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WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

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Army Form C.2118.  
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Unit 58/59 Aust Inf Bn Date and Time.—From 1 Jan 45 To 1 Jan 45

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
TOROKINA	1 Jan	0630	Reveille	
		0645	Sick parade	
		0730	Breakfast	
		0830	Coy parades and inspections. Coys continued work on own areas, constructing mess huts and showers, digging latrines and clearing rubbish. Work continued on Bn HQ area where, Bn and Guard parade grounds were cleared and car park was prepared. Erection of RQ store tents was completed.	
		0900	Cadre for hygiene personnel of Bn was commenced. Signposting of area was completed.	
		1100	Bde Education Offr Lt V. CHETTLIES visited the Adjt Capt R.L. MATHEWS. The following points were discussed :- 1. General educational arrangements within the Brigade. 2. Setting up of an Education Centre. 3. Commencement of hobby groups. 4. Daily newspaper which Brigade was producing. It was decided that some books would be loaned to the Bn from the Bde library.	
		1230	Midday meal	
		1330	Afternoon parade	
		1500	15 Aust Inf Bde LO Lt L.S. PROBY MC and 15 Aust Inf Bde Amenities Officer Lt D. WHITE visited the Adjt Capt R.L. MATHEWS.	
		1530	RMO Capt L.W. MIDDLETON inspected the Bn area throughout the day.	
		1545	Three personnel were evacuated to MDS during the day.	
		1600	RMO Capt L.W. MIDDLETON inspected all personnel of HQ Coy for skin diseases.	
		1645	Sick parade by CAP Orderlies.	
1715	Evening meal			

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Unit 58/59 Aust Inf Bn Date and Time.—From 1 Jan 45 To 3 Jan 45

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.	
TOROKINA	1 Jan	1745	Atebrin parade		
		1800	Retreat . B Coy duty coy. Orderly Offr Lt R.B. EWART. Band played for guard changing.		
		1900	Weather- Cloudy with heavy showers throughout the day.		
	2 Jan		0630	Reveille	
			0645	Sick parade	
			0730	Breakfast	
			0830	Coy parades and inspection.	
			0900	Bn parade and inspection by CO Lt Col G.R. WARFE MC.	
			1030	Cleaning of area and erection of tents, mess huts, latrines etc was continued.	
			1045	1 OR evacuated to MDS suffering from appendicitis.	
			1200	1 offr and 4 ORs from the unit marshalled 15 Aust Fd Amb into the Bde area. Meals were provided for ORs at 15 Aust Fd Amb and for officers at 58/59 Aust Inf Bn Officers mess.	
			1400	Three jeeps, which left the mainland on a later boat than the unit, arrived. 17 X list personnel also arrived.	
			1430	Int Offr Lt J.R. ROE visited 3 Aust Div and 15 Aust Inf Bde.	
		1530	3 Aust Div Hygiene Offr Major EXTON inspected the Bn area with RMO Capt L.W. MIDDLETON.		
		1600	RMO Capt L.W. MIDDLETON inspected A Coy for skin diseases.		
	1700	Comd 15 Aust Inf Bde Brig H.H. HAMMER DSO visited CO Lt Col G.R. WARFE MC			
		1715	Evening meal		
		1745	Atebrin parade		
		1800	Retreat - Duty Coy C Coy Orderly Officer Lt J. PIMM. Unit canteen opened for business.		
3 Jan		0630	Reveille		
		0645	Sick parade		

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Unit 58/59 Aust Inf Bn Date and Time.—From 3 Jan 45 To 4 Jan 45

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
TOKIWA	3 Jan	0730	Breakfast	
		0830	Coy parades and inspection. Work on camp construction continued.	
		0915	Brigade Comd Brig H.H. HAMMER DSO accompanied by BM Major R. SCHMEDGE MC inspected the Bn area.	
		0930	AA and QMG 3 Aust Div Lt Col K. WHEELER and DAQMG 3 Aust Div Major D.J. BREHENY inspected the Bn area and discussed accomodation and Engineer stores with Adjt Capt R.L. MATHEWS and QM Capt N.A. DEMPSTER.	
		1000	15 Aust Inf Bde Lt L.S. PROBY MC visited the Adjt Capt R. MATHEWS.	
		1200	CO Lt Col G.R. WARFE MC visited 3 Aust Div for lunch.	
		1500	CO held an orderly room.	
		1600	RMO Capt L.W. MIDDLETON inspected B Coy for skin complaints.	
		1645	Sick parade	
		1715	Evening meal	
		1745	Atebrin parade	
		1753	An earth tremor lasting one minute shook the area but did not cause any damage.	
		1800	Retreat. Duty Coy D Coy Orderly Officer Lt F.O. SMITH. YMCA public address system came into operation.	
		4 Jan	4 Jan	0630
0645	Sick parade			
0730	Breakfast			
0830	Coy parades and inspection. Camp construction continued. Work commenced on Officers mess, sports ground and Bn garden.			
0900	Bn barbers shop opened. Three barbers are employed. Concert party commenced practicing for concert to be staged on 13 Jan.			
0930	GOC 3 Aust Div Maj Gen W. BRIDGEFORD CBE MC accompanied by Comd and BM 15 Aust Inf Bde Brig H.H. HAMMER DSO and Maj R. SCHMEDGE MC			

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Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.	
TOKI NA	4 Jan 45	0930	inspected the Bn area. GOC passed favourable comments on the area since the Battalions arrival.		
		1030	Further supplies of sporting material for the Bn were requisitioned for.		
		1100	QM Capt N.A. DEMPSTER visited RAE 3 Aust Div and requisitioned for 3500 feet of timber to construct cookhouses.		
		1330	IO Lt J.R. ROE made a recce of AMERICAL DIVISION area.		
		1400	A further 1600 books were received for Bn library from ACF. An education centre was established in the Bn for the purpose of maintaining a library and assisting in study and hobby groups.		
		1430	Senior Chaplain 3 Aust Div Chap F. SMITH visited the Bn Chaplain Padre H. SHOTTON.		
		1500	CO Lt Col G.R. WARFE MC and Adjt Capt R.L. MATHEWS reconnoitred the AMERICAL DIVISION area.		
		1600	RMO Capt L.W. MIDDLETON inspected C Coy for skin complaints. Q Block completed.		
		1645	Sick parade		
		1715	Evening meal		
		1745	Atebrin parade		
		1800	Retreat		
		5 Jan	0630	Reveille	
			0645	Sick parade	
			0730	Breakfast	
0800	IO Lt J.R. ROE made a recce of AMERICAL DIVISION area .				
0830	Coy parades and inspections.				
		0910	Bn parade and inspection by CO Lt Col G.R. WARFE MC. Comd 15 Aust Inf Bde Brig H.H. HAMMER DSO visited Bn and made arrangements to use it as a sports field.	Appx JA 1	
		1015	Major LYONS and Capt PLUMMER of 63 Aust Dental Unit visited the		

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Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.	
TOROKINA	5 Jan	1015	Adj. Capt R.L. MATHEWS and made arrangements to set up a Dental Section in the Bn area.		
			DAQMG (L) 3 Aust Div Capt N. GIDDINGS visited the QM Capt N.A. DEMPSTER.		
		1030	SC (L) 4 Aust Base Area Capt H.H. HLLBERT visited the Adj. Following offrs returned to the unit and were posted as follows :		
		1200	Capt F. MICHAEL OC D Coy, Capt A.W. ROBY 2 i/c C Coy. Lt A.B. WHEELER A/2i/c A Coy.		
		1230	Midday meal		
		1330	Parade		
		1400	CO 15 Aust Fd Amb Lt Col BRUMMETT visited the RMO Capt L.W. MIDDLETON.		
			A requisition for sporting gear and amenities was submitted. Kit inspection held.		
		1600	Work continued throughout the day on Officers Mess, Q Block, Education Centre, gardens and sports fields. A bulldozer was allotted to the Bn and worked on roads and Bn Parade ground. RMO Capt L.W. MIDDLETON inspected D Coy for skin diseases.		
		1645	Sick parade		
		1730	Sjts mess opened		
		1800	Retreat - Duty coy A Coy - Orderly Officer Lt H. WALKER.		
		6 Jan	0630	Reveille	
			0645	Sick parade	
0730	Breakfast				
0830	Morning parade and inspection. Duty Coy and Pioneer Pl continued work on officers mess, Bn theatre and cleaning of Bn HQ area. Remainder of Bn worked on make and mend.				
	0900	Chaplain J.C. ENGLISH visited the Adj. Capt R.L. MATHEWS and			

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Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.	
TOROKINA	6 Jan	0900	discussed arrangements for RC Mass and Church Parade.		
		0915	QM Capt N.A. DEMPSTER and Staff commenced work on reconciliation of stores which left MAPEE with those which arrived at TOROKINA.		
		0930	Two personnel evacuated to 109 CCS - Ailments : one Tropical Ear, one tinea of Face.		
		1000	RMO Capt L.W. MIDDLETON inspected Bn HQ for skin diseases. Representative LORD of YMCA 3 Aust Div visited GO Lt Col G.R. WARFE MC and the Adjt Capt R.L. MATHEWS.		
		1015	Capt. DUNCAN of RAE 3 Aust Div visited Asst Adjt Lt J.F. NORRIE MC and discussed the use of mechanical equipment, bulldozers etc.		
		1030	DAAG 3 Aust Div Maj TOMKINS and Legal Offr 3 Aust Div Maj REECE visited the CO and Adjt and discussed promotion of officers, officers Lists and investigations.		
		1100	Regtl Tailor commenced work on costumes for Bn concert.		
		1230	Midday meal		
		1330	Organised sport during afternoon. 80 personnel to TOROKINA BEACH to swim.		
		1500	Camouflage nets to be used for cricket practice received.		
		1715	Evening meal		
		1800	Retreat . Duty Coy B Coy- Orderly Officer Lt R.W. MARSH. Weather - fine morning, heavy rain during afternoon.		
		7 Jan	0600	Reveille	
			0615	Sick parade	
0700	Breakfast				
0816	RC Church parade				
0900	Protestant Church Parade				
	0930	CO Lt Col G.R. WARFE MC left for reconnaissance of AMERICAL DIV Area. Orders received for Bn to move to new area at ref map TOROKINA			

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Unit 58/59 Aust Inf Bn Date and Time.—From 7 Jan 45 To 8 Jan 45

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
TO ROKINA	7 Jan	0930	1:63360 632940 in approximately 1 weeks time. Bn will take over from 2 Bn 182 US Regt.	
		0945	Holy Communion.	
		1000	Following officers reconnotred ranges shown :- Lt R.B. EWART, Lt H.J. WALKER and Lt D.A. HOGAN - Grenade and 2" mortar range ref map TOROKINA 1:63360 571983. Capt L. HOCKING and Lt R. BALZER 200 yd classification 575983.	
		1030	Nine TILLEY Pressure Lamps which were carried from the mainland with 57/60 Aust Inf Bn stores were received.	
		1200	Midday meal	
		1345	CO Lt Col G.R. WARFE MC accompanied by Adjt Capt R.L. MATHEWS and IO Lt J.R. ROE made a recce of new Bn site in AMERICAL DIV area.	
		1530	Lt D.J. BREWSTER MC with NCOs and 20 ORs left for 53 Aust Fd Pk Coy where they will live whilst acting as loading party for above unit.	
		1800	Retreat - Duty Coy C Coy - Orderly Offr Lt A.B. BALL.	
		1805	Officers mess for all officers of the Bn opened.	
		1900	The film "Thank Your Lucky Stars" was screened in the Bn area.	
		1905	Heavy thunder and rain storm.	
		2000	Syllabus for week ending 14 Jan 45 produced. Syllabus covers - Rifle coy training, HQ Coy Training, Pistol, 2 in mortar and Rifle grenade cadres.	Appx
		2015	The following new timetable came into effect during the day. Reveille 0600 . Sick parade 0615. Breakfast 0700.. Morning parade 0800 - 1130. Lunch 1200 . Afternoon parade 1300-1600. Evening meal 1700. Atebrin parade 1730. Retreat 1800. Officers Mess 1805. Lights out 2145.	
	8 Jan	0600 0615	Reveille Sick parade	

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TOROKINA	8 Jan	0700	Breakfast		
		0800	Coy parades		
		0830	2 inch mortar, Pistol and rifle grenade cadres commenced. Work continued on Bn parade ground, garden and theatre. Work commenced on bayonet assault course.		
		0900	Armourers commenced work.		
				QM Capt N.A. DEMPSTER and Lt A.B. BALL visited 1 Bn 182 US Regt with the object of arranging exchange of stores and buying canteen goods.	
		0930	IO Lt J.R. ROE reconnoitred field firing and classification ranges allotted to the Bn.		
		1000	Dental Offr Capt M. Mc DONOUGH and Dental Section of 4 ORs set up a centre in the vicinity of the RAP.		
		1015	4 Aust Base Sub Area Ammn Examiner Capt WARING with examiners from 3 Aust Div and 15 Aust Inf Bde inspected Bn holdings of ammn.		
		1030	15 Aust Inf Bde Education Officer Lt CHETELS visited Bn Education Centre.		
		1100	Adjt Capt R.L. MATHEWS visited 3 Aust Div Legal Officer Maj REECE and discussed investigations.		
		1200	Midday meal		
		1300	Afternoon parade		
		1330	Further stores which were carried from the mainland by 57/60 Aust Inf Bn were received.		
		1400	Chaplain General of Presbytirian Church Chap Gen STEVENSON visited the CO Lt Col G.R. WARFE MC and Bn Padre Chaplain SHOTTON. 15 Aust Inf Bde IO 1 Capt C.H. BAUMAN visited the unit.		
1445	Parts to complete an engine which will drive the Bn Saw Mill were received.				
1500	Bde Sig Offr Capt R. BOWDEN visited the Adjt and discussed				

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Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.	
TO ROKINA	8 Jan	1445	communications for new Bn area.		
		1530	BM 15 Aust Inf Bde Major R. SCHMEDGE MC visited the Adjt		
		1545	Capt R.L. MATHEWS and discussed nominations for OCTU. Barbed wire which will be used for purpose of building Bn		
		1550	Prison compound was received. Lt N.C. BIDGOOD with 18 pl left for new Bn area, but it was		
				found that US Forces have not moved as yet and the party	
				returned to camp.	
		1600	Q block completed.		
		1630	Demands for large quantities of explosives for training		
			purposes were forwarded to Engineers.		
	1700	Evening meal			
			Malarial parade		
			Retreat. Duty Coy D Coy. Orderly Officer Lt A.B. WHEELER.		
	9 Jan	1830	15 Aust Inf Bde Operation Order received.		
		0600	Reveille		
0615		Sick parade			
0700		Breakfast			
0800		Coy parades and inspection.			
0830		OC 2 Aust Corps Provost Coy visited CO Lt Col G.R. WARFE MC.			
0840		Bn parade			
0900		CO Lt Col G.R. WARFE MC attended a conference at 15 Aust Inf Bde			
		Training programme for forthcoming period was discussed.			
0930	15 Aust Inf Bde IO Capt N. DUN visited IO Lt J.R. ROE.				
0945	Maj W.A. PIKE and Lt J.R. ROE visited AMERICAL DIVISION AREA.				
1000	Bn watercart and YMCA vehicle arrived at Bn area				
1200	Midday meal				
1300	Parade				

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Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.	
TOROKINA	9 Jan	1400	25 X list ORs rejoined the unit.		
		1430	BM Major R. SCHMEDGE MC visited CO and discussed training		
				with tanks which be attached to the unit for three days from 10 Jan.	
		1500	CO's Orderly Room. Personnel for promotion were interviewed.		
		1615	CO Lt Col G.R. WARFE MC lectured all officers and NCOs on "Occupation of bivouac area"		
		1700	O Group conference. Training, Unit History Ballot and discipline were discussed.	Appx JA 2 Appx JA 3	
		1730	Evening meal Malarial parade		
		1800	Retreat. Duty Coy HQ Coy . Orderly Officer Lt H. Mc INTOSH.		
		1900	Meeting of committee of management for Regtl Trust Funds.		
		10 Jan	10 Jan	1930	Heavy rain and thunderstorm.
0600	Reveille				
0615	Sick parade				
0700	Breakfast				
0800	Coy parades and inspections. Training as laid down in syllabus.				
0830	CO's Orderly Room.				
	Unit Sports Officer Lt N.H. KELLY with working party prepared sports ground for intercoy competition and tabloid sports.				
0900	Comd 15 Aust Inf Bde Brig H.H. HAMMER DSO accompanied by Bde EO Lt CHETELS inspected Education Tent and theatre area.				
0945	Lt Col HANNON CO 63 Aust Dental Unit visited Dental Sect attached to unit.				
1000	Lt YORRTH 2/4 Aust Armd Regt contacted Adjt Capt R. MATHEWS re move into camp PM.				
	1200	Weather - fine			
	123	Midday meal			

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Unit 58/59 Aust Inf Bn Date and Time.—From 10 Jan 45 To 11 Jan 45

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.	
TOROKINA	10 Jan	1300	Parade - Sports afternoon. CO Lt Col G.R. WARFE MC, Adjt Capt R.L. MATHEWS and IO Lt J.R. ROE left		
		1330	camp area to recce Bn defensive position TOROKINA RIVER area. Remainder of Bn O Group left for TOROKINA RIVER.		
		1400	Lt DUNSTER and 42 ORs 15 Aust Fd Coy attached to Bn for tank trg.		
		1500	Lt YORETH and 14 ORs 2/4 Aust Armd Regt with three MATILDA tanks arrived in Bn for attachment for training purposes. Orders for def issued at bridge ref TOROKINA 1" series 634878		
				and recce of posns by coy comds. Lt ALLARD 2 i/c B Sqn visited Adjt Capt R.L. MATHEWS to arrange for a lecture on tanks.	
		1530	BM 15 Aust Inf Bde Major R. SCHMEDGE MC visited CO Lt Col G.R.		
		1645	WARFE MC to discuss training programme. Adjts conference attended by Coy comds.		
		1700	Heavy rain commenced to fall. Evening meal.		
		1800	Retreat. A Coy mounted guard and duties. Lt R. BALZER Orderly Offr.		
		1900	CO Lt Col G.R. WARFE MC visited by CO and 2 i/c 2 Bn 182 US Regt. Lt ALLARD 2/4 Aust Armd Regt lectured to Officers and NCOs on Tank cooperation.		
		1905	CO Lt Col G.R. WARFE MC, Adjt Capt R.L. MATHEWS with US Officers previewed Bn concert.		
		2100	Adjt Capt R.L. MATHEWS discussed tank training with Lt YORETH. Night - overcast.		
		11 Jan	0600	Reveille	
			0615	Sick parade	
	0700	Breakfast.			
	0800	Coy parades and inspections. Continuation of trg as per syllabus.			

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Unit 58/59 Aust Inf Bn Date and Time.—From 11 Jan 45 To 12 Jan 45

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.	
TO ROKINA	11 Jan	0800	Throughout the morning B and C Coys trained with tanks.		
		0830	CO Lt Col G.R. WARFE MC interviewed YMCA Representative Mr M. WHARTON re Bn concert.		
				Capt SANGSTER Legal Offr 29 Aust Inf Bde visited Bn to conduct investigation on 3 missing pistols.	
		1030	IO HQ 15 Aust Inf Bde Capt N.S. DUN visited IO Lt J.R. HOE and discussed proposed recce of tracks near new unit site.		
		1130	BM 15 Aust Inf Bde Major R. SCHMEDGE MC visited CO Lt Col G.R. WARFE MC and discussed training policy with CO.		
				Lt GRIFF visited CO Lt Col G.R. WARFE MC RE NCOs cadre to train all NCOs over a period of 6 weeks.	
		1200	Weather - fine and sunny. Midday meal		
		1300	Continuation of work and training. D and HQ Coy inspected tanks. Concert rehearsals continued.		
				Lt N.H. KELLY and Lt A.B. WHEELER continued preparations for tabloid sports to be held on a later date.	
		1545	A punching bag and a wireless set were received from Amenities		
				Swimming party from HQ Coy returned to coy area from beach.	
		1600	Sick parade. 1 OR evacuated with cut tendron in hand. 1 OR who returned to unit from mainland 10 Jan evacuated with clinical malaria.		
		1700	Evening meal		
1800	Retreat - B Coy mounted guard and duties. Orderly Offr Lt D. A. HOGAN.				
1900	CO Lt Col G.R. WARFE MC entertained 4 US Offrs from 2 Bn 182 US Regt in Officers mess.				
		Lecture to all NCOs on tank warfare by Lt YORETH 2/4 Aust Armd Regt.			
		Night - overcast			
	12 Jan	0600	Reveille		
		0615	Sick parade		

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Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
TOROKINA	12 Jan	0630	18 pl D Coy moved to new area as security guard.	
		0700	Breakfast.	
		0800	Coy parades	
		0830	Capt SANGSTER Legal Offr 29 Aust Inf Bde took evidence for investigation into loss of three pistols, A Coy worked with tanks during the morning.	
		0845	Comd 15 Aust Inf Bde Brig H.H. HAMMER DSO and CO 57/60 Aust Inf Bn Lt Col R. MARSDEN DSO inspected the Bn area with the CO Lt Col	
		1000	G.R. WARFE MC. 5 of the new TILLEY lamps which the unit received were sent to workshops for repair.	
		1100	New clothing which was received on 11 Jan 45 was issued to coys.	
			IO 1 15 Aust Inf Bde Capt C.H. BAUMAN visited the CO and discussed the Defence Orders for the new area.	
		1200	Midday meal	
		1300	Parade. C Coy worked with tanks during the afternoon.	
		1330	A Coy moved to new Bn area.	
		1400	ADMS 3 Aust Div Col WALLACE with CO 15 Aust Fd Amb Lt Col BRUMMETT visited the CO Lt-Col G.R. WARFE MC.	
		1415	TO 15 Aust Inf Bde Capt R.J.W. FRASER visited the Bn TO	
		1700	Lt L.R. MARSH. IO 1 15 Aust Inf Bde Capt C.H. BAUMAN visited the CO ref change in def plan for new area. Evening meal.	
1800	Q Group conference to discuss change in new defence plan.			
1900	Lecture to all officers and NCOs on tactical employment of tanks by Lt J. ALLARD. Full dress rehearsal of concert.			

