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2/23 Infantry Battalion

November 1944

WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

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Unit 2/23 Aust Inf Bn

Date and Time.—From 1 NOV 44

To 30 NOV 44

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
RAVENSHOE	1		Rain during day. Trg altered to suit conditions. Course 2. Flame Thrower School commenced at 2/7 Fd. Regt. 1 OR from A B and C Coys attended. 1 offr 4 NCOs 16 ORs mounted cinema picquet. Provided by C. Coy. 2/23 Aust. Inf. Bn. Trg Instn No. 9 issued covering trg to 11 Nov 44	(appx) E
	2		Trg as per syllabus Unit paper "Mud and Blood" Vol. 6 No. 8 issued (appx) J Instn for Demonstration of Battle Drill on 3 NOV 44 issued (appx)	(appx) E
	3		Bn moved to 2/9 Div Cav Sports Ground for demonstration of Pl and Sec battle drill. Demonstration given by Pl C. Coy under Lt ISKOV. In the afternoon the Bn moved by route North of Cav ground, thence due East practicing drill taught during demonstration.	
	4		<u>SPORTS DAY.</u> Bn sports were held on the unit sports ground and proved a splendid day. The preparation and organisation left nothing to be desired and the events, though dominated by H.Q. Coy, produced keen interest and good performance Comd 26 Bde and staff were in attendance. Bn A and B Grade Basket Ball team defeated 2/48 Bn (appx) K At the conclusion of the Sports Meeting, Brig WHITEHEAD inspected the Bn Guard, and took the salute when the guard marched past.	(appx) K
	5		6 offrs and 24 ORs proceeded to CAIRNS where they were att 2/10 Aust Inf Bn to observe the amphibious trg being carried out by 18 Bde. Bn Church parade was conducted by Chap FARMER. 24 pers from Tk A pl marched out to 2/3 Aust Tk A Regt for one weeks special trg. Syllabus attached	(appx) E

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Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
RAVENSHOE	5 (Cont)		3 Per marched out on discharge to industry. Revision of unit personnel records commenced - to date from LIDDINGTON leave FEB 43. CO held conference with coy comds 0730.	
	6		Trg normal All offr attended a demonstration of battle procedure for orders ops, organized by 26 Bde. 3 pers attended Flamethrower demonstration at 2/7 Fd Regt. 6 pers attended Minelaying School in 2/13 Aust Fd Coy RAE. Each course was of 1 days duration. ROs 36/44 issued Report on Patrol Cadre submitted by Lt HARPER	(appx) F (appx) E
	7		Trg as indicated by syllabus. A further 6 pers attended the Minelaying Course (2/13 Fd Coy). Conference called for 1730K. B.Coy commenced patrol trg cadre, carried out both in jungle and savannah country. A.Coy trg included co-operation with Bn sp weapons.	
	8		Trg normal CO and Adjutant carried out inspection of unit lines. In the afternoon, all offr attended lecture on Communications delivered by Sig Oftr 26 Bde.	(appx) E
	9		Trg as per syllabus. B.Coy concluded patrol trg. Pers from each coy attended a film show at 26 Bde giving information on Post War Housing. This was arranged by AAES staff.	(appx) E
	10		Trg as per syllabus All offr attended a lecture delivered by Comd 26 Bde (Brig D.A. Whitehead) Subject "Camouflage"	(appx) E

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Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
RAVENSHOE	10 (cont)		Lt HEATON marched in from 4 V and 0 Section (Cairns on completion of Ships Adjutant Course.	
	11		Armistice Day. Unit flag was flown at half mast until 1100K All offrs and NCOs attended lecture and demonstration on Hygiene at H.Q. 26 Bde. Lecture by 26 Bde Hygiene Offr. 2 Pers marched out to 2/7 Aust Fd Regt for instruction in use of Flamethrowers. Course duration 5 days. ROs 37/44 issued	(Appx) F
	12		Church Parade conducted by Chap KEEN (att 2/48 Bn). An arty shoot was conducted by 2/7 Aust Fd Regt in EVELYN area, where 3 offrs from this unit observed OP work and general arty methods. Adv party (2 offrs 41 ORs) moved to CAIRNS and were camped in 2/10 Bn lines night 12/13 . Maj. McRAE and Lt HEATON proceeded to CAIRNS for duties as ECO and Ships Adjutant respectively. Both Bn football teams were again successful.	
	13		Bn Parade on Sports Ground, was inspected by C.O. Adm Instn No.16 issued, dealing with forthcoming move to CAIRNS for amphibious trg. Lt STEVENSON and party returned from duty at 2/123 Bde Workshops. The adv party in CAIRNS embarked on HMS "Glennearn" which sailed for TOWNSVILLE later in the day.	(appx) I
	14		C.O. with Adjutant proceeded to CAIRNS. Bn engaged in striking camp and general adm in preparation for move to CAIRNS.	
	15		Reveille 0430K. At 0630K the Bn moved by M T from RAVENSHOE and arrived TRINITY BEACH area at 1300K. Bn occupied same	

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RAVENSHOE	15 (cont.)		camp area as on previous visit to CAIRNS (OCT) Special instructions were issued concerning anti-malarial precautions Pers from other units were att to the Bn during period of amphibious trg as under 2/28 Bn - 6 offrs 24 ORS 1 Aust Naval Bombardment Gp-1 offr 9 ORS 2/3 Pm Bn-6 Offrs 24 ORS 2/11 Fd Amb- 1 offr F S S (E E) 1 cpl ROs 38/44 issued	
CAIRNS	16		Bn spent morning on internal adm. Swim parades during afternoon C.O. held conference all offrs 1700K. R Os for exercise on H M S "GLENEARN (LSI) were issued for trg in TOWNSVILLE.	(appx) F
<i>hadley. Capt.</i> <i>has Comd.</i> <i>C.O. 2/23 Aust. Inf. Bn.</i> <i>J. Williams</i> <i>JO</i>	17		Trg as per syllabus (appx) Coys moved to BAKER GREEN beach. The Sports Ground in area was selected as Assembly Area for organizing the Bn Gp into Boat Teams, prior to move to TOWNSVILLE. In this connection, C.O. held conference at 1630K of all offrs concerned.	(appx) E
	18		Bn instns for TOWNSVILLE exercises issued (appx). E Preliminary rehearsal for move was held during morning. The move commenced at 1715K, when the Bn Gp moved to CAIRNS rly station by M T. Entrained there, and departed for TOWNSVILLE in two lifts.	
TOWNSVILLE	19		First train arrived TOWNSVILLE 0615K, when tps moved to the wharf and boarded H M S "GLENEARN". Second lift followed and by 0900 had settled in complete with breakfast. At conference for all offrs, the master of the ship, Capt HUTCHISON R.N. gave details of the proposed trg, and arranged for Boat Team Leaders	

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TOWNSVILLE	19 (cont)		to familiarize themselves with the routes from Tp decks to boat stations. During the day, troops assembled on Tp decks for movement to boat stations. The move was practised without and with gear, and again rehearsed by night.	
	20		Conference of offrs 1015K, for promulgation of instns to boat team leaders for trg in landing from LCAs. Twenty LCAs and two LCMs were employed in a landing on the beach just North of TOWNSVILLE. There was no tactical situation owing to the narrowness of the beach hinterland. Exercise was completed and craft hoisted by 1200K. Leave to TOWNSVILLE granted to 50% unit pers 1700k Talk by Education Sgt from H Q 26 Bde.	
	21		Trg continued as for previous day. LCAs were again used, and tps made two practice landings on the same beach. Considerable improvement was made in the time taken by tps to move from landing craft and clear the beach. At 1400k a talk was given to all tps by Capt HUTCHISON comd of HMS "GLENEARN", dealing with the NORMANDY landing in which "GLENEARN" took part. Leave was granted to TOWNSVILLE for 50% unit pers. At 1700k AAES Sgt (att for trg) gave talk to tps on the after deck.	(appx) E
STUARTS CROSSING	22		Disembarkation from HMS "GLENEARN" commenced at 0430K. The Bn entrained at 0700K and proceeded to STUARTS CROSSING for breakfast. Again the move was effected in two lifts, the second being somewhat delayed. On the northward journey halts were made for lunch and tea at CARDWELL and INNISFAIL.	

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TRINITY BEACH	22 (cont)		First lift detrained CAIRNS approx 2030K, and reach camp TRINITY area at 2145K. The second lift arrived in camp 230045K.	
	23		CO attended conference at HQ 26 Bde ref exercise TRICKFOOT night 23/24. Conference of offrs of Bn Gp was held 1130K. Bn O.O. (Ex) No. 8 issued At 1800K Bn moved to assembly area in preparation for embarkation on LCIs and ALCs. Coffee was provided by QM staff at 2300K.	(appx) H
	24		Immediately after midnight 23/24, tps moved from assembly area and commenced embarkation. ALCs were loaded in reasonable time, but one of the two LCIs was stuck on the beach, resulting in 1½ hours delay for portion of the Bn Gp. In spite of this the landing on TARE beach was carried out at the appointed time. The landing was made a short distance South of the correct place, and movement inland was therefore restricted owing to a deep lagoon. The Bn pushed northwards along the coast, until routes inland could be negotiated. One Coy (B) was counter attacked by "enemy" and forced to withdraw slightly on the southern flank, but all other tps made good their specified objectives. Exercise concluded at 0900K, when Bn breakfasted, then returned by MT to TRINITY camp area. Arrangements for return to RAVENSHOE were immediately put in hand, and at 1600K, tps commenced to move by MT. Halt for evening meal was made some miles from MAREEBA where coffee was served by Amenities Service. Move continued via ATHERTON, and RAVENSHOE; camp being reached at approx 2000K.	

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Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
RAVENSHOE	25		C.O. and Adjutant rejoined Bn. Tps spent the day in cleaning up tent lines and personal gear. Routine Orders 39/44 published	(appx) F
	26		Bn Church Parade conducted by Chap JULIAN (att2/48 Bn) At the conclusion of the service, Bn marched past C.O. who took the salute.	
	27		Bn Parade on Sports Ground 0800K. The C.O. carried out a complete inspection, and commented on the noticeable improvement upon previous Bn parades. General kit inspection made throughout unit. Party of senior offrs attended a lecture at HQ 9 Aust Div given by C.O. 1 Aust Parachute Bn (Lt Col OVERALL M C) concerning the organization and employment of parachute troops. Coys carried out route marches during the afternoon. C.Os conference with Coy comds 1645K to discuss trg programme.	
	28		Bn Parade on Sports Ground 0800K, after which trg as per syllabus C.O. and staff carried out recce for Bn defensive area in jungle country. In the area selected a complete Bn locality was to be prepared, according to the 18 points arising out of the Bde CROWFOOT exercise held in MAY and JUN 44. In the evening, Lts CANNING and EDWARDS delivered lecture to offrs entitled "Pl comd and his job".	(appx) E
	29		Trg normal. C.O. with Adjutant made inspection of camp area. Further recce by Int staff in preparation for bn defence in jungle trg area. Sand model for this exercise commenced in Bn lines.	(appx) E

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Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
RAVENSHOE	29 (cont)		At 1600K, a lecture on "Camouflage" was given to offrs by Lt McLEOD. Bn supplied picquet of 1 NCO 5 ORs to assist in traffic control along MT GARNET-RAVENSHOE rd. This under arrangements by HQ 26 Bde. One Sgt 15 ORs, from B tp 1 Aust Naval Bombardment Gp, marched in for a period of inf trg.	
	30		Trg as per syllabus HQ Coy moved out to bivouac in trg area for 3 days. Inspection of tps by dental offr (att 26 Bde) was commenced. C.O. visited 2/2 A G H, to see unit offrs therein ROs 40/44 issued	(appx) E (appx) F
<p><i>Dudley Gaps.</i> C.O. 2/23 Aust. Inf. Bn.</p> <p><i>Schubert</i> L1 IO 2/23 AUST INF BN</p>				

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Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
			LIST OF APPENDICES.	
			A. CO'S REPORT.	
			B. RMO'S REPORT	
			C. QM'S REPORT	
			D. AMENITIES REPORT	
			E. TRAINING	
			F. ROUTINE ORDERS 36 - 40.	
			G. FIELD RETURNS	
			H. 2/23 BN O.O. 8. EXERCISE TRICKFOOT WITH LANDING CRAFT TABLES	
			I. LANDING EXERCISE WITH LANDING CRAFT TABLE AND ADM INSTR. NO. 16.	
			J. MUD AND BLOOD. VOL.5 NO.8	
			K. SPORTING RESULTS AND FIXTURES	

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			<u>CO's REPORT</u>	
	TRAINING.		Early in this month, the bn viewed a demonstration of pl and sec battle drill according to methods set down in I T Part VIII. The demonstration was most effective, and provided valuable trg.	
			Further amphibious trg was carried out in CAIRNS and TOWNSVILLE areas. While in CAIRNS, the bn trained for beach embarkation and landing using LCIs and ALGAs. These exercises culminated in a dawn landing exercise for a bn gp.	
			In TOWNSVILLE, the bn went on board HMS "GLENEARN", which was in harbour for repairs. While there the bn practised drills for assembling and climbing into LCAs on board ship. On subsequent days, these craft were again loaded with tps and were lowered into the water for movement to the beach landing area. Landing exercises were not tactical owing to local restrictions.	
			The Captain of the ship (Capt HUTCHINSON R N) and his staff were most helpful, and offered every assistance in this new type of trg. It has been particularly pleasing to contact pers of the British Forces, after a period of nearly two years. The lecture given to tps by Capt HUTCHINSON on the NORMANDY Landing was most instructive, and well received by the men.	
	EDUCATION		The hobby hut has been completed and will be in use commencing 1 DEC. The number of tools supplied by AAES have been substantially increased, and the equipment for woodwork is good. Other craftwork will be initiated as and when supplies of materials can be obtained.	
			Applications for correspondence courses continue	

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			<u>R M O's REPORT</u>	
			1. The health of the unit has been excellent apart from sporadic cases of mild gastro-enteritis. Exercises during the month were not of an arduous nature.	
			2. Evacuations for the month:-	
			P.U.O. 10	
			U.R.T.I. 1	
			Injuries 3	
			Skin diseases 9	
			Other diseases 20	
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			Total 43	
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			3. Number of men re-classified - 4	
			4. 4 OR's whose physique and health were satisfactory were received as re-inforcements.	
			5. Hygiene is of a high standard.	
			6. Rations adequate.	
			7. Medical supplies adequate.	
			8. AAMC personnel and SB's took part in Amphibious Trg and landing exercises.	

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			<u>AMENITIES REPORT</u>	
			1. Ref First Aust Army Standing Orders Chap 8 para (j)	
			2. During the early part of the month Bn teams took part in inter-bn football, basketball and cricket matches. The semi-finals of the inter-coy Bn football competition were also played resulting in HQ Coy qualifying for the final whilst A Coy was eliminated. In the final match of the inter-coy inter-bn basketball competition HQ Coy was defeated by 26 Bde HQ. All of these matches created a great deal of interest within the coys and units concerned.	
			3. A Bn athletics meeting was held on Nov 4 and it resulted in an excellent afternoons sport. All events were keenly contested and the interest of the tps was maintained throughout.	
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			5. The latter part of the month was occupied with Amphibious Training and little or no sport or amenities could be indulged in.	
			6. The sum of £13.9.9. was expended on sporting material during the month.	

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Training

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE

HQ 2/23 Aust Inf Bn
6 Nov 44

REPORT - PATROL CADRE

Instruction : The following features were covered :-

Lecture - Patrols.

Demonstrations :

1. Open warfare (i) Pl patrol fixing firm base.
(ii) Briefing of recce patrols.
(iii) Recce patrols operating to find posn for ambush.
(iv) Setting and springing of ambush.
(v) Withdrawal, using fire and movement.
2. Same procedure as in Jungle warfare.
3. Pl patrol (fighting) moving in open :
(i) Capture of prisoner.
(ii) Action on contact.
(iii) Use of reserve section.
(iv) Passing of infm. (runner & L/T)
(v) Withdrawal by thinning out.
4. Sec recce patrol (Open) :
(i) Scouting
(ii) Formation and ground
(iii) Avoidance of contact
5. Night Patrol (Open) :
(i) Control
(ii) Formation
(iii) Crossing an obstacle
(iv) Passing of infm through patrol.

Instruction Demo 6 Pl patrol (JW) :

- (i) Moving on track
- (ii) Scouting
- (iii) Fixing firm base.
- (iv) Briefing of recce patrols
- (v) Passing of infm (R/T & L/T).
- (vi) Action on contact with small Jap patrol.
- (vii) Searching of enemy dead.
- (viii) Treatment of wounded.
- (ix) Withdrawal from firm base - by secs when unopposed.

Demo 7 Fighting Patrol moving in Rain Forest :

- (i) Formation
- (ii) Control
- (iii) Moving off track
- (iv) Choice of high ground

On Day 2 - Pl patrols moved on routes shown on trace herewith practicing all situations with enemy opposed.

On Day 3 - A similar exercise was conducted in the jungle - as per trace attached.

Included in Day 1 was the stepping of 100 yds on the level, up-hill and down hill to enable each man to measure his pace.

Instruction Each pl did one 2½ hr night recce patrol to report on Jap occupied village. Recce reports were submitted by all Pl Comds.

Personnel A & D Coys were handled by the cadre.

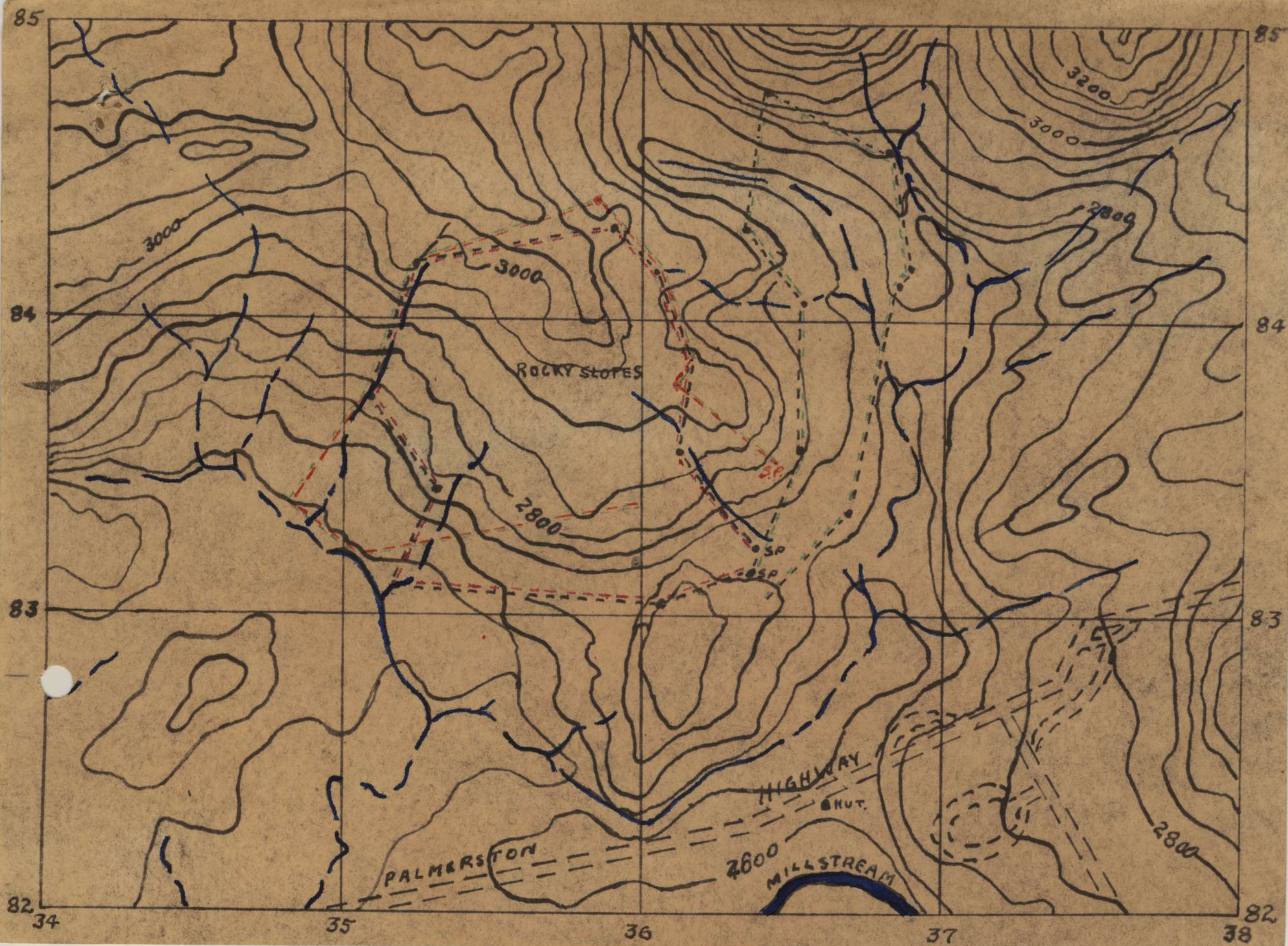
General The cadre was conducted as planned and ran to schedule. Troops worked well when expecting contact and showed that they have absorbed much of their training.

(Signed) H P Barry Harper Lt
O C Patrol Cadre

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HQ 2/23 Aust Inf Bn
2 Nov 44

DEMONSTRATION OF BATTLE DRILLS

For Pl and Sec Leaders

A demonstration of Battle Drills for Pl and Sec Leaders will be given at 9 Div Cav Sports Ground at 0915 hrs 3 Nov 44.

The whole Bn will move to 9 Div Cav ground as per the following instns :-

1. Order of March - A, B, HQ, Bn HQ, C and D Coys
2. Start Point - FPO 36
3. Start Time - 0800 hrs
4. Route - Main Road
5. Formation : (a) Column of route divided - 2 secs left
1 sec right
(b) 10 yds between pls, 30 yds between coys.
(c) Offrs and NCO's in rear of sub-units.
6. Concentration : - On reaching 9 Div Cav Sports Ground leading coy will be met by guide and led to demonstration area.
7. Adm : Haversack lunch will be carried and consumed under coy arrangements.

At conclusion of demonstration coys will move independantly due North to area 325835, thence East to close trg area. The following will be practiced en route :-

- a. Advance
- b. Deployment
- c. Formations
- d. Battle drill as demonstrated

Return Camp 1600 - 1630 hrs.

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HQ 2/23 Aust Inf Bn
30 Oct 44

2/23 AUST INF BN TRG INSTN NO 9

1. Advice has been received that the proposed Div Exercise will not be held. Further amphibious trg will be carried out in CAIRNS area, and the following approx dates have been indicated :-

Movement of Trg Cadre	-	6 Nov 44
Movement of Bde Staff	-	13 Nov 44
Movement of troops	-	17 Nov 44

2. Week ending 4 Nov 44.

- (a) Monday and Tuesday will finish Tank trg, with an exercise employing live amm on Tuesday, details of which will be advised separately.
- (b) The remainder of the week will be set aside for internal economy and sec and pl trg.
- (c) Certain demonstrations mentioned below may be included later in the week.
- (d) Coy Comds will submit draft copy of trg syllabus to Bn HQ by 2000 hrs 31 Oct 44.
The following will be included :-
 - (i) Formations
 - (ii) Camouflage
 - (iii) Fire Control
 - (iv) Battle Drill

3. PITA Trg - on Bn basis.

Details later.

NOTE : In view of the likelihood of encountering tanks in future ops, trg with PITA will be stressed, and the highest possible standard reached. As already advised, this weapon is to be issued shortly on the basis of one per rifle pl, and trg weapons at present held will be fully utilised for training.

4. Week ending 11 Nov 44.

- a. Trg at discretion of Coy Comds but will include the points enumerated above. Draft copy of trg syllabus will be submitted by 1800 hrs 3 Nov 44.
- b. Certain demonstrations mentioned below will be included during the week and details advised later.

5. Trg TK A Pls.

- a. 2/3 Tk A Regt will conduct a one weeks course for all TK A pls commencing 0830 hrs Monday 6 Nov 44.
- b. TK A pl will move to 2/3 TK A Regt and will remain there during the course. The number of personnel attending course will be advised to this HQ by 0800 hrs 3 Nov 44.
HQ Coy will arrange for tentage and transport, time of move to be advised later.

6. Trg in Laying and Clearing Minefields.

2/13 Fd Coy will conduct two one day courses for Bn personnel in laying and clearing minefields.
Vacancies are allotted as follow, nominal rolls to be forwarded to this HQ by 1800 hrs 1 Nov 44.

