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47 Infantry Battalion

April 1945

WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

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(Adapted)

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Unit 47 Aust Inf Bn Date and Time.—From 1 Apr 45 To 30 Apr 45

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
TOROKINA PERIMETER	1		Bn. rest day, Church Parade at 0830 hrs.	
		0930	"O" Gp. Conference re training policy of the Bde. Comd.	
		1830	Maj. Mc.Kay visited the area.	
		1930	Pictures in Bn. area - "None but the Lonely Heart". Weather fine, slight shower at 1400 hrs. Screed - C.O's. Conference	Appx 1.
	2	0900	29 Aust Inf Bde. Athletic Meeting. Won by 15 Bn.	
		1200	Lt. Col. Coombes relinquished Command.	
		1830	Commencing 021830 L, two Sec. Standing Patrols at PIVA- KOROMOKINA RDS and PIVA-CRAIG RDS.	
			Maj. Gregory marched out on Leave. Maj Watch assumed Adm. Comd.	
		1930	Inter Bde. (15 Bde v 29 Bde) Boxing Tournament held at VICTORIA PARK, attended by Maj. Gen. Bridgeford. Results 15 Bde 5 Wins 2 draws, 29 Bde 4 wins 2 draws.	

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TOROKINA PERIMETER	2		47 Bn Operation Order No 8/45	Appx 2.
	3	0900	Bn Parade, inspection by Bde. Comd. Brig. N.W. Simpson. New patrol routes in new area of responsibility - 3 one day patrols and 1 two day patrol.	
		1900	Training films in Bn area - "Battle for Russia", and "Battle for China".	
			Weather fine, with high wind at 1830 hrs.	
			A.M.F. Routine Orders Part 1 No. 35	Appx 3.
	4		Weather warm and fine.	
			A.M.F. Routine Orders Part 1 No. 36.	Appx 4.
	5	0930	Brig. Simpson visited the Bn area, witnessed A Coy tactical exercise.	
		1900	Cpts. Mc.Donald, Harkin, Anderson, and Lts. Cassera, Dugard Delohery, Evans attended Bde lectures, by Lt, Col. Mears	

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TOROKINA PERIMETER	5	1900	"Amb Units in the Field", and Maj. Austin (BM) "Orders".		
		1915	Bn Quiz Competition, HQ No.1 team defeated Bn. H.Q. team 10 points to 8. Weather fine.		
	6	1900	Lecture to officers by Lt. Delohery (IO) - "Patrol Reports". Weather fine.		
		7	1130 1400	Lt.Col. Mc.Donald (15 Bn) visited Bn. C.O. and I.O. visited 42 Bn, thence on recce of F.D.L'S., and Standing Patrols.	
	3	1915		Bn Quiz Competition, D Coy team defeated C Coy. Weather - Heavy rain throughout the day.	
				3008 and 3009 A.M.F. Routine Orders Part 1 No. 37	Appx 5. Appx 6.
	8			Bn rest day, Church Parade 0830 hrs.	

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TOROKINA PERIMETER	8		Rained heavily all day.		
		1915	Pictures in Bn area - "Kings Row".		
		2330	Coo-eeing heard N.E. of Bn H.Q. in jungle		
	9	0830	Bn Parade held.		
		0900	Patrol left to investigate coo-eeing, and on return reported no tracks and N.M.S.		
		1400	Maj. Watch visited 42 Bn, to meet Senator Frazer and C.G.S. Lt. Gen. Northcott.		
		1600	C.O's. Conference.		
		1815	Bn Quiz Competition, H.Q. No. 1 team defeated B Coy 10 points to 9.		
				Outline of Training for week ending 15 Apr.	Appx 7
		10	1000	Maj. Windsor rejoined unit, ex 2/3 Con Depot - posted Q.C. H.Q. Coy.	

