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March - April 1944

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Unit 2/6 AUST INF BN Date and Time.—From 1 MAR 44 To 31 MAR 44

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
WONDECLA	1	1100	CO and Adjt visited jungle trg area	
		1700	2 NCOs det as instrs to 2/1 AUST PNR BN	
		1800	Bn boxing contest conducted	
		1830	Padre RICHARDSON rejoined unit from 2/7 AUST INF BN	
			combined trg exercise	
		2000	Pers attended cinema screening at 16/19 AUST INF BDE theatre	
	2	0900	Capt C M GURNER att from 2/2 AUST FD AMB as RMO during	
			absence of Capt W M J QUINN on temporary duty 2/6 AUST GEN	
			HOSP	
		0930	5 ORs (rfts) joined unit	
0930		Class in JAP language held in Bn recreation hut		
	1845	4 naval ratings marched in on visit to unit		
3	0900	CO and Adjt attended conference at HQ 6 AUST DIV ref		
		planning combined ops exercise		

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WONDECLA	3	0930	139 ORs (rfts) joined unit - Strength now 831 ORs		
		1130	T/Capt A T IRWIN, who was seconded to RFT OFFRS TRG SCHOOL in ME, resumed regtl duty ex LHQ TRG CENTRE CANUNGRA and posted as 2 i/c A Coy		
		1730	WO(ii) PREECE A H and L/Sgt GRECIAN N marched out to attend OCTU		
				Lectures to coys on current affairs by Bde Education Offr	
	4	0735		2 NCOs, 5 Ptes marched out to visit Naval Base CAIRNS; naval ratings who had been billeted with A and HQ Coys returned with party	
			1100	90 pers attended TUMOULIN race meeting	
			1400	Rugby and soccer matches played against 2/7 AUST INF BN	
			2015	Open air cinema screening in 17 AUST INF BDE area	
	5	0700	Padre RICHARDSON celebrated Holy Communion		

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WONDECLA	5	0800	RC Mass celebrated in Bn recreation hut	
		0915	Bn church parade	
		1415	Football match against 2/7 AUST INF BN	
		1730	2 ORs marched out for release to industry	
		1900	30 pers attended church services in HERBERTON; Bn band played for Salvation Army service	
			Lt J E MASON rejoined unit ex 6 AUST DIV sig course	
			Lts A W MOORE and T E ELLIOTT evac hosp	
	6	0930	List of promotions effected since return from NG and NOT promulgated Part II Orders submitted HQ 17 AUST INF BDE for action - Subsequent advice received that all except two promotions approved by Records	
			Compilation of loading tables for forthcoming amphibious exercise commenced	

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WONDEOLA	6		Notification received through AMF List of transfer of Lt			
			T R SYMONS (previously medically boarded "B" class) to			
			2/1 AUST GD REGT			
			Capt W J CAMERON evac hosp			
			1745	Inter-coy guard mounting competition commenced		
			1945	Concert organised by padre held in Bn recreation hut		
			7	1600	Party to Naval Base CAIRNS rejoined unit	
			8		Lt J P BARRON evac hosp	
					1 Offr 3 ORs per coy attended fd navigation course	
					conducted by IO	
	9	1730	S/Sgt PATCH E B (CQMS A Coy) marched out for release to			
			industry			
	11	0930	All offr attended lectures ref interpretation air			
			photographs			

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WONDECLA	11	1100	90 pers attended TUMOULIN races	
	12	0700	C of E Holy Communion celebrated in Bn recreation hut	
		0915	Bn church parade	
		0800	RC Mass celebrated in Bn recreation hut	
	13	0600	Reveille	
		0645	Breakfast	
		0745	Tps embussed for move to TRINITY BEACH area	
		0815	Convoy moved off	
TRINITY BEACH		1245	Convoy arrived TRINITY BEACH; remainder of day devoted to adm	
WONDECLA		1730	1 NCO marched out to LHQ SCHOOL OF ARMY COOKING & CATERING	
TRINITY BEACH			Capt W M J QUINN rejoined unit from temporary duty 2/6	
			AUST GEN HOSP	
	14	0630	Reveille	

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TRINITY BEACH	14	0715	Breakfast	
		0815	Parade for inspection of arms	
		1000	All pers moved to beach, where swimming and organised sport conducted; midday meal brought to beach	
		1600	Coys returned from beach	
			Capt K R THOMPSON (BALUCH REGT INDIAN ARMY) temporarily att to Bn	
WONDECLA			Lts R D URQUHART and L S ROACH rejoined unit ex hosp	
TRINITY BEACH	15	0815	Parade for inspection of arms	
		0830	Adv party - cooks and working party - moved to PORT DOUGLAS	
		0845	"Marrying-up" of boat loads for DOUGLAS exercise	
		1200	Tk A gun and crew loaded on to LOM at TRINITY BEACH	
		1400	Swimming and organised sport on beach	
	16	0815	Parade for inspection of arms	

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Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
TRINITY BEACH	16	0900	Coy route marches	
		1220	Pers to embark from PORT DOUGLAS moved out	
		1745	Parade for "marrying up"	
		1815	Coys commenced move to beach	
		1855	All serials arrived bivouac area and made preparations for spending night	
		17	0115	Breakfast
PORT DOUGLAS		0230	Serials commenced mov to Waiting Line	
		0330	Embarkation completed	
		0800	First wave landed	
				Detail of exercise	Appx " " - Outline Plan
	18	0700	All tps RV junc COOK'S HIGHWAY—MOSSMAN rd	
		0710	Tps embussed and convoy moved off	
TRINITY BEACH		0900	Pers arrived camp area	

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TRINITY BEACH	18	1400	Inspection of weapons	
			Remainder of day devoted to adm	
	19	0645	Padre RICHARDSON celebrated Holy Communion	
		0700	Reveille	
		0815	Inspection of arms	
		1100	Pers moved to beach area where swimming and organised sport were conducted	
WONDECLA		1730	1 Sgt, 1 Cpl marched out as instrs SECOND AUST ARMY Junior Leaders School	
TRINITY BEACH		1900	All tps commenced to move back from beach	
	20	0600	Reveille	
		0700	Breakfast	
		0730	All tents struck and thorough clean up of camp area	
		0845	Tps embussed	

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TRINITY BEACH	20	0900	Convoy moved off	
WONDECLA		1400	Convoy arrived camp area WONDECLA	
			Remainder of day devoted to adm	
	21		Capt H L LAVER evac hosp	
	22	0830	Bn parade	
			Lt J P BARRON rejoined unit ex 2/6 AUST GEN HOSP	
	23	0800	Bn embussed for MOOMIM fd firing range to witness demonstration	
			of fire power of tks and ability to surmount obstacles and	
			creeks	
	24	0730	CO, Adjt and IO moved out to make recce of area suitable for	
			trg with tks	
		1430	CO and staff attended final conference at HQ 6 AUST DIV	
			ref DOUGLAS exercise	
		1630	Conference held in Bn recreation hut ref proposed Bde magazine	

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WONDECLA	24		Policy of editorial staff was outlined and initial action decided	
		1730	1 Sgt marched out to attend FIRST AUST ARMY Trg School MMG Wing; 1 OR marched out to attend clerical course 1 ATTD	
	25	0830	Majority of pers of Bn embussed to attend 6 AUST DIV gymkhana at WONDECLA racecourse	
		0830	All available offrs participated in TEWT in area reced by CO on previous day	
		0900	Lt L G GRANT rejoined unit ex OCTU and LHQ TRG CENTRE CANUNGRA	
	26	0200	Daylight saving suspended; clocks retarded one hr	
		0700	Working parties moved out to prepare trg area for exercises in co-op with tks	
		0700	C of E Holy Communion celebrated in Bn recreation hut	
		0800	RC Mass in Bn recreation hut	

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WONDECLA	26	0915	Bn church parade in 17 AUST INF BDE cinema		
			Lt C D PAYNE rejoined unit ex compassionate leave		
		1000	One tp 2/9 AUST ARMD REGT (three Gen GRANT tks) arrived Bn area prior to proceeding to tk trg area		
		1400	Lt L C JOHNSON det HQ 17 AUST INF BDE as Bde TO; Lt J E MASON assumed duties of Assistant Adjt		
		1400	Lt R J H SMITH and 1 NCO marched out to attend SA instrs refresher course		
		1730	2 NCOs marched out as instrs SECOND AUST ARMY Junior Leaders School		
		1900	Pers attended evening church services in HERBERTON		
		27	0700	C Coy embussed for tk trg area for all-day exercise co-op with tks	
			0900	Capt D O HAY MBE assumed temporary duty as BM 17 AUST INF BDE	

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WONDECLA	27		during absence of Maj ESKELL	
	28	0700	A Coy moved out for exercise co-op with tks	
		1600	Two mags per OWEN SMG on charge sent to 2/46 AUST LAD to be welded together to form double mag	
		1630	Lt F G JOHNSON attended conference at HQ 17 AUST INF BDE ref boxing tournament	
			During day Lt A H SEEKAMP arranged for completion of applications for postal ballot papers by SA pers	
	29	0700	D Coy embussed for exercise co-op with tks	
		0700	Padre RICHARDSON celebrated Holy Communion	
		2000	Pers attended pictures at 16/19 AUST INF BDE cinema	
	30	0700	B Coy moved out for exercise co-op with tks	
		0745	20 ORs HQ Coy (Lt A H SEEKAMP i/c) working party to assist in erection new cafeteria WONDECLA area	

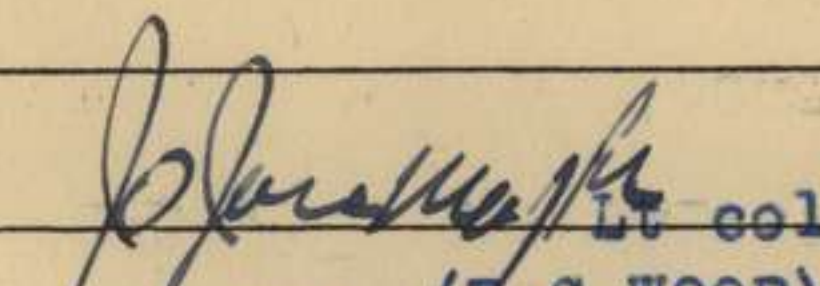
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Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
WONDECLA	30	1500	CO recced open trg area for co-op with tks	
	31	0800	D Coy moved out for exercise co-op with tks in open trg area	
		1400	Working party 29 ORs (Lt T E ELLIOTT i/c) det 58 AUST FD PK COY	
		1400	Lt H T JONES (Unit Loan Offr) attended conference ref First Victory Loan	
			 Lt col (F G WOOD) Comd 2/6 Aust Inf Bn	

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APPX "B"

EXERCISE SECRET

2/6 AUST INF BN OUTLINE PLAN NO 5 (EXERCISE)

Ref Map MOSSMAN 1:253,440

INFM

- 1. (a) Topographical } As shown at conference
- (b) Enemy }

2. OWA TMS

- (a) 17 AUST INF BDE intention is to secure a beachhead South of PORT DOUGLAS, as shown at conference
- (b) Navy and RAAF engaging targets in area CAIRNS-MOSSMAN from D minus 7
- (c) Two cruisers and four destroyers providing naval bombardment
- (d) RAAF neutralizing airfields from D minus 7 and providing air cover for duration of op
- (e) Shipping available

- 3 LSI
- 3 LST
- 5 LCI

INTENTION

- 3. 2/6 AUST INF BN landing team will secure beachhead at RED BEACH

METHOD

- 4. Two phases

5. Landing Teams

- 2/6 AUST INF BN
- Tp 6 AUST FD BTY
- Det 2/2 AUST FD AMB
- Pl 2/3 AUST MC BN
- Pl 2/1 AUST FNR BN
- 6 SFG PARTY
- Pl 6 AUST DIV CARR COY

6. Shipping

- (a) LST HMAS BLUE

Landing team less

- (1) Pl 6 AUST DIV CARR COY
- (11) Two 25-pdrs, two arty tractors, 26 ORs

- (b) LST PARK

- (1) Two 25-pdrs, two arty tractors, 26 ORs
NOT before H plus 3 hrs
- (11) Pl 6 AUST DIV CARR COY
NOT before H plus 5 hrs

7. Beach

RED (Trace - Appx "A")

8. Phase I

- (a) Tps 2/6 AUST INF BN Landing Team less serials in LST PARK
- (b) Task - Secure RED LINE South of excl Bde centre line (Appx "A")
- (c) Wave 1
 A Coy right - Objective "A" (Trace Appx "A")
 B Coy left - Objective "B" (Trace Appx "B")
- (d) Wave 2
 D Coy - Objective "C" (Trace Appx "B")
- (e) Wave 3
 C Coy Bn res; probable role - Move North to BLUE LINE (Phase 2)
 Probable assembly area - South of Objective "C"

9. Phase II

- (a) Tps as for Phase I plus
 (i) PL 6 AUST DIV CARR COY
 (ii) Two gun teams 6 AUST FD BTY
- (b) Task - Secure BLUE LINE South of incl inter-Bn bdy (Trace Appx "A")
- (c) Patrol along rd to CAIRNS
- (d) Orders at conclusion Phase I

10. RANNaval Bombardment

H minus 30 to H minus 10 - Bombardment landing beaches

H Hr to H plus 6 - Opportunity targets through S/O Party

Close Sp

Two motor launches will be supporting landing

11. H Hr 0800 hrs

D Day 17 MAR 44

12. Air

- (a) Landing beaches will be bombed between first light and H minus 15 D Day
- (b) Ldg will be screened from area South of RED LINE by smoke at H minus 15

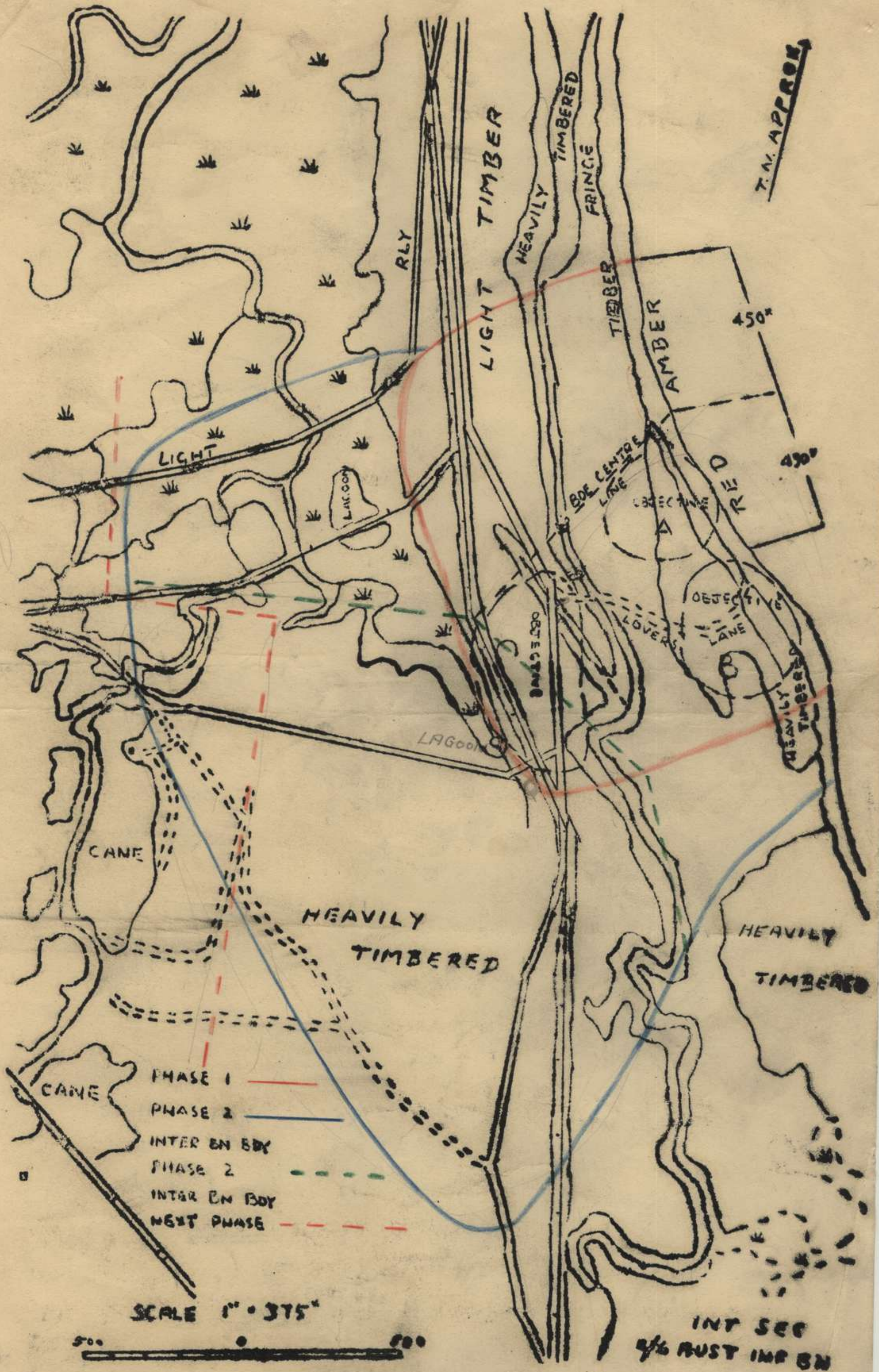
INTERCOMN

Wireless silence until H Hr

Bn HQ probable area until end of Phase I - LOVERS LANE 200 yds South rd-LOVERS LANE junc

F. G. Wood
 Lt col
 (F G WOOD)

Comd 2/6 Aust Inf Bn Landing Team



SECRET

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7 MAR 44

2/6 AUST INF BN ADM INSTN NO 5

COMBINED TRG - EXERCISE "DOUGLAS"

General

1. 17 AUST INF BDE GP Landing Teams will carry out ship to shore trg in CAIRNS area and will embark from TOWNSVILLE (for purpose of exercise TRINITY BEACH)

Embarkation Arrangements

2. (a) HQ 6 AUST DIV will be responsible for recce, selection and staffing of embarkation areas and for supervision of craft loadings during despatch of first flight and ferry service
(b) 1 AUST BEACH GP will arrange for preparation of beach areas as required and for loading of bulk stores

Assault Force

3. Assault Bde will comprise:

2/5 AUST INF BN Landing Team
2/6 AUST INF BN Landing Team
2/7 AUST INF BN Landing Team
with 1 AUST BEACH GP in sp

Grouping of Landing Team

4. (a) Grouping of 2/6 AUST INF BN Landing Team and craft for embarkation will be TRINITY BEACH area
(b) 2/6 AUST INF BN Landing Team (LSI BLUE) first flight of 22 LOVPs and 3 ALOMs

Dates & Times of Embarkation

5. (a) D Day 17 Mar 44

(b)	<u>2/6 AUST INF BN Landing Team</u>	<u>ALOMs</u>	<u>LOVPs</u>
	Commencing	1100 hrs D minus 1	0230 hrs D Day
	Completing	1200 hrs D minus 1	0330 hrs D Day

Marrying-Up

6. (a) Marrying up of all landing craft serials will be carried out prior to move from assembly area
(b) 2/6 AUST INF BN Landing Team assembly area - Ref Map CAIRNS L-1a to 1 mile 639836

Waterproofing of Vehs & Guns

7. Vehs and guns will be waterproofed to Stage 3 and marked with serial numbers NOT later than
(a) For loading from TRINITY BEACH - 1000 hrs D minus 1
(b) For loading from NORTH DOUGLAS - 1700 hrs D minus 1

(over)

2.