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Unit 58/59 Aust Inf Bn Date and Time.—From 13 Jan 45 To 14 Jan 45

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
TOROKINA	13 Jan	0600	Reveille	
		0615	Sick parade.	
		0700	Breakfast	
		0800	Morning parade. B, C and HQ Coys make and mend, adm.	
		0830	Remainder of D Coy moved to new Bn site.	
		0900	Comd 15 Aust Inf Bde Brig H.H. HAMMER DSO with Lt Col W.	
		0945	MAYBERRY visited the CO Lt Col G.R. WARFE MC. IO Lt J.R. ROE visited new Bn site.	
		1000	CO with Lt Col W. MAYBERRY visited new Bn site. Pioneer pl moved to new area.	
		1200	Midday meal	
		1300	Work on Q Block in new area commenced.	
		1400	Troop of tanks and Pl of Engineers which had been attached to the unit since 10 Jan returned to own units.	
		1600	Adm Instruction issued.	Apxx JA 9
		1700	Evening meal.	
		1730	Malarial parade.	
1930	Bn concert was staged. Concert was a great success. The weather was fine and there was no hitch in the programme. The following officers attended ; Lt Gen S.G. SAVAGE CB CBE DSO MC ED, Brig	Appx JA 5		
		H.H. HAMMER DSO, Brig GARRATT, Brig MANN, Brig PULVER. Officers were entertained at supper in Officers Mess after the concert.		
	14 Jan	0600	Reveille	
		0615	Sick parade	
		0700	Breakfast	
		0830	OC A Coy Capt A.C. JACKSON accompanied by Pl comds Lt D.J. BREWSTER MC, Lt R. ROLFE and Lt J. Mc INTOSH reconnoitred coy defensive area.	

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Unit ..... 58/59 Aust Inf Bn ..... Date and Time.—From 14 Jan 45 ..... To 15 Jan 45 .....

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.	
TOROKINA	14 Jan	0830	Work on the new Bn area continued. A and D Coy tents erected. Work on Q Block.		
		0845 0900	Voluntary Protestant Church Parade. B Coy commenced move to new area.		
		0930	Lt Col W. MAYBERRY visited the CO Lt Col G.R. WARFE MC. RC Church Parade.		
		1000	Major W.A. PIKE and Lt A.B. WHEELER worked on 10 weeks master syllabus of training for the Bn.		
		1200 1330	Midday meal C Coy commenced move to new area.		
		1500 1700	Heavy thunder and rain storm. Evening meal		
		1730 9100	Malarial parade The Film "Going my way" was screened at the Bn picture theatre.		
		15 Jan	0600 0615	Reveille Sick parade	
			0700 0800	Breakfast Morning parade. HQ Coy, YMCA, Dental Unit and ammm moved to new site.	
			0830 1045	Work continued on A and Q Blocks and coy areas in new site. DAPM 2 Aust Corps Major Mc CAFFERY visited the Adjt Capt R.L.	
			1100	MATHEWS re applications for transfer to Provost Corps. OP Instn 1 issued	Appx JA 4 Appx JA 8
			1115 1130	CO Lt Col G.R. WARFE MC and Adjt visited new area. LO 15 Aust Inf Bde Capt C.H. BAUMAN visited the IO Lt J.R. ROE	
			1200	ref plans for Bn defence area. Midday meal	
			1315 1330	IO Lt J.R. ROE attended a conference at 15 Aust Inf Bde. Movement of RQ Store commenced.	

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Unit 58/59 Aust Inf Bn Date and Time.—From 16 Jan 45 To 17 Jan 45

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
TOROKINA	15 Jan	1400	Bn Band attended a Bde Massed Bands practice on the Bde Parade Ground.	
		1500	BM 15 Aust Inf Bde Major R. SCHMEDGE MC visited the CO Lt Col	
			G.R. WARFE MC and discussed plans for def area.	
		1530	Heavy rain storm.	
		1700	Evening meal	
		1730	Malarial parade	
	16 Jan	1800	Retreat	
		0600	Reveille	
		0615	Sick parade	
		0700	Breakfast	
		0800	Parade.	
		0830	Work continued on showers, latrines, mess huts, A and Q blocks	
			and coy kitchens in new area.	
		0900	CO Lt Col G.R. WARFE MC visited 15 Aust Inf Bde re loss of pistols.	
		1030	IO 1 15 Aust Inf Bde Capt C.H. BAUMAN visited Adjt Capt R.L. MATHEWS at the old site.	
		1200	Bn HQ and remainder of Q Store moved to new site.	
			Midday meal	
		1300	Parade	
		1530	IO 1 15 Aust Inf Bde visited the Adjt in the new area.	
		1600	Fire plan for Bn def area submitted to Bde.	
		1700	Evening meal	
		1730	Malarial parade	
		1800	Retreat	
		1900	Coy comds conference with the Adjt: Following officers attended OC A Coy Capt A.C. JACKSON, B Coy Capt L. HOCKING, C Coy Capt A.R. ROBY, D Coy Capt F. MICHAEL, RMO Capt L.W. MIDDLETON, Asst Adjt Lt F.J. NORRIE, <sup>MC</sup> IO Lt J.R. ROE.	

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Unit ..... 17 58/59 Aust Inf Bn Date and Time.—From 17 Jan 45 To 18 Jan 45

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
TO ROKINA	17 Jan	0600	Reveille	
		0615	Sick parade.	
		0700	Breakfast	
		0800	Parade - 30 minutes Rifle and Squad drill.	
		0830	Lt E.A. DAVEY and 30 ORs proceeded to old site to complete cleaning. Following works continued on site :- Clearing, construction of A and Q Blocks, latrines, showers, mess huts and kitchens. Following cadres commenced :-	
		0900	Stretcher bearers, NCO, Int, Sig. Lt Col MAYBERRY visited the CO Lt Col G.R. WARFE MC.	Appxs JA 6. JA 7 JA 10
		1000	DAPM 2 Aust Corps Major Mc CAFFERY interviewed applicants for 2 Aust Corps Provost Coy.	
		1100	TO 15 Aust Inf Bde Capt R. FRASER visited Bn TO Lt L.R. MARSH.	
		1200	Midday meal	
		1300	Parade	
		1345	BM 15 Aust Inf Bde Major R. SCHMEDGE MC visited the CO Lt Col G.R. WARFE MC.	
		1400	" CO, BM, and IO Lt J.R. ROE reconnoitred an area for demonstration of coy in defence.	
		1615	IO 1 15 Aust Inf Bde Capt C.H. BAUMAN visited the Adjt Capt R.L. MATHEWS.	
		1700	Evening meal.	
1730	Malarial parade			
1800	Retreat - Orderly Offr Lt N.C. BIDGOOD. Duty Coy C Coy.			
1830	CO Lt Col G.R. WARFE MC, Major W.A. PIKE and Adjt Capt R.L. MATHEWS inspected the old site			
	18 Jan	0600	Reveille	
		0615	Sick parade	

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Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
TOROKINA	18 Jan	0700	Breakfast	
		0800	Coy parades. 30 minutes arms and close order drill.	
		0830	Work continued on clearing of camp site and construction of A and Q blocks, showers, latrines, mess huts, YMCA and Officers Mess. All officers and senior NCOs attended a tank demonstration.	
		1200	Midday meal	
		1315	Bn parade and inspection by CO Lt Col G.R. WARFE MC.	
		1400	Lt Col W. MAYBERRY visited the CO.	
			Bn YMCA Representative Rep M. WHARTON visited HQ 2 Aust Corps ref presentation of Bn concert.	
		1530	Rep LORD of YMCA 3 Aust Div visited Bn YMCA Representative.	
		1600	IO 2 15 Aust Inf Bde Lt L.S. PROBY MC visited the Adjut Capt R.L. MATHEWS.	
		1615	Sick parade	
		1700	Evening meal	
		1700	Retreat - Orderly Offr Lt D.J. BREWSTER MC - Duty Coy D Coy.	
		2200	Official advice received that CO Lt Col G.R. WARFE MC had been posted to 2/24 Aust Inf Bn.	
		19 Jan	0600	Reveille
0615	Sick parade			
0700	Breakfast			
0800	Bn parade and inspection by CO Lt Col G.R. WARFE MC .			
0830	CO made farewell speech to the Bn. Lt, Col G.R. WARFE MC handed over the Bn to Lt Col W. MAYBERRY.			
0845	Work continued on camp construction.			
0900	Rep M. WHARTON, Lt L.R. MARSH visited 2 Aust Corps to make arrangements for concert which Bn is to stage.			
1030	Comd 15 Aust Inf Bde Brig H.H. HAMMER DSO visited the CO Lt Col W. MAYBERRY.			

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Unit 58/59 Aust Inf Bn Date and Time.—From 19 Jan 45 To 21 Jan 45

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.	
TOROKINA	19 Jan	1030	and Lt Col G.R. WARFE MC.		
		1100	Lt Col HANNAN visited the Dental Centre.		
		1200	Midday meal.		
		1300	CO Lt Col W. MAYBERRY visited HQ 15 Aust Inf Bde to discuss training during forthcoming period.		
		1700	Evening meal.		
		1800	Retreat - Duty Coy HQ Coy . Orderly Officer Lt R. ROLFE. Officers mess opened.		
				Lt Col MAYBERRY was welcomed and Lt Col WARFE farewelled by officers of the Bn.	
		1900		The film "Going my way" was screened in the Bn area.	
		2000		Since 0600 19 Jan parties of 1 offr and 40 ORs have been working 12 hrs each day in two shifts at the docks.	
			20 Jan	0600	Reveille
0615	Sick parade				
0700	Breakfast				
0800	Parade				
0830	Work continued on camp construction and erection of showers mess huts and roads.				
0915	CO Lt Col W.M. MAYBERRY accompanied by Lt Col G.R. WARFE MC, IO Lt J.R. ROE, IO (Learner) Lt A.B. WHEELER reconnoitred Bn defensive area.				
1200	Midday meal				
1330	Bn tabloid sports won by MG Pl 114 points.				
1700	Evening meal.				
1730	Malarial parade.				
	21 Jan	1800	Retreat - Duty Coy C Coy. Orderly Officer Lt F.O. SMITH.		
		0600	Reveille		

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Unit 58/59 Aust Inf Bn Date and Time.—From 21 Jan 45 To 22 Jan 45

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.	
TO ROKINA	21 Jan	0615	Sick parade		
		0700	Breakfast		
		0800	Protestant and RC Church Parades.		
		0930	Coy comds conference with CO Lt Col W.M. MAYBERRY . Training, amenities, practice occupation of Bn def area were discussed		
		1030	Lt Col G.R. WARFE MC departed. CO Lt Col W.M. MAYBERRY accompanied him to the airstrip. Coy, pl and section comds left for recce of Bn area.		
		1200	Midday meal		
		1330	80 personnel were transported to the beach where they spent the afternoon swimming.		
		1400	SC 15 Aust Inf Bde visited the CO Lt Col W.M. MAYBERRY and Adjt Capt R.L. MATHEWS ref 15 Aust Inf Bde Ceremonial Parade.		
		1430	Comd 15 Aust Inf Bde Brig H.H. HAMMER DSO inspected the Bn guard.		
		1500	CO Lt Col W.M. MAYBERRY and A/2/c Major W.A. PIKE attended a social afternoon at 24 Aust Inf Bn.		
		1700	Evening meal.		
		1800	Retreat - Duty Coy A Coy- Orderly Officer Lt A.B. BALL		
		22 Jan	1830	YMCA and Bn wireless station opened.	
			0545	Reveille	
0630	Breakfast				
0715	Bn parade				
0800	Bde Parade and inspection by Comd 15 Aust Inf Bde Brig H.H. HAMMER DSO.				
	1100	Capt WILLIAMS RAE 3 Aust Div visited Asst Adjt Lt F.J. NORRIE MC. ref allotment of bulldozers and drainage of Bn area.			
	1115	Conference of coy comds with CO Lt Col W.M. MAYBERRY . Bde parades and occuparion of Bn def area were discussed.			
	1200	Midday meal			

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Unit 58/59 Aust Inf Bn Date and Time.—From 22 Jan 45 To 23 Jan 45

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
TO ROKINA	22 Jan	1300	Practice occupation of def area. CO inspected pl and section areas after which coys moved back to camp independently.	
		1700	Evening meal.	
		1730	Malarial parade.	
		1800	Retreat- Duty Coy C Coy - Orderly Officer Lt J. Mc INTOSH.	
		1900	Lt YORETH of 2/4 Aust Armd Regt visited CO Lt Col W.M. MAYBERRY and A/21/c Major A.W. PIKE ref tank training.	
		1930	Coy comds conference with CO ref training for 23 Jan 45.	Appx JA 11
		1945	Pictures to be screened in the Bn area were cancelled. OC 266 LAD Capt J. BRENCHLEY visited CO and QM Capt N.A. DEMPS TER and discussed testing of Bn weapons.	
	23 Jan	0600	Reveille	
		0615	Sick parade	
		0700	Breakfast	
		0745	Lt YORETH and Major <del>CAMPBELL</del> <sup>ARUETT</sup> of 2/4 Aust Armd Regt visited CO Lt Col W.M. MAYBERRY and A/21/c Major A.W. PIKE ref tank training.	
		0820	Bn parade and inspection by CO Lt Col W.M. MAYBERRY.	
		0900	AA and Q Eqpt First Aust Army held a conference with officers of the Bn and received suggestions for changes in equipment.	
		1100	CO's Orderly Room.	
		1130	Warning order received for A Coy to move to JABA RIVER to defend DID.	
			3 Aust Div Catering Adviser Capt KERR visited the Adjut Capt R.L. MATHEWS ref cooks school.	
		1300	TO 15 Aust Inf Bde Capt R.J.W. FRASER and OC 266 LAD Capt J. BRENCHLEY inspected unit transport.	
		1330	CO Lt Col W.M. MAYBERRY visited Bn cadre and watched demonstration of section in defence.	

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Date and Time.—From 23 Jan 45

To 24 Jan 45

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.	
TOROKINA	23 Jan	1330	15 Aust Inf Bde IO 1 Capt C.H. BAUMAN visited the Adjt Capt R.L. MATHEWS.		
		1400	CO Lt Col W.M. MAYBERRY visited 2 Aust Corps ref arrangements for concert party.		
		1530	Capt A.W. ROBY, Lt J.F. BETHUNE MC and Lt J.R. ROE reconnoitred area for LOAT.		
		1600	Advice received that work parties to dock will cease.		
		1700	Evening meal		
		1800	Retreat. Duty coy HQ Coy. Orderly Officer Lt H. WALKER.		
		1900	Practice occupation of Bn def area. Coys returned to camp by 2130.		
		24 Jan	0600	Reveille	
			0615	Sick parade	
			0630	Breakfast	
0715	Fall in for Bn parade				
0730	Advance. Lt L.R. MARSH and 7 ORs visited 2 Aust Corps to prepare stage for concert on 27 Jan 45.				
0740	Handover.				
0800	Bde Practice Parade and inspection by Comd 15 Aust Inf Bde Brig H.H. HAMMER DSO.				
1030	Comd 15 Aust Inf Bde accompanied by BM Capt ROBSON, SC Capt F. WRAY and IO 1 Capt C.H. BAUMAN visited the CO Lt Col W.M. MAYBERRY.				
	1100	CO and A/2i/c Major W.A. PIKE visited 2 Aust Corps ref concert.			
	1130	TO 15 Aust Inf Bde Capt R.J.W. FRASER visited Adjt Capt R.L. MATHEWS.			
	1200	Midday meal			
	1315	CO Lt Col W.M. MAYBERRY and OC A Coy Capt A.C. JACKSON left to			
	1345	rece A Coy area at DID TAVERA RIVER and visit Advance HQ 3 Aust Div. Sports Officer 57/60 Aust Inf Bn visited Adjt Capt R.L. MATHEWS			

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Unit..... 58/59 Aust Inf Bn Date and Time.—From..... 24 Jan 45 To..... 25 Jan 45

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.	
TOROKINA	24 Jan	1345	ref football match 28 Jan 45		
		1400	Capt MILES of AEME 3 Aust Div with OC 15 Aust Inf Bde Sig Section inspected Bn sig equipment.		
		1435	Major-DUNN of 2/1 Aust Guard Regt visited Adjut Capt R.L. MATHEWS		
			1530	ref reciprocal transfers to Guard Regt. Heavy thunder and rain storm.	
			1700	Evening meal	
			1800	Retreat - Duty Coy HQ Coy Orderly Offr Lt L.R. MARSH.	
		25 Jan	1900	TEWT on tank training by A/21/c Major W.A. PIKE.	
	0600		Reveille		
			0700	Breakfast	
			0730	CO Lt Col W.M. MAYBERRY, all officers, and NCO Cadre attended a demonstration of movement of a pl along jungle trail by 24 Aust Inf Bn.	
		0800	Parade		
		0830	Unit armourers tested C and D Coys Brens. A Coy carried out pl exercise with tanks.		
		0930	CO Lt Col W.M. MAYBERRY accompanied by RMO Capt L.W. MIDDLETON Asst Adjut Lt J.F. NORRIE MC and RSM WO 1 N.F. PIGOT inspected		
			camp area.		
		1000	Adjut 15 Aust Inf Bn Lt OXLEY visited the Adjut Capt R.L. MATHEWS.		
		1200	Midday meal		
		1330	All personnel spent the afternoon preparing for the Bde Parade.		
		14000	CO 2/1 Aust Guard Regt interviewed personal for transfer to 2/1 Aust Guard Regt.		
		1615	CO Lt Col W.M. MAYBERRY held conference with all coy comds.	Appx JA 13	
		1645	CO issued orders to OC A Coy Capt A.C. JACKSON for coys move to-TAGESSI RIVER.		
		1700	Evening meal		

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Unit 58/59 Aust Inf Bn Date and Time.—From 25 Jan 45 To 27 Jan 45

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
TOROKINA	25 Jan	1800	Retreat - Duty coy HQ Coy - Orderly Offr Lt E.A. DAVEY.	
		1900	Lt Col W.M. MAYBERRY held a TEWT for all offr on Pl advance.	
	26 Jan	2000	CO visited 2 Aust Corps re concert.	
		0530	Reveille	
		0615	Breakfast	
		0700	Coy parades	
		0730	Bn parade.	
		0800	Brigade Parade and inspection by GOC 3 Aust Div Maj Gen W. BRIDGEFORD CBE MC. Maj Gen BRIDGEFORD welcomed Bde back to the Division after 15 months absence.	Appx JA 16
		1030	Bn spent remainder of day cleaning camp area. OP Instruction No 2 issued	Appx JA 12
		1100	CO's Orderly Room.	
		1300	A Coy moved to TAGESSI RIVER area.	
		1330	D Coy carried out pl exercises with tanks. Lt H.J. SHROSBREE and party left to prepare range for firing.	
		1400	CO Lt Col W.M. MAYBERRY left to witness exercise with tanks.	
		1430	IO 1 15 Aust Inf Bde Capt C.H. BAUMAN visited the Adjt Capt R.L. MATHEWS ref training.	
		1700	Evening meal.	
		1800	Retreat - Duty coy B Coy - Orderly Officer Lt D. HOGAN.	
		1900	Film "Kansas City Kitty" screened in Bn area.	
	27 Jan	0600	Reveille	
		0700	Breakfast	
		0800	Coy adm parades.	
		0900	CO Lt Col W.M. MAYBERRY inspected Bn area.	
		0930	CO visited 2 Aust Corps to make arrangements for concert.	
		1030	CO held a TEWT with all officers.	

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Unit 58/59 Aust Inf Bn Date and Time.—From 27 Jan 45 To 29 Jan 45

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
TOROKINA	27 Jan	1200	Midday meal	
		1330	Sport. Bn baseball team defeated a team from 57/60 Aust Inf Bn.	
		1400	Heavy rain storm.	
		1500	Standing orders for prevention and control off malaria issued.	Appx JA 14
		1700	Evening meal.	
		1800	Retreat. Duty coy D Coy - Orderly Officer Lt N.H. KELLY.	
	28 Jan	0600	Reveille	
		0700	Breakfast	
		0800	Church parade.	
		0900	Coy comds conference with Lt Col W.M. MAYBERRY	Appx JA 5
		1030	CO continued TEWT with all offr. RMO visited A Coy at TAGESSI RIVER.	
		1200	Midday meal	
		1330	Heavy rain.	
		1400	Bn football team defeated by a team from 57/60 Aust Inf Bn - 11-goals 2 behinds to 6 goals 5 behinds.	
		1700	Evening meal	
		1800	Retreat - Duty Coy HQ Coy Orderly Offr Lt D.G. SPINK.	
	29 Jan	1845	CO Lt Col W.M. MAYBERRY completed TEWT.	
		0530	Reveille	
		0615	Breakfast	
		0700	Bn parade	
		0800	Brigade parade.	
		0930	Work on Bn area and training. Pioneers worked on offr mess and kitchen.	
			Armourer tested LMGs.	
		1100	CO Lt Col W.M. MAYBERRY inspected Bn area with Asst Adjt Lt J.F. NORRIE MC.	

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Date and Time.—From 29 Jan 45 To 30 Jan 45

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.	
TOROKINA	29 Jan	1200	Midday meal		
		1330	C Coy trained with tanks.		
		1400	IO 15 Aust Inf Bde Capt C.H. BAUMAN and Lt E.M. GRIFF recced area for coy attack exercise.		
			CO Lt Col W.M. MAYBERRY recced Bn def area with comd 15 Aust Inf Bde Brig H.H. HAMMER.		
		1500	Catering Offr 3 Aust Div visited QM Capt N.A. DEMPSTER.		
		1700	Evening meal.		
		1800	Retreat - Duty coy D Coy - Orderly Offr J.H. PIMM. Lt Col ANDERSON CO 24 Aust Inf Bn had evening meal at Bn.		
		30 Jan	1900	Film "Devotion" screened in Bn area.	
			0600	Reveille	
			0615	Sick parade	
0700	Breakfast				
0800	Coy parades				
0830	Bn Parade. CO Lt Col W.M. MAYBERRY accompanied by RMO Capt L.W. MIDDLETON visited A Coy at TEKESSI RIVER.				
0900	Blanking of equipment and washing clothes in preparation for Bde Parade 31 Jan 45. IO 1 15 Aust Inf Bde Capt C.H. BAUMAN visited Adj. Capt R.L. MATHEWS.				
1100	15 Aust Inf Bde Education Offr Lt CHETTEIS visited Adj. C Coy carried out pl exercises with tanks.				
1200	Midday meal				
1400	CO Lt Col W.M. MAYBERRY accompanied by 2 i/c Major W.A. PIKE and IO Lt J.R. ROE recced area for demonstration Bn in def. Adj. Capt R.L. MATHEWS held conference with coy comds.				
1630					
1645	CO Lt Col W.M. MAYBERRY held conference with coy comds, ref Bde parade.				
1700	Conference of Bn sports representatives. Evening meal.				

