

TRAIN. F.

COMPOSITION: 8 Coaches
5 L.M. Flat Tops.
Depart Worsley 1915 H. 31 Oct.
Arrive Claremont 0545 H. 1 Nov.
M.T. CARRIED: 7 M.T. 1 Wiles cooker 2 M.C.
(M.T to include 4 x 3 ton (A.A.S.C. Coys) 1 Saber Cart 1 x 15 cwt Offrs Gear.)
ESCORTS: 1 Dvr and 1 O/R with each vehicle. (Dvrs as arranged by T.Coy Spt O/R. escorts (6) to be supplied by D.Coy.
N.B. Wiles cooker will be supplied by H.Q. Coy Sgt. Kinslea I/C.
PERSONNEL:
H.Q.COY. 51
C.Coy. 78
(excl 6 escorts see above
D.Coy. 85
excl train E. Escorts.
TOTAL. 224

O.C. TRAIN. Capt. MACADAM.
TRAIN ADJT. Capt. GILSON. J.E.

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WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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Unit 54 Aust Inf Bde AIF Date and Time.—From 1 Nov. 43. To 30 Nov 43.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
SWANBOURNE WA.	1 Nov 43		Today completed the marching in of tps from 3 Aust Corps J.W Centre at COLLIE. Tomorrow trg will commence in accordance with Trg Instn for Nov 43 (Sto1) as amended R.D Serial No 64 issued today	See Appendix See Appendix
	2 Nov		Trg as per syllabus. All coys are	
	3		holding clothing parades for re-placement of US K.D, underclothes and boots. Ample supplies are available.	
	4		Training as per syllabus.	
	.		Weekly I Report submitted	See appendix C
	5		Training as per syllabus.	
	6		Training as per syllabus.	

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SWANBOURNE	43. Nov 7		Training today proceeded as per syllabus.	
			Camp standing orders, incl fire orders	
			and instns to guards were issued today	See appendix.
	8		Trg as per syllabus.	
			Standing orders for administration	See appendix.
			issued today	
	9		Training as per syllabus. Sgts mess held for R.O. Ser. 65 see	
	10		Training as per syllabus. Officers mess dance in evening.	appendix B
			dance in evening.	
			The opportunity has been taken to provide	
			optical treatment while city facilities	
			are available for tps requiring same.	
			Necessary X-Rays and photos have	
			also been taken.	

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SWANBOURNE.	43. Nov 11		Training as per syllabus.	
			Weekly Int Report this day	See appendix C.
	12		Training proceeding as per syllabus.	
	13		Syllabus trg. The Bde board (Brig F. H. FEWTRELL) visited the camp this morning.	
			Routine Order Serial 66 this day.	See appendix B.
	14		Training as per syllabus. The unit was visited by the GOC 2 Aust Div (Maj Gen ROBERTSON) who inspected the rang shooting and other trg in progress.	
	15		~~Syllabus trg~~. Medical parade of all troops in morning. The trg syllabus expired 14 Nov 43, but trg for the balance of the Bde's period at SWANBOURNE will follow along	

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			the lines set out in the programme.	
			Routine Order Serial 67 issued today	See Serial B
	43. Nov 15		Adm Instn No 7 issued covering the	
			unit's movement from SWANBOURNE to	
			GERALDTON.	
	16		Trg continued on the range and squad	
			drill was carried out.	
	17		All arrangements made for units return	
			to Geraldton.	
	18/21		Bn entrained at various times (See	
			Adm Order 7 of 15 Nov 43) at CLAREMONT	
			for GERALDTON. The move was successfully	
			carried out.	
	22		All camp cleaning up lines, lining up	

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			tents etc. A course of bull ring	
			instn for offrs and NCO's has been	
			prepared and will commence tomorrow.	
	Nov 23		C.O in lines all day Officers and	
			NCOs commenced trg in a 3-days bull	
			ring. The purpose of this trg is to provide	
			a refresher course in the art of instn,	
			and so ensure uniformity in the coming	
			unit bull ring.	
	24		C.O in lines all day All coys cleaning	
			up and general duties in lines. Offrs	
			and NCOs in bull rings	
	25		C.O in lines morning recce Greenough	
			River area afternoon ☉ Bn rest day.	

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NARNGULU	43 Nov 24		Today commences the unit bull ring. Training will be in accordance with programme No 1 Bull ring will comprise A + B Coy less pdns HQ Coy attachments; No 2 Bull Ring C + D Coys plus HQ Coy attachments.	For training programme see Appendix.
	25		Training in accordance with syllabus day one and three b.d in lines	
	28		Bull ring trg as per syllabus.	
	29		b.d in lines. A Coy moved out today to wood cutting area (ref map GERALDTON 1" sq. 8249. Squads have been reformed and trg will proceed in accordance with syllabus.	

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NARNGULU	43 Nov 30		C D lines morning recce afternoon.	
			Bn bull ring training as per syllabus.	
			Night compass march for No 2 Bull	
			Ring.	

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1	140	N aust FS sec att 2 aust div	NFSS att 54Bn	B1	N372	0830	0900	0914	Ref N372 w/cpl Burnett is at SWANBOURNE ⊙ NOT aware of move to BELLEVUE ⊙ please clarify	sigs	[illegible]
1	141	5 Bde	54Bn	ON321	QA 210	1231	1400	1405	NX 195799 UBRIEN JS ⊙ CO. agreeable 280 investigate & finalise	Sigs.	[illegible]
1	142	LTD Camp Pell	54BN	ON323	C1452	1650	1655	1603	NX84099 pte WILLIS WR. soldier rejoined unit ex ARL ⊙ extension leave expired 18 oct ⊙ warrant for arrest may be cancelled	sigs	[illegible]
1	143	LTD Syd.	54Bn	ON324	—	1600	1601	1609	N130368 pte WARR KS. ⊙ soldier has NOT rejoined unit. ⊙ your memo 21 Oct. refers.	sigs	[illegible]
1	144	5 Bde	54BN	qm 11	—	1600	1601	1616.	ref out standing indents for clothing ⊙ indent 1084 control no 204634 for 300 anklets web. NOT supplied ⊙ re-indented for as per 9B0710 this day. on indent no 1119	Sigs	[illegible]
1	145	F.O. Military Syd.	54BN	ON328	PAY 20809	1905	1706	1712	NX95013 DAVIS JH. ⊙ as previously advised is NOT member of this unit.	Sigs	[illegible]
1	146	NFSS att 54Bn	NFSS	N379	04	1445	1446	2059	Calling 2 Nov. to effect change over	Sigs	[illegible]
1	147	54Bn Rear	54Bn fwd	ON334		1007	2300	0836	NX.131183 Pte Colley CD. NX156493 Pte Hodges NS. selected for 3 Aust Corp school sigs comm. 8 Nov ⊙ 5 Bde will arrange movement of students ⊙ contact Bde for joining insts	Sigs	[illegible]
2	148	Milbase Sydney	54Bn	ON335		0947	1010	1017	N32669 Pte Farrell EJ. present ARL FORBES RD. ORANGE applying fourteen days extension without pay ⊙ Advised apply direct MILBASE ⊙ Subject satisfactory investigation unit concurs	Sigs	[illegible]

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2	IN	54Bn	2/3 LAD	ME 1226		~~1127~~	1133	1345	Submit 1033 THOMPSON F. 144434 to 6th Aust Inf troop w/shafo ⊙ certificate for replacements forwarded DRLS Signature HAER	Sigs	LDrill
2	IN	54Bn	5Bde	OB 464	—	1127	1130	1400	Schools MECH HQ. ⊙ NO 2 DET Mobile wing course 4 commencing 7 Nov ⊙ ref your nominal roll 29 Oct NX 122464 Sgt Wardman LR please signal Pay book No.	Sigs	Drill
2	IN	54Bn	118 Aust	N1260	—	1100	1140	1412	Forward Pay Book of NX. 122433 Pte Miller D. required urgently	Sigs	Drill
2	Out	5 Bde	54Bn	ON339	—	1404	1500	—	NX148974 Kendall HT requests HRL comparisons ⊙ make dangerous ill ⊙ no medical certificate available please ⊙ address 18 Pennell St Newtown ⊙ application recommended ⊙ please Lane Melbase investigate	Sigs	Drill
2	Out	5 Bde	54Bn	ON341	—	1457	1500	—	NX122464 Sgt Wardman L.R Paybook number 332940	Sigs	Drill
2	Out	5 Bde	54Bn	ON350	—	1702	1515	—	NX136303 LANEDON BR ⊙ has any details been received regarding discharge ⊙ ref ON307 of 29 Nov refers	Sigs	Drill
2	In	54Bn	5 Bde	QA216	—	1655	1658	—	Loss any watch H56040 Cpl Tonkin ⊙ no reply received to our QL-56 of 5 Oct ⊙ has watch recovered and if not forwarded investigate officers return ⊙ signal fourth	Sigs	Drill

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2-11-43	146	54A	5 Bde	QM213	—	1650	1655	—	mail for rear party ⊙ ref verbal comm with C.O. this day ⊙ base post office contact you will contact you postal orderly ⊙ redirecting seams trouble ⊙ re-address as follows ⊙ 54 R. on rear Vic F.P. 0155 ⊙ please check your end	Sigs	[illegible]
~~3-11-43~~	147	5 Bde	54 BN	QM12	—	0915	0920	0950	Reference D.R.O. 554/43 (.) NIL RETURN	Sigs	[illegible]
3-11-43	148	5 Bde	54 BN	QM13	—	0915	0925	0948	Ref. 2 DIV. R.O. 939 ⊙ NONE ON CHARGE	Sigs	[illegible]
3-11-43	149	BASCO 5 Bde	54 BN	QM15	—	1025	1027	—	POL, and drum return forwarded to H.Q. 2 DIV AASC this day.	Sigs	
3-11-43	150	5 BDE	54 BN	SIGS!	—	1055	1100	—	ACK.	SIGS.	
3-11-43	151	5 BDE	54 BN	ON357	OB450	1438	1445	-	vacancies required as follows OC 43/15 one C543/4 one MG43/9 one M43/10 one F43/7 one I 43/7 one	Sigs	
3-11-43	152	54 Bn	FO military	PAY 21215	—	—	1657	2105	NX 142417 Wright WA allotment reduced to one shilling per day on from 22 oct authority 2V97800	sigs	[illegible]
3-11-43	153	54 Bn	District Perth	R9090	GM48	1900	2055	2115	Peacock transferred AIF 23 oct 42 13 trg Bn R35/42 fee this office 27594 8 oct 43	sigs	[illegible]
3-11-43	154	54 Bn	FO military	PAY 21272	GM54	—	1857	2116	NX 131180 Ryan AA. allotment cancelled nov 5th 2V97547	sigs	[illegible]
4-11-43	155	5 Bde	54 B	ON359	—	0859	0900	-	Ref 2 div circular A7 ⊙ personell on effective strength. eligible to vote WA elections twenty five ⊙ personel on + list NIL ⊙ NX 124623 Lenit Snelling RL presiding offr ⊙ location polling booth YMCA hut unit lines	sigs	[illegible]

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Sep	1	54, 56 Bns rptd 2 Div	5 Bde	QA118	–	1540	1541	1625	Bn Duties ⊙ confirmation ⊙ Duties change 4 Oct ⊙ ref 5 Bde admn instns A1 S/59/43 of 26 Sep 43 ⊙ APPX A serials 14-16 are cancelled ⊙ APPX G is cancelled ⊙ cancel relevent references ⊙ Amend para 4	C	Adjt	EHG.
2	2	5 Bde	54 Bn	I28	–	0855	–	–	Ack eight copies unit code list Oct.	C	Sigs	EHG.
2	3.	54, 56 44 Bns	5 Bde	QC.37	–	1045	1046	1125	INSTRUCTION DRESS ⊙ officers and N.C.O's of units will be responsible for the correctness of dress in the recreation grounds for any sports meetings being held ⊙ please instruct all concerned ⊙ Ack	C	Adjt	JER
2	4	54 Bn	5 Bde	QE38	–	1145	1153	1215	DUTIES ⊙ moving picquet recreation grounds 3 Oct units to supply ⊙ strength one offr two NCO's 10 OR's ⊙ tour of duties 1245 hrs till conclusion of Div sports meeting ⊙ Ack.	C	Adjt	EHG.
2	5	5 Bde	54 Bn	ON202	QE38	1225	–	–	Ack	C	Sigs	EHG.
2	6	54 Bn	44 Bn	032.	–	1100	1211	1405	Index school training J.W. ⊙ when do you require your rear party NO41 to return.	C	Adjt	JER.
"	7	44 Bn	54 Bn	ON203	032	1534	–		2 Aust Div arrangeing for return of number one rear party in sufficient time to allow departure of main body.	C	Sigs	EHG.
"	8	44 Bn fwd 54, 56 Bns	5 Bde	QE42	–	1500	1527	1545	Bn TAILORS ⊙ confidential report required stating if unit tailors have been trade grouped and when also if employed as same in civilian life ⊙ Urgent	C	Adjt	EHG.
"	9	5 Bde Amenities Offr.	54 Bn	ON204	–	1645			confirming telephone conversation ⊙ unit requires six pressure lamps if available	C	Sigs	JER
"	10	54 Bn	5 Bde	QE.44	–	1730.	1757	1815	CONSERVATION OF FOOD STUFFS ⊙ all units will strictly comply with G.R.O. 610/re and D.R.O. 256/42 to which attention is drawn ⊙ all informed	C	Sigs	JER.

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4/11/43	156.	5 Bde	54 Bn	ON369	—	1110	1120	1125	N309103 Pte Robertson MA ⊙ your QB 43/81 of 4 July refers ⊙ might this soldiers position be clarified please.	sigs [illegible]
4/11/43	157	54 Bn	54 Bn FWD	ON368	—	1052	1100	1105	MAIL ⊙ are deliveries now regular	sigs [illegible]
4/11/43	158	44 Bn 54 Bn 56 Bn	5 Bde	OB472	—	0900	1000	1208	schools cooking ⊙ advanced course Claremont 15 nov to 29 nov ⊙ no vacancies allotted to 5 Bde and Bn nominations will be held pending next advanced course	sigs [illegible]
4/11/43.	159	54 Bn Rear	54 Bn fwd	ON373	—	1540	1607	1610	Refrigerators ⊙ advise if action taken according 2 div adm instn Q101	sigs [illegible]
5/11/43	160	54 44 56 Bns.	5 Bde	OB474	—	2037/2	—	0735	schools mechs MT ⊙ signal this HQ by 6 nov particulars incl schools per trade grouped mechs MT on strength and on + list.	sigs [illegible]
5/11/43.	161	Milbase Syd.	54 Bn	ON375	—	0837	0841	0855	NX122529 Pte Bignell HG Ot LTD Sydney requests seven days LWOP ⊙ unit concurs subject satisfactory investigation ⊙ soldier advised apply Milbase Direct.	sigs [illegible]
5/11/43.	162	5 Bde	54 Bn	ON376	QA216	0850	0900	0904	loss of army watch A56040 by capt TONKIN ⊙ watch NOT recovered ⊙ investigating offr appointed.	sigs [illegible]
5.11.43	163	54th Bn Fwd	5 Bde	QA226	—	1425	1430	1944	Compassionate leave NX148974 Pte Kendall AT. ⊙ Assume soldier moving in latest ARL allotment Advise	sigs [illegible]
5.11.43	164	3 Aust Corps	54 Bn	ON360	MS8458	1907	1940	1955	Return submitted through normal channels 29 Oct	[illegible]
5.11.43	165	56 Bn Fwd 54 Bn Fwd	5 Bde	QE101	—	1415	1435	1942	Until further notice anklets web not to be worn on leave ⊙ Ack	[illegible]
5-11-43	166	54 Bn Ind Bn rptd 2 Div	3 Aust Corps	MS8458	—	1500	1730		Ref war substantive rank these HQrs MS108/317/7 ⊙ please reply ⊙ urgent	[illegible]

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5.11.43	167	5 Bde	54 Bn	ON382	QE101	1955	2010	2012	Ack.	Sigs C J Booth
5.11.43	168	5 Bde	54 Bn	ON381	QA226	1955	2012	2015	NX148974 Pte KENDALL AT moving train ex PERTH 9 NOV	Sigs C J Booth
5.11.43	169	54 AIB	Millbase	A6613	-	1715	2010 4/5	2114	NX122714 L/Cpl AHW BATEUP ⊙ Advise action taken relative memo these H.Qrs 12 Oct	Sigs C J Booth
6/11/43.	170	5 Bde.	54 Bn	ON394	QE102	1215	1220.		Memo. being forwarded by. CO. 6 Nov.	Sig [illegible]
6.11.43	171	Millbase Perth	54 Bn	ON385	A6613	1220	1245		NX122714 L/Cpl BATEUP AHW ⊙ C.O's comments have been forwarded through normal channels.	
6-11-43	172	5 Bde	54 Bn	ON387	OB474	1600	1604	1607	schools mechs MT ⊙ four personnel on strength hold TC II certificates ⊙ WE allows for three ⊙ one personnel on x list. ⊙ all qualified at MVTTC Graylands.	sigs [illegible]
6-11-43	173	2 aust div rptd 54 Bn	3 aust corps	QS747	—	1520	1600	1639	four reinforcements arrive Claremont 1955 hrs 8 nov.	sigs [illegible]
6-11-43	174	54 Bn fwd	5 Bde	QA234	—	1445	1447	1656	ARL and compassionate leave NX122522 L/Cpl Rutter NW ⊙ assume soldier moved in recent allotment ⊙ confirm in order extra five weeks can be investigated.	sigs [illegible]
6-11-43	175.	54 [illegible]	5 Bde	QA239	—	1615	1621	2010	Compassionate leave. NX122452 Cpl JW ROD WELL ⊙ is soldier moving Perth coming ARL allotment ⊙ Advise.	Sig [illegible]
6/11/43	176	2 Div rptd 54 Bn	5 Bde	QA240.	—	1620.	1620	2019.	NX126.303 Pte Langdon B.R. 54 Bn discharged ⊙ ref our QA203 of 29 Oct. ⊙ decision yet please.	Sigs [illegible]
6/11/43	177	54 Bn	Millbase Sydney	—	[illegible]	-	1905	2012	NS2669 Pte Sparrell L.T. ⊙ wife undergoing operation soldier granted 14 day LWOP. this HQ.	Sigs [illegible]
6/11/43	178	54 Bn	Millbase Sydney	257 335.	ON375	-	1906	2015	NX122529 Pte Signell H.G. ⊙ extention leave without pay granted soldier from 30 Sep to 11 Nov. due soldier married 11 Sep. wife left him ⊙ judge him divorce requested special consideration	[illegible]

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7/11/43.	179	5 Bde.	54 Bn	ON391	QA239.	1150	1213	~~1221~~	ARL and compassionate leave NX122522 L/Cpl RUTTER NW. ⊙ soldier will move train exc PERTH 13 nov	Sigs BEL
7/11/43	180	5 Bd	54 Bn.	ON391	QA239.	1150	1213	~~1221~~	Compassionate leave. NX122452 Cpl ROOWE LL. JW. ⊙ soldier moving train ex PERTH	Sigs REL
7/11/43	181	54 Bn	5 Bde	OB480	—	0935	1004	—	School OCT. 11 LHQ. ⊙ ref our OB409 24 Oct. copy nominations forms not received expedicate.	
7-11-43	182	54 Bn	5 Bde	QA246	—	1430	1435	1759	Indents outstanding ⊙ ref. para (4) of 20 Div. Instn. 26 oct fitting equipment ⊙ submit last indent for equipt. unduly outstanding ⊙ show indent no date submitted remarks ⊙ Required soon as possible.	Sigs J Taylor
7-11-43	183	54 Bn & 44 Bn	5 Bde	QA245	—	1410	1415	1755	Band Instruments ⊙ submit return 9 nov showing (A) Instruments held which are not in W.E. Table (B) Instruments held which are not shown in W.E. Table but are except to establishment ⊙ EXCLUDED instruments owned by unit through purchase or gift ⊙ signal.	Sigs J Taylor
7-11-43	184	54 Bn	5 Bde	OB483	—	1643	1740	1955	Schools 20 Div. Tng Centre ⊙ course commencing 1 oct for C.S.M. did NX122543 WO II Bosworth C Wattend.	Sigs J Taylor

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8/11/43	185	5Pbde	54Bn	ON400	OB483	0745	0750		NX122543 WO II Bosworth C.W. did attend but admitted hospital during course.	Sigs. J.H.B.
8/11/43	186	DAQME	54Bn	ON401	—	0810	0820		Movement. Personnel 21 offs 621 O/Rs. Vehicles 13 three ton fuel 15 cwt 2 porters 1 water cart 3 utilis cookers 6 M.C. One V.A. van required for stores.	Sigs J.H.B.
8/11/43	187	5Pbde	54Bn	ON402	—	0826	0827		Ref. change over Swanbourne. Requested 5 Pbde arrange movement No 1 Rear Party to Swanbourne sufficient time to commence tog. 56 Bn. No refill will be provided from this end.	Sigs. J.H.B.
8/11/43	188	5Pbde	54Bn	ON403		0948	0945		Sufficient Personnel have returned DBL. to take over No 1 Rear Party Vehicles. Advise.	
8/11/43	189	5Pbde	54Bn	ON404	Q9245	1104	1112	1125	Ref 2 Div. R.O. 990 O particulars may be obtained from 5 11 Bn. rear. (A) Complete set LOW PITCH instruments held. O (B) N.E table provides for HIGH PITCH set which NOT issued this unit O NE table HIGH PITCH provides for one double B bass O full set LOW PITCH provides for two which are held O cornets B flat WET provides for seven O LOW PITCH provides for eight which are held O tenor horns E flat WET provides for four O LOW PITCH provides for three which are held	Sigs J.H.B. Sigs RBB.