Craft Serial Rolls

8. (a) Craft serial rolls will be prepared in triplicate by all craft comds
- (b) All pers will be familiar with the number of craft serial with which they are to embark

Pers to embark from NORTH DOUGLAS

9. The following will embark from NORTH DOUGLAS under arrangements 17 AUST INF BDE:
- (a) Serials 60 to 87 incl
- (b) 6 AUST FD BTY -- 26 ORs, two 25-pdrs, two arty tractors
- (c) 6 AUST DIV CARR COY -- One pl complete

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A Coy	1
B Coy	2
C Coy	3
D Coy	4
HQ Coy	5
Adjnt	6
QM	7
IO	8
CO	9
2/3 AUST FD REGT	10
2/2 AUST FD AMB	11
2/1 AUST PNR BN	12
2/3 AUST MG BN	13
6 SFG PARTY	14
6 AUST DIV CARR COY	15
HQ 17 AUST INF BDE	16
1 AUST BEACH GP	17
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2/5 AUST INF BN LANDING CRAFT TABLE

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Serial	Landing Craft		LOAD			Manning		Landing		REMARKS
	No	Type	Personnel	Stores	Guns/Vehs	Place	Time	Beach	Time	
(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)	(h)	(i)	(j)	(k)
8		LCVP	ABM Party 7 Pl less One Sec	4 20 24	ABM party stores	Trinity		Red	H hour	Wave 1 Right Flank Beach signs and lamps to be preloaded
10		LCVP	8 Pl	1 24		"		"	"	Wave 1
11		LCVP	9 Pl	1 24		"		"	"	"
12		LCVP	One sec 7 Pl A Coy HQ OC Batman Orderlies Sigs SB CSM Coy Dresser Int Sec ULO Orderly 5 Pl	1 9 1 1 2 3 2 1 1 1 1 1 1 2 23	108 Set Sig Wire Dresser Phones	1 4 1		"	"	"

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2/3 AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BN LANDING CRAFT TABLE

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Serial	Landing Craft		LOAD			Manning		Landing		REMARKS
	No (b)	Type (c)	Personnel (d)	Stores (e)	Guns/Vehs (f)	Place (g)	Time (h)	Beach (i)	Time (j)	(k)
13		LCVP	One sen 12 PI B Coy HQ CC 1 Botman Orderlies Sigs SB CSM Coy Dresser Int Sec 5 PI 1 24	108 Set 1 Sig Wire Drum 1 Phones 1		Trinity		Red	H hour	Wave 1
14		LCVP	10 PI 1 24			"		"	"	"
15		LCVP	11 PI 1 24			"		"	"	"
16		LCVP	12 PI 1 20 less one sec AMB party 4 1 24	AMB party stores		"		"	"	Wave 1. Left Flank. Bch signs and lamps to be preloaded

2/6 JUST INF BN LANDING CRAFT TABLE

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Serial No	Landing Craft		L O . . D			Manning		Landing		REMARKS
	No (b)	Type (c)	Personnel (d)	Stores (e)	Guns/Vehs (f)	Place (g)	Time (h)	Beach (i)	Time (j)	
21		LCVP	16 Pl 1 24			Trinity		Red	H plus 10	Wave 2 Right Flank
22		LCVP	17 Pl 1 24			"		"	"	Wave 2
23		LCVP	D Coy HQ OC 1 Batman 1 Orderlies 2 Clerk 1 Sigs 3 SB 2 CSM 1 Coy Dresser 1 Int Sec 1 2 Bch Fd Coy - Recce Pty 6 5 Pl 4 2 23	108 set 1 Sig wire Drums 2 Phones 1		"		"	"	"
24		LCVP	18 Pl 1 24			"		"	"	Wave 2 Left Flank

2/6 AUST INF BN LANDING CRAFT TABLE

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Serial (a)	Landing Craft		LOAD			Manning		Landing		REMARKS (k)
	No (b)	Type (c)	Personnel (d)	Stores (e)	Guns/Vehs (f)	Place (g)	Time (h)	Beach (i)	Time (j)	
28		LCVP	Bch Gp Fd Coy 9 Adv Bch Sigs 5 Bch Coy Comd 2 Bch Med Sec 2 Recce Party RAP 1 4 G. Fd Bty Gun Gp 2 <u>I 24</u>	RAP panier 1 Stretchers 2		Trinity		Red	H plus 20	Wave 3 Right Flank. Adv Bch Sig incl Bch Si.
29		LCVP	BMr & Det 1 2 Bch Coy Comd 3 Adv Bch Sigs 5 Bch Gp Fd Coy 8 <u>I 18</u>	BMr's Boat 1		"		"	"	Wave 3

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Serial No	Landing Craft		LOAD			Manning		Landing		REMARK
	No (b)	Type (c)	Personnel (d)	Stores (e)	Guns/Vehs (f)	Place (g)	Time (h)	Beach (i)	Time (j)	
30		LCVP	CO 1 Adj 1 RSM 1 LO 17Bde 1 Int Sec 2 Batmen 2 Orderlies 2 Sigs 4 6 Fd Bty 1 3 SFC 1 3 Bch Sigs 3 <hr/> 5 20	108 Set 1 Sig panier 1 Sig wire 1 drum 1 Phones 1		Trinity		Red	H plus 20	Wave 3
31		LCVP	OC HQ Coy 1 Sig Offr 1 Batmen 2 O & Sgt 1 Orderlies 1 Int Sec 1 Sigs 3 6 Fd Bty 1 3 SFC 3 6 Fd Bty G Gp 1 2 17Bde Sigs 1 4 <hr/> 5 20	Sig panier 1 108 Set 1 Sig wire 1 drum 1 Phones 1		"		"	"	Wave 3 Left Flank

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Serial No	Landing Craft		LOAD			Manning		Landing		REMARKS
	No (b)	Type (c)	Personnel (d)	Stores (e)	Guns/Vehs (f)	Place (g)	Time (h)	Beach (i)	Time (j)	
36		LCVP	2/6 Bn SB 1 Beh Fd Coy 9 2/4 Pnr Bn 3 Beh Gp Sigs 12 25			Trinity		Red	H plus 25	Wave 4
37		LCVP	Beh Fd Coy 8 Beh Gp Sigs 17 25			"		"	"	"

2/6 AUSTRALIAN INF IN LANDING CRAFT TABLE

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Serial No	Landing Craft		LOAD			Manning		Landing		REMARKS	
	No (b)	Type (c)	Personnel (d)	Stores (e)	Guns/Vehs (f)	Place (g)	Time (h)	Beach (i)	Time (j)		
41		LCVP	13 Pl	1	24			Trinity			Wave 5 Right Flank
42		LCVP	14 Pl	1	24			"			Wave 5
43		LCVP	OC C Coy	1		108 Set	1	"			x
			Batman	1		Sig wire					
			Orderlies	2		drum	1				
			Sigs	3		Phone	1				
			SB	2							
			CSM	1							
			Int Sec	1							
			Bch Gp Sigs	14							
				1	24						
44		LCVP	15 Pl	1	24			"			Left Flank

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Serial No	Landing Craft		LOAD			Manning		Landing		REMARKS
	No (b)	Type (c)	Personnel (d)	Stores (e)	Guns/Vehs (f)	Place (g)	Time (h)	Beach (i)	Time (j)	
47		LCM	Bch Gp Fd Coy 2/4 Pnr Bn	ARC Mesh	D6 Dozer and sled 1	Trinity		Red	H plus 45	Wave 6
			3 17 <u>20</u>							
49		LCM	6 Fd Bty 17 Bde Sig Sec Bch Gp Med Sec		25 pdr 1 Tractor 1 1/4 T4 x 4 1	"		Red	H plus 55	Wave 7 1/4 T with Nell Set
			8 2 <u>10</u> 20							
51		LCM	6 Fd Bty 17 Bde Sig Sec 4 Pl 2/6 Bn		25 pdr 1 1/4 T4 x 4 1 Tk A gun 1 1/4 T4 x 4 2 (17 Bde Sigs)	"		Red	H plus 65	Wave 8
			12 4 6 <u>22</u>							

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Serial No	Landing Craft		LOAD			Manning		Landing		REMARKS
	No (b)	Type (c)	Personnel (d)	Stores (e)	Guns/Vehs (f)	Place (g)	Time (h)	Beach (i)	Time (j)	
(a)										(k)
60		LCVP	HQ 17 Bde 8 Det B Coy 2/4 Pnr Bn 5 Bch Gp FdCoy 23 <u>36</u>			Douglas		Red	H plus 70 approx	FERRY
61		LCVP	Bch Gp FdCoy 16 Bch Gp R Party 14 1 Pl -6 <u>36</u>			"		"	"	"
62		LCVP	228 Lt AA 10 Bty 2/6 Bn 3 Pl 12 2 Pl 12 <u>34</u>	.50 MMG 2 M-3in 2 MMGs 2		"		"	"	"
63		LCVP	228 Lt AA 1 11 2/6 Bn 3 Pl 12 1 Pl 4 6 Pl -6 <u>33</u>	.50 MMG 2 M-3in 2		"		"	"	"

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Serial No	Landing Craft		LOAD			Manning		Landing		REMARKS
	No (b)	Type (c)	Personnel (d)	Stores (e)	Guns/Vehs (f)	Place (g)	Time (h)	Beach (i)	Time (j)	
64		LCVP	228 1st AA 2/6 Bn 3 Pl 5 Pl <u>1</u> 34	.50 MG 2 M-3in 2		Douglas		Red	H plus 70 approx	FERRY
65		LCVP	2/1 Pnr Bn 1 24 2/6 Bn 2 Pl <u>1</u> 25	MMGs 2		"		"	"	"
66		LCVI	2/2 Fd Amb 1 33	Stretchers 6		"		"	"	"
67		LCVP	2/6 Bn 6 Pl 1 9 4 Coy 1 25 <u>2</u> 27			"		"	"	"
68		LCM	HQ 17 Bde 2 17 Bde Sig Sec 8 Beh Med Sec 15 <u>2</u> 25		1/4T4 x 4 1 1/4T4 x 4 4 5	"		"	H plus 75 approx	"

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Serial No	Landing Craft		LOAD			Manning		Landing		REMARKS
	No (b)	Type (c)	Personnel (d)	Stores (e)	Guns/Vehs (f)	Place (g)	Time (h)	Beach (i)	Time (j)	
73		LCVP	D Coy 23 Naval Commando 5 Bch Gp Prov 6 <u>34</u>			Douglas		Red	H plus 80 approx	FERRY
74		LCVP	2/3 Aust MG Bn 1 30	.303 MMG Stores 4		"		"	"	"
75		LCVP	2/6 Bn A Coy 6 Bn HQ 10 B Coy 20 <u>36</u>			"		"	"	"
76		LCVP	2/6 Bn C Coy 1 25 5 Pl 10 <u>1 35</u>			"		"	"	"

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Serial No	Landing Craft		LOAD			Manning		Landing		REMARKS (k)
	No (b)	Type (c)	Personnel (d)	Stores (e)	Guns/Vehs (f)	Place (g)	Time (h)	Beach (i)	Time (j)	
80		LCVP	2/4 Pnr Bn Bch Coy	1		Douglas		Red	H plus 90 approx	FERRY
81		LVP	2/4 Pnr Bn Bch Coy 2/46 LAD 6 Div Prov	18 8 8 34		"		"	"	"
83		LCVP	6 Div Prov HQ 6 Fd Bty HQ D Coy 2/3 -MG Bn 2/6 Bn	8 15 5 6 34		"		"	"	"

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Serial No	Landing Craft		LOAD			Manning		LANDING		REMARKS	
	No (b)	Type (c)	Personnel (d)	Stores (e)	Guns/Vehs (f)	Place (g)	Time (h)	Beach (i)	Time (j)		
84		LCVF	Gd Pl 6 Sig Sec 6 6 Fd Bty 5 HQ D Coy 2/3 MG Bn 3 Bch Gp Recce Party 4 Bde HQ 12 <u>36</u>							RED H plus 95 Subject to alteration by Bde Comd	FERRY
85		LCVP	HQ 2/2 Fd - Amb 3 HQ D Coy 2/3-MG Bn 4 HQ 6 Fd Bty 6 Bch Fd Recce Party 8 Bde Sigs 6 Bde HQ 6 <u>33</u>							"	"
86		LCVP	Bde Sig Sec 14 Gd Pl 9 Bde HQ 6 <u>23</u>							"	"
87		LCVP	Bde Sig Sec 13 Bde HQ 3 2/4 Pnr Bn Sig Pl 8 <u>24</u>							"	"

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2/6 Aust Inf Bn. Ldg Craft Table

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RED BEACH

WAVE	H HOUR								
WAVE 1	H HOUR								
	SERIALS	16	15	14	13	12	11	10	9
WAVE 2	H + 10								
	SERIALS			27	23	22	21		
WAVE 3	H + 20								
	SERIALS		31	30	29	28			
WAVE 4	H + 25								
	SERIALS							37	36
WAVE 5	H + 35								
	SERIALS			44	43	42	41		
WAVE 6	H + 45								
	SERIAL			47 ^M					
WAVE 7	H + 55								
	SERIAL			49 ^M					
WAVE 8	H + 65								
	SERIAL			51 ^M					

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2/6 AUST INF BN LANDING CRAFT TABLE

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Serial No	Landing Craft		L. O. A. B			Manning		Landings		REMARKS
	No (b)	Type (c)	Personnel (d)	Stores (e)	Guns/Vehs (f)	Place (g)	Time (h)	Beach (i)	Time (j)	
(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)	(h)	(i)	(j)	(k)
7		ALCA	ARM party 4 7 P1 1 29 1 33					RED	H	Wave 1 Right Flank
8		ALCA	8 P1 1 23 A Coy HQ OC A Coy 1 Batman 1 Orderlies 2 Sigs 4 Int Sec 1 CSM 1 2 32	108 Set 1 Sig wire drums 1 Phone 1				"	"	Wave 1
9		ALCA	9 P1 1 29 ULO 1 Orderly 1 SBs 2 2 32					"	"	"
10		ALCA	10 P1 1 28 CSM 1 SBs 2 Coy Dresser 1 Int Sec 1 1 33					"	"	"
11		ALCA	11 P1 1 25 B Coy HQ OC B Coy 1 Batamm 1 Orderlies 2 Sigs 4 2 32	108 Set 1 Sig Wire Drum 1 Phone 1				"	"	"

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2/6 AUST INF BN LANDING CRAFT TABLE

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Serial No	Landing Craft		LOAD				Manning		Landing		REMARKS
	No (b)	Type (c)	Personnel (d)	Stores (e)	Guns/Vehs (f)	Place (g)	Time (h)	Beach (i)	Time (j)	(k)	
12		ALCA	12 P1 ABM Party	1 29 4 1 33					RED	H	WAVE 1 Left Flank
22		ALCA	13 P1 3 P1	1 27 6 1 33	M-3in 1 Bombs 18				RED	H plus 10	WAVE 2 Right Flank
23		ALCA	14 P1 C Coy HQ OC Batman Sigs Orderlies Bch Fd Coy Recce Party	1 22 1 1 4 2 3 2 32	108 Set 1 Sig wire drum 1 Phone 1			"	"	WAVE 2	
24		ALCA	15 P1 Bch Fd Coy Recce party Int Sec SBs CSM Clerk	1 23 3 1 2 2 1 1 2 32				"	"	WAVE 2 Left Flank	

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Serial No	Landing Craft		L O A D			Manning		Landing		REMARKS
	No (b)	Type (c)	Personnel (d)	Stores (e)	Guns/Vehs (f)	Place (g)	Time (h)	Beach (i)	Time (j)	
32		ALCA	BMr & Det 12 Bch Coy Comd 5 Adv Bch Sigs 10 Bch Med Sec Recce Party 2 Bch Fd Coy 5 <u>34</u>					RED	H plus 20	WAVE 3 Right Flank
33		ALCA	Bch Fd Coy 12 SFC 6 S Pl 1 <u>15</u> 1 33					"	"	WAVE 3
34		ALCA	2/6 Bn CO 1 Adjut 1 ISM 1 Int Sec 2 Batman 2 Orderlies 2 Sigs 5 S F C 1 3 SBs 2 6 Fd Bty 2 6 5 Pl 6 <u>29</u>	108 Set 1 Sig panier 1 Sig wire drum 2 Phones 2				"	"	"
35		LCVP	OC HQ Coy 1 Sig Offr 1 Batman 2 O R Sgt 1 Orderly 1 Int Sec 1 Sigs 3 6 Fd Bty 1 2 Bde Sigs 3 <u>13</u>	Sig Panier 2 Sig wire drum 1 108 Set 1	1 4X4 1			"	"	WAVE 3 Left Flank

2/6 AUST INF BN LANDING CRAFT TABLE

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Serial No	Landing Craft		LOAD			Manning		Landing		REMARK.
	No (b)	Type (c)	Personnel (d)	Stores (e)	Guns/Vehs (f)	Place (g)	Time (h)	Beach (i)	Time (j)	
(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)	(h)	(i)	(j)	(k)
46		LCVP	5 Pl 1 14 Bch Gp Fd Coy 17 2/4 Pnr Bn 3 <u>1 34</u>					RED	H plus 30	WAVE 4 Right Fl...
47		LCVP	SBs 2 3 Pl 12 6 Pl 1 12 Bch Gp Sigs 5 <u>1 31</u>	M-3in 2 Bombs HE72				"	"	WAVE 4
48		LCVP	SBs 2 RPs 5 3 Pl 1 12 Bch Gp Sigs 12 <u>1 31</u>	M-3in 2 Bombs HE72				"	"	"
49		LCVP	Bch Gp Sigs 26 R&P 1 4 6 Pl 4 <u>1 34</u>					"	"	WAVE 4 Left Fl...

2/6 AUST INF BN LANDING CRAFT TABLE

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Serial No	Landing Craft		LOAD				Manning		Landing		REMARKS
	No (b)	Type (c)	Personnel (d)	Stores (e)	Guns/Vehs (f)	Place (g)	Time (h)	Beach (i)	Time (j)	(k)	
55		LCVI	16 PI 3 PI <u>1</u> 32	1 26 6 36	M-3in Bombs(HE)	1			RED	H plus 40	WAVE 5 Right Fl
56		LCVP	17 PI Coy HQ D OC Batman Orderlies Sigs <u>2</u> 33	1 26 1 1 2 4 2	108 Set Sig wire drum Phone	1 1 1			"	"	WAVE 5
57		LCVP	CSM Int Sec SBs Clerk 17 Bde Sig Sec 18 PI <u>10</u> 17	1 1 2 1 2 10 17		$\frac{1}{4}$ T4x4	1		"	"	"
58		LCVP	18 PI 17 Bde Sigs <u>1</u> 17	1 15 2 17		$\frac{1}{4}$ T4x4	1		"	"	"
59		LCVP	18 PI 17 Bde Sigs 17 PI <u>7</u> 17	8 2 7 17		$\frac{1}{4}$ T4x4	1		"	"	WAVE 5 Left Fla

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Serial No	Landing Craft		LOAD			Manning		Landing		REMARKS (k)	
	No (b)	Type (c)	Personnel (d)	Stores (e)	Guns/Vehs (f)	Place (g)	Time (h)	Beach (i)	Time (j)		
62		LCM	2/4 Pnr Bn Fch Gp Fd Coy	17 3 20	ARC Mesh	D6 Dozer and sled	1			RED H plus 55	WAVE 6 Right Flank
63		LCM	6 Fd Bty 2/6 Bn 1 Pl	17 8 25		25 Pdr Tractor	1 1			" "	WAVE 6 "
64		LCM	6 Fd Bty 2/6 Bn 6 Pl 1 Pl	13 10 10 33		25 Pdr Tractor	1 1			" "	" "
66		LCM	6 Fd Bty 2/6 Bn 4 Pl 17 Bde Sigs	12 6 2 20		25 Pdr 1/2 T 4x4 Tk gun 1/2 T 4x4	1 1 1 1			" "	WAVE 6 Left Flank

FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS

116 / 24 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 4 / 3 / 1944 2/6 Aust Div (Unit)

W.E. 11 136 2 OFFRS. 32 O.R's. 755 + OFFRS. 1 O.R's. 34 ATT. BY W.E.

Part A. Posted Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements Required.

1 W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED				5		6 ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W E				
Reinfts. Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.	DETAIL.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W E	Deficient W E	Reinfts Required.
1	-	-	1	W.Os Class I						
6	NR	3	3	W.Os. Class II					1	NR
				Squadron or Company Quartermaster Sgts						
5	NR	2	3	Staff Sergeants						
31	NR	1	32	Sergeants		10	8	-	2	NR
34	NR	8	38	Corporals		8	9	1	-	-
623	NR	-	623	Troopers, Privates, etc		15	14	-	1	NR
				Civilians counting as O.R.						
755	-	34	907	Totals of cols marked * should agree with details shown in Part E on Page 2.			31	1	4	NR

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

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

Detail	A.I.F.	C.M.F.		A.W.A.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	* *	TOTAL
		Under 19 Years	19 Years and over							
A										938
B(1)	938									
B(2)										

Part B. Other Ranks Attached from Other Units.

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

Number of O.Rs	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.Rs	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.Rs	Unit to which detached	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached
1	AME			1	1st Sch of Arty		
				1	1st SA Sch		
				1	First Aust Army Sig Sch		
				1	8 Aust Div Sig Sch		
				1	3 Aust Div Jungle Trg Sch		
				3	17 Aust Inf Bde		
				20	2/2 Pz Coy		
				44	not returned from leave		
				2	Pz Polish Contn		
				16	Pz Amb		
				3	2/3 Pz Bn		
				3	AME		
				1	2/3 AMB		

Part D. Description of Other Ranks Whose Return To 2/6 (Unit) is Particularly Requested. 4 / 1944

Army No	Rank	Name and Initials	REMARKS (e.g., present whereabouts if known)
		111	

FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS

"A" PART WHICH IS DETACHED TO LISTED

W.E. OFFERS O.R.'s OTHER O.R.'s ATT BY W.E.

Deficiencies, Surplus, Post strength, Reinforcements Required

Main data table with columns for ranks (1-11), descriptions (e.g., Medical, Hygiene, Postal), and counts. Includes a 'TOTAL' row at the bottom.

Part B and Part C summary tables. Part B: Other Ranks Attached from Other Units. Part C: Other Ranks included in Part A Detached to Other Units.

Part D: Description of Other Ranks Whose Return To (Unit) is Particularly Requested. Includes columns for name and initials, rank, and other details.

Unit

(Serial No.)