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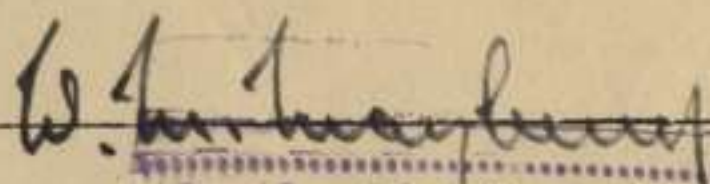


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Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.	
TOROKINA	31 Jan	0530	Reveille		
		0615	Breakfast		
		0700	Coy parades		
		0800	Bde Parade and review by Lt Gen S.G. SAVAGE CB CBE DSO MC ED.	Appx JA 17	
				Lt Gen SAVAGE afterwards addressed the parade.	
		1100	Bde Education Officer Lt CHETTEIS visited the QM Capt N.A. DEMPSTER and Adjt Capt R.L. MATHEWS.		
				Sqn of 2/4 Aust Armd Regt left Bn arra to return to own unit.	
			1200	Midday meal	
			1230	C Coy left for IOAT area.	
			1300	CO Lt Col W.M. MAYBERRY accompanied by A/2i/c Major W.A. PIKE and IO Lt J.R. ROE reced area and made appreciation for demonstration Bn in defence.	
	1330	A Coy left for IOAT area.			
	1630	15 Aust Inf Bde Amenities Offr Lt D. WHITE visited Adjt Capt R.L. MATHEWS ref Bde Sports programme.			
	1700	Evening meal.			
	1800	Retreat - Duty coy D Coy - Orderly Offr Lt E.A. DAVEY.			
	1900	"Tasmanians" concert party staged a concert at Bn theatre.			
			 Lt. Col. Comd., 58/59 Aust. Inf. Bn.		

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HQ 15 AUST INF BDE (AIF)

MONTHLY REPORT ON AMENITIES

1. (a) Mr M.H.WHARTON Y.M.C.A. Rep  
(b) Lt N.H.KELLY  
(c) Lt A.B.BALL
2. MONEY ON HAND AT BEGINNING OF MONTH £ 119 - 19 - 2
3. MONEY RECEIVED DURING THE MONTH
  - (a) General Canteen Distribution £ 44 - 14 - 8
  - (b) Profit from Unit Canteen £ 138 - 17 - 4
  - (c) Other Sources NIL
4. MONEY PAID OUT DURING MONTH
  - (a) Payments for Sports Material £ 12 - 0
  - (b) Other Amenities £ 182 - 0 - 6
5. MONEY ON HAND AT END OF MONTH
  - (a) Balance as per Trust A/c Book £ 182 - 18 - 8
  - (b) Petty Cash NIL
6. AMENITIES ON HAND AT COMMENCEMENT OF MONTH
  - (a) 1 Tropic proof Radio  
Sporting Material as per Appx "A".  
Unit Library.
  - (b) Nil.
  - (c) YMCA Amplifying System  
" 2 Table Tennis Tables  
" Library.
7. (a) 2 Cricket Bats  
2 Basketballs  
2 Soccer Footballs  
6 Aust Rules Football Bladders  
(b) Nil.  
(c) Nil.
8. AMENITIES ON HAND AT END OF MONTH  
See Appx "B"
9. Nil.
10. Nil.
11. SPORT
  - (a) Nil.
  - (b) 12 Inter Coy games of Aust Rules Football.  
3 " " " " Cricket.  
Volleyball matches twice per week.
  - (c) Cricket, Aust Rules, Baseball, softball, Basketball, Volleyball.
  - (d) 150 prs 21%
  - (e) Nil.



12. ENTERTAINMENTS

- (a) 5
- (b) Nil.
- (c) Nil.
- (d) Cinema - No Approx 550 percentage 80%
- (e) 2 Concerts organised within the unit.
- (f) Nil.

13. COMMENT ON ACTIVITIES OF PHILANTHROPIC REPRESENTATIVES.

- (a) NOT applicable.
- (b) Yes. 2 Rec huts established.
- (c) Yes.
- (d) No. None in area.
- (e) Yes. Amplifying system in operation each night to broadcast the news and recorded music.
- (f) Nil.

*Signed*  
Comd 58/59 Aust Inf Bn.  
Lt-Col.  
Jan 45.



LIST OF SPORTING MATERIAL AND AMENITIES SUPPLIES ON HAND  
AS AT 1 Dec 44.

1. CRICKET.

Bats	2
Balls	9 (used)
Stumps and Bails	11 Sets
Pads	10 prs
W/K Gloves	5 "
Batting Gloves	1 pr

2. SOFTBALL.

Clubs	7
Balls	9 (used)
Gloves	7
Face Guards	2

3. HOCKEY.

Sticks	7
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4. VOLLEY BALL

Nets	9
Supports	6

5. QUOITS.

5 sets of 6.

6. BOXING.

Boxing Gloves	12 prs
Sparring Gloves	2 "
Punching bags (small)	2
Medicine balls	7

7. FOOTBALL.

Rugby balls	3
Pump	1
Soccer balls	2

8. BASKETBALL.

Nets	2
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AMENITIES ON HAND AS AT 31 DEC 44.1. CRICKET.

Bats	4
Balls	9 (used)
Stumps and Bails	11 sets
Pads	10 prs
W/K Gloves	5 "
Batting Gloves	1 pr

2. SOFTBALL.

Clubs	7
Balls	9 (used)
Gloves	7
Face guards	2

3. HOCKEY.

Sticks	7
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4. VOLLEY BALL.

Nets	9
Supports	6

5. QUOITS.

5 sets of 6

6. BOXING.

Boxing gloves	12 prs
Sparring gloves	2 prs
Punching bags (small)	2 "
Medicine balls	7

7. FOOTBALL.

Rugby balls	9
Pump	1
Soccer balls	4

8. BASKETBALL.

Balls	2
Nets	2

1 Tropic Proof Radio  
Unit Library  
YMCA Amplifying Outfit  
Library.



AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

HQ 58/59 Aust Inf Bn

45/8  
5 Jan 45

Subject : REQUISITION FOR AMENITIES

15 AUST INF BDE (AIF)

1. It is requested that the following Amenities and sporting materials be made available in addition to these already requisitioned for:-

2. SPORTING MATERIAL.

Cricket Bats	6
Cricket Balls	12
Footballs	6
Basketballs	6
Softball Clubs	6
Softball Gloves	9
Softball Balls	12
Circles Rings	12
Circles Nets	12
Volleyball Nets	6
Boxing Gloves	4 pr
Swimming Trunks	As available

3. AMENITIES.

Sporting Trophies	As available
Gramophones	6
Records	As available (Classical and Modern)
Gramophone Needles	
Wireless Sets	6
Miscellaneous Games for Recreation huts	As available

  
Lt-Col  
Comd 58/59 Aust Inf Bn



*was done*

Appx JA 1

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

HQ 58/59 Aust Inf Bn

Friday 5 Jan 45

POINTS NOTED ON BATTALION PARADE

1. Absence of Mosquito lotion. Orders have already been issued that M.lotion be carried at all times in hip pocket. Stocks are available at Q.Store.
2. All troops must be armed while on parade. Weapons lent to members of Guard may be replaced by spares on the Guardsman's bren, O.S.M.G., or pistol.
3. Oil bottles to be carried in Butt trap of rifle. In patch for O.S.M.G. and pistol, Wallet for bren, to be not less than half full of oil at any time.
4. Waterproof Walllets are available to protect paybook and AAB83 from perspiration and weather conditions.
5. Cases of Webbing incorrectly adjusted are still prevalent.
6. Colour patches to be sewn on puggaree's, not Hat. Reqs to QM for puggarees will be fulfilled via Regt Tailor.
7. Field Dressings are available for issue and will be carried in future in trousers patch pocket.
8. A decided improvement in weapon cleanliness was noticed.
9. Well polished boots were a pleasing feature of the parade.
10. Steadiness on parade is still being maintained.

*R. H. ...*  
Lt-Col  
Comd 58/59 Aust Inf Bn



*10. War Diary*

APPENDIX "A"

UNIT WEEKLY MEDICAL REPORT

Pro Form A

(In respect of Unit personnel examined at RAPs whether subsequently evacuated to "ed Unit or Not)  
(Personnel attending AF from other units will be included)

Unit 58/59 Aust Inf Bn.....  
Effective Strength at  
beginning of week..... 89-034

Week Ended 2359 Hrs Friday..... 6/2/48....

PART I

Total Sick Parade	Number examined for first time during illness.						THIS SECTION TO BE COMPLETED ONLY IN NON-OPERATIONAL PHASES WHEN DIRECTED BY SMO													
	Clinical Dysentery & Diarrhoea	URTI	All fevers unless also diarrhoea or URTI	Skin Diseases	All other diseases excl BCS		Number examined for first time during illness													
	(Headings in this section to be as instructed by SMO)																			
Saturday	20																			
Sunday	1/01								1/0											
Monday	7																			
Tuesday	11																			
Wednesday	11																			
Thursday	1/17								1/0											
Friday																				
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>8/103</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>2/00</b>														

PART II

Total number of cases evacuated beyond RAP-

Clinical Dysentery	)	
Diarrhoea	)	
U.R.T.I.	)	
Others	)	
TOTAL	)	

*J. D. Middleton* ..... Capt RMO



REPORT BY R.M.O.

1. HEALTH OF UNIT

(a) General Physical condition of personnel... Good

(b) General Standard of Reinforcements received... \*\*\*\*\*

(c) Severity of Work or Training... Moderate

(d) General Remarks... Increase in minor skin complaint

2. STORES- Details of stores requisitioned for, but not yet received.

(a) Medical... \*\*\*\*\*

(b) Expense Stores... \*\*\*\*\*

(c) Malaria Control Stores (i) Ordnance... \*\*\*\*\*  
(ii) AASC... \*\*\*\*\*

3. MALARIA CONTROL

(a) Measures of personal protection (good, fair, bad)  
Nets... Good... Atebrin... Good... Clothing... Good  
Repellent... Good

(b) Larvae Control... Done by Malarial Control Unit

(c) Adult Destruction... Spraying of Tents

(d) General Comments

4. RATIONS... Satisfactory

5. HYGIENE... Fair. The area still contains a large number of flies

6. TRAINING CARRIED OUT BY RMO... Maintenance Section given instruction on Hyg. 2 Anti-Malarial Squad 6 day Cadre  
(Signed) [Signature] Capt.  
P.M.O. 58/59 Aust Inf Bn

1. Attach as Appx "A" any special report exceeding the scope of pro forma.

11. When applicable.



War Diary

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

HQ 58/59 Aust Inf Bn  
7 Jan 45.

ROUTINE ORDERS PART 1

Serial No 1/45  
Nos 1 to 2

by

LIEUTENANT-COLONEL G.R. WARFE MC. COMMANDING 58/59 AUST INF BN

1. SIGNAL COMMUNICATIONS.

Damage is constantly being caused by carelessness of troops in felling trees across permanent signal line routes, resulting in serious delays to signal traffic. All ranks will observe due care in preserving signal communications within the area.

2. SECURITY.

Until further notice, personnel are not permitted to state that they are in the SOLOMONS, or to mention change of location or give any indication of movement from the Mainland. No reference is permitted to well known topographical features in the Northern SOLOMONS such as volcanoes, which would indicate the presence of Australian troops in this group of Islands.

3. REINFORCEMENTS 2 AUST CORP PRO COY.

Applications for volunteers for 2 Aust Army Pro Corps for service in this area, will be submitted to this HQ by 9 Jan 45. Written applications and personal details will be included.

4. THEFT OF VEHICLES.

- (a) Except in an authorised parking area with Provost in attendance, vehicles absent from unit lines will not be left unattended.
- (b) This applies to BOSLEY FIELD and all other picture sights where Provosts are not in attendance.
- (c) When reporting losses, full and detailed information is to be supplied reference MT, engine and serial numbers, colour and markings.

5. TRADE GROUPINGS & USE OF ARABIC NUMERALS INSTEAD OF ROMAN.

- (a) Reports indicate the use of Roman numerals (I, II, III, IV) in the designation of trade groupings creates a greater likelihood of error than if ordinary Arabic figures (1, 2, 3, 4) were used.
- (b) Amendments to GRO A243/1944, War Establishments and other relevant instructions will be anticipated, and action taken forthwith to use Arabic figures in all references to Trade groupings in records, instructions and other documents.
- (c) Completion of alterations to records will be notified to this HQ.

6. PRECAUTIONS - WEARING OF EQUIPMENT.

All personnel crossing water obstacles, other than by properly constructed bridge, or moving in any small craft, including landing craft, will have their equipment loosened so that it may be discarded immediately in the event of capsize or sinking of craft.



7. SKIN DISEASE FROM TREE SAP.

- (a) Reports have been received that contact with the sap of trees of Semecarpus species causes burning followed by a rash.
- (b) The trees concerned are smooth-trunked, and sap exuding under the bark turns black on exposure. The bark when cut is red, about an half an inch thick, and the wood is light coloured and silky.
- (c) Troops cutting timber are warned to avoid contact with the sap of trees of the above description. Any personnel splashed with sap will report to RAP for treatment.

8. BOUNDS.

The area occupied by 6 Aust Farm Coy is out of bounds to all troops except on duty.

The PW cage situated in Piva Rd and its immediate environs are out of bounds to all ranks except on duty.

9. LEAVE ENTITLEMENTS - PMF PERSONNEL.

All PMF personnel will check with Adjutant as to entitlements of leave.

10. AMENITIES.

Pictures: Each Sunday - 58/59 Aust Inf Bn.  
Each Wednesday - 15 Aust Inf Bn.  
Each Thursday - 57/60 Aust Inf Bn.  
Each Saturday - HQ 3 Aust Div.

Various shows at American Sites.

11. INCOME TAX - ADDITIONAL REBATES TO TAXPAYERS.

General:

1. In consequence of recent amendments to the Income Tax Assessment Act, rebates (additional to those previously allowed) may now be made to taxpayers in accordance with the provisions summarised in the following paragraphs, which apply to income earned during the income year 1944/45.

Rebates in respect of children over 16:

2. A rebate may be granted in respect of each child who -
  - (a) Is not under 16 years of age but is under eighteen years of age at the beginning of the year of income;
  - (b) Is receiving full time education at a school (including a technical school) or a university (including a university college); and
  - (c) Is wholly maintained by the taxpayer.

From the amount of the rebate will be deducted the value of any assistance (consisting of money, accommodation or sustenance) provided by the Commonwealth or a State in connection with the education of the child, but the receipt of any such assistance, or of a bursary or scholarship, will not, by virtue of sub-para (c) above, disqualify the child as a child wholly maintained by the taxpayer. Such child will, as from 1st July 1944, be regarded as a dependant for the purpose of calculating tax deductions.

3. Where the child reaches the age of sixteen years or eighteen years during the taxation year, a proportionate rebate, to be determined by the Commissioner of Taxes, may be allowed.

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Rebates for Dental Treatment:

4. A taxpayer may be also allowed a rebate in respect of costs and incurred by him for dental treatment for himself, his spouse or his child under twentyone years of age.

12. COURT MARTIAL.

Results of trial by Court Martial are published as Appendix "A" these orders.

*R. H. ...* Capt.  
Adjt 58/59 Aust Inf Bn.

NOTICES

INSTRUCTORS FOR INDUSTRIAL TRAINING DIVISION-  
DEPARTMENT OF LABOUR AND NATIONAL SERVICE.

The Department of Labour and National Service has advised that, under the Common wealth Reconstruction Training Scheme, many additional trade instructors will be needed in technical schools and colleges and similar training organisations, particularly in the building trade.

Although the services of these instructors generally will not be required until the cessation of hostilities, or just prior thereto, it is desired to give members of the forces who wish to be considered for such appointments an opportunity of lodging advance applications for selection at a later date.

Applicants are required to be fully qualified tradesmen, preferably with some experience as instructors. Selected applicants without satisfactory teaching experience may be required to undergo a short intensive course of training, during which the appropriate rates for instructors will be paid.

Successful applicants, who can be spared for release from the Army, will be appointed as temporary trade instructors, by the appropriate State or Federal Service authority. Application forms and conditions of training and employment may be obtained from the Deputy of Industrial Training in the State in which appointment is desired.

The addresses of Deputy Directors of Industrial Training are as follows :-

- Australian Capital Territory - Canberra Technical College.
- New South Wales - Sydney Technical College, Ultimo, Sydney.
- Victoria - V.C.A. - Building, Flinders Street, Melbourne.
- Queensland - Department of Public Instruction, Brisbane.
- South Australia - Education Department, Adelaide.
- Western Australia - Perth Technical College, Perth.
- Tasmania - Education Department, Hobart.

The contents of this notice will be brought to the attention of all ranks.

STOLEN.

Launch for personal use of G.O.C. American Division is believed stolen by Australian troops. It is understood to be 36ft long with pram bow and one cabin with awning aft. Information of location or use will be forwarded to this HQ.



MINUTE OF PUBLICATION OF DISTRICT COURT MARTIAL.

Member Tried - V48185 PTE BINCH D.W. 58/59 Aust Inf Bn

Nature of Court District Court Martial

Date and Place of Trial 15 Aust Inf Bde 19 Dec 44.

Charge WOAS ABSENTING HIMSELF WITHOUT LEAVE in that he in the Field did absent himself without leave from 0600 hrs on 3 Dec 44 until 1940 hrs 7 Dec 44. Army Act 15(1).

Finding - The Court found the accused guilty of the charge.  
Sentence - To suffer Field Punishment for a period of 28 (twenty eight ) days and to forfeit all ordinary pay for a period of 28 (twenty eight) days.

Confirmation - On 20 Dec 44 COMD 11 AUST DIV confirmed the finding and sentence BUT REMITTED THE FORFEITURE OF 12 DAYS' PAY.

Member Tried - N200504 PTE FOSTER W.C. 58/59 Aust Inf Bn.

Nature of Court - District Court Martial.

Date and Place of Trial 15 Aust Inf Bde. 19 Dec 44.

Charge - WOAS ABSENTING HIMSELF WITHOUT LEAVE in that he, in the Field did absent himself without leave from 0600 hrs on 4 Dec 44 until 1940 hrs on 7 Dec 44. Army Act 15(1).

Finding - The Court found the accused GUILTY of the charge  
Sentence - To suffer Field Punishment for a period of 21 (twenty-one) days and to forfeit all ordinary pay for a period of 21 (twenty-one) days.

Confirmation - On 20 Dec 44 COMD 11 AUST DIV confirmed the finding and sentence BUT REMITTED 7 DAYS OF THE AWARD OF FIELD PUNISHMENT AND FORFEITURE OF 19 DAYS' PAY.

Member Tried VX135623 PTE PARKER A.G. 58/59 Aust Inf Bn.

Nature of Trial - District Court Martial.

Date and Place of Trial 19 Dec 44 HQ 15 Aust Inf Bde.

Charge - WOAS ABSENTING HIMSELF WITHOUT LEAVE, in that he, in the Field, did absent himself without leave from 0830 hrs on 4 Dec 44 until 1940 hrs 7 Dec 44. Army Act 15(1).

Finding - The Court found the Accused GUILTY of the charge.  
Sentence - To suffer Field Punishment for a period of 21 (twenty-one) days and to forfeit all ordinary pay for a period of 21 (twenty-one ) days.

Confirmation- Confirmed by COMD 11 AUST DIV on 20 Dec 44.



Member Tried - V44602 PTE NEAL T.J. 58/59 Aust Inf Bn.  
Nature of Court - District Court Martial.  
Date and Place of Trial - 19 Dec 44 HQ 15 Aust Inf Bde.  
Charge - Army Act 15(1) - WOAS ABSENTING HIMSELF WITHOUT LEAVE in that he, in the Field, absented himself without leave from 0600 hrs on 7 Dec 44 until 1725 hrs on 7 Dec 44.  
Finding - The Court found the Accused GUILTY of the  
Sentence - Charge.  
To suffer Field Punishment for a period of 28 (twenty-eight) days and to forfeit all ordinary pay for a period of 28 (twenty-eight) days.  
Confirmation - On 20 Dec 44 by COMD 11 AUST DIV, BUT REMITTED 12 DAYS OF THE AWARD OF FIELD PUNISHMENT AND FORFEITURE OF PAY.

Member Tried - V48019 PTE MILBURN J.J. 58/59 Aust Inf Bn.  
Nature of Court - District Court Martial.  
Date and Place of Trial - 19 Dec 44 HQ 15 Aust Inf Bde.  
Charge - Army Act 15(1) - WOAS ABSENTING HIMSELF WITHOUT LEAVE in that he, in the Field, did absent himself without leave from 0600 hrs on 7 Dec 44 until 1725 hrs on 7 Dec 44.  
Finding - The Court found the accused GUILTY of the  
Sentence - Charge.  
To suffer Field Punishment for a period of 28 (twenty-eight) days and to forfeit all ordinary pay for a period of 28 (twenty-eight) days.  
Confirmation - On 20 Dec 44 by COMD 11 AUST DIV.

Member Tried - VX137962 PTE McBRIDE K.A.  
Nature of Court - District Court Martial.  
Date and Place of Trial - 19 Dec 44 HQ 15 Aust Inf Bde.  
Charge - Army Act 15(1) - WOAS ABSENTING HIMSELF WITHOUT LEAVE in that he, at CAMP PELL, MELBOURNE, absented himself without leave from 0800 hrs on 26 Sep 44 until 1600 hrs on 31 Oct 44.  
Finding - The Court found the Accused GUILTY of the  
Sentence - Charge.  
To suffer Field Punishment for a period of 28 (twenty-eight) days and to forfeit all ordinary pay for 28 (twenty-eight) days.  
Confirmation - On 20 Dec 44 by COMD 11 AUST DIV.



