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

November 1942



1/5/10-0093

DUTY STAFF OFFERS LOG

Approx 1

Duty Staff Offr... **Capt I. E. GRANT**

From **0000** hrs on **24 Oct** to **0000** hrs on **1 Nov 42**

Serial No 1	Orig- inator's No 2	Originator 3	T.O.O. 4	T.O.R. 5	PARTICULARS 6	ACTION 7	DISPOSAL 8
1 2 3	1529 0102 03302	A10 11 Int Bde No 3 Sub Depot ALBANY	1900 1415	8305 0110 0110	Int report Re 102 New Workshop Re 102nd order	Rel'd * *	CE(1) AQ AQ

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WAR DIARY AND INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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From ~~0830~~ hrs on ~~1 Nov 12~~ to ~~0830~~ hrs on ~~2 Nov 12~~

Serial No 1	Orig- inator's No 2	Originator 3	T.O.O. 4	T.O.R. 5	PARTICULARS 6	ACTION 7	DISPOSAL 8
1	657	29 240	0240	3700	Request use of rifle range 7 Nov	Hold	Q

COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

DEPARTMENT OF INTERIOR,

METEOROLOGICAL BRANCH.

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

Issued from Meteorological Office Townsville
at 0430 2/1 hours, Date:

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

Meteorological Situation:

Scattered showers over area during
last 24 hours with some local thunder
along ranges at night
Mackay 54 points
Townsville 'drome 1 point

Forecast:

Weather, Cloud, &c.

Further showers with cloud
conditions remaining unchanged.
Sun & moon frequently obscured
Some local thunderstorms at night.

Visibility

10 miles Hazy.

Winds (surface and upper).

Duty Meteorologist 

Telephoned at _____

NOTE 1.—

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NOTE 2.—

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Duty Staff Officer **Capt J S D HELLICK**

From **0830** hrs on **2 Nov 42** to **0830** hrs on **3 Nov 42**

Serial No 1	Originator's No 2	Originator 3	T.O.O. 4	T.O.R. 5	PARTICULARS 6	ACTION 7	DISPOSAL 8
1	0435	ALO TWILLS	1900	2045	ALO Sitrep	Hold	GIH(3)
2	0435	First Army	2040	2100	Secret	Hold	GIH
3	0435	2nd Army Cdr	0930	2100	Destinations - school	Hold	Copy AQ ADHS
4	0435	2nd Army Inf	2200	2300	Ask	Hold	Chief Clerk
5	0435	2nd Army Inf	0000	0605	Shipyard courses	Hold	GIH Copy GIH
6	0435	First Army	2102	0605	Secret	Hold	GIH Copy AQ

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DEPARTMENT OF INTERIOR,

METEOROLOGICAL BRANCH.

District Aviation Forecast for R.A.A.F. Station G3 I

Issued from Meteorological Office Louiseville

at

0430 2/3/11

hours.

Date:

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

Meteorological Situation:

Forecast:

Weather, Cloud, &c.

Remaining cloudy & showery with
cloud down on ranges.
Thunderstorms expected at night.
Sun & moon usually obscured.

Visibility

Winds (surface and upper).

Rainfall reported:-

Bardwell 15 points
Innisfail 10 "
Tounsville 9
Charters Towers 2
Mackay 23

Duty Meteorologist [Signature]

Telephoned at _____

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WAR DIARY AND INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

Unit 425 Amd Div Date and Time - From 0001 hrs To 2359 hrs 4 Nov 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c
Tenonville	4 Nov	0830	Outg Staff Ops Log - Capt E L Dixon	(Appx 7)
		2000	Sitrep to 1800 hrs 4 Nov	(Appx 5)
			G1 (Lt - Col J J Daly) returned from	
			Leaves	
		1530	District Aviation Meteorological Forecast	(Appx 9)

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Duty Staff Offr. **Capt EL DIXON**

From **0830** hrs on **3 Nov 42** to **0830** hrs on **4 Nov 42**

Serial No 1	Orig- inator's No 2	Originator 3	T.O.O. 4	T.O.R. 5	PARTICULARS 6	ACTION 7	DISPOSAL 8
1	9487	2 Asst Cav Regt	1230	2320	Reconnaissance staff orders	Hold	Capt Cooper
2	103717	First Asst Army	2020	2320	Asst Gen	Hold	C
3	9112	11 Asst Inf Regt	0830	2320	Escort for H10614 LIND Pto	Hold	AQ
4		Distress Kawalek	1450	2320	Ref H3325 Med classification	Hold	A4 AMEN
5		Cpl Jensen	0720		Please message for Capt Malliot	Hold	Capt Malliot and Maj Hatch

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2 Aust Cav Regt
11 Aust Inf Bde
29 Aust Inf Bde
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3 Aust Div Sec Corps Rec Camp
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DEPARTMENT OF INTERIOR.

METEOROLOGICAL BRANCH.

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

Issued from Meteorological Office _____

at 0432 hours.

Date: 4/11/42

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

Meteorological Situation:

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5th Division HQ

Forecast:

Weather, Cloud, &c.

Partly cloudy with partial obscuration by ^{scatt. clouds} moon at first then chiefly cloudless or during morning with sun chiefly obscured

Visibility

Rainfall: Chackay (2 pts)
Rocky (34 pts)
Winds (surface and upper) ^{at surface} (15 pts)

Hail or just a few odd points expected during following 24 hours.

Duty Meteorologist

Telephoned at _____

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WAR DIARY AND INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

Unit 405 Amal Div Date and Time - From 000 hrs To 2359 hrs 5 Nov 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c
Townsville	5 Nov	0830	Duty Staff Offs Log - Capt W. H. Cooper	(Appa 9)
			GOB (Maj. Gen. E. J. Milford) returned from Cairns	
		1200	RAAF Land Forecast	(Appa 10)
		1200	RAAF Rainfall - Trafficability Report	(Appa 11)
		1530	Dist Air Aviation Meteorological Forecast	(Appa 12)
		2000	Sign to 1800 hrs 5 Nov	01321 (Appa 13)

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DUTY STAFF OFFERS LOG

Duty Staff Offr. **Capt W H HOOPER**

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From **0630** hrs on **4 Nov 42** to **0630** hrs on **5 Nov 42**

Serial No 1	Orig- inator's No 2	Originator 3	T.O.O. 4	T.O.R. 5	PARTICULARS 6	ACTION 7	DISPOSAL 8
1	04509	First Asst Army	2100	2250	Rail restrictions - Melbourne Gap	Held	AQ
2	003744	First Asst Army	2135	2345	SAS BONEGILLA Cancellation vacancies	Held	GHII(O)
3	0002039	4 Central Crd Depot	1735	2345	Despatch packages	Held	ADCS
4	003746	First Asst Army	2205	2345	School Medical Entomology	Held	GHII(O) Corp AHS
5	0403	2 Asst Cav Regt	1605	0630	Lieut VOGLER R H available duty	Held	Maj CATHWOOD
6	0404	2 Asst Cav Regt	1635	0630	Request number leave train 7 Nov	Held	AQ
7	0402	2 Asst Cav Regt	1640	0630	Nominations to wireless course	Held	GHII(O)
8	003745	First Asst Army	2205	0630	Release 31 Brown etc for Cav Regt	Held	AQ Corp ADCS GHII(L)

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ROYAL AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE

LAND FORECAST

Period 1200 5/11/42 to 1200 6/11/42 Issued to RAA on Thursday 5/11/42 at 1200 hrs.

<u>District</u>	<u>Weather</u>	<u>Low Cloud. Amount</u> <u>Type and Base</u>	<u>Special Phenomena -</u> <u>Flood, Fire, Dust etc.</u>	<u>Via</u>	<u>Surface</u> <u>Wind</u>	<u>Max</u> <u>Temp</u>	<u>Min</u> <u>Temp</u>	<u>State of</u> <u>Ground.</u>
100 miles radius of RAA	Scattered showers on coast and at sea at night, otherwise fine.	Cumulus, base 1500/2500 with patches down to 600 ft in early morning. 3-5 tenths in afternoon 5-8 tenths at night and early morning. Partial obscurity of sun and moon throughout.	-	Good	N/NE 15/20 mph in after- noon N/NE 10/15 at night and early morning	85/90	-	Dry

R. Taylor

F/O

Meteorologist.

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DEPARTMENT OF INTERIOR,

METEOROLOGICAL BRANCH.

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

Issued from Meteorological Office _____

at 0430 hours.

Date: 5/11/42

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

Meteorological Situation:

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5th Division
Head Quarters

Forecast:

Weather, Cloud, &c.

Remaining cloudy overnight
with scattered showers and thunder
and squally winds at times. A strong
SQUALL expected to pass through the
Area within the next 24/36 hours
Sun and moon chiefly obscured.

Winds (surface and upper).

Reported Rainfall: Mt Surprise: 6 points

Expected: Falls of up to $\frac{3}{4}$ of an inch
expected within next 24/36 hours.

Duty Meteorologist f

Telephoned at _____

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ROYAL AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE.
LAND FORECAST

Period 1200 6 Nov 42 to 1200 7 Nov 42 Issued to RAA on 6 Nov 42 at 1200

Expected conditions for Land Operations including Mechanical Movement and Defence.

<u>District</u>	<u>Weather</u>	<u>Low Cloud, Amount, Type & Base.</u>	<u>Special Phenomena - Flood, Fire Dust etc</u>	<u>Via</u>	<u>Surface Wind</u>	<u>Max Temp</u>	<u>Min Temp</u>	<u>State of Ground</u>
100 miles radius of RAA	Frequent showers, heavy at times.	Cumulus & Sc 7/10t tenths base 1500/ 2000 with patches down to 500	-	Good but poor in rain	E/NE 15/20 by day E/NE 10/15 at night	85/90	70/75	Wet but remaining firm.

Following 24 hrs.

similar conditions continuing - showers becoming heavier and more frequent.

(Sgd.) R Taylor P/O Meteorologist.

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No. 1... Mobile Meteorological Flight.

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Rainfall during ⁴⁸ hours ending 24 } 0.97 in.
Trafficability at } 3.4/16/02

RAINFALL AND TRAFFICABILITY BULLETIN.

Issued to on 6 Nov at 1200 hrs

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For trafficability code see back.

..... Meteorological Assistant.

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COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

DEPARTMENT OF INTERIOR.

METEOROLOGICAL BRANCH.

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

Issued from Meteorological Office

at 0430 hours.

Date: 6/11/42

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

Meteorological Situation:

3 GI
Headquarters
5th Division

Forecast:

Weather, Cloud, &c.

Remaining cloudy to overcast
moon and sun chiefly obscured with
likely THUNDER STORMS tonight or SQUALLS
with heavy rain tomorrow passing across
the area out to sea with squally winds.
then weather conditions fairly good.

Visibility

Rainfall reported: Looktown 27 pt
Winds (surface and upper). Cairns 32 "
Tongue 39 "
Bowen 10 "
d/t surprise 154 "
Palmerville 23 "
Emerald 222 "

Rainfall expected: Falls up to one inches
chiefly in NW, West and SW portions
of the area in next 24 hours.
Duty Meteorologist

Telephoned at

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5 AUST DIV OP INSTN No 33

DEFENCE AGAINST LANDINGS IN THE GULF OF CARPENTARIA

ROLE OF 5 AUST DIV

1. The role of 5 Aust Div has been extended to include action against enemy landings in the GULF of CARPENTARIA as far WEST as the op boundary with NT Force (bndy between NORTHERN TERRITORY and QUEENSLAND excluding general area CAMOOWEAL--MT ISA) with a view to protecting

- (a) the NORTHERN aerodromes
- (b) installations on the line TOWNSVILLE-CLONCURRY.

COMPOSITION OF FORCE

2. In order to meet any threat developing in this area, a force of one bn GP will be formed, when the emergency arises, made up as follows :-

Comd (to be detailed by Comd 29 Aust Inf Bde)
One bn 29 Aust Inf Bde
One bty 17 Aust Fd Regt
One tp 101 Aust A Tk Regt
One sec 11 Aust Fd Coy
Det Sigs 5 Aust Div
Det 27 Coy AASC
Det 7 Aust Fd Amb
Det 5 Aust Div Ord Wkshop

The units and sub units listed above will be detailed by the heads of arms and services concerned, and designations of sub units advised to 5 Aust Div and Comd 29 Aust Inf Bde immediately. Sub units detailed will remain, for the time being, with their parent units, but will be made available to the Comd 29 Aust Inf Bde whenever required for trg or other purposes.

TASK

3. The task of this force will be :-

- (a) To attack and destroy any enemy force landing in the GULF of CARPENTARIA between incl MITCHELL R and QUEENSLAND--N.T. border.

/(b)

- (b) Should the size and strength of the enemy force be such as to render this impracticable, to delay his advance on the NORTHERN aerodromes in the area CAIRNS--MAREEBA, installations in the CLONCURRY area, or our L of C on the line CHARTERS TOWERS--HUGHENDEN.

First Aust Army have indicated that sufficient warning will be available of the distant approach of an enemy convoy to permit movt of this striking force from the EAST coast, to the threatened area before a landing could be effected. The force will therefore remain in the TOWNSVILLE area until such time as ordered to proceed to the GULF either for ops or trg.

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PLANNING

4. Comd 29 Aust Inf Bde will prepare plans for the execution of the above task, and will arrange for the force to carry out such trg as is considered necessary.

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5. Relevant infm held by GSI 5 Aust Div will immediately be made available to 29 Aust Inf Bde. To supplement this, Comd 29 Aust Inf Bde will detail a Long Range Recce Patrol (LRRP) to leave as early as possible on a recce of areas likely to be used in the event of this op being undertaken. A separate instn covering this will be issued.

ADM

6. 5 Aust Div will be responsible
- (a) for providing special eqpt required by the force, such as FWD vehs, bridging, etc.
 - (b) for maintenance of the force after leaving the TOWNSVILLE area.

Adm Instns will be issued separately.

ACK.

J. Dal Lt-Col
GS 5 Aust Div

DISTRIBUTION:

29 Aust Inf Bde	Copy No
11 Aust Inf Bde	1
2 Aust Cav Regt	2
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RAE	4
Sigs	5
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22 Aust Inf Bde
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RAE 5 Aust Div
Sigs 5 Aust Div
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5 Aust Div Sec Corps Rec Camp
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WAR DIARY AND ~~INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY~~

Unit 425 Area One Date and Time - From 000 hrs. To 2359 hrs 7 Nov 62

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7 Nov 42

DUTY STAFF OFFERS LOG

Duty Staff Offr. **Lieut J J SCHINE**

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From **0030** hrs on **6 Nov 42** to **0030** hrs on **7 Nov 42**

Serial No 1	Orig- inator's No 2	Originator 3	T.O.O. 4	T.O.R. 5	PARTICULARS 6	ACTION 7	DISPOSAL 8
1	005796	First Asst Army	2110	2245	Allotment provost corp	Held	G2L
2	0226	11 Asst Inf Bde	1930	2300	Re info required re 31 Bn	"	"
3	024	29 Asst Inf Bde	2245	2300	Re info L/Opd CLARKE	"	030
4	0434	11 Asst Inf Bde	1630	0706	For HQHQ re a/c priority travel	"	AQ
5	005797	First Asst Army	2115	2245	re issue 30 carts	"	G2L

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LAND FORECAST

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Period: 1200 7/11/42 to 1200 8/11/42 Issued to HQ RAA on 7/11/42 at 1---

Expected conditions for Land Operations including Mechanical Movement and Defence.

DISTRICT: 100 miles radius of RAA

WEATHER: Few scattered showers, about coast and at sea. Showers heavier in west of area.

LOW CLOUD, AMOUNT, TYPE & BASE. Broken Cumulus base 1000/2000 ft with well broken middle level cloud above.

SPECIAL PHENOMENA - FLOOD, FIRE DUST ETC

VISIBILITY: Good.

SURFACE WIND: N/NE 15/20 in afternoon. N/NE 10/15 at other times.

MAX TEMP: 85/90

MIN TEMP: 70/75

STATE OF GROUND: Dry

Following 24 hrs.

Continuance of similar conditions with broken Cumulus and Ac above and scattered showers.

(Sgd.) R. Taylor F/O
Meteorologist.

R.A.A.F. METEOROLOGICAL SERVICE

Townsville

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

Issued to R.A.A. 5th Div. G-3-I on 7/11/42 at 0500 Z (S.T.)

Meteorological Situation :

Rainfall - Cardwell - 13 pT3.
Bowen 5 pT3.

Shower (light) occurred along Coast.

District Forecast : for period 0500Z h. 7/11/42 m. to 0500Z h. 8/11/42 m. (Standard Time)

Weather, Cloud, &c.,

BROKEN To overcast high and low cloud

Thunderstorms west and southwest, showers locally,
tonite.

Visibility..... 6/10 mile.

Winds (surface and upper)

Surface wind:- NE/E 10/15 shifting
to SE tomt. 10/15 mph.

Seen obscured faintly tomorrow.

UPPER WINDS OBSERVATIONS AT ALTITUDES ABOVE MEAN SEA LEVEL

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DISTRICT METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVATIONS

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Signature:—Duty Meteo. Off.

Telephoned at

Apr 22

Subject: OPERATIONAL BOUNDARIES

HQ 5 Aust Div
7 Nov 42
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11 Aust Inf Bde

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29 Aust Inf Bde

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War Diary

Ref 5 Aust Div Op Instrn No 30

1. The SOUTHERN op bndy of 11 Aust Inf Bde will be as follows

all incl TULLY R--MT GARNET--ALMADEN--MUNGANA--MITCHELL R.

