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Item number: 8/2/25

25 Infantry Brigade

November 1944

WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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Unit HQ 25 Aust Inf Bde

Date and Time.—From 1 Nov To 30 Nov

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
TRINITY BEACH	1 Nov		Tps on ships preparing to carry out Exercise FINCH. Sea much calmer today and beach landing exercises carried out from both ships. One landing made on FITZROY IS (CAIRNS 1").	
	2 Nov	0515	Exercise FINCH commenced. (See October War Diary).	
		1600	All units informed that Exercise FINCH ends 021700K, and all tps to remain in present posns and prepare to move back by MT to TRINITY BEACH and then prepare to move back to KAIRI, as per Movement Order 25 Bde Adm Instr No 10.	See Appendix "A" for details of move.
			Bde Comd and BM left to spend night at the Officers' Club in CAIRNS.	
		1715	Exercise FINCH ended.	
			All units under Bde comd to commence to move 0700 hrs 3 Nov	

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TRINITY BEACH	2 Nov	(contd)	back to respective camp areas TRINITY BEACH and prepare for immediate move back to KAIRI from 031500K.	
			Enclosed are all Appendices relevant and pertaining to (1)	
			Move from KAIRI to trg Bch (2) Amphibious Warfare trg carried	
			out TRINITY BCH area (3) Preparations for Exercise FINCH (4)	
			Exercise FINCH (5) Move back to KAIRI.	
			Weather - Scattered cloud, isolated showers, medium sea,	
			mainly fine.	
			During Exercise full malarial and Scrub Typhus precautions	
			carried out and from time of landing 02 rations were the only	
			food. Water supplied by water truck.	
	3 Nov	0700	Movement of Bde Gp back to TRINITY BCH commenced.	
		0800	Bde HQ arrived TRINITY BCH. Preparations in hand for on move	
			to KAIRI. All maps, traces, aerial photos etc handed over to	

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TRINITY BEACH	3 Nov	0800	Tents struck, stores loaded, area cleaned.	
		1500	First convoy left for KAIRI. See Appx "C".	Appendix "C"
KAIRI		1900	Bde HQ arrived previous camp KAIRI 486382 GORDONVALE 1".	
			Weather - scattered to overcast cloud, showers of rain through-	
			out day.	
	4 Nov	0800	Div HQ and Units informed Bde HQ now opened 486382 GORDONVALE 1";	
		1110	Bde Comd & BM returned to KAIRI from CAIRNS.	
		1400	Conference of all Bde HQ Offrs held by BM at which he passed	
			on Bde Comd's thanks and appreciation for the work done and	
			the manner in which it was carried out, while at TRINITY BCH,	
			referring particularly to SC, Int Sec, & Orderly Room.	
			All Units placed under comd 25 Bde for Amphibious Trg at	
			TRINITY BCH now revert to comd their own HQ. The Bde is to	
			continue Open Warfare Trg immediately. Trg, where interrupted	

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KAIRI	4 Nov	(contd)	by move to TRINITY BCH, is to be resumed, therefore, Tactical Exercise with Tps No.4 is the first Exercise which will be carried out. For details see Appx "T" of September WD. The next Bn to do this Exercise is 2/33 Bn. Bde HQ trg is to continue as previously. (Ref Appx "H" October WD). See Appx "B" for close trg areas to be used by Bns as from 13 Nov.	
			Trg Instr No 40 issued showing timetable of events for Nov.	Appendix "C"
			Weather - Fine.	
	5 Nov		Church Parades, Sports, Rest Day. Weather - Fine.	
	6 Nov		Bde Trg recommenced today KAIRI area.	
		0730	Bde Comd, BM, SC, & Maj CLEASBY THOMPSON (British Army) left for CAIRNS, for three days.	
			All Units trg respective camp areas.	
			Ref Appendix "C" Locations of various Ranges are as follows:-	

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KAERI	6 Nov	(contd)	BLACK ROCK Mortar Range 435400-456400-435426-456426. DANBULLA		
			Rifle Range 500414-500430-532414-532430. TANK ROCK Fd Firing		
			Range 460560-460580-480560-480580. SHANTY CK MMg & Tk A Range		
			426615-426630-444615-444630. Ref maps CAIRNS & GORDONVALE 1".		
				Weather - Fine and hot. Humid.	
	7 Nov			Trg continued by all Units.	
			1030	Bde Comd; BM, SC returned from CAIRNS.	
				Weather - Fine, cloudless, hot, night cold.	
	8 Nov		1000	Bde Comd, BM visited 2/25 Bn and inspected JAP Eapt on display.	
			1400	Security Offrs all Units attended a Conference at HQ 7 Div,	
			primarily to discuss GRO G371/44.		
			During afternoon Lt-col A W BUTTROSE, CO 2/5 Aust Inf Bn,		
			visited Brig EATHER at Bde HQ.		
			All Units trg per syllabus. Weather - Fine & hot.		

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KAIRI	8 Nov	1800	Maj Gen MILFORD (GOC 7 Div) visited Bde Comd at Bde HQ.	
			Incidence of malaria within the Bde is still low owing to strict adherence to "Take Your Atebrin" Campaign.	
	9 Nov		Normal Trg all Units (See Syllabus).	
		0900	BM made a recce to find an area suitable for a Bde Gp Exercise.	
			Weather - Fine, cloudless, hot.	
			Lt BOWMAN marched in from 2/33 BN. Appointment - Amenities Offr.	
	10 Nov		Bde Comd & BM visited 2/33 Bn in morning and 2/31 Bn in p.m.	
			Normal trg. Weather - fine.	
	11 Nov		Armistice Day - Two minutes silence observed.	
			Range practice Bde HQ today. Two parties out. Brig EATHER, BM, & Maj CLEASBY-THOMPSON watched the shooting during the morning	
			at DANBULLA Rifle Range.	
			Syllabus Trg continued all Units. Weather - fine, very hot.	

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Great interest shown in MELBOURNE CUP. Many sweeps and keen interest in Broadcast description.

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KAIRI	12 Nov		Church parades, rest day, Sports.	
			During morning Bde Comd & BM made a recce of SEVEN SISTERS area for a Bde Exercise to be held shortly. SEVEN SISTERS are in area 480280-500280-500250-480250 BATTLE FRÈRE.	
			Chaplain BROWN C G marched in to 2/25 Bn to replace Chaplain ROBINSON as Padre.	
			Weather - Fine all day.	
	13 Nov	0930	Bde Comd & BM made further recce of SEVEN SISTERS area.	
		1400	2/33 Bn marched out of camp and will bivouac tonight area 3538 in preparation for start of Bde Tactical Exercise with Tps No:4 on 14 Nov.	
		1900	Bde Comd, BM, SC, & Maj CLEASBY-THOMPSON attended the 5th Anniversary Celebration of 25 Bde Sig Sec	
		1930	DS & Umpires departed. 2/25 Bn to act as enemy.	

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KAIRI	14 Nov		All members of 8 Pl B Coy 2/1 Gd Regt, att 25 Bde, who are under 30 years of age, marched out to Bns and were replaced by men from the Bns who were over 30 years of age.		
			Normal trg for Bde HQ. Weather - Fine, scattered clouds, hot.		
	14 Nov		2/33 Bn began Tactical Exercise No.4, 2/25 Bn acting as enemy.		
			2/31 Bn and Bde HQ normal syllabus trg. Weather - Fine.		
	15 Nov		Tactical Exercise continued. Remainder Bde normal trg.		
			Weather - fine.		
	16 Nov	1500		2/33 Bn completed Exercise and remained out in area of Exercise to act as enemy for 2/31 Bn. 2/25 Bn returned to camp.	
		1700		2/31 Bn began march out to carry out Tactical Exercise No.4 commencing 18 Nov. Weather - Fine, clear, hot.	
			For details Tactical Exercise No 4, read Appx "T" (Oct WD) in conjunction with DIMBULAH 1" sheet.		

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KAIRI	16 Nov		Lt A A B BURGHARDT of 2/6 Aust Fd Regt marched out in as OC 25 Bde Sig Sec.	
	17 Nov	1600	Umpires of Tactical Exercise No 4 attended conference held at Bde HQ by Bde Comd.	
		1630	Bde Comd, BM, & Umpires departed for DIMBULAH area in prepar- ation for the carrying out of the Exercise tomorrow by 2/31 Bn. For details of Tactical Exercise No 5 to be held 25-29 Nov incl see Appx "D". Object to test Comds & Staffs in the operational roles of their respective Units. Trg continued today. Weather - fine, scattered clouds, hot. See Appx "E" for the 25 Bde Trg Syllabus Summary 20 Nov-2 Dec.	Appendix "D"
	18 Nov		2/31 Bn began Tactical Exercise with 2/33 Bn as enemy. Remainder of Bde carrying out normal syllabus trg.	
			As from 20 Nov half the personnel of Bde HQ will train in the	

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KAIRI	18 Nov	(contd)	mornings and the other half during the afternoons, carrying out syllabus as laid down in Appx "E".		
			Lt MCKENZIE, acting OC 25 Bde Sig Sec, marched out to 2/6 Aust Fd Regt.		
			Weather - Fine and hot.		
	19 Nov	1045		2/31 Bn completed Tactical Exercise No.4 and will remain in present area until 20 Nov.	
		1100		Conference held by Bde Comd in Exercise area to discuss Exercise.	
		1500		Bde Comd & BM returned to camp from Exercise. 2/33 Bn returned to camp.	
	20 Nov			Bde HQ trg syllabus (See Appx "E") commenced this morning.	
		1000		2/31 Bn returned to camp. Other Units normal trg.	

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KATRI	20 Nov	2000	Lecture given by Maj HALL (2/31 Bn) in 2/33 Bn Theatre Hall to all Offrs of the Div on the invasion of LEYTE IS. Maj HALL had been attached as observer to the USA Forces. Weather - fine.	
	21 Nov	0900	HQ 25 Bde Trg Syllabus (Appx "E") continued. 2/25 Bn moved out for Exercise TWIDDLER'S HILL area 4657 GORDONVALE 1". Return 23 Nov. 2/31 Bn rest day. 2/33 Bn normal trg per syllabus.	
		0930	BM made a recce for an area suitable for a Bde Exercise to be held at a later date. Area reced bounded by following refs:- 605340 - 760080 - 580990 - 425235 (GORDONVALE & BARTLE FRERE 1")	
	22 Nov		All Units normal trg in respective camp areas.	
		2000	Bde Comd & BM attended a lecture by CO 1 Aust Para Bn in	

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KATRI	22 Nov	2000	(contd) Picture Theatre 2/25 Bn area on Paratp Trg and afterwards attended ^{2/25} Bn Dance at KOALA CLUB.	
	23 Nov	0930	BM made recce of an area to be used for proposed Bde Exercise 27-30 Dec. Also called on CO 1 Aust Para Bn with a view to their participating in one or more of forthcoming Bde Exercises.	
		1500	Trg continued today. Route march for Bde HQ.	
		1900	Bde Comd & BM attended MG Firing Demonstration by 2/1 MG Bn.	
			Bde Comd and Offrs of Bde HQ attended 2/31 Bn Concert and Barbecue.	
			See 25 Bde OO No 5 in connection with TEWT No.5.	Appendix "F"
			25 Bde Trg Instr No; 41 issued. (Trg Programme for Dec 44)	Appendix "G"
	24 Nov		Normal Trg all units. Weather - fine.	
	25 Nov		TEWT No 5 began today.	
		1500	Comds of all Units taking part in Exercise attended Bde Comd's Conference at Bde HQ.	

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KAIRI	26 Nov		Bde Exercise continued. Weather - fine.	
	27 Nov	0705	Message sent by Bde Comd to all units that Exercise ends 0730 hrs and Units to make their way back independently to KAIRI Camp area from 0800 hrs onward.	
		0730	Exercise ended.	
		0800	Units commenced march back to camp.	
		0930	Bde Comd & Staff returned to camp.	
		1515	Bde HQ arrived back at camp.	
				Weather today - fine and very hot.
	28 Nov		Rest Day after Exercise. Weather - fine. During afternoon Bde Comd visited Gen BLAMEY at 7 Div HQ.	
	29 Nov		Normal trg all units recommenced today. Bde HQ per Appx "E". See Appendix "J" for Lessons from 25 Bde TEWT No 5 prepared by Bde Comd.	Appendix "J".

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KAIRI	29 Nov	1700	Conference held by BM of all Offrs of Bde HQ to point out lessons learnt during Exercise.	
		1930	Bde Comd, BM, & Maj CLEASBY-THOMPSON attended a formal dinner at 18 Aust Inf Bde HQ.	
			Trg Film on Gas shown to all Tps in 2/33 Theatre during p.m. Weather - Fine, scattered cloud, hot.	
	30 Nov	0900	HQ 25 Bde trg syllabus for week ending 10 Dec issued. Appx "K" All Units trg as per syllabus.	Appendix "K"
		1500	Conference of Bn COs held by Bde Comd at Bde HQ to discuss matters set out in and arising from Lessons from TEWT No.5 (Appx "J") Routine Orders issued. Appx "L".	Appendix "L"
			Report on Army Education Service activities for November, see	Appendix "M"
			Report on Army Amenities Service activities for November, see	Appendix "N"

Lee [Signature]

31 Oct 44

REF MAPS CAIRNS 1" 1 Mile
 Mcalister R. 1" 1 Mile

1. GENERAL

25 AUST INF BDE GROUP will return to KAIRI AREA by road, at conclusion of exercise "FINCH". The move will commence at 031500K and be completed 051130K. Movement table is attached as AppxA.

2. TRANSPORT AVAILABLE FOR MOVE

It is NOT yet known what type of vehicles will be available but the equivalent of 90 x 3 tonners will be at our disposal. Movement tables have been drawn up on this basis, but substitution may have to be made later in some cases.

3. RETURN TO TRINITY AREA

Transport will be available AM 5 Nov for bringing troops from the various camp areas at TRINITY, prior to the first convoy departing for KAIRI. 2/25 Aust Inf Bn will return to the bivouac area, at South UNITY, and will be carried direct to KAIRI from that location. BDE T.O. will arrange ferrying of other Units to TRINITY.

4. REAR PARTIES

Units will leave rear parties, for the purpose of cleaning up camp areas as follows:

HQ 25 AUST INF BDE	1	Offr	20	Ors
2/11 AUST INF BN	1		50	
2/33 AUST INF BN	1		50	
8 BTY 2/2 TK A REGT	1		20	
2/9 AUST SUP DEF PL	}			
2/10 SUP DEF PL &				
2/9 TPT PL			10	
2/5 AUST FD COY	1		25	
2/6 CAV COM SQN	1		20	
2/4 AUST FD AMB	1		20	
2/117 BDE MKSPS			6	

These personnel will be picked up and returned to Units in the last Convoy. Units to make own arrangements re rationing of rear parties.

5. VEHICLE ASSEMBLY AREA

Will be located corner COOK HIGHWAY & ROBINSON LANE Map Ref 639825.

6. FEEDING TRANSPORT

2/6 AUST FD REGT will supply a party of 4 ORs including 1 cook (and sufficient cooking gear for 90 men) to establish a kitchen in the Vehicle Assembly Area- for the purpose of providing hot meals for drivers of the pool vehicles. Kitchen to be established by 021200K. Rations will be arranged by BA CO 25 AUST INF BDE.

7. POL

A Petrol pool of 800 gallons will be maintained in vehicle assembly area, for refuelling pool vehicles.

8. GUIDES

Units will have guides at vehicle assembly area one hour before transport is due to report to their areas. Guides to report to Bde T.O. or his representative.

9. LOADING

It was noticed on the move down that vehicles allotted to certain Units to carry stores, were very unequally loaded. Units will ensure that vehicles are equally loaded and loaded with all possible speed. The time table as laid down must be strictly adhered to.

10. MARSHALLING

When loaded vehicles will remain in Unit areas until lead out by a Provost Guide.

11. SPEED AND DENSITY

15 M.P.H.
20 V.T.M.

12. TRAFFIC CONTROL

Arranged by 7 Aust Div Pro Coy. This also includes responsibility for speed of convoy.

13. RATIONS

Units will carry the unconsumed portion of the days ration. Rations for the day following will be drawn at KAIRI on arrival under arrangements this Hq.

14. MEDICAL

Ambulance posts at TRINITY - KURANDA - MAREEBA

15. RECOVERY

Points at KURANDA - STAGING POST (located between KURANDA and MAREEBA) and KAIRI.

16. POOL DRIVERS

On arrival at KAIRI Area Units will arrange for drivers of pool vehicles to be while vehicles are being unloaded.

ASL
CAPT.
SC 25 AUST INF BDE.

AMMENDMENT

Page 1 para 6 FOR FEEDING TRANSPORT to read FEEDING POINT.

DISTRIBUTION

TO ALL UNITS UNDER COMMAND.