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 4/3/1944 (Total to agree with Columns 4 and 7 of Part A.)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held.	Army Number.	Surname.	Initials.	Posting.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No)	If not present with Unit, state how employed.	Date of Detachment.
Lt Col	100	Wood			Yes		
Major	817	Dexter			Yes		
Major	200	Stewart			Yes		
Capt	300	May			Yes		
Capt	300	Laver			Yes		
Capt	300	Walker			Yes		
Capt	501	Conneron			Yes		
1st Lt	1171	French			Yes		
1st Lt	1171	Moore			Yes		
1st Lt	1171	Irwin			Yes		
1st Lt	1171	Hirst			Yes		
1st Lt	1171	Brayton			Yes		
1st Lt	400	Price			Yes		
1st Lt	400	McIntyre			Yes		
1st Lt	400	Conneron			Yes		
1st Lt	400	Smith			Yes		
1st Lt	400	Ross			Yes		
1st Lt	671	Kemp			Yes		
1st Lt	671	Maloney			Yes		
1st Lt	671	St John			Yes		
1st Lt	671	Scarlett			Yes		
1st Lt	1101	McIntyre			Yes		
1st Lt	7001	Barrow			Yes		
1st Lt	8007	Smith			Yes		
1st Lt	8007	Frederick			Yes		
1st Lt	8007	Johnson			Yes		
1st Lt	8007	Fels			Yes		
1st Lt	1101	Quinn			Yes		
1st Lt	8100	Johnson			Yes		
1st Lt	8100	Lyne			Yes		
1st Lt	8100	Elliot			Yes		
1st Lt	700	White			Yes		
1st Lt	1	Wason			Yes		
1st Lt	8000	Farron			Yes		
1st Lt	8000	Cook			Yes		
1st Lt	8001	Horriam			Yes		

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

Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held.	Army Number.	Name and Initials.	Unit.	Date of Attachment.	Nature of Attachment.
Capt	1901	WATER	C B	1/3/44	...

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Date of Despatch

F. G. Wood Lieut/Col
Signature of Commander

APPX 'A'
FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

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

...../..... (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 4/3/1944 (Unit)

W.E. 11/120/2 OFFRS. 32 O.R's. 700 + OFFRS. 1 O.R's. 31 ATT. BY W.E.

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

W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.				
1	2	3	4		5	6	7	8	9	10
Rein'fts Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein'fts Required.
-	-	-	1	Lieut.-Colonels					
-	-	-	2	Majors					
-	-	-	7	Captains	ASAC	2	-	-	-
-	-	-	17	Lieutenants					
				Quarter-masters					
				A.A.N.S and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.					
				Civilians Counting as Offrs.					
	3	3	37						

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

DETAIL.	A.I.F.	C.M.F.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.N.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL.	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	**	TOTAL.
A.	38									38
E.(1)										
E.(2)										

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

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

OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit From.	Date.	CAUSE.
VX15412	Lieut.	Smith J.H.	2/3 A.C.E.	2-2-44	Exchanged from loop
VX11312	Lieut.	Johnson B.	B.A.C.E.	2-2-44	do
VX37720	1/Lieut.	Irvine A.T.	1st Coy Central Comm Coy	2-2-44	Assumed regt duties on seconded

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

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

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO (Unit) IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED. / / 1944

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

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Serial No		Landing Craft		LOAD		Manning		Landing		REMARKS
(a)	No (b)	Type (c)	Personnel (d)	Stores (e)	Guns/Vehs (f)	Place (g)	Time (h)	Beach (i)	Time (j)	(k)
73		ALCA	HQ 17 Bde 8 Fch Gp R Party 14 2/4 Pnr Bn Det B Coy 5 2/2 Fd Amb 7 <u>34</u>					RED	H plus 70 Approx	FERRY
74		ALCA	2/2 Fd Amb 25 2/1 Pnr Bn 9 <u>34</u>					"	"	"
75		ALCA	2/1 Pnr Bn 16 222 Lt AA Bty 10 2/6 Bn A Coy 6 <u>32</u>	.50 HMG 2				"	"	"
76		ALCA	222 Lt AA Bty 11 2/6 Bn A Coy 20 <u>31</u>	.50 HMG 2				"	"	"
77		ALCA	2/2 Lt AA Bty 10 2/6 Bn 2 Pl 12 A Coy 5 B Coy 5 <u>32</u>	.50 HMG 2 MMG 2 .303 Amn belts 28				"	"	"
78		ALCA	2 Pl 1 24 C Coy 7 <u>31</u>	MMGs 2 .303 Amn belts 28				"	"	"

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Serial No	Landing Craft		LOAD			Manning		Landing		REMARKS
	No (b)	Type (c)	Personnel (d)	Stores (e)	Guns/Vehs (f)	Place (g)	Time (h)	Beach (i)	Time (j)	
(a)										(k)
85		LCT	HQ 17 Bde 2 17Bde Sig 4 Sec 4 Bch Med Sec 25 <u>31</u>		$\frac{1}{2}$ T4x4 3			RED	H plus 80 approx	FERR
89		LCA	2/3 MG Bn 11 Naval Commando 5 6 Div Prov 16 Bch Gp Prov 2 <u>34</u>					"	"	"
90		LCA	2/3 MG Bn 10 Bch Gp Prov 4 Bch Gp Fd Coy 20 <u>34</u>					"	"	"

2/6 AUST INF BN LANDING CRAFT TABLE

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Serial No	Landing Craft		LOAD			Manning		Landing		REMARKS
	No (b)	Type (c)	Personnel (d)	Stores (e)	Guns/Vehs (f)	Place (g)	Time (h)	Beach (i)	Time (j)	
(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)	(h)	(i)	(j)	(k)
91		ALCA	2/3 MG Bn Beach Gp Fd Coy					RED	H plus 90	FERRY
			2/43 LAD							
102		LCVP	HQ 17 Bde Bde Sigs Sec					"	"	"
103		ALCA	Bde Sig Sec Pl Gd Reg					"	"	"
104		ALCA	Pl Gd Regt HQ 2/2 Fd Amb HQ D Coy 2/3 MG Bn 2/4 Pnr Sig Pl					"	"	"
105		ALCA	HQ 6 Fd Bty Bch Gp Recce (incl Cmd)					"	"	"

2/6 AUST INF BN LANDING CRAFT TABLE

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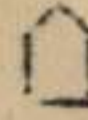

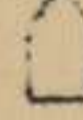


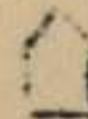

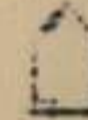



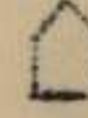
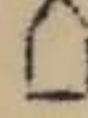




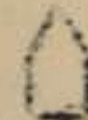


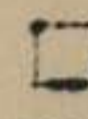
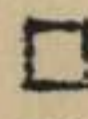

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Serial No	Landing Craft		L O A D			Manning		Landing		REMARKS
	No (b)	Type (c)	Personnel (d)	Stores (e)	Guns/Vehs (f)	Place (g)	Time (h)	Beach (i)	Time (j)	
110		LCVP	Bch Gp Recce 4 2/4 Pnr Bn Bch Coy <u>32</u> 36					RED	H plus 100	FERRY
111		LCVP	2/4 Pnr Bn Eeach Coy 21 2/6 Bn 4 Pl <u>15</u> 36					"	"	"

2/6 AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BN BOAT LANDING CRAFT TABLE

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Wave	1	H HOUR SERIALS	 12	 11	 10	 9	 8	 7
Wave	2	H + 10 SERIALS		 24	 23	 22		
Wave	3	H + 20 SERIALS		 35	 34	 33	 32	
Wave	4	H + 30 SERIALS		 49	 48	 47	 46	
Wave	5	H + 40 SERIALS	 59	 58	 57	 56	 55	
Wave	6	H + 55 SERIALS		 M 65	 M 64	 M 63	 M 62	

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

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.
Ammunition Examiners				Surveyors, Engineering				Operating Room Assts.				G.P.O. Assistants	4	3	1
Armament Artificer Fitter				Surveyors, B.A.A.				Operator, Keyboard				Hammermen	4	3	1
Armament Artificer Fitter (Electrical)				Surveyors, Topographical				Operator, Line				Leather Stitchers	2	1	1
Armament Artificer Fitter (M.V.)				Surveyors, Trigonometrical				Operator, Signal				Orderlies, Nursing	34	31	3
Armament Artificer Fitter (A.F.V.)				Toolmakers				Operator, Switchboard				Orderlies, Nursing Mental	23	3	-
Armament Artificer Instrument				Turners				Operator, Wireless				Plate Layers	4	4	-
Armament Artificer Radio				Watchmakers				Opticians				Rangelakers	118	73	-
Armament Artificer Signals				Welders				Painters		1	-	Rivetters	55	44	11
Armament Artificer Wireless								Panel Beaters				Roughriders	23	23	-
Artificer, Artillery								Photographer, Dry Plate				Saddlers	32	31	1
Artificer, Engine								Predictor Numbers				Saddletree makers	39	35	4
Blacksmiths	1	1	1					Printers				Shoemaker and Boot Repairer	1	1	-
Bricklayers								Radiographers				Stevedores	31	15	16
Computers								Riggers				Stokers, Staty. Engine	6	6	-
Cooks, Hospital				GROUP II.				Sawyers				Storemen, Technical	6	6	-
Coppersmiths				Armourers				Signallers				Tailors	10	10	-
Dispensers				Axemen				Signwriters				Textile Refitters	10	9	1
Draughtsmen				Bakers				Telescope Identfn Numbers				Tinsmiths			
Draughtsmen (Architectural)				Bty. Comd's. Asst.				Well Borers				Vulcanizers			
Draughtsmen (Engineering)				Boilermakers				Wheelers				Wagon Erectors	23	20	3
Draughtsmen (Mechanical)				Carpenters		6	4	Winchman				Whitesmiths			
Draughtsmen (Topographical)				Carpenters and Joiners				Wireman							
Electricians				Cooks				Woodturners							
Electricians (M.V.)				Dental Mechanics											
Electricians (Signals)				Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Med.)											
Fitters				Driver-Operator											
Fitters (Cycle)				Drainers											
Fitters (Electrical)				Electricians		1	-								
Fitters (Gun)				Electricians (Engineers)											
Fitters (Instrument)				Fire Control Operators											
Fitters (M.V.)				Gun Operator				GROUP III.				DETAILS OF NON-TRADESMEN.			
Fitters, Railway Signal				Hatchman				Battery Surveyors							
Fitters, Signals				Height Taker				Butchers		1	1				
Grinder, Precision				Hello Operator				Clerks		11	9				
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator				Clerks, Supply							
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Intelligence Duties		10	10	Clerks, Technical							
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Joiners				Coach Trimmers							
Mechanics, Radio				Lineman				Concretors							
Mechanics, Typewriter				Lineman, Signals				Cooks							
Mechanics, Wireless				Lithographers				Dental Clerk Orderlies							
Millwrights				Machinists, Metal				Despatch Riders							
Operators, Excavator				Machinists, Wood				Draughtsmen, Signals							
Pattern Maker				Masons				Drivers, H.T.		10	-				
Pharmacist				Masseurs				Driver Mechanics							
Photographer, Wet Plate				Mechanics, M.T.				Driver Tptn. Plant							
Photewriter				Miners				Engine Hands, I.C.							
Plumber				Moulders				Equipment Repairers		1	-				
Saw Doctors				Nurses, Trained				Farriers							
Surveyors				Observation Post Assts.				Fitters' Mates							
CARRIED FORWARD	1	-	-	CARRIED FORWARD	17	15	-	CARRIED FORWARD	12	10	-	Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A respectively	780	638	142

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

MAR 4 - 1944
Date of Despatch

F. S. Wood Lieut./Col.
Commanding 2/6 Aust. Inf. Bn.
Signature of Commander

War Diary

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday / / 194..... (Unit)

W.E. OFFRS. O.R.'s. + OFFRS. O.R.'s. ATT. BY W.E.

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

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.				
Rein'fts Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein'fts Required.
	1			Lieut.-Colonels					
	3			Majors	ABC	2			
	6			Captains					
				Lieutenants					
				Quarter-masters					
				A.A.N.S and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.					
				Civilians Counting as Offrs.					

DETAIL.	A.I.P.	C.M.F.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.N.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL.	R.A.N.	R.A.A.P.	..	TOTAL.
A.	35									35
E.(1)										
E.(2)										

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

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

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

OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK.

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

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit To.	Date.	CAUSE.
6034	Lt	.....	1/5 AM	6 Mar	vacated hospital
6033	Lt	.....	1/5 AM	6 Mar	vacated hospital
6115	Capt	.....	1/5 AM	6 Mar	vacated hospital

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

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

PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 11 / 3 / 1944 .

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.
					17	17			92	107					
Ammunition Examiners				Surveyors, Engineering				Operating Room Assts.				Rangetakers	4	-	NR
Armament Artificer Fitter				Surveyors, R.A.A.				Operator, Keyboard				Storemen (T)	4	2	NR
Armament Artificer Fitter (Electrical)				Surveyors, Topographical				Operator, Line				Tailors	2	2	NR
Armament Artificer Fitter (M.V.)				Surveyors, Trigonometrical				Operator, Signal				Sailors	34	30	NR
Armament Artificer Fitter (A.F.V.)				Toolmakers				Operator, Switchboard				Orderlies, Nursing	3	3	-
Armament Artificer Instrument				Turners				Operator, Wireless				Orderlies, Mental	4	4	-
Armament Artificer Radio				Watchmakers				Opticians				Plate Layers	4	4	-
Armament Artificer Signals				Welders				Painters	-	1	-	Rangetakers	415	562	-
Armament Artificer Wireless								Panel Beaters				Roughriders	23	36	-
Artificer, Artillery								Photographer, Dry Plate				Saddlers	32	30	NR
Artificer, Engine								Predictor Numbers				Saddle tree makers	32	33	NR
Blacksmiths	1	2	-					Printers				Shoemaker and Boot Repairer	1	1	-
Bricklayers								Radiographers				Shoepers	21	15	6
Computers								Riggers				Stokers, Staty. Engine	6	6	-
Cooks, Hospital				GROUP II.				Sawyers				Storemen, Technical	6	6	-
Coppersmiths				Armourers				Signallers	26	24	NR	Tailors	19	29	-
Dispensers				Axemen				Signwriters				Tailors, Dytys	2	2	-
Draughtsmen				Bakers				Telescope Identfn Numbers				Tinsmiths			
Draughtsmen (Architectural)				Bty. Comd's Asst.				Well Borers				Vulcanizers	755	912	17
Draughtsmen (Engineering)				Boilermakers				Wheelers				Wagon Erectors			
Draughtsmen (Mechanical)				Carpenters	6	3	NR	Winchman				Whitesmiths			
Draughtsmen (Topographical)				Carpenters and Joiners				Wireman							
Electricians				Cooks				Woodturners							
Electricians (M.V.)				Dental Mechanics				Machinists	-	1	1				
Electricians (Signals)				Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Med.)				RSM	1	1	-				
Fitters				Driver-Operator				ROMS	1	1	-				
Fitters (Cycle)				Drainers				CSMs	5	4	NR				
Fitters (Electrical)				Electricians	-	1	-	COMS	5	4	NR				
Fitters (Gun)				Electricians (Engineers)				P1 Sgts	24	24	-				
Fitters (Instrument)				Fire Control Operators											
Fitters (M.V.)				Gun Operator				GROUP III.							
Fitters, Railway Signal				Hatchman				Battery Surveyors							
Fitters, Signals				Height Taker				Butchers	1	1	-				
Grinder, Precision				Hello Operator				Clerks	11	9	NR				
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator				Clerks, Supply							
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Intelligence Duties	10	11	-	Clerks, Technical							
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Joiners				Coach Trimmers							
Mechanics, Radio				Lineman				Concretors							
Mechanics, Typewriter				Lineman, Signals				Cooks							
Mechanics, Wireless				Lithographers				Dental Clerk Orderlies							
Millwrights				Machinists, Metal				Despatch Riders							
Operators, Excavator				Machinists, Wood				Draughtsmen, Signals							
Pattern Maker				Masons				Drivers, H.T.							
Pharmacist				Masseurs				Driver Mechanics	-	20	-				
Photographer, Wet Plate				Mechanics, M.T.				Driver Tptn. Plant							
Photowriter				Miners				Engine Hands, I.C.							
Plumber				Moulders				Equipment Repairers	1	-	NR				
Saw Doctors				Nurses, Trained				Farriers							
Surveyors				Observation Post Assts.				Fitters' Mates							
								Gun Layers							
CARRIED FORWARD	1	2	-	CARRIED FORWARD	17	17	-	CARRIED FORWARD	92	107	-	Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A respectively	789	941	-

NOTES.—(a) If rank other than private is involved give details on back.
 (b) Authorized trades or specialists not included in list will be added as required in spaces provided.
 (c) Where A.W.A.S. and/or A.A.M.W.S. personnel are desired show details on back.
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MAR 11 1944

Date of Despatch

F. S. Wood
 Signature of Commander
 Commanding 2/6 Aust. Inf. Bn

TRADE	WO(1)	WO(ii)	S/SGTS	SGTS	CPLS
Int Duties				1	2
Sigs				1	2
Clerks				2	4
Tailors				1	1
Tech Storemen				1	
LMG Rm				13	36
MMG Nos				3	4
Mortar Nos				4	3
Pnr Nos				1	4
Pro Sgts				1	
SBs				1	2
Tk A Nos				2	3
RSM	1				
RQMS		1			
CSMs		4			
CGMS			4		
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			1	5	4
			<hr/>		
			31	61	
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<u>ATT WE</u>					
<u>AAMC</u>					
Chiropodist					1
Medical				1	
Hygiene				1	
<u>AAOC</u>					
Shoemaker					1
<u>AEME</u>					
Armourer				1	
AA Postal				1	
<u>AAPC</u>				1	1
<u>AACC</u>				5	3
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TOTAL				10	6
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TOTAL	1	5	4	41	67
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FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

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

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 12/3/1943 2/6 457 INF BR (Unit)

W.E. 11/130/2 OFFRS. 32 O.R's. 755 plus OFFRS. 1 O.R's. ATT. BY W.E.

PART A.—POSTED STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED

W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.				
1	2	3	4		6	7	8	9	10
Rein'ts Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein'ts Required.
1	1	-	1	Lieut.-Colonels					
3	3	-	3	Majors					
9	-	-	9	Captains	457	1	-	-	-
9	-	8	27	Lieutenants					
				Quarter-masters					
				A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.					
				Civilians Counting as Offrs.					
32	4	8	37						

Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in para 10 of instructions for compilation of form will complete Part E[1]&E[2].	DETAIL	A.I.F.	C.M.F.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.N.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL.	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	TOTAL.
	A.	32								32
	E.[1]									
	E.[2]									

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

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

OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit From.	Date.	CAUSE.
VX 30006	Lt	DEWANE	R D 2/6 AGH	15 Mar 1943	Rejoined unit from X List
NX113462	Lt	BRASH	L S 2/2 AGH	15 Mar 1943	Rejoined unit from X List
VX 5015	Capt	CAMBRON	W J 2/6 AGH	17 Mar 1943	Rejoined unit from X List
NX110899	Lt	KANE	R W 1/45 AUST INF BR	"	Transferred
			(Indian Army)		

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit To.	Date.	CAUSE.
NX 73151	Lt	BURTON	J P 2/6 AGH	9 Mar 1943	Evacuated hospital

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

Army No.	Rank	Name and Initials	REMARKS [e.g. present whereabouts if known].
		NIL	

Unit

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 18/3/44 (Total to Agree with Columns 4 and 7 of Part A).

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held.	Army Number	Surname.	Initials.	Posting.	Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No)	If not present with Unit, state how employed.	Date of Detachment.
Lt Col	VX 108	WOOD	F G	CO	Yes		
Maj	VX 5172	DUNN	V I	2 1/e	Yes		
T/Maj	VX 3837	STEWART	A H	CO Coy	Yes		
Capt	VX 2800	MC	D H	CO Coy	Yes		
Capt	VX 3829	LAVIN	H L	CO Coy	Yes		
Capt	VX 2007	WALKER	J L	CO Coy	Yes		
Capt	VX 3015	CAMERON	W J	Coy Cond	Yes		
T/Capt	VX 117120	FRANCO	V J	CO	Yes		
T/Capt	VX 39729	IRWIN	V J	21/e Coy	Yes		
Lieut	VX 117103	HIRST	J A		No	Det No 17	18/3/44
T/Capt	VX 10226	BRUNNEN	K A	21/e Coy	Yes		
Lieut	VX 4589	PRICE	S W	Adj't	Yes		13/2/44
Lieut	VX 39096	URQUHART	R J	21/e Coy	Yes		
Lieut	VX 40090	McNAMARA	C H	Platoon	Yes		
Lieut	VX 51042	GORDON	I A	Platoon	Yes		
Lieut	VX 134418	SMITH	I H	Platoon	Yes		
Lieut	VX 5115	ROSS	H W	Platoon	Yes		
Lieut	VX 0711	REMP	B G	Platoon	No	Det 2 AUST CORPS	23/2/44
Lieut	VX 2405	MALCOLM	V H	Platoon	Yes		
Lieut	VX 4150	ST JOHN	S R	21/e Coy	Yes		
Lieut	VX 3052	WATSON	H L	CO	Yes		
Lieut	VX 102803	WATSON	H T	Platoon	Yes		
Lieut	VX 113462	WATSON	L S	Platoon	Yes		
Lieut	VX 11313	WATSON	Z V	Platoon	Yes		
Lieut	VX 2837	WATSON	A J	Platoon	Yes		
Lieut	VX 201	WATSON	A C	Platoon	Yes		
Lieut	VX 6074	JORDAN	L C	Platoon	Yes		
Lieut	VX 2741	WATSON	H	Platoon	No	Det 2/e AUST PD Coy	
Lieut	VX 2742	JORDAN	A L	Platoon	Yes		
Lieut	VX 1002	JORDAN	F G	Platoon	Yes		
Lieut	VX 6721	WATSON	C D	Platoon	No	Leave	6/2/44
Lieut	VX 7301	WATSON	H S	Platoon	Yes		
Lieut	VX 15	WATSON	J S	Platoon	No	104 AUST CCS	18/3/44
Lieut	VX 28255	WATSON	J R	Platoon	No	FIRST AUST ARMY TRO	SCHOOL
Lieut	VX 122536	WATSON	H C	Platoon	Yes		4/3/44
Lieut	VX 43851	WATSON	W	Platoon	Yes		
Lieut	VX 110280	WATSON	R W	Platoon	Yes (a)		

(a) Regtl seniority not yet determined

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

Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank, if Held.	Army Number.	Name and Initials.	Unit.	Date of Attachment.	Nature of Attachment.
Capt	VX 112075	WATSON W H J	AASC	21/9/42	REG
Capt	VX 132573	TEMPSON R P	14/10 BALISE REG (AASC Army)	15/3/44	Att temporarily

F. S. Wood
Lt Col
Commandant
First Aust Army Mob Print Unit

Date of Despatch

PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 18/3/1944.