2. Comd 11 Aust Inf Bde will have access to all sources of infm on the mainland NORTH of this bndy. Where, through difficulties of intercomm this is impracticable, infm received from these sources will be relayed to 11 Aust Inf Bde by 5 Aust Div by fastest possible means.

3. Comd 11 Aust Inf Bde will be responsible for

(a) the preparation and execution of all demolitions in this area.

(b) The collection of infm of a tactical, adm and topographical nature, copies of which will be forwarded to 5 Aust Div.

4. The role of 11 Aust Inf Bde remains as set out in para 2 of 5 Aust Div Op Instrn No 30 and units of 11 Aust Inf Bde will NOT be moved from the vicinity of these tasks without reference to HQ 5 Aust Div.

[Signature]
Lt-Col
GS 5 Aust Div

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WAR DIARY AND INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

Unit WLS Aust Div Date and Time - From 0001 hrs To 2359 hrs 8 Nov 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c
Townsville	8 Nov	0830	Dist Staff Offs Log. Capt J M Grant	(Appn 23)
		1200	RAAF Rainfall Bulletin	(Appn 24)
		1200	RAAF Land Forecast	(Appn 25)
		1530	Dist Air Avia Meteorological Forecast	(Appn 26)
		1600	5 Aus Div Op Instr No 4. Long Range Recon Patrol. 29 Aus Inf Bn	(Appn 27) Secs
		2200	Sleep to 1800 hrs 8 Nov	01350 (Appn 28)

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29 Aust Inf Bde
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Hvt & Tr Op TOWNSVILLE
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FROM 5 Aust Div 01344 7

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Duty Staff Offr. **Capt I H GRAFT**

From **0830** hrs on **7 Nov** to **0830** hrs on **8 Nov 42**

Serial No 1	Orig- inator's No 2	Originator 3	T.O.O. 4	T.O.R. 5	PARTICULARS 6	ACTION 7	DISPOSAL 8
1	AHC 19374	FAA	11400	2230	Re T/Am J G. JELSTON	Hold	AQ
2	19381	"	21400	2230	" Capt D HADE	"	AQ
3	I 38	11 Post Ind Bde	18000	0120	Hitro	"	G 2 (G)
4	G 138	" "	1623	0120	Expenditure Bde Comd	"	G 2
5	OS G1318	Landforce	1700	0715	Various warlike stores	"	AQ

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on 1200 hrs at 8.11.42 Hopy-24.

Issued to:

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..... Meteorological Assistant.

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ROYAL AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE.
LAND FORECAST.

Period: 1200 8/11/42 to 1200 9/11/42 Issued to RAA on 8/11/42 at 1200 h

Expected conditions for Land Operations including Mechanical Movement and Defence.

DISTRICT: 100 miles radius of RAA

WEATHER: Chiefly fine by day. Scattered showers at night about coast.

LOW CLOUD, AMOUNT, TYPE AND BASE: Cumulus 3-5 tenths by day, 4-8 tenths at night, base 2000/3000 scattered middle cloud above. Partial obscuring sun and moon throughout.

SPECIAL PHENOMENA - FLOOD, FIRE, DUST ETC: Few isolated thunderstorms at sea at night.

VISIBILITY: Good

SURFACE WIND: E/NE 10/15 in afternoon otherwise E/NE 5/10.

MAX. TEMP: 85/90

MIN. TEMP: 65/70

STATE OF GROUND: Dry.

Following 24 hrs.

Continuation of similar conditions. No change expected.

(sgd.) R. Taylor F/O
Meteorologist.

DISTRIBUTION:

5 Asst FA Regt
17 Asst FA Regt
101 Asst A/Tk. Regt
2/5 Asst Dvy Bty
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R.A.A.F. METEOROLOGICAL SERVICE

Toursville

Office

District ~~Aviation~~ Meteorological Report for R.A.A.F.Issued to R.A.A. ~~5th Div. C-3 I~~ on 8/1/42 at 0400Z (S.T.)

Meteorological Situation:

Rainfall:- Toursville:- Trace.

Lucinda:- 3 points.

Showers reported along coastal regions - no amount reported.

District Forecast: for period 0400Z h. 8/1/42 m. to 0400Z h. 9/1/42 m. (Standard Time)

Weather, Cloud, &c.,

Partly to broken middle and low cloud.

Base 3000 ft. Few showers this afternoon & tonight.

Clouds decreasing tomorrow.

Visibility

15/20 miles.

Winds (surface and upper)

Surface:- ENE/SE 10/20 Gusty
DECREASING OVERNIGHT

Sun only partially obscured.

UPPER WINDS OBSERVATIONS AT ALTITUDES ABOVE MEAN SEA LEVEL

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

DISTRICT METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVATIONS

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

Signature: - Duty Meteo. Off.

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Telephoned at

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8 Nov 42

5 AUST DIV OP INSTN No 34

LONG RANGE RECCE PATROL - 29 AUST INF BDE.

1. This instn is issued in amplification of 5 Aust Div Op Instn No 33 para 5.

RECCE PATROL

2. To enable the bn gp to carry out its role in accordance with 5 Aust Div Op Instn No 33, a recce of the area in which this force may have to operate is essential. A Long Range Recce Patrol will therefore be despatched by Comd 29 Aust Inf Bde with the object of securing as much infm as possible before the advent of the "wet" season; this will probably necessitate the completion of the task before the middle of December.

COMPOSITION

3. The composition of this patrol will be determined by Comd 29 Aust Inf Bde. In addition to any medical pers included a rep nominated by ADMS 5 Aust Div will accompany the patrol.

ROUTE

4. The actual route will be decided by Comd 29 Aust Inf Bde, but he will ensure that the area reconnoitred is, as far as possible, different from that reported on by 3 LRRP.

TASKS

5. (a) The tasks of the patrol will be laid down by Comd 29 Aust Inf Bde.
(b) These tasks will include securing infm for this HQ on points indicated in Appx "A" att.

SUPS

6. Comd 29 Aust Inf Bde will indicate to this HQ the route or routes selected, his requirements for sups of POL, rations, vehs etc as early as possible.

PROGRESS REPORTS

7. Reports on the progress of this patrol will be included in a daily sitrep.

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J. J. Dal
Lt-Col
GS 5 Aust Div

DISTRIBUTION:

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29 Aust Inf Bde	1 - 2
11 Aust Inf Bde	3
2 Aust Cav Regt	4
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1. Areas which are under observation by NAOU, VAOC and VDC pers and the comms these sub-units have with their HQ.
2. Areas under water during "wet" season and approximate dates of normal year.
3. Depth and navigability of following rivers

GREGORY R
ALBERT R
LEICHHARDT R
FLINDERS R
NORMAN R

and any other rivers reconnoitred which are considered worthy of report.

4. Possibility of linking FORSAYTH and CROYDON by rail.

SUPS

5. Loading and unloading rail facilities at following places :-

MT CUTHBERT
JULIA CK
RICHMOND
FORSAYTH
CROYDON
NORMANTON

6. Most suitable places for dumps for POL, Rations and amm from point of view of accessibility, guarding and preservation.

7. Local sups of food, wild game, etc.

VEHS

8. Report on lessons learnt from movt of vehs.

Apr 28

Av Regt
 Aust Inf Bde
 29 Aust Inf Bde
 RAA 5 Aust Div
 RAB 5 Aust Div
 Sigs 5 Aust Div
 1 L of C Sub Area
 5 Aust Div Sub Corps Rec Camp
 Inv & Tn Op TOWNSVILLE
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AQ
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 War Diary ✓

FROM 5 AUST DIV

O 1330

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sitrep	to	1800	hrs	8	nov
(.)	ref	map	ROLLINGSTONE	1	inch
temp	HQ	29	aust	inf	bde
229163	15	bn	209153	42	bn
194159	47	bn	225163	(.)	on
trg	exercise	<i>all informed</i>			

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

T.O.O. *2120*
 T.H.I.
 T.O.R.

W.D. 2120
Capt

WAR DIARY AND INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

Unit FD-5 Arrest Dec Date and Time - From 000, hrs To 2359 hrs 9 hours

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Alanturus Cap

9 Nov 42

DUTY STAFF OFFER LOG

Duty Staff Offr. Capt E L DIXON

From 0830 hrs on 8 Nov 42 to 0830 hrs on 9 Nov 42

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Serial No 1	Orig- inator's No 2	Originator 3	T.O.O. 4	T.O.R. 5	PARTICULARS 6	ACTION 7	DISPOSAL 8
1	141	11 Bde Op	1200	2245	Sitrep	Held	Q111(0)
2	170	ELR12	1400	2245	Asking for ack	Held	AQ
3	Sigs 379	Sigs 5 Div	2100	2245	Ask Div Op Instr	Held	G
4	ANB1868A	First Army	2105	2245	Request to Land Forces for technical offr for 2 Aust Cav Regt	Held	AQ
5	Q142	11 Inf Bde	1800	0315	Purchase of horses	Held	AQ G
6	SD3832	First Army	2208	0315	Warning order - secret	Held	AQ
7	SD3840	First Army	2208	0315	Ref SD3840	Held	G (for action) AQ G (for action)

War Diary
FORM 118.

COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

APR 20

DEPARTMENT OF INTERIOR,

METEOROLOGICAL BRANCH.

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

Issued from Meteorological Office

at 0430Z hours.

Date: 9/11/42

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

Meteorological Situation:

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5th Divisions
Headquarters

Forecast:

Weather, Cloud, &c.

Remaining cloudy early part of night possibly clearing after midnight but cloudy again tomorrow.

Few small heavy shower patches chiefly on Northern and NW ranges

Winds (surface and upper).

Rainfall reported: Cairns 3 pts.
Townsville 4 pts.
Blackey 2 pts.

Rainfall expected: Same again during next 24 hours.

Duty Meteorologist

Telephoned at

NOTE 1.—

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

NOTE 2.—

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

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ROYAL AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE.

Mobile Meteorological Flight No. 1.

Form MF 3

Appx 30A

LAND FORECAST.

PERIOD 0730 9 - 11 - 42 to 0730 10 - 11 - 42

ISSUED TO R.A.A.
on 9/11/42 at 0730

Expected conditions for Land operations including Mechanical movement and Air defense:

DISTRICT : 100 miles radius of R.A.A.

WEATHER : Few scattered showers in afternoon about coast, otherwise fine

LOW CLOUD, AMOUNT, } : Cumulus, 5-8 tenths 2/3000 in afternoon, 4-6 tenths 2/3000
TYPE AND BASE } at other times partial obscuring of sun and moon through
 } cat

SPECIAL PHENOMENA- }
FLOOD FIRE DUST ETC }

VIS. : Good

SURFACE WIND: E/NE 10/15 in afternoon ; E/NE 5/10 o'wise

MAX TEMP: 85/90

MIN TEMP : 65/70

STATE OF GROUND: DRY

FOLLOWING 24 hrs:

- No change - continuance of conditions specified above.

(signed) R. Taylor P/O Meteorologist

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ROYAL AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE

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Form EB 2.

Trafficability at

RAINFALL AND TRAFFICABILITY BULLETIN.

Issued to on at

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For trafficability code see back.

..... Swells J. T. Meteorological Assistant.

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Alanteno Capt

10 Nov 42

DUTY STAFF OFFERS LCG

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Appx 31

Duty Staff Offr... **Capt & E HOLMES**

From **0830** hrs on **9 Nov** to **0830** hrs on **10 Nov**

Serial No 1	Orig- inator's No 2	Originator 3	T.O.O. 4	T.O.R. 5	PARTICULARS 6	ACTION 7	DISPOSAL 8
1.	0 06	26 Asst Inf Bde	2020	0000	Movt 29 Bde to biv area	Hold	GLI
2.	2 240	11 Asst Inf Bde	1145	0720	Surplus clerks 51 Bn	Hold	AQ
3.	000707	Hilbase BRIEFING		0720	Despatch 7 Nov am train	Hold	AQ

Appx 32

Subject - R/T CODE

HQ 5 Aust Div
10 Nov 42
GSI/514

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

Ref sig trg pamphlet 5 part 1 (a)(Aust) sec 35.

In some cases units are endeavouring to transmit complete messages by R/T in code. Due to the limited number of words in the R/T code this is not practicable and it is advised that in future clear words may be used in R/T messages where no suitable code exists for that word.

Sam Grant
Lt Col
GS 5 Aust Div

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ROYAL AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE.

LAND FORECAST.

APR 32A

Period 0730 10.11.42 TO 0730 11.11.42 ISSUED TO RAA on 10.11.42 at 0730 hrs.

Expected conditions for Land Operations including Mechanical Movement and defence.

DISTRICT: 100 miles radius

WEATHER: Few light showers mainly in north of area.

LOW CLOUD, AMOUNT, TYPE AND BASE: Cumulus 408 tenths in afternoon, otherwise 3-5 tenths, base 2/3000 scattered middle cloud above.

SPECIAL PHENOMENA
FLOOD, FIRE, DUST
ETC:

VISIBILITY: Good

SURFACE WIND: E/NE 10/15 mph in afternoon. E/NE 5/10 otherwise.

MAX TEMP: 85/90

MIN TEMP: 65/70

STATE OF GROUND: Dry.

FOLLOWING 24 HOURS.

Scattered showers throughout area, mainly light. Conditions otherwise unchanged.

(Sgd.) R. Taylor F/O
Meteorologist.

COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

DEPARTMENT OF INTERIOR,

METEOROLOGICAL BRANCH.

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

Station

Townsville

Issued from Meteorological Office

at *0430* hours.

Date: *10/11/42*

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

Meteorological Situation:

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Headquarters

5th Division

Forecast:

Weather, Cloud, &c.

*Scattered clouds or cloudless overnight
and scattered clouds again tomorrow with
sun and moon chiefly unobscured.*

Visibility

Rainfall reported: Cairns 15 pts.

Winds (surface and upper).

*Expected: Nic or few
odd points on coastal ranges.*

Duty Meteorologist

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Telephoned at

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11 Nov 42

DUTY STAFF OFFERS LOG

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Duty Staff Offr.

From **0630** hrs on **10 Nov 42** to **0630** hrs on **11 Nov 42**

Serial No 1	Orig- inator's No 2	Originator 3	T.O.O. 4	T.O.R. 5	PARTICULARS 6	ACTION 7	DISPOSAL 8
1	077	29 AMB INF 2nd	0630	0630	For Lt-Col DAZE	2012	021
2	01110	First AMB AMB	0704	0030	Army cleanup	2013	021(0)
3	076	29 AMB INF 2nd	0710	0630	correction of 076 - 10 NOV	2014	021(0)
4	01110	First AMB AMB	0730	0630	check of 01110	2014	021(0)
5	0610	Naval Control			These messages - Maj-Cmdr BEAVIS arriving flying boat base 0730 hrs 11 Nov	(a) Advise ADM (b) Arranged with Navis to have 1st of flying boat base at 0730 hrs	

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District ~~Aviation~~ Meteorological Report for R.A.A. ~~2~~*App*Issued to R.A.A. ~~Station~~*5th Div. G3I*

on

11/11/42

at

0400Z

(S.T.)

Meteorological Situation:

*Low pressure trough Western Q'ld.**No rainfall reported.*District Forecast: for period *0500Z* h. *11/11/42* m. to *0500Z* h. *12/11/42* m. (Standard Time)

Weather, Cloud, &c.,

*Scattered clouds.**Sun obscured.*

Visibility

10/15 miles.

Winds (surface and upper)

*Surface wind. ENE/ENE 10/15
Gusty during day to 20 mph.
Decreasing overnight to 5/8 mph.*

UPPER WINDS OBSERVATIONS AT ALTITUDES ABOVE MEAN SEA LEVEL

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

DISTRICT METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVATIONS

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

Signature: —Duty Meteo. Off.

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ROYAL AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE.

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Mobile Meteorological Flight No. 1.

LAND FORECAST.

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Apr 1942

Period 0730 11/11/42 to 0730 12/11/42 Issued to R.A.A. on 11/11/42 at 0730.

Expected conditions for Land Operations including mechanical movement and defence.

DISTRICT: 100 miles radius of R.A.A.

WEATHER: Few scattered showers in afternoon, mainly on coast and hills.

LOW CLOUD, AMOUNT TYPE AND BASE: Cumulus 4-8 tenths in afternoon, o'wise 3-5 tenths, base 2/3000

SPECIAL PHENOMENA - FLOOD,
FIRE, DUST ETC.

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VISIBILITY

Good

SURFACE WIND:

E/NE 10/15 in afternoon. E/NE 5/10 at other times.

MAX TEMP

85/90

MIN TEMP

65/70

STATE OF GROUND:

DRY.

FOLLOWING 24 HOURS:

Few scattered showers - no change in conditions expected.

(Sgt.) R. Taylor P/O

Meteorologist.

Army Form C2118
(adapted)

WAR DIARY ~~AND INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY~~

Unit HD 5 Aust Div Date and Time - From 000 hrs To 2359 hrs 12 Nov 42

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12 Nov 42

R.A.A.F. METEOROLOGICAL SERVICE

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Office

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

Issued to R.A.A.F. Station 5th Div. G3I on 12/11/42 at 0400Z (S.T.)

Meteorological Situation:

No Rainfall REPORTED.District Forecast: for period 0400Z h. 12/11/42 m. to 0400Z h. 13/11/42 m. (Standard Time)

Weather, Cloud, &c.,

few SCATTERED clouds.

Visibility

10/20 miles.

Winds (surface and upper)

Surface wind: - NE/E 10/20 some gust
to 25 in afternoon.Moon and moon unobserved.