Course 1	-	A Coy	2
		B "	2
		C "	2
Course 2	-	D "	2
		HQ "	4 Pnrs

Dates for above schools will be notified separately, probably 2 and 3 Nov 44.

7. Demonstrations. Further improvement is necessary in many phases of trg, and demonstrations will be conducted on the undermentioned subjects if possible before 11 Nov 44.
 - (a) All pers - Battle Drill
 - (b) All Offrs - Battle Procedure

(c) All Offrs - Comms in the field, covering :-

- (i) Use of single Bde artery.
- (ii) Use of twin Div artery fwd of Bde Hq.
- (iii) Drill for "cutting in" on line.
- (iv) Discipline of calls when coys of leading Bn are "teed in".
- (v) Continuous maintenance of line comn when Hq are moving by bounds.

(d) Lecture by Bde Comd on Camouflage and Concealment.

(e) Lecture by Bde Comd on leadership.

Dates for these subjects are :-

Battle Drill - 3 Nov 44
 Battle Procedure - 6 Nov 44
 Comms in the fd - 8 Nov 44
 Lectures by Bde Comd - 10 Nov 44.

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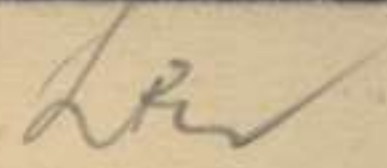
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HQ 2/23 Aust Inf Bn
1 Nov 44

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TRG AND LOCATION STATEMENT.

Coy	Time	Trg	Location
A	0800-0900	Coy parade and discipline trg	Coy area
	0900-1000	Sec fire orders - landscape targets	Close trg area
	1000-1130	Lecture - Naval Bombardment - Battle drill for pl attack.	" " "
	1300-1400	Camflg and fieldcraft	" " "
	1400-1530	Sec formations, fd sigs	" " "
B	0800-0830	Coy adm and inspection foot and arms drill	Coy area
	0830-1130	Fieldcraft and movement (a) Camflg & fieldcraft (b) Inf trg Part VIII Pages 8-17	Close trg area
	1245-1530	Fieldcraft & movement Fd Signals (a) by hand (b) by rifle	" " "
C	0800-0830	Coy parade and drill	Coy area
	0830-1130	Sec formations - Fd sigs - selection of fire posns	Close trg area
	1245-1530	Sec stalk.	" " "
D	0800-0815	Coy parade and inspection	Coy area
	0815-0900	Squad drill with arms	" "
	0910-0955	Lecture - Naval bombardment	" "
	1000-1040	PITA Gun	" "
	1050-1130	Grenade recap incl throwing	" "
	1300-1340	Sec fms - dispersion and crossing obstacles, fences etc.	BnSports ground
	1350-1435	Fire control, sec fire orders, indication of targets.	" " "
	1445-1530	Concealment and camflg individual wpn fire posn	" " "
HQ Coy		NOT SUBMITTED.	


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2 Nov 44

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TRG & LOCATION STATEMENT

Coy	Time	Trg	Location
A	AM& PM	Trg by pls Rifle Range & harmonization of sights SAT vol 1 para 1 Pl moving across country against unlocated enemy I T part 8 sec 28 Sec fire orders in open SAT vol 1 para 2 Battle Drill for the attack I T part 8 sec 26-29	Close trg area
	1300	AES LECTURE - POSTWAR LAND SETTLEMENT	Coy Area
B	AM		
	0800-0830	Coy adm and inspection	Parade ground
	0830-1130	Formations - sec and pl	Close trg area
	PM	Movement across country	"
	0900	AES LECTURE - POSTWAR LAND SETTLEMENT	Coy Area
C	0800-0830	Coy parade and drill	Parade ground
	0830-1130	Sec formations - field signals Selection of fire pieces Fire orders (Landscape targets) Camflg (practice) Individual fieldcraft movements (sec 3)	Close trg area
	0830-1130	Battle drill - Sec in attack (Sec 27)	"
	1245-1530	AES LECTURE - POSTWAR LAND SETTLEMENT	Coy Area
D	0800-0900	Coy parade and adm - squad drill incl bayonet recap	Parade ground
	0910-0955	PITA gun	"
	1000-1040	Bren gun recap	"
	1050-1130	Owen gun recap	"
	1300-1340	Sec and pl battle drill	Sports Ground
	1445-1530	Fire control & indication of targets Sec and pl formations	"
	1400	AES LECTURE - POSTWAR LAND SETTLEMENT	Coy Area
HQ Coy			
1 Pl	0800-0830	Coy parade - drill	Parade ground
	0830-1130	Message procedure	Rear A Coy area
	1245-1440	Fault finding DV	"
	1455-1530	CAB lecture	"
	1000	AES LECTURE	
2 Pl	0800-0830	Coy parade - drill	Parade ground
	0830-0900	PT games, bayonet drill	Coy area
	0900-0945	Mechanism (less 2 - 6)	"
	0950-1055	END AES LECTURE	"
	1045-1130	Director (description and uses)	"
	1245-1345	Stoppages (recap)	"
	1350-1440	Concealment and camflg (practical)	"
	1455-1530	CAB lecture	"
3 Pl	0800-0830	Coy parade and drill	Parade ground
	0830-0915	PT and games	Coy area
	0925-1130	TORND	"
	1245-1440	Lecture - Ranging new amendment	"
	1445-1530	Maintenance of stores	"
	1000	AES LECTURE	

Coy	Time	Trg	Location
4 Pl	0800-0830	Coy parade and drill	Parade ground
	0830-0915	PT and games	Coy area
	0915-1130	Maintenance of guns	"
	1245-1530	Gun drill	"
	1000	ABs LECTURE	
5 Pl	AM & PM	CAMP DUTIES	Bn area

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6 Nov 44

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" PALMERSTON " TRG AND LOCATION STATEMENT

Coy	Time	Trg	Location
A	0900	Coy parade	
8&9	0900-1000	Lecture and demo coaching on Rifle Range	Rifle Range
pls	1000-1130	Selection of fire posns and lines of adv	Close Trg area
7 pl	1300-1500	2 " Mortar drill and observation theory	
		Map reading in HORSESHOE BEND area. Tpt to	Sq 4786
		area return across country doing Battle	
		Drill and sec formations	
B		Duty Coy	
12 pl	AM	Sec formations - sec attacks	Close trg area
	PM	Observation of Battle drills -wpn trg	
C	0800-0830	Coy parade	Coy area
	0830-0925	Lecture org and eqpt of pl	
	0930-1015	Sec formations	Close Trg area
	1025-1115	Selection of fire posns	
	1300-1340	Fire control orders	
	1350-1430	Recog of targets. Normal fire control	
	1440-1520	PT	
D	0815-0900	Squad drill	Coy area
	0910-0955	Bren gun	
	1000-1040	Rifle drill leading and firing	Close trg area
	1050-1130	O S M G	
	1300-1530	Crossing obstacles of all types	
HQ Coy	0800-0815	Coy parade	Coy area
1 pl	0820-0915	Route march	
	1050-1130	Under control NCOs - offrs lecture	
	1245-1345	Sig Ex - tactics incl	
	1345-1440	Camouflage	
	1440-1530	Formations	
2 pl	0800-0825	Coy parade	Coy area
	0830-0915	Sec drill	
	0925-1005	Mechanism less 2-10-6	
	1005-1045	T O E G D	
	1050-1130	Fire orders	
	1245-1345	Adv handling	
	1345-1440	Indication and recog of targets	
	1440-1530	PT and bayonet trg	
3 pl	0800-0825	Coy parade	Coy area
	0825-0915	PT and bayonet	
	0925-1005	Action - cease firing	
	1005-1130	Less 23 - Pam 9	
	1245-1345	2" Mortar	
	1345-1440	PITA gun	
	1440-1530	Lecture O amn and fuses	
4 pl		TkA trg with 2/3 TkA Regt	Almaza Range

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TRG AND LOCATION STATEMENT

Coy	Time	Trg	Location
A	0800-1500	Coy exercise with sp wpns (HQ Coy) Coy approach to contact, attack, breaking contact and withdrawal	Trg area sq 4286 North 2/48
	1500-1530	Kit Inspection	
B	0800-1530	Patrols conducted by Lt HARPER	Close trg area
C	0800-0830	Coy parade and drill	Coy area
	0835-0925	Lecture - organization and eqpt of pl I T Part VIII Sec 16	Close trg area
	0930-1015	Sec formations I T Part VIII sec 17	
	1025-1115	Selection of fire posns. I T Part VIII sec 19	
	1300-1340	Fire control orders. S A T Pam 2 Lesson 6	
	1350-1430	Recognition of targets and normal fire control orders. S A T Pam 2 Lesson 7	
	1440-1530	P T	
D	0815-0900	Squad drill	
	0910-0955	2 nd Mortar	
	1000-1040	Rifle drill - loading, firing	Close trg area
	1050-1130	O S M G	
	1300-1530	Crossing obstacles of all types	
<u>HQ Coy</u>			
<u>1 Pl Sigs</u>			
	0800-0815	Coy parade and discipline trg	Coy area
	0820-1130	Battle drill defence	
	1245-1530	L/T and W/T fault finding and recap	
<u>2 Pl MG</u>			
	0800-0825	Coy parade and discipline trg	Coy area
	0830-0915	PT and Bayonet trg	
	0925-1530	1 det A Coy - 1 det B Coy	
<u>3 Pl Mortars</u>			
	0800-0825	Coy parade and discipline trg	Coy area
	0830-0915	PT and bayonet trg	
	0925-1530	2 dets A Coy- 2 dets B Coy	
<u>4 Pl Tka (with 2/3 Tka Regt)</u>			
	0845-1200	Principle of Siting and engaging General drill and mechanisms	
	1330-1600	Youdrey Range and obstacles	
<u>5 Pl Pioneers</u>			
		C A M P D U T I E S	Bn area

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8 Nov 44

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TRG AND LOCATION STATEMENT

Coy	Time	Trg	Location
A 8 Pl	AM & PM	Map reading HORSESHOE BEND SCHOOL area	HORSESHOE BEND SCHOOL AREA
7 & 9 Pls		Duty coy - Bn and coy duties	Bn area
B	AM & PM	Patrol cadre	Close trg area
C	0800-0830	Coy parade and drill	Coy area
	0835-1015	The Attack - IT Part VIII sec 26	Close trg area
	1025-1115	Battle drill for sec in attack (Lecture)	
		IT part VIII sec 27	
	1300-1530	Sports	Bn Sports Ground
D	0800-0900	Coy parade and squad drill	Coy area
	0910-0955	Grenade	
	1000-1040	PITA	
	1050-1130	2" Mortar	
	1300-1340	Field formations	Close trg area
	1350-1435	Recognition of targets	
	1445-1530	Conc and camflg	
<u>1 Pl</u>	0800-0815	Coy parade and discip trg	Coy area
	0820-0915	Lecture - maintenance of eqpt	
	0925-1005	PT and games	
	1050-1130	Exercise O S M G	
	1005-1045	Fire Control	
	1245-1345	Conc and camflg	
	1345-1530	Battle drill - establishment of Tac and Main Hq	
<u>2 Pl</u>		50 per cent of pl on patrol cadre - remainder :	
	0800-0825	Coy parade and discipline trg	Coy area
	0830-0915	PT and Bayonet trg	
	0925-1005	Map reading	
	1005-1130	" " - practical	
	1245-1345	2" Mortar	
	1345-1530	Compass march	Close trg area
<u>3 Pl</u>		50 per cent of pl on patrol cadre - remainder:	
	0800-0825	Coy parade and discip trg	Coy area
	0830-0915	PT and bayonet	
	0925-1005	Bren recap	
	1005-1045	O S M G	
	1045-1130	Battery Practice	
	1245-1530	Conc and camflg	
<u>4 Pl</u> (with 2/3 Tka Regt)		Co-operation with Tka pl - Recap and MI	
<u>5 Pl</u>		CAMP DUTIES	Bn area

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9 Nov 44

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TRG AND LOCATION STATEMENT

Coy	Time	Trg	Location
A	AM	Sec formations-sec in attack	Rocky Slopes
	PM	lunch in the field Sec formations-sec in attack	Close trg area
B	1430	Duty coy AES Lecture	
C	AM	Rifle Range-miniature range practices	2/23 Rifle Range
	PM	1-2-3 SAT pam 14 page 10 Sport	" Sports Ground
D	0815-0900	Squad drill	Coy area
	0910-0955	Grenade	
	1000-1040	PITA	
	1050-1130	2" Mortar	
	1300-1340	Field formations	Close Trg area
	1350-1435	Recognition of targets	
	1445-1530	Conc and camflg	
HQ 1pl	0800-0815	Coy parade and discipline trg	Coy area
	0820-0915	Lecture - maintenance of eqpt	
	0925-1005	PT and games	
	1005-1130	Flag drill and semaphore	
	1245-1440	Morse practice	
	1445-1530	CAB Lecture	
2 pl	0800-0830	Coy parade	Coy area
	0830-0915	PITA	
	0925-1005	Range tables	
	1005-1045	PITA	
	1050-1130	Battle drill	
	1245-1345	Battle drill	
	1345-1440	CAB Lecture	
	1445-1530	PT and bayonet trg	
3 pl	0800-0825	Coy parade and discipline trg	Coy area
	0830-0915	PT and bayonet	
	0925-1005	Mortar EX - noting mortar posn	
	1005-1045	Clearance	
	1045-1130	Use of phones and battle procedure	
	1245-1530	Pam 9 less 35,36,37-40	
4 pl (with 2/3 Tka Regt)		Lecture - zeroing of guns - sighting and use of ground	
	1830	Lecture	
5 pl		CAMP DUTIES	

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10 Nov 44

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TRG AND LOCATIONS STATEMENT

Coy	Time	Trg	Location
A	0800-0900	Coy pde and discipline trg	Close trg area
	0900-1000	Erection of wire obstacles	
	1000-1130	Bren	
	1300-1400	Observation trg	
	1400-1530	Coy Sports	
	NOTE: 2" Mortar Course for 18 ORs		
B	0800-0815	Coy adm and inspection	Coy area
	0815-0900	Foot and arms drill by pls	
	0900-0945	Instns on PITA gun	
	0945-1030	Wpn trg - Bren and O S M G	
	1030-1130	AES Lecture	Sports Ground and Nets
	1245-1330	CAB Lecture	
	1330-1500	Sport - football and cricket	
C	0800-0830	Coy pde and drill	Close trg area
	0835-1015	Battle drill - sec in attack (practice)	
		IT part VIII sec 27	
	1025-1115	Bren - IA. SAT pam 4 less 8	
	1300-1520	Patrols by day - Lecture and practice	
		IT Part VIII sec 34	
D	0815-0900	Squad drill	Coy area
	0910-0955	Bren IMG	
	1000-1040	O S M G	
	1050-1130	PITA	Bn Sports Ground
	1300-1530	Sport	
HQ			
<u>1 pl</u>	AM PM	Bn Rifle Range AES Lecture - CAB Lecture	2/23 Rifle Range Coy area
<u>2 pl</u>	0800-0825 0825-1130 1245-1530	Coy pde and discipline trg Route March (1 sec to C Coy) Sport	Coy area 2/9 Div Cav area
<u>3 pl</u>	0800-0825 0825-1130 1245-1530	Coy pde Route March (2 dets to C Coy) T O E M D S (" " " " " ")	Coy area 2/9 Div Cav area Coy area
<u>4 pl (with 2/3 Tka Regt)</u>	0845-1200 1300-1630	Zero guns on range Practical sighting and gun pits	
<u>5 pl</u>		CAMP DUTIES HQ Coy AES Lecture	Bn area

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for Lt
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SYLLABUS OF TRAINING

27/11/2

Inf Tk A Pls -- 9 Aust Div

Date	0645-0700	0845-1200	1330-1630	Remarks
MON 6 Nov	Adm & Atebrin Parade	23) Opening address 0845 hrs. 24) and remarks 0915 (C.O.) 48) Cav) 0915 - Gun drill mechanisms - laying.	23 Almaza Range Cav & obstacles. 24 Yaudrey Range 48 & obstacles.	
TUE 7 Nov	"	Principle of Sit- All) ing and engaging. Gun drill & mecha- isms.	24 Fire Orders & 48 Almaza Range. 23 Fire Orders Cav and Yaudrey.	Lecture Officers 1900 hrs (incl Regt Officers.)
WED 8 Nov	"	R & O Drill Co-operation with Tk A Pl.	Recapitulation & Mutual Instn	
THU 9 Nov	"	Lecture - Zeroing of guns. Sighting and use of ground.	24) Zero guns on 48) range. 23) Practical R & Cav)	1000 rounds of amm. Lecture NCO's 1830 hrs (Incl Regt NCO's.)
FRI 10 Nov	"	23) Zero guns on range Cav) 24) Practical R & 48) 48) " " " "	Practical Siting and gun pits. Arcs of fire. Mutual support. (All) Defilade.	
SAT 11 Nov	"	Officers & NCO's - Appreciation - occupation & defensive layout. ORs - Maintenance & care of eqpt.	Beach Defence (Offrs & NCO's TEWT). All) Closing address & Comments by Co.	
SUN 12 Nov	"	Full calibre shoot on Tk A Range. 6 per gun each 5 rounds. Care instruction on 6 pdr		Ann 2400 rounds

Instructors : 10 Bty Lt O'SULLIVAN to 48 Bn Pl & 1 NCO.
Lt SERVE to 24 Bn "
11 Bty Lt WALLDER to Cav Commando Pl
12 Bty Lt HARRIS to 23 Bn Pl.

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Routine Orders

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6 Nov 44

ROUTINE ORDERS

BY

Lt F A G TUCKER Comd 2/23 Aust Inf Bn

R/O's Part I - No 36/44

152. BN DUTIES

The following duties will mount at RETREAT.

Duties	Guard	Orderly Officer
6 Nov 44	C Coy	Lt R M CANNING
7 Nov 44	A "	Lt S L SHAW
8 Nov 44	B "	Lt A C THORBURN
9 Nov 44	C "	Lt R GREER
10 Nov 44	HQ "	Lt H F K McLEOD
11 Nov 44	D "	Lt A S FARHOOD

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NOTICES

STATEMENT OF REGIMENTAL TRUST ACCOUNT

for Month Ending - 31 Oct 44

Expenditure	Receipts
Regimental Purchases 4 - 1 - 9	Cash on Hand 63 - 2 - 2
Building Materials 34 - 3 - 5	Balance in Trust A/C 5 - 5
Cash on Hand 31 Oct 44 24 - 17 - -	Distribution 9 Div
Balance in Trust A/C 65 - 2 - 10	Carr Coy 2 - 10 - 4
£128 - 5 - -	Canteens Distribut- ion(August) 62 - 7 - 1
	£128 - 5 - -

We certify that we have examined the cash book, the unit trust book and vouchers relating to 2/23 AUST INF BN Regt Trust Accounts, and that in our opinion this statement correctly sets out the position of the funds as at 31 Oct 44.

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STATEMENT OF BATTALION CANTEEN ACCOUNTS

For Month Ending - 31 Oct 44

TRADING ACCOUNT

Purchases 2945 - 15 - -	Sales 2931 - 5 5 $\frac{1}{2}$
Stock on Hand 30 Sep 380 - 10 - 8	Stock on Hand 31 Oct 44 400 - 15 - 7
Gross Profit Trans to P & L Account 5 - 15 - 4 $\frac{1}{2}$	
£3332 - 1 - $\frac{1}{2}$	£3332 - 1 - $\frac{1}{2}$

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT

Unsaleable goods written off	2 - 10 - -	Discount	116 - 12 - 8
Expenses	5 - - - 11	Profit on Beer	7 --
Net Profit	122 - 4 - 9	" " Snack Bar	1 - 2 - 2
		" " Milk Bar	5 - 18 - 5½
		Gross Profit Trading Account	5 - 15 - 4½
	<u>£129 - 15 - 8</u>		<u>£129 - 15 - 8</u>

BALANCE SHEET

<u>Liabilities</u>		<u>Assets</u>	
Capital Account	732 - 12 - 2	Cash in Hand	327 - 4 - 5
Profit & Loss Account	122 - 4 - 9	Stock on Hand	400 - 15 - 7
Sundry Creditors		Equipment	11 - 2 - 4
A Coy	1 - 13 - -2	Sundry Debtors	
C "	1 - 4 - -	Bn HQ	8 - 13 - -
	2 - 17 - -½	HQ Coy	42 - 6 - 3
		B Coy	30 - - - 10
		D "	37 - 11 - 7½
	<u>£857 - 13 - 11½</u>		118 - 11 - 7½
			<u>£857 - 13 - 11½</u>

We certify that we have examined the cash book, the unit trust book and vouchers relating to 2/23 JUST INF BN Regt Canteen Trust Accounts, and that in our opinion this statement correctly sets out the position of the funds as at 31 Oct 44.

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ROUTINE ORDERSBYLt-Col F A G TUCKER Comd 2/23 Aust Inf BnR/O's Part I - No 37/44153. BN DUTIES

The following duties will mount at RETREAT

<u>Duties</u>	<u>Guard</u>	<u>Orderly Officer</u>
12 Nov 44	G Coy	Lt F HYNES
13 Nov 44	A "	Lt E A ENDERBY
14 Nov 44	B "	Lt B R GOON
15 Nov 44	HQ "	Lt M ZUKERMAN
16 Nov 44	D "	Lt D W ATKINS

154. TRANSFERS

The general policy in this Bn is that no transfers will be granted except under exceptional circumstances. Several instances have occurred recently where troops, desirous of transferring to another unit have contacted that unit from which an application is subsequently received. All ranks are reminded that applications for transfer will not be considered unless forwarded through the correct channels that is, through Coys to Bn HQ.

155. DRESS OF PERSONNEL ON LEAVE

Recent inspections have shown that large numbers of personnel are permitted to proceed to RAVENSHOE on leave improperly dressed. All leave personnel will be inspected by Coy Orderly Officers prior to leave passes being issued. A leave pass will NOT be issued to any soldier who is improperly dressed.

156. PUNISHMENTS BY COURT MARTIAL

The following awards by DCM to soldiers of this unit are promulgated :

- (a) WX 170 Pte LUNT V also known as VX57738 Pte LUNT V and VX90279 Pte LUNT V, 2/23 Aust Inf Bn, was charged with having while being a soldier of the Military Forces of the Commonwealth of Australia on war service committed the following offences :

FIRST CHARGE "WOAS deserting His Majesty's Service
Army Act
sec 12 (1) (a) in that he

in the field WOAS with intent to permanently to avoid military service absented himself without leave from 2030 hrs 4 Nov 40 until 0001 hrs 14 Jun 41."

SECOND CHARGE "When belonging to a part of the Active
AMR & O 332 Defence Force without having obtained a regular discharge therefrom or otherwise fulfilled the conditions enabling him voluntarily to enlist in the Military Forces voluntarily enlisted in the Military Forces
in that he

in the field on 14 Jun 41 when belonging to 2/3 Aust Fd Regt RAA Australian Imperial Forces without having obtained a regular discharge therefrom voluntarily enlisted in the Australian Imperial Forces."

Court found accused NOT GUILTY on the first charge and GUILTY of the second charge.

On 3 Nov 44 he was sentenced to undergo detention for thirty (30) days. On 6 Nov 44 Maj-Gen G F WOOTTEN Comd 9 Aust Div confirmed the finding and the sentence.

- (b) VX 147635 Pte CLARKE R V, 2/23 Aust Inf Bn, was charged with having while being a soldier of the Military Forces of the Commonwealth of Australia on active service committed the following offences:

FIRST CHARGE "WOAS absented himself without leave
Army Act
Sec 15 (1) in that he

in the field WOAS absented himself without leave from 0615 hrs 8 Sep 44 until apprehended at 1845 hrs on 17 Sep 44 by Q 128692 Cpl ZISCHKE of 1 Aust L of C Provost Coy at BRISBANE."

SECOND CHARGE "WOAS disobeying a lawful command given by his
Army Act superior officer
Sec 9 (2) in that he

in the field when on active service when ordered by VX 113245 WO II NETTLETON J F 2/23 Aust Inf Bn his superior officer to be on parade at Battalion Car Park at 1730 hrs 18 Oct 44 to proceed to Bn Training Area he did not do so."