Table with 14 columns: Details of Tradesmen (GROUP I, II, III), W.E., Posted Strength, Reints. Required. Rows include various trades like Ammunition Examiners, Surveyors, Operating Room Assts., etc.

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Date of Despatch

Signature of Commander

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

116 27 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 25 3 4 2/6 194 (Unit)

W.E. 11 120 3 OFFRS. 32 O.R's. 785 + OFFRS. 1 O.R's. 34 ATT. BY W.E.

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

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.				
Rein'ts Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein'ts Required.
1	-	-	1	Lieut.-Colonels Majors Captains Lieutenants Quarter-masters A.A.N.S and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs. Civilians Counting as Offrs.					
3	1	-	2						
9	3	-	6						
19	-	9	38						
32	4	9	37						

DETAIL.	A.I.F.	C.M.F.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.N.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL.	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	..	TOTAL.
	A.	38								
E.(1)										
E.(2)										

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

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

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

OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit From.	Date.	CAUSE.
VX 54300	LT	WALKER	4th 2/1 ADT CO	21.3.44	Rejoined unit from X List
HX 73451	LT	WALKER	3rd 2/6 ADT	22.3.44	Rejoined unit from X List
VX 4533	LT	WALKER	1st 2/6 ADT	24.3.44	Rejoined unit from X List

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit To.	Date.	CAUSE.
VX 3313	Capt	WALKER	1st 2/2 ADT	22.3.44	Evacuated hospital
VX 6711	LT	WALKER	3rd 2 ADT CO	25.1.44	LB, Home of 14 Mar 44
VX 28505	LT	WALKER	3rd 2 ADT CO	14.2.44	Transferred to X List

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

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

Unit

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

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

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank, if Held.	Army Number	Surname.	Initials.	Posting.	Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No)	If not present with Unit, state how employed.	Date of Detachment.
Lt	VX 188	WOOD	F G	CO	Yes		
Lt	VX 5173	WOOD	V H	2/Lt	Yes		
Lt	VX 3837	WOOD	A H	CO	Yes		
Lt	VX 2880	WILKINSON	J C	CO	Yes		
Lt	VX 2887	WILKINSON	J C	CO	Yes		
Lt	VX 5016	WILKINSON	H J	CO	Yes		
Lt	VX 117310	WILKINSON	H J	CO	Yes		
Lt	VX 29728	WILKINSON	A I	2/Lt	Yes		
Lt	VX 117108	WILKINSON	J H		No	Det No. 17 AUG 7 INF	
Lt	VX 10276	WILKINSON	E L	2/Lt	Yes		12/2/44
Lt	VX 4525	WILKINSON	H J	2/Lt	Yes		
Lt	VX 38036	WILKINSON	H J	2/Lt	Yes		
Lt	VX 40080	WILKINSON	C L	2/Lt	Yes		
Lt	VX 52042	WILKINSON	I R	2/Lt	Yes		
Lt	VX 54300	WILKINSON	G H	2/Lt	Yes		
Lt	VX 13441	WILKINSON	J H	2/Lt	Yes		
Lt	VX 5215	WILKINSON	H J	2/Lt	Yes		
Lt	VX 3485	WILKINSON	V H	2/Lt	Yes		
Lt	VX 4558	WILKINSON	H J	2/Lt	Yes		
Lt	VX 5053	WILKINSON	H J	2/Lt	Yes		
Lt	VX 101663	WILKINSON	H J	2/Lt	Yes		
Lt	VX 11266	WILKINSON	L S	2/Lt	Yes		
Lt	VX 11318	WILKINSON	H J	2/Lt	Yes		
Lt	VX 74451	WILKINSON	J P	2/Lt	Yes		
Lt	VX 30067	WILKINSON	H J	2/Lt	Yes		
Lt	VX 3814	WILKINSON	H J	2/Lt	Yes		
Lt	VX 5054	WILKINSON	L S	2/Lt	Yes		
Lt	VX 3431	WILKINSON	H J	2/Lt	No	Det 2/2 AUG 70 COY	
Lt	VX 1128	WILKINSON	H J	2/Lt	Yes		
Lt	VX 51233	WILKINSON	H J	2/Lt	Yes		
Lt	VX 5783	WILKINSON	H J	2/Lt	No	leave	6/2/44
Lt	VX 5031	WILKINSON	H J	2/Lt	Yes		
Lt	VX 7359	WILKINSON	H J	2/Lt	Yes		
Lt	VX 15	WILKINSON	J H	2/Lt	Yes		
Lt	VX 12516	WILKINSON	H J	2/Lt	Yes		
Lt	VX 40051	WILKINSON	H J	2/Lt	Yes		
Lt	VX 11088	WILKINSON	H J	2/Lt	Yes		

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

Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank, if Held.	Army Number.	Name and Initials.	Unit.	Date of Attachment	Nature of Attachment.
Capt	NX 112075	QUINN W M J	AAMC	21/9/42	RMO
Capt	VN 138673	THOMPSON K P	14/10 BALUCH REGT (Indian Army)		

25 May 44
Date of Despatch

F. G. Wood
Lt Col
(F. G. WOOD)
Signature of Commander
Comd 2/6 AUG 70 BN

PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 25 / 3 / 1944 .

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	
Ammunition Examiners				Surveyors, Engineering				Operating Room Assts.				G.P.O. Assistants				
Armament Artificer Fitter				Surveyors, R.A.A.				Operator, Keyboard				Hammermen	4		NR	
Armament Artificer Fitter (Electrical)				Surveyors, Topographical				Operator, Line				Leather Stuffers	4	3	NR	
Armament Artificer Fitter (M.V.)				Surveyors, Trigonometrical				Operator, Signal				Orderlies Nursing				
Armament Artificer Fitter (A.F.V.)				Toolmakers				Operator, Switchboard				Orderlies Nursing Mental	2	2	-	
Armament Artificer Instrument				Turners				Operator, Wireless				Plate Layers	34	33	-	
Armament Artificer Radio				Watchmakers				Opticians				Rocketmakers	3	3	-	
Armament Artificer Signals				Welders				Painters		1		Riveters				
Armament Artificer Wireless								Panel Beaters				Roughriders	4	4	-	
Artificer, Artillery								Photographer, Dry Plate				Saddlers	415	570	-	
Artificer, Engine								Predictor Numbers				Shoemakers	55	44	11	
Blacksmiths	1	1	-					Printers				Shoemaker and Boot Repairer	23	30	-	
Bricklayers								Radiographers				Stevenson Lics	32	30	NR	
Computers								Riggers				Stokers, Staff, Engine	22	29	-	
Cooks, Hospital				GROUP II.				Sawyers				Stokers, Technical	1	1	-	
Coppersmiths				Armourers				Signallers		26	23	NR	Tailors	21	9	12
Dispensers				Axemen				Signwriters				Textile Refitters	6	6	-	
Draughtsmen				Bakers				Telescope Identfn. Numbers				Tinsmiths	6	6	-	
Draughtsmen (Architectural)				Bty. Comd's Asst.				Well Borers				Vulcanizers	19	39	-	
Draughtsmen (Engineering)				Boilermakers				Wheelers				Wagon Drivers	2	2	-	
Draughtsmen (Mechanical)				Carpenters		6	4	Winchman				Whitesmiths				
Draughtsmen (Topographical)				Carpenters and Joiners				Wireman								
Electricians				Cooks				Woodturners								
Electricians (M.V.)				Dental Mechanics				Machinists		1						
Electricians (Signals)				Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Med.)				NSM		1	1					
Fitters				Driver-Operator				AGMS		1		NR				
Fitters (Cycle)				Drainers				COMS		5	4	NR				
Fitters (Electrical)				Electricians			1	COMS		5	5	NR				
Fitters (Gun)				Electricians (Engineers)				Pl Sgts		24	26					
Fitters (Instrument)				Fire Control Operators				GROUP III.								
Fitters (M.V.)				Gun Operator				Battery Surveyors								
Fitters, Railway Signal				Hatchman				Butchers		1	1					
Fitters, Signals				Height Taker				Clerks		11	9	NR				
Grinder, Precision				Hello Operator				Clerks, Supply								
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator				Clerks, Technical								
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Intelligence Duties		10	10	Coach Trimmers								
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Joiners				Concretors								
Mechanics, Radio				Lineman				Cooks								
Mechanics, Typewriter				Lineman, Signals				Dental Clerk Orderlies								
Mechanics, Wireless				Lithographers				Despatch Riders								
Millwrights				Machinists, Metal				Draughtsmen, Signals								
Operators, Excavator				Machinists, Wood				Drivers, H.T.								
Pattern Maker				Masons				Driver Mechanics								
Pharmacist				Masseurs				Driver Tptn. Plant								
Photographer, Wet Plate				Mechanics, M.T.				Engine Hands, I.C.								
Photowriter				Miners				Equipment Repairers		1		NR				
Plumber				Moulders				Farriers								
Saw Doctors				Nurses, Trained				Fitters' Mates								
Surveyors				Observation Post Assts.				Gun Layers								
CARRIED FORWARD	1	1	-	CARRIED FORWARD	17	16	-	CARRIED FORWARD	92	107	-	Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively.	780	954	-	

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25 Mar 44

J. S. Wood
 Lt Col
 (A. S. 1000)
 Comd 2/6 AUST INF BN

Date of Despatch
 a.w. 6m bks 3/43

Signature of Commander

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Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
WONDECLA	1	1730	1 OR marched out to attend FIRST AUST ARMY SCHOOL OF SIGS	
			Notification received of approval of transfer to MOV CONTROL	
			of Lt J D BRENNAN, at present on leave following completion	
			of period of secondment as instr NGF TRG SCHOOL	
		1930	Mob cinema screening in Bde area	
	2	0700	C of E Holy Communion in Bn recreation hut	
		0800	RC Mass in Bn recreation hut	
		0915	Bn church parade in 17 AUST INF BDE cinema	
		1030	AUST rules football - Bn team defeated by 2/3 AUST FD REGT	
		1300	Notification received of approval of promotion of Lt E W A	
			PRICE MC (Adjnt) to rank of T/Capt	
		1330	Following pers marched out:	
			2 Cpls to proceed as instrs trg units SECOND AUST ARMY	
			1 Cpl to attend LHQ SCHOOL OF ARMY COOKING & CATERING	

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WONDECLA	2		1 OR to attend 6 AUST DIV FD CABLE COURSE	
	3	0745	2 ORs Int Sec marched out to attend 6 AUST DIV Int Course	
			No 1	
		0750	Adjut and QM Course at HQ 6 AUST DIV, to continue for 2 hrs	
			daily for 14 days, attended by Capt E W A PRICE MC and B J	
			FRENCH	
		0800	A Coy marched out to tk trg area for exercise with tks	
		0830	8 ORs HQ Coy commenced attending rangetakers' course at HQ	
			17 AUST INF BDE; to continue daily for 14 days	
			M 2-in and M 3-in range practices	
			Capt H L LAVER rejoined unit ex 2/2 AGH	
		1800	Two extra jeeps issued to Bn from VRD	
	4	0800	C Coy marched out to tk trg area for exercise in co-op with	
			tk	

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WONDECLA	4	0930	Lt J R HURREN rejoined unit from FIRST AUST ARMY REGTL TRG SCHOOL (MMG Wing)	
		1600	CO attended conference ref trg at HQ 17 AUST INF BDE	
	5	0900	CO and party moved out to recce area for forthcoming Bn exercise	
		1030	2 NCOs and 3 ORs nominated for transfer to 6 AUST DIV CARR COY interviewed at HQ 17 AUST INF BDE	
		1100	1 AUST CORPS Adm SOs received and issued to coys	
		1530	AUST rules football - A Coy 2/7 AUST INF BN defeated A Coy 2/6 AUST INF BN	
		1715	Bn supplied piquet for 16/19 AUST INF BDE cinema	
		1945	CO, 2ic and Adjt entertained at formal mess in Sgts Mess	
		2000	Pers attended screening at 16/19 AUST INF BDE cinema	
	6	0800	Lt N W MOSS proceeded to IRVINEBANK for arty demonstration by	

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Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.	
WONDECLA	6		2/3 AUST FD REGT		
		0800	Lt M E WHITE (OC Tk A Pl) proceeded on recce for "enemy" posns for forthcoming Bn exercise with carrs u/c		
		0815	CO and party moved out on recce for exercise with carrs		
		0830	Pl A Coy commenced preparation of, def posn for Bn exercise		
		1400	Innoculations given to pers requiring same		
		1515	Offrs' conference in Offrs' Mess to discuss trg		
		1600	Lt R J H SMITH rejoined unit from SA Instrs Refresher Course		
		7	0730	CO, 2ic, Adjnt, QM and Capt J C WALKER left to spend Easter week end at ETTIE BAY	
			0800	Instns issued for Bn exercise in co-op pl 6 AUST DIV CARR COY on 14 Apr 44	
			0800	RC Mass of the Pre-Sanctified celebrated in 17 AUST INF BDE cinema	

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Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.	
WONDECLA	7	0930	Good Friday church parade in 17 AUST INF BDE cinema.		
		1000	Working party (Lt M FELS i/c) which had been det 2/2 AUST FD COY since 13 Feb 44 rejoined unit		
		1030	Bn football team left for KAIRI for match with 7 AUST INF BN		
		1200	Two truck loads of supporters left for KAIRI		
				Football match won by 7 AUST INF BN by 10 goals	
		1330	2 NCOs marched out as instrs for trg units SECOND AUST ARMY		
		1400	Elimination trials conducted for Bde athletic sports to be held on following day		
		1930	Pers attended C of E Temebrae at HERBERTON		
		2000	Open air cinema screening in 17 AUST INF BDE area		
		8	0900	Maj H McB STEWART evac hosp	
			1100	90 pers proceeded to race meeting at TUMOULIN	
			1400	17 AUST INF BDE athletic carnival won by 2/6 AUST INF BN with	

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Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
WONDECLA	8		7 first places in 11 events	
		1930	Boxing contests in Bn ring	
	9		Following Easter Day services were conducted:	
		0645	RC Mass in Bn recreation hut	
		0700	C of E Holy Communion in Bn recreation hut	
		0800	RC Mass in Bn recreation hut	
		0915	Bn church parade in 17 AUST INF BDE theatre	
		1000	C of E Holy Communion in Bn recreation hut	
		1400	Bn AUST rules football team defeated combined team 2/1 AUST	
			PNR BN-2/119 AUST BDE WKSHPs by 17 goals	
		1415	2 ORs marched out to attend 6 AUST DIV sig courses	
		1430	2 NCOs marched out to attend SA Instrs Refresher Course	
		1500	3 NCOs det as instrs 2/8 AUST FD COY RAE	
		1930	Performance by 4 AUST DIV Concert Party in 17 AUST INF BDE	

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Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
WONDECLA	9		theatre	
		2000	CO and party returned from ETTIE BAY	
	10	0800	Pers left unit area to take part in M 2-in and M 3-in range practices	
		1400	CO witnesses tests of new No 77 (smoke) grenades at unit 30-yds range; tests NOT very impressive	
		1430	2 NCOs and 3 Ptes transferred to 6 AUST DIV CARR COY	
		1500	2/1 AUST PNR BN defeated 2/6 AUST INF BN team at rugby	
		1930	Performance by 4 AUST DIV Concert Party in 17 AUST INF BDE theatre (Piquet supplied by 2/6 AUST INF BN)	
		2030	Working party 37 ORs (Lt T E ELLIOTT i/c) returned from det 58 AUST FD PK COY RAE	
	11	1030	Coy comds recce in preparation for Bn exercise with tks	
		1300	Pl comds recce, followed at 1430 hrs by sec comds recce	

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WONDECLA	12	0800	Bn marched out for exercise in co-op with tks		
		0915	Lt M E WHITE (Tk A Offr) attended conference 2/46 AUST LAD ref maint Tk A guns		
		0945	Bn arrived assembly area		
		1015	Coys and tks att moved to FUPs		
		1100	SL crossed		
		1400	Exercise concluded; conference of offr's held in area last objective under direction Bde Comd		
				Coys marched back to camp area across country independently	
		1930	Boxing contests in Bn ring		
		13	0530	Reveille for C and D Coys	
			0630	C and D Coys left by MT for WONGABEL for Bn exercise	
0830	A and B Coys and Bn HQ moved out to WONGABEL area				
1000	CO issued orders to coy comds				

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Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
WONDECLA	13	1400	Bn at assembly area - exercise commenced	
		1500	SL crossed	
		2100	Bn in assembly area for night exercise	
		2200	SL for night exercise crossed	
		2359	Exercise concluded; coys bivouaced in area of objective	
	14	0530	Reveille	
		0700	Breakfast at assembly area; cut lunches issued	
		0730	3 ORs moved out on two-day visit to Naval Base CAIRNS	
		0800	Coys moved out on exercise in conjunction with pl 6 AUST DIV CARR COY	
		0945	CO president of GCM held HQ 16 AUST INF BDE	
	1000	Lt SEEKAMP and pers MMG Pl attended demonstration by 2/2 AUST INF BN firing Vickers MMG from slightly modified Bren LMG mounting		

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Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
WONDECLA	14	1400	Exercise concluded	
		1430	First lift from trg area returned to camp; remainder pers returned 1600 hrs	
		1430	Lt C D PAYNE and two NCOs det as instrs 17 AUST INF BDE Junior Leaders Course	
	15	0830	Bn parade and inspection by CO	
		In a brief address CO reminded pers of fourth anniversary of embarkation of Bn for ME (14 Apr 40)		
		Gen Salute sounded in memory of the fallen		
		Maj W R DEXTER promoted Lt col and transferred to comd 61 AUST INF BN		
		Maj H McB STEWART assumed duties as Bn 2ic		
		2000	3 ORs proceeded on recreational leave to WA	
	16	0700	C of E Holy Communion in B _n recreation hut	

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Unit 2/6 AUST INF BN Date and Time.—From 1 APR 44 To 30 APR 44

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.	
WONDECLA	16	0800	RC Mass in Bn recreation hut		
		0915	Bn church parade		
		1430	Football match against 7 AUST INF BN viewed by Div and Corps Comds; match won by 7 AUST INF BN		
		1500	10 ORs marched out to proceed on recreational leave SA and TAS		
			20 NCOs and potential NCOs marched out to attend 17 AUST INF BDE Junior Leaders Course No 4		
		1730	2 NCOs marched out to be det as instrs SECOND AUST ARMY JUNIOR LEADERS SCHOOL		
		17	0800	1 Sgt and 10 ORs per coy moved out for M 2-in and EY rifle practice; Lt E R ST JOHN i.c	
			0830	Pers Pnr Pl commenced daily course of instn in stresses, strains, cordage, wire and knot tying at 2/8 AUST FD COY	

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Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
WONDECLA	17	0915	QLD electors voted for State Elections in 17 AUST INF BDE theatre; Lts E R ST JOHN, L S ROACH and J R HURREN acted as electoral offrs	
		1000	15 ORs (5 rangetakers and 10 SBs) joined unit as gen rfts from 7 AUST MG BN	
		1430	1 NCO Int Sec marched out to attend FIRST AUST ARMY Map Reading and Fd Sketching Course at WONGABEL	
	18	0700	CO moved out to participate in Div TEWT MILLAA MILLAA area	
		1000	3 ORs marched out to proceed on recreational leave to VIC	
	19	0730	CO moved out to Div TEWT	
		1015	5 ORs marched out to proceed on recreational leave to NSW	
		1745)	Pers attended cinema screenings in 17 AUST INF BDE theatre	
		2000)		
	20	0745	CO attended conclusion of Div TEWT	

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WONDECLA	20	1800	Capt J C WALKER marched out to attend FIRST AUST ARMY JUNIOR STAFF SCHOOL No 9 War Course	
	22	0500	3 ORs marched out to proceed on recreational leave in QLD	
		1430	AUST rules football - 2/6 AUST INF BN second XVIII defeated 2/7 AUST INF BN second XVIII	
	23	0645	RC Mass in Bn recreation hut	
		0700	C of E Holy Communion in Bn recreation hut	
		0915	Bn church parade in 17 AUST INF BDE theatre	
		1315	Soccer - 2/7 AUST INF BN defeated 2/6 AUST INF BN	
		1430	AUST rules football - 2/7 AUST INF BN defeated 2/6 AUST INF BN	
	24		BN	
		0730	D Coy marched out on all day exercise - def and counter attack - preceded by cross country compass march	
		0900	Int Sec left on recce of trg area for exercise 2/5 May 44	

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WONDECLA	24	1100	CO and RSM inspected Bn lines	
		1430	Lt gens V A H STURDEE and S G SAVIGE, accompanied by CO, visited D Coy in jungle trg area	
		1700	Lt E R ST JOHN MC and 2 NCOs marched out to proceed as instrs SECOND AUST ARMY JUNIOR LEADERS SCHOOL	
	25	1600	Lt I R GORDON rejoined unit from 2/2 AGH	
	27	0830	Pers embussed for WATSONVILLE area for fd firing exercise in co-op with arty and RAAF	
			1300	Remainder of pers embussed for bivouac area
		1400	CO conferred with coy comds, Adjt, specialist pl comds in exercise area	
		1600	Coy comds conducted TEWTS for pl and sec comds	
		2000	Salvation Army mob unit supplied hot coffee and biscuits	
			to tps	

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Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
WONDECLA	28	0845	Coys moved from bivouac area to assembly area	
		1100	A and B Coys attacked and captured first objective; sp by RAAF, arty and MMGs	
		1230	C and D Coys, with arty and MMG sp, attacked and captured second objective	
		1300	A and B Coys moved fwd to strengthen def posns occupied by C and D Coys	
		1430	Sp arms and weapons fired four mins DF	
		1945	Coys commenced withdrawal to bivouac area	
	29	0900	First lift embussed bivouac area to return to camp	
		1200	Remainder of pers returned to camp	
	30	0645	RC Mass in Bn recreation hut	
		0700	C of E Holy Communion in Bn recreation hut	
0915		Bn church parade in 17 AUST INF BDE theatre		

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2/6 AUST INF BN

APR 44

WAR DIARY

LIST OF APPXS

- "A" Fd Returns - Offrs and ORs - Apr 44
- "B" RMO's Report - Apr 44
- "C" QM's Report - Apr 44
- "D" 2/6 AUST INF BN Op Order (Exercise No 1)
- "E" 2/6 AUST INF BN Op Order (Exercise No 2) and instn
- "F" 2/6 AUST INF BN Op Order (Exercise No 3)
- "G" 2/6 AUST INF BN OpOrder (Exercise No 4) and dyaline copy
of trace
- "H" Trg Syllabi - 17/30 Apr 44

2/6 AUST INF BN

WAR DIARY

APRIL 1944.