UPPER WINDS OBSERVATIONS AT ALTITUDES ABOVE MEAN SEA LEVEL

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

DISTRICT METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVATIONS

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

Signature: — Duty Meteo. Off.

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ROYAL AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE
LAND FORECAST

Apr 25

Period 0730 12/11/42 TO 0730 13/11/42 ISSUED TO HQ RAA on 12/11/42 at 0730

Expected conditions for Land Operations including Mechanical Movement and Defence.

DISTRICT: 100 miles radius of RAA

Weather: For isolated showers in afternoon but chiefly fine.

LOW CLOUD, ALTITUDE TYPE AND BASE: Cumulus 3/5 tenths in afternoon, 0 - 3 tenths otherwise. Base 2/3000

SPECIAL PHENOMENA - FLOOD, FIRE DUST etc. -

VISIBILITY: Good

SURFACE WIND E/NE 10/15 in afternoon. E/NE 5/10 otherwise.

MAX TEMP: 85/90

MIN TEMP: 65/70

STATE OF GROUND: -

Following 24 hours:

Conditions chiefly fine with a few isolated showers mainly about coast. No marked change expected.

(Sgt.) R. Taylor P/O

Meteorologist.

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Alamogordo Cape
13 Nov 42

ROYAL AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE

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NO. 1 MOBILE METEOROLOGICAL FLIGHT.

Form MF 3

LAND FORECAST.

Period 0730 13/11/42 to 0730 14/11/42 Issued to R.C.R.A.A. on 13/11/42 at 0730

Expected conditions for Land Operations including Mechanical Movement and Defence.

DISTRICT: 100 miles radius of R.A.A.

WEATHER: Generally fine

LOW CLOUD, AMOUNT, TYPE AND BASE } Cumulus 0-3 tenths in morning and at night 3-5 tenths, in afternoon base 2/3000, sun and moon almost completely obscured.

SPECIAL PHENOMENA - }
FLOOD FINE DUST ETC }

VISIBILITY: Good

SURFACE WIND: E/NE 10/15 in afternoon. E/NE 5/10 otherwise.

MAX TEMP: 85/90

MIN TEMP: 65/70

STATE OF GROUND Dry.

Following 24 hours:-

Continuing chiefly fine. Few isolated showers about hills.

R. Taylor F/C

Meteorologist.

DUTY STAFF OFFERS LOG

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Duty Staff Offr. **Capt I H. GRANT**

From **0830** hrs on **12 Nov 42** to **0830** hrs on **13 Nov 42**

Approved

Serial No 1	Orig- inator's No 2	Originator 3	T.O.O. 4	T.O.R. 5	PARTICULARS 6	ACTION 7	DISPOSAL 8
1	1907	First Asst Army	2100	2115	Landscape Revue	Mail	GII(1)
2	0124	1st Asst Inf Bn	2030	2100	Request offer Lieut O'SHEA visit to PORTLAND HDS	•	AQ
3	0125	1st Asst Inf Bn	2130	2300	Request permission for Capt visit 1st Asst Inf Bn	•	GII(0)
4	20307	2nd Asst First Asst Army	2130	0035	Re Beach Defense gun TOSNEVILLE	•	GII(0)

War Diary

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R.A.A.F. METEOROLOGICAL SERVICE

Townsville

Office

District Aviation Meteorological Report for R.A.A.F. April 29

Issued to R.A.A.F. Station 5th Div. - G3I on 13/11/42 at 0400Z (S.T.)

Meteorological Situation:

No Rainfall:-

District Forecast: for period 0400Z h. 13/11/42 m. to 0400Z h. 14/11/42 m. (Standard Time)

Weather, Cloud, &c.,

SCATTERED cloud - few patches broken STCU
in morning BASE 2/3000 feet.

Sun & Moon Unobscured:

Visibility 10/15 miles

Winds (surface and upper)

Surface:- NE/E 10/20 miles per hour - GUSTS
at times to 25 m.p.h. during afternoon. Decreasing
overnite and beginning Calm towards morning.

UPPER WINDS OBSERVATIONS AT ALTITUDES ABOVE MEAN SEA LEVEL

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

DISTRICT METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVATIONS

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

Signature: - Duty Meteo. Off.

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Telephoned at

~~WAR DIARY AND INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY~~

Unit Al 5 Amer Div Date and Time - From 0000 hrs To 2359 hrs 14 Nov 42

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14 Nov 42

ROYAL AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE.

SECRET.

MOBILE METEOROLOGICAL FLIGHT NO. 1.

APPENDIX

LAND FORECAST.

PERIOD 0730 - 11/11/42 to 0730 - 15/11/42 ISSUED to R.A.A. on 11/11/42 at 0730.

Expected conditions for Land Operations including mechanical movement and defence.

DISTRICT: 100 miles radius of R. A.A.

WEATHER: Scattered showers about coast & hills, otherwise fine.

LOW CLOUD, AMOUNT } Strato cumulus 3-5 tenths base 3/4000 at night. Cumulus
TYPE AND BASE } 3-5 tenths in at dawn 0-3 tenths at other times, base
2/3000, partial obscurity of sun & moon throughout.

SPECIAL PHENOMENA-
FLOOD FINE DUST etc): ———

VIS : Good

SURFACE WIND: E/NE 10/15 in afternoon, E/NE 5/10 otherwise.

MAX TEMP. 85/90

MIN TEMP : 65/70

STATE OF GROUND: Dry

Following 24 hrs:

Further showers about coast and hills by day.

R. TAYLOR F/O Meteorologist.

DUTY STAFF OFFERS LOG

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Approved

Duty Staff Offer..... **Capt A E McLEOD**

From **0630** hrs on **13 Nov** to **0630** hrs on **14 Nov 42**

Serial No 1	Orig- inator's No 2	Originator 3	T.O.O. 4	T.O.R. 5	PARTICULARS 6	ACTION 7	DISPOSAL 8
1	T 408	ALO T'ville	1900	2255	Sitrep to First Aust Army	held	6 3 (1)
2	064	29 Aust Inf Bde	2100	2255	Nominal roll FAA Gas School CABARLAN	held	6 3 (0)
3	Q 1552	First Aust Army	1435	2255	Shipment of com to JACKY JACKY	held	20

R.A.A.F. METEOROLOGICAL SERVICE

Jacksonville Office

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

Issued to R.A.F. Station

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Meteorological Situation :

Broken clouds in north wind - scattering

Shower - No rain reported 24 hrs

ended 9 AM

District Forecast : for period 1500 h. 14/11/42 m. to 1200 h. 15/11/42 m. (Standard Time)

Weather, Cloud, &c.

Broken SC on the coast in early morning - well broken heavy ice with a number of channels in NW coast - scattered clouds to the south - clear over the land.

Visibility light haze over area
dis 15 miles

Winds (surface and upper)

Surface E to NF 5/10 on 15/10 morning
NF 15/20 gusty during the day

UPPER WINDS OBSERVATIONS AT ALTITUDES ABOVE MEAN SEA LEVEL

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DISTRICT METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVATIONS

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Signature :—Duty Meleo. Off

D-4023/741-C-1908

Telephoned at

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

Army Form W.3008
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(Adapted.)

Serial No. 13

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

W.E. Reference A.I.F. 11/1/4

W.E. 37X 189

Date 14 Nov. 42

Attached Allowed by W.E. X H.Q. 5 AUST. DIV. Unit

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1	2	3	4
Ranks and W.E.	Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
Maj. Gen.	1	1	
Colonels	1	1	
Lieut. Colonels	4	3	1
Majors	18	7	8
Captains	11	13	2
Lieutenants	2	5	3
2nd Lieutenants			
Quartermasters	3	2	1
Totals	37	32	10

* Insert detail of higher rank as necessary.

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name	Unit or Corps.	Date.	Cause.
Lieut.	Mc Govern R.S.	H.Q. 5 Aust. Div.	31/10/42	From Sgt. to Acting Lieut. Div. Catering Advisor

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Unit or Corps.	Date.	Cause.

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

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

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PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

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

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Appointment.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
Maj. Gen.	V. 7534	B.J. MILFORD D.S.O.	G.O.C.	Yes	
T/Col.	WX. 451	S.H. LOVELL	ADMS	"	
Lt. Col.	EX. 1456	T.J. DALY	QSO. I	"	
"	WX. 86	H.A. NORMAN	AA & Q.R.	"	
"	EX. 6213	H.N. VIDGEN	ADMS	"	
Maj.	OX. 3254	H.R. WINTON	ADMS	No	Hospital
"	NP. 10085	D.G. RICE	QSO II	"	School
"	Q. 185346	G.H.S. MAY	DAD IVZ.	"	
"	VC. 13013	F.B. GASHLE	ISO	"	Accum. Leave
"	VC. 47758	H.D. BRATH	ADMS (E)	Yes	
"	Q. 85011	E.H. GARDNERWOOD	ADMS	"	
"	NE. 12394	F.H. WATCH	Haison Off.	"	
Capt.	Q. 18611	E.L. DIXON	QSO III (C)	"	
"	Q. 90452	A.E. MALUCAS	QSO II (L)	"	
"	Q. 955	J.S.D. KELLY	QSO (L)	"	
"	Q. 854	E.E. MIDDLE	QSO III (I)	No	School
"	Q. 71252	A.G. ROTELL	DIAG II	Yes	
"	Q. 3588	A.L. STANUS	Haison Off.	No	"
"	Q. 124265	W. FISCH-GREIN	Asst ISO	Yes	
"			Superannuated		
"	VC. 14036	F. SPENCER	ADMS (O)	Yes	
"	Q. 35776	D.J. ORRINGTON	DIAG	"	
"	Q. 27605	J.L. BYRON	Chap Comdt	"	
"	Q. 38053	H.G. HOGGER	Haison Off.	"	
"	Q. 3523	T.H. GRANT	Intel Corps	"	
Lieut.	V. 16823	F.Y. RATTAY	A.D.C.	"	
Capt.	Q. 11432	R.H. DEERY	Educational Off.	No	School
Lieut.	Q. 124591	V.O. B. STEVENSON	DEMS (L)	No	"
"	Q. 35777	H.K. HO DOWALL	Asst. Camp	Yes	
"	Q. 35331	D.W. THOMPSON	Amortities	"	
"	N. 100127	R.A. MC GOWAN	Div. Catering Advisor	"	
Chap	Q. 67357	J.S.H. OGBORNE	Chap. O. Off.	No	Duty
"	Q. 119806	J.A. FORTE	" R.O.	Yes	

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Unit or Corps.	Date of Attachment.	Nature of attachment.	Allowed by W.E. (Insert Yes or No.)
Lieut.	Q. 32923	J.J. SCULINS	21 Inf. Bn	25/5/42	C.D.H.	No
Maj.	Q. 9152	S.F. HOGAN D.S.O.	H.Q. RAA	3/11/42	P.C.C.H.	Yes
					Att. pending approval of HQ.	

H.Q. 5 AUST. DIV.

(Unit.)

14 Nov. 42

(Date of Despatch.)

Govt. Printer, Brisbane.

(Signature of Commander.)
CAPT. CORRENTA

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

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

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Serial No. 13

FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

W.E. Reference A.I.F. 11/1/4 H.A. 5 Aust. Div. (Unit) 14 NOV 1942 (Date)

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

W.E. 37 X 180

Attached Allowed by W.E. X

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

Detail and	W.E.	Posted Strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e., deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.	4	1		3
W.Os. Class II.	3	3		
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants	1	1 S/Det		
Staff Serjeants	1	1		1
Serjeants	7	12	4	
Corporals	22	27	5	
Troopers, Privates, &c.	150	120		30
TOTALS	180	164	5	34

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

Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.

Personnel Attached Against W.E.

Other Attachments Not Allowed by W.E.

Detail and	W.E.	Unit or Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Unit or Corps to which they belong.
2 Ptes		42 Dn.	1 Sgt.	Education Service
1 Cpl.		15 Dn.	1 Cpl.	First Aust. Army
1 S/Det		20 Dn.		Anti Gas Wing
2 Ptes		2 Div. Rept.		
1 Cpl.		2 Cav Regt		
1 Cpl.		" "		
1 Sgt.		11 FLA. Hq.		
1 Pto.		" "		
1 Sgt.		115 Dn. M.T.		
1 Cpl.		" "		
1 Pto.		1 Aust. M.L. & D.		
1 Sgt.		101 A/tk Regt.		

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

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

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H.Q. 5 AUST. DIV.

Unit.

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

Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	W.E.	Surplus (a)	Reinforcements Required (b)	Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	W.E.	Surplus (a)	Reinforcements Required (b)
Ammunition Examiners				B/F			
Armament Artificers				Fitters, Railway Signal			
Armourers				Fitters, Signal			
Artificers, Artillery				Grinders			
Axemen				Gun Layers			
Bakers				G.P.O. Assistants			
Battery Surveyors				Gun Operators			
Battery Comdr. Asst.				Hammermen			
Blacksmiths				Height Takers			
Boilermakers				Helio Operators			
Bricklayers				Instrument Mechanics			
Butchers				Instrument Mechanics, Surgical			
Camouflage Modeller				Instrument Operators			
Carpenter and Joiner				Intelligence Duties			
Clerks				Joiners			
Clerks, Engineering				Leather Stitchers			
Clerks, Supply				Linesmen			
Clerks, Technical				Linesmen, Signals			
Coachmakers				Lithographers			
Computers				Machinists			
Concretors				Masons			
Cooks				Masses			
Cook, Hospital				Mechanics, Dental			
Coppersmiths				Mechanics, M.T.			
Dental Clerk Orderlies				Mechanics, Typewriter			
Despatch Riders				Mechanics, Wireless			
Dispensers				Millwrights			
Draughtsmen				Miners			
Draughtsmen, Architectural				Moulders			
Draughtsmen, Mechanical				Nursing Orderlies			
Draughtsmen, Signal				Nursing Orderlies (Mental)			
Draughtsmen, Topographical				Nurses, Trained			
Driver, Mechanics				Observation Post Assistants			
Driver Operators				Operating Room Assistants			
Drivers, Transportation Plant				Operators, Signal			
Electrical Fitters				Opticians			
Electricians				Painters			
Electricians, Eng. Units				Panel Beaters			
Engineers, Signal				Pattern Makers			
Engine Artificers				Pharmacists			
Engine Hands I/C				Photographers, dry plate			
Equipment Repairers				Photographers, wet plate			
Farmers				Photo-Writers			
Fire Control Operators				Plate Layers			
Fitters				Plumbers			
Fitters and Turners				Predictor Numbers			
Fitters, Cycle				Printers			
Fitters, Drivers				Radiator Mechanics			
Fitter's Mates				Radiographers			
Fitters, M.V.				Range Takers			
C/F		9		C.F		9	
TOTAL				TOTAL			

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

H.Q. 5 Aust. Div.

Unit.

Cont.

Signature of Commander.

Date of Despatch 14 Nov. 42

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

MOST SECRET

Copy No 26

Subject: 5 AUST DIV LOCATION STATEMENT No 15

Appx 48

HQ 5 Aust Div
15 Nov 42
G1416

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

1. Herewith 5 Aust Div Location Statement No 15 as at 2359 hrs 13 Nov 42.
2. It is requested that any errors noted in this statement be notified to this HQ by formations or units concerned.
3. Please destroy Location Statement No 14, complete the att certificate of acknowledgement and return to this HQ.

N. J. Dalrymple
Maj-Gen
GOC 5 Aust Div

_____(Unit)

_____(Date)

HQ 5 Aust Div

Receipt of Copy No _____ of 5 Aust Div Location Statement No 15 is acknowledged.

Copy No _____ of 5 Aust Div Location Statement No 14 has been destroyed.

_____(Name)

_____(Rank)

_____(Appt)

MOST SECRET

Att to G1416 of Nov 42

5 AUST DIV LOCATION STATEMENT No 15
as at 2359 hrs 13 Nov 42

Serial No.	FORMATION OR UNIT	Veh No.	LOCATION	MAP REFERENCE	MOVES PROJECTED	COMMUNICATIONS	REMARKS
	<u>HQ</u>						
1	HQ 5 Aust Div	84	DICK CK	T'VILLE 947738		T'ville 1930-1-2-3	
2	5 Aust Div Sec Int Corps	84	DICK CK	T'VILLE 947738		Div switch	
3	"Q" Aust FS Sec	84	DICK CK	T'VILLE 947738		Div switch	
4	Det First Aust Army PR } Fd Unit		TOWNSVILLE	T'VILLE 942860		T'ville 1980 Extn 128	
5	1 Aust Fd Censorship } Sec		TOWNSVILLE	T'VILLE 942860		T'ville 1980 Extn 123	
	<u>CAV</u>						
8	2 Aust Cav Regt (less } one pl), "C" Sec Sigs } 5 Aust Div, and 298 } Aust LAD	92	ARTILLERY HILL	MT ELLIOT SPECIAL 171410		Div switch DRIS	
8a	One mot pl 2 Aust Cav } Regt	92	CHUNDA BAY	T'VILLE 174816		W/T through 2 Aust Cav Regt	
	<u>ARTY</u>						
10	HQ RAA 5 Aust Div	69	DICK CK	T'VILLE 946734		Div switch Extn 7	
11	5 Aust Fd Regt, "E" Sec } Sigs 5 Aust Div and } 203 Aust LAD	74	MUNTALUNGA	T'VILLE 016755		Through RAA switch	
12	HQ 101 Aust A Tk Regt. } "H" Sec Sigs 5 Aust } Div } 240 Aust LAD	62	CLUDEN	T'VILLE 943768		T'ville 250 U, also } through RAA switch	

Serial No	FORMATION OR UNIT	Veh No	LOCATION	MAP REFERENCE	MOVES PROJECTED	COMMUNICATIONS	REMARKS
12a	1 Bty 101 Aust A Tk Regt	62	CLUDEN	T'VILLE 943771			
13	2/3 Aust Svy Bty		CLUDEN	T'VILLE 948769			
14	1 Mob Met Flt		DICK CK	T'VILLE 947734			
	<u>ENGRS</u>						
17	HQ RAE 5 Aust Div and 284 Aust LAD	81 67	DICK CK	T'VILLE 946734		T'ville 1932 Extn 6	
18	55 Aust Fd Pk Coy	67	SELLHEIM	CHARTERS TOWERS 478950		Sellheim 2 Extn 7	
19	One Sec 1 Aust Fd Svy Coy	288	JACKY JACKY				
20	5 Aust Div CPU	73	THURSDAY IS				
	<u>SIGS</u>						
23	Sigs 5 Aust Div less C E F G H J K & L Secs 202 Aust LAD	66	DICK CK	T'VILLE 960723		Div switch Extn 16	
24	5 Aust Div Cipher Sec	66	DICK CK	T'VILLE 952738		Div_switch	
	<u>AASC</u>						
27	HQ Comd AASC 5 Aust Div	59	BROOKHILL	T'VILLE 956714		BROOKHILL 5 & Div switch Extn 15	
28	Det 25 Aust Coy AASC	97	BROOKHILL	T'VILLE 951708	FALL RIVER	BROOKHILL Exchange	
	<u>AAMC</u>						
31	6 Aust CCS	297	HAUGHTON VALLEY	MINGELA 775140		L of C DRIS	
32	"C" Sec 8 MAC	245	HAUGHTON VALLEY	MINGELA 765139		L of C DRIS	Dets CHARTERS TOWERS, WATTEN, LITTLE MULGRAVE.