THIRD CHARGE "WOAS disobeying a lawful command given by his
Army Act superior officer
Sec 9 (2) in that he

in the field WOAS at 1410 hrs on 24 Oct 44 when ordered by VX 40269 WO I STUCKEY G A 2/23 Aust Inf Bn his superior officer to return to work he did not do so.

Court found accused GUILTY on all charges.

On 2 Nov 44 accused was sentenced to suffer field punishment for twentyeight (28) days and to forfeit all ordinary pay for twentyeight (28) days.

On 6 Nov 44 Maj-Gen G F WOOTTEN Comd 9 Aust Div confirmed the finding and sentence.

- (c) SX 30795 Pte PINKIE A S, 2/23 Aust Inf Bn, was charged with having while being a soldier of the Military Forces of the Commonwealth of Australia on active service committed the following offences:

FIRST CHARGE "WOAS absented himself without leave
Army Act
Sec 15 (1) in that he

in the field WOAS absented himself without leave from 0615 hrs on 8 Sep 44 until apprehended by Q 128692 Cpl ZISCHKE of 1 Aust L of C Provost Coy at 1845 hrs on 17 Sep 44."

SECOND CHARGE "WOAS disobeying a lawful command given by his
Army Act superior officer
Sec 9 (2) in that he

in the field at 0630 hrs on 24 Oct 44 when ordered by VX 27821 Lt K I BENSON 2/23 Aust Inf Bn his superior officer to move out to a Coy Bivouac did not do so."

THIRD CHARGE "WOAS disobeying a lawful command given by his
Army Act superior officer
Sec 9 (2)

in that he

in the field at 1400 hrs on 24 Oct 44 when ordered
by VX 40269 WO I STUCKEY G A his superior officer
to stand to attention he did not do so."

Court found accused GUILTY on all charges.

On 2 Nov 44 the accused was sentenced to suffer field punish-
ment for twentyeight (28) days and to forfeit all ordinary pay
for twentyeight (28) days.

On 6 Nov 44 Maj-Gen G F WOOTTEN Comd 9 Aust Div confirmed the
finding and sentence..

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AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE

HQ 2/23 Aust Inf Bn
In the Field
15 Nov 44

ROUTINE ORDERS

BY

Lt-col F A G TUCKER Comd 2/23 Aust Inf Bn

R/O's Part I - No 38/44

157. WATER.

The existing water system installed by the US Army has almost ceased to function, owing to the dry seasonal conditions. It is estimated that the intake of the system is approx 400 galls per hour and this is quite inadequate for the requirements of the Bde Gp. Therefore, wef 17 Nov 44, the water pt in camp B7 will be closed, and 2/13 Aust Fd Coy will open a water pt at the same date at BARRON WATERS 626761 (ref map CAIRNS 116336 which will be signposted :-

26 Water Point
88

NOTE : There are four 600 gall water tks at approx the same pt, but these are for use of 1 Aust Beach Gp and will NOT be used by units of this Bde Gp.

1. The closing of the water pt will ensure that all available water can be reticulated to the kitchens in camps B1, B2, B3, and B4. (2/23 Aust Inf Bn occupy B3).
In order to conserve water all pressure showers are out of bounds and will NOT be used under any circumstances.

158. LEAVE.

- a. Leave is permitted to CAIRNS, but MOSSMAN, GORDONVALE and BABINBA are out of bounds.
All personnel granted leave will proceed to and from CAIRNS in Unit transport; thus, any persons hitch hiking will be considered to be AWL.
- b. Dress :
JGs or KDs, anklets web, sleeves rolled down, hats turned down. Personnel will NOT be permitted to proceed on leave unless wearing colour patches on puggarees. ~~offrs~~ may wear KD, SD or Safari Jackets in lieu of dress - set down above, but in all cases will wear anklets web.
- c. Liquor :
Carrying of bottles liquor is an offence and all tps will be warned accordingly before proceeding on leave.
- d. Breaches of Discipline :
Should the behaviour of the tps be NOT all that is desired leave may be cancelled at any time.
- e. Leave may be granted from 1700K to 2359K daily. Leave passes will be issued.

159. BEACHES, ASSEMBLY AREAS and BIVOUACS.

- a. The tidiness of beaches, assembly areas and bivouacs is the responsibility of sub-units using them, who will ensure that paper, tins, rubbish or other garbage is suitably disposed of before vacating beaches. Each sub-unit will detail an offr daily to ensure that this is done.

c. Bde Hygiene Offr will supervise this work.

160. SWIMMING.

- a. ~~NOE~~ bathing is NOT permitted except on isolated beaches when picquets will be posted.
- b. No bathing is permitted on TRINITY (BAKER sector) south of Camp Staff Office.
- c. Picquets will be posted during all swimming periods for safety purposes.

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ROUTINE ORDERS
BY
Lt Col F A G TUCKER
O.C. TROOPS

HMS GLENEARN
At Sea
16 Nov 44

1. ROUTINE : (Unless otherwise orders for exercise)

Reveille	0600 hrs
Admin Parade	0615
Sick Parade	0700
Breakfast	0745
Lunch	1300
Tea	1600
Retreat	Sunset
Atabrin Parade	1800
Supper	1930

NOTE: Atabrin Parade to be conducted by Boat Team Leaders

2. SHIP'S (ARMY) STAFF APPOINTMENTS

Ass. Ship's Adj't	QX19051	Lt R E Shea
Billetting Officer	VX37664	" A C Thorburn
Messing Officer	VX55789	" A S Farhood
Q.M.		
R.S.M.	VX28526	WO2 Duncan L E
R.Q.M.S.	VX25788	" Reynolds A P
Troop Deck Sgts		
	VX47467	Sgt Whyte W G
	VX29595	" Cook J J.
	VX40833	" Spence A
	VX47486	" Peel T J
	VX27762	" Riley R H
	VX29373	L/Sgt Winterflood R
	VX34-9	" Ellis C

3. DUTIES

- (a) The following details will ~~mount~~ mount at 0815 hrs daily:
Orderly Sgt and 2 Runners
Picquet of 1 Sgt and 6 ORs (Dismount 2400)
- (b) Cleaning Fatigue. All troop decks including Well Deck
Two men per troop deck to be detailed by Troop Deck Sgts
and will work under their supervision
- (c) Hygiene. Bn Hygiene Section will be responsible for
daily supervision of latrines and ablutions throughout
troop deck area

4. SHIP'S INSPECTION

During Ship's Army Inspection at 1000 hrs all troops will be clear of troop decks.

5. SICK PARADE - 0700 hrs.
Sick personnel will parade to Troop Deck Sgts at 0645 hrs and will be paraded to Ship's Army Orderly Room. Orderly Sgt will parade sick personnel to Sick Bay located on "C" DECK, CENTRECASTLE LEFT PORT SIDE.
6. MAIL
To be censored by Boat Team Leaders and forwarded to Orderly Room. Army mail will not be posted in Ship's Letter Box.
7. SECURITY
 - (a) SHIP'S NAME, NATURE OF TRAINING AND LOCALITY WILL NOT BE MENTIONED.
 - (b) Refuse will be thrown overboard whilst the ship is in training area. This assists greatly in maintenance of cleanliness. Note The Ship's normal order in this regard is that refuse will not be thrown overboard but placed in receptacles provided.
 - (c) Cameras will not be used on the ship or in port. Any cameras brought aboard must be in hold luggage; if found elsewhere, they will be confiscated and held by OC Troops.
 - (d) Radio sets, electric razors, phonographs and flashlights are forbidden. (Boat Team Leaders will pay particular attention to this matter).
 - (e) Only those specifically authorized by emergency regulations will carry flashlights, and this in performance of duty.
8. SLEEPING ON DECKS.
Troops are permitted to sleep on decks and in L.C.M. Craft (engine room excepted). They will not, under any circumstances, sleep in LCAs. Troops will not sleep in or in vicinity of the forward LCM boats.
9. WATER.
 - (a) Water conservation measures may be in force throughout the training. The hours during which water will be available will be posted on Bulletin Board on troop decks.
 - (b) There must be no wastage in the use of fresh water. Water bottles should be kept filled.
 - (c) Troops may wash clothes whilst on board, but they are requested to use the minimum of water for this purpose.
10. HYGIENE
Attention of all ranks is drawn to certain orders reference to prevention of dirt. These orders are posted throughout the Ship.
11. DISCIPLINE.
 - (a) Sitting on rails or exposed portions is forbidden.
 - (b) Cabin doors will be hooked back when open and not closed at night.
 - (c) All electric lights and fans will be switched off when cabins are not in use.
 - (d) Gambling is NOT permitted.
 - (e) TRAFFICKING IN FOOD AND DRINK BETWEEN TROOPS AND MEMBERS OF THE CREW IS STRICTLY FORBIDDEN.
 - (f) Climbing of rigging, entrance of Landing net, and sitting or lying on upper deck hatchway by day or night is prohibited.
12. DRESS.
Troops may remove shirts when on parade, except when otherwise ordered.
13. WEAPONS.
To be unloaded prior to embarkation.

(3).

14. FIRE.

(a) Fire fighting equipment must not be tampered with. Clothing or other equipment must not be hung on these units.

(b) All personnel are forbidden to tamper with watertight doors or fire doors.

(c) Any person discovering a fire should at once attempt to extinguish it. At the same time, he should summon assistance from the nearest person at hand, who will quickly and quietly inform the Ship's officer on the bridge. Personnel will not proceed to Emergency Stations until the signal for such action is announced over the public Address System.

15. SHIP'S DRILL.

For Emergency Station Routes, Action Stations and "Abandon Ship" Stations, see Appendix "A". Hatch doors on 5 and 6 Troop Decks will not be interfered with by troops.

16. COMPLIMENTS.

The naval custom is to sound "Retreat" at sunset, when all Army personnel will stand to attention facing aft, Officers and WOs, wearing head dress will salute. Troops under cover will sit to attention. Ceremonial is also observed at 0800 hrs when the ship is in port.

When boarding or leaving the ship over the gangway, all ranks will salute the quarter deck.

Compliments will be paid as above.

17. GENERAL.

(a) Life jackets will be worn at all times when on duty.

(b) Noise will be reduced to a minimum to prevent interference with verbal orders to ship's crews and to Army personnel. This is essential.

18. CANTEEN.

Cigarettes, on the basis of 10 per man per day, will be bought in bulk by messing Officer under special arrangements. Troop Deck Sjt's will handle this matter in conjunction with Boat Team leaders.

Canteen, situated E Deck starboard side forward will be open for military personnel at times to be notified.

NOT
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CANTEEN IS OUT OF BOUNDS TO MILITARY PERSONNEL AT ALL OTHER TIMES

(Signed) A. A. GERRARD, LT
SHIP'S ADJT

EVACUATION ROUTES TO LIFEBOAT STATIONSEMERGENCY STATIONS OUTSIDE:

<u>Troop Deck</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Emergency Station</u>	<u>Route</u>
1	12	Port side, 1 st wall	Up Port stairway to Port alleyway and 1 st wall to well deck.
2	160	St ['] bd side 1 st wall	Up st ['] bd staircase to st ['] bd alleyway and 1 st wall to well deck.
3	200	Port side 1 st wall	Up Port stairway to Port alleyway and 1 st wall to well deck.
5	184	St ['] bd well deck	Up st ['] bd staircase to st ['] bd alleyway and 1 st wall to well deck
4	243	Port side aft wall	Up port staircase to port side aft well deck
16	144	st ['] bd side aft wall	Up st ['] bd staircase to st ['] bd aft well deck.
37	14 1/2	Port & St ['] bd side aft well deck.	Troops in this compartment will stand fast until 14 & 16 have taken their position then proceed onto aft well deck thru st ['] bd & Port exit.

All troops are to maintain silence when at their allotted stations and are to inflate their lifebelts. They are not to move about, but remain still until ordered to move. They are to leave a clear gangway on either side of the ship to enable the seamen to carry out their work.

B.T.S. will go to their compartments immediately on "ACTION" or "EMERGENCY STATIONS" sounding. They will be responsible for the rapid clearance of troop decks for "Emergency Stations" and will leave after ascertaining themselves that no one has been left behind. B.T.S. will post responsible NCOs to regulate traffic and to keep men moving on to their respective "Emergency Stations".

All personnel will remain at their stations until the order to dismiss is given by the ship's Captain or the Officer Commanding Troops.

HO RTED. INTENT will be evacuated under the supervision of the ship's surgeon in accordance with evacuation plan.

Officers and other cabin occupants will assemble with their own troops unless detailed for special duty.

It must be clear to all ranks that Emergency Stations are assembly points and are NOT to be regarded as allocations to any particular landing craft.

ACTION STATION

When "Action Stations" is sounded on the bugle or passed over the P/T "ACTION ACTION ACTION" all embarked troops are to proceed to their troop decks and remain there AND BE LO H.

"ABANDON SHIP"

The warning "ABANDON SHIP" will be sounded by Public Address system when troops will proceed to emergency stations.

"GLENEARN"
15 OCT 44

ORDERS FOR EMBARKED TROOPS

PREVENTION OF DIRT

1. The throwing of matches, match boxes, cigarette ends and any other kind of refuse anywhere on to the deck is ABSOLUTELY forbidden as also is spitting on the deck.
2. One has only to contemplate the consequences of 1500 men using the decks of the ship, which is their home, as an ash-tray or dust bin, in order to realise how necessary it is to ENFORCE this order rigidly. Sentries must be posted for this purpose. For example, if each man smokes only 5 cigarettes per day, this may mean 7500 cigarette ends on the deck, to which must be added matches and cartons.
3. Officers on "A" and "B" decks are requested to be very careful not to throw rubbish into the L.C.A.'s hoisted level with "B" deck.

SMOKING

Smoking is prohibited everywhere except on the upper deck and only then between sunrise and $\frac{1}{4}$ hour after sunset. Smoking in or in the vicinity of LCA's is STRICTLY FORBIDDEN.

PARTS OF THE SHIP TO WHICH EMBARKED TROOPS ARE CONFINED

1. All decks above D Deck are out of bounds.
2. No embarked troops are allowed to move anywhere except:
 - (a) On the troop decks
 - (b) On the after well decks
 - (c) On the Poop, starboard side.
3. Exceptions to above:-
 - (a) Embarkation into LAC's for drills and operations
 - (b) Men attending at the sick bay.
 - (c) Officers' batmen.

BLACKOUT :-

Darken Ship is the order to blackout.

Undarken ship is the permissive order to open dead lights and pull blackout curtains.

During the blackout NO matches may be struck and NO smoking is permitted on the upper deck, and NO electric torches may be used. All dead lights are to be down and blackout curtains drawn.

BY ORDER

(Signed) C.A.G. LUTCHISON
CAPTAIN R.N.

H.M.S. "GLENEARN"

TRAINING INSTRUCTION

MOVEMENT TO BOAT POSITIONS

1. The timetable for movement of troops from troop decks to Boat Positions allows ample time for slow and careful movement of troops.
2. Speed is secondary to complete control, especially by night.
3. The following drill will be adhered to :-
 - (a) On the command "STAND BY" Boat Team Leaders will form up Serial in line.
 - (b) On the order to move, each man will clasp some portion of the equipment of the men in front and retain contact until Boat Station is reached.
 - (c) Boat Team Leader will move slowly so as to ensure continuity of serial during movement.

This instruction must be closely adhered to

A.A. GERRARD LT
SHIP'S ADJT
for O.C. TROOPS

H.M.S. GL ENARN
19 NOV 44

STANDING ORDERS FOR AIF TP DECK SJTS

1. During the embarkation of troops you will remain in your Troop Deck, wear a distinguishing armband and supervise the guiding and billeting of each serial in accordance with billeting Plan.

As each Boat Team Leader reaches the Mess Deck you will

(a) Hand him

(i) Instructions for Boat Team Leaders

(ii) Routine Orders

(b) Ensure that roll calls are commenced immediately and Parade States in serials supplied to Ship's O/R

(c) All ranks including Officers are to remain in Tp Deck until dismissed by Ship's Adj't by means of P/A system.

2. You will issue hammocks on arrival of troops on board. Hammocks will be rolled daily and replaced in space allotted.

3. You will be responsible for cleanliness of troop decks and adjoining Latrines and showers. They will be in inspection order by first parade daily.

4. MESSING ARRANGEMENTS

(a) Meal Hours ORS

BREAKFAST	0745 hrs
DINNER	1300
TEA	1600
SUPPER	1930

Ten minutes before

(b) One man from each table to report to Vict Store when instructed by Tp Deck Sjt on day of embarkation to draw supplies of tea sugar and milk for training period.

(c) Deck Sjt and 2 men from each troop deck report to Vict Store 1500 daily to draw butter jam biscuits etc. and to Ships bakery at 1530 hrs daily to draw bread.

(d) Two men will be detailed daily by NCO i/c of table. These men will act as Mess Orderlies and will draw food from galley each meal, wash containers and return them to galley.

(e) Hot water for washing of Mess Tins and containers is located on Well Deck (aft) port and starboard side.

(f) Men must remain at same table throughout duration of stay on board ship.

(g) Deck Sjts will ~~xxx~~ collect figures from each table on their deck and hand same to Messing Officer at Bn L T Ord Room by 1100 hrs on day of embarkation. State to show number of table and number of men allotted.

(h) Ten minutes before each meal the following call will be sent over amplifier "Army Cooks to the Galley" On this call the following system will apply.

Break 0715
H. 0830 + 30
Touchdown 1007
Cmte 1012

1000-2400
Request

1MCO

- 2 -

4 MESSING ARRANGEMENTS (CONT)

Mess Orderlies will report to Galley as detailed in this order.

Troop	Dock	No.
"	"	No. 6
"	"	No. 5
"	"	No. 7
"	"	No. 4
"	"	No. 3
"	"	No. 2
"	"	No. 1

There will be five minutes interval between each troop dock.

It is pointed out that when drawing rations from Vict Store or meals from galley the table No. must be stated and NOT repeat NOT the serial No.

5. CANTEN ARRANGEMENTS

Each man is allowed ten (10) cigarettes daily. Boat Team Leaders will collect money for cigarettes and hand same to Dock Sjt's who will collect cigarettes from canteen at times to be notified.

A.A. GERRARD LT
SHIPS ADJT

Table 79

1	100	Kettleton	1/6
2	101	Lee	1/6
3	102	Levant	1/6
4	103	Levy	1/6
5	104	Levine	1/6
6	105	Levy	1/6
7	106	Levy	1/6
8	107	Levy	1/6
9	108	Levy	1/6
10	109	Levy	1/6
11	110	Levy	1/6
12	111	Levy	1/6
13	112	Levy	1/6
14	113	Levy	1/6
15	114	Levy	1/6
16	115	Levy	1/6
17	116	Levy	1/6
18	117	Levy	1/6
19	118	Levy	1/6
20	119	Levy	1/6

Jacklin 6
Haley 6
Hoy 6
Henn 6
Lear 6

1 RSM
5 Rigs
4 Batmen
2 orderly R
3 WTS
4 RPS

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Hq, 2/23 Aust Inf Bn
In the Field
25 Nov 44

ROUTINE ORDERS

BY

Lt-Col F A G TUCKER Comd 2/23 Aust Inf Bn

R/O's Part I - No 39/44

161. BN DUTIES

The following duties will mount at RETREAT :

<u>Duties</u>	<u>Guard</u>	<u>Orderly Offr</u>
26 Nov 44	D Coy	Lt I H EDWARDS
27 Nov 44	Hq Coy	Lt H F K McLEOD
28 Nov 44	A Coy	Lt J L BOARD
29 Nov 44	B Coy	Lt A C THORBURN
30 Nov 44	C Coy	Lt R M CANNING

162. COURT MARTIAL

The following DCM of a soldier of this unit is promulgated :

NX201604 Pte CRANSTON V W, 2/23 Aust Inf Bn, was charged with having while being a soldier of the Military Forces of the Commonwealth of Australia on active service committed the following offence :

Army Act
Sec 24 (2) "When on active service losing by neglect his arms
in that he
in the field at 0700 hrs on 21 Sep 44 was deficient
his rifle No D17038 valued at £14/14/-."

Court found accused NOT GUILTY.

163. 1 AUST DOG PL RAE

1. Vacancies exist in the above unit for "Dog Handlers" :

(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 the 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.

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

3. (a) Applications should consist of Regtl Number, Rank, Name, Present Trade Grouping (if any), and/or posting within unit, Present unit, together with particulars as para 1 above.

(b) Applications to be forwarded to Bn Hq by 1800 hrs 26 Nov 44.

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T H Matthews Capt
Adjt, 2/23 Aust Inf Bn
(T H MATTHEWS)

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HQ, 2/23 Aust Inf Bn
In the Field
30 Nov 44

ROUTINE ORDERS

BY

Lt-Col F A G TUCKER Comd 2/23 Aust Inf Bn

R/O's Part I - No 40/44

164. BN DUTIES

The following duties will mount at RETREAT :

<u>Duties</u>	<u>Guard</u>	<u>Orderly Offr</u>
1 Dec 44	D Coy	Lt D W ATKINS
2 Dec 44	HQ Coy	Lt K G FOSTER
3 Dec 44	A Coy	Lt E A ENDERBY
4 Dec 44	B Coy	Lt B R GOON
5 Dec 44	C Coy	Lt A S FARHOOD
6 Dec 44	D Coy	Lt J F KINNANE

165. ATEBRIN - ADMINISTRATION OF

- (a) In future atebirin parades will be held at 0800 hrs daily.
- (b) All personnel on strength of coys will parade ready for the days training. Water bottle and mug will be carried in pouches.
- (c) Atebrin will be kept separate from Coy Roll Books. For this purpose sheets will be issued by Bn HQ; these on completion will be filed with unit records.
- (d) The Officer conducting the parade will initial the roll as each man takes his tablet.
- (e) The drill will be as laid down previously.

166. LIGHTING FIRES - BIVOUACS

All care will be taken in the lighting of fires on bivouac during the coming weeks. Fires will only be lit in cleared areas and will be covered with earth when finished with. On no account will dead logs or stumps be lit.

T H Matthews Capt
Adj. 2/23 Aust Inf Bn
(T H MATTHEWS)

NOTICES

1. CHRISTMAS GREETINGS TELEGRAMS

- (a) To allow the Postal Services to cope with the heavy telegraph traffic during the Christmas Season and to ensure early delivery before Christmas, it is essential that Christmas Greetings telegrams be lodged by the following dates.
Delivery Overseas NOT later than 6 Dec 44.
Delivery within the Commonwealth NOT later than 18 Dec 44.
- (b) Adequate supplies of telegram forms are available and all messages must be fully prepaid.