REPORT ON TRAINING AND WORKS 28 DEC 44 - 7 JAN 45

15 AUST INF BDE (AIF)

1. The following report on training and works is submitted in respect of the period 28 Dec 44 - 7 Jan 45.

2. Outline of Training and Works

All Coys.	
Camp construction	7 days
Battalion Parades, Kit inspection	
Kit inspection	1 day
Adm and organised sport	1 day
Church Parade and rest	1 day
Duty Coy	1 day

3. Standard of Training and Works

(a) The only training carried out during the period under review was the half hour of rifle and foot drill exercises conducted daily and two Battalion parades held 2 and 5 Jan. Minor faults in dress and equipment were evident on these parades, but discipline and steadiness during inspections were good.

(b) Works

Immediately on arrival in the new camp site a comprehensive works programme was drawn up and work commenced immediately according to a determined priority. Resulting from ( and contributing to) the cheerfulness of the troops to settle down to hard work, excellent progress was made in camp construction and it is considered that a high standard has been achieved.

4. Standard of fitness

(a) Personnel treated by RAP compared with week ending 17 Dec 44 is as follows :-

	<u>Weeks ending</u> <u>17 Dec</u>	<u>11 days ending</u> <u>7 Jan 45.</u>
P.U.O.	8	-
Diarrhoea	8	4
URTI	2	49
Skin	18	32
Accidents	1	9
Other complaints	34	36

Note - It is thought that the majority of URTI cases were contracted during the sea voyage, 36 cases being recorded in the first four days after disembarkation.

(b) Considerable minor skin complaints are in evidence as a result of RMCs inspection, but action against skin disease is being taken in accordance with 3 Aust Div and 15 Aust Inf Bde circulars and it is considered that these will be controlled.

(c) General physique is very good and morale is very high.

5. Preparation of Exercises by Officers

Nil

6. Specialist Training

Nil



AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

HQ 58/59 Aust Inf Bn  
45/56  
7 Jan 45

Subject : WEEKLY REPORT ON INCIDENCE OF SKIN DISEASE

15 AUST INF BDE (AIF)

	No of Cases
Bullous Impetigo	1
Interrigo of Feet	148
" " Groin	2
Tinea of Feet	72
" " Groin	-
Tinea Flava,Alba, Nigra.(Axillae)	220
Impetigo	2
Boils	3
Dermatitis and Eczema	-
Acne	3

The highest incidence is of Tinea of the Axillary hairs, (Tinea Flava,Alba,and Nigra). Only the hairs are affected but if left untreated the skin also becomes involved. In the 220 cases seen, there was no involvement of the skin. The condition reponds rapidly to treatment.

INTERRIGO OF FEET.

This condition is caused by the sweating surfaces of the toes rubbing together, macerating the sodden skin. Action has been taken for the use of foot baths and application of foot powder.

TINEA OF FEET.

Of the 72 cases only one was severe: The remainder were of a mild nature.

GENERAL.

The above figures are for skin diseases at a very early stage:- The stage when treatment is most effective. Weekly inspections are being carried out by R.M.O.

Daily inspections of feet are carried out by Officers.

Arrangements have been made to have clothing boiled daily.

(Signed) *R.M.O.* Capt.  
R.M.O. 58/59 Aust Inf Bn.



7 Unit Cadres

Cadres were conducted for the following personnel :-

(a) Maintenance Section

Hygiene and maintenance personnel were given a series of lectures by RMO and hygiene Sjt prior to being allotted to companies as hygiene dutymen and advisers.

(b) Malaria Squad

A six day cadre was conducted by RMO for three ORs from each Coy selected to assist coy comds in malarial control.

8. TENTS AND DISCUSSIONS

A discussion was held between CO and Coy Comds to lay down standard methods of

- (a) Laying out Coy lines
- (b) erecting tents
- (c) erecting showers
- (d) erecting mess huts
- (e) layout of kit
- (f) assembly of cots folding
- (g) construction of mess tin racks.

9. Discussions Before and After exercises

Nil

10. Man Management

- (a) Showers have been erected in all coy lines, use being made of attachments bought in Australia prior to embarkation. Daily shower parades and foot inspections were held, and RMO carried out skin inspection of all personnel (subject of separate report)
- (b) Hot water has been made available and used for washing of clothes.
- (c) State of coy lines is good.
- (d) Normal kit inspections were held.
- (e) Hygiene  
Some difficulty was experienced during the first ten days pending completion of latrines and kitchens, and flies are still prevalent, due to number of old latrines and sullage pits in area. Steps have been taken to combat them with DDT.
- (f) Mess huts have been either completed or are nearing completion.
- (g) Cots folding are most valuable owing to speed and ease with which they may be set up, and uniformity they give to tents.

11. General

- (a) The standard layout of Bn HQ and Coy lines introduced at NADANG was adopted when building the camp, and as this has now become a familiar drill progress was swift. The "Q" Block was designed in the form of a shopping centre (vide sketch attached as Appendix "A") to facilitate the handling of personnel.

(b) Schools and Courses

The following results have been achieved by members of this Battalion at schools and courses.

School	Failed	50%-65%	66%-79%	80%-100%
LHQ School of W.I.	-	2	1	-
LHQ School of W.I. (Photo Interpretation)	1	-	1	2
LHQ Gas school	-	-	..	1

(c) Education

- (1) An education centre has been set up, containing unit library, gramophone and classical pamphlets, and a member to advise & teach personnel desiring to undertake study courses.



(ii) News is read daily on the unit broadcasting station.

(d) AMENITIES

An amenities centre has been set up, containing YMCA, Picture theatre, reading room and sports area.

The picture theatre is in the progress of conversion for either boxing ring or concert stage.

A unit broadcasting station is operating over the public address net work, giving news bulletins, special musical programmes etc. Rehearsals are being carried out for a Battalion concert to be given on 13 Jan.

(e) Sports

Coy organised sports were carried out from 1600 hrs to 1630 hrs daily and on 6 Jan approx 80 personnel were taken to TOROKINA beach.

Considerable progress has been made in all coys in erection of courts and clearing of areas, and facilities exist for playing of football, cricket, softball, basketball, volleyball circles.

(f) Battalion Parades

Battalion parades were held on 2 & 5 Jan and the following points arising therefrom were promulgated to coy comds.

- (i) Correct methods of carrying mosquito lotion, paybook, AB 83, field dressing, oil bottle and pullthrough.
- (ii) minor faults evident in dress and equipment
- (iii) improvement was noticeable in cleanliness of boots & weapons
- (iv) steadiness on parade was a pleasing feature.

(g) Priority of Works

The following is a summary of man hours worked on various phases of camp construction and activities:-

Administration	8500 hrs
Hygiene	1400 hrs
Camp construction	14,500 hrs
Amenities	700 hrs
Miscellaneous	500 hrs
Training	1000 hrs
Total	26600 hrs

12 Lessons

Camp layout and construction vide para 11a

13 Recommendations

- (a) It is requested that sufficient 380 Rev ammunition be made available to enable adequate of training of all personnel armed with pistols. Lack of ammunition has continually hampered proficiency in the weapon, and approximately 80% of personnel armed with pistols have never fired the weapon.
- (b) It is intended to commence the following cadres on 8 Jan 45.

<u>Cadre</u>	<u>Students</u>	<u>Duration</u>
2" Mortar refresher Cadre	All Nos 1 & 2 on 2" mortar	3 days
Grenade & Grenade Discharger	One OR from each rifle section	2 days
Pistol cadre	30 ORS HQ Coy armed with pistols	2 days



- (c) It is requested that training films programmes as notified in 15 Aust Inf Bde C510 of 6 Jan be allotted to this Battalion on one, or if possible two, fixed nights each week to enable films to be fitted in with syllabi.

*Geo. F. ...*  
Lt-col  
Comd 58/59 Aust Inf Bn



*Wesley, Henry*



*129 Aust. Bde. W/shop A.I.F.*

*A.E.M.E.*

*Christmas*

*1944*



*A Merry Christmas  
and a Happy  
New Year*

*From 129 Aust Hosp W/pt (AIF) AEME  
129 Aust Hosp Genl Hq (AIF).*

*To 5.8/59 Aust Inf Bn.*



Wm  
deary



Greetings  
and Best Wishes  
for a

Merry Christmas



With Kind Remembrance

and Every Good Wish for Christmas

and the New Year

To the Officers, N.C.O.s, N.C.O.'s  
and Men of the  
58/59 Aust Inf Bn

from

Lieut F.W. Daven  
M.G.O Branch  
L.H.Q.



58/59

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AUSTRALIAN

BATTALION

Christmas

1944



*Best Wishes*

*for*

*A Happy Christmas*

*and*

*A Bright New Year*

*To*

*From*



15 AUST INF BDE SIG SEC  
(AIF)

*Wm. D. ...*

*Greetings*



Xmas, 1944





*Sweet memory steals our time this day,  
Life's cares recede fade far away,  
Fond thoughts come tumbling to our mind,  
Of happier days we've left behind.*

*Through strong regrets and silent tears,  
Gleam portents of those better years,  
When Xmas day shall once again  
Be Peace on Earth, goodwill to men.*



*G*reetings for

*Wm  
dunn*

**CHRISTMAS**

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1944 ...



To Lt-col G. Warpe  
Officers & men of 58/59 Aust. Inf Bn

With the Compliments of  
Commanding Officer Officers & Men  
of 24 Aust. Inf Bn (A.I.F.)



War Diary

TRAINING SYLLABUS - RIFLE COYS - 8 JAN - 14 JAN 45

Date	A Coy	B Coy	C Coy	D Coy	Officer & NCOs	Night Training
8 Jan	Morning - Building Bayonet training Course. Afternoon As for morning	Classification Range No 21. Grouping application & snap	Duty Coy. Guard & orderly duties. Camp constr. Theatre area stag. Special fatigues.	Morning - Sec & Pl formations along & astride tracks. Position of weapons. Information. Position of Sec leaders & Pl comds. Afternoon - Weapon T's O E T.		Films Bn theatre area.
9 Jan	Morning - Bn parade Arms drill, Marching practice with band. Afternoon - bayonet training, T's O.E.T. all weapons	Morning - Bn parade Bayonet training Afternoon - Sec & Pl formations along & astride track. Position of weapons. Information. Position of sec leaders & Pl Comdrs.	Morning - Bn parade. Classification range No 21. Grouping, application & snap	Duty Coy. Guard & orderly duties Camp Road constr Unit sports area Theatre seating Special fatigues	Lecture 1600 Offrs & NCOs Occupation of Pl & Coy bivouac area Considerations	Section Compass traverse. Facing and methods of keeping direction & use of compass by night.
10 Jan	Morning - Sec & Pl formations along & astride track. Position of weapons, information, position of Sec leaders & Pl comdrs. Afternoon - Organised Sport - Inter Coy competition - Volley Ball deck tennis Basketball Baseball Football cricket	Morning - Arms drill, Marching practice with band	Morning - Bayonet Training. T's O E T all weapons	Classification Range No 21 Grouping, application & snap		
11 Jan	Duty Coy - Guard & Orderly duties, Complete theatre area, Bn road Circuit. Special Fatigues	Morning - Bn Parade. Occupation of bivouac area. Practice as per lecture	Morning - Bn Parade Occupation of Bivouac area Practice as per lecture	Morning - Bn Parade Occupation of Bivouac area Practice as per lecture		Lecture in Coy Mess huts, Skin diseases how to avoid



Date	A Coy	B Coy	C Coy	D Coy	Officers & NCOs	Night Training
12 Jan	Morning - Ambush on Road Bayonet Training. Afternoon - Occupation of bivouac area Practice as per lecture	Duty Coy. Guard & Orderly Duties Clean Bn Area, Maintenance Drainage, Timber for sawbench Special Fatigues	Morning - Sec & Pl Formations along & astride tracks. Position of weapons, information, position of Sec leaders & Pl comds Afternoon - Bayonet Training, Set ambush on road	Morning - Bayonet Training. T8sOET all weapons. Afternoon - Arms drill Marching practice with band.	Lecture 1600 Patrols, briefing, management maintenance of objective.	
13 Jan	Morning - Coy adm Kit inspection Wash clothing Repairs Afternoon - Tabloid Military Sports, Bn basis	Morning - Coy Adm Kit inspections Wash clothing, Repairs Afternoon - Tabloid Military Sports Bn basis	Duty Coy. Guard & Orderly duties Special fatigues Coy adm. Afternoon - Sports programme	Morning - Coy Adm Kit inspections Wash clothing Repairs Afternoon - Tabloid Military sports Bn basis		Bn Concert
14 Jan	Morning	CHURCH PARADE	Bn COMBINED PARADE	RC CHURCH PARADE CHAPEL AREA. Duty Coy, Guard and Orderly Duties	Morning wiring & wire assault	
	Afternoon	SWIMMING PARADES AND REST				



CADRES

1. Stretcher Bearers Refresher and Recruit Course (RMO) 9 1/2 days
2. Refresher Course 2" Mortar Personnel (Lt PIMM) 3 days
3. Recruit Course ~~Open~~ Discharger (Lt WAIKER) 2 days
4. Pistol Cadre All personnel armed with pistol  
(Lt E'ART)  
(WO1 FIGOT) 2 1/4 days  
(Sjt Nippard)

SCORES FOR RANGE PRACTICES

- |                |  |          |           |
|----------------|--|----------|-----------|
| 1. Grouping    | 100 yards or 200 yards<br>2 sighters into mound<br>5 scoring shots | possible | 25 points |
| 2. Application | 1 sighter into mound<br>5 scoring shots                            | possible | 25 points |
| 3. Snap        | 22 in Disc 10 shots  | possible | 20 points |



TRAINING SYLLABUS - No 1 PLATOON

Day	0800-0830	0830-0900	0920-1000	1010-1050	1050-1130	1300-1345	1355-1440	1450-1530	1530-1600		
1	Coy Parade	Buzzer Practice	Abbreviations	Switch	Boards	L. Phone	Buzzer Practice	Practical Mess Passing	Sport	PISTOL CADRE	
2	"	"	108 - Netting	Trencode	Trencode	Procedure Mess. Form	"	"	"		
3	"	"	Sig Clerk Duties	Handling - Protected Documents		Sig Office Records	Procedure W/T	Sig Office Records	"		
4	"	ALL DAY EXERCISE - USING D.V. SWITCHBOARD. Sig Clerk - FULLERPHONE							"	"	PISTOL CADRE
5	"	PRACTICAL WORKING - 108 Mk III <u>MCW</u> - LAMPS DSSR. and FULLERPHONE.							"	"	
6	COMPANY ADMINISTRATION					ORGANISED SPORT					
7	CHURCH PARADE					R E S T					



TRAINING SYLLABUS - No 2 PLATOON - Week Ending 12 JAN 45.

DAY	0800-0830	0830-0910	0920-1000	1010-1050	1050-1130	1100-1145	1155-1240	1250-1320	1330-1600	Remarks		
1	Coy Parade & Inspec.	Squad Drill NCOs Voice Control	Recapit EGD	Recapit Mech 2, 3, 4.	Recapit EGD	Recapit Mech 5, 6.	Recapit EGD and competitive EGD.	Cleaning Stores, Lecturette	Sport	8 men attending Pistol Cadre. 4 men attending Gren Discharger.		
2	"	T.O.E.G.D.				Sec Drill		Lecture Fd Duties	"	ditto.		
3	"	D U T Y C O M P A N Y				O R G A N I S E D S P O R T						
4	"	(No 1 Sec) FIELD FIRING EXERCISE									"	No 1 Sec only. Pistol Cadre
5	"	(No 1 Sec) Preparation of Defensive Position Lecture on Practice NCOs in Routine use of head & breast set				Concealment and Camouflage of Defence Post & rendering returns			"	ditto		
	"	(No 2 Sec) As for Day 5 above.									"	No 2 Sec only.
5	"	(No 2 Sec) FIELD FIRING EXERCISE									"	ditto
6		C O M P A N Y A D M I N I S T R A T I O N				O R G A N I S E D S P O R T						
7		C H U R C H P A R A D E				R E S T						



RECAPITULATION SYLLABUS - 3 (Mort) PLATOON, FOR WEEK ENDING 14 JAN 45.

DAY	0300-0330	0840-0930	0945-1030	1040-1130	1300-1350	1400-1445	1500-1530	1530-1600	REMARKS.	
Mon. 8 Jan	Coy Parade and Inspection	Laying & Aiming	Auxy aim- ing marks	M.I. Laying & Aiming	Action & Cease Fir- ing devel- oping spd.	L Pl Org & Battle Procedure	Maintenance Check Stores	Sport	Pistol Cadre	
Tue. 9.	"	Misfire Action on misfire	Controlled and Rapid Corrections	Reserved	L. (by med pers) Hyg. prev of disease	"	"	"	Pistol Cadre	
Wed 10	DUTY COY - General Recapitulation for those NOT absorbed in works - Sport								Pistol Cadre	
Thu 11	"	Ts. O. E. M. D.			M.J. Rapid Corrections	L. Battery procedure	"	"	"	Pistol Cadre
Fri 12	"	L. Orders. Discussion of Op Ords	Battery procedure (proc) Layout of batt on gd, Zero- ing & paralleling	Competitive det drill -ALL drills	L. Methods of control introd he' phones, s/p	"	"	"	Pistol Cadre	
Sat 13	"	Coy Adm - Kit Inspection			Organised Sport					
Sun 14	CHURCH PARADE				REST					



2 inch MORTAR SYLLABUS 8 - 10 JAN 45

Date	0815 - 0900	0900 - 0945	1000-1045	1045 - 1130	1330-1430	1430-1530
8 Jan	Role of mortar -- attack, defence. Characteristics Effect on role by jungle	Discussion - bombs Care of ammunition in the tropics	Stripping and cleaning	Loading and firing - action on misfire	Battle sight, Practice in laying and aiming	
9 Jan	Smoke. Jungle e effect. Demonstration screen	Firing of HE and smoke. Safety	Indirect sighting Improvisation necessary for jungle shooting		Selection of fire positions	
10 Jan	Field Firing		Target practice H & L angle Realistic fire positions		Laying smoke screens	



PISTOL TRAINING CADRE SYLLABUS

Date	0815-0900	0905-0950	0955-1040	1045-1130	1300-1345	1350-1435	1440-1525	Remarks
2 Jan	Introduction. General Characteristics Safety Precautions	Lesson 1. Description Draw Pistols Return Pistols Additional Safety precautions Cleaning	Lesson 1 (Contd) Ready position Load Unload	Lesson 2 Firing by sense of direction	Lesson 3 Firing from cover using sights	Strengthening and quickening exercises	Recapitulation	Held in B Coy Area
9 Jan	Firing practice (dry) both hands	Practical cleaning before firing	Quiz	TOET. 1. General knowledge 2. Handling	Firing Practice	TOET 3. Firing	Cleaning Repair Stores Recapitulation	0800-1130 C Coy area 1300-1525 Range



SYLLABUS - GRENADE DISCHARGER CADRE - 8/9 JAN 45

Date	0800	0815-0900	0910-0955	1005-1050	1100-1130	1300-1345	1355-1440	1450-1530
8 Jan	RV. Fall in. Roll Allotment to squads	36 M Grenade	Discharger No 1 Mk 1	Firing posns	Quiz	Clean grenade for firing	Use of smoke (Lecture)	Demo use of smoke Practice part of squad
9 Jan	Embus for Range. Commence firing 0830 hrs	Range Practice - 80 yds kneeling, 110 yds sitting 140 yds kneeling, 170 yds sitting 200 yds kneeling 140 yds standing				Practice remainder of squad in use of smoke	Lecture, & Demo, use of smoke & the Sec in attack	Demo and Practice. HE with tail Unit cover.



SYLLABUS - No 4 (Tk/A) PLATOON 8 - 14 JAN 45

Date	0800-0830	0830-0910	0920-1000	1010-1050	1050-1130	1300-1345	1355-1440	1450-1530	1530-1600
8 JAN	Coy parade and inspection	Squad Drill	OSMG Introduction OSMG Drill	Bren. Intro- duction	Compass	Grenade 36M	Gas Charact- eristics	P.I.T.A.	Sport
9 Jan	"	Rifle & OSMG Exercise	OSMG Holding & firing	Bren Holding and firing	Grenade Throwing	Range Cards	Gas Decon- tamination	Subsidiary Tk/A weapons	"
10 Jan		D U T Y C O Y				ORGANISED SPORT			
11 Jan	"	Squad Drill	Gun Drill	OSMG Strip- ping and cleaning	Mech. Recapit.	Bren Strip- ping and cleaning	Messages & Message writing	Maint- enance	"
12 Jan	"	Rifle & OSMG exercises	Gun Drill	Bren Stoppages	"	Gun Drill	Gun Drill	"	"
13 Jan		COY ADMINISTRATION				ORGANISED SPORT			
14 Jan		CHURCH PARADE				REST			

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58/59 AUSTR INF BN

8 Jan 45

OFFICERS POSTINGS

BnHQ

CO	VX186	Lt-Col	G.R. WARFE	MC
2 i/c	VX7562	Major	H.G. SWEET	
Adjt	106327	Capt	R.L. MATHEWS	
A/Adjt	NX114337	Lt	F.J. NORRIE	MC
I.O.	TX4679	"	J.R. ROE	

ATTACHED.

RMO	NX201928	Capt	L.W. MIDDLETON
PADRE	VX114251	Chap	H. SHOTTON
YMCA	B2/348	Rep	H. WHARTON

A COY.

Coy Comd	VX102607	Capt	A.C. JACKSON
2 i/c	NX115923	"	J. TILBROOK
No 7 Pl	VX118687	Lt	J.G. McINTOSH
" 8 "	NX113231	"	D.J. BREWSTER
" 9 "	VX89320	"	A.B. WHEELER

Supernumary: NX119987 Lt R. ROLFE

B COY.

Coy Comd	VX114134	Capt	L.J. HOOKING
2 i/c	VX112185	Lt	J.F. BETHUNE
No 10 Pl	VX115588	"	A.B. BALL
" 11 "	VX144708	"	H.J. PINN
" 12 "	NX129557	"	N.H. KELLY

C COY.