MOVEMENT TABLE

SECRET

ISSUED IN CONJUNCTION WITH 25 AUST INF BDE ADM INSTR NO 10

SERIAL	UNIT	PERSONNEL (Approx)	TRANSPORT.			SP	ST	OC CONVOY	REMARKS
			Pers	Stores	Report Units				
<u>CONVOY NO 1 - DEPARTS TRINITY 031500K - ARR KAIRI 031930K</u>									
1	2/31 AUST INF BN	657	39	26	031300K	Ref Map CAIRNS 1" RD JUNE 645786	031500K	2/31 Aust Inf Bn	TK A Guns to be towed by these vehicles
2	HQ 25 AUST INF BDE (Incl Cd Pl - Sigs LAD - Beach Sigs)	180	11	3					
3	2/6 AUST CAV COMM SQN	20		9					
<u>CONVOY NO 2 DEPARTS TRINITY 031600K - ARR KAIRI 032030K</u>									
4	2/31 AUST INF BN	33				as for Serial 1	031600K	2/31 AUST INF BN	
5	HQ 25 AUST INF BDE (Incl Sigs - CAIRNS LAD -)	30							
6	2/6 AUST CAV COMM SQN	1							
7	2/33 AUST INF BN	33							
8	C Coy 2/1 AUST MG BN	8							
<u>CONVOY NO 3 DEPARTS TRINITY BEACH 040400K - ARR KAIRI 040830K</u>									
9	2/6 AUST CAV COMM SQN	180	12		040200K	as for serial 1	040400K	2/33 AUST INF BN	TK A Guns to be towed by these veh
10	2/33 AUST INF BN	647	39	26	"				
11	C COY 2/1 MG BN	92	6	4					

SERIAL	UNIT	PERSONNEL (Approx)	TRANSPORT			Unit Veh s	SP	ST	OC CONVOY	REMARKS
			POOL Pers	VEHICLES Stores	Rep ort					
	DEPARTS TRINITY BEACH 040500K - ARR KAIRI 040930K									
12	2/25 AUST INF BN	26				10	Ref Map McAlister Range 1" 509976		2/25 AUST INF BN	
13	2/4 AUST FD AMB	20				12	Ref Map CAIRNS 645786 040430K			
14	2/9 & 2/10 AUST SUP DEP PLS	10				4	040500K			
15	2/9 AUST TPT PL	93				27				
	CONVOY NO 5 DEPARTS TRINITY BEACH 041700K - ARR KAIRI 042130K									
16	2/25 AUST INF BN	700	40	26	041500		Ref Map McAlister Range 1" 509976	041630	2/25 AUST INF BN	TK A Guns to be towed by these vehs
17	2/4 AUST FD AMB	36		18			Ref Map CAIRNS 645786	041700		
18	2/9 & 2/10 PLS ASC	50	3	2			CAIRNS			
	CONVOY NO 6 DEPARTS TRINITY BEACH 041800K - ARR KAIRI 042230K									
19	2/5 AUST FD COY	40				23	As for Serial 1	041800K	2/5 AUST FD COY	
20	8 BTY 2/2 TK A REGT	10				8				
21	2/6 AUST FD REGT	18				9				
	CONVOY NO 7 DEPARTS TRINITY BEACH 050600K - 051000K									
22	2/4 AUST FD AMB	134	10		050400K		As for Serial 1	050600	2/5 AUST FD COY	
23	8 BTY 2/2 TK A REGT	130	7	1						
24	2/6 AUST FD REGT	130	6	6						
25	2/5 AUST FD COY	206	13	7						
26	2/117 BDE WKSPTS	46	3	2						
27	REAR PARTY 2/31 Bn	50	3							
28	REAR PARTY HQ 25 BDE	20	2							
i 28a	2/25 AUST INF BN	4				2				

SERIAL	UNIT	PERSONNEL	TRANSPORT			SP	ST	OC CONVOY	REMARKS
			APPROX	POOL VEHICLES	UNIT VEHs				
			PERS	STORES	REPORT UNITS				
29.	REAR PARTY 2/33 AUST INF BN	50	3						
30	REAR PARTY 2/6 AUST CAV SGT	20	2						
31	REAR PARTY AASC	5	1						
32	REAR PARTY 2/1 MG BN	10	1						
CONVOY NO 8 DEPARTS - TRINITY BEACH			050700K	-	ARR KAIRI 051130K				
33	2/14 HY AA Bty One Tp: 2/15 LT AA Bty 84 Mob SL Bty 2/117 BDE WKSPS	160) 104) 88) 47	TO BE NOTIFIED LATER			AS for Serial 1	2/117 Bde Wksp		
					:27	050700K			

TRG AREAS

Appx B

25 Aust Inf Bde
GT4/4/11
4 Nov 44

2/25 Aust Inf Bn
2/31 Aust Inf Bn
2/33 Aust Inf Bn

1. Local trg areas to be used from 13 Nov 44 until further notice are shown on attached trace.

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BM 25 Aust Inf Bde Maj

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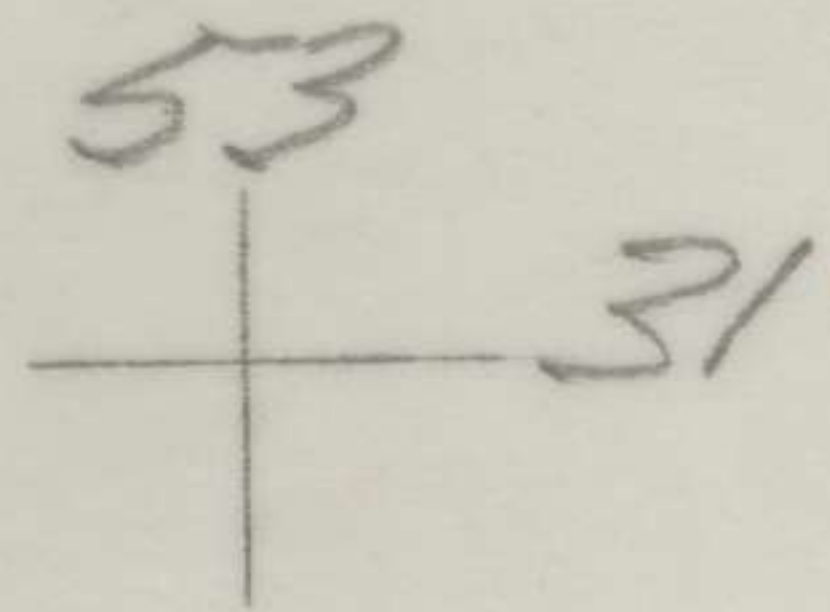
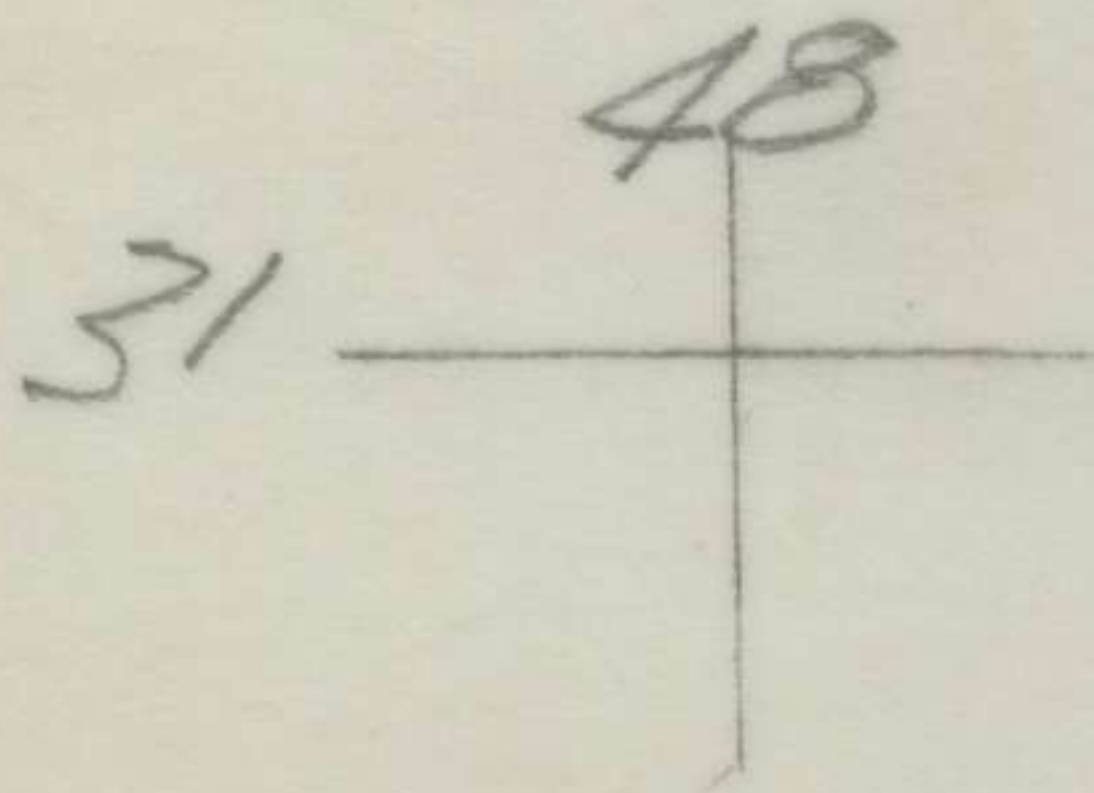
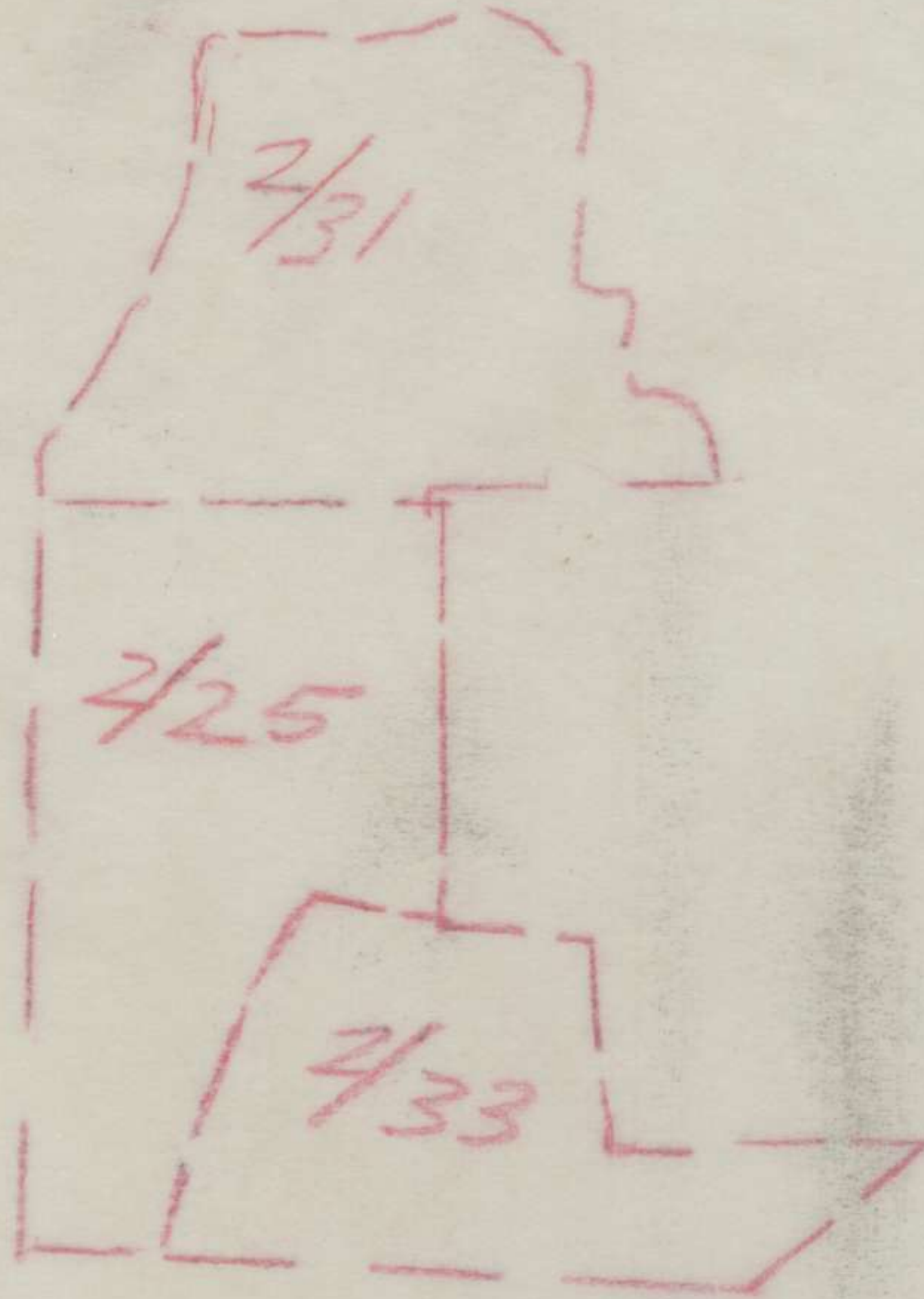
TRAINING AREAS

25 Aust Inf Bde.

Place Over GORDONVALE 1/6M.

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Appx C

SECRET.

25 AUSTRALIAN INF BDE TACTICAL EXERCISE No 40

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4 Nov 1944.

TIMETABLE

1. Attached as appx 'A' is timetable of events for November. Units will submit ammunition requirements for range practices by 0900 hrs 6 Nov.
2. In addition to para 1, tanks will be allotted for training purposes as follows:-

10/14 Nov incl	-	2/31 Aust Inf Bn
17/20 Nov incl	-	2/25 Aust Inf Bn
21/24 Nov incl	-	2/33 Aust Inf Bn

GENERAL TIG

3. Will include wire crushing

SPECIALIST TIG

4. Sig pls will concentrate on Morse, Lucas lamp and Aldis lamp.
5. Mortar and MG pls will receive intensive trng following on reports received from MG course with 2/1 Aust MG Bn.

TACTICAL EXERCISE WITH TROOPS No 4.

6. Separate instrs will be issued.

BDE TEST EXERCISE 25-29 Nov incl

7. 7 Aust Div have been approached to make available supporting arms and services, and, the 6 Aust Div training area for this exercise.

RANGES

8. MG and Tk A range SHANTY CREEK are available on application to 2/1 Aust MG Bn and TAA respectively.

9. ACKNOWLEDGE

Major.
HQ 25 Aust Inf Bde.

DISTRIBUTION

Copy No

2/25 Aust Inf Bn	1
2/31 Aust Inf Bn	2
2/33 Aust Inf Bn	3
Comd	4
BH	5
SC	6
Sigs	7
LOs	8-10
7 Aust Div	11
War Diary	12-13
File	14-15
Spares	16-20

APPX 'A' to 25 Aust Inf Bde
 Trg Instr No 40 of Nov 44

TIME TABLE OF EVENTS

Date	2/25 Aust Inf Bn	2/31 Aust Inf Bn	2/33 Aust Inf Bn	Hq 25 Aust Inf Bde.
8 Nov	BLACK ROCK Mortar Range	DANBULLA Rifle Range		
9 Nov	do	do		
10 Nov		do		
11 Nov			TANK ROCK Fd Firing Range	DANBULLA Range
12 Nov		BLACK ROCK Mortar Range	do	
13 Nov		do		
14 Nov	Move out LT Exercise No 4		March out Exercise No 4	
15 Nov	Enemy		Exercise	
16 Nov	Enemy - move back by LT		Exercise	
17 Nov		March out Exercise No 4	Rest	
18 Nov		Exercise	Enemy	
19 Nov		Exercise	Enemy	
20 Nov		March home	March home	
25 to 29 Nov	BRIGADE	TEST	EXERCISE	

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25 AUST INF BDE

TACTICAL EXERCISE WITH TROOPS No 5

Ref maps 1:63360 - GORDONVALE, BATTLE FRIERE, DIMBULAH,
HEBERTON & 1/4" strat series.

1. 25 Aust Inf Bde will conduct an exercise for a bde gp 25/29 Nov
incl.

2. ORDER OF BATTLE

- HQ 25 Aust Inf Bde
- 25 Aust Inf Bde Sig Sec
- 8 pl 2/1 Aust Gd Regt
- 315 Aust L.D
- One sec 7 Aust Div Pro Coy
- One sqn 2/7 Aust Cav (Commando) Regt
- 2/6 Aust Fd Regt (without guns)
- One bty 2/2 Aust T/A Regt
- 2/5 Aust Fd Coy
- Br sec 2/25 Aust Fd Pk Coy
- 2/25 Aust Inf Bn
- 2/31 Aust Inf Bn
- 2/33 Aust Inf Bn
- 2/1 Aust Pnr Bn
- C Coy 2/1 Aust MG Bn
- 2/9 Aust Gen Tpt Pl
- 2/4 Aust Fd Amb

NOTE (a) Sqn 2/7 Aust Cav (Commando) Regt will NOT be represented
on the ground.
(b) Final advice has NOT been received as to availability of
2/1 Aust Pnr Bn.

3. OBJECT OF EXERCISE - To test comds and staffs in the operational
role of their respective units.

4. PROBABLE SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

- 25 Nov (1500) - Conference of COs and OCs. Bde Comd issues plan.
- 25/26 Nov - Night move
- 27 Nov - 1200 hrs approx - Exercise ends.
- 28 Nov - Complete return PAIRI area.

5. OPENING SITUATION - The following is a digest of Intelligence
Summaries and Events:-

- 15/19 Nov - Extensive JAP landings in PT DOUGLAS area. Movement
south. Temporary air supremacy.
- 20 Nov - CAIENS captured by enemy and move rapidly west and
south via GILLIES HIGHWAY and main SOUTH COAST RD.
Bats moving to TABLELANDS along rd KULANDA - MAHEERA.
Arty and medium tanks have been observed.
- 21 Nov - Enemy air activity increasing, extensive attacks on
rds and railways renders movement of even medium
sized convoys dangerous by day.
- 22 Nov - 9 Aust Div adv on enemy via MAHEERA. 6 and 11 Aust
Divs moved to INNISFAIL and moving north along COAST
RD to attack.
7 Aust Div given responsibility of holding GILLIES
HIGHWAY.

- 24 Nov Enemy pressure on routes leading to TABLELANDS has increased. 9 Aust Div reports heavy fighting with strong JAP force about KURANDA.
7 Aust Div, less 25 Aust Inf Bde Gp holding upper passes of GILLIES HIGHWAY, with leading tps in contact vicinity MULGRAVE RIVER - TOLL GATE 670412.
25 Aust Inf Bde Gp is div reserve at BAIKI.
6 and 11 Aust Divs report adv with some success BABINDA.
- 25 Nov 0500 - Enemy airborne force landed by parachute and glider in area 4000 and started to adv north.
By strafing and bombing all day of main rds and rd juncs.
1400 - Reports indicate enemy adv via GUMTREE HILL 4108 - rd junc 423179 and have secured SEVEN SISTERS with approx one bn.
1400 - 7 Aust Div ordered 25 Aust Inf Bde Gp to move south, drive enemy from SEVEN SISTERS and prevent enemy attacking 18 and 21 Aust Inf Bdes from south and SE.