2. REMITTANCES OF UNDRAWN PAY AND CASH

- (a) 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.
- (b) Remittances forwarded through Paymasters and received by them on or before 10 Dec 44 will be paid prior to Christmas.
- (c)

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List "A"

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

Army Form W.3008
(Adapted) (Page 1)
(Revised Jan., 1943)
44/45 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 4/11/1944 2/23 AUST INF BN (Unit)
W.E. 11 12 3 OFFRS. 33 O.R's. 769 + OFFRS. 1 O.R's. 35 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'ts Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein'ts Required.								
				*													
				*													
NR	1	-	1	Lieut.-Colonels	AAMC												
NR	1	-	2	Majors													
-	-	-	7	Captains		-	-	1									
-	-	29	29	Lieutenants													
-	-	-	1	Quarter-masters													
				A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.													
				Civilians Counting as Offrs.													
-	2	9	40			-	-	1									
Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in para. 10 of instructions for compilation of form will complete Part E(1) & E(2).				DETAIL		A.I.F.	C.M.F.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.N.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL.	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	**	TOTAL.		
				A.		A C1 40											40
				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.
VX48791	MAJ	McRAE E H	20 Aust Inf Bde	28 OCT 44	From Detachment Dut;
VX42917	LT	ZUKERMAN M	ARL	29 OCT 44	

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit To.	Date.	CAUSE.
VX46373	LT	FOSTER K G	2/1 CCS	29 OCT 44	PUO
VX27821	IT	BENSON K I	" "	31 OCT 44	HEPATOMOGALAEY
QX34264	LT	STEVENSON GM	123 Bde Wksps	31 OCT 44	Det Instructor

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

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

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 4 11 4 /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.
LT-COL	SX10310	TUCKER	FAG	CO	YES		
MAJ	VX48791	McRAE	EH	2LC	YES		
CAPT	VX14533	ISSELL	RW	2LC'D	NO	LHQ TACT SCH	5 OCT 44
T/MAJ	VX48539	BROWN	WF	OC'NO	YES		
CAPT	VX61536	SEDCLEY	JG	OC'A	YES		
CAPT	VX40314	McMASTER	NE	OC'D	YES		
CAPT	VX5087	DUDLEY	J	OC'B	YES		
CAPT	VX20116	WILTON	MAB	OC'C	YES		
CAPT	VX36046	MATTHEWS	TH	ADJT	YES		
CAPT	VX23475	LOVELL	PK	OM	YES		
T/CAPT	VX5062	ROW	EFH	2LC'A	NO	LHQ TACT SCH	13 AUG 44
LT	VX24869	SIMMONS	HA	2LC'C	YES		
"	VX52834	McLEOD	HFK	5 P1	YES		
"	VX52832	GIBBS	EH	TO	YES		
"	VX40152	WENBORN	LP	IO	YES		
"	VX136034	HEATON	ET	A ADJT	NO	Vis & Obs Crse	27 OCT 44
"	CX34264	STEVENSON	GM	7 P1	NO	123 Bde Wkaps	31 OCT 44
"	VX28921	HANSEN	SH	12 P1	YES		
"	VX61094	HARPER	HPB	9 P1	YES		
"	VX88699	FINDERBY	EA	8 P1	YES		
"	CX14795	BOARD	JL	10 P1	NO	First Aust Army Trg	Sch22 OCT
"	NX5031	DENING	KS	11 P1	YES		
"	VX15237	ISKOV	RF	14 P1	YES		
"	VX36745	CANNING	RM	15 P1	YES		
"	VX37664	THORBURN	AC	18 P1	YES		
"	VX39988	HEAD	AE	4 P1	NO	ARL	5 SEP 44
"	VX55191	GOON	ER	SUP	YES		
"	NX25620	TRICKETT	CPW	16 P1	NO	ARL	24 OCT 44
"	VX19597	EDWARDS	IH	SUP	YES		
"	VX100600	HYNES	F	13 P1	YES		
"	VX12314	SHAW	SL	17 P1	YES		
"	VX88979	GREER	R	2 P1	YES		
"	VX42917	ZUKERMAN	M	SUP	YES		
"	VX52247	ATKINS	DW	SUP	YES		
"	VX55789	FARHOOD	AS	3P1	YES		
"	VX35418	JARDINE	WJL	SUP	YES		
"	VX 45733	KINNANE	JF	SUP	YES		
"	VX55120	SMITH	SG	SUP	YES		
"	VX57690	TAYLOUR	CH	1 P1	YES		
"	VX111053	McFRAGE	RA	SUP	XXX	NO Aust Army Regt Sch	26 OCT 44

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

Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank, if Held.	Army Number.	Name and Initials.	Unit.	Date of Attachment.	Nature of Attachment.
CAPT	NX132875	ERYSON	AW	AA CH D 12 MAY 44	CHAPLAIN

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Date of Despatch

Signature of Commander

FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 4 11 / 194 4 2 / 23 AUST INF BN (Unit)

W.E. ^{LL 120 3} OFFRS. ³³ O.R's ⁷⁶⁹ + OFFRS. ¹ O.R's ³⁵ ATT. BY W.E.

Part A. Posted Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements Required.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.				
Reinfts. Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Reinfts. Required.
•	•	•	1	W.Os. Class I.	AACCAAMC	AAOC	AEME	AAPCAAPS	TOT
NR	1	•	5	W.Os. Class II.	1				1
				Squadron or Company Quartermaster Sgts.					
NR	1	•	4	Staff Sergeants					
NR	4	•	28	Sergeants	4 3		1	1 1	10
NR	18	•	49	Corporals	4 1		2	1 •	8
•	•	60	718	Troopers, Privates, etc.	13 1	1	1		16
				Civilians counting as O.R.					
NR *	24	60	805 *	Totals of cols. marked * should agree with details shown in Part E on Page 2.	22 5	1 *	4	2 1	35 *

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.

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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	26 BDE			1	Base Rec		
1	553 Lt AA Bty			10	Schools		
1	2/3 Pnrs			21	Leave		
3	Mob Cinema			2	FPC(1 Duty 1 Det)		
				3	123 Bde Wkspa		
				3	Batmen		
				1	9 Div ADOS		
				1	GDD Redbank		
				42			

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

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**PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in
Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 4/11/1944.**

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, R.A.A.				Operator, Keyboard				Hammermen			
Armament Artificer Fitter (Electrical)				Surveyors, Topographical				Operator, Line				Leather Stitchers			
Armament Artificer Fitter (M.V.)				Surveyors, Trigonometrical				Operator, Signal				Orderlies, Nursing			
Armament Artificer Fitter (A.F.V.)				Toolmakers				Operator, Switchboard				Orderlies, Nursing Mental			
Armament Artificer Instrument				Turners				Operator, Wireless				Plate Layers			
Armament Artificer Radio				Watchmakers				Opticians				Rangetakers			
Armament Artificer Signals				Welders				Painters				Riveters			
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				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							
Electricians				Cooks				Woodturners							
Electricians (M.V.)				Dental Mechanics											
Electricians (Signals)				Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Med.)											
Fitters				Driver-Operator											
Fitters (Cycle)				Drainers											
Fitters (Electrical)				Electricians											
Fitters (Gun)				Electricians (Engineers)											
Fitters (Instrument)				Fire Control Operators				GROUP III.				DETAILS OF NON-TRADESMEN.			
Fitters (M.V.)				Gun Operator				Battery Surveyors							
Fitters, Railway Signal				Hatchman				Butchers							
Fitters, Signals				Height Taker				Clerks							
Grinder, Precision				Helio Operator				Clerks, Supply							
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator				Clerks, Technical							
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Intelligence Duties				Coach Trimmers							
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Joiners				Concretors							
Mechanics, Radio				Lineman				Cooks							
Mechanics, Typewriter				Lineman, Signals				Dental Clerk Orderlies							
Mechanics, Wireless				Lithographers				Despatch Riders				ATTACHED BY W.E.			
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				CARRIED FORWARD				CARRIED FORWARD				Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively.		*	*

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

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Date of Despatch

Signature of Commander

2/23 AUST INF BN
W.E.11/12c/3

APPENDIX "A"
4 NOV 44

TRADE	RANK	W.E.	POST STR	DEF- ICIT	SUR- PLUS	RFTS REQD
<u>TRADE GROUP I</u>						
BLACKSMITH	PTE	1	-	-	-	NR
<u>TRADE GROUP II</u>						
CARPENTER	PTE	6	7	-	1	-
INTEL DUTIES	SGT	1	1	-	-	-
" "	CPL	2	2	-	-	-
" "	PTE	7	7	-	-	-
SIGNALERS	SGT	1	-	1	-	NR
" "	CPL	4	2	2	-	NR
" "	PTE	22	37	-	15	-
<u>TRADE GROUP III</u>						
BUTCHER	PTE	1	2	-	1	-
CLERK	SGT	2	2	-	-	-
" "	CPL	6	6	-	-	-
" "	PTE	4	9	-	5	-
EQPT REPR	PTE	1	3	-	2	-
RANGETAKER	PTE	4	2	2	-	NR
STOREMEN TECH	SGT	1	-	1	-	NR
" "	PTE	3	6	-	3	-
TAILOR	SGT	1	1	-	-	-
" "	CPL	1	al	-	-	-
<u>NON-SPECIALISTS</u>						
RSM	WOI	1	1	-	-	-
CSM	WOII	5	4	1	-	NR
RQMS	WOII	1	1	-	-	-
CQMS	S/SGT	5	4	1	-	NR
PL SGT	SGT	12	11	1	-	NR
BATMEN	PTE	35	35	-	-	-
DVR MT	CPL	1	1	-	-	-
" "	PTE	11	11	-	-	-
GEN DUTIES (MESS)	PTE	3	3	-	-	-
HYG DUTIES	PTE	4	4	-	-	-
LMG & RIFLEMEN	CPL	36	27	9	-	NR
" "	PTE	361	307	-	36	-
MMG NOS	SGT	3	3	-	-	-
" "	CPL	2	2	-	-	-
" "	PTE	20	20	-	-	-
MORTAR NOS	SGT	5	4	1	-	NR
" "	CPL	5	2	3	-	NR
" "	PTE	68	68	-	-	-
ORDERLIES	PTE	32	32	-	-	-
PIONEERS	SGT	1	1	-	-	-
" "	CPL	4	3	1	-	NR
" "	PTE	28	28	-	-	-
REGT POLICE	SGT	1	1	-	-	-
" "	PTE	6	6	-	-	-
STOREMEN XXXX	PTE	6	6	-	-	-
STRETCHER BEAR	SGT	1	-	1	-	NR
STRETCHER BEAR	CPL	2	2	-	-	-
" "	PTE	18	18	-	-	-
						6 BANDSMEN (SB) URGENTLY REQUIRED
TANK A NOS	SGT	3	3	-	-	-
" "	CPL	4	2	2	-	NR
" "	PTE	15	15	-	-	-
WARER DUTIES	PTE	2	2	-	-	-
		769	805	27	63	-
TOTAL CARRIED FWD						
a 1PTE TGIII						

APPENDIX "A" CONTD

TRADE	RANK	W.E.	POST STR	DEF ICIT	SURPLUS	RPTS REQD
TOTAL CARRIED FORWARD		769	805	27	63	-
ATTACHED BY W.E.						
AAMC						
CHIROPDIST	CPL	1	1	-	-	-
HYG INSPECTOR	SGT	1	2	-	1	-
MED ORDERLY	SGT	1	1	-	-	-
" "	PTE	1	1	-	-	-
AAOC						
SHOEMAKER	CPL	1	b 1	-	-	-
ARME						
ARMOURER	SGT	1	1	-	-	-
" "TGI	PTE	1	c 2	-	1	-
FITTER GUN TGI	PTE	1	1	-	-	-
AA POST S						
POSTAL DUTIES	SGT	1	1	-	-	-
AAPC						
PAY CLERK	SGT	1	1	-	-	-
" "	CPL	1	1	-	-	-
AACC						
CATERER	WOII	1	1	-	-	-
COOKS	SGT	5	34	1	-	NR
" "	CPL	5	4	1	-	NR
" "	PTE	13	13	-	-	-
TOTAL		804	840	29,	65	-

SURPLUS TRADESMEN		TESTED		TESTED	
TGI	PAID	(UNPAID)	TOT TGI	PD	(UNPD)
ELECTRICIAN		1	1	SIGNALLERS	7
CYPHER OPER		1	1	MASON	2
COMPUTOR	2	-	2	GUN OPER	7
FITTER	1	-	1	Q.P.A.	2
FITTER MECH	1	-	1	DVR OPER	2
TGI II				MECH MT	3
BUTCHER	1	-	1	COOK	1
CLERK	3	2	5	CARPENTER	-
EQPT REPR	2	-	2	PAINTER &	-
STOREMEN TECH	3	-	3	DECORATOR	1
BOOT REPR	1	-	1	PANEL HEATER	1
BOILER ATTD	1	-	1		
FARRIER	1	-	1		
GUNLAYER	28	-	28		
NURS ORDERLY	1	-	1		
DVR MECH	33	20	53		

DATE 4 NOV 44

COMD 2/23 AUST INF BN
 (F.A.G.TUCKER.)

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

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At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 11 11 /1944 2/23 Aust Inf Bn (Unit)

W.E. 11 120 /3 OFFRS. 33 O.R.'s 769 OFFRS. 1 O.R.'s 35 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'ts Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein'ts Required.					
-	-	-	1	*	A.A.M.C.	-	-	1						
NR	1	-	2	*										
NR	1	-	7											
6	-	10	30											
-	-	-	1											
				Lieut.-Colonels										
				Majors										
				Captains										
				Lieutenants										
				Quarter-masters										
				A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.										
				Civilians Counting as Offrs.										
6	2	10	41					1						
Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in para. 10 of instructions for compilation of form will complete Part E(1) & E(2).				DETAIL	A.I.F.	C.M.F.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.N.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL.	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	**	TOTAL.
				A.										41
				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.
VX46473	LT	POSTER KG	2/1 CCS	6 NOV 44	Ex Hosp
VX136034	LT	HEATON RT	Via & Obs Crse	10 NOV 44	Ex Course

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK

VX24869	LT	SIMMONS M A	To Trg Cadre	5 NOV 44	
VX40152	LT	WINBORN L P	" " "	5 NOV 44	
VX28921	LT	HANSEN S H	" " "	5 NOV 44	

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit To.	Date.	CAUSE.
NX5031	LT	DENING K S	Trg Cadre	5 NOV 44	
VX45798	LT	KINNANE J F	" "	5 NOV 44	
VX55120	LT	SMITH S G	" "	5 NOV 44	
VX52804	LT	MOLEBD H F	K 1 Aust Corps	Sch 5 NOV 44	To attend Crse
VX42917	LT	ZUKERMAN N	2/3 TK A Regt	5 NOV 44	Instruction

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

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

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Unit

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PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 11 NOV 44. (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.
LT-COL	VX10310	TUCKER	FAG	CO	YES		
MAJ	VX48791	McRAE	EH	2IC	YES		
CAPT	VX14533	ISSELL	HW	2IC'D	NO	LHQ TACT SCH	5 OCT 44
T/MAJ	VX48589	BROWN	WF	OCH	YES		
CAPT	VX61536	SEDGLEY	JG	OCA	YES		
CAPT	VX40314	McMASTER	NE	OCB	YES		
CAPT	VX5087	DUDLEY	J	OCB	YES		
CAPT	VX20116	WILTON	MAB	OCC	YES		
CAPT	VX38046	MATTHEWS	TH	ADJT	YES		
CAPT	VX23475	LOVELL	FK	GM	YES		
T/MAJ	VX5062	HOW	BFH	2ICA	NO	LHQ TACT SCH	13 AUG 44
MAJ	VX34869	SIMMONS	N A	2ICC	NO	Trg Cadre	5 NOV 44
"	VX52884	McLEOD	HPK	5 P1	NO	1 AUST CORPS CAM SC	5 NOV 44
"	VX52832	GIBBS	EH	TO(L)	YES		
"	VX40152	WENBORN	LP	IO	NO	Trg Cadre	5 NOV 44
"	VX46373	FOSTER	KG	TO	YES		
"	VX136014	HEATH	FT	4 ADJ	YES		
"	VX34264	STEVENSON	GM	7 P1	NO	2/123 Bde wkaps	31 OCT 44
"	VX38921	HANSEN	SH	12 P1	NO	Trg Cadre	5 NOV 44
"	VX61094	HARPER	HPB	SMX	YES	9 P1	
"	VX83699	ENDERBY	EA	8 P1	YES		
"	VX14795	BOARD	JL	10 P1	NO	Aust Army Trg Sch	22 OCT 44
"	VX5031	DENING	KS	11 P1	NO	Trg Cadre	5 NOV 44
"	VX15237	ISKOV	WF	14 P1	YES		
"	VX36745	CANNING	HM	15 P1	YES		
"	VX37664	THORBUAN	AG	18 P1	YES		
"VX	VX39988	HEAD	AE	4 P1	NO	ANL	5 SEP 44
"	VX55001	GOCH	BR	SUP	YES		
"	VX34650	TRICKETT	CPH	16 P1	NO	ANL	25 OCT 44
"	VX19597	EDWARDS	IE	SUP	YES		
"	VX100600	HINES	F	13 P1	YES		
"	VX13314	SHAW	SL	17 P1	YES		
"	VX38579	GREER	R	2 P1	YES		
"	VX42917	ZUKERMAN	M	SUP	NO	2/3 TK A REGT	5 NOV 44
"	VX52247	ATKINS	DE	SUP	YES		
"	VX55780	PARKOOD	AF	3 P1	YES		
"	VX35418	JARDINE	WJ	SUP	YES		
"	VX45773	KINNANE	JF	SUP	NO	Trg Cadre	5 NOV 44
"	VX55120	SMITH	SG	SUP	NO	" "	5 NOV 44
"	VX57690	TAYLOUR	CH	1 P1	YES		
"	VX111853	BEUFRAE	RA	SUP	NO	Aust Army Teg Sch	26 OCT 44

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

Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank, if Held.	Army Number.	Name and Initials.	Unit.	Date of Attachment.	Nature of Attachment.
CAPT	VX132875	BRYSON AW	AA CH D	12 MAY 44	CHAFLAIN

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Date of Despatch

Signature of Commander

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W.E.11 / 129 3. OFFRS 33 O.R's. 769+ OFFRS. 1 O.R's. 35 ATT. BY W.E.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		
W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.						
Reinfts. Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Reinfts. Required.		
-	-	-	1	W.Os. Class I.	AACGAAMCAAQCAHMEAAPCAAPS					TOTAL	
NR	1	-	5	W.Os. Class II.	1				1		
				Squadron or Company Quartermaster Sgts.							
NR	1	-	4	Staff Sergeants							
NR	5	-	27	Sergeants	4	3	1	1	1		
NR	22	-	45	Corporals	4	1	2	1	8		
-	-	50	708	Troopers, Privates, etc.	14	1	1		17		
				Civilians counting as O.R.							
*	29	50	790	Totals of cols. marked * should agree with details shown in Part E on Page 2.	23	4	1	4*	2	1	35*

Dettail	A.I.F.	C.M.B. Under 19 Years and over.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CTVIL	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	* *	TOTAL.
A	A C1 817	B C1 8				[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]		825
B(1)									
B(2)					[REDACTED]				

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	26 Bde			1	Base Rec		
1	553 Lt AA Bty			10	Schools		
1	2/3 Pnrs			23	Leave		
3	Mob Cinema			2	FPC(1 Duty 1 Det)		
				3	123 Wksp		
				1	13 APSC		
				1	GDD Redbank		
				24	Trg Cadre		
				1	1 Aust Corps Comb Ops		
				1	26 Bde		
				20			
				29	2/3 TK A Regt		
				1	Batman		

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**PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in
Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 11 / 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, R.A.A.				Operator, Keyboard				Hammermen			
Armament Artificer Fitter (Electrical)				Surveyors, Topographical				Operator, Line				Leather Stitchers			
Armament Artificer Fitter (M.V.)				Surveyors, Trigonometrical				Operator, Signal				Orderlies, Nursing			
Armament Artificer Fitter (A.F.V.)				Toolmakers				Operator, Switchboard				Orderlies, Nursing Mental			
Armament Artificer Instrument				Turners				Operator, Wireless				Plate Layers			
Armament Artificer Radio				Watchmakers				Opticians				Rangefinders			
Armament Artificer Signals				Welders				Painters				Riveters			
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			
Butchers								Electricians				Stokers, Staty. Engine			
Cooks, Hospital				GROUP II.				Lawyers				Storemen, Technical			
Coppersmiths				Armourers				Signallers				Tailors			
Dispensers				Axemen				Signwriters				Textile Refitters			
Draughtsmen				Bakers				Telescope Identfn. Numbers				Tinsmiths			
Draughtsmen (Architectural)				Bty. Comd's Asst.				Well Borers				Vulcanizers			
Draughtsmen (Engineering)				Boilermakers				Wheelers				Wagon Erectors			
Draughtsmen (Mechanical)				Carpenters				Winchman				Whitesmiths			
Draughtsmen (Topographical)				Carpenters and Joiners				Wireman							
Electricians				Cooks				Woodturners							
Electricians (M.V.)				Dental Mechanics											
Electricians (Signals)				Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Med.)											
Fitters				Driver-Operator											
Fitters (Cycle)				Drainers											
Fitters (Electrical)				Electricians											
Fitters (Gun)				Electricians (Engineers)											
Fitters (Instrument)				Fire Control Operators				GROUP III.				DETAILS OF NON-TRADESMEN.			
Fitters (M.V.)				Gun Operator				Battery Surveyors							
Fitters, Railway Signal				Hatchman				Butchers							
Fitters, Signals				Height Taker				Clerks							
Grinder, Precision				Helio Operator				Clerks, Supply							
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator				Clerks, Technical							
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Intelligence Duties				Coach Trimmers							
Mechanics, Instrument (Medical)				Joiners				Concretors							
Mechanics, Radio				Lineman				Cooks							
Mechanics, Typewriter				Lineman, Signals				Dental Clerk Orderlies							
Mechanics, Wireless				Lithographers				Despatch Elders				ATTACHED BY W.E.			
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				CARRIED FORWARD				CARRIED FORWARD				Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively.		*	*

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11 NOV 44
Date of Despatch

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APPENDIX "A"
11 NOV 44

TRADE	RANK	W.E.	POST STR	DEF-ICIT	SUR-PLUS	RFTS REQD
TRADE GROUP I						
BLACKSMITH	PTE	1	-	1	-	-
TRADE GROUP II						
CARPENTER	PTE	6	7	-	1	-
INTEL DUTIES	SGT	1	1	-	-	-
" "	CPL	2	2	-	-	-
" "	PTE	7	8	-	1	-
SIGNALERS	SGT	1	-	1	-	NR
" "	CPL	4	2	2	-	NR
" "	PTE	22	38	-	16	-
TRADE GROUP III						
BUTCHER	PTE	1	3	-	2	-
CLERK	SGT	2	2	-	-	-
" "	CPL	6	6	-	-	-
" "	PTE	4	8	-	4	-
EQPT REPR	PTE	1	3	-	2	-
RANGE TAKER	PTE	4	2	2	-	NR
STOREMEN TECH	SGT	1	-	1	-	NR
" "	PTE	3	6	-	3	-
TAILOR	SGT	1	1	-	-	-
"C "	CPL	1	1	-	-	-
NON-SPECIALISTS						
RSM	WOI	1	1	-	-	-
CSM	WOII	5	4	1	-	NR
RMS	WOII	1	1	-	-	-
CMS	S SGT	5	4	1	-	NR
PL SGT	SGT	12	12	-	-	-
BATMEN	PTE	35	35	-	-	-
DVR MT	CPL	1	1	-	-	-
" "	PTE	11	11	-	-	-
GEN DUTIES (MESS)	PTE	3	3	-	-	-
HYGIENE DUTIES	PTE	4	4	-	-	-
LMG/RIFLEMEN	CPL	36	23	13	-	NR
" "	PTE	361	384	-	23	-
MMG NOS	SGT	3	3	-	-	-
" "	CPL	2	2	-	-	-
" "	PTE	20	20	-	-	-
MORTAR NOS	SGT	5	3	2	-	NR
" "	CPL	5	2	3	-	NR
" "	PTE	68	68	-	-	-
ORDERLIES	PTE	32	32	-	-	-
PIONEERS	SGT	1	1	-	-	-
" "	CPL	4	3	1	-	NR
" "	PTE	28	28	-	-	-
REGT POLICE	SGT	1	1	-	-	-
" "	PTE	6	6	-	-	-
STOREMEN	PTE	6	6	-	-	-
STR BEARER	SGT	1	-	1	-	NR
" "	CPL	2	2	-	-	-
" "	PTE	18	18	-	-	-
"K A NOS	SGT	3	3	-	-	-
" "	CPL	4	2	2	-	NR
" "	PTE	15	15	-	-	-
ATER DUTIES	PTE	2	2	-	-	-
TOTAL		769	790	31	52	-

6 Bandsmen SB
urgently reqd

(a 1 PTE TGIH Tailor)

APPENDIX "A" CONTD

TRADE	RANK	W.E.	POST	DEF- STRENGTH ICTT	SUR- PLUS	RFTS REQD
TOTAL BROUGHT FWD		769	790	31	52	-
ATTACHED BY W.E.						
AANC						
CHIROPDIST	CPL	1	1	-	-	-
HYGIENE INSP	SGT	1	2	-	1	-
MED ORDERLIES	SGT	1	-	1	-	NR
" "	PTE	1	1	-	-	-
AAOC						
SHOEMAKER	CPL	1	b1	-	-	-
ARME						
ARMOURER	SGT	1	1	-	-	-
" "TGI	PTE	1	e2	-	1	-
FITTER GUN TGI	PTE	1	1	-	-	-
AA POST S						
POSTAL DUTIES	SGT	1	1	-	-	-
AAPC						
PAY CLERK	SGT	1	1	-	-	-
" "	CPL	1	1	-	-	-
AACC						
CATERER	WOII	1	1	-	-	-
COOKS	SGT	5	4	1	-	NR
" "	CPL	5	4	1	-	NR
" "	PTE	13	14	-	1	-
		804	825	34	55	-

b 1 PTE(Ungpd)

c 2 CPLS

Surplus Tradesmen				UNPAID TOT			
TGII	PAID	UNPAID (Tested)	TOT	TGII	PAID (Tested)	UNPAID	TOT
COMPUTOR	2	1	3	CARPENTER	-	1	1
FITTER	1	-	1	INT DUTIES	1	-	1
FITTER MECH	1	-	1	SIGNALLERS	8	8	16
ELECTRICIAN	-	1	1	MASON	1	-	1
CYPHER OPER	1	1	1	PANEL BEATER	-	1	1
TGIII				GUN OPER	7	-	7
BUTCHER	1	1	2	O.P.A.	1	-	1
CLERK	2	2	4	PAINTER DEC	-	1	1
EQPT REPR	2	-	2	Dvr OPER	2	-	2
STOREMEN TECH	3	-	3	MECH MT	2	3	5
BOOT REPR	1	-	1	COOKS	1	3	4
BOILER ATTD	1	-	1				
FARRIER	1	-	1				
GUNLAYER	27	-	27				
NURS ORDERLY	1	-	1				
DVR MECH	33	10	43				
DVR MT	-	6	6				

DATE 11 NOV 44

J. H. L. L. L.

2/23

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FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

44/46 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday / / 194 (Unit)

W.E. / / OFFRS. O.R's. 18 11 4 2/23 AUST INF BN + 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'ts Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein'ts Required.							
-	-	-	1	Lieut.-Colonels	AAMC	-	-	1								
NR	2	-	2	Majors												
NR	1	-	7	Captains												
6	-	10	30	Lieutenants												
-	-	-	1	Quarter-masters												
				A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.												
				Civilians Counting as Offrs.												
6	2	10	41					1								
Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in para. 10 of instructions for compilation of form will complete Part E(1) & E(2).				DETAIL		A.I.F.	C.M.F.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.N.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL.	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	**	TOTAL.	
				A.												
				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.
QX34264	LT	STEVENSON G M	2/23 RDE WKSPS	11 NOV 44	FROM DET FOR DUTY
VX42917	LT	ZUKERMAN M	2/3 TK A REGT	12 Nov 44	From DET
VX52884	LT	McLEOD H F K	1 AUST CORPS TRG SCH	13 NOV 44	FROM SCHOOL
VX5062	CAPT	ROW R F H	LTD CAMP PELL	14 NOV 44	FROM ARL & LHQ TACT
QX14795	LT	BOARD J L	FIRST AA REGT SCH	15 NOV 44	From School
VX24869	LT	SIMMONS M A	TRG CADRE	15 NOV 44	
VX40152	LT	WENBORN L P	" "	"	
VX28921	LT	HANSEN S H	" "	"	
NX1	LT	DENING K S	" "	"	
VX45753	LT	KINNANE J F	" "	"	
VX55120	LT	SMITH S G	" "	"	

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit To.	Date.	CAUSE.
VX48791	Maj	Mc RAE E H	VIS & OBS SEC	12 Nov 44	For duty
VX136034	LT	HEATON F T	" "	" "	" "
VX37664	LT	THORBURN A C	SHIP'S PARTY	12 Nov 44	
VX55789	LT	FARHOOD A S	" "	"	
VX40314	CAPT	Mc MASTER N E	REAR GUARD	15 Nov 44	

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).