Coy Comd	NX97	Maj	W.A. PIKE
2 i/c	VX114325	Capt	A.W. ROBY
No 13 Pl	VX104538	Lt	H.J. WALKER
" 14 "	TX4464	"	F.O. SMITH
" 15 "	NX133891	"	H.B. EWART

D COY.

Coy Comd	NX113730	Capt	F. MICHAEL
2 i/c	VX51665	Lt	E.M. GRIFF
No 16 Pl	TX5207	"	E.A. DAVEY
" 17 "	VX114250	"	D.G. SPINK
" 18 "	VX109161	"	N.C. BIDGOOD

HQ COY.

Coy Comd	TX5326	Lt	H.J. SHROSBREE
No 1 Pl	OX32392	"	E.S. ZERNER
" 2 "	VX104452	"	D.A. HOGAN
" 3 "	VX102653	"	G.H. WILLIAMS
" 5 "	NX123187	"	R.C. BAIZER
" 6 "	VX102647	Capt	H.A. DRIMPSTER
T.O.	VX104470	Lt	L.R. MARSH



War  
Diary

Subject : TREATMENT OF BLANKETS G.S.

Memo to Coy Comd

1. Blankets withdrawn from personnel on the 10 Jan 45 have been replaced with other blankets treated with an anti-mite compound.
2. The Blankets received have been washed and dried by 2/6 Mobile Laundry then dipped in a mixture of mosquito repellent and soap which will keep it mite-proof for a period of three (3) months .
3. Each blanket has been marked with a red thread sewn into the corner , and as this coloured thread governs future treatment of blankets , they will be left intact by all ranks .

W. J. Dempsey Capt .

QM 58/59 Aust Inf Bn.







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APPX JA3

UNIT WAR HISTORIES

Notification pursuant to GRO A298/44 para 3

Name of Unit	58/59 Aust Inf Bn.
Date of ballot of members	10 Jan 45.
Number of members on posted strength on date of ballot	820.
Number of members desiring publication of Unit War Histories	511 of 715 with unit 71.17%.
Percentage of posted strength so desiring publication	62.07%
Number of members who have undertaken in writing to purchase unit War History on publication	423

Date: 11 JAN 45.

*[Handwritten Signature]*

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(Signature of Commanding Officer)



AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

HQ 58/59 Aust Inf Bn  
Jan 45

COY COMDS CONFERENCE 1116301

MEMO FOR COY COMDS, I.O., R.S.M.

- These notes are in confirmation.
1. (a) Following Officers will attend Arty field firing practices on 13 and 14 Jan :-

13 Jan - Capt DEMPSTER	14 Jan - Capt ROBY
Lt ROLFE	Lt McJINTOSH
" Balzer	" KELLY

- (b) ADM.

- (1) Officers will assemble BnHQ 06301 on respective days and RV at br 646950 (ref map TOROKINA 1 in) at 07101. 15 Aust Inf Bde LO's will guide parties from here to OP area 666965.
- (11) Observers will wear white armbands.

2. Preparedness for War Returns due 1 Jan will be handed in by 13 Jan.

3. AABs 83.

Certificates will be forwarded to this HQ by 18001 13 Jann to the effect that AABs 83 are correct in the following particulars:-

- (a) All personnel entitled to wear Africa Star have following entry in inside rear cover:-  
" Approved to wear ribbon of Africa Star (with or without clasp) subject to LHQ verification by Second Echelon LHQ."  
Such entry will be signed and have signatory's number and appointment following:-
- (b) Ditto for 1939/43 Star.
- (c) Service Chevrons.

All dates of embarkation from Australia and disembarkation in Australia are entered in inside back cover of AAB 83, and signed, together with statement as to entitlement of number of service chevrons. Periods of detention or imprisonment (which do not qualify soldier for service chevrons) will also be entered.

4. Adm instr No 12 will be amended as follows:-

- (a) Add after para 2(b). AABs 83 will be checked and reconciled with AAFs A63 prior to issuing of this certificate.
- (b) Add after para 2(k). Records of issuing of AAB 83 and date will be maintained in soldier's paybook and on AAF A63.

5. Conference of all Officers will be held at Officers Mess 1212301 to discuss arrangements for Tabloid Sports on 13 Jan.



6. (a) Personnel in 2/1 Aust Gd Regt who are medically fit Class A and under 30 years of age will be transferred to Infantry Battalions in exchange for personnel over 30 years of age in those Battalions.
- (b) Coys will submit nominal rolls of personnel over 30 years of age, by 1200 13 Jan and showing :-  
No, Rank, Name, Medical Class, Age, Marital State, Civil Employment, Trade Sp., Whether AIF or willing to join AIF.

*R. Henderson* Capt  
Adjt 58/59 Aust Inf Bn



TABLOID SPORTS

1. LOCATION.

A tabloid sports will be held on the Battalion Sports Arena on 13 Jan 45 commencing at 1330 hrs.

2. TROOPS TAKING PART.

Teams each consisting of 10 men will be provided as follows :-

Rifle Coys		1 team per platoon.
Bn HQ		2 teams.
Duty Coy		1 team.
HQ Coy -	1 Pl	1 team.
	2 Pl	2 teams.
	3 Pl	2 "
	4 Pl	2 "
	5 Pl	1 team.
	6 Pl	1 "

Eighteen teams will compete a list of 18 events (appx "A").

3. CONTROL.

Teams will nominate own captains who will be responsible for movement and discipline of team at all times. Supervising officers have the power to deduct points for breaches of discipline.

4. SUPERVISION OF EVENTS.

One officer will supervise each event as shown appx "A".

5. SCORING.

Sports will be conducted on a competitive basis. Team scoring the greatest number of points will be declared the winner. Standards will be laid down by the supervising officer of each event and each member of a team to qualify will score one point for his team.

6. PROGRESSIVE SCORES.

Padre SHOTTON and Mr WHARTON will be official scorers and will keep progressive scores on a board in the centre of the arena.

7. START TIME.

Teams will report to their respective events as shown Appx "A" ready to commence at 1330 hrs.

8. SEQUENCE OF EVENTS.

Teams will move from event to next event in numerical sequence.

9. DRESS.

Shorts or slacks, sand shoes or boots, hats fur felt. Troops will not be permitted to compete in bare feet. Mugs enamel will be carried and a drink provided at a time to be notified.

10. FINAL DECISION.

In the event of a tie between two or more teams, the winner will be decided by a relay race.

11. PRELIMINARY CONFERENCE of all officers at Officers Mess at 1230 hrs on 12 Jan 45.



APPENDIX "A"

Event No	Team commencing at Event	EVENT	Supervising Officer
1	1 Platoon	Hop, Step and Jump	Lt ZERNER E.S.
2	2 "	OWEN: (assembling)	Lt BIDGOOD N.C.
3	3 "	40 yds Backward Race	Lt DAVEY E.A.
4	4 "	Running Broad Jump	Lt McINTOSH J.G.
5	5 "	Grenade Throwing	Lt MARSH L.R.
6	6 "	High Jump	Lt SMITH F.O.
7	7 "	Shot Putt (Volley Ball)	Lt SPINK D.G.
8	8 "	Quizz	Lt HOGAN D.A.
9	9 "	100 yds Sprint	Lt SHROSBREE H.
10	10 "	Filling Bren Mag.	Lt BALL A.B.
11	11 "	Backward Jump	Lt ROLFE R.
12	12 "	Potato Race	Lt BETHUNE J.F.
13	13 "	Throwing at Wicket	Lt ROE J.R.
14	BnHQ (No 1)	Kicking Football	Capt MICHAEL F.
15	BnHQ (No 2)	Throwing Softball	Lt BALZER R.C.
16	2 Pl (No 2)	Siamese Race	Lt WILLIAMS G.H.
17	3 Pl (No 2)	Throwing Basketball for Goal	Capt ROBY A.W.
18	4 Pl (No 2)	Setting Compass for Night March	Lt GRIFF E.M.

Emergency Supervising Officers :-

Capt HOCKING L.J.  
" JACKSON A.C.



INSTRUCTIONS FOR SUPERVISING OFFICERS.PREPARATION.

Lt KELLY and Lt WHEELER are responsible for laying out arena. The position of each event will be designated by a sign bearing the number of the event as shown Appx "A".

STORES.

Officers are responsible for the stores required for their event.

COMMUNICATIONS.

Each officer will arrange to have at his disposal at least one orderly to convey progressive scores to the scoring centre as each team complete the event.  
Officers will also provide from troops not competing, any fatigue men they require.

STANDARDS.

Officers are responsible for the establishment of a standard for their respective events.  
Owing to the wet and loose nature of the ground, some standards will necessarily be lower than at previous sports at MADANG.

SCORING.

Each officer will maintain a scoring card showing event, team number, number of competition, and number successful.

*R. Mackenzie*  
Lt.  
Sports Officer 58/59 Aust Inf Bn.



*For diary*

APPX JA4

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

HQ 53/89 Aust Inf Bn  
45/86  
12 Jan 45

Subject : NOMINAL ROLL

VOLUNTEERS FOR 2 AUST CORPS PRO COY.

No	RANK	NAME	POSTING	CONDUCT SHEET
VX159086	L/Cpl	HICKRY H.	R.P.	Clean
VX147100	L/Cpl	DUKE E.A.	R.P.	"
V331536	L/Cpl	KETTLES L.	R.P.	"
VX135625	Pte	STODDART D.G.	R.P.	"
T102675	"	LATHAM R.H.	Riflesman	"
HX190390	L/Cpl	GOODLOCK C.K.	Sec Leader	"
Q265803	Pte	BARNES L.P.W.	Riflesman	"
V322106	"	LEWIS T.	"	"
HX154537	"	PHILLIS C.W.	2 <sup>nd</sup> Mortar Man	"
VX149938	"	BAILEY F.	Bren Gunner	"
V505397	"	HARRIS G.V.	2 <sup>nd</sup> Mortar Man	"
W427178	"	RAY E.	Rifle Bomber	"
Q105087	"	TWEED L.E.H.	Riflesman	"
VX94248	"	RUSSELL L.J.	"	"
N437700	"	DELANEY L.	"	"
T102428	"	GOLDER S.K.	"	"
V295557	"	CULPITT J.L.	Mortar Number	"
QX55596	"	LLOYD JONES R.A.	"	"
HX154183	"	DIXON T.	"	"
V20771	"	ZANKER H.A.	MMO Number	"
V325644	"	RUDD G.K.	Batman	"
V47902	"	DANKS A.S.	Rangemaker TO III	"
VX148201	Sig	ARNEY H.E.	Sig - TO II	"
N455329	Pte	CASEY P.	Clerk	"
747376	"	CHAMBERLAIN G.F.	Tech Storeman	"
V44156	"	COLLINS R.G.	Batman	"
HX123794	"	CHAMBERLAIN H.G.	R.P.	1 Offence-s
VX149833	L/Cpl	COLLINS J.R.	R.P.	1 "
V166250	Pte	TYRRELL W.C.	Mortar Number	2 "
VX141901	Sig	DARRASH R.	Sig - TO II	5 "
VX147157	"	PODIN J.	"	2 "
W34832	Pte	MENFREW J.	Mortar Number	10 "
HX133790	"	PARKELL S.A.	Rangemaker TO II	1 "
HX178914	"	ANDOUNN K.	Driver M.T.	6 "
VX139771	"	HEER P.R.	"	2 "
S51458	"	EVANS J.W.	Riflesman	4 "
HX148084	"	HOLLIER D.	Owen Gunner	3 "
V170299	"	HARWOOD J.P.	R.Y. Riflesman	2 "
V69115	"	TREACY J.L.	Bren Gunner	2 "
SX33050	"	SCHREIBER W.L.	"	2 "
HX192938	"	RODMAN J.T.	Riflesman	10 "

(Serving Sentence now)



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UNIT REPORT

UNIT 58/59 Aust Inf Bn

Week Ending 12/1/45

Diseases or Injury	Total new cases reported for treatment	Number evacuated to Medical Units
Diarrhoea & Dysentery	3	
U.R.T.I.	9	1
P.U.O. (incl Clinical Malaria & Dengue)	1	1
Skin	8	2
All Other Diseases	26	2
Non-battle Injuries	3	1
Battle Casualties		
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>7</b>

Daily rate per cent of strength incl attached

0.9%

Average daily strength 36/7.48  
To: Senior Adm Medical Officer,  
HQ.

1. List of an "X" any special report exceeding the scope of the form.

2. Trainees carried out by HQ.

3. Hygiene.

4. Latrine.

5. When applicable.



REPORT BY R.M.O.

1. HEALTH OF UNIT

(a) General Physical condition of personnel **Good**

(b) General Standard of Reinforcements received

(c) Severity of Work or Training **Moderate**

(d) General Remarks

2. STORES - Details of stores requisitioned for, but not yet received;

(a) Medical

(b) Expense Stores **Short supply of Calico and Pudding Clothes**

(c) Malaria Control Stores (i) Ordnance

(ii) AASC

3. MALARIA CONTROL

(a) Measures of personal protection (good, fair, bad)

Nets **Good** Atabrin **Good** Clothing **Good**

Repellent **Good**

(b) Larvae Control **Tents sprayed daily**

(c) Adult Destruction

(d) General Comments

4. RATIONS **Satisfactory**

5. HYGIENE **Satisfactory**

6. TRAINING CARRIED OUT BY RMO **Instructions to Stretcher Bearers**

(Signed) *[Signature]* **Capt**

**RMO 58/59 Aust Inf Bn.**

1. Attach as Appx "A" any special report exceeding the scope of pro forma.

11. When applicable.



13 Jan 45

Ref Maps : TOROKINA 1 inch to 1 mile

Recce supplied by: Int Section 58/59 Aust Inf Bn

Strength: 1 NCO 2 ORs

Time out: 120940 L

Time in: 121600 L

Area of recce: Commencing 720943 SW along JEEPHEAD RD (shown Appx A) to JEEPHEAD 737928 thence SOUTH to limit of existing tracks.

Route to area: 58/59 Aust Inf Bn 560962 via PERIMETER RD to 601945, DIVISION RD to 630941, PENDLETON RD to 647951, EAST WEST TRAIL to JEEPHEAD.

OBJECT:

- (a) Obtain information as to topography of country in sqs 7292, 7392, and SOUTH of RD in sq 7293.
- (b) Recce existing tracks SOUTH of JEEPHEAD RD.

SUMMARY

(a) Topography

Country SOUTH of RD, undulating, densely timbered with thick undergrowth, making penetration difficult. Two main streams in area; (1) (MAGNETIC STREAM) running SOUTH from JEEPHEAD 737928 into REINE RIVER; stream clear, shallow, fast running. (2) (BLACK STREAM), fast running, shallow, runs SW, crosses RD at 734928, and joins MAGNETIC STREAM at 737927. Water, both streams, good drinking. (See Appx A)

(b) ROADS AND TRACKS

JEEPHEAD RD (fair condition) is well drained and suitable for MT traffic all weather. Two tracks lead SOUTH from JEEPHEAD RD. (a) foot track good condition leads SOUTH from JEEPHEAD 737928 along LEFT bank of MAGNETIC STREAM for approx 2000 yds - good walking. (b) A track leads SOUTH off JEEPHEAD RD at 720943 for approx 2000 yds; this track used by tractors for hauling timber; - track very muddy, possibly jeepable in dry weather (see Appx A)

NOTES

The whole area recced is covered with rain forest and dense undergrowth, and any movement off existing tracks is difficult.

APPENDICES

Attached as Appx<sup>A</sup> is overlay TOROKINA 1<sup>in</sup> to 1 mile.

*David R. G. Pte*

Int Sect 58/59 Aust Inf Bn



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13 Jan 45

Ref Map : TOROKINA 1" to 1 mile

Recce supplied by : Int section 58/59 Aust Inf Bn

Strength : 1 Sjt 2 ORs

Time out : 120930 L

Time in : 121530 L

Area of recce : CHOP CHOP TRAIL 715947, South to coast.

Route to area : Bn HQ 560962 - South to Bomber Loop Rd -  
Division Rd - then West Trail Rd.

OBJECT:

- (a) To recce tracks and track conditions in area.
- (b) To find a track circuit.

SUMMARY

- (a) Route SOUTH from 715946

From junction WEST TRAIL a good all weather track capable of carrying 3 ton vehicles follows EAST bank SAUA RIVER for approx 2000 yds to ANGAU Camp 716926. From here to 725910 the track has not been used recently but is jeepable in good weather. At 718921 a rough timber track goes EAST for approx 500 yds. From 718921 to 728895 the track is jeepable except in very wet weather. The track from here to the coast is in good condition and is capable of carrying all types of MT. This track is signposted as CHOP CHOP TRAIL. Generally the trail is of gravel surface except where shown on Appx A. Streams as shown on Appx A are not obstacles for MT.

- (b) CHOP CHOP TRAIL forms a link between WEST TRAIL and COASTAL RD. Numerous small ill defined tracks lead off from track to the EAST. See Appx A.

*A. S. Hodge*

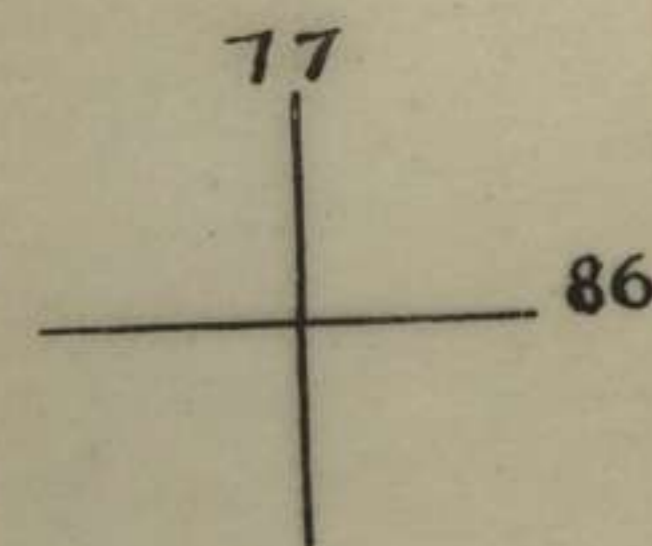
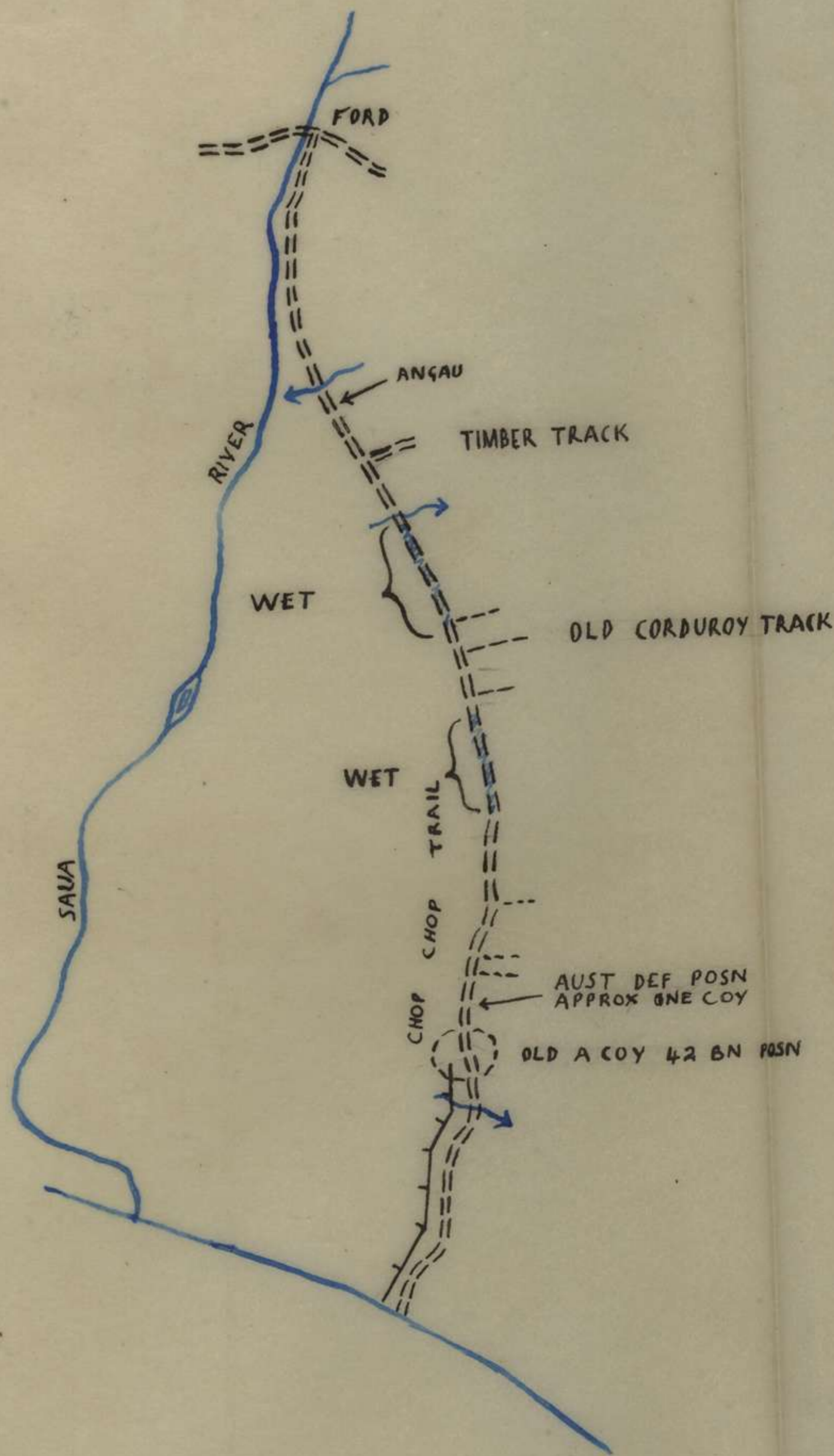
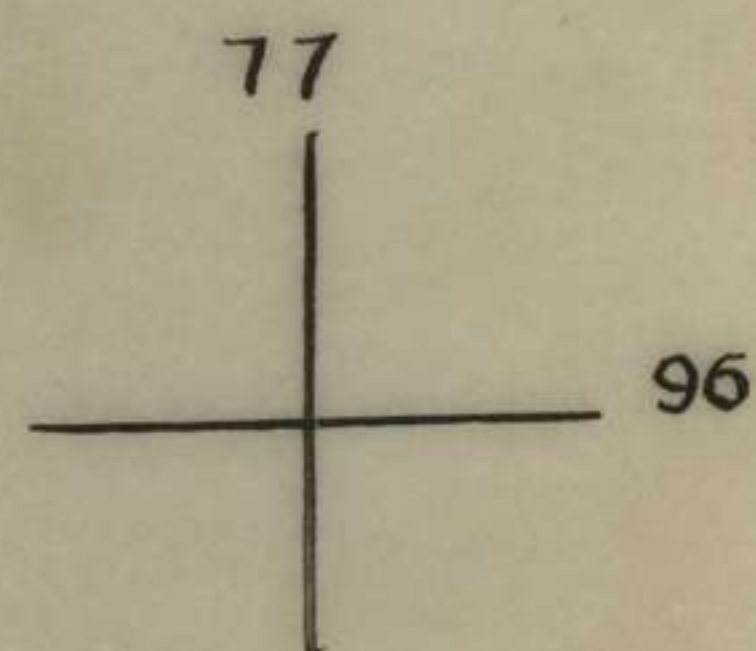
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TO BE SUPERIMPOSED OVER TOROKINA 1 IN TO 1 MILE