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8	189	5Bde	54Bn	QM18	QA246	1025	1029	—
8	190	54Bn.	2Div.			1115	1115	1315
8	191	2Div.	54Bn.	ON406		1350	1400	
8	192	54Bn.	110AGH.	M935		1300	1300	1415
8	193	54Bn	5Bde	QC115/43		1700	1701	1800
8	194	54Bn.	5Bde	QA252		1550	1555	

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Outstanding indents for equipment NIL ⊙ previous indents supplied in part to 54Bn [Rear] on 30 Oct. ⊙ New Indents now required for ~~[illegible]~~ balance vide GR.O. 710/43 para 4(d) ⊙ Detail of previous indents forwarded separately by DRLS to your HQ. Sigs [illegible]

Exemption NX122714 L/Cpl BATEUP A 5Bn Memo forwarded is not DDGMP recommendation but merely timber central office memo ⊙ ADDSD DDGMP ⊙ Fwd. DDGMP recommendation as requested our two previous signals. Sigs [illegible]

Exemption NX122714 L/Cpl Bateup A ⊙ timber control ONLY memo forwarded this unit by MILBASE ⊙ DDGMP recommendation therefore cannot be forwarded. Sigs [illegible]

NX83759 Pte Rogers RM admitted here 7th Nov 43 on leave clothing ⊙ 22 Packages clothing being fwd PACKTRAIN 9 NOV ⊙ 54Bn taking delivery CLAREMONT will store SWANBOURNE pending your arrival ⊙ any outstanding indents will be supplied CLAREMONT depot approx 16 NOV. (SIGS [illegible])

NX122522 L/Cpl RUTHER NW 54Bn ⊙ applied 5 weeks leave without pay compassionate grounds addition 24 days ARL just commence States aged father ill unable work property NELUNGALOO investigate advise reccomendation Via: PARKES NSW ⊙ Request (SIGS [illegible])

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9	195	Slade	54R	ON409	[illegible]	1126	1144	1150		NX. 136303 Pte Langdon G R ⊙ has Millaroo Sydney been advised of decision yet
9	196	54 Regt	54	[illegible] ON410	✓	1211	1224	1233		NX126453 Pte. Stuart G.B. ⊙ has this soldier rejoined unit ⊙ advise by sig urgent.
9	197	LT D	54R	ON411	–	1217	1224	1238		NX122368 Pte Asgill. C.G ⊙ rejoined unit ex ARL 26 Oct 43
9	198	LT D	54R	ON412	–	1218	1224	1240		NX 122537 L/Cpl. WATERS J. ⊙ rejoined unit ex ARL 4 Nov 43
9	199	LT D	54R	ON413	–	1225	1231	1244		REFRIGATORS ⊙ no reply received our sig ON313 of 4 NOV. ⊙ expedite.
9	200	54	54R	OB486	–	1033	1110	1340		school + AC ZHO course course 9 13 Oct 22 Jan ⊙ 54 56 Bns each submit nominations officers Senior wing 52, 54, 56 each submit 2 officers Junior wing ⊙ Nominations forwarded HQ pro forma req this HQ intriplicate by 12 nov. Nom. subject approval.
9	201	54	54R	[illegible]905	–	1146	1155	1420		Ref 18 oblique air photos Geraldton are ⊙ Return 2 ⊙ in Immediately ⊙ advise this HQ. action taken.
9	202	54	54R	9115	–	1559	1609	1612		Cancel allotment three shillings NX122366 New HAA F.W.

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9	203	54Bde	54Bde	L52	ON513	600	1602	1925	Refrigerator memo Invoked to reply message OL437 5 Nov
9	203	54Bde Fwd	54Bde Rear	L53	ON410	1600	1603	1930	NX.126453 Pte Stewart CD rejoined unit 26 Nov.
9	204	54/56 Fwd	5Bde	QA256		1550	1555	1920	Interstate ARL O Further our QA7193 Nov. O2 Div advise personal report LTD 1600 hrs 12 Nov instead 11 Nov.
9	205	54Bde	56Bde	A446	ON398	1800	1845	2000	DISCHARGE N.199101 Pte Harris R.E. leaving this unit for GDD 10 Nov O
10	206.	54	"N" Aust FSS Section	N377	—	0930	0936	1010	for Cpl. Goaley del - "N" of FSS O arrange meet OC section officers club 1700 hrs. 11 Nov. ACK.
10	207.	54Bde		N378	—	0950	0937	1005	movement order goaley del - "N" FSS O rehard LTD claremont 1400 hrs 11 Nov.
10	208	54	LTD	ON416	—	0928	0931	0945	NX126453 Pte Stewart 9B O soldier rejoined unit ex ARL 26 Oct 43
10	209	54	5 Bde	ON415	—	0925	0932	0950	N309103 Pte Robertson MA. O your 9843/81 of 4 Jul our ON 369 of 4 Nov. refer O has any information been received
10	210	54	N. FSS section	ON414	N377	1030	1033	1035	ack.

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10	211	54Bn 44" 56"	5Bde	O53	—	1130	1150	1447	assemble troops short armistace ceremony 1100 hrs 11 Nov ⊙ Sound last post have 2 mts silence then revielle ⊙ service concludes with national anthem. [illegible]
10	212	44 54 56Bn	5Bde	O54	—	1151	1158	1525	Ref 2 Div memo 7 Nov Re starting orders ⊙ Required this HQ 17 Nov. [illegible]
10	213	54Bn (Fwd)	56Bn	QA259	ON409	1020	1023	1529	NX136303 Pte Langdon BR ⊙ ~~X~~ DIV advising signal 450/11/4387 of 3 Nov from Millbase Sydney ~~with copy 54Bn~~ address GDD Sydney with copy 54Bn approved discharge ⊙ This HQ Not advised ⊙ Confirm rec MILLBASE authority. [illegible]
10	214	5Bde	54Bn	ON421	OB486	1652	1710	1715	School tac LHQ course 9⊙ owing shortage senior offrs desired nominate one offr junior wing to be NX124609 Cptn Tonkin TR ⊙ if nomination senior wing imperative to be NX124628 mj Carroll RB⊙ second nomination for junior wing would be NX124624 Capt McKeown R ⊙ nomination forms following by D/RLS.
10	215	5Bde	54Bn	ON420	QA223	1644	1712	1720	ack.
12	216	54Bn rptd 5Bde	2 div	A427	—	1030	1032	1130	ref nominations WX131480 Sgt TURTON BW ref instructions 3ACS ⊙ request submit direct this HQ copy Bde full particulars schools attend and recommendation in School report, also CO certificate A.S.O Chapter 6 page 35 para [I] [IV] ⊙ urgent.

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11.	216	4454 56Bn	5Bde	056	—	0940	0952	1025	Ref Div cond circular No five ⊙ Explanation why instn contained but given Not carried out ⊙ Required this HQ immediately. (Important)	— Rec
11	217	5Bde	54Bn	ON425	QH259	1152	1158	1205	NX136303 Pte Langdon BR ⊙ Milbase Sydney memo 450/11/4387 of 3 Nov received by unit 10 Nov advising approval had been given for discharge.	Rec
11	218	milbase sydney	54Bn	ON424	—	1330	1346	1348	NX122529 pte BIGNELL IAG ⊙ unit concurs granting seven days L WOP	ack
11	219	5Bde	54Bn	ON425	QB494	1335	1500	1504	Information as requested is in transit	ack
11	220	5Bde	54Bn	ON426	QB493	1340	1501	1505	SCHOOLS OCTU ⊙ forms in transit despatched 8 Nov	ack
12.	221	5Bde	54Bn	ON429	43/1141/SC1	1122	1150	—	ack ⊙ NX124612 Lieut SNELLING A.B. nomination as LIFE SAVING representative	Rec
12	222	milbase Sydney	54Bn	ON435	—	1320	1450	—	NX137719 pte HOWARD MH ⊙ applying twenty four days extension A.R.L to be L WOP ⊙ soldier advise apply direct MILBASE ⊙ unit concurs subject satisfactory investigation ⊙ address JUDDS CREEK VIA BATHURST	Rec
12	223	54Bn	5Bde	OB501	—	1227	1245	1530	Schools 3ALS course R43/13 27 NOV 25 dec ref our OB469 nomination or O/R required expedite	Rec

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12	224	54 Bn	6 Inf Troop W/Shop	KC13	#	–	1220	1630	M/C number 14375 now ready for delivery ⊙ advise forwarding instructions Ky
12	225	54 Bn	3 aust Corp	05823		1500	1535 #/12		4 aust movment control order 324 ref ⊙ request on ⊙ sufficient tpt report 10 L H regt Pt Walter 2 hrs prior to departure each train G and H to move pers to FREMANTLE ry ⊙ two ⊙ sufficient tpt report 54 aust Inf Bn SWANBOURNE 2 hrs prior to departure each train A & B to move pers to CLAREMONT ry ⊙ three ⊙ tpt report CLAREMONT ry ~~⊙~~ meet each train J & K move 56 aust Inf BN to SWANBOURNE ⊙ four ⊙ tpt report FREMANTLE ry meet each train D & E move 15 AUST MOT REGT to PT WALTER. all informed.
12	226	5 Bde	54 Bn	ON 437	OB501	2130	2150	—	
13	227	MIL BASE SYDNEY	54 Bn.	ON 442	—	1418	1421	—	NX142415 Pte. GAINSFORD. J. ⊙ your 220887 of 27 Sep refers to Soldier reporting G.D.D. WA L of C Area 18. NOV. for onward movement and discharge.

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14-11-43	228	5 Bde.	54 Bn	ON4446	/	1215	1240	/	MVTTC GRAYLANDS refresher course for mech mt course R11 ON198822 pte MELVILLE TA nominated.	
14 11 43	01503	5 Bde	54 Bn	ON4446	/	1425	1500		Staff relief B Ait B & Nt 1222507. Cpl WEEKS WW nominated and will move train ex-perth 15 Nov. ⊙ Sig 013503 Not received ⊙ confirmation of nomination following	
14	230.	MUBASE PERTH 1 Pld 2 Aust 5 Bde.	54 Bn	ON4447	—	1540	1610		EXEMPTION #X122714 L/Chl. BATEUP. AHW. ⊙ Place fwd copy DO GMP report direct 2 Aust Div and copy this unit for infm ⊙ your 194/5/775 of 2 Oct refers.	Sig [illegible]
15	/	5 Bde / FOMILITARY SYDNEY	54 Bn / 54 Hibbie	ON4448 / Mess	— /	0825 / 1010	0830 / 1011		MVTTC GRAYLANDS refresher course mech mt course R11 22 Nov. 15 Jan 44 (.) N198822 pte MELVILLE thomas Arthur age 20 frs paybook 450034 NOK father HENRY ARTHUR MELVILLE Box 153 Po. parks NSW. CANCEL ALLOTMENT FOUR SHILLINGS Nt 136463 WILSON EM	
15	231	DAAG (R) mil base	54 Bn	ON4449	—	1120	1126	1131	Discharge N197670 pte Hutchinson CH ⊙ soldier reporting GDD 1100 hrs 16 nov ⊙ your MPR N267 refers.	Sig [illegible]
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16	232	3 Corp Harvey	54 Bn	ON453	—	0923	0925	—	NX136469 pte Rees HB and NX37266 pte Noods E.W.	
16		54 Bn	MB Sydney	AO266	ON435 32	1617	1610	2050	2030	W. ⊙ when may we expect return these personell. NX139919 Pte Howard M.H. ⊙ extention of leave NOT approved this H.O.
17.	933	54 Bn Leave	54 Bn Forward	ON454	/	1047.	1100.	/	discharge NX139706 pte Delaney JF ⊙ advise soldier application NOT approved.	
23.	334	54 Bn	5 Bde	QA303	ON22	23/2216	2209	ON5	DANCE NANSON ⊙ permission NOT granted ⊙ policy guided by necessity for application this HQ. for approval for band or special leave parties	JHay
24	335	MIL BASE SYDNEY RPTO 54 Bn	5 Bde	QA309	—	24/1050H	1057	1117	NX 122 522 L/CPL RUTTER N.W. 54 BN Compassionate leave ⊙ our QA252 of 8 Nov refers ⊙ advise recommendation.	P ARMR
24	336	54 Bn	5 Bde	I 943	—	24/1043	—	1145	Attention I O. ⊙ MT. PLEASANT MINNENOOKA WOOLANOOKA properties are OUT OF BOUNDS location are approx 6 miles EAST of WISARDS PEAK.	A RMR
24	337	FOMILITARY SYDNEY	54 Bn	GM65	—	24/1204			VARAL NX136463 WILSON E.M.	ONE
24	338	MILBASE SYDNEY	54 Bn	ON48		24/1635H			ref application Compassionate leave NX122699 CPL FITZGERALD I.H. ⊙ If this NCO applies for extension 24 days WITHOUT PAY this unit concurs subject your recomendation after investigation	MHB

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24	339	44 54 56 Bn	5 Bde	QC 127/43	—	24/1515H	1519	1810	Respirators ⊙ check conditions forthwith ⊙ also ensure GRO 0223 12 Mar implemented ⊙ unit inspection will be made and certificates submitted by 1st Dec that condition good and discs fitted ⊙ ack	Clear	Adjt	ARWL
25	340	54 Bn	5 Bde	i939		1025			Herewith 2 KALGOORLIE and 2 SOUTHERN CROSS 4 ml to 1 inch and 60 GERALDTON one inch sheets as requested ⊙ ACK.	C.	I.O.	Due
25	341	5 Bde	54 Bn	i28	i939	25/1040H			Ack	C.	—	Due
25	342	A&B Coys	BHQ	i30	—	25/1040H			Attention LIEUT HOOD-STEVENS (HOBDEN) ⊙ Stores will be transported to BULLRING area by MT. suggest you send all stores to int office by 1300 hrs today ⊙ dress as laid down with belt and pistol (MR&I only) our instrs do NOT all in with squad after instn			
25	343	54 Bn	5 Bde	08540	-	25/1122H	25/1125H		Schools junior Staff 3 ACS. Harvey course CS43/4 4 Dec. 15 Jan ⊙ vacancies 54 Bn. 1 officer ⊙ nominal roll this HQ. by 25 Nov. ⊙ Students report Claremont 031400 hrs Dec. ⊙ confirms phone message.		adjt.	