DISTRIBUTION

2/6 Aust Fd Regt
2/2 Aust Tk A Regt
2/5 Aust Md Coy
2/25 Aust Fd Pk Coy
2/25 Aust Inf Bn
2/31 Aust Inf Bn
2/33 Aust Inf Bn
2/1 Aust Pnr Bn
C Coy 2/1 Aust LG Bn
3 pl, 2/1 Aust Gd Regt
7 Aust Div Pro Coy
2/9 Aust Gen Tpt pl AASC
2/4 Aust Fd Amb
Comd
MI
SC
TO
IO /
SIGS
LAD
7 Aust Div
File
War diary (2)
Spares (10)

RATIONS TACTICAL EXERCISE No.5.

25 AUST INF BDE.
 212/18/11
 19 November 44.

ALL UNITS.

Rations for 26 Nov are to be O2. Rations for 27 Nov are to be O2 for two meals (Breakfast and Lunch).

Units may then supply fresh rations for evening meal if they so desire.

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SC 25 Aust Inf Bde.

DISTRIBUTION:

2/6 Aust Fd Regt
 2/2 Aust Tr A Regt
 2/5 Aust Fd Coy
 2/25 Aust Fd Pl Coy
 2/25 Aust Inf Bn
 2/31 Aust Inf Bn
 2/35 Aust Inf Bn
 2/1 Aust Pnr Bn
 C Coy 2/1 Aust MG Bn
 8 Pl 2/1 Aust Gd Regt
 7 Aust Div Pro Coy
 2/9 Aust Gen Tpt Pl ...SC
 2/4 Aust Fd Amb
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 LAD
 7 Aust Div
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 War Diary (2)
 Spares (10)

HQ 25 Aust Inf Bde

W.D. Appx E

I Section

TRAINING SYLLABUS 20 NOV TO 2 DEC

NOTE - One half each unit or sub-unit will attend the morning training and the other half to afternoon training.

Date	Period	Type of Training	Date	Period	Type of Training
Nov 20	0830-1200	Miniature Range - Zeroing of Rifles	20 Nov	1330-1630	Miniature Range - Zeroing of Rifles
21 Nov	do	10 Mile route march - Battle Order	21 Nov	do	10 Mile route march - battle order
22 Nov	do	Tactical river crossing	22 Nov	do	Tactical river crossing
23 Nov	do	10 Mile route march - Battle Order	23 Nov	do	10 Mile route march - Battle order
24 Nov 44	do	Fire discipline training	24 Nov	do	Fire discipline training
25/28 Nov		BRIGADE			EXERCISE
29 Nov		REST DAY			REST DAY
30 Nov	0830-1200	Map reading	30 Nov	1330-1630	Map reading
1 Dec	do	Wire crushing	1 Dec	do	Wire crushing
2 Dec	0730-1230	Classification Range	2 Dec	1300-1630	Classification Range

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BM 25 Aust Inf Bde

I Section

TRAINING SYLLABUS - 6 TO 20 NOV 1944

Date	Squad No		Date	Squad No	
6 Nov	1	0900 - 0950	6 Nov	7	1330 - 1530
7	2	SQUAD & RIFLE DRILL	7 Nov	8	TACTICAL SITING AND DIGGING OF WEAPON PITS
8	3		8 Nov	9	
9	4	1000 - 1050	9 Nov	10	1540 - 1630
10	5&6	APPLICATION OF FIRE - SAT Vol 1	10 Nov	11&12	GRNADAE RANGE - SAT Vol 1
11	See below	Pam 2, Lessons 5 and 6	11 Nov	See below	
12	Rest day		12 Nov	Rest day	
		1100 - 1200			
		SIC FORMATIONS - MTP33 Sec 26			
		ISL Sec 47			

13/20	7 to 12	As above	13/20	1 to 6	As above

11 Nov - DANBULLA CLASSIFICATION RANGE

AM - Squads 1 to 6)
PM - Squads 7 to 12)

NO personnel may miss this practice

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25 AUST INF BDE TACTICAL EXERCISE WITH TPS No5;SECRET.25 AUST INF BDE OO No5.23 Nov 44.Copy No 17INFORMATION

1. Enemy
 - (a) See Int Summaries and Sitreps already issued.
 - (b) Confirmation by VDC has been received of enemy estimated one bn on SEVEN SISTERS.
 - (c) Reports received of extensive movement in areas 4513 and 4514.

2. Metereological

(a)	Sunrise	Sunset
25 Nov	0530	1838
26 Nov	0530	1838
27 Nov	0530	1839

(b)	Moonrise	Moonsset
25 Nov	1300	0213
26 Nov	1350	0255
27 Nov	1443	0342

(c) Forecast - Mainly fine, scattered cloud, light east to SE winds.

3. Topographical

- (a) The country is mainly open and cultivated with occasional jungle patches and some areas of Lantana.
- (b) The whole area is suitable for tanks, the water-courses providing only minor obstacles.
- (c) Maps are reliability Al. One track NOT shown connects BARRINE RIVER at 523323 - track bend 528319.

INTENTION

4. 25 Aust Inf Bde will move night 25/26 Nov from present posn to assembly areas in general area one mile NW of YUNGABURRA with a view to capturing SEVEN SISTERS as early as possible on 26 Nov 44.

PRELIMINARY MOVESMETHOD

5. Sqn 2/7 Aust Cav (Commando) Regt will move forthwith. Tasks -
 - (a) Gain info of strengths and dispositions of enemy holding SEVEN SISTERS.
 - (b) Report enemy movement on following rds:-
 - (i) YUNGABURRA - rd junc 4822
 - (ii) Rd junc 4623 - rd junc 4217
 - (iii) Rd junc 4124 - rd junc 4217
 - (c) Hourly W/T reports from 1700 hrs 25 Nov to HQ 25 Aust Inf Bde.

6. Engrs - Recce parties (NOT more than 2 jeeps) will move forthwith to recce crossing BARRON RIVER at 523323.
7. Arty - Recce parties will move forthwith to recce gun posns in areas 5432 and/or 5532.

General

8. Order of March
9. March formations
10. Routes
11. Timings
12. Starting Pt
13. Assembly areas prior to move
14. Assembly areas after move
15. Guides - (a) Sec 7 Aust Div Pro Coy, under IO will move with van guard and establish TCPs at all rd juncs.

March tables

Apex 'A'

- (b) Each pro will be supplied with copy of March Table.
- (c) Sec of 7 Aust Div Pro Coy is responsible that coln observes correct route.

- (d) Two guides each from -
 - 2/25 Aust Inf Bn
 - 2/31 Aust Inf Bn
 - 2/33 Aust Inf Bn
 - C Coy 2/1 Aust LG Bn
 - HQ 25 Aust Inf Bde

will report to Bde IO 1800 hrs to be used to guide units to assembly areas after movement. IO will provide tape.

- (e) Bde IO and party will report 2/1 Aust ParBn 1830 hrs
- (f) Pro guides at rd juncs will join tail of coln and report to HQ 25 Aust Inf Bde on arrival.

16. Concealment

- (a) NO move from present areas unless ordered by Bde HQ.
- (b) All tps and vehs will be under cover before 0430 hrs 26 Nov. NO movement will be permitted under any circumstances unless ordered by Bde.
- (c) NO fires from 2030 hrs onward, by day or night until ordered.
- (d) Smoking will NOT be permitted during hours of darkness.
- (e) Vehs will NOT use lights
- (f) 5 Army Co-op Sqn is maintaining a standing patrol of one AC over SEVEN SISTERS area from 2200 hrs to 0400 hrs to drown noise of vehs

17. Action in Event of Air Attack

If coln is attacked by AC with or without flarea it will NOT halt. Units will deploy astride rd only when AC are actually strafing or dropping bombs.

Special Tasks

18. Adv Gd

- (a) Comd - Lt-col BUCKLEY 2/1 Aust Pnr Bn
- (b) Tps (i) 2/1 Aust Pnr Bn
(ii) Bde IO and guide party
- (c) Routes AS per March Table Appx 'A'.
- (d) Tasks
 - (i) Adv gd duties from SP to rd junc 513288 when responsibility for protection of main body ceases.
 - (ii) Move from rd junc 513288 via YUNGABURRA to areas 510255 and 503263 with the responsibility of protecting the SOUTH flank of the Bde during assembly, and attack on SEVEN SISTERS. Tps will remain under cover until H Hr.

19. Arty

- (a) Fd
Will occupy previously recced gun posns after last light, and will be prepared to support an attack on SEVEN SISTERS NOT before 0800 hrs 25 Nov 44. Registration is NOT permitted.
- (b) Tk A
Protection of assembly area.

20. Engrs

- (a) 2/5 Aust Fd Coy with under comd det br sec 2/25 Aust Fd Fk Coy, and in sp Pnr pls 2/25, 2/31, and 2/35 Aust Inf Bns will prepare banks entrance and exits rds, and br BARRON RIVER at 523323.
- (b) Reporting of tps
 - (i) Det br sec 2/25 Aust Fd Fk Coy will report to present location 2/5 Aust Fd Coy by 1800 hrs 25 Nov 44.
 - (ii) 2/5 Fd Coy will notify Bns direct, and Bde HQ numbers of men required from Pnr pls by 1800 hrs 25 Nov 44. 2/5 Fd Coy is responsible for RV for these personnel with itself.
- (c) Reversion of tps in sp
 - (i) Pnr pls revert to comd Bns on arrival of Bn at BARRON RIVER.
 - (ii) 2/5 Fd Coy will be responsible for these tps being ready to join colm without necessity for halting it.
- (d) Time of commencement of work
2000 hrs 25 Nov 44.
- (e) Time for completion of task
2200 hrs 25 Nov 44.
- (f) Tasks of Pnr pls
Assistance in bridging, and protection.

- (g) Start time of Engr movement
 - (i) Marching pls 1900 hrs
 - (ii) MT 1930 hrs
- (h) Route
Rd juno 478334 - rd junc 497325 - BARRON RIVER at 523323.
- (j) Use of Tpt
11 x 3 ton tippers after one trip as Engr tp carriers to BARRON RIVER at 523323 will report to SC(L) 25 Aust Inf Bde at B ech area. These vehs NOT available again to Fd Coy before 1100 hrs 26 Nov 44.
- (k) Mov after completion of tasks
 - (i) Br sec 2/25 Aust Fd Pk Coy, and Engr hy eqpt will NOT move fwd of BARRON RIVER until called for.
 - (ii) 2/5 Aust Fd Coy move to assembly area 510278.

- 21. MG
 - (a) MG pls 2/25, 2/31, 2/33 Aust Inf Bns are placed under comd C Coy 2/1 Aust MG Bn from 1600 hrs 25 Nov 44.
 - (b) Pls will report with 2 jeeps each and 14 belts per gun to C Coy 2/1 Aust MG Bn at 1600 hrs 25 Nov 44.

ADMINISTRATION

- 22; Allotment of Tpt
 - (a) Vehs of 2/9 Aust Gen Tpt pl are allotted as follows:-

(i)	25 Aust Inf Bde Sig Sec	3 Jeeps & T
(ii)	2/25 Aust Inf Bn	8
(iii)	2/31 Aust Inf Bn	8
(iv)	2/33 Aust Inf Bn	8
(v)	2/1 Aust MG Bn	2
(vi)	Bde Res	1
 - (b) Reporting of Vehs
To Unit areas by 1700 hrs 25 Nov 44.
 - (c) Location of HQ 2/9 Aust Gen Tpt pl and res jeeps - B ech.
 - (d) 11 tippers 2/5 Aust Fd Coy report to SC(L) 25 Aust Inf Bde after return from BARRON RIVER for tpt Bde amn res.

- 23. B ech

<u>Comd</u>	-	TO 25 Aust Inf Bde
<u>Location</u>	-	HQ 25 Aust Inf Bde 486380

- 24. Amn
 - (a) 100 rds per rifleman will be carried.
 - (b) Bde amn res will be transported in tippers of 2/5 Aust Fd Coy.
 - (c) FAD will be established vicinity BARRON RIVER King 523323 under SC(L).
 - (d) AP
Time and place of opening will be notified NOT before 0900 hrs 26 Nov 44.

25. Rations

- (a) Carried on man - One fd op 02
One emergency (NOT represented)
- (b) Normal supply to B ech will start 26 Nov 44.

26. Water

- (a) First refill to Units NOT before 1100 hrs 26 Nov 44.
- (b) WP
Probable location - BARRON RIVER 523323.

27. Blankets - Will NOT be carried

28. Shelter halves - Will NOT be carried

29. Mosquito nets - Carried on man

30. Ground sheets - Carried on man

(NOTE: Shelter half may be carried in lieu of ground sheet)

31. Medical

- (a) One Bearer squad will report to each of 2/25, 2/31, and 2/33 Aust Inf Bns by 1800 hrs 25 Nov 44.
- (b) MDS
Location 5231 opens 0900 hrs 26 Nov 44.
- (c) CP
Location 5128 opens 0930 hrs 26 Nov 44.
- (d) Casualties during march will be evacuated to B ech.

32. Hygiene

Particular attention will be paid to normal fd hygiene, malaria etc precautions.

33. Recovery

315 Aust LAD will supply one Rec veh to move at tail of coln.

34. POL

PP - B ech area opens 0900 hrs 26 Nov 44.

INTERCOMN

35. Wireless Silence

- (a) Until 0700 hrs 26 Nov 44 except for 2/1 Aust Pnr Bn, and Sqn 2/7 Aust Cav (Commando) Regt.
- (b) Code word allotted through Sig channels.

36. Allotment of 22 Sets

Bde Comd
Sig Sec 25 Aust Inf Bde
B ech 25 Aust Inf Bde
2/25 Aust Inf Bn
2/31 Aust Inf Bn
2/33 Aust Inf Bn
2/1 Aust Pnr Bn
B Sqn 2/è Aust Cav (Commando) Regt

- 37. Line
Will be laid in assembly area to Comd post, 2/25, 2/31, 2/33 Aust Inf Bns, MG Coy, MDS, 2/5 Aust Fd Coy, by 0400 hrs 25 Nov 44.
- 38. Code signs, names & frequencies
Issued through Sig channels.
- 39. Reporting of Sets
Wireless jeeps will report Bns 1700 hrs 25 Nov 44.
- 40. Map ref codes
Appx 'B'
- 41. Place code names
Appx 'C'
- 42. Synchronisation of time
Bn IOs and Unit reps will report Bde Sig Offr 1800 hrs 25 Nov 44.
- 43. Location Bde HQ
 - (a) Before move - present location
 - (b) During move - see march table
 - (c) Assembly area - 512285

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Time of Sig 11 30

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DISTRIBUTION

- 2/6 Aust Fd Regt
- 2/2 Aust Tk a Regt
- 2/5 Aust Fd Coy
- 2/25 Aust Fd Fk Coy
- 2/25 Aust Inf Bn
- 2/31 Aust Inf Bn
- 2/33 Aust Inf Bn
- C Coy 2/1 Aust MG Bn
- 8 Fl 2/1 Aust Gd Regt
- Sec 7 Aust Div Pro Coy (plus 16 copies march table)
- 2/9 Aust Gen Tpl pl
- 2/4 Aust Fd Amb
- Comd
- BM
- SC
- TO
- IO
- Sigs
- LOs (3)
- LAD
- 7 Aust Div
- Comd AASC 7 Aust Div
- File
- War Diary (2)
- Spares (5)

EXERCISE SECRET

Appx "A" to 25 AUST INF BDE
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MARCH TABLE

DATE. Night 25/26 Nov 44.

SP. Rd junc 48I362

ROUTE. Rd junc 478334 - rd bend 497333 - rd junc
496324 - BARRON RIVER 523323 - track junc
5273I9 - rd and track junc 5283I5 - rd junc
5I6297 - rd junc 5I8296 - rd junc 5I3288.

MARCH FORMATIONS. (a) Column of route.
(b) "A" ech vehicles at rear of respective
Unit groups.

VTM. 75

MIH. 3 miles per hour, marching and MT.

HALTS. No halts will be made.

INTERVALS. Between Pls, NIL
Between Coys and equivalent, 25 yds.
Between Bns, 50 yards.

ROUTES TO SP. Main camp roads.

MOVEMENT TO SP. (a) Units will recon routes and ascertain
time from unit areas to SP before 1800 hrs
25 Nov 44.
(b) Once units have left unit areas, they
will NOT halt, therefore time of approach
march to SP must be carefully calculated
and adhered to. Units will NOT form up
on roads

SERIAL	UNIT	PERS.	VEHS	ST	DESTINATION OR ASSEMBLY AREA	REMARKS
1	One coy 2/3I Aust Inf Bn	120	-	2I00	507284	
2	Bde Comd Party	46	4	2I02	5I2285	
3	Arty 0 Gp	10	4	2I04	5I2285	
4	2/5 AUST FD COY	135	10	2I06	5I0278	
5	2/3I Aust Inf Bn less one coy and Pnr Pl and MG Pl	660	17	2III	507284	
6	2/33 Aust Inf Bn less Pnr Pl and MG Pl	640	17	2I23	5I2278	
7	HQ 25 Aust Inf Bde	125	2	2I35	5I2285	
8	2/25 Aust Inf Bn less Pnr Pl and MG Pl	690	17	2I40	5I7285	
9	C Coy 2/I MG Bn	190	12	2I52	5I5280	
10	Bty 2/2 Aust Tk A Regt	140	32	2200	Gun posns.	
11	2/4 Aust Fd Amb	155	10	2206	523I	
12	2/6 Aust Fd Regt	650	46	22I2	Rd junc 5283I5	(1) 2/6 Aust Fd Regt must take precautions NOT to follow AMB when they leave column. (2) 2/6 Aust Fd Regt move DIRECT from Rd junc 5283I5 to gun areas. Responsibility of Regt to supply guides for that distance.

