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August 1941

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A.I.F. FORM C 2118A

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## WAR DIARY

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UNIT 2/7 Aust. Inf Bn

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Hill 69	1	Today a party proceeded to Jaffa range for musketry practice.		
	2	Personnel who fired at musketry practice yesterday engaged today in practice with the L.M.G.		
	3	The Cadre Course spent the day at Jaffa range as well as those who failed to qualify in the practice on Friday. Tonight parties returned from Jewish Settlement leave after spending an enjoyable time.		
	4	<p>The Adm. C.O. (Major G.H. Brock. D.S.O.) and Capt. A.E. Bamford, O.C. of A Coy. spent the morning at a T.E.W.T. conducted by H.Q. 19 Aust. Inf. Bde.</p> <p>Lt. G.H. Rowden visited the unit this morning. We were expecting this officer to resume duty, but learned today that he is to be returned to Australia as he needs a further six to nine months convalescence before being fit for active service. During the last few days there has been a burst of A.W.L. Special steps are being taken to combat this practice. Although amenities available in this camp are restricted it was hoped that the arrangements made for trips to various settlements and similar interesting features would indicate to our troops that the utmost efforts were being made for their welfare. It is anticipated that this lack of appreciation on the part of the troops will result in the swelling of the Commonwealth revenue and the increase in numbers of occupants of our compound available for manual labour.</p>	22/8/41	
	5	Day spent in normal training.		
	6	This Bn. took part in the parade of 6 Aust. Div. <del>the morning on the</del> occasion of the review by		Signature <i>Henry G. Rowden</i>

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Hill 69	6	<p>the G.O.C. Maj. Gen. Sir Ivan McKay, K.B.E. C.M.G. D.S.O. V.D. and his final inspection of the Division prior to relinquishing his command. The Bn. moved off at 0700hrs and marched to Julis where the parade was held at 0900. The G.O.C. addressed the parade, after which the Division marched past and then returned to its various camps. Following the parade, all officers of 6 Aust. Div. assembled at Julis Cinema where the G.O.C. addressed them and took a personal farewell of each.</p>		
	7	The new A.D.M.S. 6 Aust. Div. (Colonel Beare) made his first call on this unit and discussed the medical side with the Adm. C.O. and the R.M.O. (Capt. Gibson)		
	8	<p>Today is the last day of the second N.C.O.'s Cadre Course. This Cadre has displayed great keenness throughout their five week's course. This method of selecting N.C.O.s brings out the best men for these positions.</p> <p>Major Brock, Adm. C.O. attended a farewell party at "A" Mess H.Q. 6 Aust. Div. to say farewell to the G.O.C. who is returning to Australia to take up his duties as C.I.C. Home Forces.</p>		
	9	<p>This morning was as usual given over to administrative duties. During the last three afternoons, the I.O (Lt. H.W. Thomas) and two O.R.s have attended a course on the Interpretation of Air-photographs at H.Q. 19 Aust. Inf. Bde.</p> <p>Commissions were today granted to Lieutenants A.M.C. HUTCHISON (H.Q. Coy) I.W. Walker (H.Q. Coy) McIntosh (H.Q. Coy) and A.N. Palmer (C. Coy).</p> <p>The second cadre course was subjected to a stiff examination by a board of officers this morning. At night the Adm. C.O. attended a Regimental Dinner at 2/6 Bn and a party of officers and men attended a dance at Ramat Gan at the invitation of the Tel Aviv Hospitality Committee.</p>		

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Hill 69	10	<p>Church Parade this morning was conducted by Padre Saville of 2/6 Bn. The Adm. C.O. (Major G.H. Brock D.S.O.) accompanied Lt. Col. Wrigley to Jerusalem to lunch with Brig. S.G. Savige who has just returned from Syria. A cricket match was played between officers of this Bn. and 2/6 resulting in a clear cut victory for ourselves. The scores were: 2/7 - 232, with Lt. Jackett a century. 2/6 - 144, with Lt. Hay top scorer with 56 runs. Lt. H. Thomas was our most successful bowler, while for 2/6 Lts. Dexter and Lane took three wickets each.</p>		
	11	<p>Capt. St. E. D. Nelson reported for duty as O.C. D Coy, he having fully recovered from wounds received in Crete. Lt Dixon also joined the unit with a draft from 27 I.T.B., he comes to us from H.Q. 6 Aust. Div. after having qualified at a recent O.C.T.U. Lt. S.M. Cramp also reported in with this draft and took up duty as Signal Officer.</p> <p>A and H.Q. Coys set off this evening to march to Al Jura beach. The Adm. C.O. attended a party given by Brig. Vasey and officers of 19 Aust. Inf. Bde.</p> <p>Unofficial advice received of the promotion of the C.O. to the rank of Lt. Colonel. It is expected that official confirmation of this news will appear in a day or so.</p>		
	12	<p>H.Q. and A Coys returned to their lines this evening, all very enthusiastic about night marching as opposed to day movement.</p>		
	13	<p>"The Chain Gang" (Men in detention) began work to prepare a garden in front of the administrative building.</p>		
	14	<p>A normal day.</p>		
	15	<p>A series of training films arrived for showing in the unit, unfortunately the machine broke down after the first showing but it hoped that all will see the films, which are of considerable training value.</p>		
	16	<p>The morning was as usual given over to administration and the afternoon to inter-coy sport and the continuance of training films</p>		

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	18	The C.O., Lt. Colonel H.G. Guinn, E.D. rejoined the unit this morning from Command School M.E.T.S. looking full of vim and vigour.		
	19	Arrangements are made for Carrier Platoon to do training with 2 A.O.D. Wk.S. This arrangement is made possible through the friendly offices of Major W.F. Ryan. Arrangements were also made for visual signal communication between 2/2 Fd. Reg. and ourselves to commence on the 21st. Lt. K. Edney rejoined the unit from school.		
	20	Night operations will be an integral part of the training of this Bn. in future. Experience gained in Greece and Crete proved the disadvantage of daylight movement and a good "night sense" to be essential in all ranks. The I. Section recommitred a new route to the Bn. bivouac area at Al Jura beach, a distance of 7½ miles over sandy country. At dusk C and D Coys. also marched to the same area, via the road, to spend a day.	Recce. report attached.	
	21	Attempts were made to contact 2/2 Fd. Reg. by Lucas Lamp but no success was achieved owing to the distance being too great.		
	22	2/5 Bn. personnel, under Capt. Duffy, to remove kit left with this Bn. when 2/5 left to take part in the Syrian campaign. H.Q. Coy. defeated Bn. H.Q. at volley ball, 3-1.		

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	23	Administrative duties occupied the morning, whilst the latter part of the day was devoted to sporting fixtures.	scores attached	
	24	Church Parade was conducted by Padre Saville, 2/6 Bn assisted by Adjutant Robertson of the Salvation Army. In an <del>inter-bn</del> cricket match played against the officers of 6 Aust.Div. Engineers our officers were defeated.		
	25.	Two officers and two sergeants of 2/2 Fd.Regt. reported in to live with this unit for a week in exchange for two officers and two sergeants who have gone to their unit for a similar purpose. It is hoped that this liason arrangement will enable both units to better understand operation, administration and difficulties of the opposite arm.		
	26	Lt.W.S.Gudon returned from hospital where he went after finishing his course at M.E.T.S. and resumed duty. He is posted 2 i.c. of A Coy. as from today. At 1945 hrs A Coy. left for Al Jura, followed fifteen minutes later by H.Q. Coy. The coys. followed the route previously reced. by the I. Section. Over the 7½ miles of sandy going much valuable training was gained in night movement.		

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	2	Today the Bn. I. Section made a recce. of the country to be traversed next week by two coys. in pursuance of the "Live out and Train" syllabus to accustom the troops who have yet to gain the necessary experience of living in the field and the conception of how the unit operates whilst in the field. This form of training will prove invaluable, not only to officers, N.C.O.s and men but also to the "Q" side who will gain experience in rationing troops in the field. Recce. report attached.		
	28	The coys. remaining in the lines spent the day in normal training and C and D Coys. returned from Al Jura in the afternoon.		
	29	The Bn. today held a programme of tabloid sports in which the 2/2 Fd. Amb. also competed. Competition was keen as only a few points separated the leading teams at the end. The sports proved very popular with the troops and there is a desire that more meetings be held. Lt. Col. Fisher Admin. Comd 16 Aust. Inf. Bde. attended and presented the prizes which were made available by the Welfare Committee.	Scores attached	
	30	This afternoon a cricket match was played against 6 Aust. Div. Cav. Reg. and resulted in a sad defeat to ourselves of over 100 runs. Church Parade was conducted by Adjutant Robertson of the Salvation Army.	Scores attached.	

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Signature *Henry Edwin Field*

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AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE

ROUTINE ORDERS No. 47

NOT TO BE PUBLISHED

4 Sep 41

by

LT COL H.G. QUINN E.D.

COID 2/7 AUST INF BN

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I. <u>DUTIES</u> --	DUTY COY H.F.D.	C. Coy. D. Coy. (as in R.Os. No. 46)
	CAMP DUTY COY To mount at 1600 hrs Fri 5 Sep 41	A. Coy (as in R.Os. No. 46)
	ORDERLY OFFICER H.F.D. H.F.D. H.F.D. H.F.D.	Lieut G.R.S. WEST Lieut S.M. CRAMP Lieut F. B. PRINGLE Lieut F. DICKSON Lieut E. ARNOLD

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2. SECURITY OF ARMS AND AMMUNITION --

- (a) Each individual officer or soldier is personally responsible for safeguarding arms and amm., government or private, as may be issued to him, belong to him or be under his custody.
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3. BARBARA CINEMA - This Cinema is definitely OUT OF BOUNDS to all ranks from Khassa and Hill 69 camps.

4. CENSUS of PERSONNEL -

All Coys will hold a muster parade prior to evening meal on Sat 6 Sep 41. A final check of leave personnel will also be made at 2359 hrs on the same day and a report thereon submitted to Bn. H.Q. with Parade States the following morning.

5. UNIT ADMINISTRATION -

Coy Clerks are not adhering to instructions issued on 25 Jun 41 with regard to the reporting of times of (going and returning) of A.W.L. personnel, and those returning from Schools and C.R.S., thus hampering the work of Bn. H.Q. which at present, is understaffed. All ranks returning from C.R.S. must hand Certificates of Discharge into Bn. Orderly Room, immediately on their return. LEAVE - Attention is drawn to Bn. R.Os. No 10 of 22 Jun 41 (Para 2) and nominal rolls must be submitted in accordance therewith. Fares are to be collected by Coys. and handed into the Orderly Room in bulk.

H.L.E. DUNKLEY LIEUT  
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NOTES ON TRIPS TO JEWISH SETTLEMENTS.

These trips have been organised by certain members of the Jewish community in Palestine with the object of providing selected soldiers of this Brigade an opportunity of spending a holiday as guests of the various Jewish Co-operative Settlements.

The conduct of the soldiers, granted this privilege, will be the principal factor born in mind by the organisers, when decidign whether the invitation will be repeated from time to time, and the following rules are to be noted for general guidance of conduct:-

1. BEER IS STRICTLY FORBIDDEN IN THE SETTLEMENTS.
2. Take sufficient tobacco to last for the stay. This is an item not supplied in the settlements.
3. Be sure and take blankets as ordered; settlements vary in their requirements.
4. If you intend to swim, take a swimming costume.

A.P.C.H. [unclear] Capt.  
S/C. 17 Aust. Inf. Bde.

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ROUTINE ORDERS No 33

by

MAJOR G.H. BROCK D.S.O.

ADMIN COID 2/7 AUST INF BN

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                  N.F.D.      B.Coy.

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2. LEAVE - The Palestine Leave roster for the week commencing Mon 4 Aug 41 is as follows :-

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Bn H.Q.	2	2	2	I
H.Q. COY	8	8	8	I
A. Coy.	4	4	4	I
B. Coy.	3	3	3	I
C. Coy.	4	4	4	-
D. Coy.	4	4	4	I

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500 Handkerchiefs  
500 Sticks of Shaving Soap

*Smiley J. ... 4/11*

*Revised list. 2 day  
Tel Aviv  
10 Aug*

7. THROWING OF BOMBS AND GRENADES AND FIRING OF SMALL ARMS from TRAINS -

Some cases of throwing bombs and grenades and the firing of small arms from trains have been reported.

This practice constitutes a serious offence for which, if proved at a Court Martial, a severe sentence of imprisonment may be awarded and, if fatal injuries result, the offender is guilty of manslaughter and is liable to penal servitude for life. In view of their seriousness, all such offences are to be regarded as Court Martial offences and further, they will on no account be disposed of without prior preference to HQ AIF (ME).

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2. CHURCH SERVICES - SUN 23 AUG. 41 :-

PROTESTANT - 2/7 AUST INF BN will hold a Church Parade at 0815 hrs on same area as last Sunday. Markers to report to R.S.M. at 0810 hrs.

CHURCH OF ENGLAND - COMMUNION will be celebrated at Recreation Tent 2/7 Aust Inf Bn. lines at 0630 hrs.

R.C. MASSES - will be celebrated in Church Tent in L 8 Ann. Pk. (opp. Bde Bldgs.) at 0600 hrs and 0915 hrs.

Rosary will be recited in the Church Tent at 1930 hrs.

MASS on Week days at 0630 hrs.

Confession every EVERY Saturday from 1630 hrs.

3. ABBREVIATIONS -

It has been noticed that the abbreviation "C.S.O." has been used to refer to "Camp Staff Officer". This abbreviation is recognised as referring to a "Chief Signal Officer" and will NOT be used for any other military appointment or term. The authorised abbreviation for "Camp Staff Officer" is "Camp S.O."

4. SNIPING AT VEHICLES -

Cases have occurred recently of military vehicles being sniped at whilst travelling on Roads in PALESTINE.

Incidents of this nature will be reported immediately to the nearest Civil Police Post, and to the C.O. of the unit of the personnel concerned.

5. CAMP AREAS - CONTROL OF HAWKERS -

In view of the fact that a considerable amount of sickness has been traced to the eating of fruit which has not been treated - vide Palestine S/O Pam 4, Sec VI, para 72 - it is repeated that fruit sellers and hawkers of goods generally are NOT permitted entry to or to operate in the vicinity of Camp Areas.

6. LEAVE - SUPPLEMENTARY PAY -

Troops going on leave are not entitled to supplementary pay unless the leave is for a period of two days or more.

All personnel granted leave for periods of 48 hours or longer will be taken off the ration strength of the unit for the period of leave.

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Troops going on leave are not entitled to supplementary pay unless the leave is for a period of two days or more. All personnel granted leave for periods of 48 hours or longer will be taken off the ration strength of the unit for the period of leave.



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AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE

ROUTINE ORDERS No 35

NOT TO BE PUBLISHED

5 AUG 41

by

MAJOR G.H. BROCK D.S.O.

ADMIN COMD 2/7 AUST INF BN

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1. DUTIES -

DUTY COY

"B" Coy.

ORDERLY OFFICER

Lieut H. THOMAS

N.F.D.

Lieut K.R. WALKER

N.F.D.

Lieut R.R. VIAL

N.F.D.

Lieut E. ARNOLD

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2. CONSERVATION OF WATER -

Coys. will ensure that all ranks are reminded of the need to conserve water and it is the duty of all to see that water taps are properly turned off after use.

3. BARBARA CINEMA -

All troops must in future wear Shirts (kd) as an upper body covering when attending the Barbara Cinema. Any man not correctly dressed will be refused admission.

The practice of personnel leaving the Cinema prior to the conclusion of the last Picture and playing of the NATIONAL ANTHEM will cease forthwith. Should this occur again disciplinary action will be taken.

Obscene language and undue shouting is becoming too prevalent in the Cinema and must cease.

Obscene language is a Military Offence and offenders, will in future, be dealt with accordingly.

4. PUNISHMENTS by COURT-MARTIAL -

The undermentioned sentences by Courts-Martial are published for information @

- (a) A private soldier, convicted on charges of obtaining money by means of forgery of a soldier's pay book (A.A. 4I) and of A.W.L. (A.A.15(I)) was sentenced to imprisonment with hard labour for two years.
- (b) A private soldier was convicted of charges of attempted stealing of beer and assault (both charges under A.A.4I). He was sentenced to 120 days detention.
- (c) A private soldier, convicted of charges of possessing a forged duty pass (A.A.40), improperly bearing the rank badges of a Sergeant (A.A.40), giving a false name to the military police (A.A.40), disobeying a lawful command (A.A.9 (2)), using insubordinate language to his superior officer (A.A. 8 (2)) and twice A.W.L. (A.A.15 (I)), was sentenced to detention for One year and one month.
- (d) A private soldier, convicted of uttering a forged document and endeavoring to obtain money on another forged document (both charges under A.A. 4I), was sentenced to detention for One year.
- (e) A private soldier convicted of charges of threatening language to his superior officer and of using insubordinate language to his superior officer (both charges under A.A. 8 (2)), was sentenced to to 75 days detention.

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- (f) A private soldier, convicted of charges of improperly using an army vehicle without authority (A.A.40), improperly drawing petrol without authority (A.A. 40) and A.W.L. (A.A. 15 (I)), was sentenced to 90 day's detention.
- (g) A private soldier, convicted of charges of desertion (A.A.I2(I)) and unlawfully taking and driving away a private motor vehicle without proper authority (A.A.4I), was sentenced to imprisonment without hard labour for eighteen months.
- (h) A private soldier, convicted of charges of stealing property (a watch) belonging to a person subject to military law (A.A.I8 (4)), improperly wearing the rank badges of a Lieutenant (A.A.40), improperly bearing the rank badges of Sergeant (A.A.40) and, when in lawful custody, escaping (A.A.22), was sentenced to imprisonment with hard labour for one year and to be discharged with ignominy.

H.L.E.DUNKLEY LIEUT  
ADJT. 2/7 AUST INF BN

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FOUND - Found on 1 Aug 41 (I) WRISTLET WATCH in leather cover - without glass or inscription. Owner may have same on application to Bn. H.Q.

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AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE

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NOT TO BE PUBLISHED

8 AUG 41

BY

MAJOR G.H. BROCK D.S.O.

ADMIN COMD 2/7 AUST INF BN

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<p>CAMP ORDERLY COY</p> <p>CAMP ORDERLY OFFICER</p> <p>N.F.D.</p> <p>N.F.D.</p> <p>N.F.D.</p> <p>N.F.D.</p> <p>N.F.D.</p> <p>BN, DUTY COY.</p> <p>ORDERLY OFFICER</p> <p>N.F.D.</p> <p>N.F.D.</p> <p>N.F.D.</p>	<p>"D" Coy</p> <p>Lieut F.B. PRINGLE</p> <p>Lieut F.B. PRINGLE</p> <p>Lieut F.B. PRINGLE</p> <p>Lieut J.A. PEARSON</p> <p>Lieut C.H. JACKETT</p> <p>"C" Coy.</p> <p>Lieut E. ARNOLD</p> <p>Lieut C.H. JACKETT</p> <p>Lieut J.A. PEARSON</p> <p>Lieut F.A. BARR</p>
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2. LEAVE - The Palestine Leave Roster for the week commencing MONDAY 11 AUG 41 is as follows -

	ONE DAY TELAVIV MON 11 AUG	ONE DAY TELAVIV WED 13 AUG	I DAY JERUSALEM FRI 15	TWO DAY JERUSALEM TUES 12 AUG
Bn. H.Q.	2	2	2	1 <sup>BOOTH</sup>
H.Q. COY	9	9	9	5
A. COY	4	4	4	2
B. COY	4	4	4	2
C. COY	3	3	3	1
D. COY	3	3	3	1

3. CHURCH SERVICES - SUN 10 AUG 41 :-

PROTESTANT - 2/7 AUST INF BN will hold a Church Parade at 0815 hrs on same area as last Sunday. Markers report to R.S.M. at 0810 hrs.

CHURCH OF ENGLAND - COMUNION will be celebrated at Recreation Hut 2/7 Aust Inf Bn lines at 0630 hrs.

R.C. MASSES - will be celebrated in CHURCH TENT L8 CORPS AMN PARK LINES at 0600-0700 hrs and 0915 hrs. ROSARY and Evening Devotions in CHURCH TENT 1930 hrs. MASS is celebrated daily at 0630 hrs and CONFESSIONS on Saturday at 1630 hrs.

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Lieut F.B. PRINGLE

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BN, DUTY COY.

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ADMIN COMD 2/7 AUST INF BN

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| CAMP ORDERLY COY     | "D" Coy.           |
| CAMP ORDERLY OFFICER | Lieut F.B. PRINGLE |
| N.F.D.               | Lieut J.A. PEARSON |
| N.F.D.               | Lieut C.H. JACKETT |
| N.F.D.               | Lieut R.R. VIAL    |
| N.F.D.               | Lieut F.B. PRINGLE |
| BN. DUTY COY         | "C" Coy            |
| BN. ORDERLY OFFICER  | Lieut J.A. PEARSON |
| N.F.D.               | Lieut C.H. JACKETT |
| N.F.D.               | Lieut R. DICKSON   |
| N.F.D.               | Lieut S.M. CRAMP   |

2. SOLDIERS RETURNED TO AUSTRALIA S.N.L.R.-

Soldiers returned to Australia S.N.L.R. do not receive any of the privileges of a Returned Soldier and do not get a good discharge. Attention of all ranks is to be drawn to these facts.

3. BANK ACCOUNTS - PERSONNEL -

Personnel who have opened private banking accounts in the Middle East will furnish particulars thereof through the usual channels to the Chief Paymaster, A.I.F. This information is required in order that balances of bank accounts held by deceased personnel will not be overlooked.

4. DISTRICT COURT-MARTIAL, VX 9492, Pte E.G. McNAMARA, H.Q. 6 Aust. Div.

The above mentioned soldier was convicted by District Court Martial convened by D.A.G., A.I.F. on 22 Jul 41.

<u>Offence</u>	<u>Finding</u>	<u>Sentence</u>
Seven charges of obtaining money on forged documents (i.e. Paybook) contrary to Section 7 of the Forgery Act 1913	Guilty	Imprisonment with hard labor for two years.

5. DAGGERS, KNIVES AND SWORDS - SOUVENIRS -

Previous restrictions on the importation into Australia of daggers, knives and swords forwarded as souvenirs by A.I.F. personnel are now lifted. The provisions of AIF (ME) Order No 236 of 16 May 41 in respect of such articles still apply. A.H.Q., Melbourne advise that an amendment to A.I.F. Standing Order 463 (b) will be issued in due course.