MEDICAL SECTION

1. During APRIL 410 new sick were treated at the RAP or evacuated to hospital, most of them being illnesses or injuries of a trivial nature.
2. Malaria was the commonest illness, there being 53 relapses and a further 5 probable cases, making an average of 14 cases a week, which is slightly lower than the average for MARCH.
3. Football injuries were the next commonest, mostly made up of joint sprains and contusions, but there were also a few minor fractures.
4. URTI was fairly common (36 cases) and towards the end of the month, this manifested itself in a fairly severe form, 2 cases progressing to acute bronchitis, and one of lobar pneumonia. This may be accounted for by the fact that the nights were fairly cold and each week the Bn spent 3 days in exercises which involved loss of sleep and bivouacing in the open.
5. There was one case of Scrub Typhus which took a mild course, and was apparently contracted in the CAIRNS area.
6. The total number of evacuations for APRIL was 93.
7. Other diseases were mainly skin diseases (46), foot disabilities (16) and diarrhoea (13)
8. Except for the usual number of relapses of Malaria, which is decreasing each month, the Unit is now quite fit. Only short route marches have been attempted so far, and a longer one may possibly reveal some feet which need hardening.

M. Quinn
 Capt
 (A N QUINN)
 RMO 2/6 AUST INF BN

1. STORES

Owing to unit being practically up to full full W.E. few stores of this type were received during the month.

The usual clothing deficiencies were called for but owing to short supplies were considerably reduced by Ordnance.

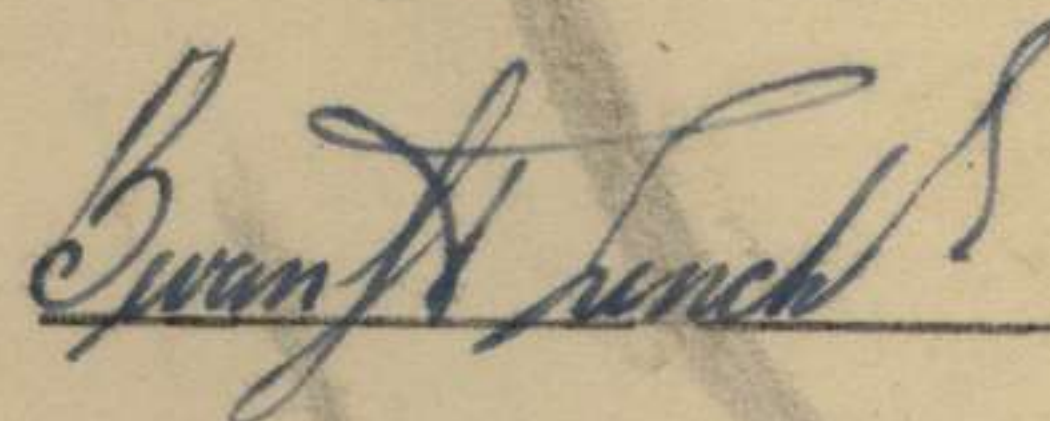
In connection with "PREPAREDNESS" the work of packing of stores not being used in training was continued and the containers were marked with the appropriate markings.

2. TRAINING

A percentage of Admin. Pl. took part in tng in the field on each occasion the unit was out.

3 WEAPONS

Weapons on charge were checked and with the exception of M.M.G's which were already condemned by A.I.O. were found to be in a satisfactory condition.



Capt Q.M.

SECRET.

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11 Apr 44.

2/6 ASST INF BN OPERATION ORDER EX 1.Ref Map HANSHAN 1" to 1 ml.INFM1. ENEMY.

(a) Jap force has pushed inland from coast and captured HANSHAN. Their L of C to AHEMION has been cut and they have commenced to withdraw due EAST to WONGSOLA via unmade track SOUTH of NORTH NIGER CREEK, towards MT. HYPARK, ref 1407, leaving strong rear guards.

- (b) According to tracks enemy have approx 10 tanks.
 (c) Located dispositions Appx "A" attached.
 (d) Estimated strength, approx 200 plus T/A guns.

2. OWN TROOPS

- (a) By 1100 hrs 11 Apr 2/7 ASST INF BN were held up on high ground EAST of creek crossing 333105 and suffered heavy casualties.
 (b) FIL's as shown as per Appx "A"
 (c) "A" and "B" Sqs 2/9 ARMD REGT come u/c as from 0800 hrs 12 Apr.

INTENTION.

3. 2/6 ASST INF BN OP, will capture enemy posn and secure track junct 352007.

PHASE.

4. Attack will be in two phases.

(a) PHASE 1.

3 coys fwd with one sqn of tanks allotted in support to capture first obj, high ground between NORTH NIGER CREEK and NIGER CREEK, as shown Appx "A"

(b) PHASE 2.

Probable role. Two coys fwd and following one sqn of tanks allotted them, to pass through first objective, and secure second objective, incl road junct 352007.

5. PHASE 1.

- "A" Coy with u/c 7 Tp "A" Sqn right fwd coy.
 "B" Coy with u/c 8 Tp "A" Sqn left fwd coy.

6. OBJECTIVES.

- (a) "A" Coy high ground incl 328000 fallen white gum tree (pointed out on ground, to creek 329004.
 (b) "B" Coy SOUTH of NORTH NIGER CREEK 333105 to excl 328000.

7. INTER COY BOUNDARY.

Incl "A" Coy fallen dead tree rear of B L 329105 to fallen white gum

8.

8. AXIS OF ADV. 144 deg MAG
9. F U F "A" and "B" Coys area 325105.
10. START LINE.

327103 to 328107, I O to tape by H - 30.

11. START TIME

Time to cross S L H hr.

12. RATE OF ADV.

100 yds in 2 minutes.

13. ACTION ON CAP OF OBJ.

- (a) Consolidate.
- (b) Neutralize and mark all mine fields.
- (c) Neutralize possible T/A guns outside obj.
- (d) Provide covering fire for Tanks and inf in Second Phase.

14. RESERVE.

- (a) "C" Coy area 324105
- (b) "D" Coy area 325107
- (c) Probable role as for Second Phase.

15. TANKS.

- (a) 7 and 8 tps fwd. 1 tank per pl as allotted in marry-up to move behind inf at inf speed and provide covering and neutralizing fire as directed.
- (b) OC Bn with Bn HQ
- (c) S L as for inf.
- (d) Starting time to cross S L 1 minute after pl to which att
- (e) F U F as for inf.

16. RES.

- (a) Reserve area 324107
- (b) Probable role consolidate on First Obj.

17. MOB 3"

- (a) 4 dets w/c Bn neutralize enemy located posns H-10 to H-2.
- (b) Expenditure 3 sacks, 35 MB
- (c) Remaining dets. reserve area 323103
- (d) Probable role consolidate First obj.

18. T/A

TASK

- (a) 2 dets protect right flank F U F. 2 dets protect left flank F U F.
- (b) To move fwd on capture first obj. and assist in consolidation.

19. COMMUNIC. SIGNAL.

- (a) "A" Coy - G/R
- (b) "B" Coy - R/G

PHASE 2.

20. Probable role exploitation along track to secure high ground area track junct 259098

21. INF EMPLOYED.

- (a) "C" Coy right fwd, following 5 Tp "A" Sqn u/c.
- (b) "D" Coy left fwd, following 5 Tp "A" Sqn u/c.

22. OBJECTIVES.

To be pointed out on ground after capture first obj.

23. TANKS.

- (a) 5 and 6 Tps fwd. 1 tank per pl allotted in marry-up.
- (b) To move by short bounds, slightly ahead of inf and neutralize enemy posns.
- (c) OC Sqn with Bn HQ.

24. SMO PICKERS PL.

- (a) One SMO and 6 OMs each to "A" and "B" Coys.
- (b) Supervise locating and neutralizing of mine fields and marking cleared passages.

25. H HOUR.

D Day 1100 hrs 12 Apr.

AIM.26. TASKS

- (a) Assembly area re-entrant area 325107.
- (b) Marrying-up area off road near track junct 309106.
- (c) Guides from pls report marrying-up area H-120.

27. Cut lunches to be drawn by coys.

28. All heavy weapons by tpt to assembly area 324108

29. SAA Reserve re-entrant SOUTH of track 324104.

30. Tk/A PL.

Jeps may be used for tpt of amn fwd on advice of Adjtd

31. Certificate of safety as per Bn SOc by 0230 hrs 12 Apr.

32. REPRESENTATION OF FIRE.

- | | |
|--------------------------|----------------------------------|
| (a) Rifle | - 303 blank. |
| (b) MMGs and LMGs | - .303 blank and rattles. |
| (c) Grenades and Mortars | - Aldershot grenades. |
| (d) Tk/A guns | - 2 pdr blank. |
| (e) Tanks 75 mm | - rifle firing .303 down barrel. |
| (f) .30 Browning | - blanks. |

33. STUFF FOR CONSOLIDATION

W to be carried on men

34. MEDICAL.

- (a) MAP re-entrant NORTH of track 386108 till capture of second obj.
- (b) 8 Bn - 8 per coy.
- (c) CAPs under Coy Dressers.

35. P.I.

- (a) Collecting point of track 385104 until capture second obj.
- (b) I C to interrogate and send back to Bde.

ARTILLERY

36. Bn Bn - Re-entrant NORTH of track 386108 until capture second obj.

37. WIRELESS.

- (a) Wireless normal.
- (b) Allotment of sets as per Sig plan.

38. SIG.

Cable to be laid to all coys on capture of obj.

39. SYNCHRONIZATION.

Through Bn Sig at 0800 hrs and 1030 hrs D Day.

Ed Price
Capt
(E. V. PRICE)
Adj. S/S Aust Inf Bn

Adj'

Subject: AN EXERCISE - 12 APR 44 - 08H 1800H

Headquarters
2/6 Aust Inf Bn
11 APR 44

ALL OUT ORDERS TO

ORDER

JOs
will order plus packs
Packs will contain

Blanket
lunch

Groundsheet
Water bottle

2. Area A I pt

Full W

3. ARM

.303 S&A blank 10 rounds per rifle
Trench rattles for LMGs and WMGs

4. Assembly Area

Track June 319105

5. Start Line

Main rd opposite the boxing ring

6. Time to Pass Start Line

Band	0800 hrs
A Coy	0801 hrs
B Coy	0803 hrs
C Coy	0805 hrs
D Coy	0807 hrs
Hq Coy	0809 hrs

7. Seville 0600 hrs

Breakfast 0645 hrs

8. On conclusion of exercise coys will march back via
MOUNTAIN VIEW

Adson Lt for Capt
(J E WAGGS)
Adj't 2/6 Aust Inf Bn

SECRET

2/6 AVST INF BN OP ORDER NO. 2. (SECRET)

Copy No 8

14 Apr 44.

Ref Maps HANSBORN 1 in to 1 ml
 BARKLY 1 in to 1 ml.

INFO

1. ENEMY
 - (a) Enemy supply base area WOODBARK SIDING, protected by force estimated strength 3 coys.
 - (b) Protective patrols road junct 400184 and 413218.
2. OWN OPS
 - (a) 2/6 AVST INF BN with a/c one pl 6 AVST DIV TANKING COY moving along main ARTHURTON rd to secure high gd, 400200.
 - (b) At 0930 dispositions were as follows:-

Head of Main Body 424158
 Sec of Carrier pl, high gd 423131
 Sec of Carrier pl, high gd 427165
 Sec of Carrier pl, moving to high gd 427184
 Carrier pl less 3 secs main rd 427143.

- (c) At 0935 hrs sec of carrier pl 423131 were fired on from 427156, and reported enemy strength approx 1 coy with further tps 413150.
- (d) Sn Leadr halted adv and despatched C Coy to attack enemy, moving along crest of ridge, from direction of area 423170.
- (e) At 1000 hrs C Coy reported they were held up at line sq 423164. Strength in area 424154 approx 1 coy, with enemy force approx 1 coy area high gd 413150

MESSAGE

3. 2/6 AVST INF BN OP will capture high gd area 413145 and 413150.

PLAN

4. Attack will be in two phases.
 - (a) Phase 1.
Objective high gd 425154
 - (b) Phase 2.
Objective high gd 413150.

PHASE 1.

5. OPS INF.
 - (a) 3 coys fwd 1 coy res.
 - (b) C Coy to cover attack by fire and movement and come into res on capture of obj.
6. FOR INF.
 - A Coy right fwd
 - B Coy left fwd.
7. OBJECTIVES.
 - (a) A Coy. Ridge. Shed at lone tree 426163, to incl lone tree 426161.
 - (b) B Coy excl lone tree 426161 to unmade rd 426153.
8. STARTING LINE.
Creek between copse 424155 and huts 427162
9. START TIME. H HOUR.
10. START COY BAY. Incl A Coy, dark green bushy tree and lone tree 426161.

11. AXIS OF ADVANCE. 198 deg MAG.
12. RATE OF ADVANCE. 100 yds in 2 mins.
13. ACTION ON CAPTURE OF OBJ.
 (a) Consolidation.
 (b) Exploitation to WEST bank BARRON RIVER.
14. FOR 2 IN.
 (a) 6 deta. fire on enemy located posns from H - 5 to H + 6.
 (b) Expenditure = 5 smoke 40 MM.
 (c) 1 det u/e A Coy.
 1 det u/e B Coy.
 With role consolidation and preparation for fire task on second obj.
15. SMOKE.
 (a) Overhead covering fire from H - 5 to H + 4
 (b) Expenditure 10 belts per gun.
 (c) H + 5 follow attack and assist in consolidation.
16. SECURITY.
 (a) 1 sec secure high gd EAST bank BARRON RIVER, 418170.
 (b) 1 sec secure high gd WEST bank BARRON RIVER, 418164.
 (c) 1 sec protect right flank of attack from high gd, 423173.
 (d) 1 sec plus pl HQ - reserve, area 431163.
17. SMOKE SCREEN.
 Fwd coys to provide own smoke screen from H - 1 to H + 3.
18. SIGNALS SIGNAL. R/R.
19. START HOUR. 1100 hrs.
- PHASE 2.
20. GENERAL PLAN.
 (a) On capture first obj B and C coys move into reserve, below ridge crest and WEST of creek, preparatory to moving through fwd coys, and capturing second obj high gd, 418150.
 (b) On passing BARRON RIVER A and D coys come into reserve.
 (c) Probable role on capture of second obj, exploitation towards enemy supply dump at WONGABAL.
- ARMY
21. TRAIN. Out lunches will be carried.
22. MEDICAL.
 (a) 2AP area creek bed 427161.
 (b) 2 S S 5 per coy.
 (c) 2APs u/e Coy Dressers.
23. P.M.
 Collecting point lone tree on ridge, area 426163.
24. SEA RESERVE. Remain in HQ area 427163.
- ARTILLERY
25. SEA RES.
 First Phase hut on creek, 427163. then move to area shed at lone tree 426164.

3.

INSTRUCTIONS (cont'd)

26. WIRE.

- (a) Wire from Bn HQ to follow A and D Coys.
- (b) On Phase 11, wire to C and B Coy.

27. ICB WITHDRAWN ORDER.

- (a) One to each rifle coy.
- (b) One to Bn HQ.

28. SYNCHRONIZATION.

Through Bn Hqs at 140645K and 140700K.

Scarlett

Lieut for Capt
(H. L. SCARLETT)
A/Adjt 2/6 Aust Inf Bn

ACK.

Signed at 1900 hrs 13 Apr.

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275 UNIT INF IN EXERCISE 2 WITH CARR PL U/C

Copy No: 18

Exercise - 14 Apr 44

Ref Maps HERBERTON, BATTLE FRERE 1:63,360

1. Area

4115-4118-4415-4418

2. Object

To exercise unit in attack in open country with co-operation of carr pl

3. Lessons

(a) Use of carrs for patrolling and exploitation

(b) Use of carrs as mob fire power, NOT as tks

(c) Use of carrs as mob res

4. Enemy

(a) OC - Lt M E WHITE

(b) 4 Pl less Tk & guns

(c) Dress - Enemy will wear steel helmets

5. Representation of fire

(a) Rifle and LMG .303 blank

(b) MMG Rattles and mirrors

(c) Mortars Explosives u/c Pnr Sgt

(d) Grenades Aldershot (if available)

6. Director

Maj W R DEXTER or Maj H McB STEWART

7. Umpires

Maj H McB STEWART or Capt K L BROUGHAM (Chief Umpire)

Lt E R ST JOHN

Lt E C TRETHERWIE

Umpires will wear white arm and hat bands

8. Preliminary arrangements

13 Apr 44 Enemy prepare posn

13 Apr 44 Umpires' conference as arranged by director exercise

9. Conduct of exercise

(a) Enemy posn will be prepared on main tactical feature; such area to allow of approach by carrs

(b) Fwd enemy scouts will harass the attacking force and make them fight for infn

(c) On order of umpire, enemy will withdraw to next tactical feature; withdrawal to be a tactical one

1004

Stinger boards

(d) Reece and orders

On ground

(e) Unit weapons

Manhandled

Full WE weapons, less Tk A guns, will be taken

(f) Assembly areas

(1) Inf Square 4314

(2) Carrs Square 4314

(g) Timings

(1) Unit march to assembly area from bivouac area arriving 0845 hrs

(2) Attack to commence NOT before 1030 hrs

(3) On completion of exercise unit will march to 425152 and embus. Exercise should conclude approx 1500 hrs

7 APR 44

F. G. Wood
 Lt col
 (F G WOOD)
 Comd 2/6 Aust Inf Bn

Distribution

	<u>Copy No</u>
A Coy	1
B Coy	2
C Coy	3
D Coy	4
HQ Coy	5 to 10
IO	11
CO	12
6 AUST DIV CARR COY	13
HQ 17 AUST INF BDE	14 - 15
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2/6 AUST INF BN EXERCISE 2 WITH CARR PL U/C

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Ref Maps HERBERTON, BARTLE FRERE 1:63,360

FORECAST OF EVENTS

0800 Leave bivouac area square 4015
0900 Exercise commences square 4314
0930 Head main body 434162
Sec carr pl high ground 443131
Sec carr pl high ground 427165
Sec carr pl moving to high ground 427154
Carr pl less three secs main rd 437143
0935 Sec carr pl 428152 fired on from 427156 report enemy strength approx one coy
1000 Bn cmd at 432158 issues plan of attack
1030 H Hr
1100 Attack successful; enemy withdraw towards square 4115
1120 Res coys commence attack on square 4115
1230 Attack successful
1300 Exploitation commenced
Sec carr pl
Sec carr pl
Sec carr pl
Carr pl less three secs
1400 Final objective square 4017 attacked
1500 Exercise concludes

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S/O ADJT. INF. IN OPERATIONS AREA (MOUNTAIN Co. 2)

SECRET 10
Copy No.
10 Apr 44.

Ref map MOUNTAIN 1 in to 1 ml

ITEM

1. SUMMARY

Enemy have strongly reinforced ATHERTON and are heavily pressing remainder of Bde on MOUNTAIN-ATHERTON Rd.

2. OPERATION

Due to enemy pressure withdrawal has been ordered and S/O ADJT INF BN has been given the task of holding and extricating pass to protect the withdrawal of the main force.