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25-11-43	344	54 Bn	5 Bde	OB542	—	1412	1425	1550	SCHOOLS CSMS A/CSMS 3 ACS HARVEY commencing 4 Dec ⊙ Ref our OB518 of 1817468 ⊙ Allotment vacancies 44 Bn one 54 Bn one ⊙ Nominal rolls this HQ by 261200H Nov ⊙ Students report CLAREMONT 031400H Dec.			[illegible]
25	345	54 Bn	5 Bde	OB544	—	1513	1525	1540	SCHOOLS TAC JNR 3 ACS HARVEY course C43/15 4 Dec 15 Jan ⊙ Confirming phone message allotment vacancies 54 Bn now NIL cancell our OB 531.			[illegible]
25	346	54 Bn	Milbase Perth	A67 84	[illegible]	1229	1620	1837	WX18489 Pte S Paltridge applying extension compassionate leave without pay to 1 Jan do you concur			[illegible]
26	347	54 Bn	Trg Centre JW	7/18		0900	0915	1120	Ref move Capt TONKIN, LHQ tac school 4 Dec 4 days leave required prior to reporting LTD Claremont ⊙ will grant this from here subject your approval ⊙ address on leave will be 43 EAST ST MT HAWTHORN	b	Adjt	HR
26	348	" 56 Bn	5 Bde QA 312			1042	1046	1120	ARL ⊙ allotment train esc PERTH 30 Nov ⊙ 54 Bn eight ORs ⊙ 56 Bn 1 offr 8 ORs ⊙ offr to be THOMPSON ⊙ report LTD 29/1600H ⊙ Corps authority A8712 ⊙ instr MOB 3 vide our QA 219	"	"	AR

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26	349	44 54B 56B	5 Bde	I 1949	[illegible]	1225	1234	1305	ref our letter S/17 on 24 Nov. re password ⊙ Daily change at	C	Adjt	R.H.
26	350	54Bn	5 Bde	QA100	—	261215H	261245H	261305	Nom roll required by return of one int. O.R. report to 2 Div 0830 hrs 1 Dec 43 for attch for 1 month. ⊙ no attchs will be required for Bde for dec	C	Adjt	R.H.
26	351	"	56Bn	JA1	-	1300	1325		For Capt GIBSON ⊙ please investigate mail provisions ⊙ no delivery for to duty platoon for six days.	C	Adjt	AR
27	352	54Bn	MILBASE SYDNEY	AO276144	ON44	261050H	1645	270640H	NX 114100 Cpl Mortlock ANO Babies health improving ⊙ Compassionate leave NOT recommended			ARMS
27	353	5Bde	54Bn	ON70	QA141/43	271030H	—	—	LOST MEDICAL STORES ⊙ unit still awaiting reply from M and V stores ⊙ report can NOT be submitted until reply received.	Sigs		ARMS
27	354	54Bn	253 LAD	ME 1352	[illegible]		271125H	271230	Send LAD one job 1200 miles overhaul also one job 3 hrs. duration 1400 hrs even date			
27	355	44Bn 56Bn 54Bn	5Bde	1952	—	271210	271330	271406H	Ref secret memo sigs 2 div of 19 Oct. 43 re signal R/T code no 2 attention is drawn to para 6 and 7. Instructions will be rigidly adhered to. ack.	C	Adjt	WB
27	356	5Bde	54Bn	ON74	1932	271412	-	-	ack	C	Sigs	LH
27	357	54BN RPTD RAA	5BDE	QJ14G/43	—	272000H	2025	2030	Ref wood cutting area ⊙ 54Bn will take over from RAA 29 Nov ⊙ relief to be commenced by 1200 hrs.		clear Adjt.	[illegible]
28	358	44 54Bn	5Bde	1955	—	280800H	0803	0915	19 Gen Bn testing KITE flying 1400 ft also BEACHLIGHT 1900-2100 hrs 29 Nov. PT. MOORE	C	Adjt.	LH

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28	359	54 Bn	5 Bde	QC 153		28 1033H	28 1040H	28 2050H	Unit will requisition to this H.Q immediately for 32 grenade drill 36 M each ⊙ authority 3 Aust Corps memo G43/1/135 - 22 Nov.	C.	Adjt.	ORE
28	360	54 Bn	56 Bn	Q139	—	281130H	281136H	281310	WO II JAYE contacted ⊙ forty two cases check on truck by Pte. ash ⊙ ack.	P	adjt.	MHB
28	361	54 Bn rptd. 2 Div	5 Bde	QA320	—	281510H	281510H	281525H	Mil Base Sydney A0276517 of 26 advises ⊙ quote ⊙ Nx 122522 L/Cpl. RUTTER W ⊙ case submitted manpower who have been asked expediate ⊙ will advise earliest ⊙ unquote ⊙ for intm.	P	adj.	MHB
28	362	44 Bn 54 Bn 56 "	5 Bde	QA322	—	281652H	281700H	281820H	Submit NOT repeated NOT later than 1600 hrs 29 Nov. nominal roll volunteers for flax Harvest at BOYUP BROOK. time 6/8 weeks LWOP. 56 Bn submit direct 2 div. by 30 Nov copy this HQ. Confirms verbal advice.	C	adj.	WB
28	363	44 54 rptd 2 Div Fwd	5 Bde	12107	— ~~0800~~ (2)	0800 (?)	—	2158	Duty Bn ⊙ Change over 44 Bn to 54 Bn 8 Dec 43 ⊙ ack	C	Adjt	AR
29	364	54 Bn	25 SLADME	1369	—	291015	1020	1045	Carrier 22383 report to this LAD immediatly for repairs from K R HAIR LIEUT.	C	Adjt	ARML.
29	365	44 54 56 Bn	5 BDE	OA110	—	1215	1227	1234	ref trg instr NO40 return to be at BDE HQ by 1200 hrs 1 DEC '43 56 Bn copy direct to DIV HQ copy to BDE HQ Ack	C	Adjt	AB
29	366	54	56 Bn	A520	—	1055	1100	1235	fwd urgent. B122 for NX 86495 Pte WILLIS N N34418 Pte COLLINS W	C	Adjt	AB
29	367	military PERTH	54 Bn	GM70	—	1530	1531	—	ref WX 18469 Paltridge S ⊙ extension of LWOP to 1 Jan 44 under consideration at MILBASE PERTH	C	Sigs	AB

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29	368	44, 54 56 Bns	5 Bde	I.961	—	291620H	1630	1650	19 GARRISON BN using HELIOGRAPH and lamp 30 0900H to 30 2100H refs 24924324, 25224465 25194334	C	Adjt	ARMD
29	369	44 54B	5BDE	OA 111	—	29/1800	29/1802	29/1804	ref 5 Aust Inf Bde G instructions number 1 Bn comd to notify dates plan for recce of new area	C	Adjt	AB
29	370	54	5BDE	OB 552	—	29 1740H	29/ 1755	29 1805	schools RAAF ARMY CO-OP ⊙ 54 Bn nomination Lieut SNELLING NOT selected	C	Adjt	AB
30	371	54BN	5BDE	QA329	43/750	30/0905H	30/0925H	30/0950H	LOSS army watch A56040 ⊙ ref Div Q3A/135/43 forwarded by this HQ 24 Nov ⊙ Reply awaited	C	Adjt.	[illegible]
30	372	5BDE	54BN	ON84	QA 329	30 1037	30 1044	—	loss army watch A56040 ⊙ advice received from Capt Tonkin agreeable pay ⊙ stoppage has therefore been effected	C	Sigs	AB.
30	373	5BDE	54BN	ON85	OA110	30 1112	30 1114	—	Ack	C	Sigs	AB
30	374	5BDE	54BN	ON88	QC 127/43	30 1610	30 1613		RESPIRATORS ⊙ a check has been conducted ⊙ deficiencies being replaced at earliest	C	Sigs	AB
30	375	54, 56 Bns	5 Bde	QA336	—	301700H	1701	301732	A.R.L. allotment train esc PERTH 4 Dec ⊙ 54BN 1 offr 8 OR'S ⊙ 56 Bn 8 OR'S ⊙ CORPS A8821 ⊙ report LTD 1600 hrs 3 dec ⊙ usual instructions mob 3 etc.	C	Adjt	ARMD

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PART 1. 1 Nov. 43.

282. DUTIES. (Tour of duty 0700 to 0700.)

Duty Coy will provide the following duties during the Units occupation of SWANBOURNE CAMP.

(I) GUARD Two Posts. (a) Gate double sentries.
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(7) BN. DUTIES: 1 Cpl. 2 ORs. 1 Offr.

(8) 2 ORs to report to Sjt. Muir at 0800 hrs for cutting wood and burning food refuse at incinerator.

(9) 1 OR to stoke hot water furnaces (also report to Sjt. Muir).

(10) 1 OR at each kitchen at meal hours to picquet food refuse bins to ensure that dry and wet refuse is placed in the correct containers.

OUT OF BOUNDS. All areas outside the camp bounderies
ALFRED ROAD - NORTH
Line from canteen to excl.tennis courts - SOUTH.
FENCE - EAST
OFFICER'S LINES - WEST.

SHOWERS: All showers are out of bounds between 0800 and 1200 hrs each day.

TRAINING FILMS: At 1930 hrs on 3,6,7,8,11,13, and at a time to be fixed on 14 Nov trg films will be screened. These screenings will be regarded as a parade and all personnel NOT on leave must attend.

USE OF PATHS IN CAMP. Personnel will not walk between huts. Only made paths and paths are to be used. It has been brought to notice that gardens have been interfered with and any personnel found picking flowers or walking on garden ~~xxxxxx~~ plots will be severly dealt with.

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DUTIES (cont'd)

DAILY TIMETABLES.

	OFFRS.	ORs.
Reveille	0600	0600
Offrs Trg.	0645	
Breakfast	0715	0700
Sick Parade	0730	0730
Parade	0830	0830
Stand Down	1200	1200
Lunch	1230	1230
Parade	1330	1330
Stand Down	1700	1700
Retreat	1730	1730
Mess	1815	1730
Lights Out	2315	2215.

283. ROAD DISCIPLINE:

(a) All drivers must be in possession of STANDING ORDERS FOR DRIVERS OF MECHANICAL VEHICLES (Revised 1942) and be thoroughly conversant with its contents.

(b) A sticker, vide ASO 12/16 and appx D showing maximum speed for the vehicle must be affixed to the dash board of every vehicle on strength in the Unit.

284. AAFs G.2. - NECESSITY FOR CORRECTLY COMPLETING.

(a) Vehicle traffic checks reveal that in most instances AAF G.2 are not being correctly filled in by those responsible, especially in regard to the extant nature of the duty upon which the vehicle is engaged, and the destination of the vehicle.

(b) It is stressed that such bald statements as "Personnel" "Adm Duties","Corp Duties", etc are totally inadequate, and will not be accepted in future as sufficient description of nature of duty.

(c) In all cases where the nature of the duty is suchthat travel over and variation from the shortest possible route between start point and destination is required, the exact route and the reason for the variation id to be clearly and concisely stated on AAF. G2. Otherwise, it willlbe accepted that journey is intended to be by the shortest practicable route, the drivers will be proceeded again those who do not comply herewith.

(d) Strong disciplinary action will be taken against any drivers/ and/or unit transport officers of NCOs responsible in instances where AAF. G2 are found to be oncorrectly or inadequately filled in.

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(7) BN. DUTIES: 1 Cpl. 2 ORs. 1 Offr.

(8) 2 ORs to report to Sjt. Muir at 0800 hrs for cutting wood and burning food refuse at incinerator.

(9) 1 OR to stoke hot water furnaces (also report to Sjt. Muir).

(10) 1 OR at each kitchen at meal hours to picquet food refuse bins to ensure that dry and wet refuse is placed in the correct containers.

OUT OF BOUNDS. All areas outside the camp bounderies
ALFRED ROAD - NORTH
Line from canteen to excl.tennis courts - SOUTH.
FENCE - EAST
OFFICER'S LINES - WEST.

SHOWERS: All showers are out of bounds between 0800 and 1200 hrs each day.

TRAINING FILMS: At 1930 hrs on 3,6,7,8,11,13, and at a time to be fixed on 14 Nov trg films will be screened. These screenings will be regarded as a parade and all personnel NOT on leave must attend.

USE OF PATHS IN CAMP. Personnel will not walk between huts. Only made paths and paths are to be used. It has been brought to notice that gardens have been interfered with and any personnel found picking flowers or walking on garden ~~xxxxxx~~ plots will be severly dealt with.

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DUTIES (cont'd)

DAILY TIMETABLES.

	OFFRS.	ORs.
Reveille	0600	0600
Offrs Trg.	0645	
Breakfast	0715	0700
Sick Parade	0730	0730
Parade	0830	0830
Stand Down	1200	1200
Lunch	1230	1230
Parade	1330	1330
Stand Down	1700	1700
Retreat	1730	1730
Mess	1815	1730
Lights Out	2315	2215.

283. ROAD DISCIPLINE:

(a) All drivers must be in possession of STANDING ORDERS FOR DRIVERS OF MECHANICAL VEHICLES (Revised 1942) and be thoroughly conversant with its contents.

(b) A sticker, vide ASO 12/16 and appx D showing maximum speed for the vehicle must be affixed to the ddsh board of every vehicle on strength in the Unit.

284. AAFs G.2. - NECESSITY FOR CORRECTLY COMPLETING.

(a) Vehicle traffic checks reveal that in most instances AAF G.2 are not being correctly filled in by those responsible, especially in regard to the extant nature of the duty upon which the vehicle is engaged, and the destination of the vehicle.

(b) It is stressed that such bald statements as "Personnel" "Adm Duties", "Camp Duties", etc are totally inadequate, and will not be accepted in future as sufficient description of nature of duty.

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(d) Strong disciplinary action will be taken against any drivers/ and/or unit transport officers of NCOs responsible in instances where AAF. G2 are found to be oncorrectly or inadequately filled i .

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ADJT. 54 AUST. INF. BN. (AIF)

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4. Capt Gibson will arrange with the Unit Armourer and Range Comdt. for all stores etc., required for zeroing.

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54 AUST INFTRN (AIF) TRAINING PROGRAMME 2-14 NOV 43 APPENDIX "A".

	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
CLASSIFICATION RANGE.	BREN. A D HQ	BREN. N.Q. ½ MOUND	A D	B C Bn HQ	HQ Coy					N.Q.	N.Q.	MMG	OPEN
BN BUTT MOUND DUTIES	B C	A D	B C Bn. HQ.	HQ Coy	A D.	B ← IF	D coys CAN	C NOT TO AS	A SUPPLY SIST.	B All duties.	D HQ	C Coy	A →
ZERO ING RIFLES.	A D	B Bn. HQ.	HQ Coy	HQ Coy	N. Q.								
MINIATURE RANGE.					N. Q.		N.Q. ½ RANGE		NQ. ←	SMG A.C. ½ RANGE ONLY	SMG. HQ.Coy	SMG. B D	PISTOLS →
REST DAY				A D	B C Bn HQs.		HQ Coy	A D.	B C Bn. HQ.	HQ. Coy.			
RIFLE INSTRUCTION MUSKETRY SMARTENING UP P.T. SEMAPHORE MESSAGE CARRYING SWIMMING		HQ Coy B.C. REMAINDER. A D.	HQ Coy Bn HQ. REMAINDER B. C.		B C Bn. HQ		A B C REMAINDER D.	HQ Coy B. C.	HQ Coy. A D.	A C D REMAINDER. B.	HQ Coy A BC REMAINDER. D	A B D REMAINDER HQ Coy	
SPECIAL RIFLE INSTRUCTION			N. Q.	N. Q. LESS. A D.	N. Q. LESS. B & C. Bn. HQ.		N. Q. LESS. HQ Coy	NQ. LESS. A. D.	NQ. LESS. B.C. Bn. HQ.				
TRAINING FILMS.		1930H.			1930H.	1930H.	1930H.			1930H		1930H	1930H

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ROUTINE ORDERS

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PART 1. 9Nov 43

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PART.1.

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It is considered that the period during which drill movements have been carried out in "four time cadence"so that the importance of voicing orders and carrying out movements with definit pauses be stressed,is now sufficient for its purpose.

On receipt of this order all Units will revert to the timings laid down in the various manuals.

299. DRESS
Attention is directed to 3 Aust Corps ASO 8/3 and 2 Aust Div Standing Orders for Dress - Circular A1 - Dated 14 Oct 43.

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Day (i.e.up to 2000 hrs)

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MT will not pick up leave personnelat any place other than authorised Parking reas.

Units will ensure that this instruction is promulgated to troops and is adhered to.

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(a) Wet Canteen.

In confirmation of prior instructions the following instructio is promulgated:-
The wet canteen is to provide liquor for Warrant, Non-Commissior -ed Officers and ORs.
The ORs being in the main section and the WO's and Sgts in the portion immediately behind the dry - formerly frequented by Officers.

Officers will NOT drink on the premises.

(b) Bulk Canteen.

All orders for Canteen Supplies must be lodged at bulk store Canteen 24 hours in advance.

Vehicles will not park in the area at rear of Bulk Canteen.

Units are requested to return to Bulk Canteen all available cardboard cartons, wrappers and outers from tobacco and chocolates.

303. SUPPLY RETURNS.

Attention of Units is directed to the following returns due to reach Bde ASC Offr at 1200 hrs on the 1st day of the month;

POL Consumption and Stocks on hand.
POL Containers on hand.
Emergency and Reserve Rations on Hand

Daily return of POL requirements will be submitted before 1400 hrs each day.

R.L.O'Neill Capt.
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ROUTINE ORDERS.

BY

LT.COL J.S.G.COLLIER COMD 54 AUST INF BN(AIF)

PART.1. 13 NOV.43

298. TIME OF DRILL MOVEMENTS.
It is considered that the period during which drill movements have been carried out in "four time cadence"so that the import--ance of voicing orders and carrying out movements with definit pauses be stressed,is now sufficient for its purpose.

On receipt of this order all Units will revert to the timings laid down in the various manuals.

299. DRESS
Attention is directed to 3 Aust Corps ASO 8/3 and 2 Aust Div Standing Orders for Dress - Circular A1 - Dated 14 Oct 43.

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As for day except that ;

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ROUTINE ORDERS

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PART I. 15 Nov 43.

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(a) Attention is drawn to the fact that members of the AMF who are pursuing courses of study by correspondence may wish to present themselves for public examination, the majority of which are held in November and December each year.

(b) Such members should be instructed to consult a full time Education Officer, who will assist in arranging examinations and supervision.

(c) Commanding Officers and Officers in charge of Units will facilitate the holding of examinations so far as conditions of service permit.

305. OUT OF BOUNDS - WENTWORTH HOTEL.

BRO No. 283 is cancelled with effect from 0800 H Monday 25 Oct 43.

306. REMITTANCES FROM MEMBER OF THE FORCES.

1. The attention of all ranks is drawn to the arrangements which exist for a member to send a remittance of cash or undrawn pay to any person resident in Australia or to another member (where ever serving).

2. These arrangements provide that remittances may be made through Army channels by members who are serving in localities where money order or banking facilities for remittance are not available with reasonable convenience.

3. Remittances through Army channels are effected by the member completing a remittance form(WF131 or WF 131a) and handing the form to the pay sergeant or pay master, together with the cash (in the case of a remittance of cash) or the member's pay book (for entry of the debit in the case of a remittance of undrawn pay).

4. A member sending a remittance should take particular care to see that full details are clearly and legibly set out on the remittance form. This applies especially to the name and address to whom the remittance is being sent.

5. The member will ensure that he obtains a recaipt from the pay sergeant or pay master for any cash handed over.

307. ENLISTMENT RAAF AIR CREW.

(a) It has been reported that many instances have occurred where personnel have communicated direct with RAAF authorities instead of through Unit Commanders and the normal channels.

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307 contd.
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(b)An examination of the cause of accidents indicates,in every case the personal factor predominates,and a realisation on the part of those using the roads of the necessity to allow for all possible hazards and,when in charge of vehicles,to limit their speed to suit prevailing conditions,would do much to eliminate allacidents.

(c) The chief causes of accidents are:-

(i) Excessive speed.
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(a) It has been brought to notice that there is still a number of personnel of the various services travelling by Regular troop Trains who are not in possesion of necessary Messing Gear.

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WEEK ENDED 3 NOV 43

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A. TRAINING

B. MORALE

C. HEALTH

D. GENERAL

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4. SECURITY

Nil Infm

5. TOPOGRAPHY

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PT, smartening up exercises and rifle drill have been a feature of the trg. Swimming parades have been conducted when possible and instn in semaphore and message carrying given.

Training films dealing with map reading have been shown in the lines. Such films are an excellent medium of instruction.

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31../.43..(Serial No.)