6. A.W.Ls. - A.W.L. offenders will in future be punished with increased severity. A.W.L. for a period exceeding 6 days will automatically be the subject of an application for D.C.M.

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ADMIN COLD 2/7 AUST INF BN

I. DUTIES -

CAMP ORDERLY COY	"D" Coy.
CAMP ORDERLY OFFICER	Lieut R.R. VIAL
N.F.D.	Lieut J.A. PEARSON
N.F.D.	Lieut W.S. GORRIE
N.F.D.	Lieut F.B. PRINGLE
BN. DUTY Coy.	"C" Coy.
BN. ORDERLY OFFICER	Lieut R. DIXON
N.F.D.	Lieut S.M. CRAMP
N.F.D.	Lieut R.R. VIAL
N.F.D.	Lieut F.A. BARR

2. GAMBLING

1. Attention is drawn to the following provision of A.M.R. & O 322 - "Gambling in a camp or other military premises -----is forbidden".
2. The game of "Two-up" is forbidden within or in the vicinity of any military camp, premises, club or institute in bounds to members of the A.I.F.
3. Members of the A.I.F. are forbidden to take part in any such game of "Two-up". Taking part in the game includes "keeping the ring" or being present at a "Two-up School".

3. ACCEPTANCE OF CASH DEPOSITS in PAYBOOKS -

Unless accompanied by written approval from the C.O. that the money was lawfully obtained, amounts in excess of £A5 will not be accepted for credit in Paybooks. Should any attempt be made by the soldier to deposit amounts of £A5 at different cash offices, pay personnel will, if necessary, refer the matter to the soldier's C.O.

4. DISTRICT COURT MARTIALS - VX 14963 Pte FRAZER J W. of 2/5 Aust Inf Bn.

The above soldier was convicted by District Court Martial ordered by Major-General Sir Iven G. Mackay K.B.E., C.M.G., D.S.O. V.D. on 4 Aug 41.

<u>Offence</u>	<u>Finding</u>	<u>Sentence</u>
Two charges of A.W.L.	Guilty	Detention for 12 months

VX 7564 Pte JURY F. of 2/5 Aust Inf Bn.

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<u>Offence</u>	<u>Finding</u>	<u>Sentence</u>
Two charges of "Conduct to the prejudice of good order and military discipline	Guilty on all charges	Detention for 12 months
One Charge of A.W.L.		

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| N.F.D.               | Lieut W.S. GORRIE  |
| N.F.D.               | Lieut F.B. PRINGLE |
| BN. DUTY Coy.        | "C" Coy.           |
| BN. ORDERLY OFFICER  | Lieut R. DEANE     |
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14 Aug 41

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ADMIN COMD 2/7 AUST

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CAMP ORDERLY COY	"D" Coy.
CAMP ORD RLY OFFICER	Lieut S.M. CRAMP
BN ORDERLY COY	"C" Coy.
W.F.D.	
(Mounts at Retreat )	
15 Aug 41 )	"A" Coy.
BN ORDERLY OFFICER	Lieut J.A. PEARSON
N.F.D.	Lieut F.A. BARR
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Leave will be granted on certain nights, to appear in R.Os. to Rehoveth.

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2/7 Aust Inf Bn quota for SUN-17 Aug 41 is as follows :-

B.H.Q.	3
H.Q. Coy	12
A. Coy.	7
B. Coy.	6
C. Coy.	6
D. Coy.	6.

TIMES of DEPARTURE and RETURN will be notified later. Nominal Rolls, Nil or otherwise to Bn H.Q. by 1600 hrs 15 Aug 41.

3. LEAVE SUBSISTENCE -

Personnel proceeding on two days leave or more (except Jerusalem) are entitled to subsistence allowance during period of absence. This will be paid on production of original leave pass. Coys. will see that these passes are collected on return of such personnel and handed to Pay Sjt.

H.L.E. DUNKLEY LIEUT  
ADJT 2/7 AUST INF BN.

NOTICES

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400 Cakes of Soap  
400 tins of Boot Polish

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19 Aug 41

by

LT. COL. H. G. GUINN, E.D.

COMD 2/7 AUS INF BN.

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1. <u>DUTIES</u> -	BN DUTY COY	"A" COY
	BN ORDERLY OFFICER	Lieut L.V. TATTERSON.
	N.F.D.	Lieut F.H. BARR.
	N.F.D.	Lieut R.R. VIAL.
	N.F.D.	Lieut S. GORRIE.

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2. FISHING - AL JURA BEACH.

A case occurred recently, where military personnel requisitioned by force an Arab boat and bombed fish at Al Jura. If this occurs again, Al Jura beach will be placed out of bounds.

Officers and W.O.s in charge of beach parties must ensure that Arab boats are not used by military personnel and any personnel found with explosives in their possession, or found "fish bombing" are to be placed under close arrest immediately.

3. FARES - TWO DAY LEAVE - JERUSALEM.

Attention is directed to the all inclusive charge for conveying two day leave personnel to JERUSALEM and providing meals and accomodation at the Fast Hotel.

The correct charge is 750 mils.

4. LEAVE FOR JEWISH PERSONNEL TO ATTEND IMPORTANT HOLY DAYS.

It is advised that the Jewish Holy Days this year fall as follows :-

NEW YEAR From sunset 21 Sep to Sunset 23 Sep:

YOM KIPPUR From sunset 30 Sep to sunset 1 Oct.

Exigencies of the service permitting, it is desired that as many personnel as possible of Jewish denomination be granted leave to allow them to participate in the ceremonies.

5. OFFICERS DRIVING VEHICLES.

Officers will not drive Australian military Motor Vehicles except under the following circumstances:-

- (a) When the driver-incapacitated.
- (b) In an emergency; or
- (c) To afford relief to the drivers on long journeys.

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|                    | N.F.D.             | Lieut F.H. BARR.      |
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2. FISHING - AL JURA BEACH.

A case occurred recently, where military personnel requisitioned by force an Arab boat and bombed fish at Al Jura. If this occurs again, Al Jura beach will be placed out of bounds.

Officers and W.O.s in charge of beach parties must ensure that Arab boats are not used by military personnel and any personnel found with explosives in their possession, or found "fish bombing" are to be placed under close arrest immediately.

3. FARES - TWO DAY LEAVE - JERUSALEM.

Attention is directed to the all inclusive charge for conveying two day leave personnel to JERUSALEM and providing meals and accomodation at the Fast Hotel.

The correct charge is 750 mils.

4. LEAVE FOR JEWISH PERSONNEL TO ATTEND IMPORTANT HOLY DAYS.

It is advised that the Jewish Holy Days this year fall as follows :-

NEW YEAR From sunset 21 Sep to Sunset 23 Sept

YOM KIPPUR From sunset 30 Sep to sunset 1 Oct.

Exigencies of the service permitting, it is desired that as many personnel as possible of Jewish denomination be granted leave to allow them to participate in the ceremonies.

5. OFFICERS DRIVING VEHICLES.

Officers will not drive Australian military Motor Vehicles except under the following circumstances:-

- (a) When the driver-incapacitated.
- (b) In an emergency; or
- (c) To afford relief to the drivers on long journeys.

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DUTY COY  
N.F.D.

"A" COY  
"B" COY (To mount at Retreat  
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1. Making a false statement	Not guilty on 1st Charge	Imprisonment
2. Making a false statement	Guilty of 2nd, 3rd, 5th,	with hard
3. Knowingly making a fraudulent statement	6th and 7th charges.	labor for
4. Knowingly making a fraudulent statement	Guilty on the 4th charge	18 months
5. Obtaining money by false pretences	subject to rider made by	
6. Obtaining money by false pretences	President of the Court	
7. Conduct to the prejudice of good order and military discipline		

3. BOUNDS -

The White Stone Building North of BROCKMAN LINES is OUT OF BOUNDS TO ALL RANKS. Personnel found in the vicinity of this building will be charged with being OUT OF BOUNDS and A.V.L.

4. AL JURA BEACH -

Unless the hygiene conditions at AL JURA Beach are improved and hygiene discipline of all ranks who attend is kept at a high standard it has been suggested by higher authority that the beach will be closed.

5. LAUNDRY SERVICES -

Any complaints re Laundry services in KHASSA Camp will be immediately reported to Bn. H.Q. when steps will be taken to investigate the matter.



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JERUSALEM (1) DAY MON AUG 25	2	7	4	4	4	4
TEL AVIV (1) DAY MON AUG 25	2	7	4	4	4	4
JERUSALEM (2) DAYS MON AUG 25	I	I	I	-	I	I
TEL AVIV (2) DAYS TUE AUG 26	I	I	I	-	I	I
NIGHT LEAVE REHOVDTH SAT AUG 23	4	12	6	6	6	6

7. CHURCH SERVICES SUN 24 AUG 41 -

PROTESTANT - 2/7 AUST INF BN will hold a Church Parade at 0815 hrs on same area as last Sunday. Markers report to R.S.M. at 0810 hrs.

CHURCH OF ENGLAND - COMMUNION will be celebrated at Recreation Hut 2/7 Aust Inf Bn lines at 0630 hrs.

R.C. MASSES - will be celebrated in Church Tent L8 CORPS AMM PARK lines at 0600-0700 hrs and 0915 hrs. ROSARY and Evening Devotions in Church Tent 1930 hrs. Mass is celebrated daily at 0630 hrs and CONFESSIONS on SATURDAYS at 1630 hrs.

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26 AUG 41

by

MAJOR H.C. GUINN E.D.

COED 2/7 AUST INF BN.

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2. LEAVE - FARES -

The fare to TEL AVIV is 120 Mils.  
Two days leave to Telaviv (which includes bed and breakfast at King Solomon Hotel) is 370 Mils.

3. SECURITY - The following order will be adequately stressed to all guards and sentries on duty. Guards and sentries failing to obey this order will be severely dealt with:-

Owing to the increasing incidents of thefts of equipment and rations NO civilians will be permitted to cross the Camp perimeter, either inwards or outwards, but must enter and leave the Camp by the end of the Road lying between Lines LI (2/6) and L8 (Corps Ann.Park). Any civilians (native sanitary workers included) who attempts to evade this regulation will be arrested and immediately searched, after which he will be escorted to Camp H.Q. for interrogation.

4. LAUNDRY -

The laundry hours for receiving and delivering washing have been in operation for a considerable period, but personnel still expect the laundry employees to accept soiled laundry other than the hours set down. Coy. Comds will see that all personnel are conversant with the hours of receiving - 0600 hrs to 1100 hrs. Delivery hours are 1600 hrs to 1900 hrs. As from today these hours will be strictly adhered to.

The express service will again be in operation under supervision of 1st AUST CORPS M.E.D. personnel who are attached to this Camp.

If in the opinion of the soldier in charge, any clothes are unfit for laundry, they will not be accepted but will be handed back to the owner.

In the event of unclaimed laundry, personnel will be given till 31 Aug 41 to claim same. If not claimed, above will be sent to salvage.

5. SPORTING FIXTURES - CRICKET COMPETITION :-

The first matches in the new competition will take place on SUN 31 Aug 41.

The draw is @-

2/4 Bn v 2/6 Bn on 2/4 Bn Ground  
19 Bde H.Q. v Pro on Pro Ground  
Sigs v 2/11 Bn on Sigs Ground  
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CROSS COUNTRY CHAMPIONSHIP -

A 3 mile cross country championship will be held on SAT 30 Aug at 1500 hrs. Teams will assemble near car park I9 Bde H.Q. Julis at 1450 hrs where the start and finish will take place. No limit to number of entries from each unit.

SPORTS MEETING -

It is intended to hold a Sports Meeting at the ASGC Sports Ground Julis on SAT 20 Sep. Each unit may enter one representative for each event. It is proposed to enter the winners in the Annual YMCA Open Track and Field Championships to be held in Jerusalem on Fri and Sat 3 and 4. Oct.

The following are the events :-

(a) Track Events

1. 100 Metres Dash
2. 200 Metres Dash
3. 400 Metres Dash
4. 800 Metres Dash
5. 1500 Metres (1 Mile)
6. 110 Metres Hurdles (High)
7. 3000 Metres (2 miles)
8. Relay Race (4X 100 Metres)
9. 1500 Metres Medley Relay Race  
(800 X 400 X 200 X 100)

(b) Field Events

1. High Jump
2. Broad Jump
3. Hop Step and Jump
4. Shot Putt
5. Discuss

The 2/7 AUST INF BN will hold a Sports Meeting at an early date with a view to selecting participants in the above.

H.L.E. DUNKLEY LIEUT  
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2. COURT OF ENQUIRY -

The following Court of Enquiry has been convened to enquire into and report upon

- (a) The absence of VX 37038 Pte WHITE W
- (b) Missing equipment on issue to him and value thereof.

PRESIDENT      Capt I.D. McCALLUM

MEMBERS          Lieut K.R. WALKER  
Lieut J.A. PEARSON

2. MIS-USE OF KITCHENS -

The practice of making toast in the kitchens by personnel other than kitchen staff is forbidden and will cease immediately. Disciplinary action will be taken against future offenders.

M.L.E. DUNKLEY LIEUT  
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PRESIDENT MAJOR G.H. BROCK D.S.O.

MEMBERS LIEUT W.K. EDNEY  
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3. CONSUMPTION OF NATIVE FRUITS ETC.-

AUST GEN HOSPITALS report a noticeable increase in dysentery in the Area which is reasonably believed to be partially caused by the consumption of native Grapes, Tomatoes etc, purchased from native hawkers.

Practically all foodstuffs and fruit offered for sale by natives have been exposed to dirt and flies in villages and is thoroughly germ laden when offered by sale to troops.

Any natives (usually boys) loitering in the vicinity of the Camp and in possession of foodstuffs, fruits, etc. can be regarded as hawkers. As frequent warnings have been issued to the people, Civil police, Majdal advice that their edible goods be confiscated and destroyed on the spot.

4. FIELD CENSORSHIP - USE OF HOTEL STATIONERY -

It is observed that the practice of using hotel stationery for private correspondence is being continued in contravention of Field Censorship Regulations, 1940, Part I, Para 5 (ii).

It is notified for information that, as from Sep 41, letters written on hotel stationery will not be passed by censorship.

5. POSTAL CENSORSHIP -

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6. ADVANCES TO AIF OFFICERS AND IMPREST HOLDERS IN GREECE AND CRETE -

Officers and imprest holders who received sums of money from AIF or British sources in Greece or Crete to assist in the evacuation of personnel will supply full details of these advances to BN. H.Q. immediately.

7. REGISTERED POST. -

AIF Order (IE) No 484 of 12 Jul 41 is amended by the addition of the following to Para (c) :-

Articles intended for transmission by registered post will not, on any account be handed back to the sender by the holder of the unit censor stamp, but will be forwarded to the Army Post Office through the unit postal orderly who will deliver the official receipt (Form APS 8) to the sender.

8. STEALING FROM CAMP LINES -

All Arabs, Jews or other natives seen with parcels or bundles within Camp Lines will be searched in the presence of an officer. D.A.P.M. 6 Aust Div will be informed if any military stores, equipment or food are found in the possession of persons so searched, and the persons will be detained until the arrival of civil police.

9. AIRGRAPH AND AIRMAIL LETTER CARD SERVICE - EXTENSION TO CANADA -

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10. CHIEF PAY OFFICE, DEIR SUNEID -

No personal enquiries will be dealt with at C.P.M.'s Office, Deir Suneid. Only Pay personnel and Officers engaged in Regimental duties will receive attention.

II. SUBSISTENCE - JERUSALEM -

- (a) Approval has been given for payment of subsistence to personnel on leave in JERUSALEM for two days or more and for whom no accommodation was available at the Fast Hotel.
- (b) Names of claimants for subsistence in this category will be scheduled on a separate Form T.S. 5A which will carry the Certificate of the C.O. that "Accommodation at the Fast Hotel was not available to the within named claimants".

H.L.E. DUNKLEY LIEUT  
ADJT 2/7 AUST INF BN

NOTICES

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6. ADVANCES TO AIF OFFICERS AND IMPREST HOLDERS IN GREECE AND CRETE -

Officers and imprest holders who received sums of money from AIF or British sources in Greece or Crete to assist in the evacuation of personnel will supply full details of these advances to BN. H.Q. immediately.

7. REGISTERED POST. -

AF Order (IE) No 484 of 12 Jul 41 is amended by the addition of the following to Para (c) :-

Articles intended for transmission by registered post will not, on any account be handed back to the sender by the holder of the unit censor stamp, but will be forwarded to the Army Post Office through the unit postal orderly who will deliver the official receipt (Form APS 8) to the sender.

8. STEALING FROM CAMP LINES -

All Arabs, Jews or other natives seen with parcels or bundles within Camp Lines will be searched in the presence of an officer. D.A.P.M. 6 Aust Div will be informed if any military stores, equipment or food are found in the possession of persons so searched, and the persons will be detained until the arrival of civil police.

9. AIRGRAPH AND AIRMAIL LETTER CARD SERVICE - EXTENSION TO CANADA -

By arrangement with the Canadian Post Office, Army Postal Services in the Middle East will accept airgraph and airmail letter cards addressed to Canada. These will be forwarded from the United Kingdom by ordinary surface mail. Charges in operation to the United Kingdom will apply.

10. CHIEF PAY OFFICE, DEIR SUNEID -

No personal enquiries will be dealt with at C.P.O.'s Office, Deir Suneid. Only Pay personnel and Officers engaged in Regimental duties will receive attention.

II. SUBSISTENCE - JERUSALEM -

- (a) Approval has been given for payment of subsistence to personnel on leave in JERUSALEM for two days or more and for whom no accommodation was available at the Fast Hotel.
- (b) Names of claimants for subsistence in this category will be scheduled on a separate Form T.S. 5A which will carry the Certificate of the C.O. that "Accommodation at the Fast Hotel was not available to the within named claimants".

H.L.E. DUNKLEY LIEUT  
ADJT 2/7 AUST INF BN

NOTICES

LOST - I Leather Souvenir Wallet of Damascus containing £6-10/-.  
Finder please return to Bn. H.Q.

**FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.**

..... 2/7 AUSTRALIAN INF BN (Unit). 2 Aug 1941 (Date).

(To be furnished by all units of Cavalry, Royal Armoured Corps, Infantry, Royal Army Veterinary Corps, Royal Army Pay Corps, Army Educational Corps, Corps of Military Police, and all Headquarters units).

**Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.**

1 Detail.	2 Posted strength counting against authorised establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.	1		-
W.Os. Class II.	4		2
W.Os. Class III.			
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants OR Colour-Serjeants			5
Staff Serjeants			
Serjeants	26		9
Buglers, Trumpeters, etc.			
Corporals	45		16
Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, etc.	342		309
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>418</b>	*	* <b>341</b>

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

**Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.**

Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.
VX 4928 Sgt BRADBURY S.S.	6 Aust Div Cash Office		
VX 3688 Cpl BOOTH W.T.	H.Q. A.I.F. Postal Unit		
VX 5128 Sgt GUDE G.T.	H.Q. 17 Aust Inf Bde.		
VX 11473 Pte GARBUTT A	H.Q. 17 Aust Inf Bde.		

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

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g. present whereabouts if known).
VX 5494	Sgt	GREYER B.H.	A.I.F.	17 Aust Inf Eng Bn
VX 4838	Pte	HAISMITH A.	"	" " " " "

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

DETAIL OF SPECIALISTS, TRADESMEN, ETC.	SURPLUS TO ESTABLISHMENT.									REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.							REMARKS.			
	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	W.Os. Class III.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S., or Colour-Serjeants.	Staff-Serjeants.	Serjeants.	Buglers, Trumpeters, &c.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, &c.	TOTAL.	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	W.Os. Class III.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S., or Colour-Serjeants.	Serjeants.	Buglers, Trumpeters, &c.		Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, &c.	TOTAL.
Bricklayers ... ..																				
Butchers ... ..																				
Carpenters and Joiners ... ..																				
Clerks ... ..																				
Cooks ... ..																				
Despatch Riders ... ..																				
Drivers I.C. (Tracked) ... ..																				
" " (Wheeled) ... ..																				
Drivers-Mechanics ... ..																				
Drivers-Operators ... ..																				
Electricians ... ..																				
Equipment Repairers... ..																				
Farriers ... ..																				
Fitters ... ..																				
Machine Gunners ... ..																				
Masons ... ..																				
Motor Mechanics ... ..																				
Pioneers, Infantry (other than tradesmen) ... ..																				
Plumbers and Pipefitters ... ..																				
Range Takers ... ..																				
Saddlers and Harness Makers ... ..																				
Saddle Tree Makers ... ..																				
Sanitary and Water Duties... ..																				
Signallers ... ..																				
Storemen technical ... ..																				
Tailors ... ..																				
Wheelers ... ..																				
General duty personnel ... ..																				
TOTALS (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A).																				

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- 2 - 5 9 16 309 341

2/7 AUST INF BN

Unit.

ADMIN COMD 2/7 AUST INF BN

MAJOR

Date of Despatch

3 Aug 41

Bde, Divn, Area, etc., with which unit is serving.  
17 AUST INF BDE 6 AUST DIV

# FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS.

..... 2/7 AUST INF BN ..... (Unit.)

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

1	2	3	4
Ranks.	Posted strength counting against authorised establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e., deficits on establishment).
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*			
Lieut.-Colonels			
Majors....			
Captains	3		
Lieutenants	18		
2nd Lieutenants			
Quartermasters			
District Officers			
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>23</b>		<b>10</b>

\* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary (e.g., Major-General, Brigadier, etc).

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

**Officers JOINED during week.**

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
VX 5804	Lieut HOLLAND	T.H.		Promoted vide H.Q. 6 Aust Div Corr 1101/01/1 of 26 Jul 41.
VX 3961	Lieut THOMAS	H.W.		
VX 5554	Lieut McDONALD	A.J.		