EXERCISE SECRET
APPX 'B' to 25 Aust Inf Bde 00 No 1

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	0
B	X	J	H	P	N	K	R	C	W
V	E	Y	M	F	S	D	Q	G	L
T	U		Z	A					

MAP REF CODE

EXERCISE SECRET

APPX 'C' to 25 Aust Inf Bde 00 No 1

PLACE CODE NAMES

SEVEN SISTERS	-	CASCADE
YUNGABURRA	-	ABBOTTS
KULARA	-	NATHAN
BARRON RIVER	-	FOSTERS
BRIDGE 462238	-	BULIMBA
ID JUNC 480270	-	TOOTHS

SECRET

25 AUST INF BDE TRG INSTR No 41

Copy No 13

24 Nov 44.

1. Following is the programme for Dec 44:-

- 1/13 Dec Unit Training
- 7/11 Dec Units will supply umpires for 21 Aust Inf Bde exercise
- 14/18 Dec Div Exercise
- 19/26 Dec Unit Training
- 20 Dec (approx) Div Rodeo
- 27/30 Dec Bde Exercise
- 31 Dec Bde Sports Day

2. TRAINING AREAS

Areas G & F have been allotted for month. Units will submit their requirements by 28 Nov 44.

3. RANGE ALLOTMENTS

(a) DANBULLA Rifle Range

- 8 Dec 2/33 Aust Inf Bn
- 9 Dec 2/31 Aust Inf Bn
- 22 Dec 2/25 Aust Inf Bn

(b) BLACK ROCK Mortar Range

- 1 Dec 2/25 Aust Inf Bn
- 2 Dec 2/33 Aust Inf Bn

(c) TANK ROCK Arty Range

- 10/11 Dec 2/25 Aust Inf Bn
- 12/13 Dec 2/31 Aust Inf Bn
- 19/20 Dec 2/31 Aust Inf Bn

(d) KAURI CREEK MMG Range

- 1/2 Dec 2/31 Aust Inf Bn
- 3 Dec 2/33 Aust Inf Bn
- 8 Dec 2/25 Aust Inf Bn

(e) SHANTY CREEK TK A Range

- 10 Dec 2/33 Aust Inf Bn
- 11 Dec 2/25 Aust Inf Bn

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26 November 44.

INFORMATION.

1. ENEMY Enemy estimated TWO battalions-FOUR Enemy areas-
453148-450143-452138-feature 2800 square 4413.

OWN TROOPS Cav active against enemy left flank-Pioneer Bn secured grid line 46.

INTENTION.

2. 25 Aust Inf Bde Group will capture MT WEERIMBA Area by a dawn attack.

METHOD.

3. PRELIMINARY Rd Regt range enemy areas before last light.

FWD TROOPS. Right-2/33 Aust Inf Bn-objective-feature 453148
feature 450143
Left -2/31 Aust Inf Bn-objective-feature 2800 in
square 4413

4. FUP.

2/33 Aust Inf Bn 462143
2/31 Aust Inf Bn 462136

ROUTES TO FUP, FROM PRESENT POSITIONS.

5. Rd junc 451183-rd junc 475179-rd junc 472144.
Tapes will be laid from rd junc 472144 to centre of 2/33 Aust Inf Bn FUP and right flank of 2/31 Aust Inf Bn FUP.
6. FUP.
Taped along road running north and south in square 5813.
7. SL - Taped running north and south along 46 grid.
8. GUIDES - 4 per bn report to HQ at Bde H, 453204 at 2315 hrs
9. TIMINGS - Head of 2/31 Aust Inf Bn passes rd junc 451183 0025.
Head of 2/33 Aust Inf Bn passes rd junc 451183 at 0030
Leading bn arrives FUP 0310
Bns formed up 0340
Bns leave FUP 0410
Fwd secs arrive SL 0425
E hour 0450
Arrive objective 0500
10. FORMATIONS as per attached sketch
11. RATE OF ADVANCE - 100 yds in 3 minutes
12. Action on capture of objective - Consolidate - Limit of exploitation ANYAH GRELK.

13. Protection - (a) By 0001 hrs 2/25 Aust Inf Bn will secure a line from house 451174 to house at 465175 to protect move of assaulting bns. At 0310 hrs 2/25 Aust Inf Bn will move to an assembly area 470142 and be prepared to be committed on north or south of attacking bns. 2/25 Aust Inf Bn will be in assembly area by 0510 hrs.

(b) 2/1 Aust Pnr Bn will protect the SL and PUP from west, north and south. NO offensive action to be taken against enemy unless he attempts to interfere with SL or forming up of tps. At 0415 hrs after attack has passed through, 2/1 Aust Pnr Bn move to assembly area 467124 to be prepared for adv south or SE.

14. Fire Plan -

Arty Bn - 2/6 Aust Bn Regt will support attack by concentrations as follows -

H to H plus 25

One bty 455148

One tp 450145

One tp 452158

One bty feature 2800 square 4415

Rates of Fire

H to H plus 2 rapid

H plus 2 to H plus 25 normal

H plus 25 to H plus 25 rapid

On completion of programme, regt on call to either fwd bn.

Tr A - Bty 2/2 Aust Tr A Regt responsible for protection of southern flank of bde attack from 0500 hrs 27 Nov 44. NO movement fwd of rd junc 472143 before 0445 hrs 27 Nov 44. Route from present posn to MIDFIELD SWAMP area via rd ATTURTON - MALANDA - UPPER MARRON RD.

MMG - C Coy 2/1 Aust MG Bn less one pl occupy posns spur 2600 ref 448156.

Task - H - 10 to H plus 30 - 455148

H plus 30 - Safety. Cover exploitation to

ATTURTON CH - Rates normal.

On completion of task be prepared to move as ordered.

Mortars - of 2/1 Aust Pnr Bn will support attack by concentrations from H to H plus 25 on enemy posns 450144 100 rds per mortar.

On completion of task revert to cmd of 2/1 Aust Pnr Bn

Engrs - (a) Clear mine fd on track ridge in square 4615. Fd to be indicated by offr from H! 2/1 Aust Pnr Bn 462146.

(b) Task to be completed by 2400 hrs 26 Nov

ADMINISTRATION

- 15. Medical - (a) LDS remains present posn
 (b) ADS - Area rd junc square 4815, establisher
 by 0500 hrs 27 Nov 44.
 (c) CP - at 483139 established by 0500 hrs 27
 Nov 44.
- 16. Ann - AP to be established 482147 at 0500 hrs.
- 17. Water - Refil water bottles after consolidation.
- 18. B Ech - Concentrate area 482214 by 0700 hrs. NO move fwd
 till ordered
- 19. PW - Bde HQ, thence cage at B Ech.
- 20. Burials - Cemetery 472143

TELECOMMUNICATION

- 21. Bde HQ remains present area
Comd Post - Established 489142 by 0400 hrs 27 Nov 44.
Line - To be laid from comd post to objectives in rear fwd
 bns
Reserve Bn - CO 2/25 Aust Inf Bn report to comd post 0500 hrs
 27 Nov 44.
Synchronisation of Time - 2230 hrs 26 Nov 44.

ned at conference.

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DISTRIBUTION

2/6 Aust Fd Regt	1
2/2 Aust T/A Regt	2
2/5 Aust Fd Coy	3
2/25 Aust Inf Bn	4
2/31 Aust Inf Bn	5
2/33 Aust Inf Bn	6
C Coy 2/1 Aust LG Bn	7
2/4 Aust Fd Amb	8
Comd	9
BM	10
SC	11
TO	12
IO	13
IOs	14/16
File (2)	17/18
War Diary (2)	19/20

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LESSON FROM 25 AUST INF BDE TACTICAL EXERCISE WITH TFS NO 5
25/26 NOV 44

The following points were noted during the recent exercise, and are listed to enable commanders, and staff officers of all grades to take the necessary steps to ensure correction.

1. There still seem to be units which experience difficulty in passing a SP at a given time.

When a unit is required to pass a SP at a given time the CO or OC will at once select a point, leading via the main route but not on it, which he indicates as his own unit SP. It is then the duty of the IO or equivalent to arrange that the distance between the two SPs along the route laid down be accurately measured and timed. The only certain method is to actually march it, watch in hand. The CO or OC when he gets this time, then lays down a time at which his own leading troops pass his own SP. The IO or equivalent goes with the leading troops, and times their move so that they will pass the main SP on time, almost to the second. This timing question is a most important one, not at all difficult. Care and attention to detail will give results. It is perfectly obvious that the matter has not yet been given the attention necessary. It is not a matter of self congratulation to be able to say "The unit was only two minutes late."

2. Movement in column on roads requires a great deal more attention. Troops are still inclined to move jungle fashion in single file, when it is unnecessary. This causes the unit to occupy much more road space than is necessary, or has been planned for.

All comds are responsible for the control, correction etc of their own units while on the march, as well as at other times, and this control cannot be exercised if the comd is content to march along at the head of his column, and not inspect it at frequent intervals.

NO pl comd worth the name will march along at the head of his pl, and never look back to check up on his rear secs. All Coy comds should check their pls every now and then, Coy comds are not provided with any means of extra mobility, and must place themselves in their Coy column in the best place to enable them to check frequently. At the head of the centre pl is about the best place for a Coy comd to move while on the march. From there he can as a rule see the three pls, and with his 536 set can soon correct any tendency on the part of pls to string out or crowd.

On the Bn and Bde level the problem is simplified to some extent. These comds are provided with a jeep to give them that extra mobility necessary for them to carry out their functions. A comd who, given the means, fails to use it to check on his unit column frequently, can only be regarded as failing to fulfil the functions of his rank and appointment.

The Bn comd who plods along at the head of his Bn is doing little more than the most junior sec comd in assisting his unit to maintain formations etc, and he is not aware of what is going on in rear.

NO comd should leave the responsibility of training in movement in column in the hands of his Coy comds, and to luck.

It is now a matter of policy within this Bde that whatever means of increasing the Bn comds mobility are available on WE will be used to the utmost.

3. Fighting gp vehicles handling showed improvement, but is still not all that could be desired. At all times these vehicles should be under control of an officer.

Drivers must learn:- To appreciate value of cover afforded by ground, and methods of camouflage in the open - not to park within 50 yds of another vehicle - when stopping to do so right off the road - to move by bounds rather than creeping along at 2 miles an hour.

4. During the exercise the following incidents were noted regarding fires:-

(i) Fires were made too frequently, and instead of being made with dry twigs, logs of various sizes were used, with the result that dozens of fire smoke columns were coming up from the area occupied by the troops, so disclosing their positions.

(ii) In many cases troops moved off leaving fairly large logs still burning. These unattended fires caused several blazes, a large one on Seven Sisters, which was still burning 48 hrs after troops left the area - another within 100 yds of a Bn HQ, and men had to be detailed off to extinguish it. At time of writing, sixty troops from the Corps area, and civilians are fighting fires in area 4421.

(iii) At night during a movement designed to surprise the enemy, a group of stragglers of one Bn lit a cosy little bonfire on a skyline, which could be seen for miles.

(iv) While in an assembly area waiting a night surprise attack, a primus stove in the open was pre-heated with a large lump of kerosene soaked rag, a nice bright blaze guaranteed to give away any attempt at surprise, probably bring down Arty fire on unoffending individuals as well as bringing the whole of the Bde plan to disaster.

In view of this uncontrolled tendency to disregard all sense of reasonableness it will, in this Bde in future, be an offence for an individual to light a fire in the open without orders. Also it will be an offence to be in the vicinity of a fire. Billy cans etc will cease to be a part of a soldier's equipment and WILL NOT be carried.

All ranks of the Bde will be informed of this policy, and COs will take severe disciplinary action against offenders. Disciplinary action will also be taken against an officer in whose area a fire is observed. This policy covers both day and night, and refers to exercises, and service in proximity to the enemy. An order to this effect will be included in Bde Routine Orders, and repeated in Unit orders.

5. It was observed that large numbers of stragglers occurred, no doubt many genuine ones, but certainly most of them only due to lack of control.

On future exercises, and later in action, the following will become the drill for dealing with stragglers.

(i) No man may fall behind the column unless he has a Certificate from his Unit MO to the effect that he is physically incapable of keeping up with the Unit. The RMO will move in rear of the Unit column to attend to this.

(ii) In NO circumstances will stragglers be carried on the Unit's MT. This habit helps produce more stragglers.

(iii) On the move a straggler's post will be established.

- (a) In rear of each unit (Unit IPs)
- (b) In rear of Bde (Div Pro)

An MO from Fd Amb will be with Bde Post. These posts will collect stragglers, and bring them along at the best pace possible.

Any found incapable of making any movement at all may be evacuated. All others will continue the march even at the rate of one mile an hour. At the end of the day, or even the next day when the post arrives at Bde HQ, the MO will report his arrival, and arrangements made to return the stragglers to their units.

6. It is evident that all ranks, many of whom should know better, do not appreciate the absolute necessity for complete and utter silence at night. As an instance, the Enemy Report contained a note that talking, and shouting were audible at Seven Sisters prior to first light. Apparently somebody was experiencing great difficulty in locating Mr LAWRENCE, and made no bones about telling the world including the enemy 1400 yds away. On the second night Mr MOFFAT was in great demand. All ranks must be trained to realise how sound travels at night, and what wages carelessness in this matter may earn.

7. The duties of guides are not being carried out efficiently by those detached for the task. An instance occurred on the approach to the beginning of the tape on the second night. The guiding party was left at the appointed RV, and instructed to pick up their respective units as they came up, and lead them off to the tape and FUP. For some obscure reason the guides did not show any interest until some six or seven hundred men passed, then it struck somebody that perhaps the troops may be their Bns looking for the tape. The result of course was confusion as it always will be if unimaginative, and unintelligent personnel are provided to carry out guiding duties.

8. Among the many intercommunication lessons brought out were the following:-

(1) Line teams from Bde Sigs to go with a Bn in the advance MUST join the Bn at the earliest possible moment. If it be a night move the line teams must certainly join the Bn before last light. When line teams do join Bns, they should be taken under the wing of the Bn Sig Officer. It is of vital interest to the Bn that communications to Bde function for many reasons well known to experienced Bn comds. These line teams are as strong as it is possible to provide from the resources of the Bde Sig Sec, but even so there may be occasions where they are not strong enough numerically to do their task in say an attack over difficult ground. It is considered that it is the duty of the Bn Sig Officer to give the line team whatever assistance in the way of reliefs etc as is necessary to ensure that the line keeps pace with the CO. On capture of the objective one of the first requirements is to get the information to the Bde Comd without loss of time so that the next phase can be developed.

9. R & W/T links to Bde were not used to their full capacity. In mobile ops it will often be impossible to lay line until some degree of stability is achieved, and reliance must of necessity be placed upon W & R/T.

On this exercise valuable time was lost to the Bde comd at a vital period because it was not possible to communicate with one CO, and pass instructions re RV for a recon. It was found that the Bde Set with the Bn was on the tail of the column while the CO was at the head, and in any case the set was not on the air because the unit was on the move. The set of course was jeep carried, and there is no reason whatever why it should not remain on listening watch at all times.

Consideration must be given to where this vital link is carried. It would seem the heights of foolishness it not downright neglect if advantage is not taken of this usually reliable means of communication between the Bde and Bn Comds.

It will be a policy in future exercises and ops that the Bde link set will be carried in the CO's jeep with one operator, and at ALL times, whenever humanly and mechanically possible, that jeep will NOT be more than 50 yds from the CO. Where this is not possible the set will be man packed. In this case COs should bear in mind the necessity of pausing now and then for a period to enable the set to be set up, and pass information to Bde Comd. Normally a jeep is detached for the Bde W/T link, and when set is placed in CO's jeep its space in second jeep can be utilized to carry whatever is displaced from the CO's jeep.

The problem of maintaining communications with rear echelons such as ADS and MDS - B echelon - Rear Bde HQ etc should not be a difficult one. Normally a det from Div Sigs would move with Bde and lay a main artery which these rear echelons could tap into, until such times as they could be provided with their own line on to the Bde switch board. In future exercises of this nature a request will be made to Div to provide this essential link.

However such tapping in should be regarded as an expedient only, and great care must be exercised by the rear echelon to use the line only on urgent matters.

It has also been noted that, in general, the troops' attitude towards line is at best, indifferent. They do not realise that their own food, water, and ammunition supply to say nothing of their very lives, often depend on keeping the line in. On one occasion a line party found a line which at that time was not airlined, broken. A Bn had passed over it, and simply tangled in it which meant a break. It is not difficult to imagine a weary soldier condemning a line tangled up in his legs to perdition, and breaking it with a lunge designed to free him of the embarrassment. But what is difficult to understand is the apathy of those in the lead who will not bother to detail a couple of men to hold the line up out of harms way until the Bn has passed.

This matter should receive attention in future training.

In several instances misinterpretation of map references passed in messages occurred. This is partly due to the use of the map ref code which like most codes slows up the flow of information, and is regarded by forward Comds as a great curse. It is intended to dispense with the map ref code in fast moving situations on the next exercise, and try passing map refs in clear. The slight risk involved will be justified by the speeding up of the flow of correct information.

Another cause is the lack of appreciation on the part of signalmen of just what damage a misinterpreted map ref can cause. This is a matter of trg, and will receive attention by the Sigs Officers of the Bde.

10. Control of B Echelon requires further consideration. In ops in semi open country B echelons will normally be brigaded at a point some distance in rear, and called fwd in total or part as required. Requests concerning movement fwd from B echelon area will be made to SC at Bde HQ.

Whenever the echelon or part of it is called fwd, a RV some distance in rear of the danger area will be named, and guides sent to bring the vehicles fwd by a covered line, not as happened in this exercise where half a dozen water carts were running along a ridge in front of the enemy position when the Bde was trying to launch a surprise attack.

Whenever any elements of B echelon are being brought fwd they will be U/C of a responsible person preferably an officer, Bde TO or SC(L) for instance.

11. No doubt there are many other lessons observed by Bn Comds which will receive attention. These quoted above are some, in each case a remedy has been suggested. COs are required to implement the policy indicated.

Certain lessons of a domestic nature were noted as far as Bde HQ is concerned, and these have been listed, and will receive attention.

12. There will be a conference of COs at 1500 hrs 30 Nov 44 to discuss matters arising from these notes.

HQ 25 Aust Inf Bde
29 November 44.

Gen. M. J. ... Brig
Comd 25 Aust Inf Bde

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2/6 Aust Fd Regt
2/2 Aust Tk A Regt
2/5 Aust Fd Coy
2/1 Aust LG Bn
2/4 Aust Fd Amb
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TRAINING SYLLABUS FOR WEEK ENDING 10 DEC 44

NOTE:- Squads as for previous training.