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H. 100M 2/72

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TOROKINA PERIMETER	10		Lt. Hope marched to 29 Bde Flame-thrower School	
		1915	Training films in Bn area - "Battle for Britain", "Radio Transmission", "Muller gives thanks".	
			Weather, hot and fine.	
			A.M.F. Routine Orders Part 1 No 38	Appx 8.
			Outline Plan for occupation of F.D.L's.	Appx 9.
	11		A.M.F. Routine Orders Part 1 No 39	Appx 10.
	12	0930	Bde. Comd. Brig. Simpson visited Bn area, inspected training of A and C Coy's.	
		1915	Lecture by Maj Watch - "Battle Procedure".	
			Weather fine, slight showers during night.	
	13	1900	Lectures at Bde by Maj Austin(BM), and Capt. Faulkes (SC).	
		"Op Instns", and "Military Writing", Officers attending Cpts. Mc.Donald, Harkin, Anderson. Lts. Dugard, Delohery, Evans and Cassera.		

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
TOROKINA PERIMETER	13		A.M.F. Routine Orders Part 1 No 40	Appx 11
	14	0900	All officers and N.C.O's attended Flame-thrower demonstration by 15 Bn.	
		1100	Carrier Pigeon No 185 found in C Coy area, and returned to Pigeon Loft by Bde Sigs.	
			3008 and 3009	Appx 12
	15	0830	All officers attended lecture by Brig. Simpson at Memorial Park, subject "Policy and Preparedness for War".	
			C Coy relieved D Coy of patrolling responsibility.	
			Bn Church Parade.	
		1915	Pictures in Bn area - "Gaslight".	
			A.M.F. Routine Orders Part 1 No 41	Appx 13
	16	0830	Bn Parade.	
		0930	New C.O. Lt Col W.G.FRY arrived at Bn.	

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TOROKINA PERIMETER	16	1700	Address by Lt Col W.G. FRY to all officers in Officers Mess.	
		1800	C.O. and 2i/c visited Bde.	
		1830	Dance held at O/R's Club, attended by 20 personnel from Bn.	
			A.M.F. Routine Orders Part 1 No 42	Appx 14.
			Outline of Training for week ending 22 Apr	Appx 15.
	17	2000	Weather, heavy showers rain	
	18	0900	C.O. witnessed D Coy's tactical exercise	
		0930	Maj. Austin (B.M.) visited Bn/	
		2030	Light showers of rain fell.	
		19	0900	C.O. visited 2/1 A.G.H.
	1930	C.O. and 2/ic visited 42 Bn.		
	2000	Heavy rain throughout the night		
20	1000	D Coy tactical exercise witnessed by C.O.		
		Light rain during morning and afternoon.		

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TOROKINA PERIMETER	20	1915	2nd Round Quiz Competition, 47 Bn defeated 29 Bde LOB.	
	21	0600	5 Pl came under comd 15 bn and moved to 785680	
		1915	Pictures in Bn area - "Lake Placid Serenade".	
			Weather clear	
			3008 and 3009	Appx 16
			A.M.F. Routine Orders Part 1 No 43	Appx 17
			A.M.F. Routine Orders Part 1 No 44	Appx 18
			Report on Training	Appx 19
	22	0830	Bn Church Parade	
		1915	Pictures in Bn area - "The Keys to the Kingdom"	
		Weather clear, light showers during night		
23	0600	Lt Delohery (I.O.) and 1 OR of Int Sec moved to TOKO area		
	0830	Bn Parade		
	1700	Pronounced earth tremor felt		

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TOROKINA PERIMETER	23		Notes on C.O.'s Conference	Appx 20
		1815	Storm broke, heavy rain throughout night	Appx 21
			A.M.F. Routine Orders Part 1 No 45	Appx 22
	24		Outline of Training	
		1000	Bde Comd and C.O. visited C Coy tactical exercise	
		1815	Pictures in Bn area - "A Woman in a Window"	
	25		Weather, heavy rain fell 1530-1700 hrs	
		0800	ANZAC DAY Memorial Service held	
		1000	Bde Comd and C.O. visited C Coy tactical exercise	
	26	1915	A.E.S. Pictures in Bn area - "Tanks, Map Reading, Camouflage"	
			Weather fine	
			A.M.F. Routine Orders Part 1 No 46	Appx 23
	1000	C.O. visited C Coy tactical exercise		

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TOROKINA PERIMETER	26	1530	Weather, heavy rain fell	
			A.M.F. Routine Orders Part 1 No 47	Appx 24
	27	0630	"R" Gp left for recce of new area vicinity SHINRU CREEK, and returned 2030 hrs	
	28	0600	Bn Advance Party u/c Major Watch departed for MOTUPENA PT	
		0800	Warning Order issued	Appx 25
			3008 and 3009	Appx 26
			Report on Training	Appx 27
			47 Bn Movement Table	Appx 28
	29		47 Bn O.O.9/45 issued	Appx 29
	30	0720	C and D Coy with attached tps moved en route MOTUPENA PT.	
		1940	Notification of Bn closing	Appx 30

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47 Aust Inf Bn
1 Apr 45

The following notes are issued as a Summary of the points discussed at the above conf following on the Conf of C.O.'S at Bde when the Bde Comd outlined his general policy.