444 46 (Serial No.)

23 AUST INF BN Unit

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 18/11/1944 (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.
Col	SX10310	TUCKER	F A G	CO	YES		
MAJ	VX40791	McRAE	E H	2IC	NO	VIS & OPS SEC	12 NOV 44
CAPT	VX14533	ISSELL	R W	2IC'D	NO	LHQ TACT SCHOOL	5 OCT 44
T MAJ	VX48589	BROWN	W F	OC'D	YES		
CAPT	VX61536	SEDGLEY	J G	OC'A	YES		
CAPT	VX40314	McMASTER	N E	OC'D	NO	REAR GUARD	15 NOV 44
CAPT	VX5087	DUDLEY	J	OC'B	YES		
CAPT	VX20116	WILTON	M A B	OC'C	YES		
CAPT	VX36046	MATTHEWS	T H	ADJT	YES		
CAPT	VX23475	LOVELL	F K	QM	YES		
CAPT	VX5062	ROW	R F H	2IC'A	YES		
LT	VX24869	SIMMONS	M A	2IC'C	YES		
"	VX52884	McLEOD	H F K	5 PL	YES		
"	VX52832	GIBBS	E H	TO(L)	YES		
"	VX46373	FOSTER	K G	TO	YES		
"	VX40152	WENBORN	L P	IO	YES		
"	VX136034	HEATON	F T	ASST ADJT	NO	VIS & OPS SEC	12 NOV 44
"	QX34264	STEVENSON	G M	7 PL	YES		
"	VX28921	HANSEN	S H	12 PL	YES		
"	VX61094	HARPER	H P B	QM(L)	YES		
"	VX88699	ENDERBY	E A	8 PL	YES		
"	QX14795	BOARD	J L	10 PL	YES		
"	NX5031	DENING	K S	11 PL	YES		
"	VX15237	ISKOV	R F	14 PL	YES		
"	VX36745	CANNING	R M	15 PL	YES		
"	VX37664	THORBURN	A C	18 PL	NO	SHIP'S PARTY	12 NOV 44
"	VX 30988	HEAD	A E	4 PL	NO	ARL	5 NOV 44
"	VX55991	GOON	B R	SUP	YES		
"	NX25620	TRICKETT	C P W	16 PL	NO	ARL	24 OCT 44
"	VX19597	EDWARDS	I H	SUP	YES		
"	VX100600	HYNDS	F	13 PL	YES		
"	VX12314	SHAW	S L	17 PL	YES		
"	VX88979	GREER	R	2 PL	YES		
"	VX42917	ZUKERMAN	M	SUP	YES		
"	VX52247	ATKINS	D W	SUP	YES		
"	VX55780	FARHOOD	A F	3 PL	NO	SHIP'S PARTY	12 NOV 44
"	VX35418	JARDINE	W L J	SUP	EDS		
"	VX45733	KINNANE	J F	SUP	YES		
"	VX55120	SMITH	S G	SUP	YES		
"	VX57690	TAYLOUR	CM	1 PL	YES		
"	VX111853	BEFRAGE	R A	SUP	NO	ARL	26 OCT 44

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

Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank, if Held.	Army Number.	Name and Initials.	Unit.	Date of Attachment.	Nature of Attachment.
CAPT	3x19000	ROWE	R C	15 NOV 44	RMO FROM 2/11 FO AMB
CAPT	NX132875	FRYSON	A W	12 MAY 44	CHAPLAIN
CAPT	NX12377	NIX	L F	'B' EDT	TP 15 NOV 44
ATTACHED FROM 2/28		AUST INF BN		15 NOV 44	
CAPT	WX6837	PARRY G L W			
CAPT	WX11016	EASTMAN E A			
CAPT	VX6742	LUSHINGTON	A H	VX24327	ATT FROM 2/3 PIONEERS 15 NOV 44
LT	WX8402	ROOKE	P F	VX109257	CAPT BANKS C H
LT	WX5271	KENNEDY D		NX57834	LT MCKINNON A K
				NX51758	LT McDONALD R B
				QX36551	LT BATSON S M
	NX83718	WHITMAN C A			LT KIDSTON R
				NX41084	LT FRATER K H

Date of Despatch

a.w. 10m bks 10/43

Signature of Commander
SIGNATURE OF COMMANDER

2/23 Aust Inf Bn

Unit

Army Form W.3009
(Adapted) (Page 2)
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Serial No.

**PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in
Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 18/11/1944.**

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				Rangefinders			
Armament Artificer Signals				Welders				Painters				Riveters			
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				Bakers				Telescope Identifn. 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							
Electricians				Cooks				Woodturners							
Electricians (M.V.)				Dental Mechanics											
Electricians (Signals)				Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Med.)											
Fitters				Driver-Operator											
Fitters (Cycle)				Drainers											
Fitters (Electrical)				Electricians											
Fitters (Gun)				Electricians (Engineers)											
Fitters (Instrument)				Fire Control Operators				GROUP III.				DETAILS OF NON-TRADESMEN.			
Fitters (M.V.)				Gun Operator				Battery Surveyors							
Fitters, Railway Signal				Hatchman				Butchers							
Fitters, Signals				Height Taker				Clerks							
Grinder, Precision				Helio Operator				Clerks, Supply							
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator				Clerks, Technical							
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Intelligence Duties				Coach Trimmers							
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Joiners				Concretors							
Mechanics, Radio				Lineman				Cooks							
Mechanics, Typewriter				Lineman, Signals				Dental Clerk Orderlies							
Mechanics, Wireless				Lithographers				Despatch Riders				ATTACHED BY W.E.			
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				CARRIED FORWARD				CARRIED FORWARD				Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively.			

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18 Nov 44
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Signature of Commander

2/23 AUST INF BN
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APPENDIX 'A'
18 Nov 44

TRADE	RANK	W E	POST STR	DEF ICIT	SUR PLUS	RFT RQD
TRADE GROUP I						
BLACKSMITH	PTE	1	-	1	-	NR
TRADE GROUP II						
CARPENTER	PTE	6	7	-	1	-
INTELL DUTIES	SGT	1	1	-	-	-
" "	CPL	2	2	-	-	-
" "	PTE	7	8	-	1	-
SIGNALIERS	SGT	1	-	1	-	NR
"	CPL	4	3	1	-	NR
"	PTE	22	37	-	15	-
TRADE GROUP III						
BUTCHER	PTE	1	3	-	2	-
CLERK	SGT	2	2	-	-	-
"	CPL	6	5	1	-	NR
"	PTE	4	8	-	4	-
EQPT REPR	PTE	1	3	-	2	-
RANGE TAKER	PTE	4	2	2	-	NR
STOREMAN TECH	SGT	1	-	1	-	NR
"	PTE	3	5	-	2	-
TAILOR	SGT	1	1	-	-	-
"	CPL	1	a1	-	-	-
NON SPECIALISTS						
RSM	WO I	1	1	-	-	-
CSM	WO II	5	4	1	-	NR
RQMS	WO II	1	1	-	-	-
CQMS	S SGT S SGT	5	4	1	-	NR
PL SGT	SGT	12	11	1	-	NR
BATMAN	PTE	35	35	-	-	-
DVR MT	CPL	1	1	-	-	-
" "	PTE	11	11	-	-	-
GEN DUTIES (MESS)	PTE	3	3	-	-	-
HYGIENE DUTIES	PTE	4	4	-	-	-
LMG/RFN	CPL	36	22	14	-	NR
" "	PTE	361	384	-	23	-
MMG NOS	SGT	3	3	-	-	-
" "	CPL	2	2	-	-	-
" "	PTE	20	20	-	-	-
MORTARS NOS	SGT	5	4	1	-	NR
" "	CPL	5	3	2	-	NR
" "	PTE	68	68	-	-	-
ORDERLIES	PTE	32	32	-	-	-
PIONEERS	SGT	1	1	-	-	-
"	CPL	4	3	1	-	NR
"	PTE	28	28	-	-	-
REGT POLICE	SGT	1	1	-	-	-
" "	PTE	6	6	-	-	-
STOREMEN	PTE	6	6	-	-	-
STR BEARER	SGT	1	-	1	-	NR
" "	CPL	2	2	-	-	-
" "	PTE	18	18	-	-	-
6 bandsmen SB urgently required						
TK A	SGT	3	3	-	-	-
" "	CPL	4	2	2	-	NR
" "	PTE	15	15	-	-	-
WATER DUTIES	PTE	2	2	-	-	-
TOTAL CARRIED FWD						
		769	788	31	50	-
(a 1 pte TGill TAILOR						

TRADE	RANK	W E	POST STR	DEF ICIT	SUR PLUS	RFT RQD
TOTAL BROUGHT FWD		769	788	31	50	
ATTACHED BY W E						
AAMC						
CHIROPDIST	CPL	1	1	-	-	-
HYGIENE DUTIES	SGT	1	2	-	1	-
MED ORDERLY	SGT	1	-	1	-	NR
" "	PTE	1	1	0	-	-
AAOC						
SHOEMAKER	CPL	1	b1	-	-	-
AAPS						
POSTAL DUTIES	SGT	1	1	-	-	-
AAPC						
PA Y CLERK	SGT	1	1	-	-	-
" "	CPL	1	1	-	-	-
AACC						
CATERER	WOII	1	1	-	-	-
COOKS	SGT	5	4	1	-	NR
"	CPL	5	4	1	-	NR
"	PTE	13	13	-	-	-
TOTAL		801	818	34	51	-

b 1 Pte ungrouped

SURPLUS TRADESMEN

TG I	PAID	TEST UNPD	TOTAL	TG II	PAID	TEST UNPD	TOTAL
COMPUTOR	3	1	4	CARPENTER		1	1
FITTER MECH	1		1	INT DUTIES	1		1
ELECTRICIAN		1	1	SIGNALIERS	7	8	15
CYPHER OPER		1	1	MASON	1		1
FITTER	1		1	PANEL HEATER		1	1
				GUN OPER	7		7
TG III				O P A	1		1
BUTCHER	1	1	2	PAINTER DEC		1	1
CLERK	2	2	4	DVR OPER	2		2
EQPT REPR	2		2	MECH MT	2	3	5
STOREMEN TECH	2		2	COOKS	1	3	4
BOOT REPR	1		1				
BOILER ATTD	1		1				
FARRIER	1		1				
GUNLAYER	27		27				
NURS ORDERLY	1		1				
DVR MECH	34	9	43				
DVR MT		6	6				

DATE***18 NOV 44***

John H. ...

2/23 AUST INF BN

EP-60L

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

Army Form W.3008
(Adapted) (Page 1)
(Revised Jan., 1943)

44 / 47 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 25 / 11 / 1944 2/2 3 Aust Inf (Unit)

W.E. 11 / 120 5 OFFRS 33 O.R's 769 + OFFRS 1 O.R's 32 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'ts Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein'ts Required.				
•	•	•	1	Lieut.-Colonels	AANC	•	•	1					
•	1	•	2	Majors									
NR	1	•	7	Captains									
•	•	10	30	Lieutenants									
•	•	•	1	Quarter-masters									
				A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.									
				Civilians Counting as Offrs.									
6	2	10	41					1					
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.				41									41
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.
VL37664	LT	TEGARDEN AC	Duty Ship's Pty	19 NOV 44	
VL55789	*	PARRHOOD AS	" " "	19 NOV 44	
VX24949	*	SIMMONS MA	116 AGH	24 NOV 44	Ex Hosp
VX40314	CAPT	MONASTER NR	From Rear Pty	24 NOV 44	

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit To.	Date.	CAUSE.
VX24949	LT	SIMMONS MA	116 AGH	18 NOV 44	Synovitis L Knee

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 25 / 11 / 194. 4 (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.
Lt Col	SK10510	TUCKER	PAO	C G	YES		
Maj	VX48791	MORAE	EN	2IC	NO	Via and Obs Sec	12 NOV 44
Capt	VX14533	ISSELL	EW	2IC'D	NO	LMQ Tact Sch	5 OCT 44
T/Maj	VX48589	BROWN	WF	OCHQ	YES		
Capt	VX61536	SEDGWY	JB	OC'A	YES		
	VX40314	MONASTER	NE	OC'D	YES		
	VX5097	DUDLEY	J	OC'B	YES		
	VX20116	WILTON	MAB	OC'C	YES		
	VX36046	MATTHEWS	TH	ADJT	YES		
	VX23478	LOVELL	PK	CM	YES		
C/Capt	VX5069	ROW	RPH	2ICA	YES		
Lt	VX24869	SINMONS	MA	2IOC	YES		
	VX52284	MCLEOD	HPE	8 P1	YES		
	VX52832	SIBBS	EN	TO	YES		
	VX46373	FOSTER	NS	TO(L)	YES		
	VX40152	WENBORN	LP	IO	YES		
	VX136034	HEATON	PT	AADJT	NO	Via & Obs Sec	12 NOV 44
	GX34264	S. EVENSON	CM	7 P1	YES		
	VX28821	HANSEN	SH	12 P1	YES		
	VX61094	HARPER	RPH	9 P1	Yes		
	VX38699	ENDERBY	EA	8 P1	YES		
	GX14795	BOARD	JL	10 P1	YES		
	MX5051	DRING	KS	11 P1	YES		
	VX15237	ISKOV	RF	14 P1	YES		
	VX36745	CANNING	RM	15 P1	YES		
	VX37664	THORBURN	AC	18 P1	YES		
	VX39988	HEAD	AE	4 P1	YES		
	VX55191	COON	ER	SUP	YES		
	MX25620	TRICKETT	CPW	1881	NO	ARL	24 OCT 44
	VX19597	EDWARDS	IH	SUP	YES		
	VX100600	HYNES	F	13 P1	YES		
	VX12314	SHAW	SL	17 P1	YES		
	VX32979	ORRER	R	2 P1	YES		
	VX42917	ZUMERMAN	WED M	SUP	YES		
	VX52247	ATKINS	DW	SUP	YES		
	VX55780	PARNOLD	AS	3 P1	YES		
	VX35418	JARDINE	WLJ	SUP	YES		
	VX45733	KINNANE	JP	SUP	YES		
	VX55120	SMITH	SO	SUP	YES		
	VX57690	TAYLOR	CH	1 P1	YES		
	VX111853	BELFRAGE	RA	SUP	YES	NO Aust Army Trg Sch	25 OCT 44

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

Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank, if Held.	Army Number.	Name and Initials.	Unit.	Date of Attachment.	Nature of Attachment.
CAPT	MX132875	ERYSON AW	AA Ch D	12 MAY 44	Chaplain

25 NOV 44
Date of Despatch

a.w. 10m bks 10/43

Signature of Commander

**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, R.A.A.				Operator, Keyboard				Hammermen			
Armament Artificer Fitter (Electrical)				Surveyors, Topographical				Operator, Line				Leather Stitchers			
Armament Artificer Fitter (M.V.)				Surveyors, Trigonometrical				Operator, Signal				Orderlies, Nursing			
Armament Artificer Fitter (A.F.V.)				Toolmakers				Operator, Switchboard				Orderlies, Nursing Mental			
Armament Artificer Instrument				Turners				Operator, Wireless				Plate Layers			
Armament Artificer Radio				Watchmakers				Opticians				Rangefinders			
Armament Artificer Signals				Welders				Painters				Riveters			
Armament Artificer Wireless								Panel Beaters				Roughriders			
Artificer, Artillery								Photographer, Dry Plate				Saddlers			
Artificer, Engine								Predictor Numbers				Saddletree makers			
Blacksmiths								Printers				Shoemaker and Boot Repairer			
Blacklayers								Radio-grammers				Stevedores			
Computers								Riggers				Stokers, Staty. Engine			
Cooks, Hospital				GROUP II.				Sawyers				Steremen, Technical			
Coppersmiths				Armourers				Signallers				Tailors			
Dispensers				Axemen				Signwriters				Textile Refitters			
Draughtsmen				Bakers				Telescope Identfn. Numbers				Tinsmiths			
Draughtsmen (Architectural)				Bty. Comd's Asst.				Well Borers				Vulcanizers			
Draughtsmen (Engineering)				Boilermakers				Wheelers				Wagon Erectors			
Draughtsmen (Mechanical)				Carpenters				Winchman				Whitesmiths			
Draughtsmen (Topographical)				Carpenters and Joiners				Wireman							
Electricians				Cooks				Woodturners							
Electricians (M.V.)				Dental Mechanics											
Electricians (Signals)				Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Med.)											
Fitters				Driver-Operator											
Fitters (Cycle)				Drainers											
Fitters (Electrical)				Electricians											
Fitters (Gun)				Electricians (Engineers)											
Fitters (Instrument)				Fire Control Operators				GROUP III.				DETAILS OF NON-TRADESMEN.			
Fitters (M.V.)				Gun Operator				Battery Surveyors							
Fitters, Railway Signal				Hatchman				Butchers							
Fitters, Signals				Height Taker				Clerks							
Grinder, Precision				Helio Operator				Clerks, Supply							
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator				Clerks, Technical							
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Intelligence Duties				Coneh 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							
P plumber				Moulders				Farriers							
Saw Doctors				Nurses, Trained				Fitters' Mates							
Surveyors				Observation Post Assts.				Gun Layers							
CARRIED FORWARD				CARRIED FORWARD				CARRIED FORWARD				Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively.			*

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

25 Nov 44
Date of Despatch

Signature of Commander

2/23 Aust Inf Bn
 11/12c/3

APPENDIX "A"

25 NOV 44

TRADE	RANK	W.E.	POST STR	DEF- ICIT	SUR- PLUS	RFTS REQD
TRADE GPI						
BLACKSMITH	PTE	1	-	1	-	NR
TRADE GP II						
CARPENTER	PTE	6	7	-	1	-
INTEL DUTIES	SGT	1	1	-	-	-
" "	CPL	2	2	-	-	-
" "	PTE	7	9	-	2	-
SIGNALERS	SGT	1	-	1	-	NR
" "	CPL	4	3	X 1	1	NR
" "	PTE	22	38	-	16	-
TRADE GP III						
BUTCHER	PTE	1	3	-	2	-
CLERK	SGT	2	2	-	-	-
" "	CPL	6	6	-	-	-
" "	PTE	4	9	-	5	-
EPQT REPR	PTE	1	3	-	2	-
RANGE TAKER	PTE	4	2	2	-	NR
STOREMEN TECH	SGT	1	-	1	-	NR
" "	PTE	3	6	-	3	-
TAILOR	SGT	1	1	-	-	-
" "	CPL	1	a1	-	-	-
NON SPECIALISTS						
RSM	WOI	1	1	-	-	-
CSM	WOII	5	4	1	-	NR
RQMS	WOII	1	1	-	-	-
CQMS	S SGT	5	4	1	-	NR
PL SGT	SGT	12	12	-	-	-
BATMEN	PTE	35	35	-	-	-
DVR MT	CPL	1	1	-	-	-
" "	PTE	11	11	-	-	-
GEN DUTIES MESS	PTE	3	3	-	-	-
HYG DUTIES	PTE	4	4	-	-	-
IMG RIFLEMEN	CPL	36	22	14	-	NR
" "	PTE	361	395	-	34	-
MMG NOS	SGT	3	3	-	-	-
" "	CPL	2	2	-	-	-
" "	PTE	20	20	-	-	-
MORTAR NOS	SGT	5	4	1	-	NR
" "	CPL	5	3	2	-	NR
" "	PTE	68	68	-	-	-
ORDERLIES	PTE	32	32	-	-	-
PIONEERS	SGT	1	1	-	-	-
" "	CPL	4	3	1	-	NR
" "	PTE	28	28	-	-	-
REGT POLICE	SGT	1	1	-	-	-
" "	PTE	6	6	-	-	-
STOREMEN	PTE	6	6	-	-	-
STR BEARER	SGT	1	-	1	-	NR
" "	CPL	2	2	-	-	-
" "	PTE	18	18	-	-	-
TK A NOS	SGT	3	3	-	-	-
" "	CPL	4	2	2	-	NR
" "	PTE	15	15	-	-	-
WATER DUTIES	PTE	2	2	-	-	-
TOTAL CARRIED FWD		769	805	29	65	-

a 1 PTE (TGIII)

APPENDIX "A" CONTD

TRADE	RANK	W.E.	POST STR	DEF-ICIT	SUR-PLUS	RFTS REQD
TOTAL CARRIED FORWARD		769	805	29	65	-
ATTACHED BY W.E.						
AAMC						
CHIROPODIST	CPL	1	1	-	-	-
HYG DUTIES	SGT	1	2	-	1	-
MED ORDERLIES	SGT	1	1	-	-	-
"	PTE	1	1	-	-	-
AAOC						
SHOEMAKER	CPL	1	bl	-	-	-
AA POST S						
POSTAL DUTIES	SGT	1	1	-	-	-
AAPC						
PAY CLERK	SGT	1	1	-	-	-
"	CPL	1	1	-	-	-
AACC						
CATERER	WOII	1	1	-	-	-
COOKS	SGT	5	4	1	-	NR
"	CPL	5	4	1	-	NR
"	PTE	13	12	1	-	NR
TOTAL		801	835	33	67	-

b PTE (UNGPD)				c			
SURPLUS TRADESMEN							
TRADE .GPI	PD	TESTED UNPAID	TOTAL	TGII	PD	TESTED UNPAID	TOTAL
COMPUTOR	3	1	4				
FITTER MECH	1	-	1	CARPENTER	-	1	1
ELECTRICIAN	-	1	1	INTEL DUTIES	2	-	2
CYPHER OPER	-	1	1	SIGNALERS	8	8	16
FITTER	1	-	1	MASON	1	-	1
				PANEL BEATER	-	1	1
				GUN OPERATOR	7	-	7
				O.P.A.	1	-	1
TRADE GP III				PAINTER DEC	-	1	1
BUTCHER	1	1	2	DVR OPER	2	-	2
CLERK	3	2	5	MECH MT	2	3	5
STOREMNN TECH	3	-	3	COOKS	1	3	4
BOOT REPR	1	-	1				
BOILER ATTD	1	-	1				
FARRIER	1	-	1				
GUNLAYER	27	-	27				
NURSING ORDERLY	1	-	1				
DVR MECH	33	9	42				
" MT	-	6	6				

DATE 25 NOV 44

J. J. H. H. H. Lt Col
Comd 2/23 Aust Inf Bn

Appx H

Ex. "Trickfoot"

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE

100
HQ 2/23 Aust Inf Bn
EXERCISE TRICKFOOT
SECRET
COPY NO _____
23 Nov 44.

2/23 AUST INF BN 00 NO 8

Ref Map CAIRNS 1 in - 1 mile

INFORMATION

1. Enemy As per Bde Int Summary No 1 issued separately.
2. Air sp 13 RAAF is providing air cover for convoys, lds, and beach head during D Day (imaginary).
3. Naval sp Allied Naval Forces supplying protection of convoys and bombardment as from H Hr on D Day.
4. Shipping and Craft LCI's and ALC40's are to be supplied as per att ldg table.
5. 26 Aust Inf Bde is to land in Tare Sector and destroy RADAR station at 477025.
The op will be carried out in 4 phases.
 - (a) Phase 1. 2/23 Aust Inf Bn will land in Tare sector and secure a covering area.
 - (b) Phase 2 On success phase 1, 2/24 Bn is to land in Tare Sector and move through and destroy RADAR stn.
 - (c) Phase 3 On success Phase 2, 2/24 Bn is to withdraw through covering posn and re-embark in Tare Sector on D/D plus 1
 - (d) Phase 4 On completion of phase 3, 2/23 Bn will withdraw from covering posn and re-embark in Tare Sector in dark of morning D plus 1.
6. Additional Tps - 2/23 Aust Inf Bn will have in sp:
 - (a) Two tps A Sqn 2/9 Aust Arm Regt.
 - (b) One bty 2/7 Aust Fd Regt (representative only).
 - (c) One RCP.
 - (d) Det 2/13 Aust Fd Coy.
 - (e) Det 2/11 Aust Fd Amb.
 - (f) Det 2 Aust Beach Sp.