Date	Period	Type of training	Date	Period	Type of training
4 Dec	0830 -1200	Gas training	4 Dec	1330-1630	Gas training
5 Dec	do	Route march	5 Dec	do	Route march
6 Dec	do	Grenade range	6 Dec	do	Grenade range
7 Dec	do	Recapitulation - Bren	7 Dec	do	Recapitulation - Bren
8 Dec	0830-1030 1030-1200	Gas training Lecture - Current affairs	8 Dec	1330-1500 1500-1630	Gas training Lecture - Current affairs
9 Dec	0830-1200	Tactical river crossing	9 Dec	1330-1630	Tactical river crossing
10 Dec	REST DAY			REST DAY	
11 Dec	0830-1200	Treatment of clothes with Anti mite fluid (Bde Hygiene Offr)	11 Dec	1330-1630	Treatment of clothes with Anti mite fluid (Bde Hygiene Offr)
12 Dec	0830-1100 1100-1200	Small arms training Lecture - Field Security	12 Dec	1330-1500 1500-1630	Small arms training Lecture - Field Security
13 Dec	0830-1200	Practical map reading	13 Dec	1330-1630	Practical map reading
14/16 Dec	DIVISIONAL EXERCISE			DIVISIONAL EXERCISE	

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ROUTINE ORDERS

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COMMANDING

25 AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE

25 AUST INF BDE.
30 NOVEMBER 44.

(NOS 35-43)

35. FIRES.

It is an offence for any person to light a fire in the open without orders.

This policy covers both day and night and refers to exercises and service in proximity to the enemy.

Fires within camp areas are governed by Brigade and Unit Standing Fire Orders.

Disciplinary action will be taken against all offenders and against an officer in whose area the fire occurs.

36. OVERLOADING OF VEHICLES.

Reference is made to GRO 2420/44 re loads to be carried on the various types of vehicles.

This order is NOT being carried out. Units will ensure that all drivers observe the provisions of the order.

37. DRESS.

Provisions of 7 Aust Div Acm Instr No 26, para 29 are NOT being observed. Units will ensure that the provisions of this order are carried out.

38. FIELD POST OFFICE.

The 25 Aust Inf Bde Field Post Office situated at Ref Map GORDONVALE 1" 486383 is OUT of BOUNDS to all personnel except those personnel authorised to collect and deliver mail.

39. ANGAU.

Applications are invited from members of the AMF for appointment to the District Services of the Australia New Guinea Administrative Unit.

Applicants should be 20-25 years of age, but applications will be considered in cases of special qualifications from applicants not over 35 years of age. The positions for which applications are invited are those of patrol officers in district establishments. It is desirable that applicants should be prepared to make service in the Civil Administration of Papua or New Guinea their career.
(To be read in conjunction with GRO A417/44)

40. LIFE ASSURANCE POLICIES TAKEN OUT BY MEMBERS OF THE FORCES.

Life assurance policies taken out by members of the forces on their own lives after September, 1939, usually contain a war clause which imposes upon the member assured, if he wishes to remain covered under his policy for the full sum assured while serving outside the Commonwealth, the obligation of -

- (a) informing the life assurance office concerned of his departure from Australia and of the date thereof ; and
- (b) payment to that office of an extra war loading premium.

Certain life assurance offices regard the Territories of Papua and New Guinea as being, for this purpose, outside the Commonwealth, and there are variations in the rate of war loading premiums charged by different offices, while, in some circumstances, an office may not be prepared to cover the additional risk and may, therefore, refuse to quote any extra premium. A member who desires to remain covered while serving outside the Commonwealth should ascertain from the office concerned to what areas the existing cover extends and what rates of war loading premiums are required should he serve outside those areas.

If the member subsequently embarks for service outside the Commonwealth, he may arrange through Army channels

- (a) for payment of the extra amount of war loading premiums (as previously ascertained by him) to the office concerned, by means of a remittance of undrawn pay; and
- (b) for notice of the date of embarkation to be given to that office by the DFO when paying the remittance.

The member will attach to the remittance form a letter requesting the giving of the notice mentioned in sub-para (b) of this paragraph.

For security reasons, direct notification by members to life assurance offices of their impending or actual embarkation is strictly prohibited.

(GRO F412/44)

41. REMITTANCES OF UNDRAWN PAY AND CASH.

It is expected that there will be a heavy demand by members to avail themselves of the opportunity of sending remittances as Christmas gifts, and members are therefore requested to remit early.

Remittances forwarded through Paymasters on or before 10 December 44, will be paid prior to Christmas.

42. AAES CORRESPONDENCE COURSES.

Enrolments for correspondence courses at Sydney Technical College will be suspended from 15 December 44 until 15 Jan 45, so that provisions may be made for staff adjustments and a review of the stock and equipment position.

AMES Correspondence Courses (Continued)

No applications for enrolment will be forwarded during the period mentioned.

There will be, also, a reduced service as regards the correction of work submitted and existing students are advised that there is a possibility of their work (corrected) being delayed.

43. BOUNDS.

The KAIRI State Farm ref map GORDONVALE 1" 5033-5133 is put of bounds to all ranks.

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S.G. 25 AUST INF BDE.

Distribution;

2/25 AUST INF BN (6)
2/31 AUST INF BN (6)
2/33 AUST INF BN (6)
25 BDE SIGS SECTION
8 PL 2/I AUST GUARD REGT
315 AUST LAD
FPO 54
Bde Comd
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Serjeants' Mess
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Canteen
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NOTICES

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NOTICES

CHURCH PARADES
SUNDAY 3 Dec 44

CHURCH OF ENGLAND-HOLY COMMUNION.

2/31 AUST INF BN - 0845 hrs FOR 2/31 Aust Inf Bn
2/I24 BDE Wksps
2/I24 Ord Fd Pk
2/2 AAMCU
2/33 Aust Inf Bn
2/25 Aust Inf Bde
2/25 Aust Inf Bn

ROMAN CATHOLIC-HOLY MASS.

2/25 AUST INF BN - 0830 hrs FOR 2/25 Aust Inf Bn
2/I24 Bde Wksps
2/I24 Ord Fd Pk
2/2 AAMCU
Hq 25 Aust Inf Bde
2/35 Aust Inf Bn
RAE
2/31 Aust Inf Bn

GENERAL PARADES

2/33 AUST INF BN SATURDAY 1400 hrs.

2/31 AUST INF BN - 0815 hrs FOR for all units excluding,
2/25 Aust Inf Bn
2/33 Aust Inf Bn
2/25 AUST INF BN - 0930 hrs FOR 2/25 Aust Inf Bn

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES
ARMY EDUCATION SERVICE

FORMATION OR AREA **25 AUST. INF. BDE.**

PART I - STATISTICS OF ACTIVITIES

SECTION 1 - ARMY EDUCATION PERSONNEL

Offrs O/Rs Total

(a) Total full time staff on strength at end of month	1	1	2
(b) Total of UEOs effective at end of month	4	3	7
Total of personnel	5	4	9

SECTION 2 - LECTURES, INCLUDING ILLUSTRATED LECTURES

Gen Hosp Total

No. of locations at which lectures given	6	-	6
No. of lectures given during month of Nov 44	13	-	13
No. of illustrated lectures given	3	-	3
CLASSIFICATION OF LECTURES DELIVERED.	by Army Education Staff	19	-
	by other Army personnel	3	-
	by members of other Services	-	-
	by civilians	-	-
Aggregate attendances at all lectures during month	2500	-	2500

SECTION 3 - EDUCATIONAL FILM SCREENINGS

No. of locations at which screenings given	NIL
Total No. of screenings given	NIL
(a) With lecture or discussion	NIL
(b) Without lecture or discussion	NIL
Aggregate attendances (approx)	NIL

SECTION 4 - CLASSES

	Gen	Hosp	Total
NUMBER OF CLASSES			
Active at end of previous month	2	-	2
Begun during month	-	-	-
Completed courses during month	-	-	-
Lapsed during month	-	-	-
Active at end of month	2	-	2
No. of camps and locations with active classes	2	-	2
Total No. of personnel participating	6	-	6

SECTION 5 - DISCUSSION GROUPS

Active at end of previous month	6	-	6
Formed during month	-	-	-
Lapsed during month	2	-	2
Completed courses during month	2	-	2
Active at end of month	2	-	2
No. of camps and locations with active groups	1	-	1
Total no. of personnel participating	11	-	11

SECTION 6 - MUSIC

Locations at which music recitals given	2	-	2
Total No. of music recitals	4	-	4
Aggregate attendances	110	-	110
1. No. of recitals by musicians in person	-	-	-
(a) With commentary	-	-	-
(b) Without commentary	-	-	-
Total	-	-	-
2. No. of recitals of recorded music	-	-	-
(a) With commentary	4	-	4
(b) Without commentary	-	-	-
Total	4	-	4
3. No. of locations with music groups or clubs	-	-	-
Total membership of music groups or clubs	-	-	-

30 NOV 1944

W. L. Hair
Lieut.
 Education Officer
 25 Aust Inf Bde

AUST ARMY EDUCATION SERVICE

25 AUST INF BDE

SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT FOR MONTH NOV 44

1. ESTABLISHMENT

During the month under review there were changes in FTD Unit Education Representatives in 2/25 Aust Inf Bn and 2/31 Aust Inf Bn. All Unit Education Officers continue to show a keen interest in the work of A.A.E.S., but in some cases are unable to carry out a full programme owing to intensive training.

2. LECTURES

Besides the talks given by A.A.E.S. personnel and FTD Unit Education Representatives, as shown in Section 2 of the Report, regular talks were given by I.O.s and Unit Officers on Current Affairs, amounting to 24 talks to 1900 personnel.

A very interesting lecture was given by a Bn Officer on his experiences and impressions of Pre-War Europe, in one Unit.

3. FILMS

No screenings were given due to no suitable power being available.

4. CLASSES

Of the two classes being conducted, one is being conducted in elementary Reading and Writing by the FTD Unit Education Representative in 2/33 Aust Inf Bn, whilst the other class is being conducted in Theory of Music by WO I Peter Cooper to five (5) personnel of the Bde.

5. DISCUSSION GROUPS

Although few Discussion Groups are active, a great deal of interest is being taken in the material being issued by A.A.E.S. and Dept of Post-War Reconstruction, and informal discussions are being held.

6. MUSIC

Due to the illness of WO I for Music, and intensive training throughout the Bde, no piano recitals were given throughout the month. Recorded recitals of Gilbert and Sullivan Operas have proved popular. The lack of a portable gramophone amplifier within the Bde prevents the formation of music groups.

7. HOBBIES

Owing to no further material being available, this activity has almost ceased to function. Further supplies of leather are urgently needed in all units of the Bde Group.

8. BOOKS

A.A.E.S. libraries are still proving popular in all units, but the number of books available, approximately 300 for a Bde Group is by no means sufficient, and all units are requesting that new books be supplied. The boxes of Penguins in each unit have now completed their term of usefulness.

Several units have arranged to purchase books to the value of 35 Pounds through A.A.E.S.

9. DEBATES

Two debates were held in two units of the Bde, with an aggregate attendance of 200. Both proved very popular. Quizzes continue to be used on different occasions as the opportunity offers.

10. GENERAL

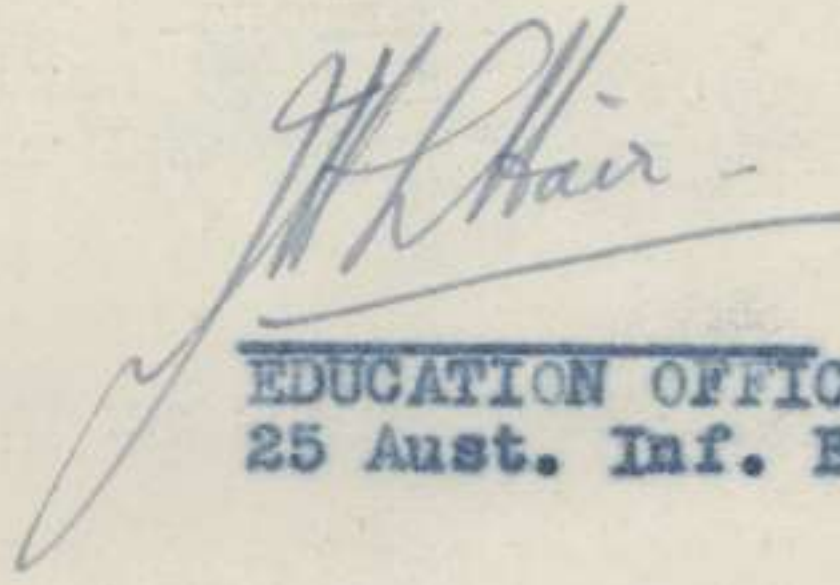
Map Displays and Wall Newspapers are functioning in most units Under Comd, and the new monthly news sheet will prove of great assistance in keeping material supplied to the various boards.

Applications for Correspondence Courses during the month totalled 28, and only two were not accepted.

The receipt of Field Reference Library Series II is most acceptable, and is already proving of use. Dozens of requests for the purchase or borrowing of all types of books have been satisfactorily finalised whenever the required books were available.

Throughout the Bde Group, it is pleasing to note that increasing numbers of personnel are requesting the help and assistance of A.A.E.S.

30 Nov 44


Lt.
EDUCATION OFFICER.
25 Aust. Inf. Bde.

APPX N

AMENITIES REPORT - MONTH ENDED 30 NOVEMBER 44.

HQ 25 Aust Inf Bde
5 Dec 44.

AMENITIES OFFICER
7 AUST DIV.

1. SPORTS:

The playing of cricket has been restricted within the Bde Gp owing to the lack of wickets and playing areas. Endeavours have been made by Bns to obtain areas from local landowners on which to prepare cricket wickets without success. Despite these difficulties Group 3 of the 7 Aust Div Cricket competition has commenced, practically all matches of Rounds 1 and 2 having been completed. Matches with 2/6 Aust Fd Regt teams have not as yet been played owing to scarcity of grounds and also to training. Endeavours are being made for these matches to be played and Rounds 1 and 2 completed. Some matches of Round 3 have also been played.

Practice wickets have been laid down wherever possible and are fully utilised outside times of training parades.

Tennis Courts are situated at 2/25, 2/31, 2/33 Aust Inf Bns and at 2/4 Aust Fd Amb. These are in play every day, but difficulty is being experienced in keeping up the supply of re-strings for racquets. Regular inter company matches are played in 2/31 and 2/33 Aust Inf Bns.

A Tennis Court is in the course of construction at 25 Bde HQ area which is anticipated will be completed within the week and be fit for play.

Deck Tennis, Badinton, Shuttlecock and Volley Ball Courts are in existence in each Coy and Bde HQ lines and are fully utilised as training permits. Basketball Courts are also situated in practically each Coy lines, games being played on platoon and company basis.

2. MOBILE CINEMAS:

Each unit of the Bde group is serviced by two Mobile Cinema units attached to 7 Aust Div, and two shows are seen each week by all units. The screenings are attended by all personnel not on duty.

Cinema programmes are the most popular form of entertainment and are looked forward to by troops, but dissatisfaction has been expressed by all units with regard to the films being shown at present. Practically all films are old and in almost every instance the films have been included in the circuit when the units were at their previous location. In this regard units have pointed out that troops are keen to see an "A" class film the second time, but not so keen with films of mediocre standard. In two or three cases during the past month the sound effects of the films have left much to be desired.

3. ENTERTAINMENT:

Every endeavour has been made within the Bde to provide entertainment for troops and to this end Bn concert parties have been organised.

2/25 Aust Inf Bn has for some time past had a unit concert party which shows in the Bn Recreation Hut on Friday evenings of each week to an audience of some 300 personnel, the show being followed by a supper provided from Bn Regimental Funds.

2/31 Aust Inf Bn have their concert party and during the month gave four performances, one on the stage in the unit lines and three in No. 1 Concert Theatre. The shows were of a very high class and all very successful, the theatre on each occasion being filled to capacity. An opportunity was afforded to all troops of the Division to see the concert, this opportunity being fully availed of.

It is desired to take this opportunity of extending the thanks of this Bde to the Amenities Officer and Sergeant of 21 Aust Inf Bde for the work done and co-operation extended in the staging of the concerts by them, which in a great measure made the shows the success they were. At the same time it is desired to express the appreciation of 2/31 Aust Inf Bn to the "Legerton Trio" of 1 Aust Corps for their assistance and very fine performances with the shows.

2/33 Aust Inf Bn have also organised a Concert party which is at present rehearsing, the intention being for the party to give performances at No. 1 Concert Theatre during the month.

To assist in unit entertainment two pianos were obtained from Rear Ech 1 Aust Army, Mareeba, on approval with option of purchase within the Bde.

A regular feature of unit entertainment is the 2/33 Aust Inf Bn Brass Band, which plays in Bn lines every day, when not giving recitals at the Koala Club or other units. The Band played prior to the commencement of Concerts at No. 1 Theatre, and on occasions prior to the commencement of the Cinema Screenings.

The Band, which is of very high class, are always willing to place their services at the demand of other units in the area.

4. PHILANTHROPIC BODIES:

All Bns and Bde HQ have a Philanthropic Representative attached to the unit. Recreation Huts or Marquee Tents are outfitted with tables, chairs, writing material, reading matter, cards and indoor games which are fully utilised.

In the case of 2/25 Aust Inf Bn and Bde HQ Public Address Systems are made available to representatives for the playing of records, news broadcasts etc.

5. SUGGESTIONS:

A suggestion has been put forward by one unit that the power plant servicing the mobile cinemas be moved back as far as possible from the operating room as, in the present position in which it is usually situated, i.e. about 20 yds from operating truck, difficulty is experienced by men at the rear in hearing the programme.

A further suggestion has been advanced by 2/31 Aust Inf Bn as follows :-

" Mobile Cinema equipment be tested some hours prior to the commencement of the screening as troops get very restless while the staff remedy any defects to the machine after the commencement of the showing."