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54 AUST. INF. BN. (AIF)

W.E. 11/12/43. OFFRS. 34 O.R's. 833 + OFFRS. 1 O.R's 44 ATT. BY W.E.
(as amended)

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

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.				
W.E. Rein'fts Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein'fts Required. W.E.
				*					
				*					
1	-	-	1	Lieut.-Colonels					
3	1 MR	1	-	2 Majors					
9	1 MR	1 MR	-	8 Captains	AAMC	1	-	-	- 1
20	5 S	-	5	25 Lieutenants					
1(Capt)	-	-	-	1 Quarter-masters					
				A.A.N.S and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.	(NB. Chaplain is not an authorised attachment)				
				Civilians Counting as Offrs.					
34	3 S	2	5	37		1	-	-	- 1

Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in para. 10 of instructions for compilation of form will complete Part E(1) & E(2).	DETAIL.		A.I.F.	C.M.F.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.N.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL.	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	**	TOTAL.
	A.		37	Nil	(including one attached officer							38
	E.(1)											
	E.(2)		N.B. The above 38 officers are Med.Class A.1)									

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

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

OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK.

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

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

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

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

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	REMARKS (e.g., present whereabouts if known).
		N.B. For officers on "Z" list, see over.	

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PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 6/11/1943. (Total to agree with Columns 4 and 7 of Part A.)

1 Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held.	2 Army Number.	3 Surname.	4 Initials.	5 Posting.	6 Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No)	7 If not present with Unit, state how employed.	8 Date of Detachment.
Capt(T/Lt.-Col)	NX124621.	COLLIER.	JSG.	CO	Yes.		
Lieut(T/Maj)	NX124620.	CARROLL.	MB	21/c.			
Lieut(T/Capt)	NX124619.	O'NEILL.	RL	Adjt.	Yes.		
Lieut.	NX124618	FITZPATRICK.	LTJ.	I/O	Yes.		
Lieut.	NX129186	EDWARDS.	RC	Sig/O	Yes.		
Lieut.	NX124623	SHELLING.	RL	A/A.O	Yes.		
Lieut.	NX31916.	LEUNIG.	HB	Mtr/O	No	35 AITB	10/10/43
Lieut(T/Capt)	NX124626.	MACADAM.	TS	Carr.O	Yes		
Lieut.	NX111488.	COOPER.	HB	21/cmo.		LHQ Sch.of Mech.	26/9/43
Lieut.	NX124605.	SCOATS.	GHS	Tk/A.O.	Yes.		
Lieut.	NX124611	HEAD.	JH	Pion/O.	No.	ARL	2/9/43
Lieut(T/Capt)	NX124613.	MITCHELL	JB	QM	Yes.		
Lieut.	NX156097	BROOKS.	LR	TO	Yes.		
Lieut(T/Capt)	NX124631.	HARRISON.	SR.	A/OC	Yes.		
Lieut.	NX124624.	QUILLAN.	GA.	Pl Comd	Yes.		
Lieut.	NX128898	WEBSTER.	WA.	do	Yes.		
Lieut.	NX109570.	SIMPSON.	D	do	Yes.		
Lieut.	NX112366	HOLLIER.	GD	do	Yes.		
Lieut(T/Capt)	NX124624.	McKEOWN.	R.	OC	Yes.		
Lieut(T/Capt)	NX124610.	GIBSON.	JM	21/c	Yes.		
Lieut.	NX128905.	RYAN.	DA	Pl Comd	No	3 ACTS. Harvey.	16/10/43
Lieut.	NX124608	WILLIS	JG	do	~~Yes~~ No	3 AC J/W Sch	31/10/43
A/Lieut.	NX126478	BRUDERLIN.	BR	do	Yes.		
A/Lieut.	NX126475.	CULKIN.	TJ	do	No.	3 ACTS J/W Sch.Staff	1/10/43
Lieut(T/Capt)	NX124609	TONKIN.	HR	OC	No	do	21/9/43
Lieut.	NX109575	HOBDEN	CA	Pl Comd	No	xxx Rear Party ex ARL.	26/10/43
Lieut.	NX124629.	O'CONNELL.	MW	do	No.	3 ACTS.Harvey.	16/10/43
Lieut.	NX124612.	SHELLING.	AB.	do	Yes.		
A/Lieut.	VX76928	WALLACE-MITCHELL.	RM.	do	No	3 AC J/W Sch(Staff)	17/8/43
A/Lieut	NX122328.	TURNER.	WG.	Pl Comd.	Yes.		
Lieut(T/Capt)	NX124614.	CANTRILL.	WA.	OC	No.	LHQ.Test.Sch.Deeploigh. Q'land.	11/10/43
Lieut(T/Capt)	NX124620.	HUNT.	LEE.	21/c	Yes.		
Lieut.	NX124615.	TONKIN.	LAC.	Pl Comd	Yes.		
Lieut.	NX124627.	FISHWICK.	NB.	do	No.	OCTU (Instr) Secondment pending.	28/8/43
Lieut.	NX12[illegible]334.	EVERETT.	LH.	do	Yes.		
Lieut.	NX16371.	LOCKE.	CF.	do	No.	Rear Party	21/10/43
Lieut(T/Maj)	NX124607.	STEVENSON.	HH.	Nil	No.	HQ.3 Aust.Corps Court Martial duties.	13/9/43.

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

Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank, if Held.	Army Number.	Name and Initials.	Unit.	Date of Attachment.	Nature of Attachment.
Capt.	SX20957.	McGLASHAN. J.	G. AAMC	24/6/43	RMO
Chaplain.	VX142640.	KIRBY. J. F.	AACHD	15/5/43.	Chaplain. (Rear Party 11/10/43

6 November. 43.

Date of Despatch

J.S.G.COLLIER. Lt.-Col.

Signature of Commander

Comd. 54 Aust. Inf. Bn. (AIF)
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OFFICERS ON "X" LIST.

NO.	RANK.	NAME.	DATE X-LISTED.	REASON.	PRESENT WHEREABOUTS.	ANTICIPATED DATE OF RETURN.
NX124606.	Lieut.	BRYEN. C. R.	3/9/43. R/O 21/43.	Hospital (fractured ankle)	109 Con. Depot.	Six months from date of X-listing.
NX122380.	Lieut.	HOOD-STEVENS.S.R.	12/8/43 R/O.21/43.	LHQ Sch.of Mil.Int. Southpart, Q'land.	At said School	At termination of said School., and ARL.
NX124608	Major	ARROW. N. J.	RO.25/43. 16/10/43	Hospital (broken leg)	Harvey Hospital	About 6 months at least

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At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 20/ 11/194 3 ..... (Unit)

W.E. 12/ 12 3 OFFRS. 34 O.R's. 838 + OFFRS. 1 O.R's. 44 ATT. BY W.E.

(as at 6th Nov '43)

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

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.				
Rein'fts Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein'fts Required.
				*					
				*					
1	-	-	1	Lieut.-Colonels					
3	1NR	1NR	2	Majors					
9	2NR	2NR	7	Captains	AAMC	1	-	-	- 1
20	4S	-	24	Lieutenants					
				Quarter-masters					
N(Capt)	-	-	1	A.A.N.S and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.	(NB Chaplain is not an authorised attachment)				
				Civilians Counting as Offrs.					
34	1S	3	4	35					

Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in para. 10 of instructions for compilation of form will complete Part E(1) & E(2).	DETAIL.	A.I.F.	C.M.F.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.N.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL.	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	**	TOTAL.
	A.	36	Nil	(including one attached officer)							36
	E.(1)	N.B. The above 36 officers are med Class. A.1)									
	E.(2)										

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

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

OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit From.	Date.	CAUSE.
NX12460	Lieut.	BRYEN. C. R.	GDD, Claremont.	17/11/43.	Rejd. Unit and struck off "X" list.
NX122438	Lieut.	COOPER. R. B.	2 Aust. Div. Cam Sch (44Bn)	20/11/43.	Attg. Cam. Sch. since 14/11/43
NX12366	Lieut.	HOLLIER. G. D.	do	20/11/43	

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit To.	Date.	CAUSE.
NX124613	Capt.	MICHELL. J. B.	110 AGH.	18/11/43.	For treatment.
NX124620	Capt.	HUNT. L. E. E.	do	18/11/43	do
NX109576	Lieut.	SIMPSON. D.	do	18/11/43	do
NX124627	Lieut	FISHWICK. E. B.	OCTU, Woodside. S.A.	4/9/43.	See as Instru. see R/O 27/43.
NX124611	Lieut.	HEAD. J. H.	5 Bde (AIF)	8/11/43.	For duty.

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

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	REMARKS (e.g., present whereabouts if known).
		N.B. FOR OFFICERS ON "X" LIST SEE BACK HEREOF.	

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PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

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

1 Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held.	2 Army Number.	3 Surname.	4 Initials.	5 Posting.	6 Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No)	7 If not present with Unit, state how employed.	8 Date of Detachment.
Capt (T/Lt. Col)	NX124621	COLLIER.	JSC.	OC.	Yes.		
Lieut (T/Maj)	NX124628	CARROLL.	RB.	A/2i/c.	Yes.		
Lieut (T/Capt)	NX124619	O'NEILL.	RL.	Adjt.	Yes.		
Lieut	NX124618	FITZPATRICK.	LTJ	I/O	Yes.		
Lieut	NX139180	EDWARDS.	RC	Sigs O	Yes.		
Lieut.	NX124623	SNELLING.	RL	A/A O	Yes.		
A/Lieut.	NX[illegible]	[illegible]	HB.	Ntr/C	No	Det. [illegible] AIF (Asst Instr) Awaiting.	10/11/43
Lieut (T/Capt)	NX124626	MACADAM.	TS	Carr.O/C	Yes.		
Lieut.	NX122488	COOPER.	RB	21/c	Yes.		
Lieut.	NX124605	SCEATS.	GME	Tk/A O	Yes.		
Lieut.	NX124611	HEAD.	JH.	PlomO	No	Det.5 Bde (AIF)	8/11/43
Lieut (T/Capt)	NX124615	MICHELL.	JB.	Q.M.	No	Evac.110 AGH.	18/11/43
Lieut.	NX156087	BROOKS.	LR	T.O.	Yes.		
Lieut (T/Capt)	NX124631	HARRISON.	SR	OC	Yes.		
Lieut	NX124606	BRYEN.	CR	Pl Comd	Yes.		
Lieut	NX124604	QUILLAN.	OA	do	Yes.		
Lieut	NX128898	WEBSTER.	WA	do	Yes.		
Lieut	NX109576	SIMPSON.	D	do	No	110 AGH	18/11/43
Lieut	NX112306	HOLLIER.	GD	do	Yes.		
Lieut (T/Capt)	NX124624	McKEOWN.	R	OC	Yes.		
Lieut (T/Capt)	NX124610	GIBSON.	JM	2/i/c	Yes.		
Lieut	NX124608	WILLIS.	JG	Pl Comd	No	3 AC J/W School	31/10/43
Lieut	NX122388	HOOD-STEVENS.	S.A.	do	Yes.		
Lieut	NX126746	BRUDERLIN.	RH	do	Yes.		
A/Lieut.	NX126745	CULKIN.	TJ.	do	No.	3 AC J/W School (Staff)	17/8/43
Lieut (T/Capt)	NX124609	TONKIN.	HR	OC	No	do	31/9/43
Lieut.	NX109575	HOBDEN.	CA	Pl Comd	Yes.		
Lieut.	NX124612.	SNELLING.	AB	do	Yes.		
A/Lieut.	VX76928	WALLACE-MITCHELL.	RH.	do	No	3 AC J/W School (Staff)	17/8/43
A/Lieut.	NX122320	TURNER.	WA	do	Yes.		
Lieut (T/Capt)	NX124630	HUNT.	IEE	21/c	No	Evac.110 AGH.	18/11/43
Lieut.	NX124615.	TONKIN.	LAG	Pl Comd	No.	AHL	18/11/43
Lieut	NX122334	EVERETT.	LH	do	Yes.		
Lieut.	WX16371	LOCKE.	CF	do	No.	Swanbourne Rifle/R	18/11/43
Lieut (T/Maj)	NX124607	STEVENSON.	BH	Nil	No	HQ.3 Aust.Corps. Martial duties	Court 15/9/43

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

Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank, if Held.	Army Number.	Name and Initials.	Unit.	Date of Attachment.	Nature of Attachment.
Capt.	SX20957	MCGLASHAN.JG.	AAMC	24/8/43.	RMO.
Chaplain.	VX142640	KIRBY. J.F.	AAChD	15/5/43.	Chaplain.

20 November, 43.
Date of Despatch

Truth—7/43.

R L O'Neill Capt
for J. S. C. COLLIER. Lt.-Col.
Signature of Commander
Comd. 34 Aust. Inf. Bn. (AIF)
5 Aust. Inf. Bde (AIF) 2 Aust. Div. (AIF)

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OFFICERS ON X-LIST.

NO.	RANK.	NAME.	DATE X-LISTED.	REASON.	PRESENT WHEREABOUTS.	ANTICIPATED DATE OF RETURN.
NX124605.	Maj.	ARROW. H. J.	16/10/43. R/O.25/43.	Broken leg (Hospital)	Harvey hospital	About six months atleast from date of injury.
NX124614.	Capt.	CANTRILL. W. A.	7/10/43. R/O.26/43.	Attg.LHQ.Tact.Sch. No.5 Ose., Beenleigh.	Beenleigh.	At termination of course.
NX124629.	Lieut.	O'CONNELL. M. W.	16/10/43. R/O.26/43.	Attg. 3 ACTS, Harvey.	Harvey School.	do
NX123900.	Lieut.	RYAN. D. A.	do	do	do	do

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FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS

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At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 6/11/1943 54 AUST. INF. BN. (AIF) (Unit)

W.E. 11/12/43 OFFRS. 34 O.R's. 833 + OFFRS. 1 O.R's. 44 ATT. BY W.E.

Part A. Posted Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements Required.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.				
W.E. Reinfts. Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Reinfts. Required. W.E.
1 (See attached sheet)	1			W.Os. Class I.					
6 "	"	"	6	W.Os. Class II.	AACC	1	-	-	- 1
5 -	-	-	5	Squadron or Company Quartermaster Sgts.					
(See attached sheet)				Staff Sergeants	[illegible]	10	-	-	- 10
36 3 MR	3	-	33	Sergeants	[illegible]				
72 -	-	-	72	Corporals	[illegible]	9	-	1	1 10
713 92	92	-	622	Troopers, Privates, etc.	[illegible]	25	2	-	28 23
				Civilians counting as O.R.					
833 94*	94	-	739	Totals of cols. marked * should agree with details shown in Part E on Page 2.		45*	2	1	18 44

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

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

Detail		A.I.F.	C.M.F. Under 19 Years.	C.M.F. 19 Years and over.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	* *	TOTAL.
A		612	127					[redacted]	[redacted]		739
B(1)		42	3								45
B(2)		N.B. All above persons [illegible] Class A.1.									

Part B. Other Ranks Attached from Other Units.

Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong
1	Salvage Unit		
2	AWAS		
10	5 Grn Bn		
1	FSS		
4	132 Bde W/Shops		

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

Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.
13	Hospital		
22	Schools		
28	Leave		
54	Rear Party		
2	5 Bde		
36	J/[illegible] School		
7	G.D.D.		
1	DRO		
1	3 Aust. Corps		
1	HQ L of C Area		
4	3AGRS (Dutymen)		
4	AWL		
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Part D. Description of Other Ranks Whose Return To.....(Unit) is Particularly Requested. ...../...../194.....

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

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PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 6 / 11 /194 3.

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.
Ammunition Examiners			
Armament Artificer Fitter			
Armament Artificer Fitter (Electrical)			
Armament Artificer Fitter (M.V.)			
Armament Artificer Fitter (A.F.V.)			
Armament Artificer Instrument			
Armament Artificer Radio			
Armament Artificer Signals			
Armament Artificer Wireless			
Artificer, Artillery			
Artificer, Engine			
Blacksmiths (pte)	2	2	-
Bricklayers			
Computors			
Cooks, Hospital			
Coppersmiths			
Dispensers			
Draughtsmen			
Draughtsmen (Architectural)			
Draughtsmen (Engineering)			
Draughtsmen (Mechanical)			
Draughtsmen (Topographical)			
Electricians			
Electricians (M.V.)			
Electricians (Signals)			
Fitters			
Fitters (Cycle)			
Fitters (Electrical)			
Fitters (Gun)			
Fitters (Instrument)			
Fitters (M.V.)			
Fitters, Railway Signal			
Fitters, Signals			
Grinder, Precision			
Mechanics, Instrument			
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)			
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)			
Mechanics, Radio			
Mechanics, Typewriter			
Mechanics, Wireless			
Millwrights			
Operators, Excavator			
Pattern Maker			
Pharmacist			
Photographer, Wet Plate			
Photowriter			
Plumber			
Saw Doctors			
Surveyors			
CARRIED FORWARD			

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.
Surveyors, Engineering			
Surveyors, R.A.A.			
Surveyors, Topographical			
Surveyors, Trigonometrical			
Toolmakers			
Turners			
Watchmakers			
Welders			
GROUP II.			
Armourers			
Axemen			
Bakers			
Bty. Comd's. Asst.			
Boilermakers			
Carpenters (ptes)	6	6	-
Carpenters and Joiners			
Cooks			
Dental Mechanics			
Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Med.)			
Driver-Operator			
Drainers			
Electricians			
Electricians (Engineers)			
Fire Control Operators			
Gun Operator			
Hatchman			
Height Taker			
Helio Operator			
Instrument Operator			
Intelligence Duties			
[illegible] Ptes	7	8	1R
Lineman			
Lineman, Signals			
Lithographers			
Machinists, Metal			
Machinists, Wood			
Masons			
Masseurs			
Mechanics, M.T.			
Miners			
Moulders			
Nurses, Trained			
Observation Post Assts.			
CARRIED FORWARD	27	28	1 R

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.
Operating Room Assts.			
Operator, Keyboard			
Operator, Line			
Operator, Signal			
Operator, Switchboard			
Operator, Wireless			
Opticians			
Painters			
Panel Beaters			
Photographer, Dry Plate			
Predictor Numbers			
Printers			
Radiographers			
Riggers			
Sawyers			
Signallers [illegible]	3	2	1 R
[illegible] PTES	24	18	6 R
Telescope Identfn. Numbers			
Well Borers			
Wheelers			
Winchman			
Wireman			
Woodturners			
GROUP III.			
Battery Surveyors			
Butchers (Ptes)	1	2	1R
Clerks [illegible]	7	7	-
Clerks, Supply [illegible]	5	5	-
Clerks, Technical			
Coach Trimmers			
Concretors			
Cooks			
Dental Clerk Orderlies			
Despatch Riders			
Draughtsmen, Signals			
Drivers, H.T.			
Driver Mechanics (ptes)	27	31	4 S
Driver Tptn. Plant			
Engine Hands, I.C.			
Equipment Repairers (ptes)	1	1	-
Farriers			
Fitters' Mates			
Gun Layers			
CARRIED FORWARD	85	84	1 R

Details of Non-Tradesmen.			
DETAILS OF NON-TRADESMEN.	636	537	99
[illegible]	105	103	2 R
G/TOTAL	8:739	739	94
ATTACHED BY W.E.			
Ptes :-			
[illegible]	8	8	1R
AACC	14	13	1R
AMC	1	1	-
ATTACHED BY W.E.	23	25	2R
N.C.Os :-			
AAMC	11	11	-
AACC	1	1	-
AAPC	2	2	-
AAMC	3	2	1 Recd
AAEME	3	3	-
AAPS	1	1	-
G/TOTAL	44	45	1 S
Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively.		*	*

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6 November, 43.
Date of Despatch

J.S.G.COLLIER. Lt.-Col
Comd. 5 Aust. Inf. Bn. (AIF)
Signature of Commander
5 Aust. Inf. Bde (AIF) 2 Aust. Div. (AIF)

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AF 3202 for 6/31/41.