INTENTION

3. S/O BN GP will withdraw to area MOUNTAIN PASS to protect withdrawal of main force.

DEFENSE

4. F D L's will be denied to enemy until 2100 hrs.

5. TRAINING OUT

To commence -

Bn HQ	2045 hrs
Mortars	2050 "
MM's	2100 "
A Coy	2055 "
C Coy	2055 "
D Coy	2110 "

6. OUTPOSTS

- A Coy N E creek and rd crossing 361156
- C Coy N E rd June 363202
- D Coy WEST creek and road crossing 367201
- Bn HQ and HQ Coy N E road June 363202

7. DEFENSE TO OUTPOSTS

- A Coy left of CB road from present pass to N V
- C Coy right "
- D Coy general line CB road to N V
- Bn HQ and HQ Coy general line CB road to N V.

8. TIME SUB-UNIT REPORT AT OUTPOSTS

A Coy	2140 hrs
C Coy	2140 "
D Coy	2210 "
Bn HQ	2130 "
HQ Coy	2140 "

9. DEFENSE POINT - Creek road crossing 361156

10. TIME TO PASS CHECK POINT

H. Coy	2150 hrs
A Coy	2200 "
C Coy	2210 "
D Coy	2220 "
Bn HQ	2215 "

11. GUIDES. Guides will meet Coys area bridge NW PASS 230124.

12. CARRIAGE Carriers will move to new En area 1730 hrs.

13. RE A RE A Pl R V road track junc 252201 1745 hrs. Move from 252201 to NW PASS 1930 hrs.

14. EXTENDING FENCE.

(a) C Coy to provide one pl occupying high rd 257201 covering creek and CR road crossing.

(b) Foss to be occupied by 2115 hrs.

(c) Foss to be held until 2215 hrs.

15. MOVE OF EXTENDING FENCE.

Move direct to NW PASS at 2215 hrs.

AM

16. MAP MAP move to NW PASS with En 21

17. BREAK Breakfast 20 Apr NW PASS area at 0730 hrs.

18. LPT Lpt will R V road track junc 252201 for carriage of heavy weapons.

INTERCOM

19. EN 21

- (a) Closes present pass 2045 hrs
- (b) Report centre at R V 252201 until, 2215 hrs
- (c) Report centre on move rear C Coy
- (d) Opens on arrival NW PASS

20. LOG

- (a) LOG sets to Coys.
- (b) L/T closes 1400 hrs
- (c) No wireless silence on move.

21. REPORTS

Coys will report to report centre by LOG sets on arrival R V.

Low Price
Capt.
(R V PASS)
Adjt 2/S ADJT INF BN

ALL.

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EDUC BE MEMOR.

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reload 8 min before CDF
CDF 2 min rap
2 in place

APPX " G

Cert. to be on Amm. after F.F.
No. 36 given in attack

EXERCISE SECRET

Copy No. 1
28 May Apr 44.

2/6 AUST INF BN CO No 4.

Ref map HERBERTON 1 in to 1 ml, enlargement 8 in to 1 ml Appx A.

INFORMATION

1. ENEMY

A Jap force approx one inf bn is occupying ROCKY RIDGE 245171 to 248168 and JAP RIDGE 254175 to 254172 with approx two coys on each. He has dug in but NO wiring is evident. MMG and TKA fire has been drawn from several points particularly at CATHEDRAL KNOLL ~~248169~~ 248169 and CHURCH KNOLL 347169.

2. OWN TPS

Sqn Cav (Commando) Regt are held up on general line high ground 243153 to 242163 and will be withdrawn from this area at 1200 hrs on D Day.

INTENTION

3. 2/6 Aust Inf Bn and att tps will capture JAP RIDGE 254171 to 254176.

METHOD

4. The attack will be carried out in two phases.

- (a) PHASE I - Tps - A and B Coys
Objective - ROCKY RIDGE.
- (b) PHASE II - Tps C and D Coys
Objective - JAP RIDGE

PHASE I

- 5. FORWARD TPS - RIGHT - A Coy with Tp Tks in support
LEFT - B Coy with Tp Tks in support
- 6. OBJECTIVES - RIGHT - Incl CATHEDRAL KNOLL 248169 to incl CHURCH KNOLL 247169.
LEFT - Excl CHURCH KNOLL 247169 to incl track 245171.
- 7. RESERVE - RIGHT - C Coy) To move 300 yds in rear
LEFT - D Coy) of forward coys.
- 8. ASSEMBLY AREA - SURVEYORS CREEK square 2416.
- 9. STARTING LINE - General line of BITOI CK 244164 to 241168 to be taped by IO by 1000 hrs.
- 10. AXIS OF ADVANCE - 31° mag.
- 11. RATE OF ADVANCE -.100 yds in 2 mins.
- 12. ACTION ON CAPTURE OF OBJECTIVE.
A and B Coys consolidate, exploit to general line NEILS CK. ^{100% short of} only
- 13. TANKS.
 - (a) Tps in support of A and B Coys will move 50 uds in rear of fwd tps and be prepared to move mwd of the inf and engage targets on direction of coy comd.
 - (b) Reserve tp will remain under control of bn.
 - (c) Sqn HQ to move with Bn HQ.

XX

14. ARTY

Serial	Unit	Time		Task	Amm
		From	To		
1	Tp	H-35	H-20	CATHEDRAL KNOLL 248169)	18 rpg HE
2	Tp	H-35	H-20	CHURCH KNOLL 247169)	

FOO on OP at OBSERVATION HILL 242163.

15. MGC

- (a) General gun areas (i) OBSERVATION HILL 242163 - No 2 Pl
(ii) OBSERVATION HILL 242164 - Pl 2/3 Aust MG Bn
- (b) Programme and role - Targets
(i) CATHEDRAL KNOLL 248169) Supporting
(ii) CHURCH KNOLL 247169) fire
- (c) Amm expenditure - 3 belts per gun.
(d) Timings - H to H + 3
(e) Move forward on success signal to ROCKY RIDGE for consolidation.

16. MORTARS

Mortar posns Western slopes of OBSERVATION HILL approx 237165.

Serial	Unit	Time		Task	Amm
		From	To		
1	2 dets	H-41 (approx)		CATHEDRAL KNOLL 248169) 6 rnds CHURCH KNOLL 247169) smoke	
To be fired after A/C have made first passing run over target.					
2	4 dets	H-20	H-10	CATHEDRAL KNOLL 248169) 20 bpm	
3	4 dets	H-20	H-10	CHURCH KNOLL 247169)	
4	4 dets	H Hr	H+ 2	CATHEDRAL KNOLL 248169) 4 bpm	
5	4 dets	H Hr	H+ 2	CHURCH KNOLL 247169)	

Mortar pl will move forward on success signal to ROCKY RIDGE for consolidation.

17. AIR SUPPORT

5 AC Sqn will carry out air support

Serial	Unit	Time		Task	Amm
		From	To		
1	2 Bs	H-40	H-35	ROCKY RIDGE	250 pr bombs
2	8 Fs	H-10	H Hr	ROCKY RIDGE	.303 and cannon

Target to be indicated by 3 mortar smoke bombs on either flank fired after first passing run.

2" mortar parachute flares to indicate forward tps.
BOMBLINE - NOT WEST of BITOI CK.

18. SUCCESS SIGNALS - A Coy - RED RED
B Coy - WHITE WHITE.

19. H HR - 1100 hrs

PHASE II

20. TPS - RIGHT - C Coy with in support Tp Tanks
LEFT - D Coy with in support Tp Tanks

4 per Coy into wind

Fire into wind.
Must wait till planes pass before firing
When to fire?

3.

21. OBJECTIVES - RIGHT - Incl PIMPLE 254171 to excl GREEN HILL 255175
 LEFT - Incl GREEN HILL 255175 to incl track-junction 254176.

22. RESERVE - A and B Coys remain on first objective until called forward for consolidation on JAP RIDGE.

23. STARTING LINE FOR PHASE II - General line of NEILS CK 251171 to 250175 to be taped by IO by H+30.

24. AXIS OF ADVANCE - 76° mag.

25. RATE OF ADVANCE - 100 yds in 2 mins

26. ACTION ON CAPTURE OF OBJECTIVE

Res coys called fwd and bn def perimeter est on JAP RIDGE.

27. TANKS

- (a) Tanks in support of C and D coys will move 50 yds fwd of inf and engage targets under direction of coy comds.
- (b) Res will remain u/c of bn
- (c) Sqn HQ to move with Bn HQ.

28. ARTY

Serial	Unit	Time		Task	Amm
		From	To		
3	Tp	H+45	H+60	PIMPLE 254171)	18 rpg
4	Tp	H+45	H+60	GREEN HILL 255175)	

FOO on OP at CATHEDRAL KNOLL 248169.

29. MMG

- (a) General gun areas (i) CATHEDRAL KNOLL 248168 - No 2 pl
 (ii) CATHEDRAL KNOLL 248169 - Pl 2/3 Aust MMG Bn
- (b) Programme and role (i) Targets - PIMPLE 254171) Supporting fire
 (ii) Targets - GREEN HILL 255175)
- (c) Timings - H+56 to H+60
- (d) Amm expenditure - 2 belts per gun
- (e) Move fwd on success signal for consolidation at JAP RIDGE.

30. MORTARS

Serial	Unit	Time		Task	Amm
		From	To		
6	4 dets	H+60	H+62	PIMPLE 254171)	10 bpm
7	4 dets	H+60	H+62	GREEN HILL 255175)	

31. SUCCESS SIGNALS - C Coy - RED RED
 D Coy - WHITE WHITE

32. CROSS START LINE - Tanks cross start line at H+ 60.

POINTS COMMON TO BOTH PHASES

33. PNRS - Prepare crossings for Tka guns and tanks as required.

34. TK A - One sec Tk A pl on each flank for protection.
 Move fwd on success signals to ROCKY RIDGE and JAP RIDGE.

35. GUIDES

Two guides per coy to guide tanks to assembly area and start line will report to Adjt at 0900 hrs at Bn HQ.

36. MOVEMENT TO A SSEMBLY AREA IN FOLLOWING ORDER.

A Coy, Tp Tanks, B Coy, Tp Tanks, MMG Pl, Pl 2/3 Aust MG Bn, Mortar Pl, Bn HQ, C Coy, D Coy, Tp Tanks.

37. TIMINGS - Arrive assembly area H - 90
 Leave assembly area H - 15
 Arrive Start Line H - 3

ADM

38.

AMN

- (a) Bn SAA res remains in assembly area.
 (b) On capture of final obj will move to 254174.
 (c) 100 rnds to be carried on the man. 6 Bren mags with section.
Owen mags.

39.

STORES

- (a) Stores for consolidation: Each rifle coy will provide carrying party of 1 NCO and 6 men for additional shovels to report to HQMS at dump at 0930 hrs. *bw area*
 (b) HQMS to send forward carrying parties on success signal from final objective.

40.

TPT

NO tpt pass assembly area except prime movers for TKA guns, two vehs for amn and amb.

41.

MEDICAL

- (a) RAP will be established 235168
 (b) On capture final obj will move to 254175
 (c) Four SBs will be allotted to each coy.
 (d) ADS est 218160
 (e) CPs will be ~~sk~~ est at ~~23~~ 234168 for first phase and evacuation after Phase II to ADS from RAP.

42.

PW - To Bn HQ and then to Bde Cage at 233168

INTERCOMM

43.

HQ - PHASE I.

- (a) Bn HQ will close at H-90 and re-open at assembly area at the same time.
 (b) During attack Bn HQ will move in rear of B Coy.
 (c) On capture of first obj will be est at CHIRCH KNOLL 247169.

HQ - PHASE II

- (a) Bn HQ will move in rear of D Coy
 (b) On capture of final obj will be est at 254175.

44.

SIGNAL PLAN - See Signal Diagram Appx B.

- (a) Handy - Talkies at coy and pl HQ with the tanks on the same frequency.
 Tank pers will man the Handy-Talkies at pl HQ
 (b) 108 sets at bn and coy HQ on the bn frequency
 (c) Lines between bn HQ and coy HQ, RAA bty and mortars on final obj.
 (d) All sets will be netted on D - 1.

45.

AIR SUPPORT

- (a) Mortars will put down six 3" mortar smoke bombs to indicate flanks of targets (see para 15) to A/C at H-41 approx after A/C make first passing run.
 (b) 2" mortar parachute flares will be fired to indicate FDLs after Boomerang A/C have made first passing run.

46.

CODE NAMES.

Bn HQ	HULA	
HQ Coy	LOBQ	
A Coy	MEBA	
B Coy	FOPO	
C Coy	KUDI	
D Coy	LOPO	
B Sqn 2/9 Aust Armd Regt		LEBO
53 Bty 2/3 Aust Fd Regt		MACO

47. PYROTECHNICS

A Coy - RED RED
 B Coy - WHITE WHITE
 C Coy - RED RED
 D Coy - WHITE WHITE

48. TIME SIGNALS

Time as given by ABC time signals will be used. Watches will be synchronised at 0930 hrs daily using the W/S set. Time signals are obtainable on No 19 (tank) set 0800 and 1900 hrs from the ABC on 7.27 MCs, also CW time signals given by WTO BRISBANE on 5.00 MCs every hr may be used for checks.

49. Tasks finished will be signalled as follows:-

H-35	End of A/C bombing	<u>GREEN</u> Verrey light from
H-10	End of mortar bombing	A/C
H Hr	End of A/C strafing	FOO mortar
		R/T only

ACK

Time of signature 1200 hrs

Date 24 Apr 44

Mason St
 Capt
 (E W PRICE)
 Adjt 2/6 Aust Inf Bn

DISTRIBUTIONCopy No

A Coy	1
B Coy	2
C Coy	3
D Coy	4
HQ Coy	5
CO	6
2/7 Armd Regt	7
2/3 Aust Fd Regt	8
File	9
War Diary	10-11

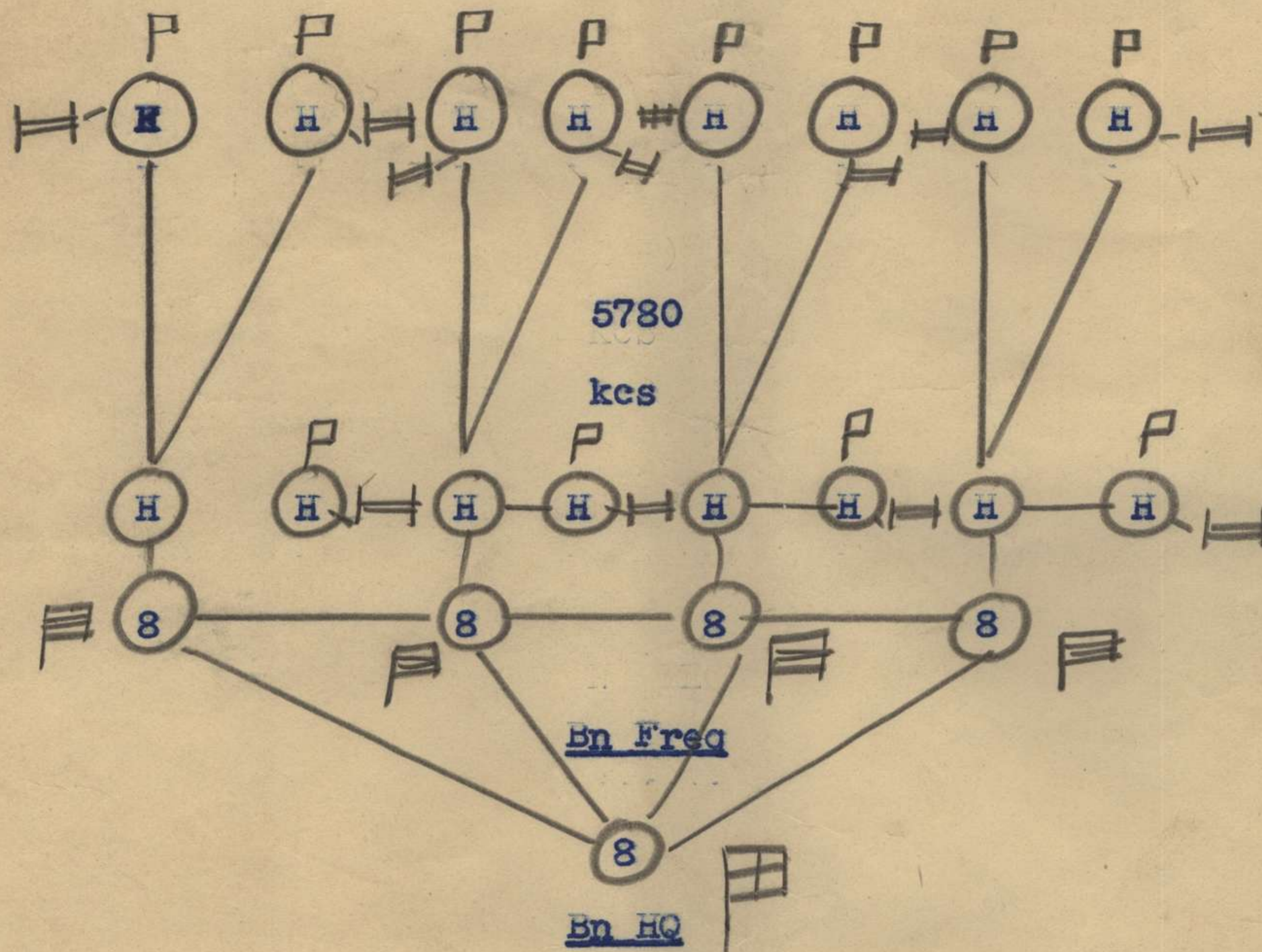
Tanks will advise when about to engage. - Aps to grid - the 10* in front
 Pl comds to locate tank targets.

EY rifles?
 2 mortars

APPENDIX "B"

SIGNAL DIAGRAMS - WIRELESS ONLY

for 28 Apr



H Handy Talky 5780 kcs

8 108 set 2.5 - 3.5 Mcs

|| Tk with 19 set 2-8 Mcs

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 2/6 AUST INF BN.

APPX "H"

APR - APR.

TRAINING SYLLABUS.

	A COY	B COY	C COY	D COY	REMARKS
MON 17	Det M. Range E Y Rifle Wire Crashing Assault Course	Det M. Range E Y Rifle Assault Course Wire Crashing	Det M. Range E Y Rifle Sec Loading Assault Course	Det M. Range E Y Rifle Weapon Trg Assault Course	RMO to M. Range. Assault Course - A Coy 0900 - 1030 B Coy 1030 - 1200 C Coy 1400 - 1500 D Coy 1500 - 1600
TUES 18	THREE DAY BN EXERCISE Night Attack, Defence, Withdrawal before Daylight to new position				All coys supply 1 NCO and 10 ORs for Duties in Camp
WED 19					
THURS 20					
FRI 21	Sec Formations Navigation and Map reading. COY EX.	30 ^x Range. Weapon Trg COY EX	Wire Crashing Sec Formation Navigation COY EX	Sec Formations Navigation Wire Crashing COY EX	Coy EX. Half day to correct any faults found in En exercise.
SAT 22	EN PARADE. Route March and Admin One hour. Educational period. ORGANISED SPORT.				
SUN 23	CHURCH PARADE. ORGANISED SPORT Make and Mend.				