J. Bowman Lt.
Amen Offr 25 Aust Inf Bde.

EXERCISE FINCH

UNITY IS

SHOWING DISPOSITION OF UNITS
 UNDER COMMAND 25 BOE AT CONCLUSION
 OF EXERCISE "FINCH" 021700K
 ENLARGED FROM "MACALISTER RANGE" 1 inch to 1 mile



ARTY		
AREA	57mm	75mm A.A.
SE COASTAL PLAIN	4	4
UNITY AIRFIELD	-	2
WEST COAST PLAIN	2	5
TOTAL	6	11

TROOPS					
AREA	INF	P.D.	ARTY	ENCS	TOTAL
SE COAST PL	150	150	-	-	300
UNITY REEF	-	80	500	170	750
WEST COAST PL	1030	260	-	-	1290
TOTAL	1280	490	500	170	2440

LEGEND	
ARC OF FIRE 75mm	
AIRFIELD AREA	
ARC OF FIRE 75mm	
SEA COASTAL PLAIN	
AA POSNS	
BEACH	
REEF	
ROCKY COAST	
FOOTHILLS	
SEALED ROAD	
TRACKS	
UNDERGROWTH	
CLIFFS	
CUTTING	
EMBANKMENT	
FATHOM LINES	

SCALE: 1 INCH TO 880 YDS

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE

Subject: RAISING OF 1 AUST DOG PL - RAE

HQ 7 Aust Div
14 Nov 44

Ref: A2672

ALL UNITS 7 AUST DIV

1. Subtended is the text of 1 Aust Corps A17397 of 13 Nov 44:-

"1. Advice has been received that 1 AUST DOG PL, RAE, will shortly be added to the OOB, AMF, and the raising of this unit on WE III/30A/1 will be authorised at an early date.

2. As it is anticipated suitable OR with experience in the handling of Dogs are unobtainable from reinforcements available, it is requested that addressees call for applications from units under command in terms of the following:-

(a) Applicants must have had experience with Dogs in:-

- (i) Care and handling
- (ii) Training and exercising
- (iii) Feeding and general hygiene
- (iv) First aid and elementary veterinary duties.

(b) Must have experience or be suitable for training in:-

- (i) Map Reading - Knowledge of conventional signs; ability to compare map and ground intelligently; to measure distance on the map, to set a map by ground and sun; knowledge of grid system and description of points by map reference and vice versa; recognition of ground and feature from the map.
- (ii) Knowledge of own and enemy mines and booby traps.

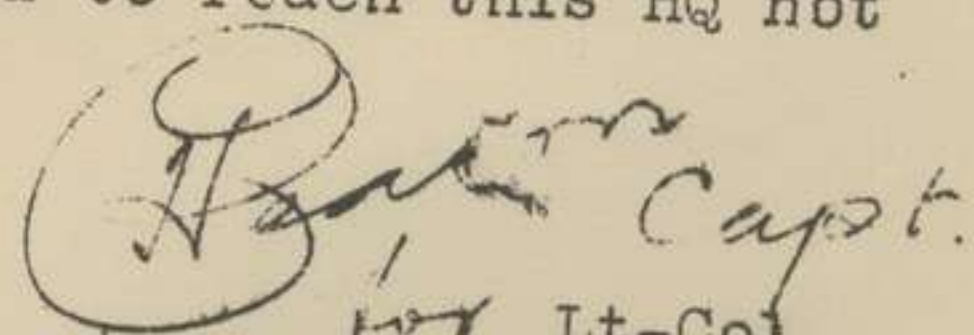
3. It has been recommended that successful applicants be classified as "Dog Handlers", with a Trade Grouping NOT yet finalized.

4. (a) Applications should consist of Regimental Number, Rank, Name, Present Trade Grouping (if any), and/or posting within unit, present unit, together with particulars as para 2.

(b) It is requested that applications be forwarded to reach HQ 1 Aust Corps not later than 1 Dec 44. "

2. Applications will be forwarded to reach this HQ not later than 28 Nov 44.

DISTRIBUTION: List "C"


for Lt-Col
AA & QMG 7 Aust Div

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE

ROUTINE ORDERS

BY

BRIGADIER F. J. H. TIER - CBE, DSO, ED.

COMMANDING

25 AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE BRIGADE

(Nos 31 - 33)

25 AUST INF BDE
12 NOVEMBER 44

31. PROPHYLACTIC ABLUTION CENTRE

To be read in conjunction with 1 AUST CORPS Routine Order No. 279

It has been conclusively shown that 90% of VD cases of Army personnel is caused through neglect of making use of P.A.C. facilities.

Troops are reminded that such facilities exist in all Prophylactic Ablution Centres.

ABLUTION Centre is located in Main Street.

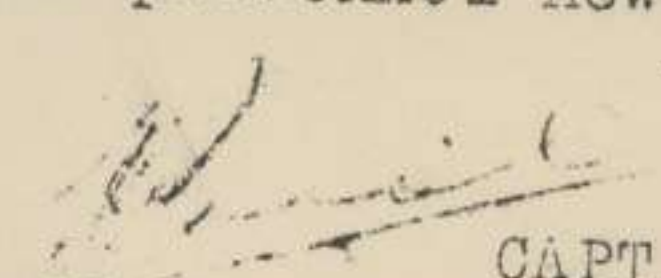
32. AAB 83s

Units will ensure that all entries as prescribed by GAOs from time to time are recorded in AAB 83s.

A certificate will be forwarded to this HQ by 0900 hrs 19 Nov 44 certifying that all AAB 83s are up to date with all such entries.

33. FIRST AUST ARMY (ATHERTON TABLELAND) ADM STANDING ORDERS.

First Aust Army (Atherton Tableland) Administrative Standing Orders apply and with any amendments thereto from time to time notified in 1 Aust Corps Routine Orders will continue to apply until further order to all Units and personnel now or hereafter under command 1 Aust Corps.


CAPT.
SC 25 AUST INF BDE.

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- 315 Aust LAD
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NOTICES

APPENDIX "A" attached for distribution to Units of Brigade Headquarters ONLY.

APPENDIX "A" to ROUTINE ORDERS
of 12 NOVEMBER 44.

REGIMENTAL FUNDS STATEMENT

H. 25 AUST INF BDE MENS' CANTEN - MONTH 30 SEP - 31 OCT 44.

TRADING ACCOUNT

Sep 29	To Stock	74. 18. 7	Nov 4	By Stock	82. 7. 5
Nov 4	To Purchases	615. 16. 6	Nov 4	By Cash Sales	619. 2. 10
Nov 4	To Gross Profit	10. 15. 2			
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£ 701. 10. 3			£ 701. 10. 3.		
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PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT

Nov 4	To Discount Account*	2. 0. 8.	Nov 4	By Gross Profit	10. 15. 2
Nov 4	To Purchases Mens' Mess	24. 17. 0	Nov 4	By Discount Received	32. 11. 4
Nov 4	To Net Profit	16. 8. 10			
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£ 43. 6. 6.			£ 43. 6. 6.		
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BALANCE SHEET.

LIABILITIES

ASSETS

Capital Account	83. 4. 2.	Stock	82. 7. 5
Regtl Trust Account	56. 3. 10.	Cash on Hand	53. 4. 7.
		Deposit on Kegs etc.	3. 16. 0
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£ 139. 8. 0.		£ 139. 8. 0	
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REGIMENTAL FUNDS TRUST ACCOUNT F 135

Balance as at 30 September 44	41. 15. 1
AADC Canteen Profits for Aug 44	4. 16. 0
Canteen Profits ex 7 Div Carrier Coy	5. 9.
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	£ 46. 16. 10.
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AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE

ROUTINE ORDERS

BY

BRIGADIER K. J. LAMMIE - CBE, DSO, ED.

COMMANDING

25 AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BATTALION.

(No 34)

25 AUST INF BDE.
15 NOVEMBER 44.

34. INJURIES CAUSED BY ACCIDENTS WITH EXPLOSIVES AND LIVE AMMUNITION:
1. Members of the public have been killed or seriously injured recently as the result of handling explosives and live ammunition which either :-
 - (a) have been taken or sent home by members of the forces as souvenirs; or
 - (b) have been negligently left in places to which the public has access.
 2. To prevent a recurrence of such accidents, the following instructions will be observed strictly.
 3. (a) Unless acting in the course of his military duties or unless so authorized by or under the National Security (Firearms and Explosives) Regulations, a member of the AIF will not have in his possession or deliver or transmit or attempt to deliver or transmit to any other person any bomb, shell or other explosive or live ammunition of any kind.
(b) All units will take vigorous action to ensure that members comply with the terms of this paragraph.
 4. (a) When any member serving outside Australia and Tasmania is to return to Australia or Tasmania, his kit and baggage will be inspected thoroughly, prior to his embarkation or emplaning, to ensure that he is not in possession of any explosives or live ammunition of any kind other than such as may be necessary in the course of his military duties.
(b) His kit will again inspected thoroughly at any LTD from which he is to be released on leave, prior to his being so released.
 5. (a) Units will ensure that all prescribed safety precautions for the handling and storing of explosives and live ammunition are carefully observed.
(b) Explosives and live ammunition used for training purposes will be carefully safeguarded.
(c) Under no circumstances will explosives or live ammunition of any kind be left unguarded in any place to which members of the public have access.
(d) In areas where training with explosives and live ammunition is carried out, the utmost care will be taken to ensure that all blinds are searched for and destroyed in accordance with the prescribed safety regulations.
 6. If a member is charged with an offence against this order, a summary of evidence will be taken and an application submitted to superior authority for trial by court martial.

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ACUTE ORDERS (No. 34 Cont.)

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ROYAL AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE.

Form Met. G.4.

No. 4. Mobile Meteorological Flight.

LONG PERIOD FORECAST

PERIOD: 29th October to 3rd November

Number: 1

District	Date	
	29th Oct & 30th Oct.	Weather will be fine with scattered cloud at first, but becoming more cloudy by the 30th, with light showers likely. Winds S to SE, mainly about 10mph. Seas and surf will become slightly higher than the smooth conditions of the last few days - mainly slight seas with slight to moderate surf.
	31st Oct 1st & 2nd November.	Weather is expected to remain fairly uniform during this period with cloudy conditions and occasional showers especially during night and early morning. Light to moderate SE to ESE winds, chiefly about 10 mph. Seas slight (about 2ft), S light to moderate surf (about 3-4 ft)
	3rd Nov.	Similar to the preceding three days; possibly a slight decrease in wind strength and surf.

Location— CAIRNS.	Date— 29th Oct.	Date— 30th Oct	Date— 31st Oct	Date— 1st Nov.
	HR. MIN.	HR. MIN.	HR. MIN.	HR. MIN.
Twilight	0522	0522	0521	0518
Sunrise	0544	0544	0543	0536
Sunset	1828	1828	1828	1819
Twilight	1850	1850	1850	1838
Moonrise	1608	1710	1811	1850
Moonset	0352	0439	0526	0548
Phase of Moon	Between 1st qtr & full moon	Full Moon!	Full Moon	Full moon

Issued to HQ 1 Beach Group; HQ 25 Brigade

Despatched 1530 hours by D/P.

A. M. Brown

ROYAL AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE.

Form Met. G.2.

No. 4 Mobile Meteorological Flight.

OCEAN/BEACH FORECAST.

DISTRICT: CAIRNS/

PERIOD: 061800 Z to 071800 Z Number: 13

1. GENERAL CONDITIONS FOR DISEMBARKATION AT SEA (up to 50 miles from Coast):
Smooth sea.

2. OCEAN FORECAST:

Fine, scattered cloud base 3000 ft.
Vis good.
Winds ESE 5-10 mph.
Sea smooth.
Further Prospects: Cloudy with light showers and winds strengthening to SE 10-15 mph after another 24 hours.

3. GENERAL CONDITIONS FOR BEACH LANDING:

Slight surf.

4. BEACH FORECASTS:

CAIRNS.
Fine with scattered cloud.
Vis good.
light easterly winds.
Smooth seas with slight surf.
Further Prospects: Fine conditions likely to continue for another 24 hours, then becoming cloudy with light showers. Winds increasing to SE 10-15 mph.

5. SUN: 7th. Twilight 0525 Rises 0534 Sets 1822 Twilight 1841

6. MOON 7th. Rises Sets 1102 Phase Last quarter.

7. TIDES:

7th.

Table with 9 columns: BEACHES, HIGH WATER, LOW WATER, HIGH WATER, LOW WATER, HIGH WATER, LOW WATER, HIGH WATER, LOW WATER. Rows include CAIRNS and distribution points like HQ 1 Aust Bch Gp and HQ 18 Brigade.

RAA Commando A. 1.
RAA 7 issued to 4.

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ROYAL AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE.

Form Met. G.4.

No. 4. Mobile Meteorological Flight.

LONG PERIOD FORECAST

PERIOD: 6 Nov to 14 Nov.

Number: 4.

District	Date	
CAIRNS.		It is expected that present fine conditions will continue for another 36-48 hours ; then weather will deteriorate and become cloudy with occasional showers and SE winds strengthening to 10-15 mph. These conditions will then continue probably for another five or six days.
	13 Nov.	Present indications are that weather will be cloudy with broken low cloud base 1-2000 ft and occasional light showers. Winds ESE 10-15 mph. Seas slight with low ESE swell. Slight to moderate surf (about 2-3 ft).

Location—	Date—	Date—	Date—	Date—
		13 Nov		
	HR. MIN.	HR. MIN.	HR. MIN.	HR. MIN.
Twilight		0513		
Sunrise		0532		
Sunset		1825		
Twilight		1843		
Moonrise		0330		
Moonset		1557		
Phase of Moon				

Distribution. 1.
HQ 13 Brigade 1.
HQ 1 Aust Beach Group 1.
RAAF Commando A.

Issued to RAA 7 Aust Div. 4.
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No. 4 Mobile Meteorological Flight.

OCEAN/BEACH FORECAST.

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Number: 14.

DISTRICT: CAIRNS.

PERIOD: 071800 K to 081800 K.

1. GENERAL CONDITIONS FOR DISEMBARKATION AT SEA (up to 50 miles from Coast):

Fine; slight sea.

2. OCEAN FORECAST:

Fine; few clouds.
Vis good.
Winds light and variable, but tending S to SE 10 mph later.
Seas smooth.
Further Prospects: Mainly fine but a light shower or two during nights with SE winds 10 mph.

3. GENERAL CONDITIONS FOR BEACH LANDING:

Fine; slight surf.

4. BEACH FORECASTS:

CAIRNS / .

Fine; few clouds.
Vis good.
Winds variable at first tending S to SE 10 mph later.
Smooth seas with slight surf.
Further Prospects: A light shower or two during the night with S to SE winds strengthening to 10-15 mph.

5. SUN: 8th. Twilight 0514 Rises 0533 Sets 1820 Twilight 1841

6. MOON: 8th. Rises 0021 Sets 1151 Phase Last quarter.

7. TIDES:

8th.

BEACHES	HIGH WATER	LOW WATER	HIGH WATER	LOW WATER	HIGH WATER	LOW WATER	HIGH WATER	LOW WATER
CAIRNS / .	0539 hrs. 4.6 ft.	1053 hrs. 2.8 ft.	1727 hrs. 7.0 ft.	---	hrs. ft.	hrs. ft.	hrs. ft.	hrs. ft.
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Distribution:
HQ 1 Aust Bch Gp. 1
HQ 18 Brigade. 1
RAA Commando A. 1
RAA 7 Aust Div. 1

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25 Aust Inf Bde

No. 4. Mobile Meteorological Flight.

OCEAN/BEACH FORECAST.

DISTRICT: CAIRNS.

PERIOD: 081800 K to 091800 K. Number: 15.

1. GENERAL CONDITIONS FOR DISEMBARKATION AT SEA (up to 50 miles from Coast):

Fine; smooth sea.

2. OCEAN FORECAST:

Fine, scattered low cloud.
Vis good.
Winds S to SE 1-9 mph.
Smooth seas.
Further Braggins - Scattered to broken cloud with a few light showers at night.
Winds SE 10 mph.
Slight seas.

3. GENERAL CONDITIONS FOR BEACH LANDING:

Fine; slight surf.

4. BEACH FORECASTS:

CAIRNS.
Fine with scattered low cloud base 2-3000 ft.
Vis good.
Winds S to SE 5-15 mph.
Smooth seas with slight surf.
Further Prospects - Scattered to broken cloud with a few showers at night.
Slight surf.

5. SUN: 9th. Twilight 0514 Rises 0533 Sets 1823 Twilight 1841

6. MOON: 9th Rises 0103 Sets 1241 Phase LAST QUARTER.

7. TIDES:

9th.

Table with 8 columns: BEACHES, HIGH WATER, LOW WATER, HIGH WATER, LOW WATER, HIGH WATER, LOW WATER, HIGH WATER, LOW WATER. Rows include CAIRNS and distribution points.

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ROYAL AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE.

Form Met. G.4.

No. Mobile Meteorological Flight.

LONG PERIOD FORECAST

PERIOD: 9 Nov to 14 Nov. Number: 5.

District	Date	
		The change in the weather mentioned in the last report will be delayed by about 24 hours otherwise the weather of the next few days is expected to develop as previously indicated. Fine conditions are likely to continue for another day, then cloudiness is expected to increase, with a few light showers at night. Showers becoming somewhat more frequent.
	13 - 14 Nov.	Broken low cloud base 1-2000 ft expected with light showers. Winds SE 5-15 mph. Seas slight with slight to moderate surf.

Location—	Date—	Date—	Date—	Date—
CAIRNS.		14th.		
	HR. MIN.	HR. MIN.	HR. MIN.	HR. MIN.
Twilight		0532		
Sunrise		0532		
Sunset		1825		
Twilight		1844		
Moonrise		0405		
Moonset		1646		
Phase of Moon		New moon.		

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ROYAL AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE.

Form Met. G.2.

No. 4 Mobile Meteorological Flight.

OCEAN/BEACH FORECAST.

DISTRICT: CAIRNS.

PERIOD: 091800 K to 101800 K. Number: 16.

1. GENERAL CONDITIONS FOR DISEMBARKATION AT SEA (up to 50 miles from Coast):

Fine; smooth sea.

2. OCEAN FORECAST:

Fine, with scattered low cloud. Possibly a light shower or two at night. Vis good. Winds SE 5-10 mph. Smooth to slight seas. Further Prospects - Cloudy nights, with light showers - slight seas with light SE winds.