APPX A



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NO 1 PL RECRUITS TRAINING SYLLABUS

Y	0800-0830	0830-0910	0920-1000	1010-1050	1050-1130	1300-1345	1355-1440	1450-1530	1530-1600
1	Parade and Inspection	Introductory Lecture	Message Form	Morse Code	Phonetic Alphabet and its Use	Description D.V Phone	Types of Cable, Knott- ing and Joining	Morse Code	Sport
2	"	Morse Code	Description Lamp DSSR	Message Writing & Degrees of Secrecy	Procedure Signals	Procedure Signals	Cable Layer No 6.	Tests D.V	"
3	"	"	R/T Procedure	Tests Lamp DSSR	Sig Office Records	Description and Tests L Phone	Sig Clerk Duties	Morse Code	"
4	"	"	"	Switchboards UC & MAG	Switch- boards Tests	Description Freddy Phone	Tests Freddy Phone	Procedure Phonograms	"
5	"	"	Procedure	Recapit	Recapit	Semaphore	Procedure	Signal Security	"
6	COMPANY ADMINISTRATION AND INSPECTIONS					ORGANISED SPORT			
7	CHURCH PARADE					REST			
8	Parade and Inspection	Fullerphone Description	Fullerphone Tests	R/T Pro- cedure	R/T Pro- cedure	Cable Laying	Cable Laying	R/T Code No 2	Sport
9	"	Description 103 Mk III	Setting Up & Netting 108	Practical Netting	Frames D & P	Switch Operating	Switch Operating	Recapit	"
10	"	Practice Use R/T Code No 2	Recapit on Tests Insts	Recapit on Tests Insts	Superposing	Superposing	Trencode	Trencode	"
11	"	Aldis Lamp	Superposing	Superposing	Recapit Phonograms	Recapit R/T Procedure	Semaphore	Recapit	"



Y	0800-0830	0830-0910	0920-1000	1010-1050	1050-1130	1300-1345	1355-1440	1450-1530	1530-1600	
12	Parade and Inspection	Code Names	Morse	Passing	Traffic	Sound Power Head & Breast Sets	Morse	W/T Procedure	Sport	
13	COMPANY ADMINISTRATION AND INSPECTIONS					ORGANISED SPORTS				
14	CHURCH PARADE					REST				
15	FIELD WORK :-		LAMPS -	SWITCHBOARDS -		PHONES - R/T		SIG CLERKING		
16	"	Servicing Equipment	Locating Line Faults	Morse	Quiz	PRACTICAL PASSING PHONOGRAMS				
17	"	FIELD WORK:- 108 MK III		- D.V.		SWITCH - CABLE LAYING - LAMPS				
18	"	Recapit Procedure	Map Reading	Map Reading	Recapit Message Writing	PRACTICAL FIELD WORK				
19	"	PRACTICAL FIELD WORK					DISCUSSION AND RECAPIT ON COURSE			
20	COMPANY ADMINISTRATION AND INSPECTIONS					ORGANISED SPORTS				
21	CHURCH PARADE					REST				



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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

HQ 58/59 Aust Inf Bn  
45/36  
/ 2 Jan 45

Subject : PROPOSED HOT WATER SYSTEMS

15 AUST INF BDE (AIF)

Reference your A3563 of 6 Jan 45.

1. Sketches are attached illustrating proposed Hot Water Systems to be adopted for showers and washing of clothes.

2. SHOWERS.

Sufficient showers as illustrated in Appx "A" will be erected in each company to enable all personnel to shower daily with hot water.

3. WASHING OF CLOTHES.

Communal units will be installed in each company area as per Appx "B". In addition hot water will be made available to troops at all times by means of units, illustrated in Appx "C".

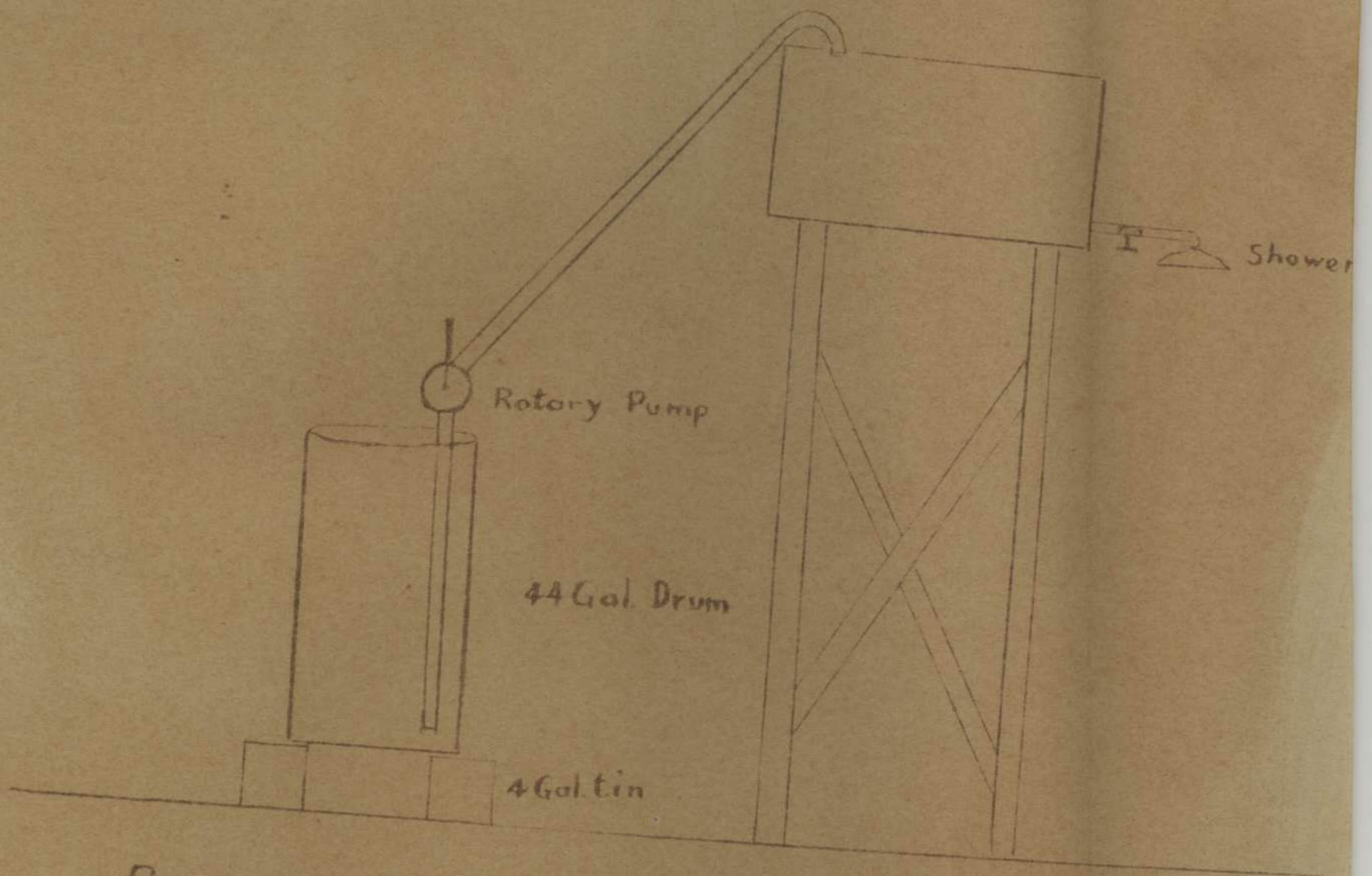
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App A

# PROPOSED HOT WATER SYSTEM

Showers 44 Gal

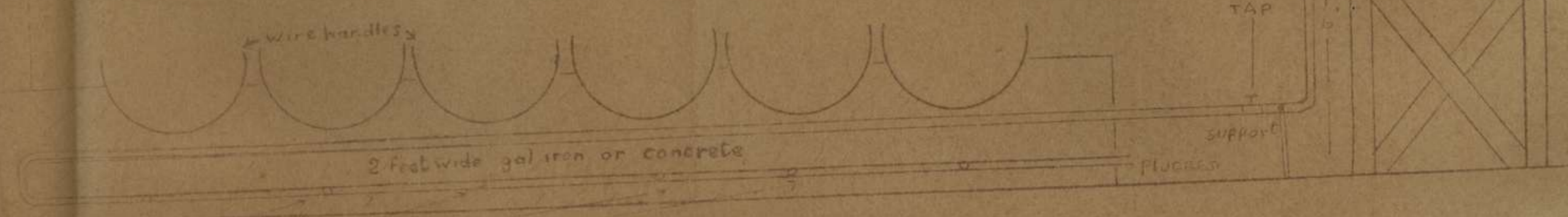
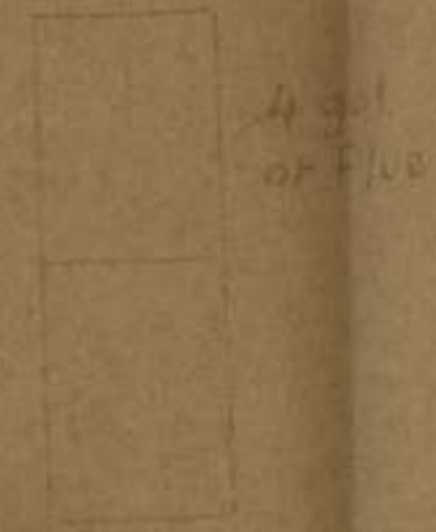
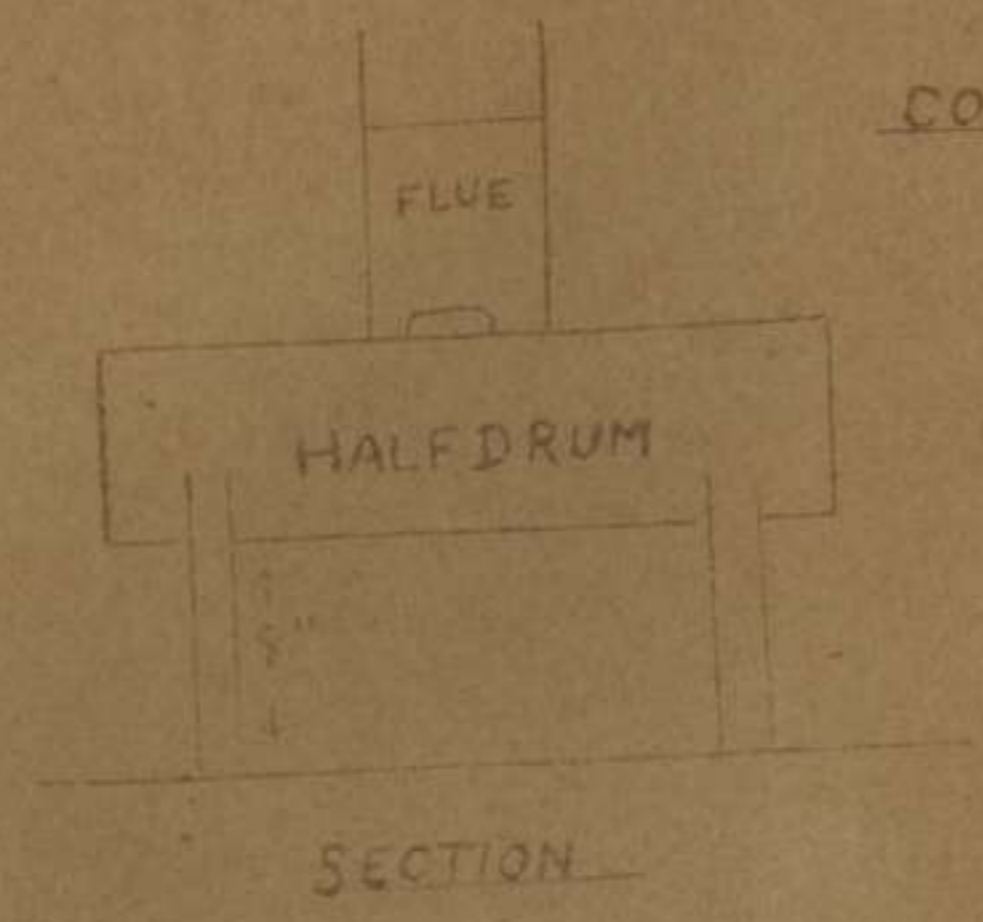


Pumping unit to be portable.  
One pumping unit will supply one Coy.



App B

# SKETCH DETAILS of COMMUNAL CLOTHES WASHING UNIT



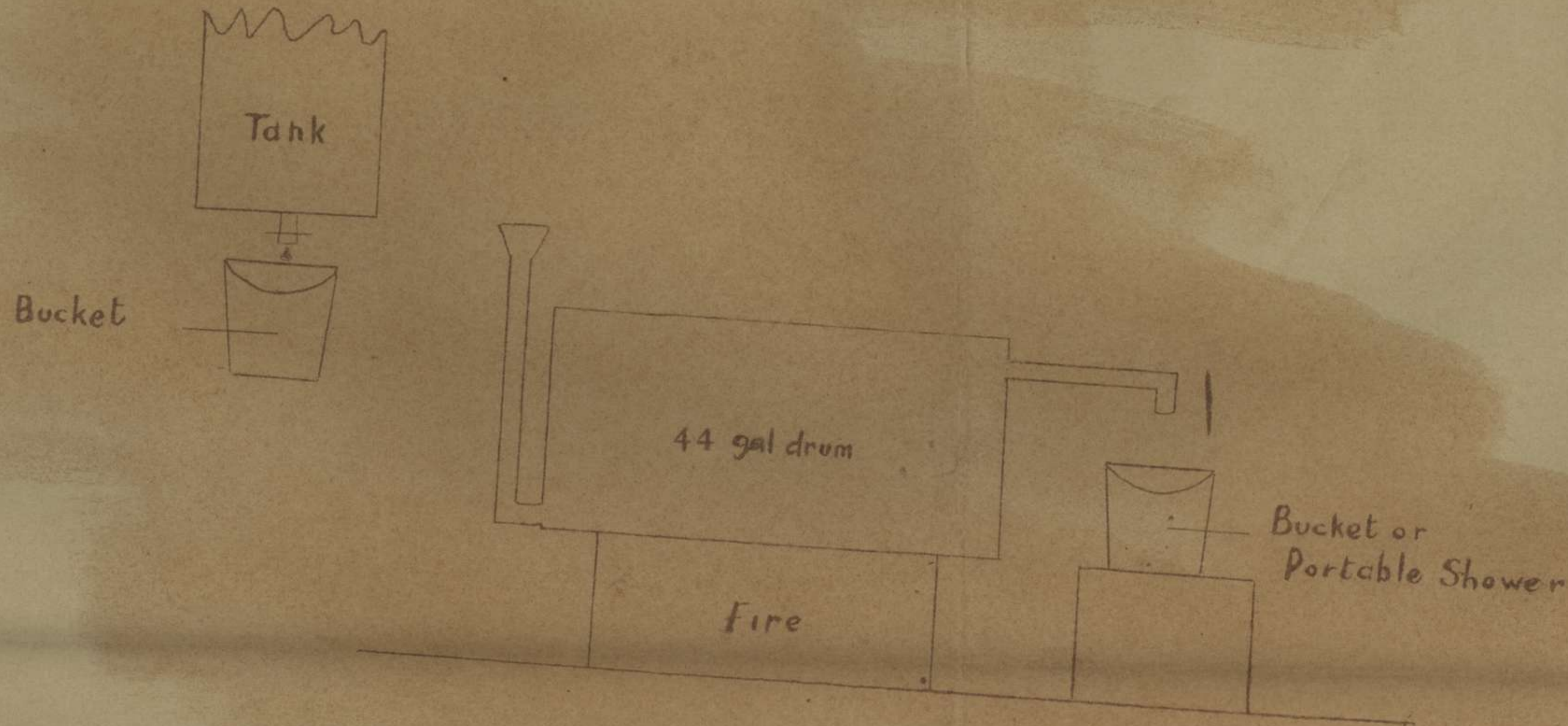
3 holes thru top of bottom pipe  
at 1/2 inch under centre of each  
half drum

SIDE ELEVATION NOT TO SCALE



Appx C<sub>3</sub>

# PROPOSED HOT WATER BOILER





AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

Appx JA 6

HQ 58/59 Aust Inf Bn

58/59 AUST INF BN STRETCHER BEARERS COURSE

DAY 1

0900 - 0940	0950 - 1030	1050 - 1200	1330 - 1410	1415 - 1500
Introductory Lecture	Anatomy I Construction (Bones, etc.)	Thomas Splint	Care of Feet	Infections & Treatments

DAY 2

0900 - 0940	0950 - 1030	1050 - 1200	1330 - 1410	1415 - 1500
Fracture	Anatomy II Muscles, etc.	Bandaging & Splinting	Malaria Dengue Typhus	Treatment of War Wounds

DAY 3

0900 - 0940	0950 - 1030	1050 - 1200	1330 - 1410	1415 - 1500
Sprains & Dislocations	Anatomy III (Cardio-Vascular)	Improvisation of Splints	Tinea	Poisoning

DAY 4

Artificial Respiration	Physiology of Vascular System	Use of triangular roller bds	Other Skin Diseases	Thomas Splint
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DAY 5

0900 - 0940	0950 - 1030	1050 - 1200	1330 - 1410	1415 - 1500
Antisept & uses	Administration of Drugs	Improvisation of Stra	Diarrhoea Dysentery Cholera	Shell & 1st fld dressings

DAY 6

0900 - 0940	0950 - 1030	1050 - 1200	1330 - 1410	1415 - 1500
Use of Hypodermic Syringes & Morph Amps	Unconscious Patient	Stretcher Building	Haemorrhage	Control of Haemorrhage

DAY 7

0900 - 0940	0950 - 1030	1050 - 1200	1330 - 1410	1415 - 1500
Shock- prim & secondary	Snake Bite	Thomas Splint	Importance of Hyg in the fld	Diseases of Natives

DAY 8

Improvisation in the field: Impr of Stretchers, Splints and Rafts.

DAY 9

0900 - 0940	0950 - 1030	1050 - 1200	1330 - 1500
Prep and use of Sutures	Carriage of Wounded without Stretchers	Questions	Examination for Prof Pay.



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58/59 AUST INF BN

NCO's TRAINING CADRE COURSE No01 17 JAN 45 -- 30 JAN 45

ADM INSTR No 1

1. INFORMATION.

(a) CADRE STAFF

INSTRUCTORS

CI	Lt GRIFF E.M.	Sjt ROBERTS V.C.
2 i/c	" EWART R.B.	" LAWRY W.
O/C B Wing	" WILLIAMS G.H.	" NIPPARD J.P.
SSM	WO II ADCOCK J.B.	" MURDOCK G.K.
		" LYLE J.L.
		" FARRELLY R.P.

(b) CADRE HQ ~~D COY Recreation Hut~~  
GENERAL.

*Picture Theatre Area*

- (i) Students will comprise 33 1/3% of active NCOs in Battalion for each course, plus potential NCOs 4 per Rifle Coy, 2 HQ Coy.
- (ii) All students of course 1 Adm parade 161300L, place to be notified later. I.E. Adm parade D-1
- (iii) Orders of dress:-
  - Dress 1 - Drill ordre and issue weapon (Bren, Owen, Rifle, Pistol)
  - Dress 2 - Basic battle order.
  - Dress 3 - Marching Order.
  - Dress 4 - Greens, Anklets Web, Hats, Belts Aust.
  - Dress 5 - Sports Order: Shorts, Trunks, Shoes as available.
- (iv) Paper and pencil will be carried by students at all times.
- (v) Identification Numbers (4" by 2") from 1 to 60 incl will be printed by Int Sec and issued to students on D-1 Adm parade.
- (vi) Students will be organised into two wings each consisting of an Inf Pl (rifle) and will remain in Pl as allotted throughout course.

(c) METEOROLOGICAL.

Conditions during afternoon and evening are liable to be wet. Students will wear capes gas at the alert if not already included in order of dress of parades held in afternoon and evening.

2. PRELIMINARY WORKS AND ADM.

- (a) 120300L Cadre Staff recce party will proceed from camp area in two trucks 1 ton to recce areas for tactical exercises. Duration of recce one day. Vehicles to carry full petrol load. All pers to carry cut lunches.
- (b) Personnel nominated on Cadre syllabus for lectures and demonstrations as per Appx "A" to study relevant training instructions and manuals.