**Officers QUITTED during week.**

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

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

Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts, if known).
VX 237 Capt	NELSON	St B D	A.I.F. 17 Aust Inf Tng Bn



PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

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

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank.	Higher acting or temporary rank, if held.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
Major		GUINN H.G. (E.D.)	A.I.F.	No	M.E.T.S.
Major		BROCK G.H. (D.S.O.)	"	Yes	
Capt		McCALLUM I.D.	"	"	
Capt		BAMFORD A.B.	"	"	
Lieut	T/Capt	FLITCHER S.	"	"	
Lieut		DUNKLEY H. LEE. (M.C.)	"	"	
Lieut		PEARSON J.A.	"	"	
Lieut		SMITH A.	"	"	
Lieut		TATTERSON L.V.	"	"	
Lieut		EDNEY K.	"	No	AIP (ME) S.A. Sch.
Lieut		WEST G.R.S.	"	Yes	
Lieut		ARNOLD E.	"	"	
Lieut		CORRIE W.S.	"	"	
Lieut		LUNN H.T.	"	"	
Lieut		BARR F.A.	"	"	
Lieut		JACKETT C.	"	"	
Lieut		WALKER K.R.	"	"	
Lieut		VIAL R.R.	"	"	
Lieut		CUDDON W.S.	"	No	Jun Comdrs. Course
Lieut		PRINGLE F.B.	"	No	MEWTS
Lieut		HOLLAND T.H.	"	Yes	
Lieut		THOMAS H.W.	"	"	
Lieut		McDONALD A.J.	"	"	

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive Rank.	Higher acting or temporary rank if held.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
Padre		PHILLIPS E.B.	A.I.F.	3/7/41	as Chaplain.
Lieut		FRENCH N. McL	"	29/6/41	Amenities Off.
Adjt		ROBERTSON E.C.	"	1/8/41	Welfare Off.
Capt		GIBSON C.J.	"	9/7/41	As R.M.O.

2/7 AUST INF BN

(Unit.)

ADMIN COMD (Signature of Commander)

MAJOR

3 Aug. 41

(Date of Despatch.)

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

**FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.**

2/7 Aust Inf Bn (Unit). 9 Aug 41 (Date).

(To be furnished by all units of Cavalry, Royal Armoured Corps, Infantry, Royal Army Veterinary Corps, Royal Army Pay Corps, Army Educational Corps, Corps of Military Police, and all Headquarters units).

**Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.**

1 Detail.	2 Posted strength counting against authorised establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.	1		-
W.Os. Class II.	5		1
W.Os. Class III.			
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants OR Colour-Serjeants			
Staff Serjeants			5
Serjeants	23		7
Buglers, Trumpeters, etc.			
Corporals	45		16
Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, etc.	345		311
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>419</b>	*	* <b>340</b>

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

**Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.**

Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.
VX 4928 Sgt Bradbury A.P.	6 Aust Div Cash Office		
VX 3688 Cpl Booth W.T.	H.Q. A.I.F. Postal Unit		
VX 5128 Sgt Gude G.T.	H.Q. 17 Aust Inf Bde		
VX 11473 Pte Garbutt A.	H.Q. 17 Aust Inf Bde		

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

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g. present whereabouts if known).
VX 5494	Sgt	Leeves B.H.	A.I.F.	17 Aust Inf Bde
VX 4838	Pte	Hausmuth A.	.	.

27 Aust Inf Bn Unit.

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

DETAIL OF SPECIALISTS, TRADESMEN, ETC.	SURPLUS TO ESTABLISHMENT.									REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.							REMARKS.			
	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	W.Os. Class III.	S.O.M.S. ; C.O.M.S., or Colour-Serjeants.	Staff-Serjeants.	Serjeants.	Buglers, Trumpeters, &c.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, &c.	TOTAL.	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	W.Os. Class III.	S.O.M.S. ; C.O.M.S., or Colour-Serjeants.	Serjeants.	Buglers, Trumpeters, &c.		Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, &c.	TOTAL.
Bricklayers ... ..																				
Butchers ... ..																				
Carpenters and Joiners ... ..																				
Clerks ... ..																			2	
Cooks ... ..																				
Despatch Riders ... ..																				
Drivers I.C. (Tracked) ... ..																				
"    " (Wheeled) ... ..																			23	
Drivers-Mechanics ... ..																				
Drivers-Operators ... ..																				
Electricians ... ..																				
Equipment Repairers... ..																				
Farriers ... ..																				
Fitters ... ..																				
Machine Gunners ... ..																				
Masons ... ..																				
Motor Mechanics ... ..																				
Pioneers, Infantry (other than tradesmen) ... ..																				
Plumbers and Pipefitters ... ..																				
Range Takers ... ..																				
Saddlers and Harness Makers ... ..																				
Saddle Tree Makers ... ..																				
Sanitary and Water Duties... ..																				
Signallers ... ..																			8	
Storemen technical ... ..																				
Tailors ... ..																				
Wheelers ... ..																				
General duty personnel ... ..																				307
TOTALS (to agree with Col- umns 3 and 4 of Part A).																				340

27 Aust Inf Bn Unit.  
Date of Despatch 10 Aug 41

*[Signature]*  
Signature of Commander.  
19 Aust Inf Bde 6 Aust Div  
Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which unit is serving.

# FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS.

*2/7 Am.* ..... (Unit.)

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

1 Ranks.	2 Posted strength counting against authorised establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e., deficits on establishment).
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Lieut.-Colonels .....			
Majors.....	2		
Captains .....	3		
Lieutenants .....	22		
2nd Lieutenants .....			
Quartermasters .....			
District Officers .....			
<b>TOTALS</b> .....	<b>27</b>		<b>6</b>

\* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary (e.g., Major-General, Brigadier, etc).

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

### Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
Lieut	Kutcheon	Ab 6		Promoted vide HQ 6 Aust Div Com 15-6/04/1 8 Aug 41. 2/3 rd Coy.
Lieut	Walker	1st		
Lieut	Palmer	H IV		
Lieut	McIntosh	DB	9.8.41	

### Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
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## PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO THE UNIT IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED.

Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts, if known).
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PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

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

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank.	Higher acting or temporary rank, if held.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
Major	(Co)	Quinn H G (ED)	A. I. F	No	M.E.T.S.
Major	2/c	Brow G. H (DSO)	.	Yes	
Capt	Coy Ob.	McCallum I A	.	Yes	
Capt	Coy Ob	Banford A F	.	No	A.I.F.M.E. jr Staff Sch.
Lieut	1/capt	Shekher P.	.	Yes	
Lieut	capt	Dunkley H Lee (MC)	.	Yes	
Lieut	Pl comd	Pearson J A	.	.	
Lieut	RQM	Smith H	.	.	
Lieut	Pl comd	Jackson L V	.	No	3d Wks Course RAE
Lieut	Pl comd	Edney K	.	No	A.I.F.M.E. SA Sch
Lieut	Pl comd	West G. R. D	.	No	3d Wks Course RAE
Lieut	Pl comd	Arnold E	.	Yes	
Lieut	2/c	Govrie W. I.	.	.	
Lieut	2/c	Lunn M. T.	.	No	A.I.F.M.E. jr Officer Sch
Lieut	Pl comd	Barry F A	.	Yes	
Lieut	Pl comd	Jackett C	.	.	
Lieut	Major	Walker K R	.	.	
Lieut	2/c	Veal R V	.	.	
Lieut	2/c	Cudder W S	.	No	Jun Comdr Course
Lieut	Pl comd	Pringle F B	.	Yes	
Lieut	Pl comd	Holland J N	.	Yes	
Lieut	1 officer	Thomas H W	.	Yes	
Lieut	Pl comd	McDonald P	.	Yes	
Lieut	Pl comd	Butcher A B	.	Yes	
Lieut	Pl comd	Walker I W	.	Yes	
Lieut	Pl comd	Palmer A N	.	Yes	
Lieut	Pl comd	McIntosh S B	.	Yes	

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive Rank.	Higher acting or temporary rank if held.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
Padre		Fryrell R. T.	A.I.F.	8.5.41	as Chaplain
capt		Kellett E. G.	.	15.41	Welfare Off.
capt		Gibson C. J.	.	9.7.41	as R.M.O.

2/7 Aust Inf Div.  
(Unit.)  
10 Aug 41  
(Date of Despatch.)

*[Signature]* Major  
(Signature of Commander)  
19 Aust Inf Div 6 Aust B  
(Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

**FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.**

*27 Aust Inf Bn* (Unit). *16 Aug* 19 *41* (Date).

(To be furnished by all units of Cavalry, Royal Armoured Corps, Infantry, Royal Army Veterinary Corps, Royal Army Pay Corps, Army Educational Corps, Corps of Military Police, and all Headquarters units).

**Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.**

1 Detail.	2 Posted strength counting against authorised establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.	1		
W.Os. Class II.	6		
W.Os. Class III.			
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants OR Colour-Serjeants			
Staff Serjeants			5
Serjeants	26		4
Buglers, Trumpeters, etc.			
Corporals	55		6
Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, etc.	335		321
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>423</b>	*	* <b>336</b>

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

**Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.**

Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.
VX 4928	Rgt Bradbury A.D.		6 <sup>th</sup> Aust Div Cash Office
VX 3688	Cpl Booth WT		H.Q. A.I.F. Postal Unit.
VX 5128	Rgt Gude G.T.		H.Q. 17 Aust Inf Bde
VX 11473	Pte Garbutt A.		H.Q. 17 Aust Inf Bde
VX 4838	Cpl Naismith A.		A.A.M.C.

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

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g. present whereabouts if known).
VX 5494	Rgt	Greaves B.H.	A.I.F.	17 Aust Inf Bde
VX 5844	Pte	Lester J		

27 Aust Inf Bn Unit.

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

DETAIL OF SPECIALISTS, TRADESMEN, ETC.	SURPLUS TO ESTABLISHMENT.									REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.							REMARKS.			
	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	W.Os. Class III.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S., or Colour-Serjeants.	Staff-Serjeants.	Serjeants.	Buglers, Trumpeters, &c.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, &c.	TOTAL.	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	W.Os. Class III.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S., or Colour-Serjeants.	Serjeants.	Buglers, Trumpeters, &c.		Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, &c.	TOTAL.
Bricklayers ... ..																				
Butchers ... ..																				
Carpenters and Joiners ... ..																				
Clerks ... ..																			2	
Cooks ... ..																				
Despatch Riders ... ..																				
Drivers I.C. (Tracked) ... ..																			23	
„ „ (Wheeled) ... ..																				
Drivers-Mechanics ... ..																				
Drivers-Operators ... ..																				
Electricians ... ..																				
Equipment Repairers... ..																				
Farriers ... ..																				
Fitters ... ..																				
Machine Gunners ... ..																				
Masons ... ..																				
Motor Mechanics ... ..																				
Pioneers, Infantry (other than tradesmen) ... ..																				
Plumbers and Pipefitters ... ..																				
Range Takers ... ..																				
Saddlers and Harness Makers ... ..																				
Saddle Tree Makers ... ..																				
Sanitary and Water Duties... ..																			8	
Signallers ... ..																				
Storemen technical ... ..																				
Tailors ... ..																				
Wheelers ... ..																				
General duty personnel ... ..																			303	
TOTALS (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A).																			303	

27 Aust Inf Bn Unit.  
Date of Despatch 17 Aug 41.

Henry J. ... Lt Col  
Signature of Commander:  
16 Aust Inf Bde 6 Aust Div  
Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which unit is serving.

# FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS.

*247 Aust Inf Bn.* (Unit.)

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

1	2	3	4
Ranks.	Posted strength counting against authorised establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e., deficits on establishment).
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Lieut.-Colonels	<i>1</i>		
Majors...	<i>1</i>		
Captains	<i>4</i>		
Lieutenants	<i>24</i>		
2nd Lieutenants			
Quartermasters			
District Officers			
TOTALS	<i>30</i>		<i>3</i>

\* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary (e.g., Major-General, Brigadier, etc).

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

### Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
<i>Capt</i>	<i>Nelson M.E.A.</i>	<i>A. I. F.</i>	<i>11-8-41</i>	<i>Marched Ins from 17th Aust Inf Bn.</i>
<i>Lieut</i>	<i>Gramp P.M.</i>			
<i>Lieut</i>	<i>Dixon R.</i>			

### Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

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

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



PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

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

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank.	Higher acting or temporary rank, if held.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
Lt. Col	C.O.	Gunn H.G. (6D)	A.I.F.	No	M.E.T.S.
Major	2/c	Brock G.H. (A.S.O)	.	yes	
Capt	Coy O.C.	McBallum I.D.	.		
Capt	Coy O.C.	Bamford A.E.	.	No	A.I.F.(M.E.) Jr Staff Sch
Capt	Coy O.C.	Nelson R.E.D.	.	yes.	
Lieut	T/Capt	Fletcher D.	.	yes	
Lieut	Adjt.	Dunkley H.L.G. (M.C)	.	yes	
Lieut	Pl Comdr	Pearson J.A.	.	yes	
Lieut	R.Q.M.	Smith A.	.	yes	
Lieut	Pl Comdr	Jatterson L.V.	.	yes	
Lieut	Pl Comdr	Edney K.	.	No	A.I.F.(M.E.) S.A. Sch
Lieut	Pl Comdr	West G.R.D.	.	yes	
Lieut	Pl Comdr	Arnold E.	.	yes	
Lieut	Pl Comdr	Gorrie W.D.	.	yes	
Lieut	2/c	Lunn H.T.	.	No	A.I.F.(M.E.) Jr Offs Sch
Lieut	Pl Comdr	Barr J.A.	.	yes	
Lieut	Pl Comdr	Jackett C.	.	yes	
Lieut	A/Adj O/C	Walker K.R.	.	yes	
Lieut	2/c	Ural R.V.	.	yes	
Lieut	2/c	Cudde W.S.	.	No	Jun Comdr Course
Lieut	Pl Comdr	Pringle J.B.	.	yes	
Lieut	Pl Comdr	Hollands J.N.	.	No	A.I.F.(M.E.) Jr Offs Sch
Lieut.	I offer	Thomas H.W.	.	No	A.I.F. V.I.E.D. Jr Offs Sch
Lieut	Pl Comdr	Hutchison A.M.C.	.	No	A.I.F.(M.E.) Jr Offs Sch
Lieut	Pl Comdr	Walker I.W.	.	No	A.I.F.(M.E.) Jr Offs Sch
Lieut	Pl Comdr	Palmer A.N.	.	No	A.I.F.(M.E.) Jr Offs Sch
Lieut	Pl Comdr	M'Intosh D.B.	.	No	A.I.F.(M.E.) Jr Offs Sch
Lieut	Pl Comdr	Cramp P.M.	.	yes	
Lieut	Pl Comdr	Dixon R.	.	yes.	

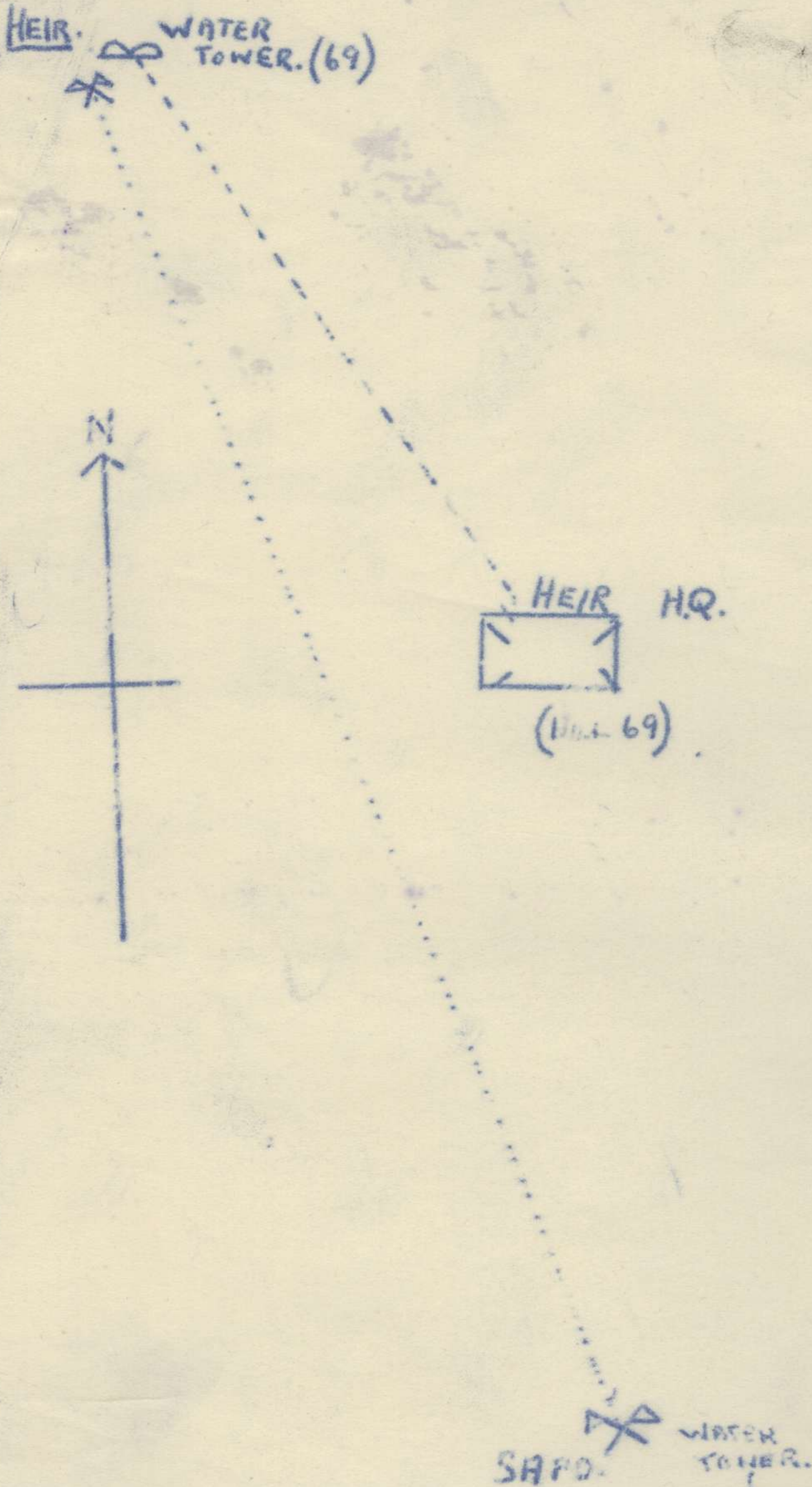
(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive Rank.	Higher acting or temporary rank if held.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
Padre		Joyell R.N.	A.I.F.	8.8.41	as Chaplain
Adjt		Robertson E.C.	.	1.8.41	Welfare Off.
Capt		Gibson C.J.	.	9.7.41	as R.M.O.

77 Aust Inf Bde  
(Unit.)  
17 Aug 41.  
(Date of Despatch.)

Henry D. Gunn Lt Col  
(Signature of Commander.)  
16 Aust Inf Bde 6 Aust Div  
(Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

HEIR. SIGNAL DIAGRAM.



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N.Q Coy Operation Order No. 6.

- Information (1) As per operation order No 6. Further landings to be attempted are reported.
- (2) 47 km less A + HQ Coy are bivouaced at HILL 69.
- Intention (3) H.Q Coy will move to AL-JURA + support A Coy.
- Method (4) Start time - 1830 hrs 11 Aug  
 (5) Start line - Coy Parade Ground  
 (6) Order of March No 3 PL Point PL  
 Coy HQ  
 No 2 PL 1  
 " " 2  
 " " Rear
- (7) After each halt the Point PL will become Rear Guard.
- (8) Route - HILL 69 - MAJ DAL - ALTURA.
- Admin (9) Dress - Battle order
- (10) Blankets - 1 blanket + 1 ground sheet or 2 blankets will be carried rolled + strapped on haversack.
- (11) Rations - C.Q.M.S to arrange
- (12) Meal hours, ALTURA. Hot Drink 2100 hrs 11 Aug  
 Breakfast 0730 " 12 "  
 Lunch 1230 " 12 "  
 Tea 1700 " 12 "  
 Hill 69 Hot Drink 2100 12 "
- (13) Mess Gear - Mess tin, Knife, Fork + Spoon to be carried.
- (14) Water Bottles to be filled
- (15) Water - T.O to arrange Water Cart to supply Kitchen.
- (16) Stores - C.Q.M.S to arrange extra stores with R.Q.M.
- (17) Shaving Kit to be carried
- (18) C.A.P. - Medicine Chest to be carried by C.Q.M.S.
- (19) Bathing hours 12 Aug 41.  
 0600 - 0715  
 0900 - 1500  
 1400 - 1600
- (20) Beach Spirit Committee  
 Wa Tent  
 Sgt Ballis  
 Sgt Kennedy.
- (21) Duties - Ord Sgt - Sgt Foot.  
 Fatigue Party - 1 man per PL to report C.Q.M.S at 1400 hrs.  
 Beach Patrol - 1 N.C.O + 2 men  
 No 1 PL 0600 - 0715 1530 - 1600  
 2 " 0900 - 1030  
 3 " 1030 - 1200  
 1400 - 1530
- Security. 1 man each 2 hrs C.S.M to detail.  
 Sgt Ballis to check all reliefs.
- (22) Watches to be synchronized by HQ 1800 hrs

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Intercomm (23) Adv Coy HQ - rear Point Pl  
Rear HQ - present CQMS Store  
Signal Plan by Runner.

Issued by Runner  
Signal at 1200 hrs.  
ACK.

St. Ketcher  
Capt  
D. H. Boy.

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- Adv Pl
- T.O.
- A Coy
- CQMS
- CO
- War Diary
- File

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5 August 1.