1. DISCIPLINE - Standard of discipline affects standard of morale of a Unit. Keep close watch on in all its respects - cleanliness shaving etc.
2. SHIRTS - Observance of Malaria Precautions as per Standing Orders. This must be policed. Shirts must be tucked into trousers.
3. HATS - Correct Dents.
4. SALUTING - Insist on 'Dont be satisfied to overlook breaches.
5. SERVICEABILITY OF CLOTHING AND EQUIPMENT - Go through all clothing and eqpt carefully and check up on all pers to ensure that every man will be prepared to go into action in 6 weeks with 2 good sets of clothes. Advise by 081600L clothing that is not likely to be serviceable by middle of May. Practise economy and early repairs.
6. INSPECTION OF ARMS - Must be daily, both in and out of action. All weapons will pass through LAD and/or armourers during next 3 weeks.
7. TPT - When tpt is allotted to Coy or part thereof maintenance supervision and care of tools becomes the responsibility of the Coy Comd or Officer in command of det.
8. COOKING IN THE FIELD - In action must provide at least one hot meal per day. Coy cooking is preferable to sec or PI cooking. Advise by 1600 hrs 4 Apr 45 names of any bakers who could be sent to Field Bakery for training.
9. MALARIA PRECAUTIONS - Necessity for PL atabrin Roll Book to be kept safeguard for PI Comd.
10. HYGIENE - Keep close check on all the time.
11. DAILY PARADE STATES - Cut down essential duties to A and Q, Cooks and Offsiders, Hygiene.
12. STAFFS AND INDOOR WORKERS - Ensure staffs and indoor workers have time for exercise and recreation.
13. CONTROLLED STORES - Coy Comd must know exactly where every item of controlled stores is at any time. Hold snap kit inspections.
14. CANTEEN - Must be run strictly in accordance with GR0 339/44.
15. COMFORT COMMITTEES - Unit to write to Mayors of Bundaberg Gympie and Maryborough.
16. TRG - (a) Think carefully on object of trg and approach to it. DO not do any trg that is not applicable to this particular campaign.
(b) Batmen to come under RSM for trg 2 afternoons per week. RSM will contact Coys re this.
(c) Support PIs to be kept up to strength also I See and Sigs.
(d) RPs will come under I.O. for training - traffic control, layout of Bn HQ's, map reading, reading of battle boards etc.
17. RANGE PRACTICES - Consider practices at service targets. Firing at head and shoulder targets from pits - normal and rapid. Teach fire discipline and conservation of amm.

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18. PATROLLING AND ADVANCE - Only pers who need to be in single file need to be the leading section or at the most the vanguard. Remainder move in file.
19. BAYONET TRG - Make it vigorous. Have bags to practice on.
20. COMD IN BATTLE - Coys must understand that in the event of the C.O. being a cas in action the Adjt or I.O. might have to carry on until the arrival of the battle 2 I/C. There orders are to be taken as coming from the C.O.. Same principle will apply in Coys.
21. L.O.B - Might be the policy to have in LOB 2I/C, Cpy 2I/Cs and spare NCO's etc. Pers left in that case need to be of good quality in order to act if required as nucleus if Bn badly depleted.
22. Adj Pl weapons must be carried in battle.
23. Coy Comds need to prepare and conduct lectures to Offrs and NCO's of Coy.
24. TRG PERIODS - Should not exceed 3/4 hr.
25. B Ech in battle- All pers in the Bn are basically fighting men. "Breakdowns" must not be allowed to think they can go or be sent back to B Ech.
26. DIAGRAMMATIC LAYOUT OF A SECTION POST - Wprd "perimeter" is to be regarded as out. Bde Comd insists on defence in depth. On capture of a position - quick reorganisation and consolidation. Get into holes immediately and be prepared to fight from these. See diagram issued at Conference.
27. MOSQUITO NETS - Must be carried into Action even into FDLs.
28. SYLLABUS - Must show all lessons being taught. Include full reference in remarks. Write lessons opposite subject to which they apply.
29. DAIRY SYLLABUS - Give location and exact times. Stick to location unless some change is caused by unforeseen circumstances. Notify Bn HQ of any changes.
30. PDE STATES Coy and Pl Officers to carry detailed daily parade state.