INTENTION

7. 2/23 Aust Inf Bn will capture Beach head in Tare Sector.

METHOD

8. Summary of Ops - The Op will take place in two phases:
 - (a) Phase 1 Two coys will assault and secure intermediate objective - pause line - astride CAIRNS - MOSSMAN Rd.
 - (b) Phase 2 On success Phase 1 one coy will exploit through fwd coys and secure limit of covering posn approx 200x inland. Fwd coys will simultaneously push out to secure limit of covering posn as per att diagram.

PHASE 1

9. Tps Right - C Coy
Left - D Coy.

10. Objectives - Astride Main Rd as indicated on sketch - frontage approx 250x per coy.
11. Landing Beach - Tare^s sector as per att diagram.
12. Landing Table - As per appx "A".
13. H Hour - 240445K.

14. Sp Arms
 (a) Naval - (1) Prior to H Hr - Nil.
 (ii) 1 SFCP in sp and available for bombardment from H to H plus 7 hrs.
 (b) Air - (1) No direct air sp.
 (ii) Continuous air cover during D Day.
 (c) MB's - 1 see available from H plus 10 on request to Bn HQ.
 (d) Fortars - One Det available from H plus 10 on request to Bn HQ.
 (e) Engrs - One See Engrs allotted fwd coys for clearing of mines and obstacles on the beach.

15. Embarkation - as per appx "B" att.

PHASE II

16. Tps - B Coy.

17. Objective
 Limit of covering posn beyond rd approx 700x inland (see att diagram)

18. Additional moves
 Fwd coys will push outwards to final objectives simultaneously after B Coy has passed through pause line.

19. Landing - Landing Table and beach - see Appx "A" att.

20. H Hour - To be ordered by Bn HQ.

21. Sp Arms
 (a) Air and naval as for Phase I.
 (b) MB's } As for Phase I unless otherwise ordered
 (c) Fortars }
 (d) Tps - will land as per Landing Table att and move to res posn as per diagram att and prepare to sp during Phase I and consolidation of covering posn.

22. Reserve
 A Coy will remain in res and on landing will take up posn as per att diagram and prepare for counter attack tasks in Northern, Western and Southern sectors.

23. Things
 All sp arms will be in Assembly Area by 231900K, where they will be guided to unit assembly areas by I Sec.

ADMINISTRATION

24. On board ship
 (a) On board ship atebryn will be taken as normally.
 (b) On land full malarial precautions incl use of tents mosquito will be carried out.

25. Typhus
 All clothing will be treated with BETTY Mite lotion prior to embarkation.

26. Meals - Exercise only - (1) Hot cup of tea will be made available at 232300K.
 (ii) Hotbox breakfast UNITY BEACH 240800K (unit arrangements).

27. Water - 10 2 gal water tins per coy. 20 HQ Coy will be carried in with res stores.

28. Dress - JGs, battle order, blanket roll containing ground sheet, mosquito net.

29. Wpns - All wpns will be carried.

30. Ann - On the man scale - imaginary (no amm of any kind will be taken).

31. Stores
Res amn in jeep loads will be carried by res coy and HQ Coy and dumped in Exercise Area. (Jeeps will not be used).

INTERCOMMUNICATION

32. Comms afloat - only through navy channels.

33. Comms ashore
(a) Bn HQ - afloat until H plus 10 - thereafter on axis of advance as per att trace.
(b) Bde Report Centre on axis of advance in rear of Bn HQ as from H plus 30.
(c) (i) W/T wireless silence will be maintained until H Hour or if surprise is lost by senior officer present.
All sets on listening watch as from time of embarkation into assault craft.
(ii) Bn to Bde - 46 set and 22 set.
(iii) Bn to Coys - 108 set.
(d) L/T rifle coys - 1 mile D3 per coy. Pwd coys will lay line back to Bn HQ prior to commencing Phase II. B Coy will lay line from Bn HQ to objective during Phase II.
Tps will net in on 108 frequencies.

34. R/T Code - R/T Code No 2 will be used - Code word NORMAL EIGHTH/K.

35. Code Names - Frequencies

A Coy	REMI 1
B Coy	REMI 2
C Coy	REMI 3
D Coy	REMI 4
HQ Coy	REMI 5

Frequencies 108s 3040 MC

ACKNOWLEDGE

T. H. Matthews Cap
Adj. 2/23 Aust Inf Bn
(T H MATTHEWS)

Signed at _____
Issued through Sigs.

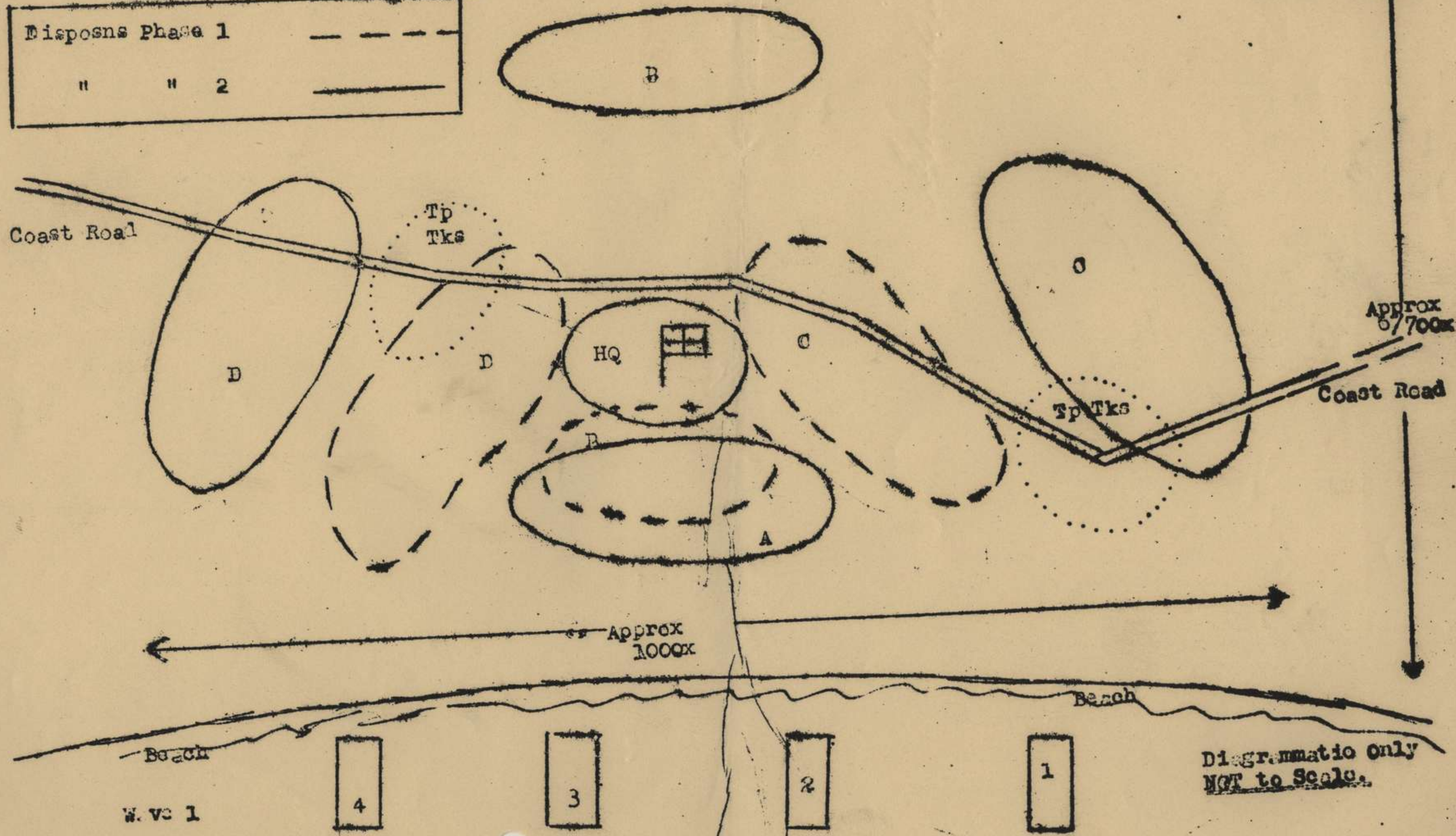
DISTRIBUTION

List "B" plus
2/7 Aust Pd Regt
2/9 Aust Armg Regt
2/13 Pd Coy
26 Aust Inf Bde Sigs
2 Aust Beach Gp
2/11 Aust Pd Amb.

2/23 AUST INF BN INITIAL BEACHHEAD LAYOUT

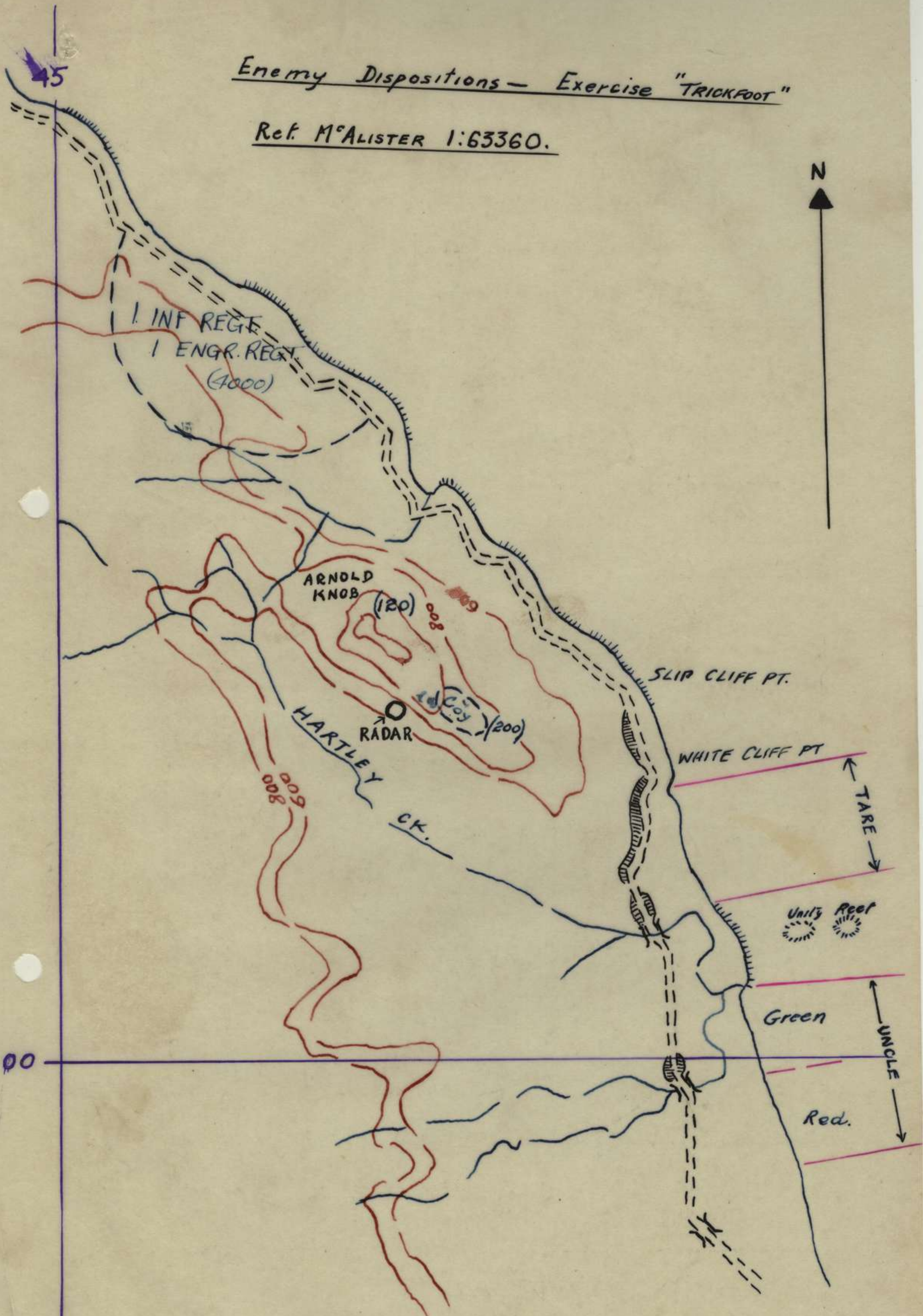
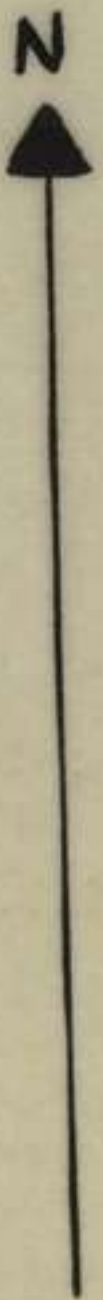
APPX " " to
2/23 Aust Inf Bn CO
Exercise "TRUCKFOOT"

Disposns Phase 1	---
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Enemy Dispositions - Exercise "TRICKFOOT"

Ref. M^cALISTER 1:63360.



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Scale 2 INS TO 1 MILE.

CRAFT AVAILABLE : 2 ACI
6 ALL 40
AVERAGE TURNABOUT TIME

2/23 AUST INF BN LANDING TABLE

EXERCISE "TRICKFOOT"

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Appx "A" to 2/23 Aust Inf
Bn O.O. No 8.

Landing Craft No	Landing Craft	PERSONNEL					LOAD			MANNING		LANDING		REMARKS
		Unit	Sub-Unit	Offrs	ORs	On Vehs	Wns	Vehs	Stores	Place	Time	Beach	Time	
a	b	c	d	e	f	g	h	i	j	k	l	m	n	o
1	AC 40	2/23 Bn C Coy	13 Pl	1	29					Baker Yellow	0100	Tare	H Hr	Serial 1 same craft as serial 6
			15 Pl	1	29									
		2/13 Fd Coy			3									
		2 Aust		1	3									
		Beach Op												
				3	64									
2	AC 40	2/23 Bn C Coy	14 Pl	1	29					"	"	"	"	Serial 2 same craft as serial 7
		HQ		1	6									
		HQ Coy sigs			4									
		Bn HQ SAs			4									
		I Sec			1									
		2/13 Fd Coy		1	1									
					3									
				3	40									
3	AC 40	2/23 Bn D Coy	16 Pl	1	29					"	"	"	"	Serial 3 same craft as serial 8
		HQ		1	6									
		Bn HQ SAs			4									
		I Sec			1									
		HQ Coy Sigs			4									
		2/13 Fd Coy			3									
				2	47									

a	b	c	d	e	f	g	h	i	j	k	l	m	n
4	ALC 40	2/23 Bn	D Coy										
			17 Pl	1	29					Baker 0100	Tare	H Hr	Serial 4
			18 Pl	1	29					Yellow			same craft
		2/13 Fd Coy			3								as serial
		2 Aust Beach Gp		1	3								M
				3	64								
5	LCI	2/23 Bn	Bn HQ CO	1						Baker 0100	Tare	H plus	
			IO	1						Yellow		NO	
			I Sec		2								hold No 4
			RPs		4								
			Ord		1								
			RMO	1									
			Med Ords		2								
			HQ Coy Sigs		4								
			B Coy 10 pl	1	29								Hold No 2
			11 pl	1	29								
			12 pl	1	29								
			HQs	1	3								
			HQ Coy sigs		4								Hold No 3
			Bn HQ SRS		4								incl 4 mer
			I Sec		1								1 sec
			HQ Coy MMC		14								1 det
			Mer		14								Protection
			Para		9								Tao HQ
		SFCP		1	6								Hold No 1
		2/9 Amm Regt		2	4								less 4 mer
		2/7 Fd Regt		2	3								
		26 Bde Sigs			7								
		2/11 Fd Amb		1	2								
				13	176								

a	b	c	d	e	f	g	h	i	j	k	l	m	n	o
6	ALC 40	2/23 Bn Bn HQ Adj	1							Baker Yellow	0100	Tare	H plus 20	
		RSM			1									
		RPs			3									
		I Sec			4									
		Ord Room			1									
		Batmen			6									
		Chaplain	1											
		HQ Coy Sigs	1		11									
		2/9 Armd Regt			6	1 tk				Uncle Yellow	?	"		incl 2 res tk crew
7	ALC 40	2/23 Bn HQ Coy Mor			8					Baker Yellow	0100	"	"	1 det
		2 Aust Beach Op	3		11					"	"			
		2/9 Armd Regt			7	1 tk				Uncle Yellow	?			incl 2 res tk crew & 1 med
					6	58								
8	ALC 40	2/23 Bn HQ Coy MMC	1		17					Baker Yellow	0100		H plus 20	
		2/7 Fd Regt	2		8					"	"			
		2 Aust Beach Op	3		13					"	"			
		2/9 Armd Regt			6	1 tk				Uncle Yellow	?			incl 2 res tk crew
					6	44								
9	ALC 40	2/23 Bn A Coy 7 Pl	1		29					Baker Yellow	0100	"	H plus 30	
		HQ	1		6					"	"	"	"	
		HQ Coy Sigs			4					"	"	"	"	
		Bn HQ Sigs			4					"	"	"	"	
		I Sec			1					"	"	"	"	
		2/9 Armd Regt			6	1 tk				Uncle Yellow	?			incl 2 res tk crew
					2	58								

a	b	c	d	e	f	g	h	i	j	k	l	m	n	o
10	ALC 40	2/23 Bn	A Coy	8 Pl	1	29				Baker Yellow	0100	Tare	H plus	
				9 Pl	1	29				Uncle Yellow	?		30	
		2/9 Armd Regt			1	6	1 tk							incl 2 res tk crew and 1 med
					2	63								
11	ALC 40	2/9 Armd Regt			6	1 tk				Uncle Yellow	?		H plus	incl 2 res tk crew
					6								30	
12	LCI	2/23 In	HQ Coy	Sigs		6				Baker Yellow	0100	Tare	H plus	No 3 hold
				MMO		8							40	
				Mer	1	19								
				Prns	1	25				"	"	"	"	No 1 hold
				Adm	1	6								
		2/3 ynr In			3	15								
		2/28 Bn			3	15								No 2 hold
		2/7 Fd Regt			2	6								
		2/11 Fd Amb				27								
					11	127								

EMBARKATION PROGRAMME

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EXERCISE "TRICKFOOT"

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Serial	Unit	Ship	OC Troops	Vehs	Assembly Point	Date & Time	Embarkation Point	Date and Time	ECO	Remarks
1 and 6	8/23 Bn and att	ALC 40	Lt TAYLOR	-	ALC 40 Assembly area	240030K	ALC PT 6	240100K	Maj NEWCOMEN	Embark in same craft
	2/9 Armd Regt	"		1 tk	UNCLE SECTOR	240215K	UNCLE SEC-TOR PT 6 Map ref 506990	240245K	"	
7 and 2	2/23 Bn and att	"	Capt WILTON	-	ALC 40 Assembly Area.	240030K	ALC PT 5	240100K	"	do
	2/9 Armd Regt	"		1 tk	UNCLE SECTOR	240215K	UNCLE SEC-TOR PT 5 map ref 506990	240245K	"	
8 and 3	2/23 Bn and att	"	Lt HANSEN	-	ALC 40 Assembly Area	240030K	ALC PT 4	240100K	"	do
	2/9 Armd Regt	"		1 tk	UNCLE SECTOR	240215K	UNCLE SEC-TOR 4 map ref 506990	240245K	"	
11 and 4	2/23 Bn and att	"	Lt ATKINS	-	ALC 40 Assembly Area	240030K	ALC 40 PT 3	240100K	"	do
	2/9 Armd Regt	"		1 tk	UNCLE SECTOR	240215K	UNCLE SEC-TOR 3 map ref 506990	240245K	"	
10	2/23 Bn and att	"	Lt ENDERBY	-	ALC 40 Assembly Area	240030K	ALC PT 2	240100K	"	do
	2/9 Armd Regt	"		1 tk	UNCLE SECTOR	240215K	UNCLE SEC-TOR 2 map ref 506990	240100K	"	

Serial	Unit	Ship	OC Troops	Vehs	Assembly Point	Date & Time	Embarkation Point	Date & Time	ECO	Remarks
9	2/23 Bn and att	ALC 40	Lt SHAW	-	ALO 40 Assembly Area	240030K	ALC PT 1	240100K	Maj NEWCOMEN	Embark in same craft
	2/9 Armd Regt	"		1 bk	UNCLE SECTOR	240215K	UNCLE SEC- TOR PT 2 map ref 506990	240245K	"	
5	2/23 Bn and att	LCI	Lt WENBORN	-	LCI PT 1	240030K	LCI PT 1	240100K	Maj PIKE	
12	2/23 Bn and att	LCI	Lt MCLEOD	-	LCI PT 2	240300K	LCI PT 1	240100K	"	

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2/23 AUST INF BN EXERCISE

18 Nov 44

WITH TROOPS

1. Object of Exercise.

To practice the Bn Landing Team in organisation and control of operations from LSI, and bring-out following lessons:

- a. Preparation of Bn Landing Craft Tables.
- b. Marrying up of components of Bn Gp.
- c. Layout and marking of embussing area.
- d. Movement of Bn Gp to embarkation point.
- e. Supervision of embussing, entraining and embarkation.
- f. Loading and landing from craft.
- g. Landing of Bn Gp to secure a beach head.

2. Tps Taking Part.

2/23 Aust Inf Bn
24 Bde Trg Cadre
SFCEP
Det Bde Sig Sec
2/7 Aust Fd Regt
2/13 Aust Fd Coy
2/11 Aust Fd Amb
2 Aust Beach Gp

3. General Idea.

2/23 Aust Inf Bn Landing Team will move by MT and train to TOWNSVILLE on night 19/19 Nov to carry out amphibious training on LSI - GLENEARNE.

4. Preliminary Rehearsal.

On the morning of 18 Nov, Bn Landing Team will carry out a rehearsal for the marrying up of personnel into boat teams. This rehearsal will include practice in the movt of tps to an embussing pt.