### H Q Coy Operation Order No 5

- Information (1) Intelligence reports state that enemy are employing new methods they have smuggled arms. Equipment relating to GAZI - AL-JURA - TELLAVIN & HAIFA. It is anticipated that landings at intervals from small craft at the above ports will be made on 5 Aug 41. The method they employ is to use fishing boats sail close to beach, troops enter water, mingle with bathers and go ashore to pre-arranged Rds.
- (2) 47 Bn less A & H Q Coy are temporarily broomaced at WATER TOWERS.
- Intention (3) H Q Coy will move to AL JURA establish a Bn broomac area & support A Coy prevent enemy landing.
- Method (4) Start time - 1830 hrs 4 Aug 41  
(5) Start line - present Coy parade ground  
(6) Order of March - NO 1 PL Sgt Pringle  
Coy HQ  
NO 2 PL Sgt Kennedy  
- 3 - W. Barclay  
- 4 - W. Kent
- (7) Pls will in turn as per order of March act as Point Pl after each hourly halt.
- (7a) Route HILL 69 - MATDAL - AL-JURA.
- Admin (8) Dress - Battle Order  
(9) Blankets - 1 blanket & 1 ground sheet or 2 blankets carried on the man, rolled & strapped on haversack  
(10) Rations - C Q MS to arrange.  
(11) Meal Hours AL-JURA  
Hot tea 2100 hrs 4 Aug  
Breakfast 0730 " 5  
Lunch 1230 " 5  
Tea 1700 " 5  
WATER TOWERS Hot tea 2100 " 5  
(12) Mess bag, Mess tin, Knife, fork & spoon in haversack.  
(13) Water bottles to be filled.  
(14) Water - T.O. to arrange, 1 water cart to accompany store vehicle & to supply kitchen.  
(15) Stores - C Q MS to arrange with R Q MS for extra stores.  
(16) Bathing costume - all ranks will carry a bathing costume or pair of drawers cotton shorts.  
(17) Bathing hours 5 Aug 41  
0600 - 0715  
0900 - 1200  
1400 - 1600  
(18) Shaving outfit to be carried.

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(19) Duties 5 Aug 41.

ord cpl - cpl Sinclair  
 Kitchen fatigue - 1 man per Pl to report to ord cpl  
 at 0600  
 Beach Patrol - 1 NCO & 3 men  
 No 1 Pl 0600-0715 1530-1600  
 2. 0900-1030  
 3. 1030-1200  
 4. 1400-1530.

Sgt Hutchinson to check relief  
 Sanitations - 1 man each from 2 & 3 Pl to  
 report to CQMS 1430 hrs 4 Aug  
 Shelter - 1 man each from 1 & 4 Pl to report  
 to CQMS 1430 hrs 4 Aug to erect  
 shelter at ALJURA.

(20) Watches to be synchronized at 1800 hrs Coy HQ

(21) CAP adv Coy HQ

(22) Beach sports Committee

W. Kent  
 Sgt Hutchinson  
 Cpl Collins

(23) Adv HQ rear Point Pl  
 Rear HQ present CQMS store (OC rear details)  
 Repair plan by runners.

Issued by Runners  
 Signed at 1200 hrs

ACK.

Stan. Hobbs

Capt

OC HQ Coy

Distribution copy 1 1 Pl  
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 6 RQM  
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 8 A Coy  
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26 Aug 41

H.Q. Coy. OPERATIONAL ORDER No.8.

- INFORMATION. (1) Intelligence reports state that unrest is growing amongst the Arabs of MAJDAL and AL-JURA.  
(2) 2/7 Bn. is bivouaced at HILL 69.

- INTENTION. (3) H.Q. Coy. will make a display of arms, in and around the villages of MAJDAL and AL-JURA.  
(4) Start Time HILL 69 2000 hrs 26 Aug 41  
AL-JURA 2000 hrs 27 Aug 41  
(5) Start Line HILL 69 Present Coy. Pde. Ground.  
AL-JURA Bivouac Site.  
(6) Order of march No.1.Pl.  
-u--2r-u Coy.H.Q.  
" 2. "  
" 3. "  
" 5. "  
(7) Route HILL 69 on a compass bearing to AL-JURA.  
(8) After each halt Point Pl. will become Rear Guard.  
(9) Dress Battle order.  
(10) Blankets Blankets(1) Ground Sheet(1) will be carried.  
(11) Rations C.Q.M.S. to arrange.  
(12) Meal Hours AL-JURA Hot drink 2315 hrs 26 Aug 41  
Breakfast 0730 hrs 27 " "  
Lunch 1230 hrs " " "  
Tea 1700 hrs " " "  
(13) Mess Gear Mess tin, knife, <sup>FORK.</sup> spoon to be carried.  
(14) Water Water bottle to be filled.  
(15) Water T.O. to arrange water carts to supply kitchens at AL-JURA.  
(16) Stores C.Q.M.S. to arrange with R.Q.M. for extra stores.  
(17) C.Q.M.S. to arrange with T.O. for transport of stores.  
(18) Shaving and Toilet gear to be carried.  
(19) C.A.P. Medical chest to be carried by C.Q.M.S.  
(20) Bathing hours 27 Aug 41 0600 hrs 0715 hrs  
0900 hrs 1200 hrs  
1400 hrs 1600 hrs  
(21) Beach Sports Committee W.O. Kent  
Sgt. Pringle  
" Robson  
(22) Duties Orderly Cpl. Cpl. Whitfield  
Fatigue party 1 man per Pl. to report to  
C.Q.M.S. at 1400 hrs 25 Aug 41  
( Beach Patrol 1 N.C.O. and 2 men per Pl.  
No.1.Pl. 0600 hrs 0715 hrs  
" 2 " 0900 " 1030 "  
" 3 " 1030 " 1200 "  
" 5 " 1400 " 1530 "  
" 6 " 1500 " 1600 "



H.Q. Coy. OPERATIONAL ORDERS No. 8.  
(Cont.)

Security 1 man each 2 hrs C.S.M. to detail  
Sgt. Pringle to check all reliefs.  
(23) Watches to be synchronised at Coy. H.Q. at 1930 hrs 26 Aug 41

INTERCOM. (24) Adv. C.H.Q. rear Point Pl.  
Rear H.Q. Present C.Q.M.S. store.  
Signal Plan by runner.

Issued by runner  
Signed at 1100 hrs

*substantive* *sent for* Capt.

O/C H.Q. Company.

<u>DISTRIBUTION.</u>	Copy No.	
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	8.	R.Q.M.
	9.	T.O.
	10.	C.Q.M.S.
	11.	War Diary.
	12.	A. Coy.

# FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS.

(Unit.)

2/7 AUST INF BN

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

1 Ranks.	2 Posted strength counting against authorised establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e., deficits on establishment).
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Lieut.-Colonels .....	1		
Majors.....	2		
Captains .....	3		
Lieutenants .....	24		
2nd Lieutenants .....			
Quartermasters .....			
District Officers .....			
<b>TOTALS</b> .....	<b>30</b>		<b>3</b>

\* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary (e.g., Major-General, Brigadier, etc).

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

**Officers JOINED during week.**

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
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**Officers QUITTED during week.**

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
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**PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO THE UNIT IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED.**

Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts, if known).
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PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

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

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank.	Higher acting or temporary rank, if held.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
Lt Col	C.O.	GUINN H.G. (E.D.)	A.I.F.	Yes	
Major	2 i/c	BROCK G.H. (D.S.O.)	"	"	
Capt	T/ma/c Coy O.C.	BAMFORD A.E.	"	No	AIF Jr Staff School
Capt	O.C. Coy	MCCALLUM I.D.	"	Yes	
Capt	O.C. Coy	NELSON St E D.	"	"	
Lieut	T/capt O.C. Coy	FLETCHER S.	"	"	
Lieut	Adjnt	DUNKLEY H.L.E. (M.C)	"	"	
Lieut	Pl Comdr	PEARSON J.A.	"	No	Carriers Sch B'bara
Lieut	Q.M.	SMITH A.	"	Yes	
Lieut	Pl Comdr	TATTERSON L.V.	"	"	
Lieut	" "	EDNEY W.K.	"	"	
Lieut	" "	WEST J.R.S.	"	"	
Lieut	" "	ARNOLD E.	"	"	
Lieut	" "	GORRIE W.S.	"	"	
Lieut	Coy 2 <sup>nd</sup> i/c	LUNN H.T.	"	No	AIF JR OFFRS SCHOOL
Lieut	Pl Comdr	BARR F.A.	"	Yes	
Lieut	A/Coy Comdr	WALKER K.R.	"	"	
Lieut	Pl Comdr	JACKETT C.H.	"	"	
Lieut	Coy 2 i/c	VIAL R.R.	"	"	
Lieut	" "	CUDDEN W.S.	"	No	METS
Lieut	Pl Comdr	PRINGLE F.B.	"	Yes	
Lieut	" "	HOLLAND T.N.	"	No	AIF JR OFFRS SCHOOL
Lieut	I Offr	THOMAS H.W.	"	"	" " " "
Lieut	Pl Comdr	HUTCHISON A.M.C.	"	"	" " " "
Lieut	" "	WALKER I.W.	"	"	" " " "
Lieut	" "	PALMER A.N.	"	"	" " " "
Lieut	" "	McINTOSH D.B.	"	"	" " " "
Lieut	" "	CRAMP S.M.	"	Yes	
Lieut	" "	DIXON R.	"	"	

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive Rank.	Higher acting or temporary rank if held.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
Padre		FRIZZELL R.N.	A.I.F.	8/8/41	Chaplain
Adjnt		ROBERTSON E.C.	"	1/8/41	Welfare Offr.
Capt		GIBSON C.J.	"	9/7/41	R.M.O.

2/7 AUST INF BN

24 Aug 41

(Unit.)

(Date of Despatch.)

*Henry G. Guinn* Lt Col  
Comd 2/7 Aust Inf Bn (Signature of Commander.)  
17 Aust Inf Bde 6 Aust Div  
(Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

**FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.**

(Unit) ..... 19..... (Date).

(To be furnished by all units of Cavalry, Royal Armoured Corps, Infantry, Royal Army Veterinary Corps, Royal Army Pay Corps, Army Educational Corps, Corps of Military Police, and all Headquarters units).

**2/7 AUST INF BN** **23 Aug 41**

**Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.**

1 Detail.	2 Posted strength counting against authorised establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.			
W.Os. Class II.	1		
W.Os. Class III.	6		
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants OR Colour-Serjeants			
Staff Serjeants			5
Serjeants			
Buglers, Trumpeters, etc.	28		2
Corporals			
Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, etc.	53		8
	342		314
TOTALS		*	*

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

**Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.**

Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.
VX 3688 Cpl BOOTH W.T	H.Q. AIF Postal Unit		
VX 4390 Cpl MAHONEY R.J.	6 Aust Div Fd Cash Office		

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

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g. present whereabouts if known).
<del>VX 5494</del>	<del>Sgt</del>	<del>GREVES P.H.</del>	<del>A.I.F.</del>	<del>17 Aust Inf Tng Bn</del>

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

DETAIL OF SPECIALISTS, TRADESMEN, ETC.	SURPLUS TO ESTABLISHMENT.								REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.								REMARKS.			
	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	W.Os. Class III.	S.O.M.S.; C.O.M.S., or Colour-Serjeants.	Staff-Serjeants.	Serjeants.	Buglers, Trumpeters, &c.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, &c.	TOTAL.	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	W.Os. Class III.	S.O.M.S.; C.O.M.S., or Colour-Serjeants.	Serjeants.	Buglers, Trumpeters, &c.		Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, &c.	TOTAL.
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Butchers ... ..																				
Carpenters and Joiners ... ..																				
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Despatch Riders ... ..																				
Drivers I.C. (Tracked) ... ..																				
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Drivers-Operators ... ..																				
Electricians ... ..																				
Equipment Repairers... ..																				
Farriers ... ..																				
Fitters ... ..																				
Machine Gunners ... ..																				
Masons ... ..																				
Motor Mechanics ... ..																				
Pioneers, Infantry (other than tradesmen) ... ..																				
Plumbers and Pipefitters ... ..																				
Range Takers ... ..																				
Saddlers and Harness Makers ... ..																				
Saddle Tree Makers ... ..																				
Sanitary and Water Duties... ..																				
Signallers ... ..																			8	8
Storemen technical ... ..																				
Tailors ... ..																				
Wheelers ... ..																				
General duty personnel ... ..																				296 296
TOTALS (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A).																				296 296

*Henry ...*

Signature of Commander. LT CC

COMD 2/7 AUST INF BN

Unit.

2/7 AUST INF BN

Date of Despatch

24 Aug 41

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

17 AUST INF BDE 6 AUST DIV

# FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS.

2/7 Aust. Inf. Bn.

(Unit.)

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

1 Ranks.	2 Posted strength counting against authorised establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e., deficits on establishment).
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Lieut.-Colonels	1		
Majors	2		
Captains	3		
Lieutenants	24		
2nd Lieutenants			
Quartermasters			
District Officers			
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>30</b>		<b>3</b>

\* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary (e.g., Major-General, Brigadier, etc).

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

**Officers JOINED during week.**

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
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**Officers QUITTED during week.**

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
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**PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO THE UNIT IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED.**

Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts, if known).
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PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

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

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank.	Higher acting or temporary rank, if held.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
Lt.Col	C.O.	GUINN H.G. (E.D.)	A.I.F.	Yes	
Major	2 1/c	BROCK G.H. (D.S.O.)	"	"	
Capt.	T/Maj Coy	BAMFORD A.E.	"	No	AIF Jr Staff School
Capt.	O.C. Coy	McCallum I.D.	"	Yes	
Capt.	O.C. Coy	NELSON St E.D.	"	"	
Lieut.	T/Capt	FLETCHER S.	"	"	
Lieut.	O.C. Coy	Dunkley H.L.E.	"	"	
Lieut.	Adjnt.	PEARSON J.A.	"	No	Carriers Sch. Barbara
Lieut.	Pl. Comdr.	SMITH A.	"	Yes	
Lieut.	Q.M.	TATTERSON I.V.	"	"	
Lieut.	Pl. Comdr.	EINBY W.K.	"	"	
Lieut.	" "	WEST J.R.S.	"	"	
Lieut.	" "	ARNOLD E.	"	"	
Lieut.	" "	GORRIE W.S.	"	"	
Lieut.	Coy 2 1/c	LUNN H.T.	"	No	AIF Jr Offrs Sch.
Lieut.	Pl. Comdr.	HARR P.A.	"	"	7 A.G.H.
Lieut.	A/Coy Comdr	WALKER K.R.	"	Yes	
Lieut.	Pl. Comdr.	JACKETT C.H.	"	No	2 A.G.H.
Lieut.	Coy 2 1/c	VIAL R.R.	"	Yes	
Lieut.	" "	CUDDEN W.S.	"	"	
Lieut.	Pl. Comdr.	PRINGLE F.B.	"	"	
Lieut.	" "	HOLLAND T.N.	"	No	AIF Jr Offrs. Sch.
Lieut.	I. Offr.	THOMAS H.W.	"	"	" " " "
Lieut.	Pl. Comdr.	HUTCHINSON A.M.C.	"	"	" " " "
Lieut.	" "	WALKER I.W.	"	"	" " " "
Lieut.	" "	PALMER A.N.	"	"	" " " "
Lieut.	" "	McINTOSH D.B.	"	"	" " " "
Lieut.	" "	CRAMP S.M.	"	Yes	
Lieut.	" "	DIXON R.	"	"	

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive Rank.	Higher acting or temporary rank if held.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
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Adjnt.		ROBERTSON E.C.	"	1/8/41	Welfare Offr.
Capt.		GIBSON C.J.	"	9/7/41	R.M.O.

2/7 Aust. Inf. Bn.

(Unit.)

31 Aug 41

(Date of Despatch.)

*Henry G. Quinn* Lt.Col.

(Signature of Commander.)

17 Aust. Inf. Bde. 6 Aust. Div.

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

**FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.**

2/7 Aust. Inf. Bn. (Unit). 30 Aug 19 41 (Date).

(To be furnished by all units of Cavalry, Royal Armoured Corps, Infantry, Royal Army Veterinary Corps, Royal Army Pay Corps, Army Educational Corps, Corps of Military Police, and all Headquarters units).

**Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.**

1	2	3	4
Detail.	Posted strength counting against authorised establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.	1		
W.Os. Class II.	6		
W.Os. Class III.			
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants OR Colour-Serjeants			
Staff Serjeants			5
Serjeants	29		1
Buglers, Trumpeters, etc.			
Corporals	5 4		7
Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, etc.	433 343		313
TOTALS	433	*	* 326

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

**Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.**

Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.
Vx 3688 Cpl. Booth, W.T.	H.C.A.I.F. Postal Unit		
" 4838 " Naismith, A.	A.A.M.C.		
" 3000 Sgt. Thorne, R.J.	6 Aust. Div. P.D. Cash Office.		

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

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g. present whereabouts if known).
VX 31241	Pto	Eastall, J.C.	A.I.F.	6 Aust. Inf. Trng. Bdo.



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

DETAIL OF SPECIALISTS, TRADESMEN, ETC.	SURPLUS TO ESTABLISHMENT.									REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.						REMARKS.				
	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	W.Os. Class III.	S.O.M.S.; C.O.M.S., or Colour-Serjeants.	Staff-Serjeants.	Serjeants.	Buglers, Trumpeters, &c.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, &c.	TOTAL.	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	W.Os. Class III.	S.O.M.S.; C.O.M.S., or Colour-Serjeants.	Serjeants.		Buglers, Trumpeters, &c.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, &c.	TOTAL.
Bricklayers ... ..																				
Butchers ... ..																				
Carpenters and Joiners ... ..																				
Clerks ... ..																			2	2
Cooks ... ..																				
Despatch Riders ... ..																				
Drivers I.C. (Tracked) ... ..																				
"    " (Wheeled) ... ..																				
Drivers-Mechanics ... ..																			23	23
Drivers-Operators ... ..																				
Electricians ... ..																				
Equipment Repairers... ..																				
Farriers ... ..																				
Fitters ... ..																				
Machine Gunners ... ..																				
Masons ... ..																				
Motor Mechanics ... ..																				
Pioneers, Infantry (other than tradesmen) ... ..																				
Plumbers and Pipefitters ... ..																				
Range Takers ... ..																				
Saddlers and Harness Makers																				
Saddle Tree Makers ... ..																				
Sanitary and Water Duties...																				
Signallers ... ..																			8	8
Storemen technical ... ..																				
Tailors ... ..																				
Wheelers ... ..																				
General duty personnel ... ..																				293
TOTALS (to agree with Col- umns 3 and 4 of Part A).																				293

2/7 Aust. Inf. Bn.

Unit.

*Henry G. Quinn* Lt. Col.

Signature of Commander.

Date of Despatch 31 Aug 41

17 Aust. Inf. Bde. 6 Aust. Div.  
Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which unit is serving.

Batsman	Runs	How Out	Bowler	
Saunders	14		C. O. Bryan	Glynns 5
Pennycuik	44 12		L.B.W.	Harbison 11
Meadowcroft	0		Bowled	Glynns 0
Jones	2		St. Smith	Glynns 2
Maddison	0		L.B.W.	Glynns 0
Gilmour	22 41		C. Forde	Glynns 9
Gibson	12 44 11 24 42 4		Bowled	Glynns 29
Wallace	0		C. Forde	Glynns 0
Rose	2 1 1 4		Bowled	Dick 9
Lobb	2 1 1		Bowled	Glynns 4
Baillie	1 1		not out	5

Extras

Bowler	Extras											Total
Glynns	4	4	M	3	2	6	5	M	M	4	M	28-8
Godman	1	4	M	2								7
Harbison	3	4	8	10	8	6						39-1
Dick												0-1

Batsman	Runs	How Out	Bowler	Runs
Forde	4.122144411113114441421112224	C. Gilmore	Jones	65
Marpham	11	L. Lobb	Lox	2
Dick	11141121112211241112441112	Bowled	Gibson	46
Duthey	111	L. Maddison	Lox	3
O'Byrne	4.4132432111442141144644622441	C+Bowled	Bayley	84
Harbison	42	C. Punnard	Jones	6
Sproule. Capt	42211121421221	L. Laurie	Bayley	27
Smith C.	31	Bowled	Lobb	4
Glynn	2	Bowled	Lobb	2
Bochman	11	Bowled	Lobb	2
B. Halloran	2	not out		2
				Extras 4111
				Total 250

Bowler	4	3	2	1	0	Wickets	Runs	Extras	Total
Jones	10	4	9	14	5	8	11	11	61
Lox	2	1	1	2	1	4	4	6	29
Lobb	7	5	7	11	2	7	3	3	45
x Bayley	2	3	11	13	5	3			37
Gibson	15	6	2	7					30
Maddison	10	28							38

PART I

- Object of recce. was (a) to ascertain if the route as laid out on the Gaza Map was practical and suitable for Coy exercises etc.  
 (b) to examine the bivouac areas at the end of each day's marching.  
 (c) to find routes by which transport can reach bivouac areas with water and rations.

PART I

The recce. was a success in all aspects and  
 (a) although the route takes a line across much ploughed land the coys. in their exercises could make the simple detours to avoid this ground. Apart from this land the route lies across rolling country full of excellent areas suitable for tactical work of every type. It gives excellent training in map reading and should prove to be most suitable.  
 (b) The bivouac areas were all excellent being situated in open ground with good drainage and high ground for air sentries.  
 (c) Every bivouac area can be reached quickly and simply by transport.

PART (II)

- (I) Leaving CAMP HILL 69 the route lies across open, rolling country crossing the GAZA-TEL-AVIV road. The first point reached is the tomb NABI SAMA which is situated on a knoll and is very easily located. The area is excellent for a bivouac.  
 (II) The route to the second point lies across rolling country and it is in this march that the ploughed land is encountered. The country in this area is excellent for tactical exercises and the observation of Passive Air Defence. The area is situated astride the track to SUM SUM and lies in a basin bounded by knolls which give excellent protection.  
 (III) The second day's march lies over fairly rugged country where wadis make the movement interesting. After HULSIQAT has been left to the W.W. plough land is again encountered. The bivouac area is situated on a low saddle between two knolls and the ruins of a very old village mark the place quite clearly.  
 (IV) The third day's march takes the coy. over very interesting country, rolling and with many features suitable for tactical exercises. The area reached is astride a very good road which runs from AL PALAJA southwards. KILO POST 79 marks the point on the road which crosses a long basin like re-entrant.  
 (V) The fourth day's march takes the coy. over similar country as the previous day and the bivouac area is astride the road HATTAN-JUSKIR.  
 (VI) The fifth day's march will bring the coy. back to camp in a ten mile march which is in two legs. The first takes the coy. across rolling country to TRIG POINT III, leaving BEIT'AFFA to the NORTH. The Trig Point is an outstanding feature and the site of an old ruined village marks the place quite clearly. The second leg takes the coy. back to the camp area over open country. This route has orange groves and a labour camp as probable obstacles which necessitate detours but as the water towers of the camp stand out clearly this would be simplified.

CHART of POINTS and AREAS ref. Map: GAZA I:100,000.