3. GENERAL CONDITIONS FOR BEACH LANDING:

Fine; slight surf.

4. BEACH FORECASTS:

Table with 2 columns: CAIRNS. and forecast details. Forecast: Fine day with scattered low cloud but a light shower or two at night likely. Vis good. Winds SE 5-15 mph. Seas smooth to slight with slight surf. Further Prospects - A few light showers at night but mainly fine. Light to moderate SE winds with slight sea and surf.

5. SUN: 10th. Twilight 0514 Rises 0533 Sets 1824 Twilight 1842

6. MOON: 10th. Rises 0141 Sets 1635 Phase Between 1st qtr & new moon.

7. TIDES:

Tide table for 10th. Columns: BEACHES, HIGH WATER, LOW WATER. Rows for Cairns and distribution points.

8. Issued to: 11 Aust Fdn Gps, 118 Brigade, 17 Aust Div, 1st Commando Bn.

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25 Aust Imp Bde

ROYAL AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE.

Form Met. G.2.

No. 4 Mobile Meteorological Flight.

OCEAN/BEACH FORECAST.

HQ. RAA 7 AUST. DIV.

DISTRICT: CAIRNS.

PERIOD: 101800 K. to 111800 K.

Number: 17.

1. GENERAL CONDITIONS FOR DISEMBARKATION AT SEA (up to 50 miles from Coast):

Fine; smooth seas.

2. OCEAN FORECAST:

Fine with scattered cloud mainly at night base 2-3000 ft.
Vis good.
Light easterly winds.
Smooth seas.
Further Prospects - little change expected.

3. GENERAL CONDITIONS FOR BEACH LANDING:

Mainly fine; slight surf.

4. BEACH FORECASTS:

CAIRNS. Fine day with scattered cloud, but a few light showers during the night.
Vis good.
Light easterly winds.
Smooth seas with slight surf.
Further Prospects - little change expected.

5. SUN: 11th. Twilight 0714 Rises 0533 Sets 1824 Twilight 1842

6. MOON: 11th. Rises 0840 Sets 0210 Phase between 1st qtr & new moon.

7. TIDES:

11th.

Table with 9 columns: BEACHES, HIGH WATER, LOW WATER, HIGH WATER, LOW WATER, HIGH WATER, LOW WATER, HIGH WATER, LOW WATER. Rows include CAIRNS. and Distribution.

8. Issued to HQ 1 Aust Bch Cp 1. HQ 18 Brigade 1. RAN Commando A. 1. HQ 7 Aust Div.

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ROYAL AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE.

Form Met. G.2.

No. 4. Mobile Meteorological Flight.

OCEAN/BEACH FORECAST.

DISTRICT: CAIRNS.

PERIOD: 111800 K to 131800 K. Number: 18.

1. GENERAL CONDITIONS FOR DISEMBARKATION AT SEA (up to 50 miles from Coast):

Fine; smooth to slight sea.

2. OCEAN FORECAST:

Fine with scattered cloud.
Visibility good.
light NE winds.
Seas smooth to slight.

3. GENERAL CONDITIONS FOR BEACH LANDING:

Fine; slight surf.

4. BEACH FORECASTS:

CAIRNS

Possibility of a light shower or two during the night or early morning, but mainly fine with scattered cloud.
Vis good.
Winds NE 5-15 mph.
Smooth to slight seas with slight surf.

5. SUN: 13th. Twilight 0513 Rises 0532 Sets 1825 Twilight 1843

6. MOON: 13th. Rises 0330 Sets 1557 Phase Between 1st qtr & new moon

7. TIDES:

Table with 8 columns: BEACHES, HIGH WATER, LOW WATER, HIGH WATER, LOW WATER, HIGH WATER, LOW WATER, HIGH WATER, LOW WATER. Includes data for CAIRNS.

Distribution:
HQ 1 Aust Bch Gp. 1.
HQ 18 Brigade. 1.
RAM Commando A. 1.
RAA 7 Aust Div. 4.

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No. 4 Mobile Meteorological Flight.

OCEAN/BEACH FORECAST.

DISTRICT: CAIRNS.

PERIOD: 121800 K. to 131800 K. Number: 19.

1. GENERAL CONDITIONS FOR DISEMBARKATION AT SEA (up to 50 miles from Coast):

Fine; smooth to slight sea.

2. OCEAN FORECAST:

Fine, with scattered low cloud.

Vis good.

Winds NE 5-10 mph.

Seas smooth to slight.

3. GENERAL CONDITIONS FOR BEACH LANDING:

Fine; slight surf.

4. BEACH FORECASTS:

CAIRNS;

Fine with scattered low cloud.

Vis good.

Winds N to NE 5-10 mph.

Seas smooth to slight with slight surf.

5. SUN: 13th. Twilight 0513 Rises 0532 Sets 1825 Twilight 1843

6. MOON: 13th. Rises 0330 Sets 1557 Phase Between 1st qtr & new moon.

7. TIDES:

13th.

Table with 8 columns: BEACHES, HIGH WATER, LOW WATER, HIGH WATER, LOW WATER, HIGH WATER, LOW WATER, HIGH WATER, LOW WATER. Rows include CAIRNS and Distribution.

HQ 1 Aust Boh Gp 1. HQ 16 Brigade. 1. RAN Commando A. 1. RAN 7 Aust Div. 4.

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OCEAN/BEACH FORECAST.

RAA 7 AUST. DIV.

DISTRICT: CAIRNS.

PERIOD: 131800 K

to 141800 K.

Number: 20.

1. GENERAL CONDITIONS FOR DISEMBARKATION AT SEA (up to 50 miles from Coast):

Fine; smooth sea.

2. OCEAN FORECAST:

Fine and practically cloudless.

Vis good.

Light NE winds.

Smooth seas.

3. GENERAL CONDITIONS FOR BEACH LANDING:

Fine, slight surf.

4. BEACH FORECASTS:

CAIRNS.

Fine, with scattered cloud. Chiefly high.

Vis good.

Winds NE 5-10 mph.

Seas smooth with slight surf.

5. SUN: 13. Twilight 0512 Rises 0532 Sets 1825 Twilight 1844

6. MOON: 14. Rises 0405 Sets 1646 Phase ~~low moon.~~

7. TIDES:

14.

BEACHES	HIGH WATER	LOW WATER	HIGH WATER	LOW WATER	HIGH WATER	LOW WATER	HIGH WATER	LOW WATER
CAIRNS.	0825 hrs.	0201 hrs.	1954 hrs.	1458 hrs.	hrs.	hrs.	hrs.	hrs.
	6.7 ft.	1.2 ft.	6.6 ft.	2.9 ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.
	hrs.	hrs.	hrs.	hrs.	hrs.	hrs.	hrs.	hrs.
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Distribution.	hrs.	hrs.	hrs.	hrs.	hrs.	hrs.	hrs.	hrs.
HQ 1 Aust Bch Gp. 1.	ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.
HQ 10 Brigade.	ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.
RAAF Commando 1.	ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.
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LAND FORECAST.

HQ. RAA 7 AUST. DIV.

DISTRICT: KAIRI.

Number: 44.

PERIOD: 171800 K to 191800 K.

1. METEOROLOGICAL SITUATION at 170900 K. hours.

An anticyclone over the Northern Tasman with a ridge of high pressure extending to the North Queensland coast is causing Easterly winds in this area. The southern half of Australia is covered by an extensive low pressure system.

2. FORECAST:

171800 K to 181800 K 181800 K to 191800 K.

(a) Weather:

Fine.

Fine.

(b) Special Phenomena:

(c) Cloud: (Amount, type, and base.)

Cloudy with very low cloud in early morning; otherwise cloudless to scattered low cloud.

Scattered low cloud.

(d) Visibility:

Good. miles.

Good. miles.

(e) Surface Wind:

ESE 10-15 mph

E 5-10 mph

(f) Max. Temp.:

82 °F.

85 °F.

(g) Min. Temp.:

60 °F.

60 °F.

(h) State of Ground:

Dry

Dry.

3. SUN:

19th. Twilight 0508 Rises 0528 Sets 1834 Twilight 1853

4. MOON:

19th. Rises 0743 Sets 2117 Phase Between new moon & 1st qtr.

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LONG PERIOD FORECAST

HQ. RAA 7 AUST. DIV.

PERIOD: 17 Nov to 21 Nov.

Number: 6.

District	Date	
KAIRI.		<p>Fine conditions to continue for entire period ; clear nights, with scattered cloud during the day.</p> <p>Visibility good.</p> <p>Winds SE 10-15 mph, at first, becoming variable N to NE 5-10 mph later.</p>

Location— KAIRI.	Date— 18 Nov	Date— 19 Nov	Date— 20 Nov	Date— 21 Nov
	HR. MIN.	HR. MIN.	HR. MIN.	HR. MIN.
Twilight	0509	0508	0508	0509
Sunrise	0528	0528	0528	0528
Sunset	1834	1834	1835	1836
Twilight	1853	1853	1854	1854
Moonrise	0652	0743	0837	0935
Moonsset	2022	2117	2212	2306
Phase of Moon	Between new moon and last quarter.		Between new moon and last quarter.	

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OCEAN/BEACH FORECAST HQ. RAA 7 AUST. DIV.

DISTRICT: CAIRNS.

PERIOD: 171800 K to 191800 K Number: 21.

1. GENERAL CONDITIONS FOR DISEMBARKATION AT SEA (up to 50 miles from Coast):

Fine; smooth sea.

2. OCEAN FORECAST:

Fine with scattered low cloud.

Vis good.

Winds ESE 5-10 mph.

Smooth seas.

3. GENERAL CONDITIONS FOR BEACH LANDING:

Fine; slight surf.

4. BEACH FORECASTS:

CAIRNS.

Fine with scattered low cloud.

Vis good.

Winds ESE 5-15 mph.

Smooth seas with slight surf.

5. SUN: 19th. Twilight 0511 Rises 0530 Sets 1828 Twilight 1847

6. MOON: 19th Rises 0745 Sets 2111 Phase Between new moon & 1st qtr. 20th 0839 2206

7. TIDES:

Table with columns for High/Low Water (hrs/ft) for 18th and 19th at CAIRNS.

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OCEAN/BEACH FORECAST.

DISTRICT: CAIRNS.

PERIOD: 181800 K to 201800 K. Number: 22.

1. GENERAL CONDITIONS FOR DISEMBARKATION AT SEA (up to 50 miles from Coast):

Fine; smooth sea.

2. OCEAN FORECAST:

Fine, practically cloudless.

Vis good.

Winds E 5-10 mph.

Smooth sea.

3. GENERAL CONDITIONS FOR BEACH LANDING:

Fine; slight surf.

4. BEACH FORECASTS:

CAIRNS.

Fine; with scattered low cloud.

Vis good.

Winds E 5-15 mph.

Smooth seas with slight surf.

5. SUN: 20th. Twilight 0510 Rises 0530 Sets 1829 Twilight 1848

6. MOON: 19th. Rises 0745 Sets 2116 Phase Between new moon & 1st qtr. 20th. 0839 2206

7. TIDES:

BEACHES	19th.				20th.			
	HIGH WATER	LOW WATER	HIGH WATER	LOW WATER	HIGH WATER	LOW WATER	HIGH WATER	LOW WATER
CAIRNS.	1104 hrs.	0346 hrs.	2210 hrs.	1705 hrs.	1207 hrs.	0425 hrs.	2310 hrs.	1841 hrs.
	7.0 ft.	1.2 ft.	5.1 ft.	3.7 ft.	6.9 ft.	1.5 ft.	4.5 ft.	4.0 ft.
	hrs.	hrs.	hrs.	hrs.	hrs.	hrs.	hrs.	hrs.
	ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.
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	hrs.	hrs.	hrs.	hrs.	hrs.	hrs.	hrs.	hrs.
	ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.

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LAND FORECAST.

DISTRICT: KARRI.

Number: 45

PERIOD: 181800 K to 211800 K.

1. METEOROLOGICAL SITUATION at 180900 K. hours.

An anticyclone is centred over the Tasman with a ridge of high pressure extending along the North Queensland coast.

2. FORECAST:

181800 K to 191800 K.

191800 K to 201800 K.

(a) Weather:

Fine.

Fine.

(b) Special Phenomena:

(c) Cloud:
(Amount, type, and base.)

Scattered cloud.

Scattered low cloud.

(d) Visibility:

Good. miles.

Good miles.

(e) Surface Wind:

E to NE 5-10 mph.

NE 5-10 mph.

(f) Max. Temp.:

83 °F.

85 °F.

(g) Min. Temp.:

60 °F.

60 °F.

(h) State of Ground:

Dry

Dry.

3. SUN:

19th.

Twilight 0509 Rises 0728 Sets 1834 Twilight 1853

4. MOON:

20th.

Rises 0743 Sets 2117
0837 2212 Phase Between new moon & 1st qtr.

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LAND FORECAST.

DISTRICT: KAIRI.

Number: 46.

PERIOD: 201800 K to 221800 K.

1. METEOROLOGICAL SITUATION at 200900 K hours.

An anticyclone covers the Northern Tassan, with a ridge of high pressure extending over the North Queensland coast. A low pressure trough runs from the coast of NSW to Western Queensland.

2. FORECAST:

	201800 K to 211800 K.	211800 K to 221800 K.
(a) Weather:	Fine.	Fine.
(b) Special Phenomena:		
(c) Cloud: (Amount, type, and base.)	Scattered low clouds	Scattered low clouds.
(d) Visibility:	Good - slight haze. miles.	Good. miles.
(e) Surface Wind:	E 5-15 mph.	NE 5-10 mph.
(f) Max. Temp.:	85 °F.	85 °F.
(g) Min. Temp.:	60 °F.	60 °F.
(h) State of Ground:	Dry	Dry.

3. SUN: 22nd. Twilight 0509 Rises 0528 Sets 1836 Twilight 1836

4. MOON: 21st. Rises 0935 Sets 2306 Phase First Quarter.
 22nd. Rises 1034 Sets 2357 Phase " " "

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OCEAN/BEACH FORECAST.

DISTRICT: CAIRNS.

PERIOD: 201800 K

to

221800 K

Number: 23

1. GENERAL CONDITIONS FOR DISEMBARKATION AT SEA (up to 50 miles from Coast):

Fine; smooth sea.

2. OCEAN FORECAST:

Fine with scattered low cloud.

Vis good.

Winds ESE 10 mph.

Smooth seas.

3. GENERAL CONDITIONS FOR BEACH LANDING:

Fine; slight surf.

4. BEACH FORECASTS:

CAIRNS.

Fine with scattered low cloud.

Vis good.

Winds E to NE 5-10 mph.

Smooth seas with slight surf.

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5. SUN: 22nd. Twilight 0511 Rises 0530 Sets 1830 Twilight 1850

6. MOON: 21st. Rises 0937 Sets 2300 Phase First quarter.

22nd. 1036 2351.

7. TIDES:

Table with 8 columns: BEACHES, HIGH WATER, LOW WATER, HIGH WATER, LOW WATER, HIGH WATER, LOW WATER, HIGH WATER, LOW WATER. Includes data for CAIRNS.

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LAND FORECAST.

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DISTRICT: FAIRY.

Number: 47.

PERIOD: 211800 K to 231800 K.

1. METEOROLOGICAL SITUATION at 210900 Z. hours.

There is an anticyclone over the Northern Tazman with a low pressure trough from Brisbane to Glencurry, moving East about 200 miles a day.

2. FORECAST:

	211800 K to 221800 K.	231800 K to 231800 K.
(a) Weather:	A thunderstorm likely during afternoon.	Fine.
(b) Special Phenomena:		
(c) Cloud: (Amount, type, and base.)	Mainly scattered low cloud, but broken low cloud during afternoon.	Scattered to broken low cloud.
(d) Visibility:	Good miles.	Good miles.
(e) Surface Wind:	Variable E to NE 5-15 mph.	E to SE 5-15 mph
(f) Max. Temp.:	83 °F.	80 °F.
(g) Min. Temp.:	60 °F.	58 °F.
(h) State of Ground:	Dry	Dry

3. SUN: 23rd. Twilight 0509 Rises 0528 Sets 1837 Twilight 1856

4. MOON: 22nd. Rises 1034 Sets 2357 Phase First quarter.
23rd. Rises 1133

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OCEAN/BEACH FORECAST. HQ. RAA 7 AUST. DIV.

DISTRICT: CAIRNS.

PERIOD: 211300 K to 231800 K. Number: 24.

1. GENERAL CONDITIONS FOR DISEMBARKATION AT SEA (up to 50 miles from Coast):

Line: smooth sea.

2. OCEAN FORECAST:

Time with scattered low clouds. Good visibility. Winds E 5-10 mph. Smooth sea.

3. GENERAL CONDITIONS FOR BEACH LANDING:

A light shower or two later; slight surf.

4. BEACH FORECASTS:

CAIRNS. Fine for about 24 hours, but a light shower or two later. Scattered SE to broken low clouds. Good visibility. Winds E 5-15 mph. Smooth sea with slight surf.

5. SUN: Twilight 1831 Rises Sets 1831 Twilight 1850

6. MOON: 23rd. Rises 0511 Sets 2351 Phase First quarter.

7. TIDES: 23rd. 1135

Table with 9 columns: BEACHES, HIGH WATER, LOW WATER, HIGH WATER, LOW WATER, HIGH WATER, LOW WATER, HIGH WATER, LOW WATER. Rows include CAIRNS with tide times and heights.

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OCEAN/BEACH FORECAST.

DISTRICT: CAIRNS.

PERIOD: 231800 K to 251800 K. Number: 25

1. GENERAL CONDITIONS FOR DISEMBARKATION AT SEA (up to 50 miles from Coast):

Fine; slight sea.

2. OCEAN FORECAST:

Fine with scattered low cloud base 2-3000 ft.
Vis good.
Winds E 10 mph.
Seas slight with low ESE swell.

3. GENERAL CONDITIONS FOR BEACH LANDING:

light showers at night, slight surf.

4. BEACH FORECASTS:

CAIRNS.