E. J. Handley
..... Capt
Adjnt 47 Aust Inf Bn

DISTRIBUTION

All Coys
C.O.
2 I/C
Adjnt
Q.M.
A/Adjnt
R.M.O.
I.O.
R.S.M.
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Ref Map: TOROKINA 1 inch series No 4895

INFM:

ENEMY:- As per current sitreps and Int Summaries.

OWN TROOPS :-

- (a) 15 Aust Inf Bde is in the process of moving from its present location to a forward op area.
- (b) 42 Aust Inf Bn is to move during the week ending 8 Apr 45 to area at present occupied by 24 Aust Inf En.
- (c) 15 Aust Inf Bn is to maintain but not occupy until advise outpost posn at HILL 2523 6598.
- (d) 15 Aust Inf Bn will patrol daily area of responsibility as shown in Appx "A".
- (e) 42 Aust Inf Bn will take over as from 031830L area of responsibility TOROKINA R 673943 - road and track junc 694926 - coast 678872 - 651876 - NORTH along TOROKINA R.

3. INTENTION 47 Aust Inf Bn will prevent any en attempt to

- (a) Penetrate the TOROKINA BASE AREA along that portion shown in appx as its responsibility.
- (b) Sabotage any installation placed under its protection.

4. METHOD AREA OF RESPONSIBILITY
Att trace shown as Appx "A".

5. TASK
- (i) Actively patrol and defend the area of responsibility allotted to it.
 - (ii) Prevent any en infiltration into that area.

6. BOUNDARIES Shown on Appx A.

7. OUTPOST :-
- (a) A Coy will maintain Coy outpost at Hill 2220 6398.
 - (b) Outpost posns will NOT be occupied but will be prepared for occupation at short notice on receipt of warning order.
 - (c) Once occupied outposts will NOT be withdrawn without prior approval of Bde HQ.

8. OPERATIONAL PATROLLING
- (a) B Coy will thoroughly search Bn area of responsibility between the FDL and outpost line daily during the hours of daylight with 3 patrols of 1 NCO and 3 each.
 - (b) Patrol with one sec every two days along the following route.

HILL 2200 6398 - due EAST along ridge to 640986 - JABA R at 63997 - thence JABA R to river junc 620002 - thence LEFT bank of LARUMA RIVER to rd crossing 603000 - thence NUMA NUMA RD to Unit.
Every second day the route will be reversed.

9. STANDING PATROLS Commencing 021830L, B Coy will provide standing patrols as follows.

- (i) Strength each one sec with task of prevention of any en infiltration into FDLs at 631963 and 626966.
 - (ii) One sec under comd of an Officer at the following intersections of the def area entrance roads from 1830 hrs until 0630 hrs daily. Cnr CRAIG and PIVA Rds. Cnr KOROMOKINA and PIVA Rds
- Double sentries will be mounted and patrols so placed that the rds entering the main traffic roads are completely covered. All traffic will be stopped either entering or leaving main traffic rds and bona fides of all pers thoroughly investigated. Traffic along main rds will NOT be hindered.

10. MOB RES

- (a) D Coy will be maintained as a Bde mob res and will be prepared to move immediately to any threatened point within the Bn area of responsibility on orders from Bde. HQ.
- (b) Plans will be prepared fbr:
 - (i) A move on the basis of tpt being available.
 - (ii) A move by route march.
- (c) This Coy constituting the Bde res will NOT be committed without authority from Bde HQ

11. OCCUPATION OF FDLs

As it is anticipated that 48 hrs warning will be given of any intended attack FDLs will not be manned continuously.