- (c) Coys will supply all fatigue parties, tools and equipment required on requisition from this HQ.
- (d) Nominals rolls of students for Course 1 will be submitted to D Coy by 121600L.
- (e) Cadre 2 i/c will arrange with Coys meals for whole days exercises. Morning and afternoon tea will be supplied by YMCA Rep.
- (f) Medical- RMO to make available 1 SB when required by this HQ.
- (g) Transport- Requisitions for transport will be submitted by SSM 12 hrs before required to report.
- (h) Stationary - SSM will submit requisition by 130800L
- (j) Duty Coy (D-1 day) B Coy will supply two NCCs and 15 ORs to report to Cadre 2 i/c at Cadre HQ 160830L to construct urinals and latrines in Cadre Training area. Hygiene Sjt responsible for supervision of siting and construction. Pioneer P1 will supply one seats latrine 3 man with lids and fly-trap by 160930L.
- (k) Lighting - QM will supply 6 lamps hurricane and 2 lamps pressure for use during night training.

3. SYLLABUS.

Appendix "A" attached.

4. TIME TABLE.

Appendix "B" attached.

- 5. Training films to be made available by BnHQ as per syllabus. Picture Theatre area to be declared out of bounds on night of screening for Cadre Pers.

6. TEXT BOOKS.

Students will draw relevant manuals from Coys, etc, as required. Bn library will be made available to Cadre Instructors.

7. PERSONAL REPORT.

A personal report on each student will be submitted to Comd Officer on completion of Course.

8. DISTRIBUTION ADM INSTR No 1.

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N.C.O. CADRE (SENIOR)

DAY	0800-0830	0830-0915	0915-1000	1000-1030	1030-1100	1100-1130	1130-1200	1200-1230	1230-1300
1	Parade & Arms Drill	Policy Speech	Org of Pl Weapons & Personnel (IT44 ch3 sec 16)	Verbal Orders (Lecture)	Parade & Weapon Handling	Map Reading (Elementary) (MIR&FS)	Military Abbreviations (LHQ Inst)	Sport	Battle Procedure (IT 37 ch sec 37-48)
2	Parade & Arms Drill	Adm & Returns (Lecture)	Phonetic Alphabet	Fixed Lines Bren SAT Pam 4	Parade & Weapon Handling	Principles Of War FSR Vol 2	Org of HQ Coy (Lecture) (INT sec 14)	Sport	Individual Study
3	Parade & Arms Drill	O.P. Logs & Reports (15 Bde Inst)	Bayonet Training (SAT Pam 12)	Intercomm Methods (INT ch 11)	Parade & Appreciations (IT 44 ch 4 sec 22)	Map Reading (MIR&FS)	Wire Erection (INT Appx F)	Sport	Training Films (Programme)
4	Parade & Arms Drill	Org & Staffing of Staging Camps (Lecture)	Bayonet Assault Course (SAT Pam 12)	Demo correct equipt and Clothing Basic Battle Order. (15 Bde Inst)	Parade & Weapon Handling	Demo Orderly Room Procedure.	Lecture on Compass (MIR&FS)	Sport	Training Films (Programme)
5	Parade & Arms Drill	Lecture on River Crossings. (IT 37 ch 15 sec 92-95)	Movement of Sec along a Jungle Track Use of Scouts (IT 44 ch 3) (MTB 33 ch 2)	Map Reading (MIR&FS)	Parade & Weapon Handling	Arm Supply Scale (Lecture)	Wire Assault	Sport	Individual Study
6	Parade & Arms Drill	Demo Digging of Field Works (MFE) (INT Appx E)	As for Period 2	Discussion on Battle Drill. (IT 44 ch 4)	Parade & Weapon Handling	Movement before Contact (LHQ Inst)	Checking Pl after Movement.	Sport	Individual Study



N.C.O. CADRE (SENIOR)

DAY	0800-0830	0830-0915	0930-1030	1035-1130	1300-1400	1415-1500	1505-1530	1535-1600	1900
7	Parade & Arms Drill	Selection of Objectives for Attack. Limitations and Governing Factors. (LHO Inst)	Section in Attack. Discussion. (IT 44 ch 4 sec 27)	Security & Censorship. (FSPB) (JMT ch 2 sec 131-134) (GRO 371/44)	Parade & Weapon Handling	Lecture. Priority of Works. (MTP) (MTP 23 pt 2 ch 5)	Reorganization & Consolidation (Practical) (JMT ch 18 sec 102)	Make & Mend	Training Films. "Next of Kin" & "Postal Censorship"
8	Parade & Arms Drill	Pl in Attack (IT ch 4 sec 23) (MTP 2 ch 3)	Pl Reorganization & Consolidation		Parade & Weapon Handling	Range Cards (SAT Pam 2)	Org of "O" Supply (FSPB)	Sport	Individual Study
9	Parade & Arms Drill	Lecture. "Fever & Skin Diseases (Soldiers' Welfare)	R I V E R C R O S S I N G S P R A C T I C A L					Return to Camp	Composition of "O" & Groups. (Bde Trg Inst) (Bde Police)
10	Parade & Arms Drill	Preparation for Night Attack. (LHO Inst)	As for Period 2	Lecture on 3" Mortar (SAT Pam 9)	Parade & Map Reading (MTP 23)	R E C E P T I O N O F D E F E N S I V E P O S I T I O N (IT 44 sec 19 sec 2 MTP 33 sec 17)		Make & Mend	Patrol Briefing & I.O. (Bde Inst), Trg Films Programme
11	Parade & Arms Drill	Occupation of Def Posn (MTP 23 sec 3) (JMT ch 19 sec 107)	As for Period 2	Flare Pistol & Uses (Notes from CO's Demo)	Parade & Weapon Handling	Lecture. Bde Patrols Policy. (Bde Trg Inst)	Org & Practice Fighting Patrols. (MTP 33 sec 36, IT 37 ch 9 sec 52, IT ch 14 sec 73)	Sport	Pl in Att (Written Ex) (Bde Trg Inst)
12	Parade & Arms Drill	Content of L.H.O. (LHO Inst)	Lecture by H.G. Cadre	Holding Airing & Giving H.O. (SAT Pam 7 Pt 1)	Parade & Weapon Handling	Links on Holding (MTP)	Practical Bridging (MTP)	Unarmed Obstat	Correct Method of Issue of Verbal Op Order



N.C.O. CADRE (SENT OR.)

DAY	0800-0830	0830-0915	0930-1030	1035-1130	1300-1400	1415-1500	1505-1530	1535-1600	1900-2030	
13	Parade & Arms Drill	Issue of Orders (Practical)	Practice of Written Appreciations	Practice of Written Orders.	Parade & Lecture & Demo Tk/A Guns	Bayonet Assault Course (SAT Pam 12)	Photo Interpretation (Notes from IHQ School)	Sport	Training Films (Programme)	
14	Parade & Arms Drill	COMBINED FIELD FIRING EXERCISE with supporting arms.							ALL DAY	
		<p>Note: Much useful information regarding Patrols, Moving along Jungle Tracks, etc. may be found in booklet "NOTES ON JUNGLE WARFARE FOR PL &amp; SEC COMDS".</p>								



N.C.O. CADRE (JUNIOR)

DAY	0800-0830	0830-0915	0930-1030	1035-1130	1300-1400	1415-1500	1505-1530	1535-1600	1900-2050
1	Parade & Arms Drill	Policy Speech	Org of Pl. Weapons & Personnel (IT44 ch 3 sec 16)	Lecture Verbal Orders	Parade & Weapon Handling	Map Reading (Elementary) (ITR&FS)	Military Abbreviations (LHQ Inst)	Sport	Battle Procedure (IT 37 ch 8 sec 37-48)
2	Parade & Arms Drill	Adm & Returns (Lecture)	Phonetic Alphabet	Fixed Lines Bren (SAT Pam 4)	Parade & Weapon Handling	Principles of War (ESP vol 2)	Org of HQ Coy Lecture. (IMT sec 14)	Sport	Individual Study
3	Parade & Arms Drill	O.P. Logs & Reports (15 Bde Inst)	Bayonet Training (SAT Pam 12)	Intercorn Methods (IMT ch 11)	Parade & Scouts and Patrols	Map Reading (ITR&FS)	Wire Erection (IMT Appx F)	Sport	Training Films (Programme 3)
4	Parade & Arms Drill	Org and Staffing of Staging Camps (Lecture)	Bayonet Assault Course (SAT Pam 12)	Demo Correct Equip and Clothing. Basic Battle Order. (15 Bde Inst)	Parade & Weapon Handling	Demo Orderly Room Procedure.	Lecture on Compass. (ITR&FS)	Make & Mend	Training Films (Programme 4)
5	Parade & Arms Drill	Lecture on River Crossings. (IT 37 ch 15 sec 92)	Movement of Sec along a Jungle Track Use of Scouts (IT44 ch 3) (MTP33 ch 2)	Map Reading (ITR&FS)	Parade & Weapon Handling	Arm Supply Scale. Lecture.	Wire Assault.	Sport	Individual Study.
6	Parade & Arms Drill	Demo Digging of Field Works (IMT) (IMT Appx E)	As for Period 2	Discussion on Battle Drill (IT 44 ch 4)	Parade & Weapon Handling	Movement before Contact. (LHQ Inst)	Checking Sec after Movement	Sport	Individual Study



N.C.O. CADRE (JUNIOR)

AM	0800-0830	0830-0915	0930-1030	1035-1130	1300-1400	1415-1500	1505-1530	1535-1600	1900-2030
7	Parade & Arms Drill	Selection of Objectives for Attack. Limitations and Governing Factors. (LHC Inst)	Section in Attack (Discussion)	Security & Censorship (FSPB) (JMT ch 2 sec 131-134) (GPO 371/44)	Parade & Weapon Handling	Lecture Priority of Works (MTP) (MTP 23 pt 2 ch 5)	Reorganization & Consolidation (JMT ch 18 sec 102)	Wake & Mend	Training Films "Next of Kin" & "Postal Censorship"
8	Parade & Arms Drill	Sec in Attack (JMT ch 4 MTP 2 ch 3)	Reorganization and consolidation		Parade & Weapon Handling	Range Cards (SAT Pam 2)	Lecture Org of "Q" Supply (FSPB)	Sport	Individual Study
9	Parade & Arms Drill	Lecture "Fever & Skin Diseases" (Soldiers' Welfare)	R I V E R C R O S S I N G S			P R A C T I C A L		Return to Camp	Composition of C & R Groups (Bde Trg Inst & Bde Policy)
10	Parade & Arms Drill	Preparation for Night Attack. (LHC Inst)	As for Period 2	Lecture 3" Mortar (SAT Pam 9)	Parade & Map Reading (MTP 23)	R E C E P T I O N O F D E F E N S I V E P O S I T I O N (JMT 4 sec 19 sec 2 MTP 23 sec 17)		Wake & Mend	Patrol Briefing by I.O. (Bde Inst) Trg Films Programme 3
11	Parade & Arms Drill	Occupation of Sec Def Posn. (MTP 23 sec 3 JMT ch 19 sec 107)	As for Period 2	Flare Pistol & Uses (Notes from CO's Demo)	Parade & Weapon Handling	Lecture Bde Patrol Policy (Bde Trg Inst)	Org & Practice Fighting Patrols (MTP 33 sec 26 JMT 37 ch 9 sec 52 JMT ch 14 sec 73)	Sport	Individual Study



N.C.O. CADRE (JUNIOR)

AY	0800-0830	0830-0915	0930-1030	1035-1130	1300-1400	1415-1500	1505-1530	1535-1600	1900-2030
12	Parade & Arms Drill	Recapitulation on all weapons	Lecture by H.C. Offr.	Holding Aiming & Firing M/G (SAT Pam 7 pt 1)	Parade & Bangalore Torpedoes (MFE)	Hints on Bridging	Practical Bridging (MFE)	Unarmed Combat	Correct Method Issue of Verbal Op Order
13	Parade & Arms Drill	Issue of Orders (Practical)	Sec Formations & Field Signals.	Q.D.E.	Parade & Lecture and Demo Tk/A Guns.	Bayonet Assault Course. (SAT Pam 12)	Photo Interpretation (Notes from HQ School)	Sport	Trg Films (Programme 4)
14	Parade & Arms Drill	COMBINED FIELD FIRING EXERCISE ALL DAY WITH SUPPORTING ARMS.							
		<p>Note: Much useful information regarding Patrols, Moving along Jungle Tracks, etc. may be found in Pamphlet NOTES ON JUNGLE WARFARE FOR PI AND SEC COYS.</p>							



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APPENDIX "B"

DAILY ROUTINE TIME TABLE

<u>PERIOD</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>REMARKS</u>
1.	0800 - 0830	Inspection and Arms Drill
2.	0830 - 0915	Parade
3.	0920 - 0935	Morning Tea
4.	0935 - 1035	Parade
5.	1040 - 1130	Parade
	1130 - 1300	Luncheon
6.	1300 - 1315	Parade
7.	1315 - 1400	Parade
8.	1400 - 1415	Afternoon Tea
9.	1415 - 1500	Parade
10.	1505 - 1530	Parade
11.	1535 - 1600	Sport
12.	1900 - 2030	Evening Parade

Students will report 5 mins before time of each parade.

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58/59 AUST INF BN

NCO's TRAINING CADRE COURSE No01 17 JAN 45 - 30 JAN 45

ADM INSTR No 1

1. INFORMATION.

(a) CADRE STAFF

INSTRUCTORS

CI	Lt GRIFF E.M.	Sjt ROBERTS V.C.
2 i/c	" EWART R.B.	" LAWRY W.
O/C B Wing	" WILLIAMS G.H.	" NIPPARD J.P.
SSM	WO II ADCOCK J.B.	" MURDOCK G.K.
		" LYLE J.L.
		" FARRELLY R.P.

*Picture Theatre Area*

(b) GENERAL. CADRE HQ ~~D 60Y Recreation Hut~~

- (i) Students will comprise 33 1/3% of active NCOs in Battalion for each course, plus potential NCOs 4 per Rifle Coy, 2 HQ Coy.
- (ii) All students of course 1 Adm parade 161300L, place to be notified later. I.E. Adm parade D-1
- (iii) Orders of dress:-
  - Dress 1 - Drill ordre and issue weapon (Bren, Owen, Rifle, Pistol)
  - Dress 2 - Basic battle order.
  - Dress 3 - Marching Order.
  - Dress 4 - Greens, Anklets Web, Hats, Belts Aust.
  - Dress 5 - Sports Order- Shorts, Trunks, Shoes as available.
- (iv) Paper and pencil will be carried by students at all times.
- (v) Identification Numbers (4" by 2") from 1 to 60 incl will be printed by Int Sec and issued to students on D-1 Adm parade.
- (vi) Students will be organised into two wings each consisting of an Inf Pl (rifle) and will remain in Pl as allotted throughout course.

(c) METEOROLOGICAL.

Conditions during afternoon and evening are liable to be wet. Students will wear capes gas at the alert if not already included in order of dress of parades held in afternoon and evening.

2. PRELIMINARY WORKS AND ADM.

- (a) 120300L Cadre Staff recce party will proceed from camp area in two trucks 1 ton to recce areas for tactical exercises. Duration of recce one day. Vehicles to carry full petrol load. All pers to carry cut lunches.
- (b) Personnel nominated on Cadre syllabus for lectures and demonstrations as per Appx "A" to study relevant training instructions and manuals.



- (c) Coys will supply all fatigue parties, tools and equipment required on requisition from this HQ.
- (d) Nominals rolls of students for Course 1 will be submitted to D Coy by 121600L.
- (e) Cadre 2 i/c will arrange with Coys meals for whole days exercises . Morning and afternoon tea will be supplied by YMCA Rep.
- (f) Medical- RMO to make available 1 SB when required by this HQ.
- (g) Transport- Requisitions for transport will be submitted by SSM 12 hrs before required to report.
- (h) Stationary - SSM will submit requisition by 130800L
- (j) Duty Coy (D-1 day) B Coy will supply two NCCs and 15 ORs to report to Cadre 2 i/c at Cadre HQ 160830L to construct urinals and latrines in Cadre Training area. Hygiene Sjt responsible for supervision of siting and construction. Pioneer Pl will supply one seats latrine 3 man with lids and fly-trap by 160930L.
- (k) Lighting - QM will supply 6 lamps hurricane and 2 lamps pressure for use during night training.

3. SYLLABUS.

Appendix "A" attached.

4. TIME TABLE.

Appendix "B" attached.

- 5. Training films to be made available by BnHQ as per syllabus. Picture Theatre area to be declared out of bounds on night of screening for Cadre Pers.

6. TEXT BOOKS.

Students will draw relevant manuals from Coys, etc, as required. Bn library will be made available to Cadre Instructors.

7. PERSONAL REPORT.

A personal report on each student will be submitted to Comd Officer on completion of Course.

8. DISTRIBUTION ADM INSTR No 1.

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N.C.O. CADRE (SENIOR)

DAY	0800-0830	0830-0915	0915-1000	1000-1030	1000-1400	1415-1500	1505-1530	1535-1600	1900-2030
1	Parade & Arms Drill	Policy Speech	Org of Pl Weapons & Personnel (IT44 ch3 sec 16)	Verbal Orders (Lecture)	Parade & Weapon Handling	Map Reading (Elementary) (MIR&FS)	Military Abbreviations (LHQ Inst)	Sport	Battle Procedure (IT 37 ch sec 37-48)
2	Parade & Arms Drill	Adm & Returns (Lecture)	Phonetic Alphabet	Fixed Lines Bren SAT Pam 4	Parade & Weapon Handling	Principles Of War BSR Vol 2	Org of HQ Coy (Lecture) (INT sec 14)	Sport	Individual Study
3	Parade & Arms Drill	O.P. Logs & Reports (15 Bde Inst)	Bayonet Training (SAT Pam 12)	Intercomm Methods (INT ch 11)	Parade & Appreciations (IT 44 ch 4 sec 22)	Map Reading (MIR&FS)	Wire Erection (INT Appx F)	Sport	Training Films (Programme)
4	Parade & Arms Drill	Org & Staffing of Staging Camps (Lecture)	Bayonet Assault Course (SAT Pam 12)	Demo correct equipt and Clothing Basic Battle Order. (15 Bde Inst)	Parade & Weapon Handling	Demo Orderly Room Procedure.	Lecture on Compass (MIR&FS)	Sport	Training Films (Programme)
5	Parade & Arms Drill	Lecture on River Crossings. (IT 37 ch 15 sec 92-95)	Movement of Sec along a Jungle Track Use of Scouts (IT 44 ch 3) (MTB 33 ch 2)	Map Reading (MIR&FS)	Parade & Weapon Handling	Arm Supply Scale (Lecture)	Wire Assault	Sport	Individual Study
6	Parade & Arms Drill	Demo Digging of Field Works (MFE) (INT Appx E)	As for Period 2	Discussion on Battle Drill. (IT 44 ch 4)	Parade & Weapon Handling	Movement before Contact (LHQ Inst)	Checking Pl after Movement.	Sport	Individual Study



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DAY	0800-0830	0830-0915	0930-1030	1035-1130	1300-1400	1415-1500	1505-1530	1535-1600	1900-2000
7	Parade & Arms Drill	Selection of Objectives for Attack. Limitations and Governing Factors. (LHQ Inst)	Section in Attack. Discussion. (IT 44 ch 4 sec 27)	Security & Censorship. (FSPB) (INT ch 2 sec 131-134) (GEO 371/44)	Parade & Weapon Handling	Lecture. Priority of Works. (MFE) (MTP 23 pt 2 ch 5)	Reorganization & Consolidation (Practical) (MTP ch 18 sec 102)	Make & Mend	Training Films. "Next of Kin" & "Postal Censorship"
8	Parade & Arms Drill	Pl in Attack (IT ch 4 sec 28) (MTP 2 ch 3)	Pl Reorganization & Consolidation		Parade & Weapon Handling	Range Cards (SAT Pam 2)	Org of "O" Supply (FSPB)	Sport	Individual Study
9	Parade & Arms Drill	Lecture. "Fever & Skin Diseases" (Soldiers' Welfare)		R I V E R C R O S S I N G S P R A C T I C A L				Return to Camp	Composition of "O" & Groups. (Bde Trg Inst & Bde Police)
10	Parade & Arms Drill	Preparation for Night Attack. (LHQ Inst)	As for Period 2	Lecture on 3" Mortar (SAT Pam 9)	Parade & Map Reading (MFE)	R E C E I V E O F D E F E N S I V E P O S I T I O N (IT 44 sec 19 sec 2 MTP 33 sec 17)		Make & Mend	Patrol Briefing I.O. (Bde Inst), Trg Films Programme
11	Parade & Arms Drill	Occupation of Def Posn (MTP 23 sec 3) (INT ch 19 sec 107)	As for Period 2	Flare Pistol & Uses (Notes from CO's Demo)	Parade & Weapon Handling	Lecture Bde Patrols Policy. (Bde Trg Inst)	Org & Practice Fighting Patrols. (MTP 33 sec 36. IT 37 ch 9 sec 52. INT ch 14 sec 73)	Sport	Pl in Attack (Written Exam) (Bde Trg Inst)
12	Parade & Arms Drill	Conduct of a T.E.W.T. (LHQ Inst)	Lecture by M.G. Offr (SAT Pam 7 Pt 1)	Holding Aiming & Firing MMG	Parade & Bangalore Torpedoes (MFE)	Hints on Bridging (MFE)	Practical Bridging (MFE)	Unarmed Combat	Correct Method of Issue of Verbal Op Order



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DAY	0800-0830	0830-0915	0930-1030	1035-1130	1300-1400	1415-1500	1505-1530	1535-1600	1900-2030	
13	Parade & Arms Drill	Issue of Orders (Practical)	Practice of Written Appreciations	Practice Written Op Orders.	Parade & Lecture & Demo Tk/A. Guns	Bayonet Assault Course (SAT Pam 12)	Photo Interpretation (Notes from LHQ School)	Sport	Training Films (Programme)	
14	Parade & Arms Drill	COMBINED FIELD FIRING EXERCISE with supporting arms.					ALL DAY			
		Note: Much useful information regarding Patrols, Moving along Jungle Tracks, etc. may be found in booklet "NOTES ON JUNGLE WARFARE FOR PL & SEC COMDS".								