From	To	Mag. Bearing	Distance in Miles	Do. in Yards
II69I260	II5III70	190½ deg.	5.8	10,050
II5III70	II34II00	192½ deg.	4.5	7,920
II34II00	I202II36	61 deg.	4.8	8,700
I202II36	I273II83	114 deg.	5.0	8,800
I273II03	I272II83	357½ deg.	5.0	8,800
I272II83	II84II89	272 deg.	5.5	9,680
II84II89	II69I260	347 deg.	4.5	7,920

**TRANSPORT:**

The routes by which water and rations may be transported to the troops at the various areas is simple as good roads and tracks exist in all cases.

(A) POINT II57II70 can be reached by following the main GAZA road to point II23II87 where a track leads into the area where an Ordnance Dump is being constructed. By skirting the railhead and using the side roads to advantage, the track which leads direct to NABI SAMA can be easily found. NABI SAMA can also be located by the twin olive trees near it.

(B) Area II34II00 can be reached by following the main GAZA road to point II04II45. Here a good surface road is followed to the S.E. and at a track junction at point II3III28 take the track to the SOUTH, crossing the BAYT JIRJA-BURRER track at point II28III3. Track then swings East a little and the bivouac area is situated in a knoll surrounded basin.

(C) Area I202II36 can be reached by following the road HILL69-JULIS-KAUKABA, which is a first class surface to the south side of the village of KAUKABA where a track leaves the road in a S.E. direction. Follow this till the track junction at point II9III26 is reached, here, the track running NORTH is followed to junction at point II97II33 where another track leads off in a N.E. direction. At .3 of a mile this track the bivouac area is situated in a low saddle between two knolls.

(D) Area I272II83 can be reached by following the AL FALUJA main road to this village, from where an excellent road runs South. Care must be taken when driving through AL FALUJA (See enlarged sketch). The bivouac area is astride the AL FALUJA-BERSHEBA road at KILO 79 and is readily identified.

(E) I272II83 can be reached by using the AL FALUJA road and at the Western edge of the village a track with good surface leads off to the NORTH to HATTAN. At the well on the North side of the village a road leads to the EAST and the bivouac area is astride the road half way between that village and JUBIR.

(F) Point II84II89 can be readily reached by using the road JULIS-KAUKABA as far as point II83II86 where a short distance off the main road the area is situated on an outstanding sector.

GAZA 1:100,000

11 00

12 00

1200

1200

69

Lunch 5<sup>th</sup> Day  
TRig 113

Evening 4<sup>th</sup> Day

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Lunch 1<sup>st</sup> Day  
\* Nabi Sama

Evening 2<sup>nd</sup> Day  
Kh. Malita

1100

1100

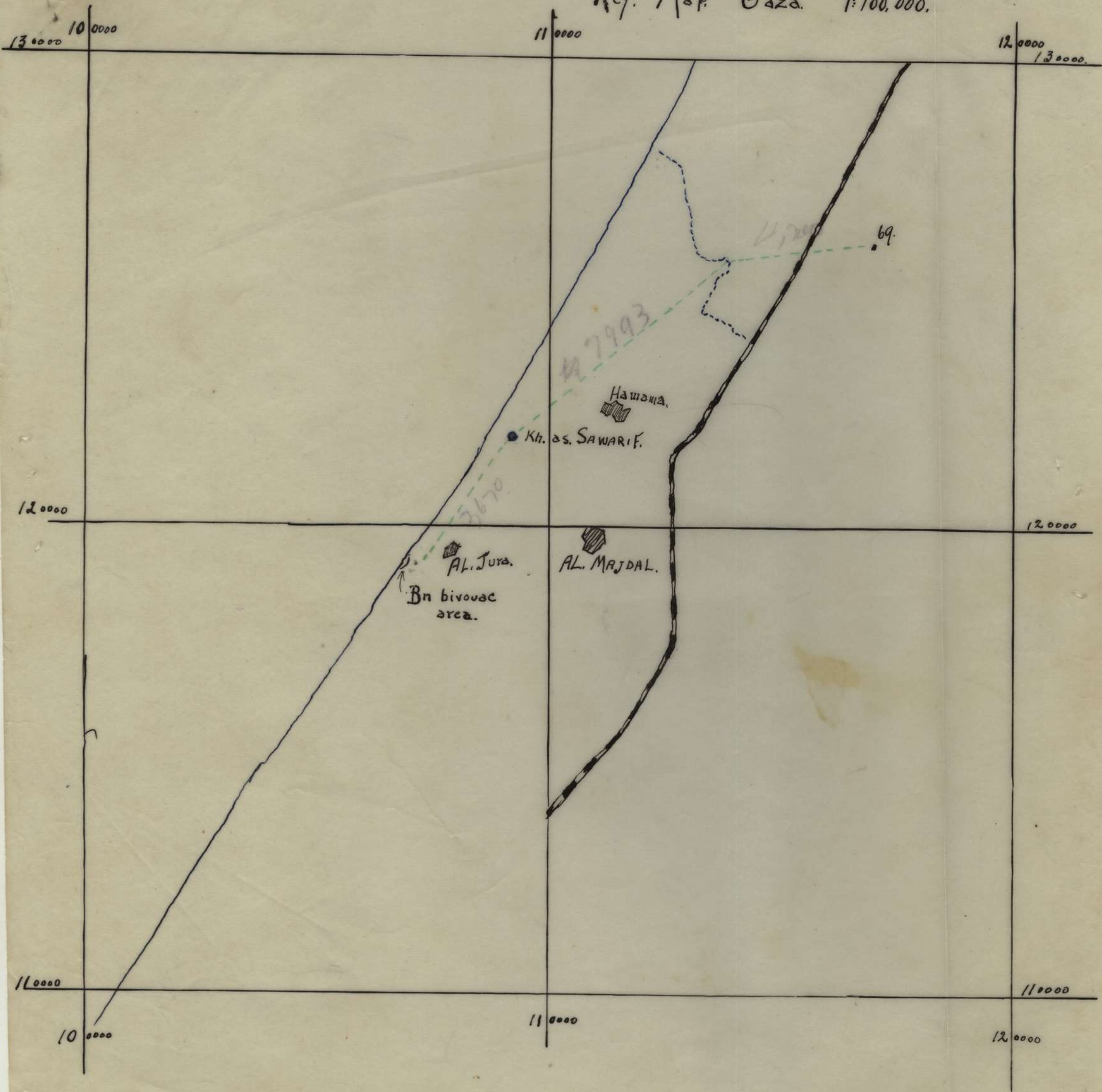
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Kilo 79

Evening 1<sup>st</sup> Day  
11341160

11 00

12 00

Ref. Map Gaza. 1:100,000.



Recce Report on Beach Track

Ref. Map GAZA I:100,000.

Object of Recce.

To ascertain if practical the route to AL JURA swimming beach west of HAMAME village.

Part I

Yes a suitable track is possible by following the bearings and distances given. Although the route lies across sand dunes in part the minimum is crossed. The villages are left some distance to the east and no contact is made with the villages.

Part 2

(a) Leaving Camp HILL 69 the party left point II70I260 and marched on a bearing of 262 degrees 30 minutes for a distance of 3,500yds reaching a point II39I256 . The going was very good and there were no detours of a serious nature.

(b) From point II39I256 which is on the bank of a large Wadi, the party set out on the second leg on a bearing of 228 mag. for a distance of 6,673 yds. The first 3,000yds of course lies across sand dunes but the going is quite fair. The last portion of the leg lies through sandy vineyards, but they are open and damage to vines can easily be avoided. The point reached is a block house, at point I092I2I8 " Kh as Sawarif"

(c) From point I092I2I8 the party set off on a bearing of 2I2 degrees 30 minutes for a distance of 3,060yds. and a point I075II95 was reached. The going is quite fair the first part being across open vineyards and the last part is made simple as a track can be followed. The track brought the party out at the track junction close to the Police Station and the Bn. bivouac area.

Dress

Battle dress with water bottles filled.

Halts.

The hourly halts were observed and in addition on both the outward and return marches a meal was eaten. The party made the return journey in two hours and a half including hourly halts. It is suggested that if coy's use this route the blankets are transported by coy arrangement.

				From	To	
(a)	262 degrees	30 mins.	Mag	3,500 yds	II70I260	II29I256
(b)	228	"	"	6,673 "	II39I256	I092I2I8
(c)	2I2	"	30 "	3,060 "	I092I2I8	I075II95
	Total	13,293	yds	7½	Miles	

.....*Dude*.....Sgt. I. Sect.  
2/7 Bn.  
22 Aug. 41.

Sketches and Trace attached.  
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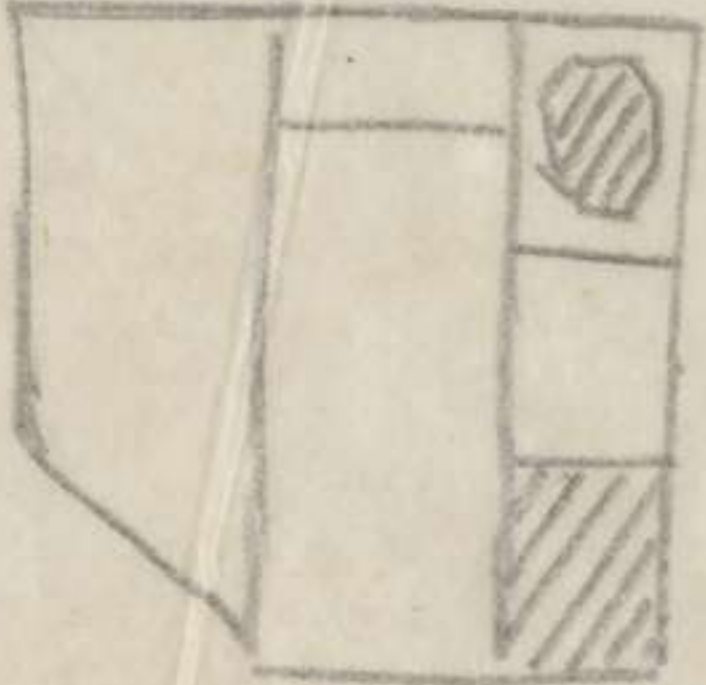
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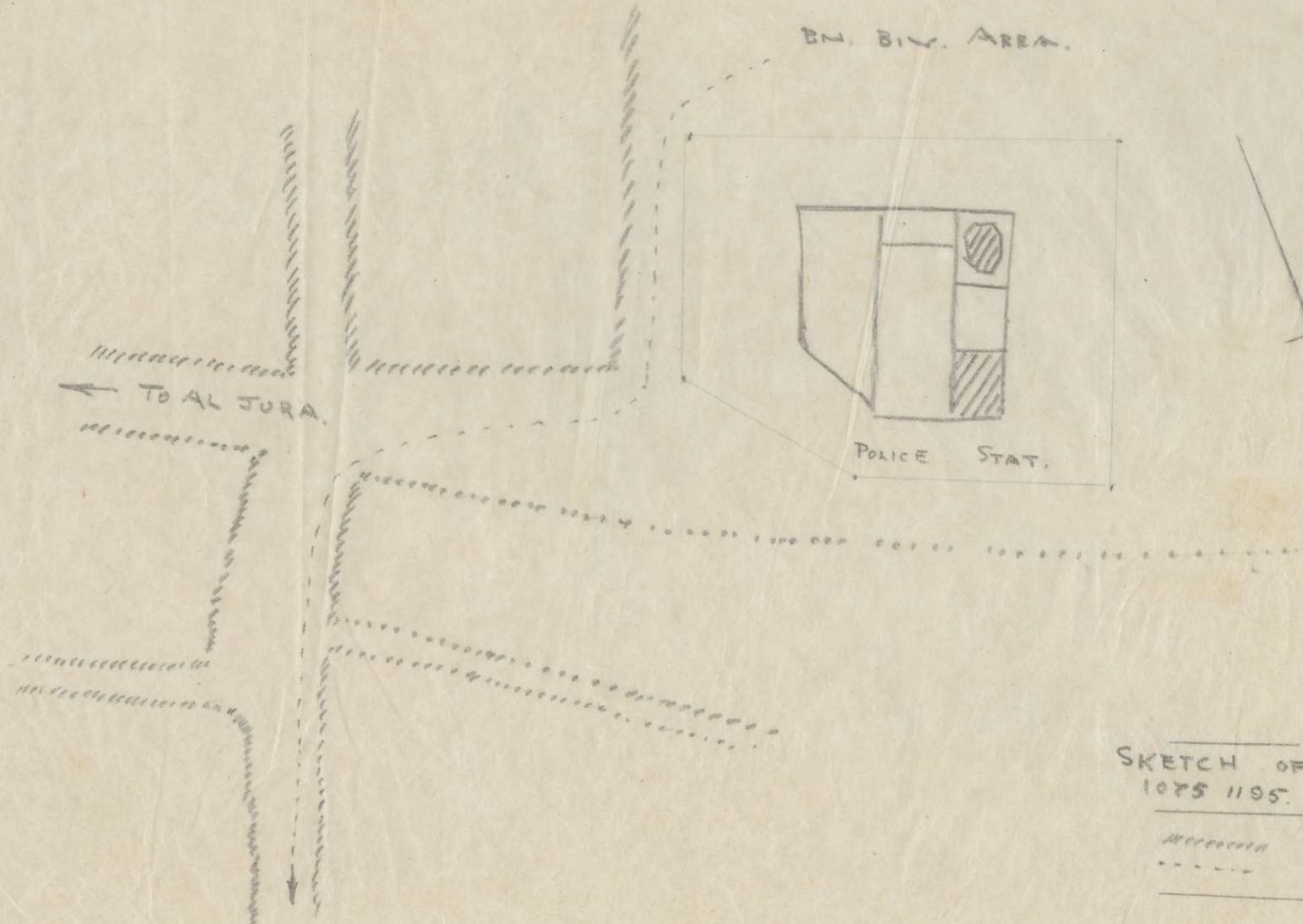
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POLICE STAT.



← TO AL JURA.



SKETCH OF.  
1075 1195.

————— HEDGES.  
- - - - - ROUTE.

TRAINING FILMS

15 Aug 41  
Hours

Time table for Coys 4

1000 to 1110  
1120 to 1230

Bren Gun A & B Coys  
" "C

C&D Coys B H Q with details from other Coys who have missed other performances

1330 to 1410  
1420 to 1500

BOYS A/TK Rifle  
" " "

A & B Coys  
& D & Bn H Q

with Coy details

1510 to 1550  
1600 to 1640

Use of Personnel & Unit  
A/GAS Equipment  
E

H Q Coy

H Q Coy

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16 Aug 41

0800 to 0845 (1) Salvage & Un ditching  
0850 to 0910 of M T. (2) Tank Tactics

H Q Coy

09015 to 1000 Use of personnel & Unit  
A/Gas Equipment

A & B Coys

1010 to 1110

C & D & Bn H Q

with Coy details

1115 to 1235

Bren GUN

H Q Coy & details

*Handwritten notes:*  
 25 mins. ~~45 mins.~~ 45 mins.  
 Silent. ~~2 shots.~~ 2 shots.  
 Anti Tank.  
 35 mins. ~~45 mins.~~ 45 mins.  
 Silent. 3 shots. " " M.T. Transport.  
 1234. " " Anti Tank.  
 38 mins. ~~45 mins.~~ 45 mins.  
 1.5.6.7. ~~45 mins.~~ 45 mins.  
 Bren Gun

2/7 AUST INF BN A.I.F.

TABLOID SPORTS MEETING

SATURDAY 30 AUG 1941 AT 1400 HRS.

OFFICIALS

CHIEF MARSHAL

MAJOR G.H. BROCK D.S.O.

Assistant Marshals

LIEUT D.N. KATER  
W.O. ii Shaw W.J.  
W.O. ii Jenner S.

SCORING BOARD

SCORERS

Capt S. FLETCHER  
LIEUT W.S. CUDDON  
LIEUT K.R. WALKER  
CAPT WILLIAMS (2/2 Pd Amb)  
Sgt KENNEDY  
S/Sgt McGINTY

ASSISTANT SCORERS

CAPT DUNCAN  
CAPT GANSTER  
CAPT KELF  
SGT. MARKLEY  
SGT. WORLE  
SGT. DORAN  
SGT. THOMSON

CLERK OF WORKS

SGT. EDWARDS

LIST OF EVENTS AND STANDARDS

<u>NO</u>	<u>EVENTS</u>	<u>STANDARD</u>	<u>MARSHAL</u>	<u>ASST</u>	<u>EXTRAS</u>
1	HIGH JUMP	3'8"	LIEUT ARNOLD	SGT TREWIN	-
2.	BROAD JUMP	11 ft	LIEUT TATTERSON	SGT WEST	I
3.	MEDICINE BALL	37 ft	LIEUT EDNEY	SGT FAIRCHILD	I
4.	GRENADE	25 yd into 9ft circle	LIEUT DIXON	SGT ROBIN	2
5.	FOOTBALL KICK	40 yds	LIEUT PRINGLE	SGT MARSHALL	4
6.	HOP STEP JUMP	27 ft	LIEUT WEST	MAJOR PALMER	I
7.	SHOT PUT	25 ft	LIEUT BARR	SGT BELL	3
8.	HURDLES	2'9" high 10 yds apart	LIEUT CRAMP	W.O.ii BLAKE ) SGT ROBSON )	I
9.	50 yds SPRINT	6½ secs	CAPT GIBSON	LIEUT PITTS ) W.O.ii KENT )	-
10.	BOWLING AT WICKET		ADJT ROBERTSON	SGT GORDON	3

PROVENDER IN CHIEF -- LIEUT SMITH  
ASSISTANT PADRE PRIZELL

TWO RUNNERS FOR EACH EVENT

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2. Coys. will arrange for consecutive numbering of teams entered.
3. Teams must be represented by organised Sections throughout the Bn. under Comd of its Sec Leader. Specially selected teams will be disqualified.
4. Coys must furnish by 0800 hrs 29 Aug 41 number of teams that will be competing.
5. Extra assistants and runners to be provided from light duty personnel and batmen. Marshals are responsible for providing their own staff of runners and assistants.

### CONTROL -

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	D	BLACK
	H.Q. COY	GREEN
	FD. AIB	BLUE & WHITE

2/7 AUST INF BN A.I.F.

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S/Sgt McGINTY *McGINTY*

CAPT DUNCAN *DUNCAN*  
CAPT SANGSTER *SANGSTER*  
CAPT KELF *KELF*  
SGT. MARKLEY *MARKLEY*  
SGT. WORLE *WORLE*  
SGT. DORAN *DORAN*  
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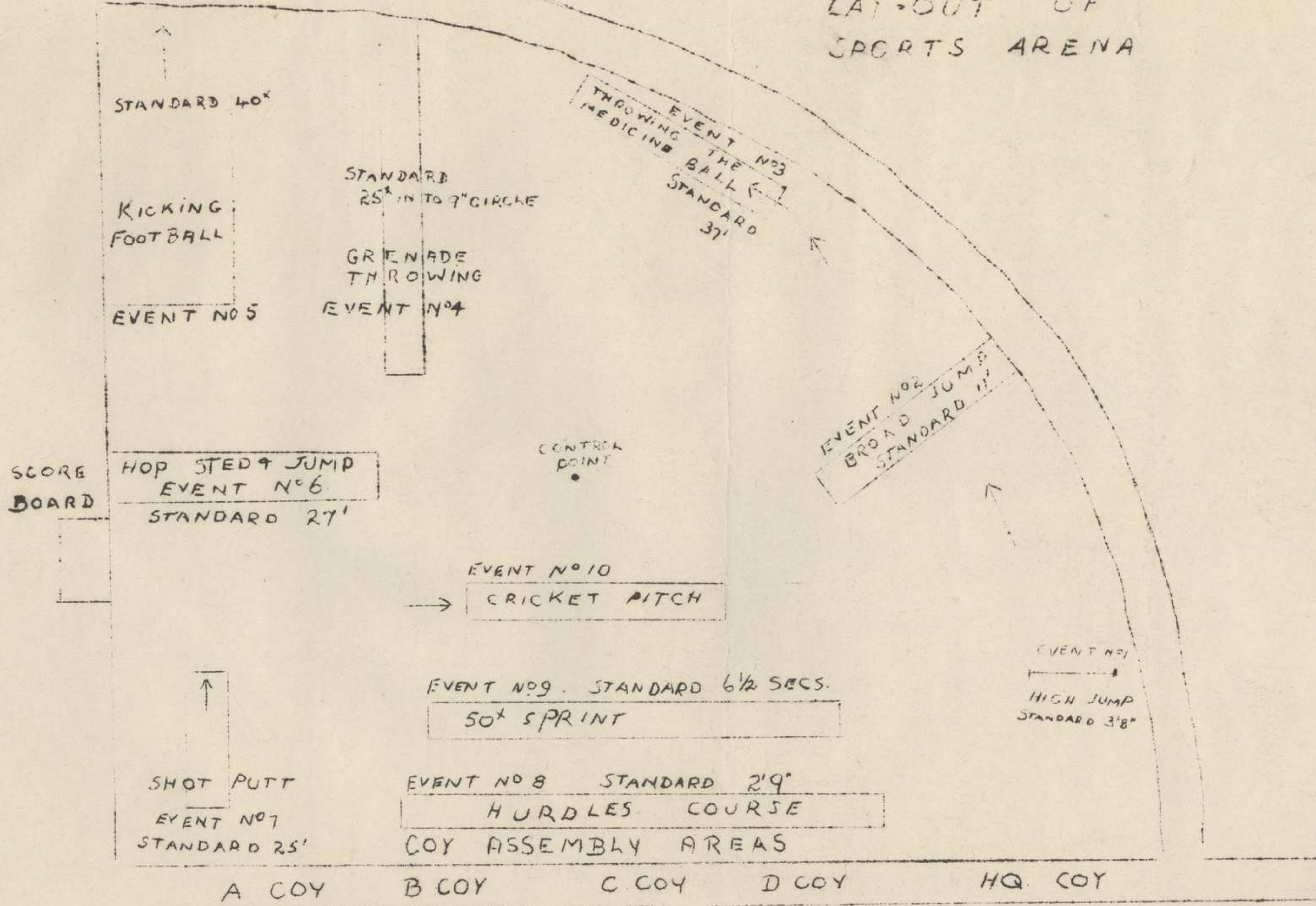
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LAY-OUT OF SPORTS ARENA



	D <sub>3</sub>	D <sub>4</sub>	D <sub>5</sub>	HQ													FA				
				HQ2	HQ3	HQ4	HQ5	HQ6	HQ7	HQ8	HQ9	HQ10	HQ11	HQ12	HQ13	FA1	FA2	FA3	FA4	FA5	
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3	-	2	3	1	3	3	3	1	-	1	3	-	1	1	2	2	1	2	3		
4	1	1	1	-	-	-	1	2	1	1	-	1	1	1	1	-	1	-	1		
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7	-	1	3	2	4	1	1	-	-	1	2	-	2	-	1	3	1	1	1		
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9	-	-	-	1	3	1	1	1	1	2	3	-	1	1	1	1	1	2	1		
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TOTALS	10	15	24	22	30	17	17	12	13	19	22	7	21	15	12	25	15	25	20		

	A <sub>1</sub>	A <sub>2</sub>	A <sub>3</sub>	A <sub>4</sub>	A <sub>5</sub>	A <sub>6</sub>	A <sub>7</sub>	A <sub>8</sub>	A <sub>9</sub>	B <sub>1</sub>	B <sub>2</sub>	C <sub>1</sub>	C <sub>2</sub>	C <sub>3</sub>	C <sub>4</sub>	D <sub>1</sub>	D <sub>2</sub>
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TOTALS.	20	27	16	17	16	16	12	23		26	17	13	14	18	18	9	15

BH01.