A few light showers at night with scattered
to broken low cloud.
Vis good.
Winds E-SE 5-15 mph.
Seas slight with low ESE swell.
slight surf.

5. SUN: 25th. Twilight 0511 Rises 0530 Sets 1831 Twilight 1851

6. MOON: 24th. Rises 1234 Sets 0036 Phase First quarter.
25th. Rises 1333 Sets 0122

7. TIDES:

BEACHES	24th.				25th.			
	HIGH WATER	LOW WATER	HIGH WATER	LOW WATER	HIGH WATER	LOW WATER	HIGH WATER	LOW WATER
CAIRNS.	0442 hrs.	1030 hrs.	1700 hrs.	2352 hrs.	0541 hrs.	1136 hrs.	1747 hrs.	---
	5.1 ft.	2.4 ft.	7.5 ft.	1.5 ft.	6.0 ft.	2.0 ft.	7.0 ft.	---
	hrs.	hrs.	hrs.	hrs.	hrs.	hrs.	hrs.	hrs.
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LONG PERIOD FORECAST

PERIOD: 231800 K to 271800 K.

Number: 7.

District	Date	
	24 Nov	Apart from a light shower or two at first, weather is expected to remain fine, with scattered cloud during the entire period. Winds E 10-15 mph at first, decreasing later.
	to	
	27 Nov.	There are weak indications of a slight change by about 27 or 28 Nov; with a few showers; possibly some thunder.

Location—	Date—	Date—	Date—	Date—
KAIRI.	24th	25th	26th	27th
	HR. MIN.	HR. MIN.	HR. MIN.	HR. MIN.
Twilight	0509	0509	0509	0509
Sunrise	0528	0528	0529	0529
Sunset	1837	1837	1838	1839
Twilight	1857	1849	1853	1859
Moonrise	1232	1311	1429	1528
Moonset	0042	0128	0212	0257
Phase of Moon	First quarter.	Between last quarter and full moon.		

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LAND FORECAST.

DISTRICT: RAIBL.

Number: 58.

PERIOD: 231800 K to 251800 K.

1. METEOROLOGICAL SITUATION at 230900 K hours.

An anticyclone is centred slightly East of Sydney and covers most of Eastern Australia. The pressure gradient along the North Queensland coast is causing moderate E to SE winds.

2. FORECAST:	231800 K to 241800 K.	241800 K to 251800 K.
(a) Weather:	<u>A light shower or two.</u>	<u>Fine.</u>
(b) Special Phenomena:		
(c) Cloud: (Amount, type, and base.)	<u>Scattered to broken low cloud, base 1-2000 ft.</u>	<u>Scattered low cloud base 2000 ft.</u>
(d) Visibility:	<u>Good.</u> miles.	<u>Good.</u> miles.
(e) Surface Wind:	<u>E 5-15 mph.</u>	<u>E 5-10 mph.</u>
(f) Max. Temp.:	<u>80</u> °F.	<u>82</u> °F.
(g) Min. Temp.:	<u>60</u> °F.	<u>60</u> °F.
(h) State of Ground:	<u>Dry.</u>	<u>Dry.</u>

3. SUN: 25th. Twilight 0509 Rises 0528 Sets 1837 Twilight 1857

4. MOON 24th. Rises 1232 Sets 0042 Phase First quarter.
29th. Rises 1331 Sets 0128 Phase " "

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OCEAN/BEACH FORECAST.

DISTRICT: CAIRNS.

PERIOD: 241800 Z to 261800 Z. Number:

1. GENERAL CONDITIONS FOR DISEMBARKATION AT SEA (up to 50 miles from Coast):

Fine; slight sea.

2. OCEAN FORECAST:

Fine with scattered cloud.
Vis good.
Winds ESE 10 mph.
S light seas with low ESE swell.

3. GENERAL CONDITIONS FOR BEACH LANDING:

Fine; slight surf.

4. BEACH FORECASTS:

Fine with scattered cloud.
Vis good.
Winds ESE 5-15 mph.
Slight sea with low ESE swell.
Slight surf.

5. SUN: 26th. Twilight 0511 Rises 0531 Sets 1831 Twilight 1852

6. MOON: 25th Rises 1333 Sets 0122 Phase Between 1st qtr & full moon.

7. TIDES:

Table with 8 columns: BEACHES, HIGH WATER, LOW WATER (for 25th and 26th). Rows include Cairns/ with tide times and heights.

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LAND FORECAST.

DISTRICT: KAIRI.

Number: 49.

PERIOD: 241800 K to 261800 K.

1. METEOROLOGICAL SITUATION at 240900 K hours.

An extensive anticyclone covers the Tasman and the Eastern coast of Australia, producing moderate Easterly winds in this area.

2. FORECAST:

	241800 K to 251800 K.	251800 K to 261800 K.
(a) Weather:	<u>Fine.</u>	<u>Fine.</u>
(b) Special Phenomena:		
(c) Cloud: (Amount, type, and base.)	<u>Scattered low cloud.</u>	<u>Scattered low cloud.</u>
(d) Visibility:	<u>Good.</u> miles.	<u>Good.</u> miles.
(e) Surface Wind:	<u>E 5-15 mph</u>	<u>E 5-10 mph</u>
(f) Max. Temp.:	<u>83</u> °F.	<u>85</u> °F.
(g) Min. Temp.:	<u>60</u> °F.	<u>60</u> °F.
(h) State of Ground:	<u>Dry.</u>	<u>Dry.</u>

3. SUN:

26th. Twilight 0509 Rises 0529 Sets 1636 Twilight 1858

4. MOON

25th. Rises 1331 Sets 0128 Phase Between 1st qtr & full moon.
26th. Rises 1429 Sets 0212 Phase " " " " " "

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DISTRICT: CAIRNS.

PERIOD: 251800 K to 271800 K. Number: 45.

1. GENERAL CONDITIONS FOR DISEMBARKATION AT SEA (up to 50 miles from Coast):

A light shower or two; smooth sea.

2. OCEAN FORECAST:

Broken low cloud base 2-3000 ft with a light shower or two.

Vis moderate.

Winds E 5-10 mph.

Smooth sea.

3. GENERAL CONDITIONS FOR BEACH LANDING:

A light shower or two; slight surf.

4. BEACH FORECASTS:

CAIRNS.

Broken low cloud base 2-3000 ft with a light shower or two,

chiefly at night.

Vis moderate.

Winds E 5-10 mph.

Smooth seas with slight surf.

5. SUN: 27th. Twilight 0511 Rises 0531 Sets 1833 Twilight 1853

6. MOON 27th. Rises 1530 Sets 0251 Phase Between 1st qtr & full moon.

20th. 1631 0337

7. TIDES:

Table with 9 columns: BEACHES, HIGH WATER, LOW WATER, HIGH WATER, LOW WATER, HIGH WATER, LOW WATER, HIGH WATER, LOW WATER. Rows include CAIRNS. with tide times and heights.

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LAND FORECAST.

HQ. RAA 7 AUST. DIV.

DISTRICT: HAIRI.

Number: 47.

PERIOD: 251800 K. to 271800 K.

1. METEOROLOGICAL SITUATION at 250000 K hours.

A trough of low pressure with well pressure gradient extending from Southern NSW through central and northern Queensland.

2. FORECAST:

Table with 3 columns: (a) Weather, (b) Special Phenomena, (c) Cloud, (d) Visibility, (e) Surface Wind, (f) Max. Temp., (g) Min. Temp., (h) State of Ground. Rows correspond to time periods 251800 K to 261800 K and 261800 K to 271800 K.

3. SUN: Twilight 0509 Rises 0528 Sets 1837 Twilight 1857

4. MOON: 26th Rises 1429 Sets 0212 Phase Between 1st qtr & full moon. 27th 1928 0257

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LONG PERIOD FORECAST *RAA 7 AUST. DIV.*

PERIOD: *25 Nov.* to *29 Nov.* Number:

District	Date	
<i>KAIRI.</i>	<i>25 Nov</i>	Cloudy conditions are expected for the next two days, with a few light showers likely during the late afternoons and evening. Moderate visibility.
	<i>to</i>	
	<i>27 Nov.</i>	Light and variable westerly winds.
	<i>27 Nov</i>	Fine weather expected with scattered low cloud and light to moderate E to SE winds.
<i>to</i>		
	<i>29 Nov.</i>	

Location—	Date—	Date—	Date—	Date—	
<i>KAIRI.</i>	<i>26 Nov</i>	<i>27 Nov</i>	<i>28 Nov</i>	<i>29 Nov.</i>	
	HR. MIN.	HR. MIN.	HR. MIN.	HR. MIN.	
	Twilight	0509	0509	0509	0509
	Sunrise	0529	0529	0529	0529
	Sunset	1838	1838	1839	1840
	Twilight	1858	1859	1859	1859
	Moonrise	1429	1528	1629	1730
	Moonset	0212	0257	0343	0430
Phase of Moon					

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FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

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At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 25 / 11 / 1944 Hq 25 AUST INF BDE (Unit)

W.E. 11 / 2 / 4 OFFRS. 19 O.R's. 66 + 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.					
NR	3 1	2	1 1 5 7 3	* BRIGADIER * Lieut.-Colonels Majors Captains Lieutenants Quarter-masters CHAPLAINS A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs. Civilians Counting as Offrs.										
	4	2	17											
				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.	17									17
				E.(1)										
				E.(2)										

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).

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

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

OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK

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

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

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

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

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

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday/...../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.
T/BRIG	NX 3	EATHER	K.W.	COMD	YES		
CAPT T/MAJOR	VX43185	LYON	G.B.	B.M.	YES		
CAPT	NX56495	FRIGL	R.A.	S.C.	YES		
CAPT	QXI4477	MILFORD	C.F.	BM(L)	YES		
CAPT	T32006	GEE	A.S.	SC(L)	YES		
CAPT	SK6315	HIGGINBOTTOM	XXXXXXXX	BASCO	YES		
CAPT	NX114300	HARRISON	P.N.	LEG O	YES		
LT	QXI0781	HOWIE	T.M.	LO I	YES		
LT	QX2310	McMAUGH	B.B.	LO III	YES		
LT	NX28463	LOW	BRUCE	HYG O	YES		
LT	NX10157	SEYMOUR	E.R.	T.O.	YES		
LT	NX2752	QUINAN	H.K.	B.O.O.	YES		
LT	QX36605	HAIR	J.E.L.	EDUC	YES		
LT	NX102027	BOWMAN	D.P.	AMEN	YES		
CHAPLAIN	QX46307	SKEHAN	C.S.	R.C.	YES	2/33 AUST INF BN	
CHAPLAIN	NX34442	THOMAS	R.	C.E.	YES	2/31 AUST INF BN	
CHAPLAIN	QX59074	BROWNE	C.G.	NETH	YES	2/23 AUST INF BN	
<u>ATTACHED OFFICERS -</u>							
	NX40512	LT SCOTT	T.H.	2/33 BN		A/LOII	
	QXI7291	LT JEFFERSON	K.M.	2/25 BN		A/IO	
	WX11067	LT THOMAS	E.	2/1 AUST GUARD REGT - OC B PL			
<u>EMPIRE FORCES - BRITISH ARMY</u>							
MAJOR	CLEASBY-THOMPSON		F.	Lancashire Fusiliers seconded 1st Bn Para Regt 1st Brit Airborne Div.			

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.

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Date of Despatch

[Signature]
 COMD 25 AUST INF BDE. BRIG.
 Signature of Commander

FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 25 / II / 1944 H.Q. 25 AUST INF BDE (Unit)

W.E. II / 2 / 4 OFFRS. 19 O.R's. 66 + OFFRS. O.R's. ATT. BY W.E.

Part A. Posted Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements Required.

W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.				
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.
			2	W.Os. Class I.					
			1	W.Os. Class II.					
			1	Squadron or Company Quartermaster Sgts.					
			1	Staff Sergeants					
			4	Sergeants					
NR	3		7	Corporals					
	1	7	54	Troopers, Privates, etc.					
				Civilians counting as O.R.					
	4	7	69	Totals of cols. marked * should agree with details shown in Part E on Page 2.					*

Detail	A.I.F.	C.M.F.		A.W.A.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	**	TOTAL
		Under 19 Years.	19 Years and over.							
A	69									69
B(1)										
B(2)										

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

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

Part B. Other Ranks Attached from Other Units.

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

Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.
1	YMCA						
3	FSW						
7	2/31 BN						
1	2/33 BN						
1	2/25 BN						
4	7 DIV POSTAL						

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).

PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 25 / 11 / 1944 .

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, E.A.A.				Operator, Keyboard				Hammermen			
Armament Artificer Fitter (Electrical)				Surveyors, Topographical				Operator, Line				Leather Stitchers			
Armament Artificer Fitter (M.V.)				Surveyors, Trigonometrical				Operator, Signal				Orderlies, Nursing			
Armament Artificer Fitter (A.F.V.)				Toolmakers				Operator, Switchboard				Orderlies, Nursing Mental			
Armament Artificer Instrument				Turners				Operator, Wireless				Plate Layers			
Armament Artificer Radio				Watchmakers				Opticians				Rangetakers			
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								Printers				Shoemaker and Boot Repairer			
Bricklayers								Radiographers				Stevedores			
Computers								Riggers				Stokers, Staty. Engine			
Cooks, Hospital				GROUP II.				Sawyers				Storemen, Technical			
Coppersmiths				Armourers				Signallers				Tailors			
Dispensers				Axemen				Signwriters				Textile Refitters			
Draughtsmen	2	2		Bakers				Telescope Identfn. Numbers				Tinsmiths			
Draughtsmen (Architectural)				Bty. Comd's Asst.				Well Borers				Vulcanizers			
Draughtsmen (Engineering)				Boilermakers				Wheelers				Wagon Erectors			
Draughtsmen (Mechanical)				Carpenters				Winchman				Whitesmiths			
Draughtsmen (Topographical)				Carpenters and Joiners				Wireman				CMS	1	1	
Electricians				Cooks	3	3		Woodturners				BATMAN	13	13	
Electricians (M.V.)				Dental Mechanics								DVRS MT	9	9	
Electricians (Signals)				Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Med.)								TPT SJT	1	1	
Fitters				Driver-Operator								SIG ORDS	9	9	
Fitters (Cycle)				Drainers								HYG DUTY	1	1	
Fitters (Electrical)				Electricians								WATER DUTY	1	1	
Fitters (Gun)				Electricians (Engineers)								GEN DUTIES	3	7	
Fitters (Instrument)				Fire Control Operators				GROUP III.				DETAILS OF NON-TRADESMEN.			
Fitters (M.V.)				Gun Operator				Battery Surveyors				CSM	1	1	
Fitters, Railway Signal				Hatchman				Butchers				OFFERS MESS	1	1	
Fitters, Signals				Height Taker				Clerks	4	4		STOREMAN	1	1	
Grinder, Precision				Helio Operator				Clerks, Supply							
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator				Clerks, Technical							
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Intelligence Duties	4	4		Coach Trimmers							
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Joiners				Concretors							
Mechanics, Radio				Lineman				Cooks							
Mechanics, Typewriter				Lineman, Signals				Dental Clerk Orderlies							
Mechanics, Wireless				Lithographers				Despatch Riders							
Millwrights				Machinists, Metal				Draughtsmen, Signals							
Operators, Excavator				Machinists, Wood				Drivers, H.T.							
Pattern Maker				Masons				Driver Mechanics							
Pharmacist				Masseurs				Driver Tptn. Plant							
Photographer, Wet Plate				Mechanics, M.T.				Engine Hands, I.C.							
Photowriter				Miners				Equipment Repairers							
Plumber				Moulders				Farriers							
Saw Doctors				Nurses, Trained				Fitters' Mates							
Surveyors				Observation Post Assts.				Gun Layers							
CARRIED FORWARD	2	2		CARRIED FORWARD	9	9		CARRIED FORWARD	13	13		Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively.	54	58	*

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.

25 NOV 44
Date of Despatch

Lee Will Smith
BRIG.
Signature of Commander
COMD 25 AUST INF BDE/

FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS

DETAILS OF SERVICES

TRADE	RANK	WE	PS	SURPLUS	DEFICIENCIES
AAMC	CPL	I	I		
AASC CLERK	CPL	I	I		
BATMAN	PTE	I	I		I NR
AAOC BATMAN DVR	PTE	I	I		
AMN EXAMINER	SJT	I	I		
AACHD Batmen Dvrs	PTES	3	3		
AALC CLERK	CPL	I	I		
AALC BATMAN	PTE	I	I		
AMEN CLERK	SJT	I	I		
EDUC CLERK	SJT	I	I		
TOTALS CARRIED FWD		12	11		I NR
		54	58		
		66	69		

WOs and NCCs -

TRADE	RANK	WE	PS	SURPLUS	DEFICIENCIES
MESS STEWARD	CPL	I	I		
DRAUGHTSMAN	CPL	I	I		
COOK	CPL	I	I		1 NR
INTELLIGENCE	S/SJT	I	I		
	CPL	I	I		
CLERKS	WOII	I	I		
	CPL	I	I		
DVR MT	CPL	I	I		
TRANSPORT	SJT	I	I		
GENERAL DUTIES	CHL	I	I		I NR
CSM	WOII	I	I		
AASC CLERK	CPL	I	XXX		I NR
AAOC AMN EXAMINER	SJT	I	I		
AAMC	CPL	I	I		
AA AMEN	SJT	I	I		
AA EDUC	SJT	I	I		
COMS	S/SJT	I	I		
AALC CLERK	CPL	I	I		
		18	15		3 NR

PROMOTION BEING APPLIED FOR WHERE VACANCIES EXIST FOR CPLS

TRADE	RANK	WE	PS	SURPLUS	DEFICIENCIES
TOTALS CARRIED FORWARD		18	15		3 NR

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(2) Retained trades or specialties not included in WE will be added as required in notes provided.
(3) Where A.V.A.R. number A.A.M.W.R. personnel are desired show details on back.
(4) Where equipment not desired note accordingly on return by mention of N.R. in col. "Deficiency required."
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(6) Where any request for retention is made on back of form, the words "See back" should be written in one of the blank spaces on this page.

Signature of Commander _____ Date of Despatch _____