5. Assembly Areas.

See Appx "A" attached.

6. B Day and Timings.

a. B day will be 19 Nov 44.

b. Timings (i) Rehearsal - 2/23 Aust Inf Bn will move to assembly area in the following order:

0815	HQ Coy, Bn HQ, D, C, B and A Coys.
0820	24 Bde Trg Cadre
0822	SFCEP Det 26 Bde Sig
0824	2/7 Aust Fd Regt
0826	2/13 Aust Fd Coy
0828	2/11 Aust Fd Amb
0830	2 Aust Beach Gp

(ii) Move -

1600	Evening Meal
1635	Coy ready to move from boy lines
1640	2/23 Bn and attached tps will move independently to sub-unit assembly areas.

NOTE : All gear will be ready before the evening meal and laid out on Coy Parade Grounds.

7. Assembly and Marrying Up.

- a. Assembly Offr - Maj W F BROWN
Assistants - Lt L P WENBORN - Lt K G FOSTER
- b. I Sec will mark (i) Sub-unit and attached tps assembly areas.
(ii) Boat Team serials as per landing diagram.
(iii) Vehicle assembly area.
- c. Sub-units, sp arms and attached tps will move independently to assembly areas as indicated in attached diagram Appx "A".
- d. Sub-units will marry-up in boat teams as ordered over PA system.
- e. Boat team loaders will check rolls and report to Assembly Offr.

8. Embussing.

- a. Embussing Offrs :- Convoy No 1 - Lt M A SIMMONS
Convoy No 2 - Lt S H HANSEN
- b. MT will report to assembly area at following times :-
Convoy No 1 - 1715 hrs
Convoy No 2 - 1745 hrs
- c. Boat team serials will be called forward to embussing pt as required.
- d. On being allotted to trucks personnel will form up in column of route in rear of trucks and will await further orders from embussing offr.
- e. All tps having been allocated to vehicles, embussing offr will give the order to embuss upon which a bugle will be blown.
- f. Strict discipline will be maintained during move and on arrival at CAIRNS tps will remain seated until otherwise ordered.
- g. On the signal to debuss tps will form up in three ranks in boat team gps on left of vehicles facing the sta.

9. Entraining.

- a. Entraining Offrs - Train No 1 Lt M A SIMMONS
Train No 2 Lt S H HANSEN

NOTE: Entraining offr will report to ITC on arrival at CAIRNS and will inspect trains.

- b. Boat team serials will remain in debussing area until called forward by entraining offr.
- c. On being called forward tps will be brought to the slope, marched on to the station and formed up in three ranks in carriage gps 10 ft from the edge of the platform and facing the carriage to which they have been allocated.
- d. When all carriage gps are complete entraining offr will give the order to entrain - signal by bugler.

NOTE : In carriages where there are two doors only tps will fill up from the centre.

10. Detraining.

- a. On arrival at TOWNSVILLE tps will remain seated until ordered to detrain.
- b. On signal from OC train, tps will detrain and form up in three ranks in boat serials facing the train, boat leader to be two paces in front.

11. Embarkation.

- a. Boat team serials will be called forward to embarkation point by EGO, Capt SEARIE, as required.
- b. Boat team leaders will hand one copy of nominal roll of boat team to embarkation offr who will check all tps as they embark.
- c. Guides will lead boat teams to troop decks where both offrs and men will remain pending further orders being issued over PA system.

ADMINISTRATION.

12. Rear Party : a. OG Rear Party - Lt GIBBS.

- b. OG will be responsible for the security of the whole of the camp area and will post picquets as necessary.
- c. Each coy will detail at least four personnel for rear party regardless of the numbers required to fill allotment to landing craft as per landing craft table.
- d. Nominal rolls of all rear party will be submitted to Bn HQ by 0900 hrs 18 Nov.

13. Surplus Blankets and Packs.

- a. All surplus blankets will be handed in to QMS under Coy arrangements, by 0630 hrs 18 Nov.
- b. Packs etc, will be stacked in one tent in each coy area. No personal gear or valuables will be left in packs.

14. Tents.

All unoccupied tents will be rolled.

15. Weapons.

The following weapons will be taken and will be carried on the man. Rifles, OSMGs, Brens, 2" Mortars, 4 MMGs, four 3" Mortars.

NOTE : Weapon chests will NOT be taken.

16. Arm.

RSM will arrange for 2 boxes of .303 blank to be carried in bulk.

17. Tools.

All tools at present held by coys will be carried on the man.

18. Dress.

- a. JGs, webbing, haversack containing personal gear, mosquito repellent and spare clothing (if desired).
- b. Blanket roll will be attached to belt and will contain one blanket, mosquito net and groundsheet.

19. Meals.

- a. Evening meal 18 Nov - 1600 hrs.
- b. QM will arrange for a light haversack lunch to be carried on the man.
- c. Breakfast 19 Nov - On board ship at approx 0800 hrs.

20. Hygiene.

Strict hygiene discipline will be maintained during movt by train and whilst aboard ISI.

21. Malaria.

- a. All persons ~~anti-malarial~~ issues will be taken.
- b. Atebrin parade will be held at 1800 hrs during the period on the ship and will be supervised by boat team leaders who will forward "Atebrin Ack" to Adjt 2/23 Aust Inf Bn by 1900 hrs daily.

22. Discipline and control.

From the time of embussing in the camp area boat team leaders will be responsible for the control, administration, and discipline of all tps in their particular boat team.

23. Nominal Rolls.

Nominal rolls of boat teams will be checked by boat team leaders during the rehearsal. Alterations will be made where necessary and rolls handed to Adjt as soon as possible for typing.

24. Medical.

Normal.

25. INTERCOMMUNICATION.

- a. W/T - One 108 set per coy.
- b. L/T - 1 mile wire with each rifle coy.

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Adjt 2/23 Aust Inf Bn
(T H MATTHEWS)

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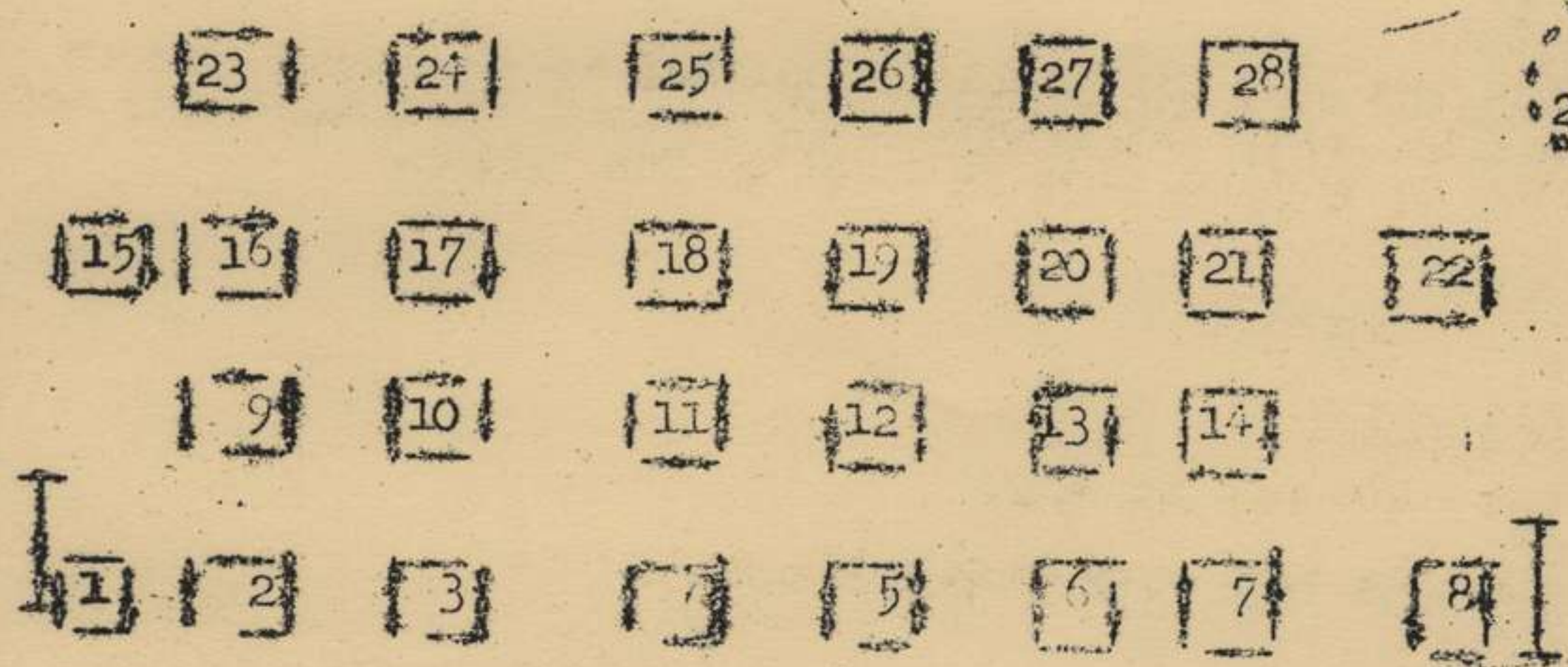
APPX "A"

MOSMAN

CHECK POST

ROBINSON LANE

Beach Gp
26 Bde Sigs 2/3 Burs
2/28 Bn
2/7 Fd Arty
SFCD
2/13 Fd Coy



VEHICLE

ASSEMBLY

AREA

THACK

CAIRNS

MAP REF. JUNE ROBINSON LANE - MAIN RD

639 636 CAIRNS. 1 INCH

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AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE

HQ 2/23 Aust Inf Bn
13 Nov 44

2/23 AUST INF BN - ADM INSTN - NO 16

General.

1. This instn is issued in connection with the move of 2/23 Aust Inf Bn to TRINITY BEACH for amphibious trg.
2. 2/23 Aust Inf Bn will take over the site at present occupied by 2/10 Aust Inf Bn (same site as previously).

Movement.

3. Movement by MT convoy vide Movement Table attached as Appx "A"

Rear Party.

4. Rear Party in charge of Capt N E McMASTER will be as follows, names of personnel to be submitted to Bn HQ by 0800 hrs 14 Nov 44.

Bn HQ -	Orderly Room	1	
	"I" Sec	1	
	RAP	1	
HQ Coy -	Q Store	1	
	Armourers	2	
	Pnrs	2	(Sjt Butler (Cpl Norton
	Tailor	1	
	Eqpt Repairer	1	
	Sjts Mess	1	
	Cook	1	
	Hygiene	1	
	DR	1	
	Drivers	1	
	Guard	4	
	Rifle Coys	4 per coy.	

The following personnel will remain in addition to those enumerated above :

Capt N E McMASTER
Batman
WO I STUCKEY G A
L/Cpl IE SERVE.

5. OC Rear Party will be responsible for the guarding of kits etc stacked in Recreation Hut.

POL.

6. PP will open at camp B9 from 151200K.
Res : Unit vehs will carry 4 galls pet on leaving this area.

Water.

7. RAVENSHOE AREA : Supply of water to Rear Party will be arranged by HQ Comd AASC.
8. TRINITY AREA :
 - a. Water truck will proceed to TRINITY AREA vide Appx "A" where it will be allotted by HQ 26 Aust Inf Bde.
 - b. Water will be conserved in TRINITY AREA, and 2 gall containers will be taken on the basis of 10 per coy.

Medical.

9. Det 10 Aust Fd Amb will be located with 2/11 Aust Fd Amb in camp area B7 for all evacuations. Ambulance "milk run" will be arranged.
10. Malaria :
 - a. Full anti-malarial precautions will be observed in CAIRNS area vide GRO 321/44.
 - b. Sleeves will be rolled down, tents mosquito tucked in, and repellent applied as required from 1800K daily until 0630K.
 - c. No bathing will take place between 1800K and 0630K.
 - d. Coys will employ Anti-malarial Squads as directed in GRO 321/44.
 - e. Certificates that full anti-malarial precautions have been carried out will be rendered to Bn HQ by signal or L/T by 1800K daily, using the expression "Malarial Atebrin Ack".
11. Typhus: Full precautions will be taken against scrub typhus. Two sets of clothing will be taken and will be treated with Betty mite fluid prior to moving from this area. Certificates that this has been done will be forwarded to Bn HQ by 1200 hrs 14 Nov 44.
12. Dental : G Sec 2/8 Aust Dental Unit will move with 26 Bde HQ and will establish Dental Post in Bde HQ area. Except when the sec is engaged in amphibious trg, first priority will be given by units to dental appointments.

Hygiene .

13. The area is generally in a poor hygiene condition, owing to many units staging for short periods over several months.
14. Refuse : All refuse will be incinerated in Unit lines by Hygiene Sec. Refuse bins will be taken and TO will arrange for these to be collected daily at 0900 hrs.
15. Sullage : Sullage water will be treated by Coy Mosquito Squads for mosquito breeding.

Rec.

16. 2/78 Aust IAD will be located vicinity 26 Aust Inf Bde.

Ordinance.

17. Waterproofing :
 - a. Water Proofing Kits issued against WET will NOT be used or taken to TRINITY.
 - b. Further instrs re waterproofing will be issued later.
18. Clothing and Necessaries :

5% reserve clothing will be carried.
19. Tents as directed by QM will be taken. These will be struck, rolled and stacked in coy lines by 1200 hrs 14 Nov. All loose rails will be stacked under coy arrangements.
20. Accommodation Stores :
 - a. Normal

- b. Camp beds will NOT be taken. They will be clearly marked with coy sign and stacked in coy heaps in vicinity of boxing ring by 1500 hrs 14 Nov, QM (L) will arrange for and advise coys of allotment of areas.

21. Weapons :

- a. Rifles and OSMGs only will be carried. Vickers guns, 4 mortars (3"), all 2" mortars and Bren guns will be taken as Coy stores.
- b. All WET OSMGs will be returned to QM by 1400 hrs 13 Nov and coys will be re-issued with US OSMGs for use during amphibious trg.
- c. TK A guns will be moved by MT and will be loaded at ramp on evening of 14 Nov 44.

22. Tools :

All picks and shovels will be carried as Coy stores.

23. Operational Vehicles :

Four only operational vehs will be taken. The remaining four will be parked on gun stand in HQ Coy lines and demobilised.

24. Postal :

FPO 036 will move with Bde HQ, opening at TRINITY.

Mail for units in RAVENSHOE area will be handled through FPO 035 (24 Aust Inf Bde).

25. Canteen :

Will close present location 2100 hrs 13 Nov 44.

26.. Leave :

- a. Leave to CAMRNS will be granted under arrangements issued by this HQ for not more than 10% per night per coy.
- b. All personnel will be inspected by Bn Orderly Offr at MT park prior to embussing.
- c. Drivers will NOT pick up "hitch hikers" en route.

27. Pay : Det of Hd Cash Office at 26 Bde HQ available for all pay details.

28. Speed Limits :

20 mph in camp areas will be strictly enforced.

29. MT Discipline :

RO 148 will be strictly complied with.

30. Hitch Hiking :

Hitch hiking is prohibited. RP Sjt will arrange for 2 RPs to be on duty on highway in front of camp area between the hours of 1600 and 2000 daily.

31. Fire :

Fire risk is high and strict discipline in this regard is essential.

32. Kit Bags :

- a. Kit bags and surplus blankets will be stacked in Rec Hut on 14 Nov at the following times, QM (L) to supervise.

Bn HQ	-	1400 hrs
HQ Coy	-	1415 "
A "	-	1445 "
B "	-	1515 "
C "	-	1540 "
D "	-	1600 "

- b. Coys will prepare nominal rolls of all personnel showing kit left in Rec Hut. These rolls will be handed to QM (L) for checking purposes prior to times laid down in para (a) above.
- c. No valuables will be left in kit bags.

33. Meals:

- a. Cut lunch will be carried by all ranks.
- b. Evening meal will be carried in bulk on Q track.

34. Timings 15 Nov 44 :

Reveille	-	0430 hrs
Breakfast	*	0500 "
Coy Parade	-	0600 "
Ready to Move	-	0620 "

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MOVEMENT TABLE

APPX "A"

(Issued with 2/23 Aust Inf Bn Adm Instrn - No 16)

Convoy No	Sub-Unit	Number of vehs	Vehicles supplied by	Vehs report Unit Lines	Head column past SP.	Tail column arrives TRINITY	OC Convoy
1	HQ Coy } Bn HQ }	18	AASC	141600K	150630K	151230K	Maj W F BROWN
	A Coy	7	"	"	"	"	
	B "	6	"	"	"	"	
	C "	6	"	"	"	"	
	D "	6	"	"	"	"	
	2/3 Pnr Bn	2	"	"	"	"	
	2/28 Aust Inf Bn	2	"	"	"	"	
	Stores (QM)	15	"	"	"	"	
2	Stores (QM)	10 (plus 2 jeeps)	Unit	-	151300K	151900K	Lt E H GIBBS

Route : RAVENSHOE via EVELYN HIGHWAY, MAREEBA to TRINITY

Speed and Density : 20 mih 40 vtm. Gun and RAE convoys to be advised.

Halts : 15 mins 2 hours after passing SP.

SP : Camp Theatre PALMERSTON HIGHWAY.

Loading : As far as possible all vehicles will be loaded with 16 personnel plus personal gear.
Anticipated vacant space will be advised to TO by 1600 hrs 15 Nov 44.

MESSAGE FORM (PRO FORMA)

FROM BHQ

DATE TIME OF ORIGIN 131930H *war diary*

TO LIST "A".

ORIGINATOR'S NO RLI. Restricted. Ref 2/23 Aust Inf Bn Adm Instn No 16
para 24 POSTAL. Delete the following Mail for units in RAVENSHOE area
will be handled through FPO 035 (24 Aust Inf Bde) and substitute will be
handled through FPO 038 (2/2 MMG LINES)

SIGNED

Shacey Capt

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE

22
RQ 2/23 Aust Inf Bn
17 Nov 44

TRAINING PROGRAMME AND NOTES

- 19th 1st DAY Conference in Wardroom "C" Deck forward
1015 hrs Captain and Ships Officers attend
approx All army officers and any NCOs who are Boat Team Leaders attend.
- 1100 hrs Ships officers show Boat Team Leaders routes to their
approx craft from troop decks. All Boat Team Leaders then return to Wardroom for further instructions.
- 1130 hrs Complete serials to exercise in movement from Troops
approx Decks into craft without equipment.
Order to move will be given over P/A system. Serials return to Troop Decks when ordered over loud speaker.
- 1500 hrs Timed exercise - alternative calling away scheme in the
event of breakdown of P/A. BTLs only without troops.
- 1630 hrs Exercise in movement into craft with full equipment, all
heavy weapons, stores and wireless equipment will be left in craft.
- 2030 hrs Night Embarkation Practice.

- 20th 2nd DAY About 0829 make ready for practice landing.
- Serials will re-embark from practice beach in REVERSE ORDER to the landing, i.e. commencing with last wave. Serials will be marshalled on beach in the same relative positions as they landed (lowest NCOs on the right flank facing inland at 70 yd intervals) and will be ready for speedy re-embarkation the moment the craft touch down. When ready to re-embark, Bn HQ will arrange for white flag supplied by the ship to be waved in the centre of the strip of beach to be used for re-embarkation. By the same method craft may be called in earlier than the pre-arranged time. Re-embarkation to be entirely controlled by Bn Staff as an embarkation exercise.
- 1630 hrs Not yet filled - details on arrival.
- 1730 hrs Talk by Ships officers to tps. Five groups will be formed as follows :-

LOCATION

Tennis Court
"A" Deck forward of Captain
Quarters.
"A" Deck Starboard side AFT
Forecastle
Well Deck aft Port side
Port Deck aft
Starboard side

TROOP DECKS

3 move via Port ladder
5 move via Starboard ladder
1 & 2 move through tunnel
4 & 6
7

As an alternative in case of inclement weather the talks will be given in Troop Decks Nos 2, 3, 4, and 7.

Tps in No 1 will move to Nos 2 for talk.

"	"	No 2	"	No 3	"
"	"	No 6	"	No 4	"

NOTE : Tps will NOT move to either position until ordered to do so over P/A system.

- 21st 3rd DAY Dawn Beaching Make Ready 0400 approx.
Forenoon exercise Scrambling Nets or Landing 0829.
- 22nd 4th DAY Bn Exercise (Disembarkation).

Matthews Capt
Adj 2/23 Aust Inf Bn
(T N MATTHEWS)

CRAFT AVAILABLE : 22 ALCAs

2/23 AUST INF BN LANDING CRAFT TABLE

EXERCISE

AVERAGE TURNAROUND TIME

SECRET

Landing Craft No	Landing Craft	PERSONNEL					LOAD			MANNING		LANDING		REMARKS
		Unit	Sub-Unit	Offrs	ORs	On Vehs	Guns	Vehs	Stores Tons DW.	Place	Time	Beach	Time	
a	b	c	d	e	f	g	h	i	j	k	l	m	n	o
1	ALCA	2/23 Bn Beach Gp (a)	A Coy 7 Pl	1 1 2	22 3 25					GLENEARN	--	Green	H Hr	(a) Incl Beach Sigs 4 each flat
2	"	2/23 Bn 2/13 Fd Coy	A Coy 8 Pl	1 1	27 2 29					"		"	"	Less two 2" mortarmen
3	"	2/23 Bn 2/13 Fd Coy	A Coy HQ 7 Pl 8 Pl 9 Pl Bn HQ I Sec S.B's HQ Coy Sigs	1 1 4 4 3	6 7 2 2 1 4 4 3					"		"	"	Two 2" Mort armen
4	"	2/23 Bn	A Coy 9 Pl Bn HQ ULO	1 1 2	27 1 28					"		"	"	
5	"	2/23 Bn	B Coy 10 Pl	1 1	29 29					"		"	"	

a	b	c	d	e	f	g	h	i	j	k	l	m	n	o
6	ALCA	2/23 Bn 2/13 Fd Coy	B Coy HQ 11 Pl 12 Pl Bn HQ I Sec S.B.'s HQ Coy Sigs	1 1	6 2 7 1 4 4 5 29					GLENEARN	-	Green	H Hr	Two 2" Mort- armen
7	ALCA	2/23 Bn 2/13 Fd Coy	B Coy 11 Pl	1 1	27 2 29					GLENEARN	-	Green	H Hr	
8	"	2/23 Bn Beach Gp(a)	B Coy 12 Pl	1 1 2	22 3 25					"	-	"	"	(a) Incl beach signmn, 4 each flank.
9	"	2/23 Bn	HQ Coy MMGs	1 1	29 29					"	-	"	H plus 10	
10	"	2/23 Bn	C Coy 13 Pl	1 1	29 29					"	-	"	"	
11	"	2/23 Bn	Bn HQ CO IO I Sec S.B.'s Ord RMO M Ords	1 1 1	 2 4 1 2					"	-	"	"	

3														
a	b	c	d	e	f	g	h	i	j	k	l	m	n	o
11 (Cont)	ALCA	2/23 Bn SFCEP 2/7 Fd Regt	H Coy Sigs	1 1 5	4 8 4 25					GLENEARN	-	Green	H plus 10	
12	"	2/23 Bn 26 Bde Sigs	C Coy HQ Bn HQ I Sec SB's H Coy Sigs Mortars	1 1	6 1 4 4 7 7 29					"	-	"	"	1 det
										No 11 set D5. 1/3 mile wire				
13	"	2/23 Bn	C Coy 14 Pl	1 1	29 29					"	-	"	"	
14	"	2/23 Bn	C Coy 15 Pl	1 1	29 29					"	-	"	"	
15	"	2/23 Bn	D Coy 16 Pl	1 1	29 29					"	-	"	H plus 20	
16	"	2/23 Bn	D Coy 17 Pl	1 1	29 29					"	-	"	"	

a	b	c	d	e	f	g	h	i	j	k	l	m	n	o
17	ALCA	2/23 Bn	D Coy HQ Bn HQ I Sec SB's HQ Coy Sigs Mortars	1 1 2	6 1 4 4 13 28					GLENEARN	-	Green	H plus 20	Incl Pl HQ & 2 dets.
18	"	2/23 Bn	D Coy 18 Pl	1 1	29 29					"	-	"	"	
19	"	2/11 Fd Amb Beach Gp		1 3 4	14 12 26					"	-	"	"	
20	"	2/11 Fd Amb Beach Gp		1 3 4	15 9 24					"	-	"	"	
21	"	2/23 Bn 2/7 Fd Regt	Bn HQ RAP HQ Coy Mor	 2 2	8 9 11 28					"	-	"	"	1 det
22	"	2/23 Bn 2/7 Fd Regt	HQ Coy Pnrs	1 1 2	22 6 28					"	-	"	"	

a	b	c	d	e	f	g	h	i	j	k	l	m	n	o
23	ALCA	2/23 Bn	Bn HQ Adj RSM RP's I Sec Ord Room Batmen Chaplain HQ Coy Sigs	1 1 1 3	1 3 4 1 6 11 26					GLENEARH	--	Green	H plus 65	
24	"	2/23 Bn	HQ Coy HQ Adm. QM RQMS Tech Sjt WO Caterer Staff TK A	1 1 1 3	5 1 1 1 8 11 27					"	-	"	"	Incl for ex- ercise only.
25	"	2/23 Bn	HQ Coy TK A Pnr QM (L) Ship's Staff	 1 1 2	8 8 12 28					"	-	"	"	

a	b	c	d	e	f	g	h	i	j	k	l	m	n	o
26	ALCA	2/28 Bn	Obs Gp	6	24					GLENEARN	-	Green H	plus	
				6	24								65	
27	"	2/3 Pnr Bn	Obs Gp	6	24					"	-	"	"	
				6	24									
28	"	2/23 Bn	Ship's Staff	1	29					"	-	"	"	
				1	29									