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7 1

8 5

9 1

10 1

TOTALS 18

BATSMAN	RUNS.	HOW OUT	BOWLER	TOTAL
1. Gilmore	1114	Caught Brehaut	Morris.	7
2. Purmaid	2112214411	L.B.W.	Morris	19.
3. Laurie	1244321141411122	stumped	Morris	34
4. Lewis	1141111211411	L.B.W.	Neilson	20
5. Meadowcroft	1111141	Bowled	Morris	11.
6. Oliver	1111312	NOT	OUT	10
7. Kennedy	0	L.B.W	Morris	0
8. Arnold	0	Bowled	Morris	0
9. Jones	111	Caught Oliver	Meridith.	3.
10. Beckmann	3	Run out.	-	3
11. Whitfield	421	Bowled	Morris	7

EXTRAS. <sup>B B O B. N B B. O N B B.</sup> 12 21 11 2 2 11 4 8

1-138 TOTAL 133  
 39. 40. 41. 42. 43. 44. 45. 46. 47. 48. 49. 50. 51. 52. 53. 54. 55. 56. 57. 58. 59. 60. 61. 62. 63. 64. 65. 66. 67. 68. 69.  
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 BOWLER. 150. 151. 152. 153. 154. 155. 156. 157. 158. 159. 160. 161. 162. 163. 164. 165. 166. 167. 168. 169. 170

1. Carter	0	5
Meridith	1	42
Morris	7	19
4. Ferris	0	28
5. Neilson	1	11
6. Willard	0	8

1 FOR 20.	2 FOR 38	3 FOR 75	4 FOR 104	5 FOR 107
6 FOR 107.	7 FOR 108	8 FOR 121	9 FOR 126	10 FOR 133

bay office

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ADJT. 2/7 AUST INF BN

N O T I C E

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Pay Office

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE

ROUTINE ORDERS No 35

NOT TO BE PUBLISHED

5 AUG 41

by

MAJOR G.H. BROCK D.S.O.

ADMIN COID 2/7 AUST INF BN

I. DUTIES -

DUTY COY

"B" Coy.

ORDERLY OFFICER

Lieut H. THOMAS

N.F.D.

Lieut K.R. WALKER

N.F.D.

Lieut R.R. VIAL

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The undermentioned sentences by Courts-Martial are published for information @

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ADMIN COMD 2/7 AUST INF BN

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DUTY COY

"B" Coy.

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CAV. 1030 hrs - 1410 hrs.

BATSMAN.	RUNS.	HOW. OUT	BOWLER.	TOTALS.
1. Speed	1 2 1 1 2 2 1 1 1 1 2 4 1 2 1 1 1 1 4 1 1 1 1 1 4 1 2 4 1 1 1 4 2 2 1 1 2 1 1	Retired H.	—	68
2. Graham	1 2 2 1	caught Kennedy.	Arnold	4
3. Dennis	4 2 1 1 1 2 4 4 2 4 3 1 4 2 2 2 1 1	R.out.	<del>Arnold</del>	41
4. Oliver	1 1 1 4 4 4 2 4 4 1 1 1 4 3 1 1 1 2 1 1 4 1 4 2 4 4 4	L.B.W.	Arnold.	66
5. Stallard	1 1 1 2 4 1 1 1 2	caught Kennedy	arnold.	15
6. Millard	1 3	N.O.		4
7. Barker *	2 3 1 2	R.out.		8.
8. Morris *	4 1	caught hawie	Arnold	5
9. Meredith	2 1 2 4 2	N.O.		11
10. Neilson	0	Bowled	Arnold.	0
11. Bryehout.		—	—	—

EXTRAS. <sup>W</sup>4 <sup>R</sup>1 <sup>L</sup>2 <sup>NB</sup>2 1

1-2-3-4-5-6-7-8-9-10-11-12-13-14-15-16-17-18-19-20-21-22-23-24-25-26-27-28-29-30-31-32-33-34-35-36-37-38-39-40-41-42-43-44-45-46-47-48-49-50-51-52-53-54-55-56-57-58-59-60-61-62-63-64-65-66-67-68-69-70-71-72-73-74-75-76-77-78-79-80-81-82-83-84-85-86-87-88-89-90-91-92-93-94-95-96-97-98-99-100-101-102-103-104-105-106-107-108-109-110-111-112-113-114-115-116-117-118-119-120-121-122-123-124-125-126-127-128-129-130-131-132-133-134-135-136-137-138-139-140-141-142-143-144-145-146-147-148-149-150-151-152-153-154-155-156-157-158-159-160-161-162-163-164-165-166-167-168-169-170	TOTAL	333
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BOWLER	150-151-152-153-154-155-156-157-158-159-160-161-162-163-164-165-166-167-168-169-170	WKS FOR RUNS.
1. Lewis	... .. 12. 1... 4.1. 1... 112. ... .. 1 2... 1.1 .4.1 1... 5	0 25
2. Arnold	1.12 .X. .12 .4.1. .2.4 1.12 2... .. 2 2.1 1... X 3... ... 1/5 4 2 1 7 .12 4/10 5 .1X/8 1.1/4 2... .. 2 2... 1/3 X 1/1 2 4 2 1 11	5 57
3. Kennedy.	1.4 4.2 2... 1... .. 1.1 .111. 1.14 1... .. 1... .. 2.4 3/1 2... 1/11 .. 1... .. 4 3/9 1... 4 1/7 1... .. 1... .. 4 1/6 2 1/1 1/4	8 58
4. Whitfield	1.1.1 2.4 1 4.2. 2.3 ... 1/3 1 2 4 4 21. 9 11/7	0 35
5. Jones	2.1... 1.1. 2... 1/5 1/5	0 10
6. Lockman	4 2 4 4 4... 1/19	0 19
7. Oliver	1.1.1 1.1... 1.12 1.1.1 1/3 1/6 1/4 1/9	0 18
8.		
9.		
10.		

1 FOR 9.	2 FOR 67	3 FOR 154	4 FOR 194.	5 FOR 212
6 FOR 217	7 FOR 217	8 FOR 221	9 FOR	10 FOR.

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C.O.  
2/7.Bn.

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H.Q. Coy  
23 Aug 4I.

rec 10 Sep.

Weekly Report.

- A. This week all men whose age and physical condition are doubtful were medically examined. A special report on the result of the examination will be submitted.  
The care of feet was the subject of a special parade.
- G. Specialist Groups have concentrated on their training. Sigs have established stations using Helio, Lamps Daylight Sig, Flag and Telephones D III.  
Learners have been receiving special attention.  
The Carrier Pl are receiving practical instruction in stripping and assembling Carriers and Tanks.  
A Route March was successfully carried out.  
A night ~~work~~ exercise in patrol work produced good results.  
Transport have been engaged on driving practice and maintenance.
- Q. The CQMS Store has been combined with the Coy office, with the C.A.P. attached.  
The A/CQMS has personally supervised the issue of food at meal times and has controlled mess orderlies. His methods are quite satisfactory. The meals have been well cooked and the Menus of a good variety.

Certificates.

I certify that the following have been carried out during the week ending 23 Aug 4I;

Kit Inspection (twice) ✓  
Feet " ✓  
Respirator " ✓  
Arms & Ammo " ✓  
Tattoo & Revielle Rolls Call. ✓

 Capt  
O.C. HQ. Coy.

"A" Coy Weekly Report.  
week ending 23<sup>rd</sup> Aug 41.

Adm. vx 11665 Stent y promoted L/cpl.  
" 5449 Havers G " "  
" 35697 Brewer R.M. " A/cpl.  
" 14771 Tite R.W. " A/cpl.

Coy strength increase of 1.

vx 7150 P/O Jackson H.G. marched in on 15<sup>th</sup> Aug 41.

vx 17682 Cpl Newton J.E. to P + R.T. School on

16<sup>th</sup> Aug 41

vx 29370 Sgt Marshall E.F. returned from

S.A.S. Mungahzi. 29<sup>th</sup> Aug 41.

vx 2641 Cpl. Woods E.C. returned from

M.E.W.T.S. on 20<sup>th</sup> Aug 41.

Q.

Missing Dett's factory

1 E.P.I.P. Tent returned to Q.M.

Quarters, satisfactory

G.

"A" Coy Duty Coy from 15<sup>th</sup> to 22<sup>nd</sup> Aug.

All duties were satisfactorily carried out.

I certify that all standing orders & inspections carried out through the week

Kapetan Lines  
23<sup>rd</sup> Aug 41.

L.V. Tattersall Rint  
for O.C. - "A" Coy.

H. Q. "B" bay

23 Aug. 41.

REPORT N° 8.

Report on Bay Activities week ending 23 Aug 41.

1     A.  
Marched in.     —     4 OR's  
"     out.     —     3 OR's  
Nett increase.     —     1 OR.

N.C.O.'s have been appointed, mostly on acting basis, except for Spt. Meek and one Sec Comd. The latter vacancy being due to A/Spt ARNOTT (Off. Mm) being posted to this bay.

2     Q.     Stems for issue to personnel are practically complete.

3     G.     Training as per syllabus with exception of second day which was spent at ALJURA. With practically full complement of N.C.O.'s bay is now settling down to more Sec & Pl. Training.

4     Standing  
Orders etc     I certify that S.O. for Secs and pls have been carried out and that the inspections ordered have been completed.

Sp. D. McCallum Capt.  
cc B. Bay

Bn. H.Q.

27 Aust. Inf. Bn.

23. Aug. 41.

I hereby report that after  
inspecting the kits of Bn H.Q. personnel  
that there are no losses and all  
are in order.

W. J. Lys.

"C" Coy Weekly report

Dating 23 Aug 41

17. All communications & Routine orders read to the Coy.

Marched out	VX 11499	Pte Harps B.P.	to Jerusalem
" in	VX 3222	" Millist T.G.	from 17 TB
	VX 3983	" Dawson C.R.	" "
	VX 7215	" Phillips R.E.	" 7 AGH

Q Small quantities of shirts received and issued to personnel

18. Weapon training has now reached a more advanced stage mainly Gren.

The route march to Al Jura beach was carried out as per movement order

On Friday and Saturday the spades & shovels were issued and a platoon defensive position was dug.

Frequent foot inspections were held during the week and the results were very good only one case of any foot trouble being present, treated at R.H.P.

During each day's training respirators B/G were worn for a period of 1/2 hour by all personnel & certify that all inspections and administration have been carried out.

Frederick Alan Hunt  
act. 2/6 "C" Coy





D. Coy Report for week ending 23-8-41.

Training: - The training for the week was carried out as per syllabus submitted to P.W. The A.C.O. instructors are doing an excellent job, and show the benefit derived from the cadet course, while the men are taking a great interest in training.

Another successful day was spent at the beach, the march down and back being done in good time. We fired a demo with the 2" mortar at the beach on Friday which gave us experience in firing on a windy day.

a. The meals for the early part of the week were not up to standard, especially breakfast, but this improved at the latter part of the week.

The Coy still needs approx. 25 beds. Shirts are also badly needed.

A thorough kit inspection was carried out on Saturday morning and deficiencies noted.

? 2 / 1 The strength of the Coy as at on Sat 23<sup>rd</sup> inst is: - 5 Officers, 52 O. Rs.

F. B. Pringle Lieut  
A.C.O.  
D. Coy.

Operation Order No. 3.

26 Aug 41

C Company

Map Ref. GAZA 1:100000

Information Enemy as per daily news and radio bulletin  
 Own Troops 2/7 Bn training at Hill 69

Intention 'C' Coy will move to Al Fua beach for training  
 in night marching by compass and <sup>organised</sup> recreation

Bearing	Distance	Ref.
262° 30'	3500 yds	ref. 11701260 to 11391256
218°	6673 "	" 11391256 " 10921218
212° 30'	3060 "	" 1092128 " 10751195

Start time 1945 hrs 27 Aug 41

Start line H.Q. 'C' Coy

Order of March Coy. H.Q. - 13 Pl - 14 Pl - 15 Pl

Return to Camp Majdal Cemetery, Majdal Sidra  
 Railway Road, Hill 69.

Start time 1800 hrs 28 Aug 41

Administration Adv. party Storeman + 2 O.A.s will move by  
 transport with stores not later than 1500 hrs  
 Dress Shirts, shorts, hats, battle order less steel helmet  
 Waterbottle - Filled & worn on side  
 Personal gear. Shaving & dressing gear, ground sheet  
 carried in haversack.  
 Blankets 2 blankets in pack to be placed in  
 dump outside box. Q. Store not later than 1330 hrs.  
 Packs to be plainly labelled.  
 Rations to be arranged by C.Q.M.S.  
 Transport " " "  
 Tentage " " "  
 Sporting gear " " "

Inter-Communication Coy. H.Q. lead of column during march  
 then at bivouac area

Signal Plan by runner

Distribution	Copy No.	By	Copy No.	Time
	1	B.H.Q.	4	13 Pl
	2	C Coy	5	14 "
	3	D "	6	15 "

presented to  
 act of 'C' Coy



Bm. H.Q.

Copy No 4

Movement order No. 3.

SECRET.

26<sup>th</sup> Aug 41.

"A" Coy. 2/7 Aust Inf. Bn.

Inf. It is reported that an enemy force may attempt a beach landing at AL. JURA. Map Ref. 107119.

"A" Coy + H.Q. Coy. 2/7 Aust Inf Bn. will move to area 107119. & Patrol beach.

Intention "A" Coy will march to area map Ref 107119 on night 26-27 Aug 41, remain in area for 24 hrs & prevent any enemy force from making landing.

Method. Start line "A" Coy. lines.

Start time 1945 hrs.

Order of march No. 7 Pn.

Coy. H.Q.

No. 8 Pn

No. 9 Pn.

Route. as per I Sec. report. I Sec. man to act as guide for Coy.

Adm. Dress Battle order

2 Blankets & Ground sheet in packs will be transported on Coy truck. Mess gear & water bottle, shaving kit carried in Haversack.

Water bottle filled

Rations. C.2. will make Coy arrangements.

Reveille 0600. Break 0730, Lunch 1230 Tea 1700 hrs.

Bathing parade. 0615-0715 hrs.

Beach patrol 17.60. 2 men.

Intercom. by runner Bn H.Q. present location.

Distribution I No. 7 Pn.

II " 8 Pn

III " 9 Pn

IV " C.H.Q.

V " Coms.

VI " File.

Lt. Robertson Lieut  
for 26<sup>th</sup> Aug Coy.

Robertson lines 26<sup>th</sup> Aug 41.

"B" Company.

Yucca

copy etc,

Operation Draw etc<sub>2</sub>

26 Aug<sup>24</sup>1.

Ref Map - : Gya 1: 100,000.

Information -:

Enemy - : etc per Palestine Post of wem date.

Own Troops : 2/7<sup>th</sup> Battalion in camp at Hill 69.

Intention

"B" Coy will march to Hill Jura Beach on night of 27/28 Aug for practice in night marching and organized recreation on 28<sup>th</sup> Aug.

Method.

March Out

<u>Regime</u>	from point 117012	to 11391256	on bearing of 262° 30"
"	"	11391256	to 10921218 " " 228°
"	"	10921218	to 10751195 " " 212° 30"

Start Time 1945 hrs. 27<sup>th</sup> Aug<sup>24</sup>1.

Start Time Tanks on Hill 69

Order of March 16 Pl Coy Regts 17 Pl 18 Pl.

March In

Route Majdal Cemetery, Majdal Giding, Railway Road, Hill 69.

Start Time 1800 hrs

Start Time Police Barracks

Order of March 18 Pl Coy Regts, 17 Pl, 16 Pl.

Administration -:

Draws. Batten draw gas Respirators & Stub-helmets

Water Bottles to be filled & carried on side.

Blankets :- To be rolled in section bundles and carried on  
Ration trucks. To be at C.2. M. store by 1300 hrs.

Rations To be arranged by C.2. M. G.

Transports " " " " " "

Accommodation Hours " " " "

Recreation Hours " " " "

Intercommunication

By Runners

by Hqs during march as above

by Hqs at bivouac area 200' <sup>approx</sup> of Police Station.

Distribution copy to, B. G.

" " 2, C Coy

" " 3, Coy Diary

" " 4, C.2. M. G.

" " 5, C. I. M.

G. H. M. D. <sup>or</sup> W. D. W. D. Capt.  
OC "D" Coy

To. Adj.

Report for W/ENOING 16/Dec. 41.

16/12/41.

- A. The strength of the Coy. is 4 Off. 70 Oks. which is an increase on previous week, this was brought about by 2 men marching in from 17 Aus. I. T. Bn.
- B. All personnel in the Coy. with one exception are fitted out with Rifles & Equipment. A supply clothing shorts, socks etc., were obtained & issued to the men. Further supplies have been requisitioned for, so that the whole Coy. will be well clothed.
- C. The training for the week showed that the men have a sound knowledge of the various weapons that are available for training.

The showing of the film (Ben Gunn) was very interesting & the men showed keen interest. The march to the beach on Monday was completed, without any personnel dropping out or any being unduly fatigued, the time taken was  $2\frac{3}{4}$  hrs, this proves that the men are definitely hardening up.

The introduction of Recreational Prog. in the last period of the day has created a very keen interest & will build up the team spirit which is very much needed.

W. J. Linn  
"A" Coy.

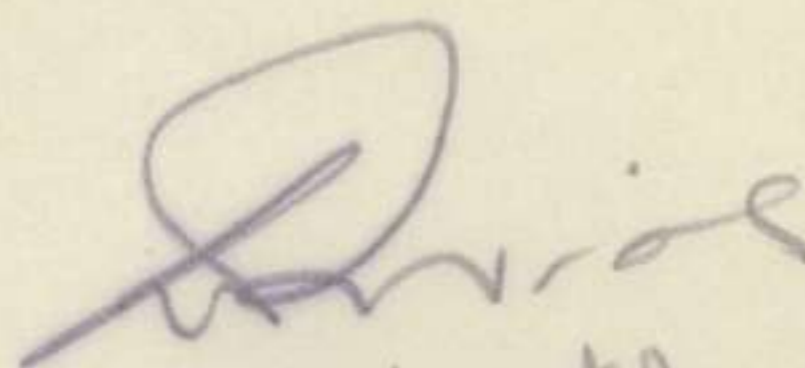
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HQ B Coy  
16 Aug 41

## Report No. 7

### Report on Coy Activities week 10-16 Aug 41

1. A 4 ORS marched in from 17 I.T.B.  
1 OR evacuated 8 A.S.H.
2. Q Stocks of clothing and some sporting gear received. Most of coys requirements in personal equipment has now been issued; only odd sizes of particular items and 6 respirators now required.
3. G. Training as per Syllabus with emphasis on Pl and Sec training to counter-act the concentration on Coy work necessitated by the recent Cadre Course
4. Standing Orders I certify that standing orders for secs and pls have been carried out.

  
Lieut for Capt  
O.C. "B" Coy



16 Aug 41

The Adj. 2/1 Lm.

Weekly Report.

#/ All communications and Routine Orders read to Company.

B/ Received quantity of clothing, mainly shorts and slacks issued to personnel.

Received Comfort Fund issue of soap and foot polish all issued to personnel.

All personnel issued with rifles and bayonets.

Require three (3) respirators H.C. to complete Company issue.

C/ No training carried out during week as this Company employed as duty Company. Duties taking up all personnel.

All available personnel paraded for foot inspection at 0930 Friday 15 at Recreation Hut. also attended training film at 1120.

I certify that all inspections and administration have been carried out.

Keith P. Walker  
Lieut.  
oc. C. Coy

Weekly Report (week ending 16 Aug 41)

A /

The C.A.P. by attending to minor complaints has considerably reduced the sick parade attendance at R.A.P.

A shelter has been erected for the Perimeter Picquet . The members now are housed together during their term of duty , are near their job and so under far better control .

G /

The route march was similar to that of last week . Going to and from A L J U R A the regulation of pace so as to arrive at certain places at given times was practiced .

A night exercise , in the form of Patrols (Standing & Recce ) was carried <sup>out</sup>. Different types of patrols were used as an experiment . This will form the subject of a special report on Monday.

A Volley Ball Competition has been introduced. It is providing a great deal of interest as well as ensuring that the troops have extra facilities for recreation and physical training .

Q /

The Q arrangements at the Beach were satisfactorily carried out These exercises are proving to be of added value to the experience of the Q. Staff.

Improvements to the seating accommodation at messes have been arranged.

Rifle belts are left in the C Q M S store each night, a bag to contain the belts from each tent has been provided .

*Stan. Hallett Capt.*  
*H.Q. Coy*

CERTIFICATES

I certify that the following have been carried out during the week ending 16 Aug 41;

Kit Inspection


Feet "

Respirator

Arms & Ammo

Tattoo & Reveille rolls call.

*Stan. Hallett Capt.*  
*H.Q. Coy*



A Coy Weekly Report week ending 9 Aug 41.

Adm. Coy Strength 4 Gff 69 ORs showing a decrease of 1 OR as to that of last week.