Serial No	FORMATION OR UNIT	Veh No	LOCATION	MAP REFERENCE	MOVES PROJECTED	COMMUNICATIONS	REMARKS
33 33a	HQ 79 Aust Dental Unit Det HQ 79 Aust Dental Unit		DICK CK BLUEWATER CK	T'VILLE 947738 MAGNETIC WEST 624967			Att HQ 5 Aust Div
33b	A Sec 79 Aust Dental Unit		BROOKHILL	T'VILLE 956714		Brookhill 5; Div switch	
33c	B Sec 79 Aust Dental Unit		BLACK R	T'VILLE 732906		Div switch	
33d	C Sec 79 Aust Dental Unit		AITKENVALE	T'VILLE 867807			
33e	D Sec 79 Aust Dental Unit		TOWNSVILLE	T'VILLE 940860		T'ville 1980	
34	HQ 2/1 Aust Dental Unit		CAIRNS		Moving FRESHWATER area		
34a	A Sec 2/1 Aust Dental Unit		CAIRNS		Moving JACKY JACKY		
34b	B Sec 2/1 Aust Dental Unit		CAIRNS		Moving COOKTOWN		
34c	C Sec 2/1 Aust Dental Unit		CAIRNS		Moving ROCKY CK		
34d	F Sec 2/1 Aust Dental Unit		CAIRNS		Moving YATEE		
35	1 Aust Mob Hyg and Bact Lab	271	TOONPAN	MT ELLIOT 957563		Reid R Exchange Medical DRIS	
36	9 Anti Malarial Control Unit		CAIRNS	CAIRNS 738694		CAIRNS 2826	
37	5 Aust Camp Hosp		ROCKY CK	ATHERTON 4 mls 097056		TOLGA 15 DRIS from 19 Aust Fd Amb	
	<u>AAOC</u>						
40	5 Aust Div Ord Wkshop less 102 and 104 Secs	76	AITKENVALE	T'VILLE 868812		Div switch	
41	5 Aust Div Ord Fd Pk-less 102 and 104 Secs	83	AITKENVALE	T'VILLE 868812		Div switch	
42	1 Aust Mob Laundry and Fwd Decn Unit less det	51	OONCONBA	T'VILLE 941815		T'ville 1315	
42a	Det 1 Aust Mob Laundry and Fwd Decn Unit	51	WATTEN				

Serial No.	FORMATION OR UNIT	Veh No.	LOCATION	MAP REFERENCE	MOVES PROJECTED	COMMUNICATIONS	REMARKS
45	<u>PRO</u> 5 Aust Div Pro less three secs	95	AITKENVALE	T'VILLE 889807		Div switch	
46	<u>PAY</u> 5 Aust Div Fd Cash Office	87	DICK CK	T'VILLE 947738		Div switch, Extn 10	
47	<u>POSTAL</u> 5 Aust Div Postal Unit less three bde gp dets	55	DICK CK	T'VILLE 947738		Div switch, Extn 10	
48	<u>MISC</u> 5 Aust Div Salv Unit	78	PARTINGTON	T'VILLE 993754		DRLS	
49	102 Aust Mob Bath Unit	79					NOT in Div area
50	5 Aust Div Sec Corps Rec Camp	98	BROOKHILL	T'VILLE 957725		BROOKHILL 9	
	<u>11 AUST INF BDE GP.</u>						
51	HQ 11 Aust Inf Bde "K" Sec Sigs 5 Aust Div	96	CAIRNS	CAIRNS 677742		CAIRNS 9205 W/T	
51a	242 Aust LAD	96	JACKY JACKY				
51b	Command Post 11 Aust Inf Bde Gp		CAIRNS	CAIRNS 728704		CAIRNS 2260	
52	2/3 Aust Fd Regt, less 53 Bty and one tp; "G" Sec Sigs 5 Aust Div; 2/41 LAD	53	CAIRNS	CAIRNS 664736		Bde switch	
52a	Det HQ 53 Bty 2/3 Aust Fd Regt plus one tp	53	JACKY JACKY				
52b	HQ 53 Bty 2/3 Aust Fd Regt less det plus one tp	53	PORTLAND ROADS				

Serial No.	FORMATION OR UNIT	Veh No.	LOCATION	MAP REFERENCE	MOVES PROJECTED	COMMUNICATIONS	REMARKS
52c	Det HQ 5 Bty 2/3 Aust Fd)	53	COOKTOWN				
53	Regt plus one tp						
53	2 Bty 101 Aust A Tk Regt)	62	CAIRNS	CAIRNS 668732		Bde switch	
	less one tp						
53a	One tp 2 Bty 101 Aust)	62	JACKY JACKY				
	A Tk Regt						
54	16 Aust Fd Coy less two	89	CAIRNS	CAIRNS 663710		Bde switch	
	secs and two subsecs of						
	1 and 3 Secs						
54a	2 Sec 16 Aust Fd Coy	89	JACKY JACKY				
54b	One sub sec 1 Sec 16 Aust)	89	PORTLAND RDS				
	Fd Coy						
54c	One sub sec 3 Sec 16 Aust)	89	COOKTOWN				
	Fd Coy						
54d	One sub sec 3 Sec 16 Aust)	89	COEN				
	Fd Coy						
55	26 Aust Inf Bn less "A")	63	CAIRNS	CAIRNS 573821		Bde switch and W/T	
	Coy Gp					KURANDA 20	
56a	"A" Coy Gp 26 Aust Inf)	63	PORTLAND RDS	CAPE DIRECTION		W/T	
	Bn			8 mls 681391			
57	31 Aust Inf Bn	61	JACKY JACKY	CAPE YORK 8 ml		W/T	
				571589			
58	51 Aust Inf Bn less "B")	71	CAIRNS	GORDONVILLE		CAIRNS 2518 then	
	Coy Gp			724544		DR. W/T	
58a	"B" Coy Gp 51 Aust Inf)	71	COOKTOWN	COOKTOWN 4 ml		W/T	
	Bn			297047			
59	26 Coy AASC less one pl	64	CAIRNS	CAIRNS 688660		CAIRNS 2668 Bde DRLS	
59a	One pl 26 Coy AASC	64	JACKY JACKY				
60	19 Aust Fd Amb less two	70	KURANDA	CAIRNS 580814		Bde. switch	
	lt secs						

Serial No	FORMATION OR UNIT	Veh No.	LOCATION	MAP REFERENCE	MOVES PROJECTED	COMMUNICATIONS	REMARKS	
60a	One lt sec 19 Aust Fd Amb	70	JACKY JACKY	GORDONVALE 681424		DR	Dets at COCKTOWN MAREEBA	
60b	One lt sec 19 Aust Fd Amb	70	GORDONVALE					
61	"A" Coy 4 Aust Fd Amb	95	JACKY JACKY	CAIRNS 738688		CAIRNS 2078 DR		
62	Two secs 5 Aust Div Pro Coy		CAIRNS					
63	102 Sec 5 Aust Div Ord Wkshop less two dets	76	CAIRNS	CAIRNS 691719		Bde DRLS		
63a	Det 102 Sec 5 Aust Div Ord Wkshop	76	PORTLAND RDS					
63b	Det 102 Sec 5 Aust Div Ord Wkshop	76	COOKTOWN					
64	102 Sec 5 Aust Div Ord Fd Pk	83	CAIRNS					CAIRNS 691718
65	Det 5 Aust Div Postal Unit	55	CAIRNS					
	29 AUST INF BDE GP							
68	HQ 29 Aust Inf Bde; "L" Sec Sigs 5 Aust Div; 312 Aust LAD	65	BLUEWATER	MAGNETIC WEST 638960		Div switch, W/T DRLS		
69	17 Aust Fd Regt; "F" Sec Sigs 5 Aust Div; 309 Aust LAD	75	BLACK R	MAGNETIC WEST 722896		Div switch; RAA switch		
70	3 Bty 101 Aust A Tk Regt	62	YABULU	MAGNETIC WEST 697920		Through Bde switch		
71	11 Aust Fd Coy less 1 and 2 Secs	60	INGHAM	INGHAM 4 ml 045032		PARTINGTON		Runner at INGHAM 20
71a	1 Sec 11 Aust Fd Coy	60	PARTINGTON	T'VILLE 994746				MC orderly

Serial No	FORMATION OR UNIT	Veh No	LOCATION	MAP REFERENCE	MOVES PROJECTED	COMMUNICATIONS	REMARKS
71b	2 Sec 11 Aust Fd Coy	60	MT SPEC	T'VILLE 4 ml 045069		MC orderly	
72	15 Aust Inf Bn	82	BLUEWATER CK	MAGNETIC WEST 624967		} Fd cable through Bde switch	
73	42 Aust Inf Bn	91	ALTHAUS CK	MAGNETIC WEST 661942			
74	47 Aust Inf Bn	85	BLACK R	MAGNETIC WEST 732906			
75	27 Coy AASC	72	AITKENVALE	T'VILLE 867807		DRLS (Reid R exchange, also Medical DRLS	
76	7 Aust Fd Amb less "B" Coy	57	TOONPAN	MT ELLIOT 957563			
76a	"B" Coy 7 Aust Fd Amb	57	BLACK R	MAGNETIC WEST 732896		Medical DRLS	
77	One sec 5 Aust Div Pro Coy	95	AITKENVALE	T'VILLE 889807		Div switch	
78	104 Sec 5 Aust Div Ord } Wkshop	76	AITKENVALE	T'VILLE 868812		Div switch	
79	104 Sec 5 Aust Div Ord } Fd Pk	83	AITKENVALE	T'VILLE 868812		Div switch	
80	Det 5 Aust Div Postal } Unit	55	BLUEWATER	MAGNETIC WEST 638960		Through Bde Switch	

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

DUTY STAFF OFFERS LOG

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APPX 46

Capt E L BROWN

Duty Staff Offr.

From 0630 hrs on 14 Nov 42 to 0630 hrs on 15 Nov 42

Serial No 1	Orig- inator's No 2	Originator 3	T.O.O. 4	T.O.R. 5	PARTICULARS 6	ACTION 7	DISPOSAL 8
1		Lt-Col Daly	2115		Message for WO HILL PFC to air Donald Compton	msg WO HILL	Delivered
2		Duty Offr	2216		msg WO HILL and delivered message		
3	0630	First Asst Army	2100	2340	Course 2d Genlg Wing - Junior Tactical School	Hold	GLI(o)
4	1430	ALD TWILL		2340	Air sightings	Hold	GLI(I)
5	11	1st Asst Inf Bn		0630	Shipment cgr stores	Hold	GLI AQ
6				0630	Sealed envelopes - personal for Maj-Gen Hilford	Hold	Delivered at 0630 hrs to ABC
7		Capt Quinley	0710	0710	Phone for Lieut Baffrey - to HIA	delivered	
8		ABC	0710	0715	General P and a brigadier	written	ABC
9		2 Asst Cav Regt	0725	0725	Message for Hovts re meeting of General Nominations for schools	msg Hovts delivered	Lieut Crage Capt Mellick

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~~WAR DIARY AND INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY~~

Unit Hd 5 Aust Aw Date and Time - From 000 hrs To 2359 hrs 15 Nov 42

[illegible]

Alouatta Cap
15 Nov 42

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

AQ
 AASG
 Postal
 ALO TOWNSVILLE
 Medical
 Ord
 CDH
 File
 War Diary (2)

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FROM 5 AUST DIV

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nitsep	to	1500	hrs	14	now
42	(.)	HQ	29	aust	inf
bde	and	units	returned	original	comp
area	(.)	HQ	29	aust	inf
bde	BLUEWATER	HQ	15	aust	inf
bn	BLUEWATER	HQ	42	aust	inf
bn	ALPHAUS	CK	HQ	47	aust
inf	bn	BLACK	RIVER	(.)	all
informed					

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

Edna Caff

T.O.R. 22.10
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District Aviation Meteorological Report for R.A.A.F.

Issued to R.A.A.F. Station

G3I 5th DIVISION

at

(S.T.)

Meteorological Situation:

Scattered clouds only reported along
the coast — No rain recorded over
24 hours ended 04M 15/11/42

District Forecast: for period 1530 h. 15/11/42 m. to 1530 h. 16/11/42 m. (Standard Time)

Weather, Cloud, &c.,

Scattered clouds in day —
— cloud increasing in late evening and
No rain — light showers in form of rain in evening

Visibility

Light haze Vis. 15 miles

Winds (surface and upper)

Surface E to NE 15 mph

UPPER WINDS OBSERVATIONS AT ALTITUDES ABOVE MEAN SEA LEVEL

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DISTRICT METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVATIONS

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

Signature: — Duty Meteo. Off.

Telephoned at

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~~WAR DIARY AND INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY~~

Unit 425 Aust Div Date and Time - From 2001 hrs To 2359 hrs 16 Nov 42

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16 Nov 42

DUTY STAFF OFFERS LOG

Capt J S D HELLICK

Duty Staff Offr.....

From **0830** hrs on **15 Nov 42** to **0830** hrs on **16 Nov 42**

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Serial No 1	Orig- inator's No 2	Originator 3	T.O.O. 4	T.O.R. 5	PARTICULARS 6	ACTION 7	DISPOSAL 8
1	1914	First Asst Army	1530	2330	Landings Review	1514	GR11(1)

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Meteorological Situation :

No rainfall reported:-

Weather, Cloud, &c.

Scattered to well broken clouds.

Sun and moon only partly obscured.

Visibility 10/20 miles

Winds (surface and upper)

Surface winds: ENE/ENE 10/20
(Gusty) during afternoon decreasing to
very light winds in early morning.

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Signature :—Duty Metco. Off. *Quen*

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WAR DIARY AND INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

Unit 405 Ausc Dev Date and Time - From _____ To _____[illegible]

WAR DIARY AND INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

Unit AD 5 Aust Div

Date and Time - From _____ To _____

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c
Townsville			The following Army shoots were held from	
			16-21 Nov	
	16 Nov		6w Army shoot 16 Nov held at Heathfield	
			17-21 held at Haughton Valley Range - 25 hrs	
			shooting BBb BB shell for experimental purposes	
			The shoots were attended by Col Wade (School	
			of Art) Maj Lines Maj Carter Maj Abbie	
			Lieut King Lieut Maddocks (all LHD)	
			Capt. Brighton (LHD Gas School) Capt M. Furlong	
			(Directorate of Art) Maj. Rutledge (LHD)	
			First Aust Army Gas School) Mr. Lamphear	
			Mr. Ravenhill Mr. Meldon (Mailbagging Munitions Unit)	

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~~WAR DIARY AND INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY~~

Unit 445 Amer Div Date and Time - From 0001 hrs To 2359 hrs 17 Nov 42

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17 Nov 42

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Duty Staff Offr. **MAJ J R WATSON**

FROM **0630 hrs** hrs on **16 Nov 42** to **0630** hrs on **17 Nov 42**

Serial No 1	Orig- inator's No 2	Originator 3	T.O.O. 4	T.O.R. 5	PARTICULARS 6	ACTION 7	DISPOSAL 8
1		Paymaster		2130	MAJ WATSON paybook fwd to	Hold	Camp Comd
2	A275	1st Asst	2100	2136	A Coe 2/1 Postal Unit	Sold	A2
3	024102	1st Asst First Asst Army	2225	0645	Advis requirements this is A275 of 15 Nov 42 Withdrawal and delivery to Depot Cash Office CHARTERS TUNERS 1 van 15 Oct 42	Sold	0

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LAND FORECAST.

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TO 0730 hrs 17 Nov 42.

DISTRICT: 100 miles radius of HQ RAA
WEATHER: Chiefly fine, few showers about coast in afternoon.
CLOUD Etc: Low cloud etc. Scattered low cloud, base 2/3000 ft
VISIBILITY: Good
SURFACE WIND: E/NE 10/15
MAX TEMP: 85/90
MIN TEMP: 65/70
STATE OF GROUND: Dry.

Following 24 hrs.