LANDING DIAGRAM

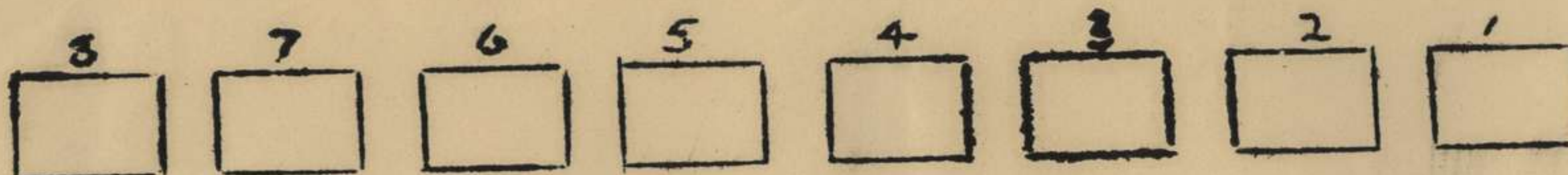
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Right Flank

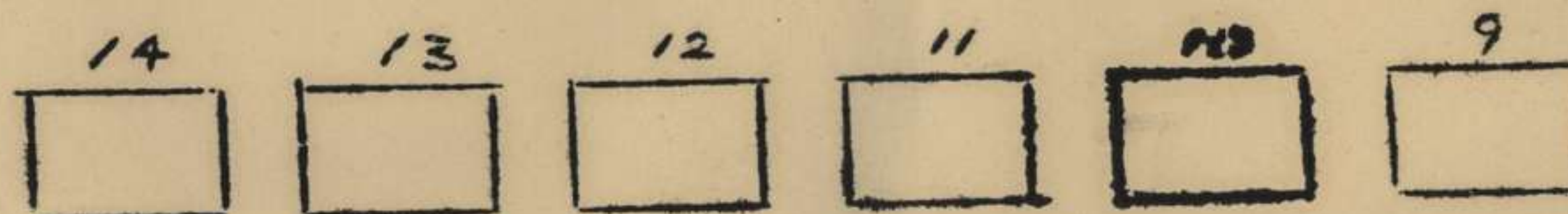
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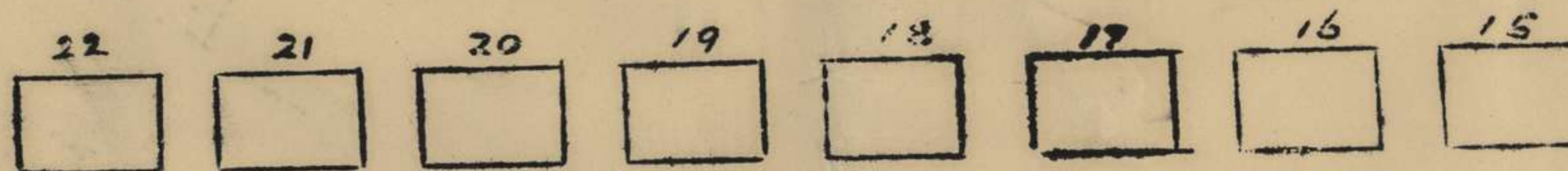
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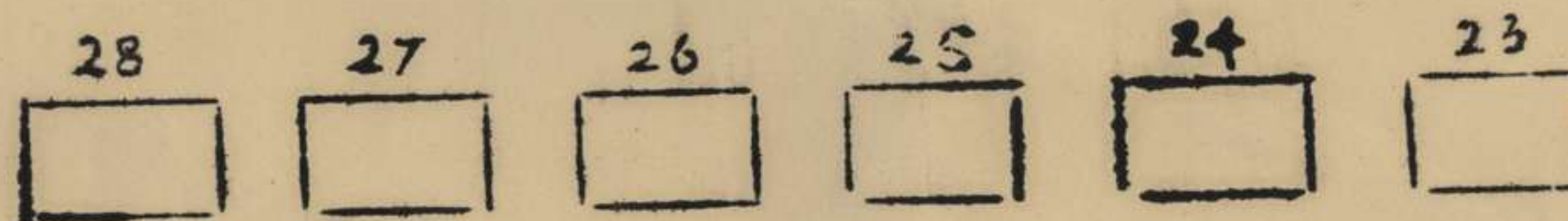
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Ferry Service

H plus 65



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MUD AND BLOOD

VOL V No 8

"Aut inveniam viam aut faciam"

2 Nov 44

"Are you in the picture?"

That is the question of today. One hears some strange phrases and words whilst out fighting the imaginary Nips, but this one is really fascinating. One Bright Lad was asked this question and he answered "No"! Consternation reigned and the one with the three pips said "You don't know what you're here for?". "Oh Yes, We're defending a platoon locality" says the B.L. "Well you're in the picture" beamed the three Pipper, and up spoke the B.L. "Cripes I thought someone was taking a photo". So you see how confusing it all is. But dear friend there is another bright lad who does understand this double talk. It is our Stewie of "I" fame. The RSM asked the worthy Stewie if he "had the picture" and the answer was "No", "But I've been carrying the ----- frame for miles". After seeing Betty Grable last week we wish we had been in the picture too. (Did you notice the brand of shoes she wore?)

You can't keep a good man down, and here's another poem from "GILL" to prove our statement.

VOTE MAYBE

I weep and I whine, I long and I pine
To get a ride on that railway line
I want some leave, my breast gives a heave
I think of the grog like a thirsty dog.

Oh, gimme a home, and I'll never roam
Oh, gimme a ruse to get some booze
I'm all browned off, please dig up some sting
I feel like a WAAF, without a wing

Do I really think that leaves a moral
'Fore we set sail across the Coral?
Take it from me, she's an even bet
For a tenna dough, you wot get set.

Pumpkin and Fish are in the know
If they are right we will never go
They bet on it though it were water
We will never see another mortar

So now I'll leave you in suspense
I couldn't tell you for pounds or pence
But if I don't get it I'm gonna grieve
Oh please Mr Curtin, give me some leave!

GILL

This poetry business must be simple if Cpl WINTLE can write it, so we'll have a crack at it. Just to make it different we will make it into quiz form. We give you the clues, you give us the answers. A purple liver will be awarded to the sender of the correct answer. The answer is a Bn identity.

He is nearly always out of bounds.
In a final match was chased by hounds.
Does a good job. Some think he's crackers
You know him well, his name is -----

They seek him here - They seek him there,
They seek him almost everywhere
He buys beer and eggs and vish and jibs
That's a lousy word but it rhymes with -----

What about you blokes? Simple isn't it. Send us a few of these "quizzes" and we will get your man for you.

SPORTING RESULTS

Football 1st XVIII In the last three matches we have won two and lost one. We defeated 2/48 Bn for the first time in years.

Scores: 2/23 Bn 11 - 9 def 2/48 Bn 9 - 10
 2/7 Fd Regt 10 - 8 def 2/23 Bn 8 - 17
 2/23 Bn 7 - 11 def Div Sigs 5 - 9

Our best players in these matches have been Fred Hasset, Akkie Atkins, Thomas, "Titfa" Tatt, Rusty Norton, Chick Jarman and Jack Ryan.

FOOTBALL 2nd XVIII We continue our run of successes. eleven victories straight.

Scores: 2/23 Bn 11 - 13 Def 2/7 Fd Regt 8 - 9
 2/23 Bn 10 - 5 def 9 Div HQ 6 - 9

Best players "Custard", Jack Ryan, Berris Greaves, Brindle Brown and Buster Brindley.

BASKETBALL: Our firsts defeated 2/48 Bn 43 - 34
 " seconds " 2/48 Bn 35 - 27
 26 Bde " cur "A" team 30 - 12
 Our "B" team " 26 Bde "B"s 23 - 16

Best Players: Lt Heaton and Eric King.

CRICKET: Two matches only have been played in the new series.

2/23 Bn 183 defeated 2/11 Fd Amb 161
 Scores: Capt LOVELL - 64 N.O. Roger DOWELL - 28; and 5 for 50.
 Barney LOOMES - 21; Len MORTIMER - 19

2/48 Bn - 192 defeated 2/23 Bn 107 and 5 - 56
 Don MCKINLEY 18 and 2 for 33; Len MORTIMER 30. Capt LOVELL 20; Capt MATTHEWS 3 for 23; Skeeta THOMPSON 3 for 51

JOTTINGS

Lt GIBBS the new TO ringing the switch and asking for the Transport Officer.

Lt Jack ORR paid us a visit. Jack's put on weight and must be at least 6 st 7 lbs now.

The Padre's ear-bash last Sunday - "Little man you've had a busy day"

Max RINTOULE having trouble with his water (don't get ahead of us) cart.

Capt McMASTER feeling "In the Mood" at Reveille this week.

Ackie coming home on the pig's back.

This week we received news from the 2/23 Bn Assoc. They have had several meetings and the fund is growing. Have you joined up yet? Five bob isn't much to part with so how about it. Be in it and help your cobbles. When the war is over too there will be an ideal excuse in the assoc for coming home to your wife just a teeny bit "tipsy"

Padre BRYSON (the seven dwarfs all rolled into one big lump) rather startled us the other night with his brilliant rendering (with actions) of Shakespeare.

"Thirty days hath September
 April, June and no wonder,
 All the rest take coffee, except
 Grandma. She rides a bike" - "Wouldntit".

Still they go. The old timers I mean. The most recent to leave us were: Tex HORKINGS, Ted NEPEAN, Eric LAWRENCE, Len EDMONDS, Jim Jackson, Fred MCORE, Keith HORSEALL, Eric HOLLINDALE, Tom HOLLIS and George LESTER. Cheerio fellers. We're sorry to see you go and wish you the very best....

Bde intend holding an exhibition of Arts and Crafts soon and we want the Bn to walk off with a few prizes. If you have tendencies arty or crafty get cracking and be "in at the kill". Of course limericks, verse, ditties, short stories aren't for that sort of business, so send 'em in to us. By the way Jack-Willie BISHOP won the Brig's £2 for the best "Ode to the Stebrin" in the Bde Compet ition.

Be seeing you.....Ed.

Appx K

Sporting

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE

HQ 2/23 Aust Inf Bn
10 Nov 44

Ref : 5/2106

26 Aust Inf Bde

REPORT ON BN SPORTS 4 NOV 44

1. The Bn Sports were held on the Unit Sports Ground on Saturday 4 Nov 44, and proved a splendid day. The preparation and organisation left nothing to be desired and the events though dominated by HQ Coy produced keen interest and good performance.

The final results were :

1st	HQ Coy	-	62	points
2nd	B "	-	38	"
3rd	C "	-	33	"
4th	A "	-	23	"
5th	Bn HQ	-	15	"
6th	D Coy	-	10	"

Individual results :

100 yds	Pte REEVES	HQ Coy	10 1/5 Secs
220 "	" "	HQ "	24 Secs
440 "	L/Cpl ATKINS	B "	56 "
880 "	Sjt McHENRY	HQ "	2 min 18 Secs
1 mile	L/Cpl ATKINS	B "	5 min 23 Secs
Long Jump	Pte TATT	C "	19' 3"
Hop Step Jump	" HYDER	B "	37' 7 1/2"
High Jump	" RYAN J	HQ "	5' 4"

Relay - HQ Coy, C Coy, Bn HQ.

Tug-of-war HQ Coy, Bn HQ

Attractions :

The Bn Band played selections throughout the afternoon. Unit Canteen was set up on the ground and the Salvation Army van dispensed cool drinks.

Programme :

Attached is a programme giving full details of the sports.

Recommendation :

The success of the Bn Sports suggests that a Bde Meeting would arouse great interest and provide a splendid days sport. It is therefore recommended that such a Meeting be held at the first opportunity. The inclusion of a Band Contest would add to the days entertainment.

W. Barry Harper (Lt)
Sports Offr.

W. Barry Harper Lt-col
Comd 2/23 Aust Inf Bn
(F A G TUCKER)

COYS COMPETING

Colours

EN HQ	-----	White
HQ COY	-----	Brown
A "	-----	Red
B "	-----	Yellow
C "	-----	Green
D "	-----	Blue

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POINTS : First 8, Second 5, Third 3, Fourth 2, Fifth 1.

OFFICIALS

JUDGES : Capt DUDLEY, Capt LOVELL, Lts BENSON, JARDINE,
Lt THORBURN

STARTER : Lt TAYLOR Assistant Starter Lt ATKINS

TIME KEEPERS : Lts WENBORN, GREER.

STEWARDS : Lt SHAW, EDWARDS, HARPER, Chaplain BRYSON.
Ptes DUN, ADAMS, BROWN J R.

UNIFORM STEWARD : Sgt HAYDEN, GOODALL.

RECORDS : Int Section.

COMMENTATOR : Lt FARHOOD

No	Time	Event	Competitors	Coy
4	1350	Long Jump	1 Pte HYDER D M	5 B
			2 " ROBERTS	3 A
			3 " TAIT	1 C
	19'3"		4 " McDONALD	4 D
			5 " BOYLE R	6 Bn HQ
			6 Cpl SPENCE	2 HQ

5	1405	220 yds	1 Pte REEVES	1 HQ
			2 " NOONAN	4 Bn HQ
			3 " HASSETT	2 C
	Time 24 secs		4 " MURDOCK	5 B
			5 " ROWBOTTOM	3 A
			6 " RIDDLE	6 D

6	1415	Tug-of-war	Bn HQ V B Coy	Bn HQ
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INTERVAL - BAND

7	1445	High Jump	1 Pte GREAVES	3 Bn HQ
			2 " MALOUF	6 D
			3 " RYAN F	1 HQ
	5'4"		4 " DUFFY	5 A
			5 " LADLOW L A	2 B
			6 " MARTIN	4 C

8	SPECIAL	SJTS	V	OFFRS	Sjts.
9	1515	Mile	1	Pte CRANSTON	2 D
			2	" SMITH	- A
			3	" IKEN	3 HQ
	5 mins 23 secs		4	Sgt STUART	- Bn HQ
			5	Pte MCKENZIE	4 C
			6	" ATKINS	1 B

No	Time	Event	Competitors	Coy	10	1525	Tug-of-war	HQ Coy V A Coy	HQ Coy
2	1325	Tug-of-war	C Coy V D Coy	C Coy	11	1540	Hop Step Jump	Pte BAGLEY	4 HQ
3	1340	880 yds	1 Pte McEWAN	4 D				2 " MARTIN	3 C
			2 " MARTIN	5 B				3 " GREAVES	- Bn HQ
			3 " STABELL	2 A				4 " OATES	2 A
			4 " BOYLE	6 Bn HQ				5 " McDONALD	5 D
			5 " MOORE	3 C				6 " HYDER	1 B
			6 Sgt McHENRY	1 HQ					

No	Time	Event	Competitors		Coy
12	1555	Relay	1	HQ	1
			2	A	4
	4 min 20 Secs		3	Bn HQ	3
			4	C	2
			5	D	6
			6	B	3

13	1610	Tug-of-war Semi Final	C Coy	V Bn HQ	Bn HQ
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14	1625	440 yds	1	Pte	VENING	-	Bn HQ
			2	"	WILSHEIR	2	HQ
			3	"	EVANS	4	C
			4	"		-	D
			5	"	ATKINS	1	B
			6	"	WOOD	3	A

15	1630	Tug-of-war Final	Bn HQ	V HQ Coy	HQ Coy
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FINIS

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White
Brown
Red
Yellow
Green
Blue

POINTS: First 3, Second 2, Third 1, Fourth 0, Fifth 0.

RESULTS

1st: Bn HQ, 2nd: HQ, 3rd: C, 4th: D, 5th: B, 6th: A.

1st: Bn HQ, 2nd: HQ, 3rd: C, 4th: D, 5th: B, 6th: A.

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1st: Bn HQ, 2nd: HQ, 3rd: C, 4th: D, 5th: B, 6th: A.

No	Time	Event	Competitors		Coy
1	1555	100 yds	1	Pte	ROBERTSON
			2	"	WILSON
			3	"	TAYLOR
			4	"	ROBERTSON
			5	"	JACKSON
			6	"	ROBERTSON
2	1555	Tug-of-war	C Coy	V Bn HQ	Bn HQ
3	1555	200 yds	1	Pte	ROBERTSON
			2	"	WILSON
			3	"	TAYLOR
			4	"	ROBERTSON
			5	"	JACKSON
			6	"	ROBERTSON

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE

HQ 2/23 Aust Inf Bn
11 Nov 44

All Coys

SPORTING RESULTS AND FIXTURES

AUST RULES FOOTBALL 5 NOV 44 :

"A" GRADE

SIGS 9 AUST DIV	6 - 9 - 45	d	2/8 AUST FD REGT	6 - 6 - 42
2/23 AUST INF BN	14 - 8 - 92	d	2/9 AUST CAV (Com) REGT	9 - 8 - 62
2/24 AUST INF BN	9 - 18 - 72	d	2/12 AUST FD REGT	4 - 8 - 32
2/32 AUST INF BN	won on forfeit from 2/48 AUST INF BN			
2/7 AUST FD REGT	won on forfeit from RAE 9 AUST DIV			
2/28 AUST INF BN	14 - 5 - 89	drew	2/43 AUST INF BN	12 - 7 - 89

"B" GRADE

HQ 9 AUST DIV	17 - 8 - 110	d	2/3 AUST PNR BN	2 - 1 - 13
2/118 AUST BDE WKSPS	8 - 11 - 59	d	2/3 AUST FD AMB	6 - 5 - 41
2/23 AUST INF BN	15 - 11 - 101	d	2/9 AUST CAV (Com) Regt	13 - 8 - 87
2/12 AUST FD REGT	5 - 10 - 40	d	2/24 AUST INF BN	4 - 8 - 32
2/7 AUST FD REGT	16 - 19 - 115	d	2/8 AUST FD AMB	3 - 4 - 22
2/32 AUST INF BN	won on forfeit from 2/48 AUST INF BN			
2/8 AUST FD REGT	won on forfeit from RAE 9 AUST DIV			
2/28 AUST INF BN	8 - 12 - 60	d	2/43 AUST INF BN	6 - 7 - 43

PROGRESS TOTALS AUST RULES FOOTBALL

"A" GRADE

2/7 AUST FD REGT	24
2/23 AUST INF BN	20
2/9 AUST CAV (Commando) REGT	16
2/12 AUST FD REGT	16
2/32 AUST INF BN	16
2/43 AUST INF BN	16
2/24 AUST INF BN	20
SIGS 9 AUST DIV	10
2/8 AUST FD REGT	8
2/28 AUST INF BN	6
2/48 AUST INF BN	2

"B" GRADE

2/23 AUST INF BN	28
HQ 9 AUST DIV	20
2/12 AUST FD REGT	20
2/32 AUST INF BN	20
2/43 AUST INF BN	20
2/28 AUST INF BN	20
2/3 AUST FD AMB	16
2/11 AUST BDE WKSPS	16
2/12 AUST FD REGT	12
2/24 AUST INF BN	12
AASC 9 AUST DIV	12
2/2 AUST MG BN	12
2/9 AUST CAV (Commando) REGT	8
2/3 AUST PNR BN	8
2/13 AUST INF BN	4
2/8 AUST FD REGT	4
2/48 AUST INF BN	-
2/8 AUST FD AMB	-

BASKETBALL : 2/23 Bn "A" 53 d 2/48 Bn "A" 24
2/23 Bn "B" 31 d 2/48 Bn "B" 18

CRICKET :

2/23 Bn

Sjt HJORTH	4
Sjt MORTIMER	14
Pte ANDREWS	32
" MARSHALL	38
" CUSTANCE	26
" LAKEMAN	19 NO
" LOOMES	37
" THOMAS	-
" THOMPSON	15
" HYDER	25
BYES	10

26 Bde HQ

1st Innings	95
2nd Innings	7 for 126
Pte HYDER	4 - 17 and 1 - 24
" THOMPSON	3 - 25 and 2 - 27
" LOOMES	1 - 38 and 2 - 46
" CUSTANCE	1 - 3
" HURRING	1 - 25

TOTAL 210

2/23 AUST INF BN won by 115 runs on 1st Innings.

INTER COY GAMES :

FOOTBALL : Quarter Final A Coy 2/23 Bn 11 - 9 d HQ 2/24 Bn 8 - 11
Semi Final HQ " 2/23 Bn 11 0 9 d A 2/48 Bn 3 - 4

BASKETBALL :

Final 26 BDE HQ - 31 d HQ Coy 2/23 Bn - 21

FIXTURES

Saturday 11 Nov 44

Cricket : 2/23 Bn V 2/1 CCS at CCS 1030 hrs.
Transport from YMCA @945 hrs

Basketball : 2/23 Bn A & B V 2/24 Bn at 2/24 Bn at 1430 hrs

Sunday 12 Nov 44.

Football : 1sts 2/23 Bn V 2/22 Bn on 2/28 Bn Ground at 1500 hrs
2nds 2/23 Bn V 2/32 Bn on 2/32 Bn Ground at 1330 hrs

INTER COY

Tuesday 14 Nov 44.

SEMI FINAL

A Coy 2/23 Bn V HQ Coy 2/48 Bn at 1430 hrs

Winners to meet HQ Coy 2/23 Bn in FINAL for BDE
Premiership and TROPHIES.

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SPORTING GEAR

Any man holding Unit gear including dyed singlets, khaki or
white shorts, boots, rugby jerseys to return same to Coy Q
Stores at once.

T H Matthews Capt
Adj't 2/23 Aust Inf Bn
(T H MATTHEWS)

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCES

WD
HQ, 2/23 Aust Inf Bn
10 Nov 44

MELBOURNE CUP SWEEP

Drawn 2000 hrs 10 Nov 44

First - Fortyfive pounds
Second - Eight Pounds
Third - Three pounds.

<u>Horse</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Coy</u>
LAWRENCE	Pte SEXTON J	B
MAYFOWL	Cpl JAMES D	B
GRAND FILS	Capt T H MATTHEWS	BHQ
1 SIRIUS	Pte PIGRAM K D	HQ
CLAUDETTE	Sgt MULQUEEN D	B
CREAM PUFF	Pte COOKE T N	D
MARTIAL LAW	Pte WESTAWAY A S	HQ
TWOS COMPANY	Sgt McALLISTER	HQ
ST WARDEN	Cpl WOOD N F	HQ
TEMPLE CHIEF	Pte MANNIX W J	HQ
GRAIN TRADER	Sgt STUART E	BHQ
2 PETER	Pte CUSTANCE M P	D
QUEEN MIDAS	Pte BAXTER J	B
TARAMOA	Cpl CRYSTAL K R	B
CODICIL	Lt B R GOON	B
HUNTINGDALE	Lt-Col F A G TUCKER	BHQ
SAN MARTIN	Pte ROBERTS F T	C
FIELD BALLOON	Sgt DRAKE G	HQ
CLAYTON	MORRISH J	HQ
FRILL KING	KELLY T	HQ
LIBERAL KNIGHT	BARRETT J J	B
THREE O THREE	WO I STUCKEY G A	BHQ
3 CELLINI	Sgt LEES	BHQ
GAMELIN	Pte PYERS	B
JUDITH LOUISE	Pte ADAMS W T	HQ