Q. Messing (satisfactory)  
690 SAA.303 drawn issued

6 sets Equipment drawn partly issued  
6 Respirators drawn " "  
2 Steel Helmets drawn and issued

General The route march to El gura proved very favourable. Every one enjoyed themselves. During the day sport i.e. cricket, swimming, medicine ball etc was participated by all. The foot inspection on 8 Aug 41 found Tinea in a bad form. Arrangements have been made to try and eradicate this.

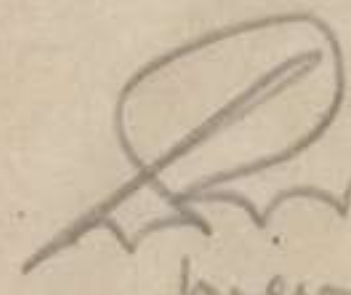
A. McDonald Lieut  
A Coy 2/7 BN.

Robertson Lines  
9 AUG. 41

REPORT No 6.

Report on Coy activities week 3-9 Aug 41

- 1 A. Nothing to report.
- 3 Q. Sufficient webbing has been received to ~~be~~ fully equip all ORs at present on Coy strength. 8 Groundsheets were received - this enabled all ranks to be issued.
- 3 G. As the Coy was duty Coy for the week and all ranks were required to mount duties, the syllabus was not carried out. Some training was done on Bren guns as required through essential maintenance.
- 4 Standing Orders I certify that standing orders for secs and pls have been carried out.

  
 Report for Capt  
 BCB Coy.

= Weekly Report =  
= C. Coy =

A. All communications and routine orders were read to the Coy

Q. Given sets of equipment minus pouches were received and issued to personnel.

All personnel have been issued with rifle and bayonet.

Clothing requisitions are in the hands of R.O.M.

Soap for washing clothes has been unobtainable from canton and "Q" Store. For this reason men have been unable to wash underwear and socks. Men who have only 2 sets of these articles prefer to wash them rather than send them to Bn laundry where it takes from 4 to 6 days for their return.

Shirts and slacks, etc. are urgently required.

G. Training was carried out according to syllabus; the march to Al Jura being reported on separately.

Kit and post inspections were carried out. I certify that all inspections and administrations were carried out.

Lieut. R. Mackay  
Lieut.  
C. Coy

- Report on march to Pt. Jura -

C. Coy marching out. strength.

1. off. 35. O.R.'s

dress marching order. - 1 blanket.

Coy left Luce at 1800 hrs. 4. Aug '41  
and arrived at beach 2100 hrs. Men  
were bedded down under tent sides.

During the following day all men  
went in for the swim in the morning  
and afternoon; life saving sentries  
were placed.

Cooking arrangements were quite  
satisfactory.

Coy returned leaving Pt. Jura at 1800 hrs  
and arriving at Luce 2100 hrs.

There were no cases of men falling behind  
on the march back and men were  
in good spirits having appreciated the  
break.

Leah. R. Ralby  
Lieut.  
C.C. Coy

D. Coy Report for week ending 7-8-41.

Training:- The training for the week has been carried out as per syllabus submitted to POW. The weapon training and fieldcraft of the company has greatly improved. The day at Mt Giza was very beneficial to the company, and to give credit where credit is due they are now a very good marching company. Time taken with rest was, down 2 hrs 40 min, back 2 hrs 45 min.

Q :- PWS beds are badly needed. (20).

Percentage O.K. Clothing:- Shorts and H.D. trousers are badly needed in the Coy. 8 Water bottles needed.

The Coy's meals for the week have been very good. No complaints.

General:- Coy strength on 7-8-41 3 Officers, 60 ORs. The discipline of the company is very good.

Would suggest one day a week at Mt Giza for each Coy.

H B Pingle Lieut  
O.C. Pow. Coy.

H. Q Coy.  
9.8.41.

60  
47th.

### Weekly Report

A. This week a Boy Aid Post was established at our  
BQMS Store. Linea and other Minor complaints  
are to be treated in our own lines.  
This weeks tent competition was won by  
No. 3 Transport-tent.

B. The route march this week was divided into 2  
parts. A march of about 8½ miles to AL-TURA beach  
on Monday evening, swimming + beach sports on  
Tuesday, and a march back to camp that  
night. Departing from camp at 1830 hrs the 8½  
miles were covered in 2½ hrs actual marching  
time. The troops sang all of the way. Returning  
the marching time was 10 minutes longer and the  
troops were more fatigued as we left the beach  
at 1600 hrs. This proved that troops will move  
greater distances and with much less fatigue  
during the late afternoon and night.

Thursday night, patrol exercises were carried  
out. The bay was divided into 4 patrols, (2 standing  
patrols + 2 Recce Pts, 1 + the latter working on compass  
bearings and the other over a described route.) Patrol  
leaders reports made to the assembled bay followed  
by a general discussion enabled many  
valuable lessons to be learnt.

At the Jaffa Rifle Range 40 out of 48 qualified  
with the Bren gun but only 18 with the Rifle

It is requested that permission be given for this  
boy to spend a whole day on the 30<sup>th</sup> range during  
the week ending 23 Aug 41.

C. The Q branch did a good job at the beach bivouac.  
Shelters + kitchen were erected by the advance party,  
the former were the means of preventing a lot of  
sun burn.

The Q arrangements at the JAFFA Rifle Range were  
carried out satisfactorily.

Certificates. I certify that the following have been  
carried out during the week ending 9.8.41.

Kit Inspection

Feet "

Respiration "

Arms + Ammo

Tattoo + Revolve rolls call.

Stan. H. H. Capt.  
H. Q Coy.



A. Coy Weekly Report Week Ending 2 Aug 41

Admin.

There are no changes in the boy strength as shown in last report.

Strength. 4 Off 70 ORs TOTAL 74.

Q. (a) Messing (satisfactory)

Handkerchiefs and Shaving soap drawn & issued.

General.

A report that the washing from the laundry is not satisfactory has come to notice.

On foot inspection, Tinea was found to be less prevalent than last week.

A McDonald Lieut

A/c A Coy 2/7 BN.

2 Aug. 41.Report on Coy. activities week 27/Jul./2 Aug. 41.

1. A. An issue of Stationery was received during the period under review.
2. Q. 6 Respirators and 4 sets of Debbing-less basic pouches were received. Locks have been obtained for all Gun Clecks, and arrangements have been made with the R.Q.M. re a box for Rifle Bolts.
3. G. Training was carried out as per Syllabus. Reports on the Paratroop and Infiltration Exercises are attached hereto.

4. STANDING ORDERS.

owing to the fact that 21 O.S. of this Coy are at JAFFA RANGE it has not been possible to fully carry out the provisions of Standing Orders for Secs. & Pls.

Stubb  
Lieut.  
For O.C. B. Coy.

Report On B. Coy Infiltration Exercise

1 EXERCISE. — As per Plan Attached. Worked quite well except that in future exercises it may be necessary to control the action of the scouts as well as the Enemy. Timing was adequate as a margin was allowed to ensure Subordinate Cmdrs. had time to discuss situation with men.

2 Scouts. Did not clear the ground fully with the result that leading Section was surprised by Enemy.

3 Action Of Secs. No. 1. Sec. Formations Good. When surprised by Enemy they adopted fire positions quickly and engaged Enemy. Sent runner back to Pl. H.Q. reporting situation.

No. 2. Sec. Rather Careless during the early stages of the advance, but on receiving orders for attack they moved across the rather open RIGHT FLANK by fire and movement. Launched Final Assault on time. Control by Sec Cdr. Good.

No. 3. Sec. Also Careless during early stages. Also had no local protection while moving down the LEFT FLANK. However move through VINEYARD was very good, a change of direction being made to confuse the Enemy as to the direction of their assault. Control by Sec Cdr. good, except during early stages of advance. Assault was launched on time.

4 General. In spite of the fact that No. 1 Sec was surprised it was agreed by the Enemy that the attack would have been successful. Scoutcraft has been introduced into the coming weeks Syllabus, and should effect improvement in this direction.

*W. L.*

Object.

To teach the Principles of Infiltration.

Prelim. Lect.

Desc. of Infiltration and how it may be carried out.

Opening Narrative.

Pl. Flank Guard To 2/7 Bn.

Opening Situation.

Pl. Advancing. No. 1 Sec. lead - Scouts.

FORECAST OF EVENTS.

Time.	Action Of Platoon.	Action Of Enemy.
1350.	Prelim. lect.	Take Up Posn.
1415.	Advance Begins.	Nil.
1430.	Scouts Fired On: No. 1 Sec. Takes Up Fire Posn. Pl. Cmdr Goes Forward.	Fire On Scouts. Engage leading Sect.
1440.	Pl. Cmdr. Issues Orders.	As Above
1455.	2 + 3 Secs Begin Advance.	Engage 2-3 Secs When Possible.
1515.	2 + 3 Secs Launch Final Assault On Corrd. Plan. 1 Sec. moves Forward For Consolidation	Retire.

Plan.

Co-ord. flanking attack under covering fire from No. 1. Sec. + 1 L.M.G. from 3 Sec.

P.I. H.Q. With 1 Sec.

Admin.

Coy. will org. into 1 Pl. with 3 L.M.G.s. + 2 T. S. M.G.s.  
1 N.C.O. 3 Men as Enemy; 1 Pocket Mirror Each.

CAMP AREA.

RE. DUMP.

GRAPE SPUR.

1. Scout

ENEMY

SAND

TRACK

2. Scout

1. Sec.

P. P. HQ.

2. Sec.

3. Sec.

HUT SPUR.

Sketched by  
*[Signature]*  
30. Jul. 41.

## Report on Paratroop Exercise

Booy carried out a paratroop exercise on 27 Jul in which the paratroops were landed in rear of a defensive posn in conjunction with an enemy frontal attack.

### 1 Narrative

#### Phase I

Own tps, one pl strength, in prepared defensive posn holding a knell. Supported by an m.m.g. on either flank approx 500' distant, and part of a general defensive posn.

#### Phase II

Enemy paratroops landed in rear of pl posn. with objective one of m.m.g. posts

#### Phase III

Ground attack from front to support paratroops by engaging pl

### 2 actions by Defence

When paratroops observed the reserve section covered the area, moving as little as possible from their prepared posns. leaving guards to watch front both forward sections reversed to meet anticipated paratroop attack. When guards reported frontal attack, sec furthest from paratroops took up former posns and engaged. Other forward sec. moved back and eliminated paratroops.

### 3 Admin

Paratroops were hidden and told their objective. Defenders were warned planes overhead and dropping paratroops. On a whistle blast, one of the hidden paratroops stood up to indicate the area in which they were landing, and after 2 min. - the time estimated it would take for landing to be completed, - all stood up and immediately went into action. Those who stood up were assumed to be unharmed and fully equipped, casualties during descent or on landing being considered already eliminated

### 4 Lessons

Defence. As the danger from paratroops lies mainly in their advantage in surprise, and relatively high fire power if engaged from close quarters. it

is considered that sps nearest to the landing should only attempt to pin the enemy down from a suitable fire posn. and thus neutralise these advantages. From the information that can be obtained of their strength and posns, an attack is then launched from the flank to eliminate them.

Admin. Paratroops should not be told their objective until they have actually landed as otherwise they have a long period to consider the ground and their plan of attack that they would not have in fact. This can be done by giving the paratroop leader a written note of his objective which is to be read when the landing whistle is blown.

2 Aug 41.

D. W. A.

OC. B Coy.  
Went for Capt

2 Aug 41

The Ady. 2/1 Bn

Weekly Report.

□ all communications and porters orders read to the Coy.

○ Small quantity of equipment received during week, and issued to personnel.

○ Company taken out to 30 yard range on Monday, fired grouping application and rapid. Noticed that majority of men failed in grouping, yet had good scores in application and rapid. Same personnel proceeded to Joffa Range on Friday 1<sup>st</sup> Aug and Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> Aug. Training during the week included Para Troop exercises, infiltration exercises, mine tactical and quail dummy exercises. These exercises are proving excellent training for all ranks, men show great interest in these stunts. Cpl. Gordon gave interesting talk of his experiences to the men; many interesting points were brought, such as alternate positions for Bren gunners. Route march as per Bn Movement Order No 2, reviewed carried out. Frequent foot inspection carried out during week. 1 man vacated to C.R.S.

Keth R. Walker  
OC. P Coy



2 Aug.

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b. O.  
47th Bn.

H. G. Coy.

Weekly Report.

2. 8. 41.

A. This week the tent competition was won by the A.A. and Carrier Platoon. A distinct improvement in the condition of tents is noticeable.

Quite a number of our ex Greece & Crete personnel have not yet had "Settlement" leave & some of the lads are in need of such a break.

In this Coy there are about 8 men whose age is a handicap to solid training. They can be used at the moment but they would present a problem if the unit had to go into action.

G. The cross country route march proved to be strenuous during the heat of the day, the heat caused some distress although no one fell out from the march.

The map reading & compass work was of a high order. Water discipline was well carried out.

Two more mechanics attended the Corps Supply Column workshop this week and owing to the nature of the work during that period, they received some valuable training.

The transport personnel practised cross country driving with varying results, generally the standard was good. Night marches were carried out, N.C.O.'s on Monday night & the Coy on Wednesday night. The Compass work was quite efficient and several lessons in night marching were learnt.

Schools & courses being attended are as follows:-

Sigs 12. Mortars 2. Transport 10. Cookery 1.

Q. This being pay week was the first real test of the "boy beer issue" system. It has proved to be quite successful.

A comforts fund issue of 1 handkerchief & 1 stick of shaving soap was made to all ranks.

Certificates. I certify that the following have been carried out during the week ending 2. 8. 41.

Kit Inspection	Arms & Ammo
Feet "	Latex & Revellie Rolls call.
Respirator.	Pharmacist
	Jr. O.C. H.G. Coy.

REPORT ON VISIT TO MERHAVIA SETTLEMENT

This settlement is situated on a low hill over looking the Vale of Eesrael and is the oldest settlement in this part of Palestine, having been established for thirty years. For the first fifteen years the property was managed by a group of German Jews on a co-operative basis. Since then it has been taken over by another group; mainly of POLish descent and run on a communal basis.

On arrival at Merhavia our party was welcomed by the Secretary and by the President of a group of settlers, who will eventually establish another settlement in some other part of the country. Throughout our stay these two people were untiring in their efforts to see that we were comfortable. A meal was provided in the dining room, the food being light and seemingly ideal for the climatic conditions. The dining hall has seating accomadation for three hundred and was designed by one of the best Architects in Palestine, an electric kitchen being attached. The entire construction was carried out by the settlers; even the tiles for the roof and floor being handmade on the property.

After lunch the first tour of the property was made, luckily our party consisted mainly of country people so this was only the precursal of many similar expeditions. The property covers fifteen hundred acres and the main crops are red wheat and barley-wheat yields averaging 36 bushells per acre being obtained. Twenty five acres of olives and twenty acres of fruit are also grown. A scheme to pipe water from a well some fifteen kilos distant is under way and when completed will considerably increase the yield of fruit etc. One hundred and <sup>to</sup> Fresian-Palestinian milking cows are kept also, the milk, after being chilled is forwarded to Tel-Aviv and Haifa. Five hundred fat tailed sheep provide another source of income: the milk is made into cheese and the wool sold. A special ram is kept and the lambs killed when only two days old. These skins are valuable and find a ready market. The farming plant and buildings are very modern, conveniences such as tractors and concrete silo, electric light, sewerage and an up to date laundry all help to make living conditions ideal.

The real pride of the place are the children, healthy, happy kiddies who live in a modern three-story building complete with dining-room and kitchen. Their parents have access to them at all times.

As Merhavia is the Headquarters of the political group to which they belong (actually this group forms the left wing of Palestinian politics) offices and a printing house are included in the buildings. The plant includes a lino-type machine and amongst other work turns out a weekly magazine.

All too soon our visit came to an end and we returned via Haifa to our camp with a much better understanding of the people of the country which is, for the time being our home.

R. C. Gold 69/5

REPORT ON VISIT TO NAHATAL

On leaving camp for a vacation at different Jewish settlements, our party of five were told that our destination was Nahatal. Whilst journeying in the bus, we searched the road map and found that the place with the interesting name was in northern Palestine between Nazareth and Haifa.

We breakfasted at Tel-Aviv and were joined by Miss Epstein, a representative of the workers organisation, who was to guide our driver to the different settlements which were each accommodating some of our fortunate holiday-makers. Some stops were made and small parties were left at each; then, as it was getting past lunch time, those remaining in the bus were entertained to lunch at a Communal settlement; here we first tasted Jewish hospitality. The table was laden with food and at last even those who were most hungry were satisfied though much food remained and our hosts pressed us with more good things.

We moved on again our party being the only ones left on the bus; after travelling for some time we came in sight of Nahatal, which we reached after passing through citrus groves, orchards and pine plantations. The bus stopped near the village store and we saw other buildings grouped around, each with its own garden and sheltered with trees. We were met by a gentleman who seemed to know all about us and he welcomed us heartily. Nahatal is a co-operative type of settlement; there is some difference between this type and the communal one. In the latter, the ground is worked by all in common, the people toil and eat together and have no private property; on the other hand the settlement here at Nahatal is of the other type—each farmer working his farm independently; buying and selling is co-operative and ~~are~~ made for social services which are enjoyed by all.

We were separated here, each of us being the guest of different families. We met ~~each other~~ one another at different intervals and compared impressions. The remarks all seemed to be the same effect; "I'm being killed with kindness" says one and tells that his time is almost fully occupied with eating and sleeping. Truly the hospitality and kindness of our hosts was amazing. All the boys have the same tale to tell; Everything possible was done for our comfort, and we were urged to treat the house as our own. Beautiful clean and comfortable beds, delicious food and a continual kindness in our welfare was shown; all these things mean a great deal to a soldier who has been away from the atmosphere of a home for 12 or 18 months.

There is much to be seen here and a great deal to be told of the toil that went into building this settlement. There are about 75 Agriculture blocks; each of 20 to 25 acres. These blocks are of rectangular shape and in the center is the administrative blocks and social welfare buildings. Each home has a garden of trees in front and at the rear are vegetable patches, fowl-pens, barns and yards for the cattle and about 5 acres of pears, oranges, grapes, apples etc; things that one would not expect to see in this climate but apparently they thrive quite well. Outside the inner circle are the fields where maize, barley, wheat etc are grown. Each farmer tends his own land, but for convenience, all crops of the same kind are grown together. From the water tower which we climbed, you can get a view of the whole settlement and one wonders how the people make it pay, but from what we were told it is apparently with great success. There is also a girl's Agricultural school accommodating 200 girls. They come from all over Europe and attend for 2 years; the girls are aged from 17 to 22 years and learn all domestic science, garden, etc. The settlement is about 20 years old and great difficulties had to be overcome in the early days. They have had continual trouble with Arabs and therefore have to be on guard at all times in case of any trouble coming from this source.

Each of us was the guest of a farmer where at least one could speak English fluently so we were able to gain information and answers to our queries without any language difficulty. However all gave the impression of being eager to give any help they could; so that we could find out everything about their settlement. After 4 days holiday we left Nahatal to return to the life of soldiering. We were indeed sorry to be going and expressed to our hosts the thoughts that our stay had been too short. We left with real thankfulness that we should for a few days enjoyed the hospitality of these fine people.

*Cpl. W. Fitz*

REPORT ON VISIT TO BEIT ASHITTA SETTLEMENT.

Wed 30 Jul 41.

After a long but interesting journey, the latter part through the famous valley of Esdraelon (Armageddon) we arrived at our destination, the Jewish colony of Beit Ashitta. The colony is situated in the Vale of Esdraelon (Jezreel of the Jews) overlooked by the Biblical landmark of the Mountains of Gilboa which resemble a huge wall to the South. On the East the hills of Trans-Jordan can be seen beyond the village of Beisan.

The settlement is situated below sea level but on the slopes of a low hill overlooking the valley. In 1936, when the colony was founded by a group of young Jewish people, this place was the breeding place of the malaria carrying mosquito and today the colony takes a just pride in informing the visitor that owing to their scientific manner of coping with this bar to their progress, malaria is now unheard of in the neighborhood.

On arrival at Beit Ashitta, we were greeted by Mr. Harry Brook, formerly of Birmingham, who made us feel quite at home among the, to us, novel surroundings.

From the roof of the childrens house he pointed out all the points of the colony and one realized what a splendid effort these people were making, in the face of many difficulties, to build a lasting and productive colony here.

Some of the difficulties encountered have been the lack of water, an unreliable rainfall and much trouble with malcontent Arabs. To our eyes the settlement is progressing very well and the first impression one gains is of the excellent general health of the people, the children especially, being wonderful types of childhood. An interesting point is that Beit Ashitta since 1936 infant mortality has been nil.

Our first evening at the settlement coincided with the arrival on leave of one of the men of the settlement who was a member of the Tobruk Garrison and for this reason the colonists held a supper at which speeches were made welcoming us to the colony of Beit Ashitta, to which I responded. The supper was followed by a dance in which we participated and although the dances were strange to us, the girls were anxious to dance with us with the result that we had a very enjoyable evening.

Thursday.

To-day we were shown around the settlement by Mr. Brook and we were, to say the least, suprized at the spaciousness of every thing. The colony is self contained and besides the usual farming side, the colony maintains a workshop equipped lathes, drills and all the necessary equipment for any engineering work. Then too there exists a small textile mill turning out a very good line of underwear and swimsuits both of cotton and wool, the latter is producee on the colony. We were each presented with a swimsuit as a souvenir. One section of the colony is given over to rabbit hatches, both common and Angora, the former to supplement the meat ration and the latter for their wool.

Next we saw the pride of the settlement ----- the children, the younger ones are looked after by nurses who teach them at about 12 to 18 months to get used to one another and to eat without the usual co-ersion necessary with our children. Children from 2 years up are in a kindergarden where they are allowed a free hand to develop their talents as they will and some ~~sample~~ of their work is very interesting. If in the later years a child shows some ability above the average he or she may be sent to a school in a city or even abroad.

A short walk to the hill behind the colony showed us the afforestation scheme to help the climatic condition of the area, here 30,000 trees are planted in terraces around the hill and tended by one man whose sole job is to water and cultivate them.

In the evening we supped in the dining hall which is also used as a meeting room. When any subject affecting the welfare of the colony arises, a committee deals with the matter, the people possessing the most knowledge of the matter, be they man or woman has control of the business in hand.

Friday.