SPECIALISTS.

UNIT PERSONNEL.

1 WO.II. "I" personnel surplus.
1 Sig. Cpl. deficient (Reinft. not required for reason stated below)
6 WO.II Sig. personnel deficient (Reinfts not req'd as unit personnel are being trained for vacancies)
1 WO.III. Butcher surplus.
4 WO.III. Dr. Trade. surplus.
1 WO.III. Rangetaker surplus.
3 WO.II. Bricklayers surplus.
4 WO.II. Bakers surplus.

ATTACHED PERSONNEL.
1 WO.II. Mech.E.V. surplus.
1 WO.II. Cook surplus
1 AAMC Chiropodist Cpl deficient (Reinft required)

NON-SPECIALISTS.

3 Sgts Deficient (Reinforcements are not required, as 3 Unit Cpls are to be recommended for up-grading and three Ptes recommended for promotion to Cpl to fill the resulting vacancies.

N.B. WOs. S/Sgts. and Sgts are shown on the face of the return according to their WE postings in preference to their actual ranks. The fact that this Unit has four upgradings (approved by DMS to be held above the ranks authorised for the appointments) causes confusion when an attempt is made to show the true picture by a system of surpluses and deficiencies in the respective ranks.

The ranks affected are as follows :-

WO1.BANCROFT.J.H.	CSM included in WO.II's , which is WE rank for his appointment.								
WO.II.ELLIOTT.A.E.	S/M Sgt	"	"	Sgts.	"	"	"	"	"	"
S/Sgt TEURLINGS.J.	Ord.Rm.Sgt.	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
S/Sgts MCKAY. J.	Sgt.Tailor.	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"

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Army Form W.3009 (*Adapted*)
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FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS

[redacted] / [redacted] (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday [redacted] / [redacted] /194[redacted] [redacted] (Unit)

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

(as attached) WE of [redacted] Instl wdrs one supernumerary Canteen Sgt.

Part A. Posted Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements Required.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED					ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.				
W.E. Reinfts. Required	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength	DETAIL.	Arm or Corps	Posted Strength	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Reinfts. Required W.E.
1	(See attached sheet)		1	W.Os. Class I.					
6	*	*	* 6	W.Os. Class II.	AACC	1	-	-	- 1
5	[redacted]	[redacted]	- 4	Squadron or Company Quartermaster Sgts.					
4	(See attached sheet)		-	Staff Sergeants					
36	[redacted]	[redacted]	- 34	Sergeants	[redacted], AANC, AACC, AAPS	10	-	-	- 10
72	-	-	- 72	Corporals	[redacted], AANC, AACC, AAPC, AAPS	9	-	1	1 10
713	[redacted]	[redacted]	- 617	Troopers, Privates, etc.	[redacted], AACC, AANC	24	1	-	25 23
				Civilians counting as O.R.					
835	[redacted] *	[redacted]	- 734.	Totals of cols. marked * should agree with details shown in Part E on Page 2.		44*	1	1	- .44

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

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

Detail		A.I.F.	C.M.F.		A.W.A.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	* *	TOTAL.
A		604	130					[redacted]	[redacted]		734
B(1)		41		3							44
B(2)							[redacted]				

Part B. Other Ranks Attached from Other Units.

Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong
1	Salvage Unit		
1	YMCA		

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

Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.
12	Hospital		
22	Schools		
42	Leave.		
[redacted]32	Rear Party attg. Swanbourne		
3	3 Bde.		
1	Detn.		
4	3 ACTS (duties)		
1	AWL		
1	NSW L of C Area.		
32	J/ W Sch.		
1	3 Aust. Corps.		
1	DRO		
1	44 Bn.		

Part D. Description of Other Ranks Whose Return To.....(Unit) is Particularly Requested. ...../...../194.....

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

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24 Aust. [illegible] Unit

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

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.
Ammunition Examiners			
Armament Artificer Fitter			
Armament Artificer Fitter (Electrical)			
Armament Artificer Fitter (M.V.)			
Armament Artificer Fitter (A.F.V.)			
Armament Artificer Instrument			
Armament Artificer Radio			
Armament Artificer Signals			
Armament Artificer Wireless			
Artificer, Artillery			
Artificer, Engine			
Blacksmiths	2	1	-
Bricklayers			
Computors			
Cooks, Hospital			
Coppersmiths			
Dispensers			
Draughtsmen			
Draughtsmen (Architectural)			
Draughtsmen (Engineering)			
Draughtsmen (Mechanical)			
Draughtsmen (Topographical)			
Electricians			
Electricians (M.V.)			
Electricians (Signals)			
Fitters			
Fitters (Cycle)			
Fitters (Electrical)			
Fitters (Gun)			
Fitters (Instrument)			
Fitters (M.V.)			
Fitters, Railway Signal			
Fitters, Signals			
Grinder, Precision			
Mechanics, Instrument			
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)			
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)			
Mechanics, Radio			
Mechanics, Typewriter			
Mechanics, Wireless			
Millwrights			
Operators, Excavator			
Pattern Maker			
Pharmacist			
Photographer, Wet Plate			
Photowriter			
Plumber			
Saw Doctors			
Surveyors			
CARRIED FORWARD			

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.
Surveyors, Engineering			
Surveyors, E.A.A.			
Surveyors, Topographical			
Surveyors, Trigonometrical			
Toolmakers			
Turners			
Watchmakers			
Welders			
GROUP II.			
Armourers			
Axemen			
Bakers			
Bty. Comd's. Asst.			
Boilermakers			
Carpenters (ptes)	6	6	-
Carpenters and Joiners			
Cooks			
Dental Mechanics			
Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Med.)			
Driver-Operator			
Drainers			
Electricians			
Electricians (Engineers)			
Fire Control Operators			
Gun Operator			
Hatchman			
Height Taker			
Helio Operator			
Instrument Operator			
Intelligence Duties NCOs	3	3	-
XXXX Ptes.	7	8	1S
Lineman			
Lineman, Signals			
Lithographers			
Machinists, Metal			
Machinists, Wood			
Masons			
Masseurs			
Mechanics, M.T.			
Miners			
Moulders			
Nurses, Trained			
Observation Post Assts.			
CARRIED FORWARD	17	18	1S

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.
Operating Room Assts.			
Operator, Keyboard			
Operator, Line			
Operator, Signal			
Operator, Switchboard			
Operator, Wireless			
Opticians			
Painters			
Panel Beaters			
Photographer, Dry Plate			
Predictor Numbers			
Printers			
Radiographers			
Riggers			
Sawyers			
Signallers NCOs	3	3	-
XXXX PTES	24	18	6NR
Telescope Identfn. Numbers			
Well Borers			
Wheelers			
Winchman			
Wireman			
Woodturners			
GROUP III.			
Battery Surveyors			
Butchers (Ptes)	1	2	1S
Clerks NCO	7	7	-
Clerks, Supply XXPTES	5	5	-
Clerks, Technical			
Coach Trimmers			
Concretors			
Cooks			
Dental Clerk Orderlies			
Despatch Riders			
Draughtsmen, Signals			
Drivers, H.T.			
Driver Mechanics (Ptes)	27	30	3S
Driver Tptn. Plant			
Engine Hands, I.C.			
Equipment Repairers (Ptes)	1	1	-
Farriers			
Fitters' Mates			
Gun Layers			
CARRIED FORWARD	85	84	1NR

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.
G.P.O. Assistants			
Hammermen			
Leather Stitchers			
Orderlies, Nursing			
Orderlies, Nursing Mental			
Plate Layers			
Rangetakers (ptes)	3	3	1S
Riveters			
Ronghriders			
Saddlers			
Saddletree makers			
Shoemaker and Boot Repairer			
Stevedores			
Stokers, Staty. Engine			
Storemen. (Ptes)	3	4	1S
Tailors NCOs	2	2	-
Textile Refitters			
Tinsmiths			
Vulcanizers			
Wagon Erectors			
Whitesmiths			
	92	95	1S
NOT ON WE			
Bricklayers	-	3	3S
Bakers.	-	4	4S
	92	102	8S
DETAILS OF NON-TRADESMEN.			
NCOs	105	102	3NR
PTES	636	532	104
G/TOTAL.	833	734	99
ATTACHED BY W.E.			
PTES:-			
AAMC	8	8	-
A.CC	14	15	1S
AAMC	1	1	-
	23	24	1S
NCOs.			
A.CC	11	11	-
AACC	1	1	-
AAPC	2	2	-
AAMC	3	2	1 *
AAMC	3	3	-
AAMC	1	*1	* -
G/TOTAL.	44	44	-

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20 November, 43.
Date of Despatch

for J. S. V. COLLIER, Lt.-Col.
Signature of Commander
Comd. 54 Aust. Inf. Bn. (AIF)
5 Aust. Inf Bde (AIF) 2 Aust. Div. (AIF).

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AFW3009 for 20 November, 43.

12/D.

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

(A) SPECIALISTS.

UNIT PERSONNEL.

1 TG.11. "I" personnel surplus.
7 TG.11.Sig. personnel deficient (Reinfts not reqd as unit personnel are being trained for vacancies.)
1 TG.111. Butcher surplus.
3 TG.111 Dr. Mechs. surplus.
1 TG.111. Rangetaker surplus.
1 TG.111. Technical Storeman supplus.
3 TG.11. Bricklayers surplus
4 TG.11. Bakers supplus.

ATTACHED PERSONNEL.

1 TG.11. Cook surplus.

(B) NON-SPECIALISTS.

2 Sgts and 1 CQMS deficient (Reinfts are not required, as recommendations to fill these vacancies have been made.)
104 Ptes deficient (These reinfts are reqd, and general dutymenx will meet requirements of the Unit)

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The ranks affected are as follows :-

~~WE APPOINTMENT.~~

W.O.1.RAUCHLE. F. N. CSM included in WO11's which is WE rank for his appointment.
WO.11. ELLIOTT. A. E. S/S Sgt. " " Sgts " " " " " " "
S/Sgt. THURLING. J. Ord.Rm.Sgt. " " " " " " " " "
S/Sgt. BRYANT. J. Sgt. Tailor. " " " " " " " "

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W Diary

RESTRICTED
COPY NO. 21
H.Q.54 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)
7 Nov 43.

CAMP STANDING ORDERS:

1. OBJECT: These orders are issued to ensure the smooth running of Bn.H.Q:

2. DAILY TIMETABLE:

	OFFRS:	ORs.
Reveille	0600	0600
Offrs Trg.	0645	-
Breakfast	0715	0700
Sick Parade	0730	0730
Parade	0830	0830
Stand Down	1200	1200
Lunch	1230	1215
Parade	1330	1330
Stand Down	1700	1700
Retreat	1730	1730
Mess	1815	1730
Lights Out	2315	2215

3. ALARM POSTS: Coy. Parade Grounds.
Bn HQ. - vicinity Office Truck.
All ranks must report to their alarm posts immediately on the sounding of the alarm.

4. ALARM SIGNALS:
(a) When in standing camp alarms will be sounded on a gong outside Bn.Ord Room.
(ii) Air Alarm - Single rapid beating of the gong.
(iii) Gas alarm - Rapid double beat repeated.
(iii) General - Triple beat on gong repeated.
(b) When in camp with widely dispersed Coy & rear the alarm will be given by phone and D/R.
(c) All Coy phones MUST be manned at all times.

5. ALL CLEAR:
When in standing camp - Single slow beat of alarm gong.
When in camp with widely dispersed Coy Areas - By phone and D/R.

6. ACTION ON ALARM:
(i) In the event of an air alarm, all ranks, other than A/A pl. will take cover and if slit trenches are provided will proceed to their allotted trench. A/A personnel will man A/A defence posts.
(ii) On the sounding of the gas alarm, all personnel will don respirators and continue with normal duties. Facepieces will be adjusted on comd. of Pl.Comd. or Comd i/c party.
(iii) On sounding of general alarm, personnel will stand to in their allotted posts.

7. GUARD DUTIES:
Will be detailed from time to time in Bn. ROs.
(a) Guard strength and posts will be detailed as necessary (Instructions for GUARD are issued separately)
(b) Duties
1. 1 Cpl. 12 ORs will be supplied daily by duty Coy for Bn.Duties.
2. In addition Duty Coy will provide D/R and duty truck.
3. D/R will sleep at Bn. HQ and will make sure that he knows the location of all sleeping quarters of the Offrs. on Bn. HQ. and the exact location of all Coy orderly rooms.
4. Duty truck will remain vicinity Bn.HQ at all times when not in use. If the truck has to leave the area the dvr. will warn Tpt. so that another truck is available

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7. GUARD DUTIES. contd.

5. Fire picquet truck Duty Coy will ensure that 2x3 ton vehicles are available in Coy lines at all times during summer months for the use of the fire picquet.

6. Fire Picquet. 1 Offr and 25 ORs equipped with shovels axes and fire beaters (if available)will be retained by duty Coy in the lines at all times during the summer months.(Supplementary fire orders issued separately)

7. Duty Officer. (see instructions for Duty Offr. issued separately)

8. BN. LAYOUT. The I.O. will prepare a plan showing the layout of Bn.HQ. and the Bn.Area and the sleeping quarters of all Offrs. on Bn.HQ. a copy of which will be hung in Bn.HQ.and one copy passed to Sig.O.who will explain same to all Sig personnel. Duty Offr will explain same to Bn. duty personnel.

9. MESSAGES AND MESSAGE WRITING. It is the responsibility of Sig Pl. and "I" Sec. to draw attention to errors in message writing both in form and franking thereof.All messages must pass through "I" Office thence to Sig. for transmission.)I"will co-operate to see that correct procedure is followed.

10. DESTRUCTION OF DOCUMENTS. Bottles of petrol will be pladed in vital centres to enable rapid destruction of important documents,if,at any time,such destruction is ordered.

11. PASSWORD. Will be issued when operational requirements necessitate.

12. SYNCHRONISATION. Sig. Office will notify the correct time in accordance with GRO G675/43 at 0800 hrs daily.

R O'Neill
Capt.
Adjt 54 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)

DISTRIBUTION.

Recipient.	Copy No.
HQ.Coy	1-2.
A "	3"4.
B "	5-6.
C "	7-8
D "	9-10.
CO.	11
2i/c	12
Adjt.	13
IO.	14.
QM	15.
TO	16.
RMO.	17.
RSM.	18.
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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES.

HQ. 54 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)
Nov 43

STANDING ORDERS.

FIRE.

1. Fire Orders are issued in two parts:-
   i. General fire orders applicable to Camp area
   ii. Supplementary Fire Orders covering bush fires etc.

2. GENERAL FIRE ORDERS. see attached.

3. SUPPLEMENTARY FIRE ORDERS.

(a) General. (i) During the summer months the risk of bush fires in this state is very great and the danger of much damage by fire to civilian property as well as military property, stores and equipment is greatly increased.

(ii) Every precaution will be taken to minimise fire risk and Coy Comds. and all Offrs will ensure that all ranks are aware of the danger and consequence of negligent or careless action with fire or inflammable stores or material.

(iii) These supplementary fire orders will be read in conjunction with the general Fire Orders already issued.

(b) FIRE PIQUET (summer months)

Duty Coy. must retain in their lines, at all times, a piquet of one offr. and 25 ORs., equipped with shovels axes, and fire beaters (if available). This piquet will be prepared to move by MT immediately on receipt of warning to fight fires in the surrounding district and in the Unit area.

Water bottles must be kept filled and will be carried by piquet.

Transport will ensure that two 3/ton FWD are available in Coy lines for the sole use of the piquet and drivers of these vehicles are reminded that they must keep petrol tanks full.

Dr. will be attached to piquet and come under comd. of piquet offr. at Retreat daily.

On the despatch of the piquet to a scene of a fire, Duty Coy. will immediately organise a further piquet in case of further aid being necessary.

(c) ACTION TO BE TAKEN ON ALARM.

On the sounding of the alarm, O.C piquet will report to Bn. HQ. in person, if nearby or the nearest phone, whichever is the most speedy.

All phones must be manned immediately on the sounding of alarm.

Coy. Comds. will report to Bn HQ., accompanied by one runner unless the fire is in their own area, in which they will despatch a runner with information.

Coy. 2 i/cs will organise Coys. and proceed to scene of fire if in Unit Area. If fire is not obvious to Coy., further instruction will be awaited.

Bn. HQ. Staff Bn. HQ. and QM. Staff will stand by ready to assist in fighting the fire, or to load valuables onto Office truck, as ordered by Adjt., QM., RSM, and RQMS., Adjt will notify Bde. by phone of the outbreak and where civilian property is threatened will if possible contact the owners.

(d) PRECAUTION AGAINST FIRE DURING TRAINING.

(i) Training areas for exercises involving the use of smoke or live HE grenades, mortar bombs, Verey lights or SAA ball or blank ammn. will be provided with efficient fire breaks to prevent fires caused by use of such explosives and SAA spreading beyond the area used.

(ii) A fire party will be detailed with each Coy and Pl. The fire party will be responsible for dealing with any fire which may occur during the course of training.

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(d) contd.

Fire parties will examine areas in which troops have been training so as to ensure that nothing is left which might cause a fire after troops have with drawn from the area.

(iii) Carriers MG:

Fires can be caused as the result of discharge from exhausts of Carriers MG. Endeavour should be made in all instances for carrier crews to travel on routes on which there is least danger of starting a fire. During exercises should the carriers travel through areas where the possibility of fire is great, every care must be taken to prevent the start of a fire, and immediate steps will be taken to extinguish or limit the outbreak.

(e) FIRE BREAKS:

Coys. must ensure that adequate fire breaks are prepared around all Coy and Pl areas. Burning of breaks will at all times be strictly controlled. Unauthorised burning will be the subject of disciplinary action against offenders, who also incur responsibility for any damages or loss sustained through their actions.

(f) INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE BURNING OF FIRE BREAKS:

The following instructions issued by 3 Aust Corps with Admn Instn. Q41 of 19 Oct 43 will be strictly observed.

(i) The type of fire break to be made in open country will consist of two runs of plough or cultivator not less than half a chain apart, each run being approx. 6 ft. wide. As soon as suitable conditions are available and subject to observation of instructions contained in para 3 below space between breaks will be burnt. Where roads exist on one side of a camp site or trg. area the road itself will be used as one fire break and only one run of the plough will be necessary. Care will be taken in burning off intervening ground, that any fence posts set on fire are immediately extinguished.

(ii) Where nature of the country precludes the ploughing of fire breaks, breaks will be cleared by hand and action taken in accordance with para 1 above.

(iii) No burning of breaks on grass or bushland will be undertaken except under the following conditions:-

(a) Two days notice will be given to each owner or occupier of all land adjoining the land on which breaks are to be burnt.