N.C.O. CADRE (JUNIOR)

DAY	0800-0830	0830-0915	0930-1030	1035-1130	1300-1400	1415-1500	1505-1530	1535-1600	1900-2030
1	Parade & Arms Drill	Policy Speech	Org of Pl. Weapons Personnel (IT44 ch 3 sec 16)	Lecture Verbal Orders	Parade & Weapon Handling	Map Reading (Elementary) (MWR&FS)	Military Abbreviations (IHQ Inst)	Sport	Battle Procedure (IT 37 ch 8 sec 37-48)
2	Parade & Arms Drill	Adm & Returns (Lecture)	Phonetic Alphabet	Fixed Lines Bren (SAT Pam 4)	Parade & Weapon Handling	Principles of War (PSP vol 2)	Org of HQ Coy Lecture. (IMT sec 14)	Sport	Individual Study
3	Parade & Arms Drill	O.P. Logs & Reports (15 Bde Inst)	Bayonet Training (SAT Pam 12)	Intercorn Methods (IMT ch 11)	Parade & Scouts and Patrols	Map Reading (MWR&FS)	Wire Erection (IMT Appx F)	Sport	Training Films (Programme 1)
4	Parade & Arms Drill	Org and Staffing of Staging Camps (Lecture)	Bayonet Assault Course (SAT Pam 12)	Demo Correct Equip and Clothing. Basic Battle Order. (15 Bde Inst)	Parade & Weapon Handling	Demo Orderly Room Procedure.	Lecture on Compass. (MWR&FS)	Make & Mend	Training Films (Programme 2)
5	Parade & Arms Drill	Lecture on River Crossings. (IT 37 ch 15 sec 92)	Movement of Sec along a Jungle Track Use of Scouts (IT44 ch 3) (MTP33 ch 2)	Map Reading (MWR&FS)	Parade & Weapon Handling	Arm Supply Scale. Lecture.	Wire Assault.	Sport	Individual Study.
6	Parade & Arms Drill	Demo Digging Of Field Works (MTE) (IMT Appx E)	As for Period 2	Discussion on Battle Drill (IT 44 ch 4)	Parade & Weapon Handling	Movement before Contact. (IHQ Inst)	Checking Sec after Movement	Sport	Individual Study



N.C.O. CADRE (JUNIOR)

AM	0800-0830	0830-0915	0930-1030	1035-1130	1300-1400	1415-1500	1505-1530	1535-1600	1900-2030
7	Parade & Arms Drill	Selection of Objectives for Attack. Limitations and Governing Factors. (LHQ Inst)	Section in Attack (Discussion)	Security & Censorship (FSPB) (JMT ch 2 sec 131-134) (GPO 371/44)	Parade & Weapon Handling	Lecture Priority of Works (MPE) (MTP 23 pt 2 ch 5)	Reorganization & Consolidation (JMT ch 18 sec 102)	Make & Mend	Training Films "Next of Kin" & "Postal Censorship"
8	Parade & Arms Drill	Sec in Attack (JMT ch 4 MTP 2 ch 3)	Reorganization and consolidation		Parade & Weapon Handling	Range Cards (SAT Pam 2)	Lecture Org of "Q" Supply (FSPB)	Sport	Individual Study
9	Parade & Arms Drill	Lecture "Fever & Skin Diseases" (Soldiers' Welfare)	R I V E R C R O S S I N G S			P R A C T I C A L		Return to Camp	Composition of C & E Groups (Bde Trg Inst & Bde Policy)
10	Parade & Arms Drill	Preparation for Night Attack. (LHQ Inst)	As for Period 2	Lecture 3" Mortar (SAT Pam 9)	Parade & Map Reading (ITR&FS)	R E C E O F D E F E N S I V E P O S I T I O N (JMT 44 sec 19 sec 2 MTP 33 sec 17)		Make & Mend	Patrol Briefing by I.O. (Bde Inst) Trg Films Programme 3
11	Parade & Arms Drill	Occupation of Sec Def Posn. (MTP 23 sec 3 JMT ch 19 sec 107)	As for Period 2	Flare Pistol & Uses (Notes from CO's Demo)	Parade & Weapon Handling	Lecture Bde Patrol Policy (Bde Trg Inst)	Org & Practice Fighting Patrols (MTP 33 sec 26 IT 37 ch 9 sec 52 JMT ch 14 sec 73)	Sport	Individual Study



N.C.O. CADRE (JUNIOR)

AY	0800-0830	0830-0915	0930-1030	1035-1130	1300-1400	1415-1500	1505-1530	1535-1600	1900-2030
12	Parade & Arms Drill	Recapitulation on all weapons	Lecture by H.C. Offr.	Holding Aiming & Firing MG (SAT Pam 7 pt 1)	Parades Bangalore Torpedoes (MFE)	Hints on Bridging	Practical Bridging (MFE)	Unarmed Combat	Correct Method Issue of Verbal Op Order
13	Parade & Arms Drill	Issue of Orders (Practical)	Sec Formations & Field Signals.	Q.D.E.	Parade & Lecture and Demo Tk/A Guns.	Bayonet Assault Course. (SAT Pam 12)	Photo Interpretation (Notes from IHQ School)	Sport	Trg Films (Programme 4)
14	Parade & Arms Drill	COMBINED FIELD FIRING EXERCISE ALL DAY WITH SUPPORTING ARMS.							
		<p>Note: Much useful information regarding Patrols, Moving along Jungle Tracks, etc. may be found in Pamphlet NOTES ON JUNGLE WARFARE FOR PL AND SEC COMDS.</p>							



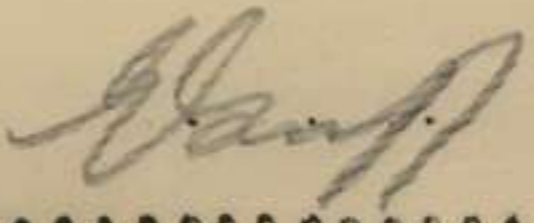
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APPENDIX "B"

DAILY ROUTINE TIME TABLE

<u>PERIOD</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>REMARKS</u>
1.	0800 - 0830	Inspection and Arms Drill
2.	0830 - 0915	Parade
3.	0920 - 0935	Morning Tea
4.	0935 - 1035	Parade
5.	1040 - 1130	Parade
	1130 - 1300	Luncheon
6.	1300 - 1315	Parade
7.	1315 - 1400	Parade
8.	1400 - 1415	Afternoon Tea
9.	1415 - 1500	Parade
10.	1505 - 1530	Parade
11.	1535 - 1600	Sport
12.	1900 - 2030	Evening Parade

Students will report 5 mins before time of each parade.

  
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C.I. NCO CADRE



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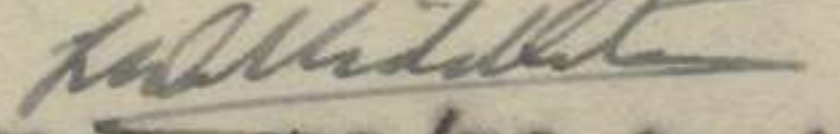
HQ 58/59 Aust Inf Bn  
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15 Jan 45

Subject : WEEKLY REPORT ON INCIDENCE OF SKIN DISEASE.

15 AUST INF BDE (AIF)

	<u>No of Cases</u>
Bullous Impetigo	1
Intertrigo of Feet	131
" " Groin	3
Tinea of Feet	34
" " Groin	2
Tinea Flava, Alba, Nigra (Axillae).	67
Impetigo (Crusted)	-
Boils	2
Dermatitis and Eczema	3
Acne	4
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	247
TOTAL	<hr/>

The highest incidence is that of Intertrigo of the Feet which is difficult to control in the hot, humid climate of the tropics. C.A.P. orderlies are carrying out treatment under direct supervision of R.M.O. Company arrangements have been made for footbaths when necessary. All feet are being powdered with foot-powder on foot parades daily under Officers supervision. The total incidence of skin disease has decreased considerably during the last week.

(Signed)  Capt  
R.M.O. 58/59 Aust Inf Bn



*Longman*  
58/59 AUST INF BN

FIRST AID COURSE

<u>DAY 1.</u>					
0830-0910	0920-1000	1020-1100	1110-1200	1300-1340	1350-1430
Anatomy of C.V.S.	Physiology of C.V.S.	Roller Bandage	Anatomy of Bones	Fracture 1	Improvised Splints.
<u>DAY 2.</u>					
Haemorrhage	Pressure Points	Fractures II	Application of Splints	Thomas Splint	Use of Morphia.
<u>DAY 3.</u>					
Artificial Respiration	Triangular Bandage	Unconscious Patient	Shock	Carriage of Wounded.	
<u>DAY 4.</u>					
Snake Bite	Shell and First Field Dressing	Procedure of attending Wounded	Importance of Hygiene in the Field	Bandaging.	
<u>DAY 5.</u>					
PRACTICAL APPLICATION.					



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58/59 AUST INF BN OP INSTR 1PASSIVE AIR DEF TOROKINA AREA

13 Jan 45.

WARNING

1. (a) Warning of air raids is given by Fighter Control, telephone PACIFIC 125, which advises PACIFIC telephone exchange.
- (b) In turn PACIFIC exchange immediately advises HQ 3 Aust Div who advises HQ 15 Aust Inf Bde. On receipt of warning Switchboard will notify all subscribers.

ACTION ON RECEIPT OF AIR RAID WARNING BY EXCHANGE

2. Air Raid Warning YELLOW
  - (a) Sigs will immediately call duty offr each unit.
  - (b) Duty offr will advise Comd or senior offr each unit.
  - (c) Alarms will NOT be sounded and work will NOT cease on this warning.
3. Air raid warning RED  
Alarm will be sounded.
4. Air raid warning GREEN  
All clear will be sounded.

ALARM SIGS

5. The following alarm sigs will be used :-
  - (a) Air attack alarm - succession of short blasts on whistle, siren or rattle.
  - (b) All clear - two long blasts on whistle, siren or rattle at intervals of one minute.

ACTION ON RECEIPT OF AIR RAID WARNING RED

6. (a) During daylight work will NOT cease, but sentries will be posted to give warning of immediate attack. Only when a sentry reports that a direct attack is imminent will personnel be ordered to take cover.
- (b) During the hours of darkness all visible lights will be extinguished on receipt of RED warning. Arrangements will be made to screen lights effectively in those offices etc where work must continue.
- (c) On order to "take cover", troops will disperse in an orderly fashion.
- (d) Exchanges, switchboards and essential communications will be manned continuously. The duty offr will be available at the telephone at Battalion Headquarters during the continuance of the RED warning.



7. Units will issue the necessary detailed instructions covering their respective comds and in conformity with the principles laid down herein.

Method of Issue **HAND**

*R. Blakemore*, Capt.  
Adjt 58/59 Aust Inf Bde

Time of Signature **151100Zhrs**

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HQ 58/59 Aust Inf Bn  
13 Jan 45.MOVEMENT TO EVANSVILLE1. Order of Movement.

12 Jan		A Coy Adv BnHQ.
13 Jan		D Coy, 5 Pl, Adv 1 Pl.
14 Jan	AM	B Coy, Recreation Centre.
	PM	C Coy.
15 Jan		HQ Coy, RQ Store.
16 Jan		RQ Store, BnHQ, C Sec 63 A.D.U.

2. Method of Movement.

All available 3 ton vehicles will be allotted to Coys for movement, and transport of stores will be a Coy responsibility. All serviceable timber, tentage and other accommodation stores will be transferred to new area.

3. Vacation old Site.

- Areas will be left completely cleaned of existing tentage and buildings.
- All tentage and stores not required in new site will be returned to Battalion salvage dump.
- Timber will be stacked neatly in Coy dumps.
- Each Coy will leave small rear party to clean up Coy area, burn or bury rubbish, and seal latrines, sullage pits, etc. Foul ground signs will be erected. Rear party will also check on security of documents etc.
- Coys will render certificate to this HQ that area has been left in clean and tidy condition.

4. Arrival New Site.

- Coy areas have been pegged by A/Adjt, who will indicate location, area, bearings and layout of Coy lines.
- Coy lines will be laid out according to standard pattern and in geometrical design.
- Whilst preparing Coy sites for occupation, Coys will use existing tentage or temporarily erect Australian tents alongside sites. Kitchens will be erected alongside site indicated, pending erection of permanent buildings.

5. Erection of Tents.(a) Australian Tents.

As for TOROKINA camp, dimensions as below :-

- Blocks for uprights - 2 ft 6 in. above the ground.
- Stakes for rails - approx 4 ft above the ground.
- Length of rails - 14 feet.
- Distance between rails - 16 feet.
- Distance between Coy HQ block and platoon lines will be uniform throughout the Battalion.



5. (b) U.S. Tents.

As for TOROKINA camp, dimensions as below :-

- (i) Height of frame to sp slides approx 6 feet high.
  - (ii) Shades on tents approx 2 feet vertical drop and 2 feet horizontal protrusion.
  - (iii) US tents joined together will be separated by 3 feet roof.
  - (iv) Height of walls - 6 inches above ground to 3 feet above ground.
- (c) US tents may be used for :-
- |                |                |
|----------------|----------------|
| Messes         | Education Huts |
| Rec Huts       | RAPs           |
| Amenities Huts | Stores.        |
- (d) Mess Racks.
- (i) Uniform within Coys, as per diagram issued to Coys TOROKINA camp.
  - (ii) Dimensions - 3 ft 6 ins high  
4 ft 6 ins long  
5 ft in front of tent.
- (e) Uniform layout in tents.
- (i) Where possible six personnel only will be allotted to each tent.
  - (ii) No boxes or personal gear will be allowed underneath cots folding.
  - (iii) Gear will be laid out on cots folding for inspection in accordance with Appx A.
  - (iv) Small neat blocks may be used to support legs of cots folding.

6. Camp Construction.

(a) Priority of Works :-

Signposting  
Tentage and temporary kitchens  
Latrines  
Hygiene  
Drains  
Kitchens  
Showers  
Mess Huts  
Tracks.

(b) Hygiene.

- (i) Fly traps will be constructed on all latrines. Latrine sites as indicated by Asst Adjt.
- (ii) Wet refuse will be burnt under Coy arrangements until hygiene section prepares battalion incinerators.
- (iii) All refuse pits will be sealed, and drums used for openings will be fitted with lids.
- (iv) Following system will be used for disposal of scraps and washing of dixies :-
  - (i) scraps will be scraped onto hot plates constructed as per Appx A,
  - (ii) dixies will be washed in boiling soapy water, and rinsed in two successive drums of clean boiling water.
- (v) RMO and Hygiene Sjt will inspect all foul ground in Coy areas and advise Coys of action to be taken in regard thereto.



(c) Construction of Showers, Ablution benches.

- (i) Sites as indicated by Asst Adjt.
- (ii) Shower platforms will be 7 ft 6 ins from ground, with platforms for feet 1 foot from ground.
- (iii) Two feet space will be left between drums.
- (iv) Hot water attachments will be fitted by Pnr Pl.
- (v) Ablution benches will be constructed parallel to showers. All buckets and dishes will be kept in abluion area, except at night when they may be used for catching rain.
- (vi) Pnr Pl will construct communal washing units in each Coy abluion area.

(d) Construction of Kitchens.

- (i) Sites as indicated by Asst Adjt.
- (ii) Will be carried out under supervision of Pnr Pl, according to RAE specifications. Kitchens will be fly-proofed.

(e) Mess Huts.

- (i) Sites as indicated by Asst Adjt.
- (ii) Tables will be 29 ins high.
- (iii) Seats will be 19 ins high.
- (iv) Where US tents are used for mess huts they will conform with specifications laid down in para 5(b).

(f) Drains.

Drains will be revetted. Vehicle crossings will be made with 44 gallon drums.

(g) Tracks.

Where stakes are used to line tracks, roads, they will be 3 feet high and pointed at top.

7. Daily Routine.

Reveille	0600 hrs
Sick Parade	0615 "
Breakfast	0700 "
RMOs Parade	0730 "
Parade	0800 - 1130 hrs
Lunch	1200 hrs
Parade	1300 - 1600 hrs
Dinner	1700 hrs
Malaria Parade	1730 "
Officers Mess	1745 "
Retreat	1800 "
Lights Out	2145 "

8. Medical.

A separate instruction will be issued covering precautions against malaria, scrub typhus, and skin diseases.

*R. J. ...* Capt.  
Adjt 58/59 Aust Inf Bn.

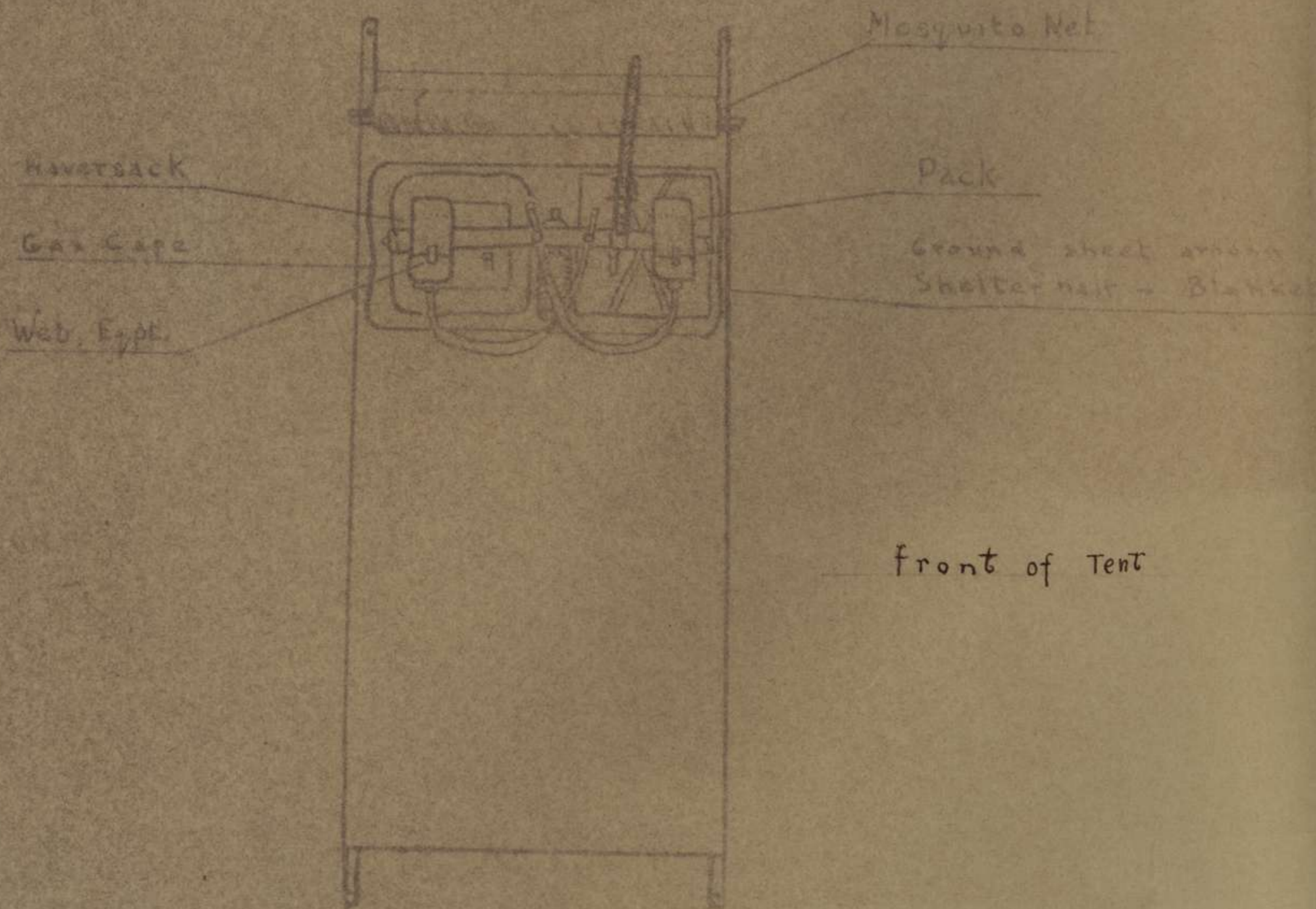
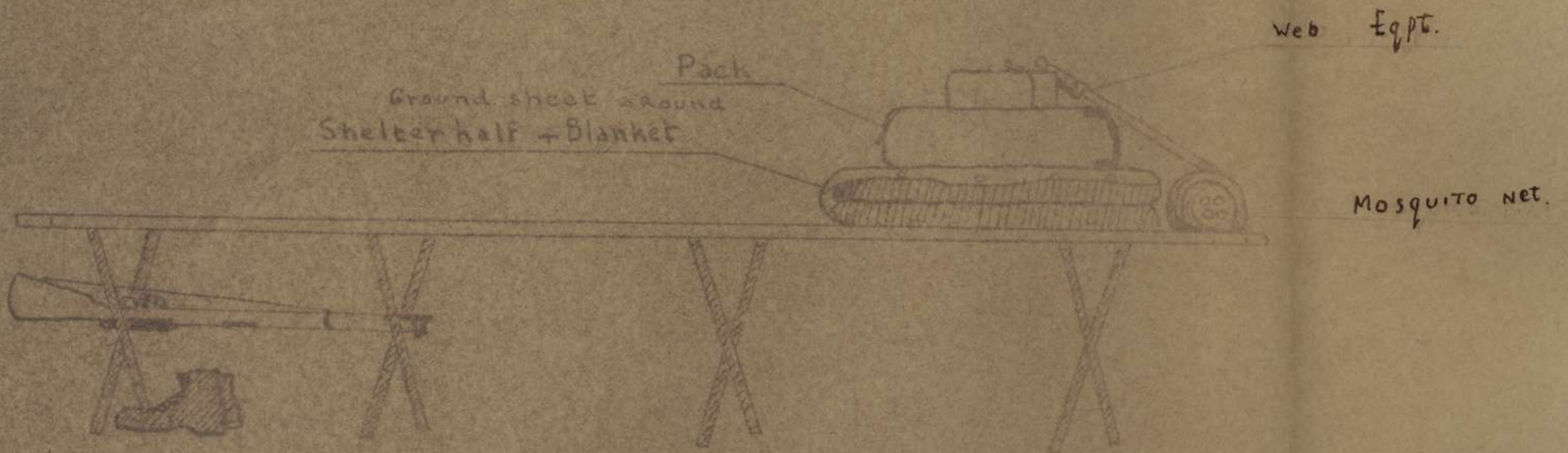
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58/59 AUST INF BN

MODEL STRETCHER LAYOUT





APPX - B.

58/59 AUST. INF. BN.

HOT PLATE FOR DISPOSAL OF SCRAPS