To-day being the 9th of Ab, except for the essential service no work was done and we were taken out by by the young men of the settlement on a picnic to Gideons spring and thence for a drive to the Jizr ash Sheik Hussein on the Jordan.

On returning to the settlement we were given a farewell dinner

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at which I thanked the people for their hospitality and at their own request told them some of our experiences in Greece and Crete.

Sunday.

The visit ended at 1245 hrs when we were picked up by Lieut. Irwin (2/6) and driven home via Haifa and Ramle. The sentiments expressed by our party were GRATITUDE for the hospitality shown by the settlers and the enjoyable time given during our short stay.

*W. H. P. Rte*  
*VX 8873*

RECE. ADJUT

-2/7 BN

The following is a brief description of four days leave spent at the Jewish settlement of HAZERAH.

Our party of four left camp early in the morning and arrived at the settlement for lunch, where we immediately experienced the wonderful hospitality of the Jewish settlers. Nearly all the food is grown on the farm, and we enjoyed this meal of home cooking, particularly the rich dairy cream.

We rested in the afternoon and <sup>AFTER</sup> supper we were taken to the Communal Hall where we saw some of the Jewish folk-dances and listened to their National songs. We joined in some of these dances which continued well into the morning.

The following day we were taken round and had explained to us their system of farming, which differed in some respects from our own. We passed through the vineyards where the men and women were picking and packing grapes. We also saw orchards of apples, pears, plums, and fields of tomatoes and watermelons. I think the fruit grown here is equal to anything grown in AUSTRALIA. As the rainfall is light, irrigation is necessary, the water being brought by pipes from miles away.

That night we met the secretary who explained to us the system under which they lived, and told us of the struggles they had to pioneer the land, most of which had been useless swamps five years ago. Each member has an equal share of the settlement. All problems and suggestions are discussed at a weekly meeting of the members. Many of the people had professions of Doctors, Barristers, Architects etc in Europe, and we marvelled at how happy and contented they were following the life of farmers. They have no desire to leave this and return to their former professions. Some of these settlements which were formed up to fifteen years ago, are now self-supporting, having their factories for making their own clothes boots etc, also canning factories and distilleries for making their own wine.

One day we were shown through a miniature pine forest about ten years old. There are many of these scattered through the country, also plantations of our own Australian Gums which we were told were invaluable for the drying up of the Malarial swamps.

We spent many happy hours with the children of the settlement whose friendship we soon gained with the gift of sweets. These children do not live with their parents but are housed in nurseries, the youngest in kindergartens of their own, while the elder ones go to a school in a neighboring settlement. Nurses and teachers are in charge of them all. Due to their ideal conditions all the children are particularly healthy and happy with illness practically nil.

When the time came to say Adieu to the many friends we had made, we left with many regrets, and an invitation to return when we next get leave.

We would like you to pass on our thanks to the Jewish National Funds, and Women's Auxillary League of Melbourne who made it possible for us to have this leave.

*H. St. Mahoney*

A Coy 2/7 BN.

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE

OUR VISIT TO SHEFAYIM COLONY

25/6/41

Arriving back in Palestine from Egypt we spent a pleasant four days at Al Jura beach, situated on the shores of the Mediterranean. However all good things come to an end and we returned to Camp, much refreshed in body and mind after our trying experiences in Greece and Crete  
On 25/6/41 a party consisting of;

Cpl R.N.Doran.  
" J.C.Thomson  
" G.J.McMillan  
Pte J.A.Gorton  
" N.W.Maddock

left by bus to proceed to Shefayim Colony, as guests of the members of this colony at the invitation of the Jewish Association of Palestine.

We arrived at the settlement early on the morning of the 25, and were met by an English speaking American born Jew named Al Or, that was his American name, in Hebrew "Eliyahu Tannenbaum". The settlement is situated on the Sharon plains, and in the midst of other Jewish settlements and colonies.

We were taken to our room which was very bright and cheerful and made to feel at home straight away.

First I must explain that Shefayim Colony is called a "Kibuits" which in the Hebrew language means a collective colony or settlement such as Shefayim. The idea is quite an original one, and its success is proved by the prosperous appearance of the estate.

Six years ago this area which covers approx 300 acres of land was just a sandy stretch of country, today as a fertile part of the Sharon plain it stands as a living witness to the hard work and solid endeavour of these people who are refugees from Nazism and all its horrors. From Germany, Poland, Russia, and a host of other oppressed countries they came to build a home for their families in Palestine.

There are approx 250 people and some 60 kiddies living at Shefayim at the present time. The estate is self supporting as crops of all kinds are grown as well as vegetables, vineyards and orange groves, and again both men and women share alike in the work of the estate.

The buildings are quite modern, the plans of which were supplied by friends to the colony.

There are two kinds of Kibuits, the religious, and the non religious, this one being of the latter class. The Kibuits is run very systematically and nothing haphazard in its management, also its ideas are democratically inclined. It does not approve of the power being in the hands of a selected few, rather, as many as is possible of the members are selected for the various committees.

They are as follows;

GENERAL ASSEMBLY. (All adult members of the Kibuits)

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE. (A select few drawn from the G.A.)

KIBUITS COUNCIL. (An extra 13 members plus the 4 above  
making 17 in all)

The Executive Committee consist of the following;

1. Secretary of the Interior.
2. Treasurer.
3. Secretary for Agriculture.
4. Secretary for Labour.

No1s Job

To co-ordinate various committees and see that all resolutions are put into effect.



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### No 2s Job

Manage the Financial affairs of the colony.

### No 3s Job

To see that all branches of the estate are functioning correctly.

### No 4s Job

This man endeavours to find work for members of the Kibuits outside the estate.

The other 13 odd members of the K.C. are representatives from the various committees on the estate.

To become a member of the Kibuits the candidate must work for approx 1 year on the estate, during this period he is more or less on probation. The G.A. observe whether he is diligent about his work and at the expiration of his trial term they vote as to whether he should be accepted as a full member of the Kibuits. If in the affirmative he becomes a member for life.

## GENERAL OUTLINE OF THE KIBUITS ESTATE.

The area of the estate covers about 250 acres, and on this are quite a number of modern buildings, quite a few of them being double storied. Of the latter, one is the nursery, and the other, the "married" quarters.

All vegetables and practically everything in the way of food is grown on the estate. A large water tower supplies the necessary irrigation for the former, as well as for the gardens, laundry, kitchens, baths and showers etc.

The Music room has a fine all wave wireless set installed, also a gramophone for those who prefer recorded music.

The Library is quite simply laid out with a large array of books to choose from.

The Nursery was an eye opener. Here babies from birth to  $1\frac{1}{2}$  years of age are looked after by a competent nurse. The young ones are on the first floor, and from  $\frac{1}{2}$  to 4 years of age on the second floor. The older kiddies have their own miniature showers, their toothbrushes etc are placed in small glasses on shelves which are marked with their name. The bedrooms were neat and tidy, with from 4 to 5 little beds in each room. The playroom had all the assortment of toys one could imagine young children would like.

The Writing room has very dark walls which are very restful to the eyes after the glare of the sun and sand. Writing tables make it very pleasing and easy to write in these surroundings.

Bread is baked in their own bakeries, and all repairing of metal work, including the manufacture of iron bedsteads is done in their own blacksmith shop.

Farm machinery is of the best and latest types, and includes harvesters, tractors, potato diggers and crushers. There is quite a good idea in force with regard to the daily tasks. A Committee called the Assignment Committee meet each night and allot the tasks for the following day. Their job is very similar to that of a Sgt Major. Athankless task:

## OUTSIDE WORK

Working on groves in the vicinity of the estate.

## ESTATE

Pertaining to work done in various parts of the estate eg; Dairying, fowlyards etc.

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SERVICES

Household, laundry, kitchen, communal storeroom etc.

MISCELLANEOUS

Sick list, people on preparatory courses.

On the assignment board are a lot of small blocks of wood with the individuals name printed on them, the boys on a blue block, and the girls on yellow.

On a green block of wood is the place where they are assigned to work which starts at 5.30 in the morning and ends at 4.30 P.M. in the afternoon, except in busy seasons when it may be a little later.

LAUNDRY SYSTEM

<u>Sunday and Monday</u>	Bedding of all kinds ,blankets etc.
<u>Tuesday</u>	Miscellaneous
<u>Wednesdays</u>	Socks and towels
<u>Thursday</u>	Clothes for men (after working hours)
<u>Friday</u>	" "women ( " " " )
<u>Saturday</u>	Men and womens working clothes.

As Saturday is the Jewish Sabbath they try as much as possible to avoid all but the most necessary tasks, such as milking of cows etc

From the laundry the washing is sent to the Communal Storeroom

This is quite an interesting place, on one side of the room are a number of cubby holes with a number under each. Each of the numbers correspond to a name on the roll of the members of the Kibuits. ( eg. A girl by the name of Rachael having the number 34, all washing marked thus is placed in a heap as she arrives from laundry. It is ironed and pressed and any mending done that is necessary. When finished it is placed in NO 34 cubby hole where it stays until collected by Rachael.

All clothes, boots, bedsteads are made on the estate.

Last year the Kibuits were importing seed potatoes from Scotland, however owing to the war they were forced to find another market from which to purchase. After experimenting with a few potatoes they found that some could be kept for long periods in cool storage. A larger building was built where enough potatoes were stored to supply the estate with necessary seed potatoes for a seasons sowing. The store room is kept at a temperature of 4 deg Centigrade.

The dairy is spotlessly clean and a credit to the dairymaid. The cows are hand fed and are of the huge Friesian breed. They are milked three times a day, at 2.00 clock in the morning , 8.30 in the morning, and 4.0'clock in the afternoon. There are 60 cows all told on the estate, these being imported from Holland. The bull on the estate has quite a good name. "Churchill"

In winter time the cows are fed on crushed oranges, and do they like them!

One of the tests carried out on the farm proved that a horse will work faster than a mule, but that a mule will pull more than a horse.

Mr Gvirty is the Muktah of the Kibuits and is responsible to the government for the behaviour of the colony. He is an English born Jew, and speaks French fluently.

MEALS

Breakfast	7.30 A.M.
Lunch	12.30 P.M.
Dinner	4.30 P.M.
Supper	8.00 P.M.

We were treated like kings, and the hospitality of the folk of the Kibuits was wonderful. We were taught a few expressions in Hebrew by our guide and hosts such as;

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<u>Hebrew</u>	<u>English</u>
Toedah rabah	Thank you.
Mah shlomchah !	<u>Masculine singular</u> How are you!
Mah shlomaich !	<u>Femenine singular</u> How are you!
Sleechah	Pardon me.
Yahvoc.	Come in.
Tove	Good
Na- <u>een</u> <u>muode</u>	Glad to have met you.

And a host of others too numerous to mention. Here endeth our first lesson in Hebrew!

MARRIAGE

One cannot judge by looks whether a girl is married or not, as no wedding is worn. When a girl marries she retains her maiden name, and does not take the name of her husband.

In the Kibuits there are no marriage vows to repeat. If a boy sees a girl whom he falls in love with, and she returns his affections and wishes to become his mate he applies to a rooming committee, who supply them with lodgings. He moves to same with his bed and personal belongings, the girl does likewise, and as far as the Kibuits are concerned they are man and wife. Of course if one or the other insist on a legal ceremony, they drive into a neighbouring village and take the vows binding them as man and wife.

Then there are those in the Kibuits who might wish to have a trial marriage. This means that a boy and a girl will live together for a period up to 12 months, and if at the end of that period decide that they are suited to one another will automatically become man and wife. It certainly sounds as if it would save the divorce courts a lot of trouble.

ENTERTAINMENTS

Concerts are held in the Kibuits the same as we have in Australia. One item might be a solo rendered by one of the boys. During the time he is singing and up to the time that he has completed his number a strict silence is maintained. There is no applause!

It is considered bad manners to make any noise at all which would disturb the singer. This does not necessarily mean that the song has not been appreciated as later on in the evening when the concert has finished, the young soloist may be besieged by a number of people who wish him to know how much they enjoyed his singing. The above information could well be passed on to any strangers who might be singing for the first time, for at the end of his item he would surely think something was radically wrong.

We had a wonderful time during the 5 days we spent at Shefayim. We feel that we have learnt a great deal about the Jewish people as a whole, to respect the industrious manner in which they go about their work, and the way they pull together.

But above all we have made friends with folk who are good at heart and all we can say is "Thank you people of Shefayim" for giving us an educational holiday and a wonderful time.

We were particularly interested in the kiddies and like the good old "Aussie Boomerang" we will come back and see you again. So we say!

Na een Muode Very pleasant

Luchayim. With our Wishes of All the Best.

J. C. Thomson

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE

Jewish Settlement Tour by members of 2/7 Aust. Inf. Bn.

We will endeavour to tell you something about our trip to a Jewish Co-operative farm. This five day holiday trip was made possible by the 2/7th. Battalion Womens Auxiliary and the kindly hospitality of the Jewish people towards the Aussie soldiers.

We departed from Camp early on Wednesday 25th. Jun., arriving at our destination late in the afternoon. We were met by the manager and quite a number of people from the settlement who made us feel, immediately, at home. After making us some afternoon lunch we made our first tour down around the cow - sheds where the hands were busy milking. Their herd comprised of 110 Friesian cross cows. By the time we had had a good look through and seen their Stills for canning milk for the market the evening was drawing close and the Settlement bell was ringing for all hands to knock off and get dressed for tea.

After we had our tea, all the young folk gathered around us, and wanted to know all about Australia and our successful campaign through the Western Desert. They kept us all very busy, and what made it harder, was that we had to tell our interpreter first so he could translate it in Hebrew, as very few people can speak English.

It was very late when we decided to go off to bed, and didn't we enjoy our sleep, nice springy beds and white sheets. Quite different from what we Biggers are used to. Very early next morning we could hear the Jewish folk going off to work, and it was quite dark. We all got up in time for breakfast which was 0730 hrs.

After having our meal we made off to have a good look around the buildings. The first sight that caught our eye was two men busy straightening out old wire which had been used for trussing Hay. Our guide "Joe" told us, while the war was on, wire was very dear and hard to get so they saved it all for next year's harvest; then in the same shed we saw two women busy cleaning Phospatum seed by hand. Some men were busy crushing Oats and Barley nearby. This Colony grew Australian wheat last year, for the first time, and it proved very successful.

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2/7 Aust. Inf. Bn.,  
10th, Jul. 41

Report on MAOZ Jewish Settlement Leave

On behalf of the group who visited the MAOZ (stronghold) Jewish Settlement I wish to thank the organization for the wonderful time they gave us during our stay. I also wish to thank the 2/7 Btn. Womens Committee who were responsible for the transport to and from the Settlement.

The MAOZ Settlement consists of about 2,000 acres and a population of 250 adults and 60 children.

The Settlement is governed by a committee of 4 members :- President, Minister for Interior, Minister for Exterior and Minister for Finance. There is also a leave Committee of three. If a person wishes to leave the Settlement they must first have permission of the committee who will then give them the leave and money required if they consider the leave is justified, but they have the power to alter the leave destination and time or cancel same.

There is a Culture committee of 5 members, who receive a monthly allowance to purchase music and books and also arrange entertainments. Once a month they have a Moving Picture show which is supplied by a travelling Theatre that visits all settlements

The Zionist movement gives the Settlements all possible assistance during its early stages by purchasing the land and then giving it to them on a 99 year lease, and also giving them financial assistance. The land is purchased from the Arabs.

All members of the Settlement are called together once a year for Elections. Every person, providing they have been on the Settlement for a period of over 12 months, have to vote. If at a meeting of the people any member is considered undesirable they have no alternative but to leave. They are given monetary assistance. Any person wishing to leave the Settlement to go to the City are given a reference and found a position.

Military:- There are 15 men of the ~~MAOZ~~ Chaffirs Special Settlement Police trained in military matters. This is run by the Government and a certain number of them are paid.

The Maoz Settlement is situated in the Jordan Valley about 1 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> miles from the river. The country is flat and fertile.

The inhabitants do not require money as everything is provided by the Committee.

If a person is ill they are taken to the Settlement Hospital and if the case is of a serious nature they are transferred to a City Hospital. Before the War all patients discharged from the Hospital were sent to Europe to re-cuperate and all expenses were paid by the Committee.

Money is sent by the Zionist Government, through Geneva, to all Refugees in Germany and Nazi occupied countries.

Signed,

Sgt. K. Cockman.

## JEWISH SETTLEMENT LEAVE REPORT

I wish on behalf of my Group to express my appreciation for the wonderful hospitality accorded to us from the people of Hazorea Farm. In such a short space of time (5 years) the progress made by such a few people is almost unbelievable. The farm is situated 15 miles from Haifa in the valley of Israel. Five years ago this fertile valley was one big swamp and Malaria belt. The Arabs avoided this particular part and lived up in the surrounding hills. These people came and made this settlement under very hard and trying conditions, not only did they have to fight against disease, but had to ward off attacks from the hostile Arabs. Now they are the proud owners of a well kept compact farm that cannot be spoken highly enough of. Each man has his own particular job to do, and all profits are pooled. A kindergarden is situated in the farm, staffed by their own trained Nurses, here Mothers leave their children while they go about their duties.

There are some 200 people on the farm, of which there are 40 married couples and 30 children.

One particular sight reminded us of home, and this was the sight of hundreds of rabbits, which they breed for their own use.

It can be safely assured that we upheld the good name of the A.I.F. and I can safely say on behalf of the others, Ptes Waters, Carter, Cook, and Pevitt that we thoroughly enjoyed every moment spent there. We only hope that in the near future we will be able to visit our friends again.

.VX.5554.Sgt.McDonald.A.....SIGNED

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## VISIT TO SHEYAFIN COLONY

We arrived at settlement at approx 1010 hrs and our first impression was very pleasant. We were met by an English speaking Jew who showed us to our room which was spick and span, and very comfortable indeed. Had a lovely meal and then were shown around by our English speaking friend who acted as our Host.

### Laundry and system of Washing

Sundays and Mondays. Bedding of all kinds.

Tuesday. Miscellaneous.

Wednesday. Socks and Towels

Thursday. Clothes for men.

Friday. Clothes for women

Saturday. Men and womens clothes for working.

These people try to avoid working on Saturday which is their Sabbath, but certain work must be done.

Kibuits is the name given to the settlements such as these. It is a term which means "Original". Here everything is done on a collective basis.

Six years ago this area was just a stretch of sandy country, today 250 adults and a number of children get their living from it. Every colony has its own complete shopping centre, and grows all its own food. It has its own bakehouses, bootmakers and repairing shops, tailoring etc, so the colony is more or less self supporting.

Members are allowed two weeks Vacation per year.

Work starts at 0530 each morning and ends at 1600 hrs.

### Fundamentals of a Kibuits

General Assembly. Everyone

Executive Council. Selected 4.

Kibuits Council. 17.

When a new member arrives he is put on probation for one year, before being made a full member of the Kibuits.

The people are very up to date in their methods, tractors are used, and a cool storage plants available for storing seed potatoes and such like needs, making a big difference as far as costs and stocks are concerned as previously these had to be imported from Scotland.

Dairying methods are both hygienic and modern, the cows, numbering 60 in the colony, are Friesian stock and imported from Holland. Milking is done three times daily, at 2 A.M. 8.30 A.M, and again at 4 P.M.

Orange trees are young as yet, but here again modern watering methods have been adopted.

Marriage customs are strange to us, but judging by the happiness of the people, and the contented manner in which they go their way, are very sensible. Couples intending to marry, apply to the Rooming Committee for a room, and on obtaining this move into together. By doing this they are accepted as Man and Wife, although they may go through a legal ceremony if they so wish. Couples may also live together on probation for a certain period, and at the end of that time, find they are suited to one another, become Man and Wife.

Our stay here has been a very pleasant one indeed, and we leave with a much better knowledge and understanding of the Jewish peoples way's and customs, and a very fine impression of them.

We owe our thanks to these people for their kindness and hospitality, and also to the 7 Bn Regt Funds, who by their kindness in supplying transport free of charge made this trip possible for us.

So ends a wonderful holiday, and the only complaint we have to lodge in one respect, was that it was far too short.

Cpl McMillan G.J.



REPORT on LEAVE to KIBBUTY TEL-AMAL

On arrival at the Colony (the inhabitants of which, in the main, were Germans and Poles) we were greeted by a member of the opposite sex who spoke English fluently.

Having had lunch, we were conducted on a tour of the farm and were greatly impressed with the Americanised system of dairying, poultry raising and scientific breeding, which is so pronounced in the colony and augurs well for the future prosperity of the settlement.

The people were very anxious to know of any differences as between the Australian and Palestinian methods of farming and like them, we gave any helpful information we could.

One of our party became ill and was immediately taken in charge by a trained nurse, who cared for him during the remainder of our stay. She placed him on a special diet and this was only one of the many kindly gestures that will remain in our recollections of the visit - what we will always remember - to an assuredly hospitable people and this, coupled with the enjoyment derived from the tour, leaves us hoping that we have the opportunity of re-visiting the colony in the near future.

To the members of 2/7 Bn Womens' Auxilliary we extend our warmest thanks for their efforts in making such an outing possible for us to avail ourselves of.

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SETTLEMENT LEAVE REPORT

Supplementary  
to Aug. W.D.  
2/7 Austr Inf. Bn

BAW 21 1942

On behalf of the other four members of the party that visited Gwath Settlement in Northern Palestine, I wish to express our sincere thanks for the manner in which they treated us during our short stay in their settlement. It was really astounding, the way in which they welcomed us to their homes, one would have thought that they had known us for years.

The few people who could speak English, were very anxious to know the conditions and the way in which things were carried out in Australia. In this we were very fortunate, as all of our party came from different walks in life, and so we were able to give them a fair description on matters that were of interest to them.

The farm itself covers an area of about 2000 acres, and practically the whole of this area is under cultivation, this being watered by modern irrigation methods.

The farm is practically self supporting, the only items purchased from outside are tea, coffee, sugar, salt and pepper, in the way of food stuffs. In the clothing line, cloth and leather are imported from outside and made up to the finished article on the farm

Any surplus of vegetables etc are taken to the markets and sold, the money obtained from sale of same is handed to the committee, who have a fund for this purpose, being for improvements and general good of the people.

We left with the feeling that everyone was quite happy and contented in their present surroundings. We wish to express our thanks to the 2/7 Bn Womens Auxilliary for having made this trip possible.

.VX.5845.Cpl.Foot.G.....SIGNED