Few scattered showers about coast.

(Sgt.) R. TAYLOR F/O
Meteorologist.

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Atlantic Cape
18 Nov 42

DUTY STAFF OFFERS LOG

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Duty Staff Offr.....

From 0830 hrs on 18 Nov 42 to 0830 hrs on 19 Nov 42

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Serial No 1	Orig- inator's No 2	Originator 3	T.O.O. 4	T.O.R. 5	PARTICULARS 6	ACTION 7	DISPOSAL 8
1	SD 4030	First Aust Army	1715/ 17	2250/ 17	Re dropping of mortar bombs from A/C	Held	G 2
2	SD 4033	" "	2045/ 17	2045/ 17	Re Arty trg area	"	G 3
3	222504	" "	2115/ 17	2250/ 17	Re Transfer Lieut J I McFarlane to 17 Aust Pd Regt	"	AQ
4	G 104	" "	2210/ 17	2310/ 17	Re allot, CLSDRE Rifle Range	"	G 3

was diary

Subject: 5 AUST DIV OP INSTNS

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HQ 5 Aust Div
18 Nov 42
G1472

Distribution: List "A".

1. The following 5 Aust Div Op Instns have become ineffective and will be destroyed forthwith, and certificate of destruction fwded to this HQ :-

1, 2*, 3*, 4* with amdts, 5, 6 with amdts,
9*, 12, 15, 20*, 21*, 22*, 27*, 29*, 31*.

Those marked thus * were issued with a limited distribution.

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

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18 Nov 42

5 AUST DIV OP INSTN No 35

MANNING OF OPs

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Ref Map: TOWNSVILLE (Special) 1" to 1 ml

1. This instn cancels 5 Aust Div Op Instn No 31 and 5 Aust Div Sig 0941 of 24 Aug 42.

OPs

2. OPs will be manned continuously by pers from formations as hereunder. Reliefs of existing OPs will be effected by 1200 hrs 22 Nov 42 :-

- (a) CASTLE HILL - RAA 5 Aust Div
- (b) MT MARLOW - 29 Aust Inf Bde
- (c) DINGO HILL - 2 Aust Cav Regt

DUTIES

3. The duties of OPs will be to maintain lookouts on a 24 hr basis, and for (a) and (b) to inform CDH and (c) 2 Aust Cav Regt of any unusual movt or activity on land or by aircraft or ships; 2 Aust Cav Regt will pass infm to CDH.

OPs at CASTLE HILL and MT MARLOW will report only such aircraft movt as is required by 3 FS

INTERCOMN

4. The means of comm are as follows :-

- CASTLE HILL OP - Fd Cable direct to CDH and 3 FS
- MT MARLOW OP - Fd cable direct to CDH and 3 FS
- DINGO HILL OP - W/T to 2 Aust Cav Regt thence by fd cable to CDH.

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Time of Signature 2100 hrs

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

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LAND OBSERVATION
ON 0700 HRS 24 MAY

SMITH

APR 55 19

DISTANCE: 200 miles of HQ RAA
WEATHER: Observed light showers over coast but mainly fine.
CLOUD, etc: low cloud etc. scattered cumulus base 2/3000 ft.
VISIBILITY: Good.
SURFACE WIND: N/NE 12/15 in afternoon. E/NE 5/10.
MAX TEMP: 61/64
MIN TEMP: 60/63

STATE OF GROUND: Dry.

Following 24 hrs: similar conditions continue.

(sgt.) R. Taylor S/O
Meteorologist.

DISTRIBUTION:

27 AMST FA Regt
202 AMST A/TM Regt
2/3 AMST SVY Bty
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WAR DIARY AND INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

Unit AL 5 Aust Div Date and Time - From 0001 hrs To 2359 hrs 19 Nov 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c
Torresville	19 Nov	0900	5 Aust Div Adm Ltr No 12 - Adm Pay Out Jacky Jacky, Koon Range, book down & Cairns - Mareeba	Serial Q 40/16/1 (Appn. 56)
		1815	5 Aust Div Op Ltr No 26 - Recd of Wet Weather Routes - North Queensland	Serial (Appn 57)
		1930	Sitrep to 1800 hrs 19 Nov 42.	(Appn 58)

Alan Hume Cape
19 Nov 42

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HQ 5 Aust Div

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5 AUST DIV AIM INSTN NO. 12

ADM LAY OUT JACKY JACKY, IRON RANGE, COOKTOWN & CAIRNS- MAREEBA.

1. JACKY JACKY: (ref map Cape York 1st edition 8m to 1inch)

- (a) Reserves to be held, sups and POL 90 days, amn 60 days w.u.r.
Reserves will be held in the following Areas:-

<u>Sups & POL</u>	<u>Amn</u>	<u>Area</u>
15 days	15 days	Junction of Rd Strip-Red Is Pt and track Bn Gp Area - Red Is Pt (ref 570595)
45 "	30 "	Map ref 562579
30 "	15 "	Map ref 563572

- (b) Hospital will be located in Area map ref 562579.

Water point located on Jacky Jacky River will be developed and track made for use of hospital. When opportunity offers wells will be sunk in hospital area.

- (c) i. The small shed already erected on Red Is Pt will be utilised for the storage of flour and such other goods as are required in the Red Is Pt area as may be from time to time decided by the Gp Comd.

ii. The large hut in process of erection at Red Is Pt will be used as a transit shed for the sorting of stores etc. when landed from vessel.

- (d) DID will be est at map ref 570393.

- (e) Refrigeration is being made available and when buildings and machinery are fwded will be erected in the vicinity of DID.

- (f) Gcmd Bn Gp will arrange for erection of building in vicinity of horse lines for the storage of fodder etc.

2. IRON RANGE - PORTLAND RDS: (Ref map Cape Direction 1st edition 8 m. to 1inch)

- (a) Reserves to be held - Sups and POL 90 days, Amn 60 days w.u.r.
Reserves will be held in the following areas:-

<u>Sups & POL</u>	<u>Amn</u>	<u>Area</u>
30 days	15 days	Ref 672373
30 "	15 "	Junction Rd Wenlock - Portland Rds and Rd aerodrome - Portland Rds (ref 672378)
15 "	15 "	Army Sigs Camp (ref 553372)
15 days Coy Gp only	15 "	Wenlock
15 days Coy Gp only		

(2)

- (b) Transit shed will be est at Portland Rds for reception and sorting of stores etc, and for the holding of 30 days rations for tps in immediate vicinity of Portland Rds, estimated No. 500.

- (c) 13. DID will be est at 672378

14. Sup pt for tps in Portland Rds area will be est at the Transit Shed.

- (d) Refrigeration buildings when available will be erected in the vicinity of DID.

COOKTOWN. (ref Map Cooktown Temporary edition D 55 13 - 4 m to inch)

- (a) Reserves to be held in Area - Sups and POL 90 days, amm 60 days w.u.r.
Reserves will be held in the following areas:-

<u>Sups & POL</u>	<u>Amm</u>	<u>Area</u>
15 days	15 days	Marton Area (ref 304045)
30 "	30 "	Wilton Area (ref 289050)
45 "	15	Laura (ref 218034)

- (b) DID will be est in Marton Area (map ref 304045)

- (c) Present buildings occupied by DID at Cooktown will be utilised as Transit Shed.

- (d) Refrigerator bldgs will be est in vicinity of DID.

4. CAIRNS - MAREEBA AREA:

- (a) Reserves for Bde Gp to be held in area - Sups and POL 90 days, Amm 60 days w.u.r.
Reserves will be held in the following areas:-

<u>Sups & POL</u>	<u>Amm</u>	<u>Area</u>
15 days	10 days	Kuran'da
15 "	10 "	Little Mulgrave
15 "	10 "	Mareeba
45 "	30 "	Tolga. 73 FAD is being est by LHQ.

- (b) 124 FOD is being est at Tolga to hold 30 days maintenance stocks Ord Stores for a Bde Gp.

5. Provision and erection of buildings in the various areas is being made by LHQ. Gp Comds will ensure that they are erected in the areas set out above.

6. CAMOUFLAGE.

In the actual siting of buildings due regard must be paid to the suitability of the site so as to enable camouflage to be carried out.

7. PROGRESS REPORTS.

Reports will be submitted by 11 Aust Inf Bde by Saturday of each week until the required number of reserves are held to show position of both sups and amm as at the preceding Wednesday. The first return is required on the 28 Nov 42.

8. GASC 5 Aust Div will arrange turn over of rations as necessary.

(3)

Maintenance of amn:

Q'ld L of C Area is providing two amn personnel for care of amn at each - Jacky Jacky, Iron Range and Cooktown, and staff of FOD FAD and amn dumps in CAIRNS - Mareeba Area.

10. Pending the erection of buildings every effort will be made to protect both sups and amn from deterioration owing to weather conditions. Temporary shelters will be erected where necessary, by utilising galvanised iron and other materials already authorised. Where required appln will be made to this HQ for authority to obtain additional sups of building material for protection of temp dumps. Buildings at Wenlock and Laura may be hired for storage space and particulars advised this HQ so that hiring arrangements can be made by No 1 (NQ) L of C Sub Area.

11. ACK.

Richard Lt-Col.
A A & QMG 5 Aust Div.

0900h 19 Nov 42.

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5 AUST DIV OP INSTN No 36

RECONNAISSANCE OF WET WEATHER ROUTES - NORTH QUEENSLAND.

11 Aust Inf Bde
29 Aust Inf Bde
2 Aust Cav Regt

OBJECT OF RECCE

1. From the reports of various patrols which have carried out recces in NORTH QUEENSLAND, a considerable amount of infm about routes of tactical and adm importance has been obtained. Infm is now required as to their condition during the rainy season.

ROUTES

2. These routes are :

- (a) The approaches to CAIRNS, from the GULF area - in particular, from the MITCHELL R ESTUARY.
- (b) The approaches to TOWNSVILLE and CENTRAL QUEENSLAND from the GULF area and in particular the routes NORMANTON--GEORGETOWN--TOWNSVILLE and those from NORMANTON and BURKETOWN to CLONCURRY.
- (c) The inland route CHARTERS TOWERS--CONJUBOY--MOUNT GARNET--CHILLAGOE.
- (d) The CAPE route, CHILLAGOE--JACKY JACKY.
- (e) The lateral route from IRON RANGE to EMBLEY R ESTUARY and ARCHER R ESTUARY.

RESPONSIBILITY FOR RECCES

3. The above infm will be obtained by units as under :-

- (i) 11 Aust Inf Bde - Routes as in para 2(a), (d), and (e) above.
- (ii) 29 Aust Inf Bde - Routes as in para 2 (b) above.
- (iii) 2 Aust Cav Regt - Route as in para 2 (c)

ORGANIZATION OF PATROLS

4. Where practicable, use should be made of LRRPs which will be suitably constituted for whatever task may be allotted them. The organisation, eqpt, and duration of such patrols

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are left to the discretion of the formation and unit Comds concerned. Attention is directed however, to 5 Aust Div Op Instn No 23 of 22 Jul.

DATES OF DEPARTURE

5. The patrols will begin soon after the rainy season has begun in their areas; probably during the second half of Dec. The early showers will be ignored as these will not affect the going to an appreciable extent.

SURVEY

6. In order to expedite the improvement of existing maps, all patrols will include survey pers. These will be provided by HQ 5 Aust Div after advice as to the dates of departure of various patrols has been received.

RELATIONSHIP WITH NATIVES

7. Particular attention is directed to the necessity for the more northern patrols to cultivate the friendship of the aborigines in areas through which they pass. To facilitate this, the sum of £150 will be provided for the purchase of gifts, etc., by patrols. Application for advances should be made to this HQ.

DETAILED PLANNING OF ROUTES

8. In order to assist in the preliminary location of new all weather routes, an aircraft has been placed at the disposal of 5 Aust Div for a period of three weeks. Lieut F S WHITEHOUSE, HQ First Aust Army will accompany this aircraft as an observer and will be responsible for planning the aerial recce, in collaboration with the formation etc Comd concerned.

The aircraft is allotted as follows :-

11 Aust Inf Bde	20 - 30 Nov
29 Aust Inf Bde)	
2 Aust Cav Regt)	2 - 10 Dec

On the completion of this aerial recce detailed routes will be decided on. While finalising these, advantage should be taken of Lieut WHITEHOUSE'S extensive topographical and geological knowledge of NORTH QUEENSLAND.

REPORTS

9. Reports will be submitted to this HQ one week after the completion of each patrol. They are required to cover completely the passability of the routes mentioned in para 2, during the rainy season, and in particular :-

- (a) The probable behaviour of routes under varying numbers of vehicles, e.g. up to one bde gp.
- (b) The various types of vehs that could traverse the routes (weight, size, drive, number of wheels, etc) and their effect on the capacity of the routes.
- (c) Suggested modifications to vehs to give better performance under "wet" conditions

/ (d)

- (d) The amount of rain that has fallen at the time the above infm is compiled, and the probable deterioration of capacity under further falls of rain.
- (e) The holdup caused by impassable water crossings, i.e., the time taken for streams to subside after various amounts of rain.
- (f) The width of streams to be crossed, nature of banks etc, and the possibility of crossing them on bridges constructed from mobile service eqpt, "flying-foxes" etc.
- (g) The holdup caused by soil conditions, i.e. the time taken for routes to dry sufficiently to take traffic: this will be influenced by amount of rainfall, general weather conditions, depth of water table, presence of vegetation, etc.
- (h) Types of eqpt useful for crossing bad patches, and the natural resources readily available for use in effecting crossings.
- (j) Possibility of deviations from routes chosen to enable movt to proceed.
- (k) The possibility of traversing short sections of otherwise impassable track by hauling strings of coupled vehs with tractprs.
- (l) The possibility of getting a proportion of vehs through in conditions of emergency, when abnormal risks and losses can be accepted.
- (m) The effect of climatic conditions on vehs, pers, eqpt and stores.

Regarding the preparation of reports, attention is directed to report of 5 LRRP, copies of which are being fwded to units concerned.

Reports on progress of each patrol will be fwded to this HQ by signal by 0800 hrs daily.

ADM

10. (a) Special eqpt (including vehs), required for patrols and NOT available from unit resources will be notified to this HQ as soon as possible.

(b) Details of routes and the composition of patrols will be fwded to HQ 5 Aust Div as soon as decided upon in order that any dumping of sups and POL required may be arranged.

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[Handwritten Signature]

Lt-Col
GS 5 Aust Div

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Unit AL5 Amer Div Date and Time - From 0001 hrs To 2359 hrs 20 Nov 62

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20 Nov 42

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Duty Staff Offr. **CAPT I H GRANT**

From **0830** hrs on **19 Nov** to **0830** hrs on **20 Nov 42**

Serial No 1	Originator's No 2	Originator 3	T.O.O. 4	T.O.R. 5	PARTICULARS 6	ACTION 7	DISPOSAL 8
1	ED 4076	FAA	2115	2216	Re report on student	Held	G 3 (0)
2	21767	Hilbase Brisbane	2020	2216	Ack	"	G
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4	ED 4080	FAA	2210	2212	Release controlled stores	"	G 3 (0)

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J. H. Williams
 Capt.

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WAR DIARY AND INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

Unit AD5 Aust Div Date and Time - From 000 hrs To 2359 hrs 21 Nov 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c
Leoville	21 Nov	0830	Outy Staff offer log - Capt AB McLucas	(Appx 61)
		2020	Situp to 1500 hrs 1500 hrs 21 Nov 42	(Appx 62) 01466
		1800	Field Return offer	(Appx 62A)
		1500	Field Return ORs	(Appx 62B)

Aland McLucas Capt
21 Nov 42

DUTY STAFF OFFERS LCG

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Duty Staff Offr. **Capt A E HENEGAN**

From **0830** hrs on **20 Nov 42** to **0130** hrs on **21 Nov 42**

Serial No 1	Orig- inator's No 2	Originator 3	T.O.O. 4	T.O.R. 5	PARTICULARS 6	ACTION 7	DISPOSAL 8
1	20	3 AMST	0825	0130	In reply CTR corrected message	Hold	AQ
2	080730	Wilsons Brie	0825	0130	Despatch 18 pr and 303 blank	Hold	AQ
3	AT305	2 AMST Corps	0730	0130	Damage to van 70018 on charge 2/3 AMST 74 Regt	Hold	AQ
4	080700	First AMST ARMY	0830	0130	Unit van missing	Hold	SE
5	080707	First AMST ARMY	0900	0130	To LANFORD request replacement of 25 pro and 18 pro for 3 AMST Div	Hold	SE
6	080730	Wilsons Brie	0830	0130	Despatch of 18 pro and 303 blank to BRONKILL	Hold	AQ
7	771	Building Depot Belmont	0840	0130	Rest of pers under armed pt	Hold	AQ

War Diary.

Appendix.

TO

2 AMST DIV HQT
 11 AMST INF REG
 20 AMST INF REG
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 SIGS 5 AMST DIV
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J. D. Brewer
Capt

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Attached
Allowed by W.E. X

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

Date 21 Nov. 42

H.Q. 5 Aust. Div. Unit

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1	2	3	4
Ranks and W.E.	Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
Maj. Gen. *	1	1	
Col. *	1	1	
Lieut.-Colonels	4	5	1
Majors	15	6	9
Captains	11	12	2
Lieutenants	2	4	2
2nd Lieutenants			
Quartermasters	3	2	1
Totals	57	50	11

* Insert detail of higher rank as necessary.

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name	Unit or Corps.	Date.	Cause.
Maj.	G.F. HOGGINS D.S.O.	H.Q. Div.	3/11/42	P.P.O.M.
Capt.	F.A. SCOTLAND	C.D.D. Vic	11/11/42	as DATED LEAVE

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Unit or Corps.	Date.	Cause.