(b) Approval in writing will be obtained from the Secretary or a bush fire control officer of the local authority in whose district or adjacent to whose district the land in question is situated.

(c) Where the land in question is situated within two miles of a state forest and burning operations are intended to take place between 15 Dec. and next 15 Mar. in any yearly period two days notice will be given to a forest officer employed in connection with such State Forest.

(d) Burning off will only take place between 2000 H and 2400 H of the same day.

(e) During all burning off operations adequate personnel will be detailed as beaters to prevent flames getting out of control, and careful inspection will be made to ensure fires are throughly extinguished before parties are with drawn.

(f) Due consideration will always be given to wind conditions and no burning will be undertaken if a high or choppy wind is blowing. Burning will always be done against the wind.

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES.

HQ. 54 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)

8 Nov 43.

STANDING ORDERS.

FIRE (General)

1. GENERAL.

These orders must be displayed prominently on all Coy. Notice Boards and in all Coy. Buildings. The grave risk of fires, both grass and bush, must be emphasised and Coys. and sub-units will be responsible for adequate protection and precautions in their own area.

2. ALARM.

Bugle, gong, or whistle. A rapid and sustained beating on the fire alarm gong or a succession of blasts on the bugle or whistle.

3. ALARM POSTS.

Coy. Parade Grounds.
In the case of Bn. HQ., Office Truck.

4. PIQUETS.

(a) Each Coy. will ensure that, at all times, at least three personnel per Pl. are available in Coy. lines as a standing fire piquet.

(b) Ammunition Guard, if observing fire, will at once raise the alarm, and turn out the guard, but he will not leave his post unless ordered to do so by Guard Comd. or Senior Officer.

5. PRECAUTIONS IN TENTS.

Naked lights in tents will be carefully shielded; candles will be placed in approved holders and permission to use candles must be obtained from Coy Comd. Cigaretto ends, pipe ashes or glowing matches must be placed in tins and Coy Comds. are responsible to see that tins are at all times in each tent. All water containers at tents must be retained full at all times. In the absence of issue buckets, any type of water container available will be used for this purpose.

6. GENERAL PRECAUTIONS.

(a) In no circumstances will authority be given for smoking in Tpt. W/shops, in the vicinity of petrol, or oil stores, or in any other buildings etc., in which inflammable materials are stored. Tins of sand will be kept available at petrol dumps.

(b) Grass will be kept short in all Coy areas and an area of at least 15x all around tents cleared of all dry vegetation.

(c) Fires will not be lit for any purpose whatsoever in proximity of tents or huts except with the authority of a commissioned officer That Officer will ensure that such fires are subsequently extinguished. The possibility of change of wind and wind born sparks will not be overlooked. At least one bucket of water will be available at each fire place.

(d) Naked lights or hurricane lamps will on NO account be taken into or used in the vicinity of an inflammable liquid or material store, nor will the use of such lamps be permitted when filling petrol tanks of vehicles.

(e) As fire buckets and beaters are not on issue, all available receptacles for water throughout the camp must be kept filled. When in bush fire areas, Coys. will ensure that an adequate fire break is cut.

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FIRE ORDERS (General)

7. ACTION OF PERSONNEL ON DISCOVERING FIRE.

Any person discovering fire will immediately endeavour to extinguish it, at the same time raising the alarm.

8. REPORTING.

Any outbreak of fire will be reported to Bn.HQ. immediately If in the opinion of the senior officer present the outbreak of fire is in danger of spreading, 5Aust Inf Bde(AIF(and the nearest Unit will be notified by the Adjt.

9. ORDERLY OFFICERS.

In the event of a fire being reported to Bn.HQ., the orderly officer will immediately advise all Coys. and proceed to the scene of the fire and if further assistance is needed, obtain it from duty Coy.

10. T.O. AND CARRIER O.

Tpt. and Carr.O. will immediately report to their respective lines and ensure that all drivers are standing by their vehicles.

11. R.S.M. AND ORDERLY ROOM STAFF.

Orderly Room Staff will stand to their posts at Bn HQ ready totake any action which may prove necessary. Duty clerk will stand by Bn Orederly Room phone.

12. SIGNAL OFFICER.

Signal communications will be maintained if possible, but if equiptment is endangered, necessary action for removal must be carried out.

13. Q.M. STAFF.

Q.M. Staff and RQMS. will report at once to their stores and offices and stand by.

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INSTRUCTIONS FOR DUTY OFFICER.

1. The following instructions will be adhered to by all Duty Officers.

2. Tour of Duty - 1715 H to 1715 H the following day.

3. Dress. (a) Winter. S.D. Webbing belt and gaiters - hat, khaki fur (turned up)
(b) Summer. - Shirt khaki, trousers KWD, webbing belt and gaiters - hat khaki fur (turned up)

4. Duties.
(i) Duty Officer must know the location of every officers bivouac and of all the Bn. officer s. Also he must know the whereabouts of all Officers who are away from HQ. and see that the staff board is enteres up by all Bn. HQ. Officers on leaving and returning to Bn. HQ.
(ii) Be present at the changing of duties and ensure that all personnel are conversant with duties.
(iii) Ensure that Reveille is sounded at the correct time, 0600 H (this time is subject to alteration)
(iv) Report to CO, 2 i/c and Adjt. in that order immediately Reveille has sounded and receive any special instns. for the day.
(v) Ensure that the Bn. duties are mounted by 0700 H and that the runners on duty tidy the CO and Adjts Office.
(vi) At 0930 commence inspections as follows;-

(a) Provost personnel and tent.
(b) Bn. HQ. tents and area.
(c) Officers Mess and kitchen, etc.
(d) Rifle Coys (general inspection in any order chosen)
(e) Ration store and Butchers shop.
(f) YMCA hut.
(G) Call out the Gd. (Offr to select own time) and inspect personnel and tent.

(vii) Obtain any uncensored mail from the postal Orderly and censor it.
(viii) At night, sleep in duty truck parked near Sig truck (Offr. to advise Sig on duty When he is retiring so that that he can be awakened for any calls which may come through).
(ix) Arrange working parties for any work in Bn. area which in his opinion should be done or for any special tasks which may be given.
(x) Duty Offr. will advise the orderly runners of his whereabouts if he moves from Bn. HQ.

5. REPORTS. Duty Officer will render a written report on completion of his tour of duty and will be responsible to see that the new officer reads and Initials it. The report will indicate any tasks which were commenced and NOT completed and the new duty officer will see that these tasks are completed.

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STANDING ORDERS FOR ADMINISTRATION.

1. GENERAL.

These instructions are issued to bring about administrative efficiency which is the foundation of fighting efficiency.
The following points will be noted and observed
(a) Unnecessary correspondence will be eliminated.
(b) The message form (C2128) will be used as much as possible.
(c) Brevity and simplicity will be aimed at.
(d) All correspondence etc.will bbe attended to promptly.
(e) Ord.Rooms will not be left unattended between Reveille and Lights Out.

2. RETURNS.

(a) All returns will be rendered promptly and on time.Considerable delay and inconvenience is caused if returns are NOT received in time.
(b) Parade States will be rendered to Bn.HQ. by 0800H daily.
(c) Requisition for pay will be handed to pay Sgt. by 1700H 6th before pay day.
(d) Requisition for stationery will be rendered by 25th of each month.Requisition to be kept to the minimum as laid down in ASOs.
(e) Return of tradesman (specialists)will be rendered by 1400H each Friday as per pro forma issued.
(f) AWL return to Pay 1200H each Wednesday(incl.Wednesday) and to Bn.HQ.by 1200H Friday (incl Friday).
(g) Return of clothing will be rendered each Monday by0900H (QM)
(h) Census of warlike stores Returns to reach QM by 0900H on 1st day of each month.
(i) Clothing expenditure return Statement of issues of clothing AAF 201to be rendered on 1st day of each month showing total issues and remaining stock balance in Coy.Q.Stores.
(j) Missing rifle return to be rendered to QM by 0900H on 26th day of each month.
(k) P.O.L.and Drum return to be rendered to QM by 1500h on 1st day of each month.
(l) Supplementary and emergency ration return to be rendered by WO Catererby 0900H on 1st day of each month.
(m) Weapon training returnto reach Bn.HQ. by 1800H on28th day of each month.

3. RECORDS.

(a) Corrdspondence All Coys will maintain an index and correctly file and index all inwards and copies of outward correspondence or messages,circulars,orders etc.When replying to correspondence the correct index and index numbers must always be quoted.
(b) A message register will be maintained in all orderly rooms. and all phone mesages and written messages will be recorded therein.
(c) A personal record register will be kept up to date showing the home address of next of kin,age,civil occupation,date of birth,educational qualifications,sports and hobbies, innoculations and vaccinations,medical classification and whether X-rayed.
(d) A register will be kept of all leave granted and accrued by personnel.A separate sheet will be kept for each soldier and will be in the form as laid down in GRO 249 appendix A
(e) When personnel proceed on rest day their names will be recorded on a list showing address whilst on leave.All passes issued will be the form A96. NO pass is to be issued if the previous pass has NOT been returned. Book A96 will be kept under lock and key when not in use.

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RECORDS. contd.

(d)(ii) HL1 HL2 PLL and T1. will be issued by Bn,HQ.when required.

(e) A register will be maintained recording the results of all rifle and Bren and S.M.G. practices.

(f) All Routine Orders circulars etc.must be initialled by all Coy Offrs.and the Coy Comd will ensure that this is done Routine Orders (and circulars where applicable) will be displayed onCoy Notice boards.

(g) Fire orders,etc. will be displayed in all Coy buildings and on Coy Notice boards.

(h) All Officers MUST read and initial all DRO's and GRO's which are available at Bn.HQ. at any time.

(i) Coy Records.

The following records will be kept by Coy CQMS's,

1. AAB B58 - Records of issues of arms and equiptment.
2. AAF F88 - Summary of B58 issues.
3. AAF F200 - Record of issues of clothing and necessaries.
4. Temporary issue receipt book-all transactions to be recorded
5. Record of arms and technical equiptment showing registered numbers.
6. Record of Coy requirements.

4. APPLICATIONS ETC.

(a) Leave. When an application for leave is submitted the Coys will ensure that the address whilst on leave is indicated and the application endorsed to the effect that the soldier is entitled to ... days leave up to and including.....

(b) Seasonal leave applications (2 copies)will be rendered giving particulars in accordance with ASO 4/14.

(c) Leave compassionate (2 copies)should be accompanied by medical certificate and full particulars (home address) given so that speedy investigation of the case may be made.

(d)Discharge. Applications(2 copies)will be rendered giving particulars in accordance withASO's5/7

(e) Recommendation for promotion. All such recommendations must be fwd. in writing to this HQ. signed by OC.Coy. Promotions will NOT become effective until the entry appears in Unit RO's Partii.

(f) Application for transfer.

1. To another unit. The soldier's application in his own hand writing(in duplicate) will be submitted to Bn.HQ. with the Coy Comd's comments.Action taken and result will be advised to Coy when complete.
2. Inter Coy. If made by soldier will be treated as in (1) above.No alteration will be made to roll books until written advice is received from Bn.HQ.

5. CHARGE REPORTS AND DISCIPLINE

(a) AAF A4 remanded to the CO will be submitted to BN.HQ. (in duplicate) as soon as disposed by OC's Coy.Time of CO'S Orderly Room will then be notified to Coys.

(b) Personnel awarded CB by CO will report to Bn.HQ.Ord. Room at 1800,2000,2200H daily and at other times as may be detailed.The Unit Canteen is Out of Bounds to such personnel for the period of CB.

When in camps with dispersed Coy areas,Coy will maintain a Coy CB Book and the book will be signed as above. When the CB has been completed the book will be produced to Bn.HQ. for checking.

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5. CHARGE REPORTS AND DISCIPLINE. contd

(c) AWL. Immediately it is known that a soldier is AWL Bn.HQ. is to be advised by quickest means so that Cas Return may be rendered in accordance with GRO 599/43 para 6 (a) and action/taken to apprehend the soldier. Immediately the soldier returns Bn.HQ. must be advised by qickest means so that a further Cas Return may be rendered in accordance with the above mentioned GRO.

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INSTRUCTIONS FOR GUARD.

1. The following instructions will be strictly adhered to and will come into operation as from 8 Nov 43

The NCO in charge of the Gd will be responsible for ensuring each member of the Gd is conversant with the instructions

2. Strength of Guard.
1 Sgt 2 Cpls & 6 ORS (to be supplied by duty Coy)
When there are any personnel in custody the Guard strength will be increased.

3. Tour of Duty. From 1715 H to 1715 H following day.

4. Posts. NCO i/c Gd will arrange relief of posts every two hours.
Post 1. Vicinity Bn Amn.dump.
Post 2 Vicinity Adjt's Office and Bn. truck.

5 Duties.
(a) General.
(i) Protect all Govt. property.
(ii) Give immediate warning of fire verbally.
(iii) Report any suspicious characters,disturbance,lights &c to "I" officer or Adjt.in day and duty Officer at night per medium of the runner on duty.(In the case of post 1.advising the Gd Comd).

(B) Particular to Post 1.
In addition to above No 1 Post sentry will-
(i) Ensure that none enter the Bn. Amn. dump without special written authority which must be signed by CO,Adjt?or QM. RSM. is the only exception and may enter at any time without written authority.
(ii) Pay compliments at all times.
(iii)Call out the Gd. when required for inspection by duty Officer.
(iv) Call out the Gd on the approach of the Bde Comd or Div Comd (Bde Comd's vehicle identified by a blue pennant; Div. Comd's by red pennant).

(c) Particulars as to Post 2.
In addition to the general instructions para 5 (a), No.2 Post Sentry will:-
(i) Ensure that no one enters CO's hut or Adjt's tent with exception of the Office Staff or Duty Officer when the CO or Adjt are not present.
(ii) At night,ensure that no one enters the Postal tent or Bn.Office truck,with the exception of Bn.HQ. Staff.

6. The following extracts from Bn.RO'S(i.e.No.253 regarding Powers of Sentries and Gds,will be read to Gds and Sentries by Gd.Comd.:-
(a) Regulation 8A of the National Security(General)Regulations (Statutory Rules 1942,NO.3 4) provides that,without derog-ating from or restricting the existing powers or rights of sentries and guards,a military sentry or guard stationed or posted at,on,in or in the neighbourhood or vicinity of, any prohibited place,protected area,controlled area,or any premises used by the Commonwealth,or used for defence purp-oses or for essential services,or any vehicle,vessell or aircraft used by the Commonwealth,or any enclosed wharf or picking-up place,or any merchant vesselling in port,or any road,pathway,or waterway,specified in an order by the minist-er,which passes through or near a prohibited place or work of defence,may be armed,and may:-
(i) use his weapons against,or otherwise attack,any person who,in disregard of a warning given by a sentry or in the vicinity or neighbourhood of,or attempting toapproach, enter or leave or pass over or in the vicinity or neigh-bourhood of,that place,area,premises,vehicle,vessel,air-craft ,wharf,picking-up place,area road,pathway,or water-way,or who,after being arresfted for doing so,escapes; and
(ii) use his weapons against,or otherwiseattack any person attacking him or who is reasonably suspected of being about to attack him.

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(b) There are, however, certain principles which must guide all s entries and guards in the executiin oftheir duty as such, and in in the exercise of the right to use arms.

(b) These principles are:-

(i) Sentries and guards will be ordered to take any action requir -ed to ensure the safety of their posts or to defeat the activit: -ies of enemy, or suspected enemy, agents

(ii) If necessary, they will fire upon or otherwise attack any persons threatening the safety of their posts or engaging in hostile actions.

(iii) Before firing upon any person, the sentry or guard will, except in an urgent case of self defence, challenge that person to "halt" If that person does not halt, the sentry should challenge him again with "Halt or I fire". If he does not halt, and no other means are available for stopping him-for example, by calling on the rest of the guard-it is the duty of the sentry to shoot.

(iv) The sentry will use his intelligence and sense of responsib- -ility in choosing whether he will shoot or not, and he must be careful not to allow any suspected person to approach so close that he can be rushed and over powered.

(v) Guards and members of the forces in custody.

1. An escort or guard is not justified in using his weapons merely for the purpose of preventing another member from escap- -ing from custodyand, if he so uses his weapons, he may render himself as well as any Officer or NCO under whose orders he acted, liable to be charged with murder, manslaughter or incite- -ment to murder.

2. If a member in custody attempts to escape, the escort or sentry will immediately raise the alarmand give chase. He may call on any passer byto assist him in apprehending the escapee.

3. An escort or guard may be justified in using his weapons when amember in custody resorts to violence. In such circumstance -s an escort or guard may meetm force with force, but care must be taken to use no more force than is necessary to overcome the violence offered. Hence, even when violence is offered to an escort or guard, it will be only as a last resort that the use of weapons will be justified.

7. The Sgt of the Gd, will, after the Gd has mounted, satisfy himself that all members of the Gd are conversant with their duties. He will report back to his Coy after he has placed the senior Cpl in charge. He will resume Comd of the Gd. prior to the chan- -ging of the Gd.

8. DRESS.) (a) For changing of the Gd.: SD Full marching order (hats khaki fur)

(b) For tour of duty. KWD Working Dress, drill order (hats khaki fur)

9, GUARD TENT. This will be kept in a clean and tidy condition at all times and will be inspected by the duty Offr. each day.

10. GUARD REPORT. Gd. Comd. will compile written report in dupli- -cate -1 copy to be handed to new Gd. Comd other copy to /Adjt.

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54 AUST INF BN (AIF) OPERATIONAL STANDING ORDERS.

NO.1. BN HQ in the Field.

GENERAL.

1. Object. These orders lay down the standard procedure for the normal routine of an Inf Bn on active service. Their adoption will permit the issue of brief operation orders since detail will only be required in cases where it is necessary to depart from the established practice.

2. Application. The forms herein adopted must accordingly be known and practiced by all Comds who will ensure that all ranks are familiar with such portions as apply to them.

3. Command and Control.

Composition of Bn.HQ and Attachments. The duties, movement, and locati location of Bn.HQ, HQ Coy and otherattachments will be carried out in three detachments allocated as follows:-

(a) Command.
- CO and Adjt.
- IO and "I" Sec.
- Sig O and Sig Pl. less attachments to rifle Coys.
- Comd of attached tps e.g. Party T/ka.
- RSM and Clerks.
- Protective tps incl1 det NO.2 Pl
- Pro. Sec

(b) Administrative.
- 2 i/c and OC HQ Coy
- RMO and Staff.
- Pro Sgt.
- Two det. No 2 Pl.
- Personnel from 3,4,5,6,Pls NOT attached to rifle Coys.

(c) Transport.
- T.O.
- Q.M. and Staff
- CQMS of HQ Coy.
- One det No.2.Pl.
- Personnel from admn.Pl
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4. LAYOUT OF BN.HQ.

Command. (a) Speed in layout is essential. This will be facilitated by a uniform plan known to all ranks i.e. Sig Office "I" Office then Command will always be the sequence on the circuit. Turn off from main traffic route will be indicated by signs or guides. Centres (i.e. Comd, Sig &c.) will be indicated by lettered signs pointing the location.