Handwritten initials/signature

	A COY	B COY	C COY	D COY	REMARKS.
	BN PARADE				
MONDAY 24	Assault Course Wire Crushing Navigation	Coy Ex Defence and Counter attack	Wire Crushing Assault Course Navigation	Coy Ex Defence and Counter Attack	Assault Course AM A Coy PM B Coy.
	BN PARADE				
TUESDAY 25	Coy Ex Defence and Counter Attack	Assault Course Wire Crushing Navigation	Coy Ex Defence and Counter Attack	Wire crushing Assault Course Navigation	Assault Course AM B Coy PM D Coy.
	BN PARADE				
WEDNESDAY 26	P1 Trg Sec leading	P1 trg Sec leading	P1 trg Sec leading	P1 trg Sec leading	Preparation for Bn exercise.
THURSDAY 27 to SATURDAY 29 (incl)	BN EXERCISE. Battle Practice, with Carriers, RAAF and Arty.				
SUNDAY 30	CHURCH PARADE ORGANISED SPORT				

WAR DIARY

2/6 AUST INF BN

MAR 44

LIST OF APPXS

"A"

Fd Returns - Offrs and ORs - Mar 44

"B"

2/6 AUST INF BN OO No 5

"C"

2/6 AUST INF BN Landing Craft Tables

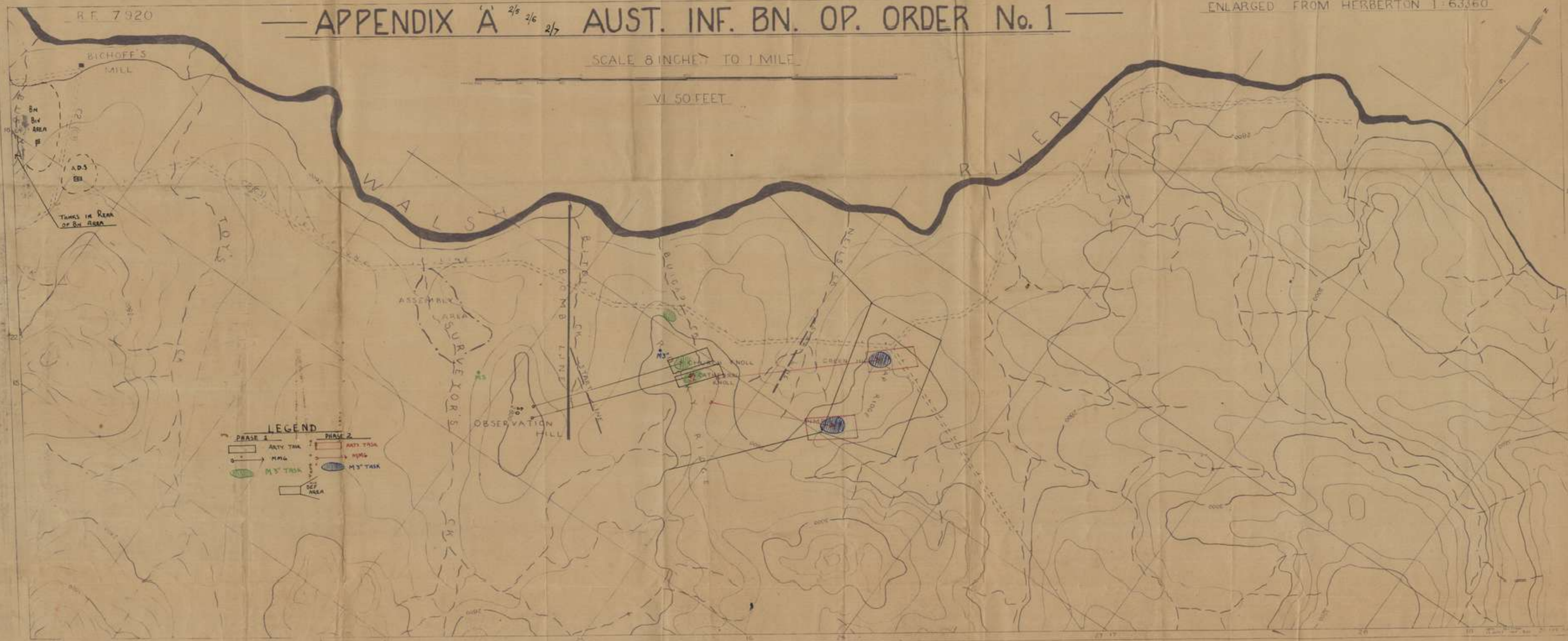
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APPENDIX A ^{2/5 2/6 2/7} AUST. INF. BN. OP. ORDER No. 1

ENLARGED FROM HERBERTON 1:63360

SCALE 8 INCHES TO 1 MILE

VI 50 FEET



LEGEND

PHASE 1	PHASE 2
[Red Box] ARTY TASK	[Red Box] ARTY TASK
[Green Box] M.G.	[Green Box] M.G.
[Blue Box] M'S TASK	[Blue Box] M'S TASK
[Black Box] DEF AREA	

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

116 31 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 22/4/1944 2/6 AUST INF BR (Unit)

W.E. 11/122 2 OFFRS. 32 O.R's. 755 + OFFRS. 1 O.R's. 34 ATT. BY W.E.

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

W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.									
Rein'ts Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein'ts Required.					
1	-	-	1	Lieut.-Colonels										
3	NR	2	1	Majors										
9	NR	2	7	Captains	AMC	1	-	-	-					
19	-	-	28	Lieutenants										
		7		Quarter-masters										
				A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.										
				Civilians Counting as Offrs.										
32	4	7	35											
Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in para. 10 of instructions for completion of form will complete Part E(1) & E(2).				DETAIL	A.I.F.	C.M.F.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.N.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL.	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	**	TOTAL.
				A.	36									36
				E.(1)										
				E.(2)										

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

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

OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit From.	Date.	CAUSE.
VX 3837	T/Maj	STEWART H McB	2/2 AMB	17 Apr	Rejoined Unit from "X" List.

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit To.	Date.	CAUSE.
VX 3907	T/Capt	WALKER J C	FIRST AUST ARMY JUNIOR STAFF SCHOOL	21 Apr	Attending War Course No. 9.
VX51042	Lt	GORDON I R	2/2 AMB	14 Apr	To "X" List.

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO (Unit) IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED. 2/6 AUST INF BR 15/4/1944

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

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 22/4/1944 (Total to agree with Columns 4 and 7 of Part A.)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held.	Army Number.	Surname.	Initials.	Posting.	Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No)	If not present with Unit, state how employed.	Date of Detachment 1944
Lt col	VX 166	WOOD	F G	CO	Yes		
T/Maj	VX 3837	STEWART	H McB	A/21/c	Yes		
Capt	VX 3890	HAY	D O	OCCoy	Yes		
Capt	VX 3829	LAVIN	H L	OCCoy	Yes		
Capt	VX 5015	CAMERON	W J	OCCoy	Yes		
T/Capt	VX117110	FRENCH	B J	J M	Yes		
Lt	VX100004	SMITH	A W	Plecond	Yes		
T/Capt	VX 39729	LINCOLN	A T	OCCoy	Yes		
T/Capt	VX 10226	MURPHY	K L	OCCoy	Yes		
T/Capt	VX 4559	PRICE	H W A	Ltlt	Yes		
Lt	VX 38096	URQUHART	R D	21/cCoy	Yes		
Lt	VX 40089	McNAMARA	C L	21/cCoy	Yes		
Lt	VX 54300	PALMER	G M	Plecond	Yes		
Lt	VX154413	SMITH	I H	Plecond	Yes		
Lt	VX110899	PAUL	H V	21/cCoy	Yes		
Lt	VX 5115	MOSS	N W	21/cCoy	Yes		
Lt	VX 4456	ST JOHN	E R	21/cCoy	Yes		
Lt	VX 5083	SCARLETT	H L	T O	Yes		
Lt	VX 5089	GRAFF	L G	Plecond	Yes		
Lt	VX101663	JONES	H T	Plecond	Yes		
Lt	VX113462	ROACH	L S	Plecond	Yes		
Lt	VX 11318	MacLEAN	R	T O	Yes		
Lt	VX 78451	BARRON	J P	Plecond	Yes		
Lt	VX 54942	SMITH	H J H	Plecond	Yes		
Lt	VX 3814	TREHARVE	E C	Plecond	Yes		
Lt	VX 3431	FELS	H M	Plecond	Yes		
Lt	VX 1192	SEKAMP	A H	Plecond	Yes		
Lt	VX 81838	JOHNSON	F G	Plecond	Yes		
Lt	VX 15	MASON	J E	Plecond	Yes		
Lt	VX 4938	ELLIOTT	T E	Plecond	Yes		
Lt	VX 7359	WHITE	H E	21/cCoy	Yes		
Lt	VX 22295	HUGHES	J R	21/cCoy	Yes		
Lt	VX 6783	PAYNE	C D	Plecond	No	(Det as instr 17 (AUST INF BDE course	14 Apr
Lt	VX122526	COOK	W C	Plecond	Yes		
Lt	VX 3495	MALONEY	V H	Plecond	Yes		

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

Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held.	Army Number.	Name and Initials.	Unit.	Date of Attachment.	Nature of Attachment.
Capt	VX112075	QUINN W M J	AAMC	21 9 42	Reio

22 Apr 44
Date of Despatch

F G Wood
Lt Col
(F G WOOD)
Command 2/6 AUST INF BN
Signature of Commander

PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 22 / 4 / 1944.

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.
Ammunition Examiners				Surveyors, Engineering				Operating Room Assts.				G.P. Assistants	4	5	
Armament Artificer Fitter				Surveyors, R.A.A.				Operator, Keyboard				Hammermen	4	4	-
Armament Artificer Fitter (Electrical)				Surveyors, Topographical				Operator, Line				Leather Stitchers	1		
Armament Artificer Fitter (M.V.)				Surveyors, Trigonometrical				Operator, Signal				Orderlies, Nursing	2	2	-
Armament Artificer Fitter (A.F.V.)				Toolmakers				Operator, Switchboard				Orderlies, Nursing	34	38	-
Armament Artificer Instrument				Turners				Operator, Wireless				Plate Layers	3	3	-
Armament Artificer Radio				Watchmakers				Opticians				Plate Layers Duty	4	4	-
Armament Artificer Signals				Welders				Painters				Plate Layers Duty	4	4	-
Armament Artificer Wireless								Panel Beaters				Plumbers	415	548	
Artificer, Artillery								Photographer, Dry Plate				Roughriders	55	52	
Artificer, Engine								Predictor Numbers				Saddlers	23	37	-
Blacksmiths	1	1	-					Printers				Saddletree makers	32	30	NR
Bricklayers								Radiographers				Shoemaker and Boot Repairer	32	40	
Computers								Riggers				Stewards	1	1	-
Cooks, Hospital				GROUP II.				Sawyers				Stokers, Staty. Engine	21	28	-
Coppersmiths				Armourers				Signallers				Stokers, Technical	6	6	-
Dispensers				Axemen				Signwriters				Tanners	6	6	-
Draughtsmen				Bakers				Telescope identfn. Numbers				Textile Refitters	19	29	-
Draughtsmen (Architectural)				Bty. Comd's Asst.				Well Borers				Tinsmiths	2	2	-
Draughtsmen (Engineering)				Bollermakers				Wheelers				Vulcanizers	755	939	
Draughtsmen (Mechanical)				Carpenters	6	5	NR	Winchman				Wagon Erectors			
Draughtsmen (Topographical)				Carpenters and Joiners				Wireman				Whitesmiths			
Electricians				Cooks				Woodturners							
Electricians (M.V.)				Dental Mechanics											
Electricians (Signals)				Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Med.)											
Fitters				Driver-Operator											
Fitters (Cycle)				Drainers											
Fitters (Electrical)				Electricians											
Fitters (Gun)				Electricians (Engineers)											
Fitters (Instrument)				Fire Control Operators											
Fitters (M.V.)				Gun Operator											
Fitters, Railway Signal				Hatchman											
Fitters, Signals				Height Taker											
Grinder, Precision				Helio Operator											
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator											
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Intelligence Duties	10	10	-								
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Joiners											
Mechanics, Radio				Lineman											
Mechanics, Typewriter				Lineman, Signals											
Mechanics, Wireless				Lithographers											
Millwrights				Machinists, Metal											
Operators, Excavator				Machinists, Wood											
Pattern Maker				Masons											
Pharmacist				Masseurs											
Photographer, Wet Plate				Mechanics, M.T.											
Photowriter				Miners											
Plumber				Moulders											
Saw Doctors				Nurses, Trained											
Surveyors				Observation Post Assts.											
CARRIED FORWARD	1	1	-	CARRIED FORWARD	17	17	-	CARRIED FORWARD	92	104		Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively.	789	976	*

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

22 APR 44
Date of Despatch

F. G. Wood
 (F G WOOD)
 Signature of Commander

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

A16

32

(Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 29 / 4 / 1944 2/6 AUST INF BN (Unit)

W.E. 11 120 2 OFFRS. 32 O.R's. 755 + OFFRS. 1 O.R's. 34 ATT. BY W.E.

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

W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.								
Rein'ts Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein'ts Required.				
1	-	-	1	Lieut.-Colonels *									
3	NR	2	1	Majors									
9	NR	2	7	Captains	AAMC	1	-	-	-				
19	-	-	27	Lieutenants									
				Quarter-masters									
				A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.									
				Civilians Counting as Offrs.									
32	-	4	36			1	-	-	-				
DETAIL				A.I.P.	C.M.F.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.N.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL.	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	**	TOTAL.
A.				37									37
E.(1)													
E.(2)													

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

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

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

OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit From.	Date.	CAUSE.
VX51042	Lt	GORDON I R	2/2 AUST GEN HOSP	25 Apr 1944	Rejoined unit from "X" list

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

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

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO 2/6 AUST INF BN (Unit) IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED. 29 / 4 / 1944

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

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 29 / 4 / 1944 (Total to agree with Columns 4 and 7 of Part A.)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held.	Army Number.	Surname.	Initials.	Posting.	Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No)	If not present with Unit, state how employed.	Date of Detachment.
Lt col	VX 166	WOOD	F G	CO	Yes		
T/Maj	VX 3837	STEWART	H MCB	A/2ic	Yes		
Capt	VX 9890	HAY	D C	CO Coy	Yes		
Capt	VX 3829	LAVEN	H L	CO Coy	Yes		
Capt	VX 5015	CAMERON	W J	CO Coy	Yes		
T/Capt	VX117110	FRENCH	B J	CM	Yes		
T/Capt	VX 38729	IRVIN	A T	CO Coy	Yes		
T/Capt	VX 10226	BROUGHAM	K L	CO Coy	Yes		
Lt	VX100094	MOORE	A W	Pl Comd	Yes		
T/Capt	VX 4559	PRICE	E W A	Adjt	Yes		
Lt	VX 38096	URUHART	R D	2ic Coy	Yes		
Lt	VX 40080	McNAMARA	C L	Pl Offr	No	LHQ TACTICAL SCHOOL	28 Apr
Lt	VX 51042	GORDON	I R	Pl Comd	Yes		
Lt	VX 54300	PALMER	G M	Pl Comd	Yes		
Lt	VX154418	SMITH	I H	Pl Comd	Yes		
Lt	VX110899	FAHL	R W	Pl Offr	Yes		
Lt	VX 5115	MOSS	H W	Pl Offr	Yes		
Lt	VX 4456	ST JOHN	E R		No	(Marched out as instr)	24 Apr
Lt	VX 5083	SCARLETT	N L	IO	Yes	(SECOND AUST ARMY school)	
Lt	VX 5082	GRANT	L G	Pl Comd	Yes		
Lt	VX101663	JONES	H T	Pl Comd	Yes		
Lt	VX113462	ROACH	L S	Pl Comd	Yes		
Lt	VX 11318	MacLEAN	R	TO	Yes		
Lt	VX 78451	BARRON	J P	Pl Comd	Yes		
Lt	VX 54942	SMITH	R J H	Pl Comd	Yes		
Lt	VX 3814	THEHEWIE	E C	Pl Comd	Yes		
Lt	VX 3431	FELS	M	Pl Comd	Yes		
Lt	VX 1192	SELKAMP	A H	Pl Offr	Yes		
Lt	VX 81838	JOHNSON	F G	Pl Comd	Yes		
Lt	VX 15	MASON	J E	Pl Comd	Yes		
Lt	VX 4938	ELLIOTT	T E	Pl Comd	Yes		
Lt	VX 7359	WHITE	H E	Pl Offr	Yes		
Lt	VX 28895	HURREN	J R	Pl Comd	Yes		
Lt	VX 6783	PAYNE	C D	Pl Comd	No	(Det as instr 17)	14 Apr
Lt	VX122526	COCK	H O	Pl Comd	Yes	(AUST INF BDE course)	
Lt	VX 3495	WALONEY	V N	Pl Comd	Yes		

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

Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held.	Army Number.	Name and Initials.	Unit.	Date of Attachment.	Nature of Attachment.
Capt	VX112075	QUINN W M J	AAMC	1942 21 Sep	RMO

29 APR 44

Date of Despatch

F. G. Wood Lt col
(F G WOOD)
Comd 2/6 Aust Inf Bn

Signature of Commander

PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 29/ 4 /1944 .

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	
Ammunition Examiners				Surveyors, Engineering				Operating Room Assts.				G.P.O. Assistants	4	6	•	
Armament Artificer Fitter				Surveyors, R.A.A.				Operator, Keyboard				Hammermen	4	4	•	
Armament Artificer Fitter (Electrical)				Surveyors, Topographical				Operator, Line				Leather Stitchers	1			
Armament Artificer Fitter (M.V.)				Surveyors, Trigonometrical				Operator, Signal				Orderlies, Nursing	2	2	•	
Armament Artificer Fitter (A.F.V.)				Toolmakers				Operator, Switchboard				Orderlies, Nursing Mental	34	38	•	
Armament Artificer Instrument				Turners				Operator, Wireless				Plate Layers	3	3	•	
Armament Artificer Radio				Watchmakers				Opticians				Rangefinders				
Armament Artificer Signals				Welders				Painters	•	1	•	Riveters	4	4	•	
Armament Artificer Wireless								Panel Beaters				Roughriders	42	54	•	
Artificer, Artillery								Photographer, Dry Plate				Saddlers	55	48	7	
Artificer, Engine								Predictor Numbers				Saddletree makers	23	38	•	
Blacksmiths	1	1	•					Printers				Shoemaker and Boot Repairer	32	30	NR	
Bricklayers								Radiographers				Stovedores	32	37	•	
Computers								Riggers				Stokers, Staty. Engine	1	1	•	
Cooks, Hospital				GROUP II				Sawyers				Storemen, Technical	22	27	•	
Coppersmiths				Armourers				Signallers	26	26	•	Tailors	6	6	•	
Dispensers				Axemen				Signwriters				Textile Reelers	6	6	•	
Draughtsmen				Bakers				Telescope Identfn. Numbers				Tinsmiths	19	29	•	
Draughtsmen (Architectural)				Bty. Comd's. Asst.				Well Borers				Vulcanizers	2	2	•	
Draughtsmen (Engineering)				Bollermakers				Wheelers				Wagon Erectors				
Draughtsmen (Mechanical)				Carpenters				Winchman				Whitesmiths	75	93	•	
Draughtsmen (Topographical)				Carpenters and Joiners	6	5	NR	Wireman								
Electricians				Cooks				Woodturners								
Electricians (M.V.)				Dental Mechanics				RBH	1	1	•					
Electricians (Signals)				Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Med.)				RQMS	1	1	•					
Fitters				Driver-Operator				OSMS	5	4	NR					
Fitters (Cycle)				Drainers				OSMS	5	5	•					
Fitters (Electrical)				Electricians				PI Sgts	24	23	NR					
Fitters (Gun)				Electricians (Engineers)												
Fitters (Instrument)				Fire Control Operators												
Fitters (M.V.)				Gun Operator				GROUP III				DETAILS OF NON-TRADESMEN				
Fitters, Railway Signal				Hatchman				Battery Surveyors								
Fitters, Signals				Height Taker				Butchers	11	10	NR	AAHQ				
Grinder, Precision				Helio Operator				Clerks				NACHITOPODIST	1	1	•	
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator				Clerks, Supply				HYG SGT	1	•	NR	
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Intelligence Duties	10	10	•	Clerks, Technical				Med	2	3	•	
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Joiners				Coach Trimmers				Orderlies				
Mechanics, Radio				Joiners				Concretors				AAOC				
Mechanics, Typewriter				Lineman				Cooks				SHOEMAKER	1	1	•	
Mechanics, Wireless				Lineman, Signals				Dental Clerk Orderlies				ASMS				
Millwrights				Lithographers				Despatch Riders				ATTACHED BY W.E.	2	1	NR	
Operators, Excavator				Machinists, Metal				Draughtsmen, Signals				FITTER GUN	1	•	NR	
Pattern Maker				Machinists, Wood				Drivers, H.T.				AAFO	2	2	•	
Pharmacist				Masons				Driver Mechanics	•	14	•	AA POSTAL	1	1	•	
Photographer, Wet Plate				Masseurs				Driver Tptn. Plant				AAOC	23	25	•	
Photowriter				Mechanics, M.T.				Engine Hands, I.C.	1	1	•					
Plumber				Miners				Equipment Repairers								
Saw Doctors				Moulders				Farriers				Total Att	34	34	•	
Surveyors				Nurses, Trained				Fitters' Mates								
				Observation Post Assts.				Gun Layers								
CARRIED FORWARD	1	1	•	CARRIED FORWARD	17	17	•	CARRIED FORWARD	92	104	•	Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively.	78	99	67	•

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

29 APR 1944
 J. J. Wood Lt Col
 (Lt A Wood)
 Comd 2/6 Aust Inf Bn

Date of Despatch

Signature of Commander

War Diary
FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

Army Form W.3008
(Adapted) (Page 1)
(Revised Jan., 1943)
A36 28 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 14 / 4 / 1944 2/6 AGH INF (Unit)

W.E. 11 12 2 OFFRS. 32 O.R's. 755 + OFFRS. 1 O.R's. 34 ATT. BY W.E.

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

W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.				
1	2	3	4		5	6	7	8	9	10
Rein'ts Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein'ts Required.
1	-	-	1	*					
3	1	-	2	*					
9	3	-	6	Lieut.-Colonels					
19	-	9	28	Majors	AMC	1	-	-	-
				Captains					
				Lieutenants					
				Quarter-masters					
				A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.					
				Civilians Counting as Offrs.					
32	4	9	37			1	-	-	-

	DETAIL	A.I.F.	C.M.F.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.N.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL.	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	**	TOTAL.
Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in para. 10 of instructions for compilation of form will complete Part E(1) & E(2).	A.	38									38
	E.(1)										
	E.(2)										

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

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

OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit From.	Date	CAUSE.
VK 5062	Lt	URNEY L G	OCTU & AGH TAG CENTRE CANBERRA	25 Mar	Rejoined Unit from X List

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit To.	Date	CAUSE.
VK 40080	Lt	HEWARRA C L	2/6 AGH	30 Mar	Evacuated hospital
W138673	Capt	THOMPSON K R	16 AGH PERS (14/10 BALUCH STAGING CAMP INDIAN ARMY)	25 Mar	Ceased to be Att temporarily

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO 2/6 AGH INF (Unit) IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED. 14 / 4 / 1944.

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

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 14/4/194. (Total to agree with Columns 4 and 7 of Part A.)