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

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

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PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

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

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Appointment.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No.)	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
Maj-Gen	VP. 7524	E.J. MILFORD D.S.O.	COC	Yes	
Col.	VP. 451	S.H. LOVELL	ADJUT	No	Leave
Lt. Col.	GE. 1424	T.J. DALY	CBO I	Yes	
"	UX. 36	N.A. MURPHY	AA & G.O.	"	
"	UX. 6218	H.W. WILSON	ADOS	"	
Maj.	UX. 40893	H.M. S. MAY	ADOS	"	
"	VA. 15013	E.B. GARDNER	ISO	No	Leave
"	VA. 47732	E.D. BRANCH	ADOS (I)	Yes	
"	Q. 55011	E.M. CANNENWOOD	DALIC	No	Leave
"	UX. 12394	E.D. WATSON	Liaison Off.	Yes	
"	Q. 9152	E.R. HOGGINS D.S.O.	P.P.O.M.	"	
Capt.	Q. 12611	E.L. DIXON	CBO III (S)	"	
"	Q. 90452	A.E. MC INNES	CBO II (I)	"	
"	Q. 955	E.S.D. KELLY	CBO (I)	"	
"	Q. 521	E.R. MIDDLE	CBO III (I)	"	
"	Q. 71232	H.G. KIRBY	DALIC	"	
"	Q. 121265	H. MURPHY	ADOS, ISO	"	
Supernumerary					
"	UX. 14036	V. GIBSON	ADOS (O)	"	
"	UX. 29776	D.J. SMITH	DALIC	No	Leave
"	Q. 27503	J.L. ELLIS	Camp Comd.	Yes	
"	Q. 30055	H.M. HOGGINS	Liaison Off.	"	
"	Q. 5528	T.M. GRANT	Intell Corps	"	
"	Q. 11432	E.M. DREW	Blue Off.	No	Leave
"	Q. 52	E.A. SCOTT	DALIC (I)	Yes	
Lieut.	Q. 16323	E.Y. BATHURST	ADOS	"	
"	UX. 35777	E.R. MC DONALD	Asst. Camp	"	
"	UX. 33361	D.V. THOMPSON	Asst. Div.	"	
"	UX. 100137	E.S. MC SCOTCH	Div. Catering	"	
Chap.	Q. 37557	T.M. O'DONNELL	Chap. O of I	"	
"	Q. 110206	V.A. TORPIN	"	"	
OFFICERS ON A LIST					
Maj.	UX. 6254	E.R. TILSON	DALIC	No	Leave
"	UX. 10083	D.C. RICE	CBO II	Course	
Capt.	Q. 3168	A.L. STUBBS	Liaison Off.	"	
Lieut.	Q. 124591	V.C.B. STEVENSON	ADOS (I)	"	

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Unit or Corps.	Date of Attachment.	Nature of attachment.	Allowed by W.E. (Insert Yes or No.)
Lieut.	Q. 32923	F.J. SQUIRE	31 Inf. Bn.	25/5/42	S.D.	No
Capt.	Q. 33433	G. JONES	A.A.S.C.		Asst. D.L.	No

H.Q. 5 Aust. Div.

(Unit.)

21 Nov. 42

(Date of Despatch.)

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CAMP COMMANDANT

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

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WAR DIARY AND INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

Unit HS Answer

Date and Time - From 000, hrs

To 2359 hrs 22 Nov 72

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DUTY STAFF OFFERS LOG

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APP 63

Duty Staff Offr... **OFF E. E. DIXON**

From **0830** hrs on **21 Nov 42** to **3335** hrs on **22 Nov 42**

Serial No 1	Orig- inator's No 2	Originator 3	T.O.O. 4	T.O.R. 5	PARTICULARS 6	ACTION 7	DISPOSAL 8
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WAR DIARY AND INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

Unit AKS Aust Div

Date and Time - From 0001 hrs

To 2359 hrs 23 Nov 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c
Yonerville	23 Nov 42	0830	Duty Staff Officer Log - Capt JSD Meekins	(Appx 65)
		0730	Land Forecast	(Appx 66)
		2035	Sitrep to 1800 hrs 23 Nov 42	(Appx 67) 01475
		1038	Air Raid Warning Yellow	
		1120	Air Raid Message White	
			One Unidentified Aircraft	

Blankenship Capt

23 Nov 42

DUTY STAFF OFFERS LOG

Duty Staff Officer

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From 0830 hrs on 22 Nov 42 to 0830 hrs on 23 Nov 42

Serial No 1	Originator's No 2	Originator 3	T.O.O. 4	T.O.R. 5	PARTICULARS 6	ACTION 7	DISPOSAL 8
1	AB01234	First Asst	1700	2215	Return of office for apt to end	Held	AQ
2	AB0123	First Asst	1715	2215	Subst of XI - 3d wing	Held	GIII(O)
3	AB0123	First Asst	1740	2215	Location report	Held	GIII(O)
4	AB0123	First Asst	1750	2215	Sitrep	Held	GIII(I)
5	AB0123	First Asst	2205	2300	Asst to Genes notified in C(15) 2403	Held	GIII(O)
6	AB0123	1st Asst Inf	2300	2335	Departure of Lt-Col W F BOYLEY for	Held	AQ GE(L)
7	AB0123	2nd Asst Inf	1935	2335	TOBENVILLE 0940 hrs 23 Nov	Held	GIII(O)
8	AB0123	3rd Asst Inf B	2010	0010	Percent of moves on 23 Nov	Held	GIII(O)

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LAND FORECAST

Appendix 66

Period 0730 23/11/42 to 0730 24/11/42 issued to HQ RAA 5 Aust Div
on 23/11/42.

Expected conditions for Land Operations including Mechanical Movement and
Defence.

DISTRICT: 100 miles radius of RAA

WEATHER: scattered light rain followed during morning by scattered
heavy showers. These isolated light showers but rapidly
clearing.

LOW CLOUD, ALTITUDE Cumulus and strato-cumulus. 3-5 tenths, base 2/3000 ft
TYPE AND BASH: becoming overcast during showers. Middle level cloud
shows. Partial obscuring of sun and moon throughout.

SPECIAL PHENOMENA
FLOOD, FINE, DUST --
ETC:

VISIBILITY: Good

SURFACE WINDS: N/E 5/10 in morning. E/S 10/15 in afternoon.

MAX TEMP: 90/95

MIN TEMP: 61/70

STATE OF GROUND: Dry.

(Sgt.) H. Taylor P/O
Meteorologist.

DISTRIBUTION:

5 Aust Pz Regt
17 Aust Pz Regt
101 Aust A/Tz Regt
2/5 Aust Div Bty
28 Aust Inf Bde
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~~WAR DIARY AND INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY~~

Unit 405 Amer Div Date and Time - From 0001 hrs To 0259 hrs 24 Nov 72

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24 Nov 42

ROYAL AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE.

MOBILE METEOROLOGICAL FLIGHT NO. 1.

Form MF 5.

LAND FORECAST.

App 68

PERIOD 0730 - 24 - 11 - 42 to 0730 - 25 - 11 - 42. ISSUED to R.A.A.
on 24 @ 11 - 42 at 0730.

Expected conditions for Land Operations including Mechanical Movement and Defence.

DISTRICT: 100 miles radius of R.A.A.

WEATHER: Chiefly fine, but few scattered showers near coast.

LOW CLOUD, } Cumulus 3-5 tenths base 2/3000 in afternoon, 0-3 tenths at
AMOUNT, TYPE } other times. Strato cumulus 3-5 tenths base 2/3000 in early
AND BASE } morning, and in evening partial obscurity of sun and moon
throughout.

SPECIAL PHENOMENA }
FLOOD, FIRE DUST }
ETC }

VIS : GOOD

SURFACE WIND: N/NE 10/15 mph in afternoon, otherwise light and variable.

MAX TEMP : 90/95

MIN TEMP : 65/70

STATE OF GROUND: Dry

Following 24 hrs :-

Fine throughout, scattered to well broken cumulus base 3/4000 ft - otherwise no change to be expected.

DISTRIBUTION BY R.A.A.

5 Aust Fd Regt.
17 Aust Fd Regt.
101 Aust A Tk Regt.
2/56vy Bty
29 Aust Inf Bde.
G III (I)

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Duty Staff Offr... **MAJ J R HATCH**

From..... **0830**hrs on..... **23 Nov** , to..... **0830**hrson..... **24 Nov**

Serial No 1	Trig- inators No 2	Originator 3	T.O.O. 4	T.O.R. 5	PARTICULARS 6	ACTION 7	DISPOSAL 8
1	I 933	First Asst Army	1740	2220	LANDOPS review	Held	63 (1)
2	CP20	21 Asst Inf Bde	1710	2230	Reply 01481 Annexure and letter delivered aigs 1700 hrs for air mail	Held	6 2
3	CP31	11 Asst Inf Bde	1608	2230	Request trg team be made available visit Si En outside dates arranged	Held and acked	6 2
4	OS010	MILBARE Brisbane	1925	2230	Despatch 2 trains to RAHONTA	Held	ADOS
5	234150	First Asst Army	2015	2320	Tech Sig Operators Course	Held	6 3
6	I 230	23 Asst Inf Bde	2000	2320	Location forecast	Held	6 3
7	Q 1807	First Asst Army	2215	2325	Forwarding of 30 vans 15 cwt	Held	6 2
8	AMS 21414	First Asst Army	2150	0020	ref GSD 544 return required	Held	AQ
9	I 933	First Asst Army	2015	0020	LANDOP review (cont.)	Held	63 (1)
10	234157	First Asst Army	2305	0020	School Tropical Medicine	Held	6 3

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24 Nov 42 *APR 70*

5 AUST DIV OP INSTN No 37

DEFENCE OF TOWNSVILLE

Ref Map: TOWNSVILLE Special 1" to 1 ml

To Comd No 1 L of C Sub Area.

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1. (a) GHQ SWP Area Op Instn No 2 provides that in the case of land attacks, the Senior Comd of Allied Land Forces on the ground will assume supreme comd in the area in which the attack is made, incl all elements of the three forces therein except bombardment aviation. Therefore, in the event of an attack being made at or in the vicinity of TOWNSVILLE, Comd 5 Aust Div will, at such time as he deems fit, assume comd of all forces in the area as covered by the above instn.
- (b) To simplify comd and organisation, GOC 5 Aust Div will on assuming supreme comd, delegate to you, comd of all Aust tps of the three services, other than those on the O of B of 5 Aust Div, located in the TOWNSVILLE area.

DEFINITION OF TOWNSVILLE AREA

2. For the purpose of this instn the "TOWNSVILLE area" is defined as follows :

The City of TOWNSVILLE and its environs as contained within a line running from all incl CAPE PALLARENDA - MOUNT ST JOHN, PT 634, 855835, PUMPING STA 839797, ROSS R Heatworks - OONCOONBAH, to the coast at 970843.

PRINCIPLE OF DEFENCE

3. Our def will be based on aggressive action and counter attack in order to regain and retain the initiative which will always be with the attacker. A def of this kind requires a highly mobile striking force. The strength of 5 Aust Div remaining in the TOWNSVILLE area, after having made detachments to cover other commitments in NORTH QUEENSLAND is such that it is still able to provide a striking force, but its resources are so depleted that the provision of any other tps for the close defence of TOWNSVILLE and its environs is impracticable.

TASK

4. Your task, therefore, will be the defence of the TOWNSVILLE area (vide para 2) with the forces at your disposal, (vide para 1 (b) above). In particular, your role will incl :

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- (a) The close defence of TOWNSVILLE and the beaches in the TOWNSVILLE area.
- (b) Def against parachutists.
- (c) Prevention of infiltration into TOWNSVILLE.
- (d) Protection of vulnerable points and anti-sabotage measures.
- (e) The maintenance of order in TOWNSVILLE.
- (f) The execution of certain demolitions.

PLANNING

5. You will immediately prepare plans necessary for the execution of the above task. In so doing you will consider all Aust tps in the TOWNSVILLE area to be available incl those not normally looked upon as combatant units. Co-operation with ARP and other civilian services must also be arranged for.

In the event of large scale ops developing, GOC 5 Aust Div may consider it necessary for you to withdraw with portion of your staff to CHARTERS TOWERS in order to organise L of C in the rear of the battle area. Should this occur, comd of all Aust tps in the TOWNSVILLE area (vide para 2) will be delegated to Lt-Col E.G. RADFORD, D.S.O., Comd 15 Grn Bn. It will therefore be necessary for him to be kept informed of the progress of all plans so that, should the occasion arise, he will be able to assume comd in possession of all available infm and with full knowledge of your intentions.

It will also be necessary for you to leave with Lt-Col RADFORD sufficient staff to enable him to carry out his duties. You will therefore organise your staff in two sections, one of which will be prepared to move with you to CHARTERS TOWERS should this be necessary, while the other remains in TOWNSVILLE.

FIXED DEFENCES

6. FDs in your area have been sited to enable them to carry out a secondary role against ground targets. This should be borne in mind when plans are being prepared. FD will carry out their primary tasks and secondary roles against ground targets until such time as it is obvious that they will be over-run, when they will continue to fight under your control as infantry, or with such resources as are available on tasks as you may order.

DEMOLITIONS

7. Certain demolitions in the TOWNSVILLE area will become your responsibility. Full details of these will be issued separately.

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Time of Signature 1640 hrs

Method of issue.. Sigs

J. Radford
Lt-Col
GS 5 Aust Div

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29 Aust Inf Bde	4	G	13
2 Aust Cav Regt	5	AQ	14
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RAE	7	Medical	20
Sigs	8	Ord	17
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2nd Aust Cav Regt
 1st Aust Inf Bde
 29 Aust Inf Bde
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 RAN 5 Aust Div
 Sigs 5 Aust Div
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 5 Aust Div Sec Corps Rec Camp
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25 Nov 42

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LAND FORECAST.

Apex 72.

Period 0730 25/11/42 to 0730 26/11/42. Issued to HQ RAA on 25/11/42 at 0730.

Expected conditions for Land Operations including Mechanical Movement and Defence.

DISTRICT: 100 Miles Radius of RAA
WEATHER: Fine throughout
LOW CLOUD, AMOUNT, TYPE AND BASE: Cumulus 3-5 tenths in afternoon 0-3 tenths at other times. Base 3/4000 ft.
SPECIAL PHENOMENA - FLOOD, FOG, DUST ETC. ---
VISIBILITY: Good.
SURFACE WIND: S/SW 5/10 mph except in afternoon when E/SE 10/15.
MAX TEMP: 95/100
MIN TEMP: 60/65
STATE OF GROUND: Dry

Following 24 hours.

Continuing fine with scattered to well broken Cumulus base 3000/4000. Wind becoming easterly 10/15 mph.

(Sgt.) R. Taylor R/O
Meteorologist.

DISTRIBUTION:

3 Asst FA Regt
17 Asst FA Regt
500 Asst/Tx Regt
2/5 Asst Svy Bty
29 Asst Inf Bde
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Duty Staff Offr. ~~2200 3 3 3000~~

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Serial No 1	Reg- inators No 2	Originator 3	T.O.O. 4	T.O.R. 5	PARTICULARS 6	ACTION 7	DISPOSAL 8
1	22075	First Amt	2205	2200	Replacement of staff Engr Coy Relief Depot	Hold	AQ 00(0)
2	22076	First Amt	2200	2200	ref 22075 statement to report for issue	Hold	0111(0)
3	22077	First Amt	2200	2200	In reply to 02770 despatch of item	Hold	000
4	22078	Land Forces	2200	2200	Requesting allocation on release	Hold	AQ
5	22079	22079 Amt 1st 220	2200	2200	02770 22079 J 2 Location statement	Hold	0111(0) 000

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Alanturus Capt

26 May 2

LAND FORECAST.

War Navy

From 0730 hrs 26/11/42 to 0730 hrs 27/11/42 issued at HQ RAA
S Aust Div at 0730 hrs 26/11/42.

Appx 75

DISTRICT: 100 miles radius of RAA

WEATHER: Fine throughout

LOW CLOUD, AMOUNT: Cumulus 0-5 tenth base 3/4000 feet.
TYPE AND BASE: Sun and moon ~~not~~ almost completely
unobserved.

SPECIAL PRECIPITATION SIG: Nil.

VISIBILITY: Good, slight haze.

SEAFACE REF: S/EW 3/10 except in afternoon when HE 10/15

Max-temp: 95-100

Min-temp: 60/65

State of ground: Dry

The following 24 hours - continuing fine with
scattered cumulus base 3/4000.