(b) Administrative. This area must always be in close proximity to command and for protective reasons it will form a circle round it.
HQ Coy Comd will immediately form a perimeter defence to cover the period while weapons are being sited. The plan will then be co-ordinated to conform with tactical requirements.

(c) Transport. Circumstances will frequently necessitate tpt. being so far back as to be out of the picture. When however reduced MT HQ can come fwd. only Comd vehicles will be in the Bn area remainder being sited by HQ.Coy Comd

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BATTLE PROCEDURE. NO. 2.

1. Successful operations depend on quick execution. This can only be achieved by organising the forces in such a way that procedure becomes automatic, successive stages overlapping to such an extent that they become as far as possible simultaneous.

2. For this purpose the Bn. is divided into four Gps.

R gp - Comd gp(Recce)
O gp - Subord. comd and staff (Orders)
F gp - Main body (Fighting tps)
T gp - Tpt NOT required with other gps.

3. The composition of the above gps will be as follows.

Bn R gp — CO & D.R.
Adjt and / or IO.
Sig O.
Comd of attached tps e.g. Arty, T/KA

4. Bn. O gp.

Rifle Coy Comds.
Two runners per Coy.
Comd M. Pl.
Comd Carr. Pl.
Comd T/KA Pl.

The above compositions may be varied but such variations if required, will be notified when gps are summoned.

5, (a) When orders are being given personnel NOT required will remain out of hearing under cover.
(b) Sub Units will in turn have their R., O., F., &T. gps which should be laid down in Coy orders.
(c) In withdrawals the O & R gps of Units and Sub Units will be composed of 2 i/c's in place of Comds.

6. Deployment Drill. In all operations the Comd place is as far forward as circumstances permit. R gps will be closely followed by O gp.
When action is imminent the senior comd. will issue a warning order appointing a R.V. for his O. gp and ordering the F gp forward to assembly areas. This will be passed on through all units and sub-units successive times being fixed by the estimated time required for recce and issue of orders by senior Comd.

By this means forward movement is continuous and unless the F gp is very far back junior O gps will be able to move with their tps, possibly as far as the assembly area and still be available when required and the F gp will close at hand ready for the final deployment on to the start line.

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NO.3. BN. MOVES.

1. When Bn. is ordered to move in echelon, "A" echelon will consist of Comd and Admn. detachments plus the rifle Coys. "B" echelon will consist of Tpt. detachment.

2. Order of March will be:-

Adv. Gd. No.1. Coy.
R.Gp. and protective Tps.
O. GP.
Main body No.2. Coy
No.3. Coy.
HQ. Coy less attachments "B" echlon.
Rear Gd. No.4. Coy.

3. Changes. due to attachments, special circumstances &c., will, be notified in O.O's.

4. Halts. Where circumstances and terrain permit BN. will form perimeter defence at all, halts.
No.2. Coy Right.
No.3. Coy. Left.
HQ. Coy and "B" echlon centre.
No.4. Coy in rear.

5. Outposts will be established to cover the occupation.

6. Defensive works, track discipline, and recce for alternative positions will be undertaken immediately.

7. Sig O will establish line comn. as soon as possible as locations are selected.

8. I.O. will arrange for report centres until new site is establi--lished.

9. Duty Officers will be posted in all unit and subunit Comd areas and will be responsible that proper measures for protection and intercomn, are properly maintained.

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54 AUST INF BN AIF OPERATION STANDING ORDERS NO.4.

INFORMATION.

SITUATION REPORTS
(a) At 0600 hrs &1800 hrs daily and at other times when the occasion warrants sub unit Comds. will furnish a situation report to Bn. HQ.
(b) All personnel must be trained to collect and pass information from their areas. Apparently negative information may be useful when read in conjunction with other reports but all items must be carefully sifted by each Comd in order to reduce unnecessary sig traffic.
(c) Map references will NOT be sent be sent in figures except in messages to be delivered by hand. A code selected by Div will be used.

RELIEF REPORTS.
Reports of reliefs by other units or of any change over within the Unit will be furnished immediately they are effect-ed.

SHELLING REPORTS.
Information regarding enemy shelling should, where possible, include the following:-
(a) Exact time shelling began and ended.
(b) Bearing of flash or report of hostile gun.
(c) Area shelled.
(d) Damage done.
(e) Nature of fire e.g. registration bombardment, &c.
(f) Number of guns firing and rate of fire.
(g) Type of gun & calibre.
(h) Time between flash and report of gun.

4. GAS REPORTS.
(a) Whenever gas is used by the enemy, the fullest particulars and place where it was used will be reported.
(b) Whenever there are any new or unusual circumstances, samples of earth, water, or other contaminated materials splinters from bombs or shells and any new type of enemy respirator should be sent to BN.HQ.
(c) Location of any blind bombs or shells suspected of containing gas will be reported immediately.

5. AIR INT REPORT.
Air intelligence should include;
(a) Type of enemy aircraft.
(b) Particulars of enemy air raids - tactics employed, bumber and nature of bombs dropped.
(c) Particulars of all aircraft crashed in Unit area. stating whether our own, allied or enemy. In all such cases a guard must be set to prevent unauthorised personnel interfering with the wreckage, until handed over to proper authority.

6. PRISONERS OF WAR.

(a- All ranks will be disarmed immediately and Officers and NCOs separated from the men.
(b) To prevent destruction of documents, letters, diaries, &c., will be collected immediately and forwarded to BN.HQ. Retention of the above as "Souvenirs" will be severely dealt with.
(c) Prisoners will NOT be held for interrogation but will be sent back as soon as possible to Div who must be advised to that effect.

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7. LOCATION OF MINEFIELDS ETC.

(a- All minefields,land,must be reported and the exact location given.(Duty of Engrs. to prepare records)

(b) Enemy minefields,booby traps etc.,will be similarly reported

(c) Personnel must be trained as far as possible in demolition and warned against unskilled interference.

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SECURITY.

1. SECURITY OFFICER.
The IO will act as Security Officer and will be responsible for the destruction of secret documents, maps etc., at Bn HQ. should the need arise. All officers will co-operate to ensure that security regulations are observed and that all ranks are familiar with F.S.P.B. Pam 3 Section 16-20.

2. CONVERSATION.
Leakage of information through indiscreet conversation must cease. Reference to movement of troops is forbidden even among relatives and friends.

3. CENSORSHIP.
Censorship regulations must be scrupulously observed, and all officers adhere strictly to the prescribed routine for signing and stamping of correspondence and for the guarding of censorship stamps, against abuse.

4. DOCUMENTS MAPS ETC.
(a) Except in so far as the operation in hand demands it orders, documents, maps and private papers (including diaries) will NOT be carried into action and these must be destroyed when there is risk of capture.
(b) Maps and secret papers must NOT be left in exposed offices tents, or billets but kept, when NOT in use, in locked receptacles.
(c) Diaries must be forwarded to the DRO at monthly intervals, where they will be kept with the owner's private file until permission is granted for their release.
(d) Cameras will not be taken into the field.

5. CONDUCT OF CAPTURED TROOPS.
Captured personnel should give their name, rank, and number, but refuse to answer all other questions. Even misleading information may give an unintentional clue to the true facts.

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PROTECTION.

GENERAL.

Units and sub units are at all times responsible for their own protection, both on the move and at rest.
An officer should be delegated for this duty whereever possible e.g. O.C. HQ Coy for Bn. HQ. , but where this is NOT practicable or circumstances demand a change an officer must be detailed for the purpose.

ALARM POSTS.

(A) Positions for alarm posts must be selected immediately an area is occupied.

(B) When time allows trenches will be dug.

(C) For short occupations, slit trenches will be prepared on the outer perimeter and sited for all round defence. At first opportunity additional slit trenches will be dug adjacent to duty posts and bovouacs

(D) Alternative positions will be selected for all defences posts.

(E) All ranks must be informed of their allotment to posts.

SENTRIES.

Sentries will be posted for A.A., Gas., & Tk/A duties. These may often be connected with ordinary sentry duties.

ALARM SIGNAL.

Alarms will be sounded on metal triangles etc., when possible. Where other means are improvised the nature of the signal must be promulgated to all ranks.

Air alarm - Single rapid beats.

Gas alarm. - Double beat repeated.

General alarm. - Triple beat repeated.

ALL CLEAR. - SINGLE SLOW BEATS.

ALARMS IN FORWARD AREAS.

(a) On any alarm in the field personnel will immediately man the alarm posts.
(b) Duty personnel e.g. Sigs. duty clerks and drivers and such personnel as may be specially designated will remain at thier posts unless ordered to leave.
(c) In the event of a gas alarm, respirators willbe donned immediately without further orders.

ALARMS IN REAR AREAS.

Alarms will be frequently designated as follows;

YELLOW - Alarm imminent.
RED - Alarm present.
GREEN - Alarm off but may recur.
WHITE - All clear.

Of these RED and WHITE will be sounded as for forwarded areas at the discretion of the Duty Officer.

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contd. Yellow and Green will be intimated by message or any other means that may be improvised.
On receiving Yellow warning all personnel will ensure that their equipment, respirators &c. is at hand.
On Red warning respirators will be carried at he alert but normal duties will be carried on unless otherwise ordered.
On Green warning action will be as for yellow.

8. MINES DEMOLITIONS &C.

At times and circumstances permit recce should include siting of T T/ka obstacles, mines and demolitions. Work within the capacity of infantry should be undertaken without delay and liason made with Engrs. at first opportunity.

9. CALL FOR DEFENCIVE FIRE.

(a) Authority for C.D.F. should not be delegated below Coy Comds unless circumstance compel it Such signals will only be put up when enemy infantry or A.F.V's are advancing and will be answered -ered by all weapons, on fixed lines, the fire of which falls within the area covered by the signal.
Res. Coy will repeat the C.D.F. of fwd. Coys.

(b) Rates of fire. will be laid down from time to time, or as an issued order. It is essential they should NOT be allowed to become stereotyped.

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54 AUST INF BN AIF OPERATIONAL ORDER NO.7.

COMMUNICATIONS.

1. SIGNAL PLAN.
Sig.O. will establish his sig.plan, including D½Rs and runners and will be responsible for its maintenance at w all times. He will report all failures in contact immediately to Bn.HQ.

2. CIVILIAN LINES
Sig. O. will at all times investigate the possibility of communications by civil lines.

3. D/Rs and ORDERLIES.

(A) Will report their arrival immediately and state to whom their messafe is addressed.
This procedure must be followed even if the officer concerned is in conversation with a senior. Responsibility for further delay, if tit is incurred, then rests with the recipient.

(b) Before returning to their own HQ ask if there are any message for the return journey, but he should not beretained unreasonably for this purpose.

(c) Wear a distinctive brassard and carry messages invariable in the left breast pocket.
Anyone discovering a runner casualty then can retrieve his message without loss of time and forward it to the nearest HQ.

4. MESSAGE PROCEDURE.
Must be carried out as laid down in F.S.P.B. Pam.2. Appx. ii part V

5. DAILY TIME SIGNALS.

Sig O. will be responsible for arranging for synchronisation of watches daily, at 0800hrs, or other suitable times to be directed.

6. GROUND AND AIR SIGNALS.

Every effort must be made to train all ranks in the common forms of air and ground signals.

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H.Q. 54 Aust. Inf. Bn. (AIF).
20 November, 43.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR GUARD.

1. The following instructions will be strictly adhered to and will come into operation as from 20 November 43. They supersede all previous instructions.

The NCO in charge of the Gd will be responsible for ensuring each member of the Gd is conversant with these instructions.

2. STRENGTH OF GUARD: 1 Sgt. and 2 Cpls. and 9 ORs. (to be supplied by duty coy.).
When there are any personnel in custody the guard strength will be increased.

3. TOUR OF DUTY: From 1715 hrs H to 1715 H following day.

4. POSTS: NCO i/c guard will arrange relief of posts every two hrs.
Post 1. MAIN ENTRANCE GATE.
Post 2. VICINITY ADJUTANT OFFICE AND BN. TRUCK.
Post 3. VICINITY BN. AMN. DUMP.

5. DUTIES.

(a) General:

i. Protect all Govt. Property.

ii. Give immediate warning of fire verbally.

iii. Report any suspicious characters, disturbance, lights etc. to I.O. or Adjt. in day, and duty officer at night, per medium of the runner on duty. (In case of post 3 advising Q. Store.)

iv. Guard command will call out the Guard for inspection when ordered by Orderly Officer or C.O., and on the approach of any car flying a pennant. The Gd. will fall out at the high port.

v. The Guard Comd. will render a written report (AAF.A18) on completion of tour of duty to Bn. H.Q.

vi. Gd. Comd. will ensure that Gd. tent and surrounds are clean at all times.

vii. Gd. Comd. will report to orderly officer immediately any outbreak of fire is observed and take action as in para. 5(b)(ix).

(b) Particulars as to Post 1.

i. No civilian will be allowed to enter the camp area without written authority signed by the adjutant.

ii. All vehicles will be halted and G2 examined to ensure that the vehicle is travelling with authority. Any vehicle leaving the area without the full detail of the trip recorded on the G2 will be ordered to return to Transport Officer and the Driver to Bn. H.Q.

iii. All personnel returning from town from leave after 0030 hrs. will be challenged and names taken and such names handed to Gd. Comd. at end of Sentry Go.

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iv. All personnel passing through main gate incorrectly dressed will be halted, names taken, ordered to adjust errors, and names handed to Gd. Comd. at end of Sentry Go.

v. Sentries will pay compliments at all times.

vi. Any person who cannot be recognised will be halted and identity established. If identity cannot be established the personnel will be escorted to the Gd. Tent.

vii. All personnel travelling in vehicles during parade hours i.e. up to 1700 hrs. must be in possession of a duty pass signed by the C.O. or Adjt.

viii. Sentries will not converse with any personnel whilst on duty.

ix. Call out the Gd. on the sounding of the alarm for fire etc.

(c) Particulars as to Post 2.

In addition to the General Instructions Para. 5(a) No. 2 post sentry will:

i. Ensure that no one enters C.O.'s hut or Adjt's tent with the exception of the office staff or duty officer, when the C.O. or Adjut. are not present.

ii. At night ensure that no one enters the postal tent or Bn. Office truck, with the exception of Bn. HQ. staff.

iii. Pay compliments at all times.

(d) Particulars as to Post 3.

In addition to above No. 3 Post sentry will:

i. Ensure that no one enteres the Bn. Amn. Dump without special written authority which must be signed by the C.O., Adjt., or Q.M. R.S.M. is the only exception and may enter at any time with ut written authority.

ii. Pay compliments at all times.

6. The following extracts from Bn. ROs (i.e. No. 253 regarding powers of sentries and guards will be read to guards and sentries by Gd. Comd.

(a) Regulation 8a of the National Security (General) Regulation (Statutory Rules 1942 No. 374) provides that without derogating from or restricting the existing powers or rights of sentries and guards, a military sentry or guard station or posted at, on, in or in the neighborhood or vicinityf any any prohibited place, protected area, controlled area or any premises used by the Commonwealth or used for Defence Purposes or for essential services or any vehicle, vessel or aircraft used by the Commonwealth, or any enclosed wharf or picking-up place or any merchant in port, or any road, pathway, or waterway, specified in an order by the Minister which passes through, or near, a prohibited place or work of defence, maybe armed and may:-

(i) Use his weapons against or otherwise attack any person who in disregard of a warning given by a sentry, or in the vicinity or neighborhood of, or attempting to approach, enter or leave or pass over,

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or in the vicinity or neighborhood of that place area, premises, vehicle, vessel, aircraft, wharf picking -up place, area road, pathway, or waterway, or who, after being arrested or so doing escapes, and,

(ii) Use his weapons against or otherwise attack any person attacking him or who is reasonably suspected about to attack him.

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

(c) Those principles are:--

(i) Sentries and guards will be ordered to take any action required the safety of their posts or to defeat the activities of enemy, or suspected enemy agents.

(ii) If necessary they will fire upon or otherwise attack any persons threatening the safety of their posts or engaging in hostile actions.

(iii) Before firing upon any person, the sentry or guard will except in an urgent case of self defence, challange that person to "halt". If that person does not halt the sentry should challenge him again with "Halt or I fire" If he does not halt and no other means are available for stopping him -for example, by calling on the rest of the guard- it is the duty of the sentry to shoot.

(iv) The sentry will use his intelligence and sense of responsibility in choosing whether he will shoot or not, and he must be careful not to allow any suspected person to approach so close that he can be rushed and overpowered.

(v) Guards and members of the forces in custody.

1. An escort or guard is not justified in using his weapons merely for the purpose of preventing another member from escaping from custody, and if he so uses his weapons he may render himself as well as any officer or NCO under whose orders he acted, liable to be charged with murder, manslaughter or incitement to murder.

2. If a member in custody attempts to escape the escort or sentry will immediately raise the alarm and give chase. He may call on any passer-by to assist him in apprehending the escapee.

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

7. The Sgt. of the Guard will after the guard has mounted, satisfy himself that all members of the Guard are conversant with their duties.

8. DRESS: (a) For changing of the Guard: KWD working dress, full marching order (hats khaki fur).
(b) For tour of duty: KWD working dress, drill order (hats khaki fur).

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HQ 54 AUST. INF. BN. AIF.
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54 AUST. INF. BN. AIF.

ADM. INST. NO. 7.

1. 54 Aust. Inf. Bn. AIF. will move from SWANBOURNE CAMP to Unit location GERALDTON on 18 - 21 Nov. 43.

2. MOVEMENT. See appendix A for details of trains etc.,

3. DRESS. Jackets K.D. Trousers K.W.D., anklets web, hats khaki fur, marching order including respirator at alert.
Helmets steel to be attached to pack, water bottles to be filled. Packs and haversacks to be packed in accordance with 5 Bde. Instruction style B.

4. STORES. All surplus Coy stores will be packed and dumped at R.Q. Store NOT later than 1000 hrs 18 Nov. 43. Coys are to ensure that their surplus stores are cut down tothe mimimum, due to the shortage of space on trains.

5. ALLOTMENT OF M.T.

Q.M. 2 x 3 ton and 1 x 15 cwt.
BN.H.Q. 1 x 3 ton
H.Q. Coy 4 x 3 ton, 2 x 15 cwt (1 x 15 cwt to carry Bn, H.Q. office gear)
A. & B. 1 x 3 ton each
C & D 1 x 3 ton each and 1 x 3 ton to be shared Offrs and Sgts Mess 1 x 3 ton also carry any surplus from A. Coy.
2 i/c 1 x 15 cwt.

Transport officer will allot vehicles to Coys as above.