Table with 8 columns: 1. Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held. 2. Army Number. 3. Surname. 4. Initials. 5. Posting. 6. Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No). 7. If not present with Unit, state how employed. 8. Date of Detachment. Rows include officers like Lt Col, Maj, T/Maj, Capt, etc., with names such as DUNN, STEWART, MAY, etc.

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

Table with 6 columns: Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held, Army Number, Name and Initials, Unit, Date of Attachment, Nature of Attachment. Row 1: Capt, NX112075, QUINN W H J, ABC, 21.9.42, HQ.

1 Apr 44

Date of Despatch

Signature of Commander (F. G. Wood)

2/6 MUST INF EN Unit

438 / 23 Serial No.

PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 1 / 4 / 1944.

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	
Ammunition Examiners				Surveyors, Engineering				Operating Room Assts.				...	4		NR	
Armament Artificer Fitter				Surveyors, R.A.A.				Operator, Keyboard				...	4	3	NR	
Armament Artificer Fitter (Electrical)				Surveyors, Topographical				Operator, Line				...				
Armament Artificer Fitter (M.V.)				Surveyors, Trigonometrical				Operator, Signal				...	2	2		
Armament Artificer Fitter (A.F.V.)				Toolmakers				Operator, Switchboard				...	34	38		
Armament Artificer Instrument				Turners				Operator, Wireless				...	3	3		
Armament Artificer Radio				Watchmakers				Opticians				...				
Armament Artificer Signals				Welders				Painters		1		...	4	4		
Armament Artificer Wireless								Panel Beaters				...	415	552		
Artificer, Artillery								Photographer, Dry Plate				...	55	47	8	
Artificer, Engine								Predictor Numbers				...	23	38		
Blacksmiths	1	1						Printers				...	32	30	NR	
Bricklayers								Radiographers				...	32	44		
Computers								Riggers				...	1	1		
Cooks, Hospital				GROUP II				Sawyers				...	21	15	6	
Coppersmiths				Armourers				Signallers		26	23	NR	...	6	6	
Dispensers				Axemen				Signwriters				...	6	6		
Draughtsmen				Bakers				Telescope Identfn. Numbers				...	19	29		
Draughtsmen (Architectural)				Bty. Comd's Asst.				Well Borers				...	2	2		
Draughtsmen (Engineering)				Boilermakers				Wheelers				...				
Draughtsmen (Mechanical)				Carpenters	6	4	NR	Winchman				...	750	924	14	
Draughtsmen (Topographical)				Carpenters and Joiners				Wireman				...				
Electricians				Cooks				Woodturners				...				
Electricians (M.V.)				Dental Mechanics				Mechanists			1	NR				
Electricians (Signals)				Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Med.)				...			1	1				
Fitters				Driver-Operator				...			1	1	NR			
Fitters (Cycle)				Drainers				...			8	4	NR			
Fitters (Electrical)				Electricians				...			8	5	NR			
Fitters (Gun)				Electricians (Engineers)				...			8	5	NR			
Fitters (Instrument)				Fire Control Operators				...			24	27				
Fitters (M.V.)				Gun Operator				GROUP III								
Fitters, Railway Signal				Hatchman				Battery Surveyors				...				
Fitters, Signals				Height Taker				Butchers			1	1				
Grinder, Precision				Helio Operator				Clerks			11	9	NR			
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator				Clerks, Supply								
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Intelligence Duties			10	8								
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Joiners				Clerks, Technical				...	1	1		
Mechanics, Radio				Lineman				Coach Trimmers				...	2	3		
Mechanics, Typewriter				Lineman, Signals				Concretors				...				
Mechanics, Wireless				Lithographers				Cooks				...				
Millwrights				Machinists, Metal				Dental Clerk Orderlies				...	1	1		
Operators, Excavator				Machinists, Wood				Despatch Riders				...				
Pattern Maker				Masons				Draughtsmen, Signals				...	2	1	NR	
Pharmacist				Masseurs				Drivers, H.T.				...				
Photographer, Wet Plate				Mechanics, M.T.				Driver Mechanics			20					
Photewriter				Miners				Driver Tptn. Plant				...	1		NR	
Plumber				Moulders				Engine Hands, I.C.				...	1	1		
Saw Doctors				Nurses, Trained				Equipment Repairers			1	NR	...	22	22	NR
Surveyors				Observation Post Assts.				Farriers				...	34	32		
CARRIED FORWARD	1	1		CARRIED FORWARD	17	14		CARRIED FORWARD	92	107		Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively.	780	956		

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1 Apr 44

Date of Despatch

F. S. Wood Lt Col
 (F. S. WOOD)
 Comd 2/6 MUST INF EN

Signature of Commander

TRADE	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
Int Duties				1	2
Sign				1	2
Clerks				2	4
Tailors				1	1
Tech Storeman				1	-
IMG Rfn				12	33
IMG Nos				2	3
Mortar Nos				6	4
Pnr Nos				1	6
Pro Sgt				1	
SBs				1	2
Tr A Nos				3	2
ISM	1				
ISBS		1			
CSMg		4			
CSM			6		
				31	68
				1	5
				5	68
Chiroprapist					1
Med Hyg				1	
				1	
Shoemaker					1
Armourer				1	
AA Postal				1	
AAPC				1	1
AACU				6	4
				10	7
Total				41	68

Signature of Commandant

Date of Report

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

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

A16 / 29 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 8 / 4 / 1944 . 2/6 AUST INF (Unit)

W.E. 11 / 12C / 2 . OFFRS. 32 O.R.'s. 755 + OFFRS. 1 O.R.'s. 34 ATT. BY W.E.

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

W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.											
1	2	3	4		5	6	7	8	9	10						
WE Rein'ts Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.	DETAIL.	Arm or Corps. WE	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein'ts Required.							
1	-	-	1	*												
3	NR	-	2	*												
9	NR	-	8		AAMC	1	-	-	-							
19	-	10	29	Lieut.-Colonels Majors Captains Lieutenants Quarter-masters A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs. Civilians Counting as Offrs.												
32	2	10	40			1	-	-	-							
				DETAIL	A.I.F.	C.M.F.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.N.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL.	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	**	TOTAL.		
Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in para. 10 of instructions for compilation of form will complete Part E(1) & E(2).				A.										41		
				E.(1)												
				E.(2)												

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit From.	Date	CAUSE.
VX 3329	Capt	LAVER H L	2/6 AGH	1944 4 Apr	Rejoined Unit from X List
WX 28895	Lt	HURREN J R	FIRST AUST ARMY	4 Apr	Rejoined Unit from X List
			TRG SCH MMG		
VX100094	Lt	MOORE A W	2/1 AUST CON	4 Apr	Rejoined Unit from X List
			DEPOT		

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

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

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO 2/6 AUST INF BN (Unit) IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED. 8 / 4 / 1944

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

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 8/4/1944 (Total to agree with Columns 4 and 7 of Part A.)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held.	Army Number.	Surname.	Initials.	Posting.	Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No)	If not present with Unit, state how employed.	Date of Detachment.
Lt col	VX 168	WOOD	F G	CO	Yes		
Maj	VX 5172	DEXTER	V R	2 1/c	Yes		
T/Maj	VX 3837	SIMMONS	H A	CCoy	Yes		
Capt	VX 5300	HAY	D O	CCoy	Yes		
Capt	VX 3829	LAVAR	H L	CCoy	Yes		
Capt	VX 3907	TALAMON	J C	CCoy	Yes		
Capt	VX 5015	CARRISON	J	CCoy	Yes		
T/Capt	VX 117110	FRENCH	S J	CCoy	Yes		
Lt	VX 100094	BOURS	A W	P1Comd	Yes		
T/Capt	VX 29729	IRWIN	A T	21/c Coy	Yes		
Lt	VX 117103	WILSON	J R		No	Det. HQ 17 AUSTRALIAN INF BDE	
T/Capt	VX 10228	BROUGHAM	A L	21/c Coy	Yes		13 2 44
T/Capt	VX 4555	PRICE	H W A	Adjt	Yes		
Lt	VX 33086	UNLUHANT	A D	21/c Coy	Yes		
Lt	VX 51043	GORDON	J R	P1Comd	Yes		
Lt	VX 54300	PALMER	G M	P1Comd	Yes		
Lt	VX 154415	SMITH	I H	P1Comd	Yes		
Lt	VX 5115	ROSS	H W	MerOffr	Yes		
Lt	VX 3495	BALANEY	V M	P1Comd	Yes		
Lt	VX 4455	ST JOHN	L R	21/c Coy	Yes		
Lt	VX 5023	SCARLETT	S L	IO	Yes		
Lt	VX 5082	GIBBY	L G	P1Comd	Yes		
Lt	VX 101663	JONES	H T	P1Comd	Yes		
Lt	VX 113482	ROACH	L E	P1Comd	Yes		
Lt	VX 11313	McGILL	R T		Yes		
Lt	VX 78451	BARKER	J F	P1Comd	Yes		
Lt	VX 82367	SMITH	H J H	P1Comd	Yes		
Lt	VX 3814	FRYBARGER	S C	P1Comd	Yes		
Lt	VX 6054	JOHNSON	L C	P1Comd	No	Det. HQ 17 AUSTRALIAN INF BDE	
Lt	VX 3431	WALL	H	P1Comd			27 3 44
Lt	VX 1152	DEKAMP	A L	P1Comd	Yes		
Lt	VX 81838	JOHNSON	F G	P1Comd	Yes		
Lt	VX 5723	PAYNE	C D	P1Comd	Yes		
Lt	VX 4833	ELLIOTT	T E	P1Comd	No	Det. HQ 58 AUSTRALIAN PD BK COY BDE	
Lt	VX 7353	WHITE	H L	ThdOffr	Yes		31 3 44
Lt	VX 15	BALON	J E	P1Comd	Yes		
Lt	VX 98305	MURPHY	J R	MMCOfr	Yes		
Lt	VX 122525	COOK	W G	P1Comd	Yes		
Lt	VX 43261	MURPHY	H	P1Comd	Yes		
Lt	VX 110299	PAUL	R W	SigOffr	Yes		

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

Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank, if Held.	Army Number.	Name and Initials.	Unit.	Date of Attachment.	Nature of Attachment.
Capt	NX112075	QUINN F R J	AMC	21.9.43	IMO

A. L. Brogham
Capt for Lt col
(F G WOOD) (ADD)
Comd 2/5 AUSTRALIAN INF BN

Date of Despatch

Signature of Commander

DETAIL OF ATTACHED FORM SHOWS PART "A"

	<u>RE</u>	<u>POSTED</u> <u>BY</u>	<u>USPHE</u>	<u>DEFICIENCY</u>
<u>EGs</u>				
AACC (Caterer)	1	-	-	1
<u>SHS</u>				
AACC	5	5	-	-
AFCB	1	1	-	-
AAPC	1	1	-	-
AA Postal	1	1	-	-
AANC Med	1	1	-	-
Hys	1	1	-	-
<u>CFIs</u>				
AACC	5	3	2	2
AAPC	1	1	-	-
AADC (Shoemaker)	1	1	-	-
AANC (Chiropodist)	1	1	-	-
<u>PLAs</u>				
AACC	12	13	1	-
AANC	1	2	1	-
AFCB	2	-	-	2
	34	31	2	5

PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 8/4/1944

Table with columns for Details of Tradesmen (GROUP I, II, III), W.E., Posted Strength, Reints. Required, and various trade categories like Ammunition Examiners, Surveyors, etc.

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

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Signature of Commander (Handwritten signature and stamp)

NAME	NO(I)	NO(II)	R/ST	STs	CLs
Int Duties				1	2
Sigs				1	3
Clerks				2	4
Tailors				1	1
Tech Storeman				1	-
LMG Rfn				12	32
MMG Nos				2	3
Mortar Nos				5	4
Inf Nos				1	4
Pro Sgt				1	
SRs				1	2
Tk A Nos				3	3
MM	1				
MMG		1			
MMG		4			
MMG			5		
				<hr/>	<hr/>
	1	5	5	31	58
				<hr/>	<hr/>
<u>ATTN</u>					
<u>AMC</u>					
Chiropract					1
Med				1	
Hys				1	
<u>AAOC</u>					
Shoemaker					1
<u>AME</u>					
Armurer				1	
<u>AA Postal</u>				1	
<u>AAPG</u>				1	1
<u>AACC</u>				5	3
				<hr/>	<hr/>
				10	6
				<hr/>	<hr/>
Total	1	5	5	41	64
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Capt for Lt Col
 (B G WOOD) (AOD)
 Camp 2/5 Aust Inf Bn

8 Apr 44

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

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

(Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 17/4/1944 2/6 AUST INF BR (Unit)

W.E. 17 120 2 OFFRS. 32 O.R's. 755 + OFFRS. 1 O.R's. 34 ATT. BY W.E.

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

W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.					
1	2	3	4		5	6	7	8	9	10
Rein'ts Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.	Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein'ts Required.		
1	-	-	1	*						
3	NR	-	-	*						
9	NR	-	8	Lieut.-Colonels						
19	-	-	27	Majors						
				8	Captains	A.A.I.C.	1	-	-	-
				8	Lieutenants					
				27	Quarter-masters					
				A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.						
				Civilians Counting as Offrs.						
32	4	8	36			1	-	-	-	

DETAIL	A.I.F.	C.M.F.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.N.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL.	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	**	TOTAL.
A.	37									37
E.(1)										
E.(2)										

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

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

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

OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit From.	Date	CAUSE.
VX40080	Lt	McDONNARD G L	2/6 AIB	12 Apr 1944	Rejoined unit from "X" List.

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit To.	Date	CAUSE.
VX 5172	Maj	DEXTER W R	61 AUST INF BR	1 Apr 1944	Transferred from 14 col Authy: HQ 47843 of 6Apr44
VX 3837	T/Maj	STEWART E MCB	2/6 AIB	8 Apr 1944	Transferred to "X" List
VX 117103	Lt	HIRST J R	HQ 17 AUST INF BR	9 Mar 1944	Sec as SC(L) Authy: HQ 40385 of 23 Mar 44.
TX 6054	Lt	JURISON L C	HQ 17 AUST INF BR	13 Mar 1944	Sec as TO. Authy: HQ (NS) 47729 of 6 Apr 44
VX 43861	Lt	MURISON W A B	2/2 AIB	12 Apr 1944	Transferred to "X" List.

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO 2/6 AUST INF BR (Unit) IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED. 15/4/1944

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

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 15 / 4 / 1944 (Total to agree with Columns 4 and 7 of Part A.)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held.	Army Number.	Surname.	Initials.	Posting.	Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No)	If not present with Unit, state how employed.	Date of Detachment.
Lt col	VX 166	WOOD	F G	CO	Yes		
Capt	VX 9290	HAY	D O	OCcoy	Yes		
Capt	VX 3825	LAYER	H L	OCcoy	Yes		
T/Capt.	VX 3907	WALKER	J G	OCcoy	Yes		
Capt	VX 5015	CANNON	H J	OCcoy	Yes		
T/Capt	VX117110	FRENCH	H J	OCcoy	Yes		
Lt	VX100094	MOORE	A J	Pleond	Yes		
T/Capt	VX 30720	IRWIN	A E	21/cooy	Yes		
T/Capt	VX 10726	BROUHAM	E L	31/cooy	Yes		
T/Capt	VX 4552	PRICE	H A	411	Yes		
Lt	VX 32054	ORCHARD	R D	217/cooy	Yes		
Lt	VX 40080	McNAMARA	C L	PrnOff	Yes		
Lt	VX 51042	WILSON	I R	Pleond	No	104 Aust CCS	12/4/44
Lt	VX 54300	PALMER	M	Pleond	Yes		
Lt	VX154118	SMITH	A H	Pleond	Yes		
Lt	VX110009	FAIR	H H	31gOff	Yes		
Lt	VX 6115	MOSE	H H	2erOff	Yes		
Lt	VX 4456	ST JOHN	H R	21/cooy	Yes		
Lt	VX 6033	McCARLEY	H L	IO	Yes		
Lt	VX 5022	GRANT	L O	Pleond	Yes		
Lt	VX107062	JURGEN	H T	Pleond	Yes		
Lt	VX115288	BOUCH	L S	Pleond	Yes		
Lt	VX 11218	MacLellan	R W	IO	Yes		
Lt	VX 78351	SMITH	J P	Pleond	Yes		
Lt	VX 82367	SMITH	H J	H Pleond	Yes		
Lt	VX 3014	FIRTHWELL	H C	Pleond	Yes		
Lt	VX 3231	WALS	H M	Pleond	Yes		
Lt	VX 1132	SISKAMP	A H	Pleond	Yes		
Lt	VX 31238	JOHNSON	F O	Pleond	Yes		
Lt	VX 15	BASON	J B	Pleond	Yes		
Lt	VX 4923	ELLIOTT	T W	Pleond	Yes		
Lt	VX 7350	WHITE	H E	21/cooy	Yes		
Lt	VX 22595	BURDEN	J B	21/cooy	Yes		
Lt	VX 6783	PAYNE	C D	Pleond	No	Det Inatr HQ 17 Bde (J L Sch)	14 4 44
Lt	VX122526	COOK	W C	Pleond	Yes		
Lt	VX 5495	HALNEY	V H	Pleond	Yes		

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

Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank, if Held.	Army Number.	Name and Initials.	Unit.	Date of Attachment.	Nature of Attachment.
Capt	VX112076	WINE V H J	AASC	21 9 42	NO

15 Apr 44
Date of Despatch

F. G. Wood
Lt col
(F. G. WOOD)
Signature of Commander

PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 15 / 4 / 1944

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.
Ammunition Examiners				Surveyors, Engineering				Operating Room Assts.				G.F.O. Assistants			
Armament Artificer Fitter				Surveyors, R.A.A.				Operator, Keyboard				Hammermen			
Armament Artificer Fitter (Electrical)				Surveyors, Topographical				Operator, Line				Leather Stitchers			
Armament Artificer Fitter (M.V.)				Surveyors, Trigonometrical				Operator, Signal				Orderlies, Nursing			
Armament Artificer Fitter (A.F.V.)				Toolmakers				Operator, Switchboard				Orderlies, Nursing Mental			
Armament Artificer Instrument				Turners				Operator, Wireless				Plate Layers			
Armament Artificer Radio				Watchmakers				Opticians				Shoemakers			
Armament Artificer Signals				Welders				Painters				Shoemakers and Boot Repairer			
Armament Artificer Wireless								Panel Beaters				Shoemakers			
Artificer, Artillery								Photographer, Dry Plate				Saddlers			
Artificer, Engine								Predictor Numbers				Saddletree makers			
Blacksmiths	1	1	-					Printers				Shoemaker and Boot Repairer			
Bricklayers								Radiographers				Shoemakers			
Computers								Riggers				Shoemakers			
Cooks, Hospital				GROUP II.				Sawyers				Shoemakers			
Coppersmiths				Armourers				Signallers				Shoemakers			
Dispensers				Axemen				Signwriters				Shoemakers			
Draughtsmen				Bakers				Telescope Identfn. Numbers				Shoemakers			
Draughtsmen (Architectural)				Bty. Comd's. Asst.				Well Borers				Shoemakers			
Draughtsmen (Engineering)				Bollermakers				Wheelers				Shoemakers			
Draughtsmen (Mechanical)				Carpenters	6	5	NR	Winchman				Shoemakers			
Draughtsmen (Topographical)				Carpenters and Joiners				Wireman				Shoemakers			
Electricians				Cooks				Woodturners				Shoemakers			
Electricians (M.V.)				Dental Mechanics								Shoemakers			
Electricians (Signals)				Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Med.)								Shoemakers			
Fitters				Driver-Operator								Shoemakers			
Fitters (Cycle)				Drainers								Shoemakers			
Fitters (Electrical)				Electricians								Shoemakers			
Fitters (Gun)				Electricians (Engineers)								Shoemakers			
Fitters (Instrument)				Fire Control Operators								Shoemakers			
Fitters (M.V.)				Gun Operator				GROUP III.				Shoemakers			
Fitters, Railway Signal				Hatchman				Battery Surveyors				Shoemakers			
Fitters, Signals				Height Taker				Butchers				Shoemakers			
Grinder, Precision				Helio Operator				Clerks				Shoemakers			
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator				Clerks, Supply				Shoemakers			
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Intelligence Duties	10	9	NR	Clerks, Technical				Shoemakers			
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Joiners				Coach Trainers				Shoemakers			
Mechanics, Radio				Lineman				Concretors				Shoemakers			
Mechanics, Typewriter				Lineman, Signals				Cooks				Shoemakers			
Mechanics, Wireless				Lithographers				Dental Clerk Orderlies				Shoemakers			
Millwrights				Machinists, Metal				Despatch Riders				Shoemakers			
Operators, Excavator				Machinists, Wood				Draughtsmen, Signals				Shoemakers			
Pattern Maker				Masons				Drivers, H.T.				Shoemakers			
Pharmacist				Masseurs				Driver Mechanics				Shoemakers			
Photographer, Wet Plate				Mechanics, M.T.				Driver Tptn. Plant				Shoemakers			
Photewriter				Miners				Engine Hands, I.C.				Shoemakers			
Plumber				Moulders				Equipment Repairers				Shoemakers			
Saw Doctors				Nurses, Trained				Farriers				Shoemakers			
Surveyors				Observation Post Assts.				Fitters' Mates				Shoemakers			
CARRIED FORWARD	1	1	-	CARRIED FORWARD	17	16	-	CARRIED FORWARD	92	105	-	Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively.	789	960	-

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Date of Despatch 15 Apr 44

Signature of Commander F. G. Wood