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APPX 76

Duty Staff Offer..... **CAPT 1 M. STANLEY**

From..... **0000**hrs on..... **20 Nov**to..... **0000**hrson..... **27 Nov 53**

Serial No 1	Trig- inators No 2	Originator 3	T.O.O. 4	T.O.R. 5	PARTICULARS 6	ACTION 7	DISPOSAL 8
1	E 241	210 Dunsmuir	1945	0025	ALO Stacey	Rel'd	0 3 (1)

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11 Anst Inf Bde
23 Anst Inf Bde
2 Anst Cav Regt
RAA 5 Anst Div
RAH 5 Anst Div
Sigs 5 Anst Div
1 B of G Sub Area
5 Anst Div Sec Corps Hqs Camp
Kvt & Tr Op TOWNSVILLE
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War Diary (2) —

FROM	5 Anst Div	01513	26		
ditrop	to	1800	hrs	26	NOV
(.)	on	exercise	ref	map	THORNTON
GAP	1	inch	(.)	HQ	29
anst	inf	bde	663786	15	bn
523743	42	bn	688630	47	bn
786376	(.)	29	LRRP	ref	map
BOURKESTOWN	4	ml	382755	(.)	all
informed					

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Blankens Cape
27 Nov 42

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APR 78

Duty Staff Officer **Capt A B HAINES**

From **0830** hrs on **26 Nov 42** to **0830** hrs on **27 Nov 42**

Serial No 1	Trig- inators No 2	Originator 3	T.O.O. 4	T.O.R. 5	PARTICULARS 6	ACTION 7	DISPOSAL 8
1	08410	First Army	244	2730	Controlled stores	2014	200

TO

11 Anst Inf Bde
29 Anst Inf Bde
2 Anst Cav Regt
RAA 5 Anst Div
RAE 5 Anst Div
Sign 5 Anst Div
1 L of C Sub Area
5 Anst Div Sec Corps Rec Camp
Hvt & Tn Gp TOWNVILLE
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APPX 79

From 5 Anst Div 01529 27

sitrep	to	1800	hrs	27	nov
(.)	1	see	11	anst	fil
copy	moved	from	ref	map	TOWNVILLE
1	inch	954746	to	ref	map
INMAN	4	mi	045032	(.)	29
anst	inf	bde	returned	from	exercise
to	locations shown	5	anst	div	
location	statement number	fifteen	(15)	of	
15	nov	(.)	all	informed	

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STATE OF CLOUDS: Dry.

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LAND FORECAST

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PERIOD 0730 27/11/42 TO 0730 28/11/42 ISSUED TO HQ R A 5 Aust Div
on 27/11/42 at 0730.

Expected conditions for Land Operations including mechanical Movement
and Defence.

DISTRICT: 100 miles radius of RAA

WEATHER: Fine throughout.

LOW CLOUD, AMOUNT, TYPE AND BASE. Cumulus 0-3 tenths, base 3/4000 ft. Sun and moon not obscured.

SPECIAL PHENOMENA:
FLOOD, FINE DUST, ETC. —

VISIBILITY: Good

SURFACE WIND E/SE 5/10 except in afternoon when E/SE 10/15

MAX TEMP: 90/95

MIN TEMP 64/70

STATE OF CLOUDS: Dry.

Following 24 hours.

Continuing fine with scattered cumulus base 3/4000 ft.

(Sgt.) R. Taylor F/O
Meteorologist.

DISTRIBUTION:

5 Aust PG Regt
17 Aust PG Regt
201 Aust A/Tk Regt
2/5 Aust Div Bty
29 Aust Inf Bde
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WAR DIARY AND INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

Unit AKS Quar Div Date and Time - From 0001 hrs To 2359 hrs 28 Nov 40

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- DUTY STAFF OFFERS LOG -

Duty Staff Offr..... **Capt J S B MILLER**

From..... **0630**hrs on..... **27 Nov 42**to..... **0630**hrson..... **28 Nov 42**

Serial No 1	Orig- inators No 2	Originator 3	T.O.O. 4	T.O.R. 5	PARTICULARS 6	ACTION 7	DISPOSAL 8
1	0430	19 Asst Inf Eds	2100	2210	Examination No 27 HYTES	Hold	GLIX(0)
2	177	11 Asst Inf Eds	1305	1305	citrep	Hold	GLIX(0)
3	2204	19 Asst Inf Eds	1005	1305	11 Asst Inf Eds medical orderly	Hold	AMEJ
4	AM2105A	First Asst Army	2005	1305	2nd Regt 1st Cav Div	Hold	A2

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MOST SECRET

Att to G1609 of 27 Nov 42

5 AUST DIV LOCATION STATEMENT No 16

as at 2359 hrs 28 Nov 42

Serial No	FORMATION OR UNIT	Veh No.	LOCATION	MAP REFERENCE	MOVES PROJECTED	COMMUNICATIONS	REMARKS
	<u>HQ</u>						
1	HQ 5 Aust Div	84	DICK CK	T'VILLE 947738		T'VILLE 1930-1-2-3	
2	5 Aust Div Sec Int Corps	84	DICK CK	T'VILLE 947738		Div switch	
3	"Q" Aust F S Sec	84	DICK CK	T'VILLE 947738		Div switch	
4	Det First Aust Army PR } Fd Unit		TOWNSVILLE	T'VILLE 942860		T'VILLE 1980 Extn 128	
5	1 Aust Fd Censorship Sec		TOWNSVILLE	T'VILLE 942860		T'VILLE 1980 Extn 123	
	<u>CAV</u>						
8	2 Aust Cav Regt (less } one pl), "C" Sec Sigs } 5 Aust Div, and 298 } Aust LAD }	92	ARTILLERY HILL	MT ELLIOT SPECIAL 171410		Div switch DRLS	
8a	1st Sqn 2 Aust Cav Regt	92	SANDY CK	T'VILLE 185430		W/T through 2 Aust } Cav Regt }	
	<u>ARTY</u>						
10	HQ RAA 5 Aust Div	69	DICK CK	T'VILLE 946734		Div switch Extn 7	
11	5 Aust Fd Regt, "E" Sec } Sigs 5 Aust Div and } 203 Aust LAD }	74	MUNTALUNGA	T'VILLE 016755		Through RAA switch	
12	HQ 101 Aust A Tk Regt } "H" Sec Sigs 5 Aust } Div } 240 Aust LAD }	62	CLUDEN	T'VILLE 943768		T'VILLE 250 U, also } through RAA switch }	

Ser ial No.	FORMATION OR UNIT	Veh No.	LOCATION	MAP REFERENCE	MOVES PROJECTED	COMMUNICATIONS	REMARKS
12a 13 14	1 Bty 101 Aust A Tk Regt 2/5 Aust Svy Bty 1 Mob Met Flt	62	CLUDEN CLUDEN DICK CK	T'VILLE 943771 T'VILLE 948769 T'VILLE 947734			
17 18	<u>ENGRS</u> HQ RAE 5 Aust Div 55 Aust Fd Pk Coy	81 67	DICK CK SELLHEIM	T'VILLE 946734 CHARTERS TOWERS 478950		T'VILLE 1932 Extn 6 SELLHEIM 2 Extn 7	
19 20 21	One Sec 1 Aust Fd Svy Coy 5 Aust Div CTU 18 Aust A Fd Coy	288 73	JACKY JACKY THURSDAY IS SELLHEIM				Temp under comd 5 Aust Div
23	<u>SIGS</u> Sigs 5 Aust Div less C E F G H J K & L Secs } 202 Aust LAD	66	DICK CK	T'VILLE 960723		Div switch Extn 16	
24	5 Aust Div Cipher Sec	66	DICK CK	T'VILLE 952738		Div switch	
27	<u>AASC</u> HQ Comd AASC 5 Aust Div	59	BROOKHILL	T'VILLE 956714		BROOKHILL 5 and Div switch Extn 15	
28	Det 25 Aust Coy AASC	97	BROOKHILL	T'VILLE 951708	FALL RIVER	BROOKHILL Exchange	
31	<u>AAMC</u> 6 Aust CCS	297	HAUGHTON VALLEY	MINGELA 775140		L of C DRLS	
32	"C" Sec 8 MAC	245	HAUGHTON VALLEY	MINGELA 765139		L of C DRLS	(Dets - { CHARTERS TOWERS { WATTEN, { LITTLE { MULGRAVE.
33	HQ 79 Aust Dental Unit		DICK CK	T'VILLE 947738			

ROYAL AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE

Mobile Meteorological Flight No.....

Aviation Forecast

Period 1200 28.11.42 to 1200 29.11.42 Issued to GSO 3 (1) on 29.11.42 at 1200.

Meteorologist's Appreciation of expected flying conditions for

High Altitude Air Raids	Sea Based Operations	Low Altitude Air-ground Attacks	Air Reconnaissance			
Fair - scattered low cloud and some haze in lower layers of atmosphere.	Good - light sea & light E/NE winds.	Good - scattered low cloud, visibility sufficient, good for the purpose.	Low level good, high level fair.			
Regional Weather Forecast						
	Weather	Cloud	Visibility	Wind		
				Surface	5,000 ft.	10,000 ft.
OCEAN (500 mls. seaward)	Fine.	Scattered Cumulus base 2,000 feet.	Good	E/NE 10/15	N/NE 15/20	W/SW 15/20
COASTAL (50 miles either side of coast)	Scattered low clouds	Scattered Cu. base 3,000 ft. becoming broken & clearing base 5,000 ft. - 10,000	moderate	E/NE 10/15	N/NE 15/20	W/SW 15/20
HIGHLANDS						
INTERIOR		Fine	Scattered Cu. base 4,000	moderate	E/NE 10/15	E/NE 15/20

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..... J. L. F. D. Meteorologist

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APPX 86

MOST SECRET

Copy No *27*

Subject: 5 AUST DIV LOCATION STATEMENT No 16

HQ 5 Aust Div
29 Nov 42
G 1609

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

1. Herewith 5 Aust Div Location Statement No 16 as at 2359 hrs 28 Nov 42.
2. It is requested that any errors noted in this statement be notified to this HQ by formations or units concerned.
3. Please destroy Location Statement No 15, complete the att certificate of acknowledgement and return to this HQ.

7/11/42
L. Coe
Maj-Gen
GOC 5 Aust Div

HQ 5 Aust Div

Receipt of Copy No _____ of 5 Aust Div Location Statement No 16 is acknowledged.

Copy No _____ of 5 Aust Div Location Statement No 15 has been destroyed.

_____(Unit)

_____(Date)

_____(Name)

_____(Rank)

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- DUTY STAFF OFFERS LOG -

Duty Staff Offr. **23 Nov 42**

From **0830** hrs on **23 Nov 42** to **0830** hrs on **29 Nov 42**

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Serial No 1	Orig- inators No 2	Originator 3	T.O.O. 4	T.O.R. 5	PARTICULARS 6	ACTION 7	DISPOSAL 8
1	233157	First Asst Army		2335	Ref promotion T/Capt LACK	2344	AQ

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WAR DIARY AND INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

Unit AB 5 Aust Div Date and Time - From 0001 hrs To 2359 hrs 29 Nov 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c
Isomiele	29 Nov	0830	Outy Staff Offs Reg. May J.R. Watch	(Appx 84)
		1200	Aviation Forecast	(Appx 85)
		1430	5 Aust Div Location Statement as at	Most Secret (Appx 86)
			2359 hrs 28 Nov 42	
		1946	Situp to 1800 hrs 29 Nov 42	(Appx 87) 01546
		0730	Land Forecast	(Appx 88)
		0900	Synoptic Bulletin of Weather conditions	(Appx 89)
		1200	Ocean Forecast	(Appx 90)
		1200	Aviation Forecast	(Appx 91)
		0730	Land Forecast	(Appx 91A)

Alouette's Cape
29 Nov 42

TO 1

Appx 83

2 Aust Cav Bde
 11 Aust Inf Bde
 23 Aust Inf Bde
 5 Aust Div
 5 Aust Div
 5 Aust Div
 1 of C Sub Area
 5 Aust Div See Corps Rec Camp
 2nd & 3rd Gp TONNESVILLE

AG
 ALSO
 Postal
 AID TONNESVILLE
 Medical
 Ord
 CDR
 File
 War Diary (2)

FROM 5 AUST DIV

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sitrep to 1800 hrs 28 nov (.)
 29 LRRP less det ref map BURKETOWN
 4 ml 360775 (.) det at MACARONI
 80 mls NNE of NORMANTON (.) all
 informed

T.O.O. 2/20
 T.H.I.
 T.O.R.

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ROYAL AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE
Mobile Meteorological Flight No....

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OCEAN FORECAST

Period *1200 28.11.42* to *1200 29.11.42* Issued to *6503 (1)* on *28.11.42* at *1200*.

Tide Prediction Table

	Slack Water Ebb.		High Water		Slack Water Flood		Low Water		Slack Water Ebb		High Water		Slack Water Flood		Low Water	
	Time	Height	Time	Height	Time	Height	Time	Height	Time	Height	Time	Height	Time	Height	Time	Height
<i>Townsville</i>	<i>2045</i>	<i>after</i>	<i>0200</i>	<i>11'2"</i>	<i>0230</i>	<i>after</i>	<i>0800</i>	<i>3'9"</i>	<i>0830</i>	<i>after</i>	<i>1440</i>	<i>6'9"</i>	<i>1500</i>	<i>after</i>	<i>2200</i>	<i>3'9"</i>

Expected Conditions for Disembarkation at Sea (Up to 50 mls. from Coast).

		<i>Seas slight with low E swell</i>	<i>Wind E/NE 10/15 mph.</i>
		<i>Conditions favorable at sea</i>	

Expected Conditions for Beach Landing.

		<i>As above - conditions highly favorable</i>

..... *[Signature]* Meteorologist

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Mobile Meteorological Flight No.

Synoptic Bulletin of Weather Conditions on.. 28/11/42 ..at ..0900 hrs..

Issued to G.S.O. 3(1) on.....at.....

Twilight 0601 sunrise 0625 sunset 1936 twilight 2000

Moonrise 2350 moonset 1130/29^d Phase of Moon: Last Quarter

Meteorological Situation :- High centred at Broken Hill

Station	No.	Present Weather	Vis.	Height Low Cloud	Ant. Low Cloud	Sur. Dir.	Wind Force	Temp	Rain hrs	State of Sea & Swell
Cammerveil		Fine	30	—	—	SE	10	83		
Blancung		"	12			SW	15	85		
Coen		"	31	2000	5/10	NE	5	80		
Mt Surprise		"	31	3000	3/10	SW	5	80		
Townsville		Haze	12	3000	3/10	Calm	—	82		
Bowen		Rain (between 5/9)	6	3000		NW	5	84	110 rain recorded	
Mackay		Fine	6	—	—	Calm		80		
Richmond		"	12	—		SW	15	81		
Charter Towers		"	12			SSE	5	81		

No rain reported from stations in Queensland during 24 hours ended 0900 28/11/42.

Swells Meteorological Assistant.

Serial No.	FORMATION OR UNIT	Veh No.	LOCATION	MAP REFERENCE	MOVES PROJECTED	COMMUNICATIONS	REMARKS
33a	Det HQ 79 Aust Dental Unit		BLUEWATER CK	MAGNETIC WEST 624967 }			Att HQ 5 Aust Div
33b	A Sec 79 Aust Dental Unit		MUNTALUNGA	T'VILLE 016755		Div switch	Att 5 Aust Fd Regt
33c	B Sec 79 Aust Dental Unit		BLACK R	T'VILLE 732906		Div switch	
33d	C Sec 79 Aust Dental Unit		AITKENVALE	T'VILLE 867807			
33e	D Sec 79 Aust Dental Unit		TOWNSVILLE	T'VILLE 940860		T'VILLE 1980	
33f	E Sec 79 Aust Dental Unit		CLUDEN				(Att CLUDEN (Staging Camp
33g	F Sec 79 Aust Dental Unit		AITKENVALE	T'VILLE Special 867807 }			(Att 27 Aust (Coy AASC
34	HQ 2/1 Aust Dental Unit		FRESH WATER				(Att 11 Aust (Inf Bde
34a	A Sec 2/1 Aust Dental Unit		CAIRNS		Moving JACKY JACKY }		
34b	B Sec 2/1 Aust Dental Unit		COOKTOWN				
34c	C Sec 2/1 Aust Dental Unit		ROCKY CK				(Att 5 Aust (Camp Hosp
34d	F Sec 2/1 Aust Dental Unit		YATEE				(Att 51 Aust (Inf Bn
35	1 Aust Mob Hyg and Bact Lab	271	ROCKY CK	ATHERTON 4 mls 097056 }		Medical DRLS	
36	9 Anti Malarial Control Unit		CAIRNS	CAIRNS 738694		CAIRNS 2826	
37	5 Aust Camp Hosp		ROCKY CK	ATHERTON 4 mls 097056 }		TOLGA 15 DRLS from 19 Aust Fd Amb }	
38	2/2 AGH		WATTEN			HUGHENDEN 18	
39	116 AGH		CHARTERS TOWERS }			CHARTERS TOWERS 36 and 43 }	

Serial No.	FORMATION OR UNIT	Veh No.	LOCATION	MAP REFERENCE	MOVES PROJECTED	COMMUNICATIONS	REMARKS
40	<u>AAOC</u> 5 Aust Div Ord Wkshop } less 102 and 104 Secs }	76	AITKENVALE	T'VILLE 868812		Div switch	
41	5 Aust Div Ord Fd Pk } less 102 and 104 Secs }	83	AITKENVALE	T'VILLE 868812		Div switch	
42	1 Aust Mob Laundry and } Fwd Decn Unit less det }	51	OONONBA	T'VILLE 941815		T'VILLE 1315	
42a	Det 1 Aust Mob Laundry } and Fwd Decn Unit }	51	WATTEN				
45	<u>PRO</u> 5 Aust Div Pro less } three secs }	95	AITKENVALE	T'VILLE 889807		Div switch	
46	<u>PAY</u> 5 Aust Div Fd Cash Office	87	DICK CK	T'VILLE 947738		Div switch, Extn 10	
47	<u>POSTAL</u> 5 Aust Div Postal Unit } less three bde gp dets }	55	DICK CK	T'VILLE 947738		Div switch, Extn 10	
48	<u>MISC</u> 5 Aust Div Salv Unit	78	PARTINGTON	T'VILLE 993754		DRLS	
49	102 Aust Mob Bath Unit	79					
50	5 Aust Div Sec Corps } Rec Camp }	98	BROOKHILL	T'VILLE 957725		BROOKHILL 9	Not in Div area
51	<u>11 AUST INF BDE GP.</u> HQ 11 Aust Inf Bde } "K" Sec Sigs 5 Aust Div }	96	CAIRNS	CAIRNS 677742		CAIRNS 9205 W/T	
51a	242 Aust LAD	96	JACKY JACKY				