6. LOADING OF STORES ETC.,

(a) Vehicles as allotted will be loaded on trains as per appendix A.
(b) H.Q. Coy 2 x 3 ton vehicles will be loaded with the Kit bags and blankets of the personnel from H.Q. Coy travelling on train A.
(c) Kit bags for Bn. HQ personnel will be carried by personnel until arrival at CLAREMONT. RY. STN. hey will then be loaded onto Break Van.
(d) Vehicles 1 x 3 ton A. Coy 1 x 3 ton D travelling on train B. will carry Kit bags and blankets of personnel from A. & D Coys travelling on that train.
Kit bags and blankets for C. Coy personnel will be carried by personnel until arrival at CLAREMONT RY STN. They will then be loaded into Break Van and any surplus placed in compartments with personnel.
(e) Loading of Kit Bags on Vehicles for Trains A. & B. will be completed by 1400 hrs 18 Nov. 43. Vehicles will move to CLAREMONT RY STN under supervision T.pt Offr at 1415 hrs 18 Nov. 43.

(f) Loading of Kit bags for train C. Arrangements are being made for 56 Bn to supply sufficient tpt to move surplus stores to CLAREMONT RY STN on 20 Nov 43. Loading of M.T.

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Loading of Kit bags for train C. (cont'd)

and stores on train under supervision T t Offr will be completed by 1800 hrs 20 Nov. 43.
All vehicles for train C. other than B Coy kit bags vehiclex are to be loaded by 1800 hrs 18 Nov. 43.
Blankets and paliasses will be wrapped around kit bags and tied.

9. RATIONS. Rations will be issued for train A.& B for consumption up to and incl 19 Nov 43 on 17 Nov.43. Rations for B. Coy will be issued up to and until 19 Nov. 43.
Rations for train A.& B personnel for consumption 20 Nov. will be drawn at GERALDTON by rear PARTY.
Rations for B.Coy for consumption 20 Nov and 21 Nov 43 will be drawn from D.I.D. KARRAKATTA at 1430 hrs 19 Nov.43.

10. MESSING ARRAGEMENTS. Evening meal for all personnel will be at 1600 hrs 18 Nov. 43. 2 Wiles cookers will then be taken to RY STN for loading.
Offrs and Sgts mess will close after middaymeal 18 Nov and rations for evening meal will be drawn from Rifle Coys Mess.

11. TRAIN DISCIPLINE. All tps will warned against:-

(a) Boarding or leaving trains in motion.
(b) Leaning out of windows or doors,or protruding any portion of th body from the train to tbe in danger of being struck by side or overhead structures.
(c) Throwing anything out of the train.
(d) Interfering with or causing damage to Railway property windows,doors,break gear or other fittings.
(d) Chalk mrking of rolling stock.
(f) Dischagging of firearms.
(g) Carrying or consuming licquor on trains.
(h) No p rsonnel will leave trains at any stopping place unless permitted by O.C. train.

(i) Hygiene - at meal halts strict attention will be paid to hyg ene and all food waste disposed of as arranged by O.C. train. Troops will be warned against using train sanitary arrangements whilst trains are stopped at stations.
(j) An N.C.O. will be detailed in charge of each compartment and will be responsible for discipline of members of that compartment and will report any damage en route,cause of same to train adjt at first stopping place.
(k) Loading of M.T. - all 3 ton F.W.D. will have canopy lowered to at least the level of the drivers cabin. T is will be done in sub-unit lines prior to being covered with tent flys where covered cabs are not provided. Care will be taken where tent flys are used to see that they are neatly and securely tied to the frame. Ch mneys on Wiles cookers will lowered before loading.
(l) Pigueting of M.T. on move. Escort of two ORS will accompany each vehicle. Frequent inspections of lashings will be made en route.
IMPORTANT. on no account are vehicles to left unattended.
(m) Entraining and Detraining reports will be submitted by O.C. train to these HQrs as early as possible for transmission to 5 Bde.

12. MEDICAL. R.M.O. will arrange for two medical orderlies and first aid kit for each train.

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MOVEMENT OF PERSONNEL.

TRAIN. A. Tpt will report at SWANBOURNE at 2030 hrs 18 Nov.43
Tps will embuss at 2045 hrs.

EMBUSSING PT. ALFRED. RD.

TRAIN.B. Tpt will report at SWANBOURNE at 0230 hrs 19 Nov. 43
Tps will embuss at 0245 hrs.

EMBUSSING PT= ALFRED RD.

TRAIN.C. Tpt will report at 0330 hrs 21 Nov.43.

EMBUSSING PT. PARKING AREA SWANBOURNE RIFLE RANGE.

12. BIVOUAC ARRANGEMENTS FOR TRAIN C PERSONNEL. details will be advised separately.

13. CLEANLINESS OF CAMP.

(a) Coy Comds will render a certificate that their Coy huts have been inspected and are thoroughly clean by 0800 hrs 18 Nov. 43.
(b) Greasetraps are to be cleaned and scalded with boiling water.
(c) Incinerators will be cleaned out before leaving the area.

14. SAFETY MEASURES. All ranks will be warned against allowing any portion of their bodies to protrude from carriages or vehicles in which they are travelling.
Attention will be drawn to the dangerous practice of moving from flat top to another while train is in motion. /one

14. SECRECY. All ranks will be warned against sending letters or telegrams or making private telephone calls en route.

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ADJT. 54 AUST. INF. BDE. AIF.

Distribution.

Recipient.	Copy No.		
H.Q. Coy.	1	C.O.	12
A.coy.	2	2 i/c/	13
B.Coy.	3	ADJT.	14
C.Coy.	4	I.O.	15
D.Coy.	5	Q.M.	16
O.C.Train A.	6	T.O.	17
O.C. Train B.	7	R.M.O.	18
O.C. Train. C.	8	R.S.M.	19
Train Adjt. Train A	9	W.O. CATERER.	20
Train Adjt. Train B.	10	5 AUST. INF. BDE. AIF.	21 - 23.
Train Adjt. Train C.	11	WAR DIARY	24 - 25.
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54 Aust.Inf.Bn.(AIF)

MOVEMENT TABLE

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H.Q. 54 Aust.Inf.Bn.(AIF)
13 Nov.43.

Train A.

Composition 8 Coaches
2 Q.M.Flat tops

Depart CLAREMONT 2230H.18Nov.
E.T.A. GERALDTON 1745H.19 Nov.

M.T.Carried 3 M.T.
1 Wiles Cooker

M.T. will include 1 Water Cart.
2 X 3 ton HQ Coy
(Blankets & Kit Bags
1 Wiles Cooker.

Dvrs & Escorts for MT to be:-
Pte.Hilton J & L/Cpl.Sharpless
Pte.Armstrong J &Pte.Kelly W.J.
Pte.McKenzie K.B.

Personnel H.Q.Coy - 205
Bn.H.Q. - 61
266

O.C.Train - Capt.Macadam T.
Train Adjt- Lieut.Scotts G.M.E.

Train B.

Composition 8 Coaches
2 Q.M Flat tops
Depart CLAREMONT 0430H.19 Nov.
E.T.A. GERALDTON 2345H 19 Nov.

M.T.Carried 3 M.T.
1 Wiles Cooker

M.T.will include A.Coy 1X3 ton
(Blankets & Kit bag
D.Coy.1X3 ton
(Blankets & Kit Bags
B.HQ.1X15 cwt.
(Office Gear)

Dvrs. & Escorts for MT.
A.Coy.Pte.Wilkinson & Pte.Smith F
D.Coy.PtesClyde J &Sgt.Livermore
B.HQ. Ptes.Law S.&Flynn R.

Personnel A.Coy. - 89
C.Coy.- 89
D.Coy. - 90
RAP. - 2

270

O.C.Train - Capt.Hunt.L.
Train Adjt- Lieut.Snelling R.L.

Train C.

Composition - 2 Coaches. 1 V.A.Van
9 Q.M.Flat tops.
Depart CLAREMONT 0430 H.21 Nov.
E.T.A. GERALDTON 2345 H.21 Nov.

M.T.Carried. 15 M.T.
5 M.C.
1 Wiles Cooker

M.T.Will include
Baker,Lt.Brooks,Hooke(HQ) 2 X 3 ton (Q.M.)
Burchall(A) Ward(B) 2 X 3 ton (H.Q.Coy)
Scott (HQ)Cosier(HQ) 1 X 3 ton(Offr &Sgts Mess)
Brodie(HQ)Burge(B) 1 X 3 ton (B.Coy)
Deitrich(C)Wilson (HQ) 1 X 3 ton (C.Coy)
Coomber(HQ)Barrett(A) 1 X 3 ton (Shared by C & D.Coy)
Buttriss(D)Clarke(B.HQ) 1 X 3 ton(Bn.H.Q.)
Graham(HQ) 1 X 15 cwt.(H.Q.Coy)
Ellis (B.HQ) 1 X 15 cwt.(Q.M.)
Barnett(B.HQ) 1 X 15 cwt.(Bn.H.Q.Offrs baggage)
6 extra escorts to be provided by B.Coy.and will ride on vehicle driven by Hooke,Burchall,Ward, Graham,Ellis,Barnett,one to each.

Personnel. B.Coy - 51.
RAP - 2.

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O.C.Train - Capt.McKeown R.

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TRAINING PROGRAMME

[illegible] 24 Aust Inf Bn. (A.I.F.)

PERIOD 26 Nov - 30 Nov, 43.

M.	DATE	UNIT OR SUB-UNIT	PERIOD.	NATURE OF TRAINING	REF. MANUAL.	LOCATION.	REMARKS.
	26	A 24 Aust Inf. Bn.	0830-0850	[illegible] Parade.		Unit Lines.	
	27	B	0900-0950	M, N and I.	Supplement ATM 13.		Maps marginal infm, conventional signs, system of reference.
			1000-1050	Messages & Trigger Pressing.	SAT Vol 1 Pam 3.		
			1100-1200	[illegible] drill & digging.	ITM Appx E		
			1330-1420	Musketry	SAT Vol. 1 Less 1.		
			1435-1510	LMG	SAT Vol. 1 Pam 4. Less 1 & 2.		
			1520-1600	SMG	SAT Vol. 1. Pam 15. Mech & component parts.		
			1610-1700	PT & Obstacle course.			

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26 B
27 D

PEST DAY DATE TO BE VERIFIED.

Taken On 25/11/43

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ERIAL	DATE.	UNIT OR SUB-UNIT.	PERIOD.	NATURE OF TRAINING.	REF. MANUAL.	LOCATION.	REMARKS.
	27	54 Aust.Inf.Bn.	0830-0850	Bn. Pde.		Unit Lines	
			0900-1000	Tool Drill & Digging.	IMT Appx E.		
			1010-1040	Semaphore	IMT Appx K.		
			1050-1200	March and Verbal Messages.	IMT Chap 13.		
			1330-1420	Mortar	SAT Vol. 1 Pam 9, Less. 1 & 2.		
			1430-1510	Squad Drill & Rifle Exer.	MED.		
			1520-1600	MMG	SAT Vol. 1 Pam 7 Less 1.		
			1610-1730	Tank/A Rifle & Grenades			
	28	SUNDAY	SPORTS DAY				
	29		0830-0850	Bn. Pde.			
			0900-0950	M. R and I	Supplement ATM 13		Contours. What to look for on map contours
			1000-1050	Messages & Trigger Pressing.	SAT Vol. 1 Pam 3.		
			1100-1200	Tool Drill, Digging.	IMT Appx E		

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RIAL	DATE.	UNIT OR SUB-UNIT.	PERIOD.	NATURE OF TRAINING.	REF. MANUAL.	LOCATION.	REMARKS.
	29	54 Aust. Inf. Bn.	1330-1420	LMG	SAT Vol 1. Pam 4. Less 5	Unit lines	
			1430-1510	Musketry	SAT Vol. 1. Pam 3 Less 3		
			1520-1600	SMG	SAT Vol. 1 Pam 15, Part 1 Less. 1.		
			1610-1700	Tank/A Rifle & Grenades			
	30		0830-0850	Bn. Pde.		Unit Lines	
			0900-1000	Tool Drill, Digging.	IMT Appx E.		
			1010-1040	Semaphore	IMT Appx K		
			1050-1200	March & Verbal Mess.	IMT Chp 13		
			1330-1420	PT & Obstacles			
			1430-1510	Mortar.	SAT Vol. 1. Pam 9, Less 3.		
			1520-1600	Squad Drill. Rifle Exer.	MED.		
			1610-1700	MMG	SAT Vol. 1. Pam 7 Less. 7.		

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TRAINING PROGRAMME.

UNIT: 54 Aust. Inf. Bn. (AIF).

PERIOD: 1--15 DECEMBER 43.

DATE.	UNIT OR SUB-UNIT.	PERIOD.	NATURE OF TRG.	REF. MANUAL.	LOCATION.	REMARKS.
1.	54 Aust. Inf. Bn.	(AIF) Rest Day	Date to be verified.			
2.		0830-0850	Bn. Parade.		Unit Lines.	
		0900-1000	Tool Drill & Digging	FD. Eng. Vol 1. Chap. 3. IMT Appx. E.		
		1010-1040	Semaphore.	IMT Appx K.		
		1050-1200	Route March & Verbal Messages.	IMT Chap. 13		
		1330-1420	Musketry	SAT Vol 1. Part 3, Less. 2 & 4.		
		1430-1510	Squad & Arms Drill & Saluting.	MED		
		1520-1600	LMG.	SAT Vol 1. Part 4, Less. 3 & 4.		
		1610-1700	S/G	SAT Vol 1. Part 15, Pt. 1. Less. 2.		

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SERIAL.	DATE.	UNIT OR SUB-UNIT.	PERIOD.	NATURE OF TRG.	REF. MANUAL.	LOCATION.	REMARKS.
	3.		0830-0850	Bn. Parade.		Unit Lines.	
			0900-1000	Tool Drill & Digging.	Fd. Eng. Vol. 1. Chap 3. IMT, Apnx E.		
			1010-1100	Messages, Trigger Pressing & Strengthening Exercises.	FSPB, Pam 2. Apnx 2. SAT Vol. 1. Pam 3.		
			1110-1200	Semaphore	IMT, Apnx K.		
			1330-1700	M, R. and I.	Supplement AIM 13.		Orientation, Posn Finding, Map March.
	4.		0830-0850	Bn. Pde.			
			0900-1030	Tool Drill and Digging.	Fd. Eng. Vol. 1. Chap. 3. IMT Apnx E.		
			1010-1140	Semaphore	IMT Apnx K.		
			1050/1200	Route March and Verbal Messages.	IMT Chp. 13.		
			1330-1420	Squad Drill, Rifle Exercises, Saluting.	MED.		
			1430-1510	Mortar.	SAT Vol. 1. Pam 9. Less 6 & 7.		

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	4	54 Aust. Inf. Bn.	1520-1600	MMG	SAT Vol. 1. Pam 7, Less. 8.	Unit Lines.	
			1610-1700	PT & Obstacles.			
	5		SUNDAY	SPORTS.			
	6.		0830-0850	Bn. parade.			
			0900-0950	M, R. and I.	Supplement ATM 13.		
			1000-1050	Messages and Trigger Pressing.	FSPB, Pam. 2. Appx. 2. SAT Vol. 1. Pam 3.		
			1100-1200	Tool Drill and Digging.	Fd. Eng. Vol. 1. Chap. 3. IMT Appx. E.		
			1330-1420	Musketry	SAT Vol. 1. Pam 3 Less. 5.		
			1430-1510	LMG	SAT Vol. 1. Pam 4 Less. 6 and 7.		
			1520-1600	Mortar	SAT Vol.1. Pam 9, Less. 8-10.		
			1610-1700	MMG	SAT Vol 1. Pam 7 Less 9.		
	7		0830-	Route March.			
	8		REST DAY	DATE TO BE VERIFIED			

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	9	54 Aust. Inf. Bn.	0830-0850	BN. Pde.		Unit Lines	
			0900-1000	Tool Drill and Digging.	Fd. Eng. Vol. 1, Chap 3, IMT, Appx E.		
			1010-1040	Semaphore	IMT Appx K.		
			1050-1200	March and Verbal Messages.	IMT, Chp 13.		
			1330-1420	PT and Obstacles.			
			1430-1510	LMG	SAT Vol. 1. Pam 4, Less 11.		
			1520-1600	Squad Drill & Rifle Exer.	MED.		
			1610-1700	SMG	SAT Vol. 1 Pam 15, Pt 1. Less 3.		
	10		0830-0850	Bn. Pde.			
			0900-0950	M, R. and I	Supplement ATM 13.		Contours.
			1000-1050	Messages & Trigger Pressing.	FSPB, Pam 2, Appx 2. SAT Vol. 1 Pam. 3.		
			1000-1200	Tool Drill & Digging.	Fd. Engineering Vol. 1 Chap 3 IMT Appx E.		
			1330-1420	Musketry	SAT Vol. 1. Pam 3 Less. 6 & 7		

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10	54 Aust. Inf. Bn. (AIF)	1430-1510	LMG	SAT Vol. 1 Pam. 4, Less 8 & 9	Unit Lines	
		1520-1600	Squad Drill & Rifle Exer.	MED		
		1610-1700	SMG	SAT Vol. 1 Pam. 15 Pt 2 Less. 1.		
11		0830-0850	Bn. Pde.			
		0900-1000	Tool Drill and Digging.	Fd. Eng. Vol 1 Chap 3. IMT Appx E.		
		1010-1040	Semaphore	IMT Appx K		
		1050-1200	March and Verbal Messages.	IMT Chap 13.		
		1330-1420	PT and Obstacles			
		1430-1510	Mortars	SAT Vol 1 Pam 9 Less 11 & 12.		
		1520-1600	Squad Drill & Rifle Exer.	MED.		
		1610-1700	MIG	SAT Vol. 1. Pam 7 Less 7, 8, 9.		
12		SUNDAY	SPORTS.			

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13		0830-0850	Bn. Pde.		Unit Lines	
		0900-0950	M, R. and I.	Supplement ATM 13.		North Pts and Compass.
		1000-1050	Messages and Trigger Pressing.	FSPB Pam 2 Appx 2, SAT Vol. 1. Pam 3		
		1100-1200	Tool Drill and Digging.	Fd. Eng. Vol. 1. Chap 3. IMT Appx E.		
		1330-1420	Musketry	SAT Vol. 1. Pam 3 Less. 8.		
		1430-1510	SMG	SAT Vol. 1. Pam 15 Pt. 2, Less. 2.		
		1520-1600	Mortars	SAT Vol. 1. Pam 9. Less 11, 12.		
		1610-1700	MMG	SAT Vol. 1. Pam 7. Less, 5,8,9		
14		0830-0850	Bn. Pde.			
		0900-1000	Tool Drill and Digging.	Fd. Eng. Vol. 1. Chap 3. IMT Appx E.		
		1000-1040	Semaphore	IMT, Appx K		
		1050-1200	March & Verbal Messages.	IMT, Chap 13.		
		1330-1420	PT & Obstacles			

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VAL.	DATE.	UNIT OR SUB-UNIT	PERIOD.	NATURE OF TRG.	REF. MANUAL	LOCATION.	REMARKS.
14			1430-1515	LMG	SAT Vol. 1 Part 4. Less. 8 & 9.	Unit Lines	
			1520-1600	Squad Drill Rifle Exer.	MEL.		
			1610-1700	Tank/A. Rifle Grenades	Practice Squad.		
15			0830-	Route March.			

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