Serial No.	FORMATION OR UNIT	Veh No.	LOCATION	MAP REFERENCE	MOVES PROJECTED	COMMUNICATIONS	REMARKS
51h	Command Post 11 Aust Inf } Bde Gp		CAIRNS	CAIRNS 728704		CAIRNS 2260	
52	2/3 Aust Fd Regt, less 53 } Bty and one tp; "G" Sec Sigs 5 Aust Div; 2/41 LAD }	53	CAIRNS	CAIRNS 664736		Bde switch	
52a	Det HQ 53 Bty 2/3 Aust Fd } Regt plus one tp	53	JACKY JACKY				
52b	HQ 53 Bty 2/3 Aust Fd Regt } less det plus one tp	53	PORTLAND ROADS				
52c	Det HQ 5 Bty 2/3 Aust Fd } Regt plus one tp	53	COOKTOWN	COOKTOWN 4 mls 305043			
53	2 Bty 101 Aust A Tk Regt } less three tps	62	CAIRNS	CAIRNS 668732		Bde switch	
53a	One tp 2 Bty 101 Aust } A Tk Regt	62	JACKY JACKY				
53b	One tp 2 Bty 101 Aust } A Tk Regt	62	CAIRNS	CAIRNS 580822		DR	
53c	One tp 2 Bty 101 Aust } A Tk Regt	62	GORDONVALE	GORDONVALE 721546			
54	16 Aust Fd Coy less 2 Sec } and three subsecs of 1 and 3 Secs }	89	CAIRNS	CAIRNS 663710		Bde switch	
54a	2 Sec 16 Aust Fd Coy	89	JACKY JACKY				
54b	One sub sec 1 Sec 16 } Aust Fd Coy	89	PORTLAND ROADS				
54c	One sub sec 3 Sec 16 } Aust Fd Coy	89	COOKTOWN				

Ser ial No.	FORMATION OR UNIT	Veh No.	LOCATION	MAP REFERENCE	MOVES PROJECTED	COMMUNICATIONS	REMARKS
54d	One sub sec 3 Sec 16 } Aust Fd Coy	89	COEN				
55	26 Aust Inf Bn less "A" } Coy Gp and "C" Coy	63	CAIRNS	CAIRNS 573821		Bde switch and W/T } KURANDA 20	
56a	"A" Coy Gp 26 Aust Inf Bn	63	PORTLAND } ROADS	CAPE DIRECTION } 8 mls 681391		W/T	
56b	"C" Coy 26 Aust Inf Bn		MAREEBA	MAREEBA 341465		DR	
57	31 Aust Inf Bn	61	JACKY JACKY	CAPE YORK 8 ml } 571589		W/T	
58	51 Aust Inf Bn less "B" } Coy Gp	71	CAIRNS	GORDONVALE } 724544		CAIRNS 2518 then DR. W/T	
58a	"B" Coy Gp 51 Aust Inf Bn	71	COOKTOWN	COOKTOWN 4 ml } 304044		W/T	
59	26 Coy AASC less one pl	64	CAIRNS	CAIRNS 688660		CAIRNS 2668 Bde DRIS	
59a	One pl 26 Coy AASC	64	JACKY JACKY				
60	19 Aust Fd Amb less two } 1t secs	70	KURANDA	CAIRNS 580814		Bde switch	
60a	One 1t sec 19 Aust Fd Amb	70	JACKY JACKY				
60b	One 1t sec 19 Aust Fd Amb	70	GORDONVALE	GORDONVALE } 681424		DR	
61	"A" Coy 4 Aust Fd Amb		JACKY JACKY				
62	Two secs 5 Aust Div Pre Coy	95	CAIRNS	CAIRNS 738688		CAIRNS 2078 DR	(Dets at ~ COOKTOWN MAREEBA
63	102 Sec 5 Aust Div Ord } Wkshop less two dets	76	CAIRNS	CAIRNS 691719		Bde DRIS	

Serial No.	FORMATION OR UNIT	Veh No.	LOCATION	MAP REFERENCE	MOVES PROJECTED	COMMUNICATIONS	REMARKS
63a	Det 102 Sec 5 Aust Div } Ord Wkshop	76	PORTLAND ROADS				
63b	Det 102 Sec 5 Aust Div } Ord Wkshop	76	COOKTOWN				
64	102 Sec 5 Aust Div Ord } Fd Pk	83	CAIRNS	CAIRNS 691718		Bde DRIS	
65	Det 5 Aust Div Postal } Unit	55	CAIRNS				
	<u>29 AUST INF BDE GP</u>						
68	HQ 29 Aust Inf Bde; "L" Sec Sigs 5 Aust Div; 312 Aust LAD	65	BLUEWATER	MAGNETIC WEST 638960		Div switch, W/T DRIS	
69	17 Aust Fd Regt; "F" Sec Sigs 5 Aust Div; 309 Aust LAD	75	BLACK R	MAGNETIC WEST 722896		Div switch; RAA switch	
70	3 Bty 101 Aust A Tk Regt	62	YABULU	MAGNETIC WEST 697920		Through Bde switch	
71	11 Aust Fd Coy	60	INGHAM	INGHAM 4 ml) 045032)	PARTINGTON	Runner at INGHAM 20	{Att HQ 11 Aust Fd Coy
71a	284 Aust LAD	67	INGHAM	INGHAM 4 ml) 045032)			

Serial No	FORMATION OR UNIT	Veh No	LOCATION	MAP REFERENCE	MOVES PROJECTED	COMMUNICATIONS	REMARKS
71b	2 Sec 11 Aust Fd Coy	60	MT SPEC	T'VILLE 4 ml 045069		MC orderly	
72	15 Aust Inf Bn	82	BLUEWATER CK	MAGNETIC WEST 624967		} Fd cable through Bde switch	
73	42 Aust Inf Bn	91	ALTHAUS CK	MAGNETIC WEST 661942			
74	47 Aust Inf Bn	85	BLACK R	MAGNETIC WEST 732906			
75	27 Coy AASC	72	AITKENVALE	T'VILLE 867807		DRLS	
76	7 Aust Fd Amb less "B" Coy	57	STANLEY	MT ELLIOT 953690		BROOKHILL 8 Medical DRIS	
76a	"B" Coy 7 Aust Fd Amb	57	BLACK R	MAGNETIC WEST 732896		Medical DRIS	
77	One sec 5 Aust Div Pro Coy	95	AITKENVALE	T'VILLE 889807		Div switch	
78	104 Sec 5 Aust Div Ord Wkshop	76	AITKENVALE	T'VILLE 868812		Div switch	
79	104 Sec 5 Aust Div Ord Fd Pk	83	AITKENVALE	T'VILLE 868812		Div switch	
80	Det 5 Aust Div Postal Unit	55	BLUEWATER	MAGNETIC WEST 638960		Through Bde switch	

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

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11 AMST INF REG
12 AMST INF REG
2 AMST CAY REG
RAA 5 AMST DIV
RAA 5 AMST DIV
SING 5 AMST DIV
1 L OF G SUB AREA
5 AMST DIV SEC CORPS REG CAMP
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APR 88

LAND FORECAST.

FROM 0730 HOURS 28/11/42 TO 0730 HOURS 29/11/42.

100 Miles radius of RAA :

Weather: Scattered showers near coast otherwise fine.

Low cloud, amount, type and base: Cumulus 3-5 tenths base 2/3000 in afternoon 0-3 tenths 4/5000 at other times. Sun and moon partially obscured.

Special phenomena, flood fire
dust etc.: Nil

Visibility: Good.

Surface wind: N/NE 10/15 in afternoon, E/NE 5/10 22 otherwise.

Maximum temp : 90/95.

Min temp : 65/70

State of ground: Dry.

Following 24 hrs:

Fine scattered showers near coast otherwise fine.
Scattered cumulus base 3/4000.

Form LB 1.

1/PPX 39

Synoptic Bulletin of Weather Conditions on.. 29 NOV 1942 at 0900 hrs.

Issued to G. S. 3(I) on 29 NOV 1942 at 1200hr

Twilight 0621 sunrise 0625 sunset 1937 twilight 2001

Rise 0028 (30/11) Moonset 1118 (30/11) Phase of Moon: Last Quarter

Metereological Situation :- large anticyclone centred in Bight extending over whole of E. Africa.

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.....*Wells Sgt*.....Meteorological Assistant.

ROYAL AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE
Mobile Meteorological Flight No. 1..

Apr 29

OCEAN FORECAST

Period *1200-1200* to *1200-1200* Issued to *6503 (1)* on *29.4.42* at *1200*

Tide Prediction Table

	Slack Water Ebb.		High Water		Slack Water Flood		Low Water		Slack Water Ebb		High Water		Slack Water Flood		Low Water	
	Time	Height	Time	Height	Time	Height	Time	Height	Time	Height	Time	Height	Time	Height	Time	Height
<i>Lowville</i>	<i>1030/29</i>	<i>—</i>	<i>1530/29</i>	<i>7'5"</i>	<i>1620/29</i>	<i>—</i>	<i>2300/29</i>	<i>3'4"</i>	<i>2330/29</i>	<i>—</i>	<i>0430/30</i>	<i>5'2"</i>	<i>0520/30</i>	<i>—</i>	<i>1000/30</i>	<i>4'0"</i>

Expected Conditions for Disembarkation at Sea (Up to 50 mls. from Coast)

	<i>Sea slight. Low easterly swell. Fine visibility, good. Wind E/NE 10/15.</i>

Expected Conditions for Beach Landing.

	<i>Sea slight. Low easterly swell. Seaward drifts. Visibility good, reduced locally in places. Wind E/NE 5/10-15, backing to N/NE 10/15 in afternoon.</i>

.....*5000*.....Meteorologist

Apr 29

ROYAL AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE
Mobile Meteorological Flight No.
Aviation Forecast

Form MF 1.

Period Dec 29.11.42 to 11.00 30.11.42 Issued to Liaison (1) on 29.11.42 at Base
Meteorologist's Appreciation of expected flying conditions for

High Altitude Air Raids	Sea Based Operations	Low Altitude Air-ground Attacks	Air Reconnaissance
Fair. Broken low cloud obscuring surface.	Good. Slight sea & light breeze.	Good. Broken low cloud obscuring surface. Flying below.	At 10,000 ft. fair. At 5,000 ft. good.

Regional Weather Forecast						
	Weather	Cloud	Visibility	Surface	Wind 3,000 ft.	10,000 ft.
OCEAN (500 mls. seaward)	Fine.	Scattered Cumulus base 2/3000	Good	E/SE 10/15	E/NE 15/20	E/SE 15/20
COASTAL (50 miles either side of coast)	Scattered clouds	Well broken Cumulus base 3/4000, becoming 2/3000 in shadows	Good. Reduced slightly by haze	E/NE 5/10	N/NE 10/15	S/SE 15/20
HIGHLANDS				Scattered afternoon	N/NE 10/15	
INTERIOR	Fine.	Scattered Cumulus base 4/5000	Good	N/NE 5/10	E/NE 10/15	S/SE 20/25

..... Meteorologist

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LAND FORECAST.

Appx 91 A

Period 0730 29/11/42 to 0730 30/11/42. Issued to HQ RAA on 29/11/42.

Expected conditions for Land Operations including Mechanical Movement and Defence.

DISTRICT: 2 100 Miles radius of RAA
WEATHER: Few scattered showers about west.
LOW CLOUD, TYPE, AMOUNT AND BASE: Cumulus 3-5 tenths in afternoon, 0-3 tenths otherwise, base 3/4000. Sun and moon partially obscured.

SPECIAL PHENOMENA -
FLOOD, FIRE, DUST ETC:

VISIBILITY: Good.
SURFACE WIND: N/E 10/15 in afternoon E/NE 5/10 at other times.
MAX TEMP: 90/95
MIN TEMP: 65/70
STATE OF GROUND: Dry.

Following 24 hours: Few scattered showers. Scattered to broken cumulus base 3/4000 ft.

(Sgt.) E. Taylor F/O
Meteorologist.

DISTRIBUTION:

5 Aust Pz Regt
17 Aust Pz Regt
101 Aust A/Tk Bde
2/5 Aust Div Bty
29 Aust Inf Bde
G.III "I" (2)

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c
Townsville	30 Nov	0830	Duty Staff Officer - Capt J M Grant	(Appx 92)
		0730	Land Forecast	(Appx 93)
		0900	RAAF Synoptic Bulletin of Weather Conditions	(Appx 94) Ref Original War Diary
		1200	Aviation Forecast	(Appx 95) Ref Original War Diary
		1200	Ocean Forecast	(Appx 96) Ref Original War Diary
		1225	Training Programmes	(Appx 97)
		1415	Provision of Staffs in Training Units + Depots	(Appx 98) G.I. 22
		2215	Sitrep to HQ by 30 Nov 42	(Appx 99) O/552
		2230	Ref Location Statement 16 Serials 12A, 13, 14	(Appx 100) O/553

Blank Times Capt
30 Nov 42

- DUTY STAFF OFFERS LOG -

Duty Staff Officer **Capt E H GRANT**

From **0630** hrs on **29 Nov 42** to **0630** hrson **30 Nov 42**

Serial No 1	Trig- inators No 2	Originator 3	T.O.O. 4	T.O.R. 5	PARTICULARS 6	ACTION 7	DISPOSAL 8
1	01016	First Asst Army	2113	2110	No 01954	Hold	LOI
2	1005	2d Asst Inf Bde	2140	2139	Inter sitrep	Hold	01(0) 0101

Approved
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APR 93

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WIND REPORT

1/12/42

Period 0730 30/11/42 to 0730 31/11/42.

Location: 100 miles south of NAA.

Weather: Scattered showers about coast & hills.

Low cloud, amount: Cumulus 0-5 tenths base 3/4000 except
Type and base: in rain show 5/8 tenths base 2/3000
Middle cloud show.

Special phenomena: Nil.

Visibility: Good.

Surface wind: S/SE 5/10 except in afternoon when S/SE 10/15.

Max Temp: 30/35.

Min Temp: 65/70.

State of ground: Dry

Following 24 hrs: Further scattered showers
with scattered to broken cloud base 3/4000 feet.

APP 97

Subject : TRAINING PROGRAMMES.

HQ 5 Aust Div
30 Nov 42
G1617

11 Aust Inf Bde
29 Aust Inf Bde
2 Aust Cav Regt
RAA 5 Aust Div
RAE 5 Aust Div
Sigs 5 Aust Div
AASC 5 Aust Div

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Ref G314 of 5 Aug 42 and G825 of 27 Sep 42.

1. On the 5th and 22nd of each month commencing with 5th Dec, the form of submission of training programmes to this HQ will be amended as follows.
 2. Training programmes will set out the objectives to be reached during the period under consideration and will include in addition the following details:-
 - (a) Type of training
 - (b) Particulars of training
 - (c) Date, place, object and scope of Bde, Bn or sub unit tactical or administrative exercises.
 - (d) Dates, place and other details of important experiments, trials of new equipment or demolitions with explosives, tanks, artillery fire, etc.
- In cases where training directives have been issued these will also be attached.
3. All units will prepare detailed syllabi which will not be submitted but will always be available for inspection.
 4. This instruction cancels 5 Aust Div G314 of 5 Aug 42.

Wm. Lucas Capt
for Lt-Col
GS 5 Aust Div

Subject: PROVISION OF STAFFS IN TRAINING UNITS
AND DEPOTS

11/20/98

HQ First Aust Army
Ltr Hvy 42
G(SD) 3447

List D (Branches and units down to infantry
battalions or independent units)
Less serials 2 and 29
Plus

1 Aust Mot Bde (5)
2/3 Aust Indep Coy
2/8 Aust Indep Coy
Serials 59 to 68

1. Forwarded herewith LHQ 13385 of 25 Nov.
2. Commanders will take necessary action in the selection of instructors as per paragraph 2 and whenever possible comply with instructions as indicated in paragraph 5.

11/11/98
M. J. Gen
GS First Aust Army

TNS/MLJ

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ALLIED LAND FORCES

SOUTHWEST PACIFIC AREA

23 Nov 42

Subject: Provision of Staffs in Trg Units
and Depots

First Aust Army Q'ld L of C Area
Second Aust Army NSW L of C Area
NG Force Vic L of C Area
NT Force

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Tas Force
SA L of C Area
LHQ (3)

1. Attention is directed to the standard of Offr and NCO instructors provided in trg units generally. If successful standards of trg are to be attained, it is essential that only first class instructors are detailed for this duty.

2. In order to ensure that the required standard of instructors are provided, the following procedure will in future be adopted:-

- (a) Offrs selected for duty at a trg unit will be personally interviewed and selected as suitable by Inf Bde or equivalent cmd.
- (b) Similarly W and NCO instructors will be interviewed and selected by a Bn or equivalent cmd.
- (c) In both cases a certificate will be furnished by the interviewing cmd to the effect that he would be prepared to accept the offr, W or NCO instructor in a trg capacity on a trg staff under his own cmd.

3. In addition to the foregoing it is most desirable wherever possible that formation, etc, comds take every opportunity of visiting their affiliated trg units and seeing for themselves the trg which is carried out therein. Apart from the value to the reinf'ts in trg of seeing this personal attention by comds, the latter will also be able to see for themselves the difficulties with which trg units must contend and from their own resources, and under conditions stated in para 2 above, assist in improving the situation.

(Sgd) F H BERRYMAN Maj-Gen
D C G S.

APPR 99

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