12. TRG

Coys not engaged in patrolling will continue normal trg. Patrolling, outpost posn, Bde res and work parties will be shared by Coys in rotation on a weekly basis.

- 13. Local def and security measures within TCROKINA perimeter.
See att Appx "B"

- 14. Action to be taken on receipt of warning order.
 - (a) Outpost posn Hill 2220 will be occupied by one Coy.
 - (b) FDL will be manned continuously.

- 15. As from 021830L this O.O. will cancel method paras of O.O. 7/45.

16. ADM

No Change,

17. INTERCOMM

No Change.

E. H. ...
 Capt
 Adjnt 47 Aust Inf Bn

Ack
Signed at
Issued by

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APPX B TO 47 AUST INF BN 00 8/45

1. Unit Security Picquets

(a) All Coys will maintain security Picquets under comd of a Picquet Offr appointed by Bn HQ within Unit Lines from 1830 hrs till 0630 hrs daily. Strength of Picquets will be a minimum of 15% of Unit strength in Camp. A Minimum of 5% of picquet strength will be maintained continuously on duty. Double sentries will be mounted and NOT placed in obvious posns.

(b) Picquet Offr will inspect security picquets at least 3 times during the night at irregular intervals. He will wear a white distinguishing arm band.

(c) Normal Unit gds will be mounted by day.

2. Personal Weapons will only be carried under the following circumstances.

(a) Parties detailed as authorised gds or patrols.

(b) Parties proceeding on duty and ordered to carry arms by CO consequent on the nature of the duty.

(c) Escorts to members of the Women's Service and ATIS.

3. Alarm Sig

(a) Alarm sig for local security stand to will be a series of short blasts or the whistle.

(b) Stand Down e.g. will be a series of long blasts on the whistle.

(c) In the evnt of the alarm sig being sounded in any area Duty Offr Bn HQ will be notified immediately by telephone.

4. Warning Sig

In the event of a definite threat a gen warning will be issued from this HQ. On receipt of this warning all tps will stand to until the sig to stand down is issued by this HQ. This warning sig must NOT be confused with the warning sig for the occupation of FDLs.

5. Entertainments

(a) Pers attending any form of entertainment outside their own Unit lines will be restricted to NOT more than 75% on any one night, and such pers will NOT carry arms.

(b) 47 Aust Inf Bn will be responsible for the security of MEMORIAL PARK during the time entertainments are being held there.

(c) All Coys will be responsible for the security of any place of entertainment within Coy Lines during the time entertainments are being held there. HQ Coy will be responsible for Theatre area.

(d) Security of entertainment areas will be based on Standing patrols and roving picquets.

(e) If any entertainment is being held in a Coy a sig will be sent to this HQ by 1000 hrs on the day of the entertainment.

(f) On order from this HQ any entertainment may be cancelled before or during the performance.

6. Vehs will NOT under any circumstances at any time pick up casual pers.

7. Suspicious events All suspicious events will be reported to this HQ by the fastest means, as will the details of the subsequent investigation.

8. Mvt within perimeter Unit pers of oriental appearance will NOT under any circumstances move from Unit Lines without protective gds.

9. Passwords for use in the perimeter will be issued weekly by Bde HQ to the Unit and promulgated as before.

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

ROUTINE ORDERS

Op No 35
3 Apr 45

PART 1

by

LT COL C. J. A. COOMBS COMD 47 AUSTRALIAN INF BATTAL

115. Duties Mounting 1800 hrs 3 Apr 45

Duty Coy.	A Coy	LT GORSON
Next for Duty	C Coy	LECHRISTIE
Picquet Offr Mounting 1800 hrs 3 Apr 45		LT WOODHEAD

J. Thawlin, Dept
Adjt 47 Aust Inf Bn

NOTICES

INSTRUCTIONS FOR INDUSTRIAL TRAINING DIVISION - DEPT OF LABOUR AND NATIONAL SERVICE. (Ref GPO Notices 16 Mar 45)

In connection with the Commonwealth Reconstruction Training Scheme, The Dept of Labour and National Service will require many additional trade instructors in Technical Schools and colleges and similar training organisations, particularly in the Building trade. Instructors in Art and applied Art, science and applied science, mathematics, commerce, needlecraft and home management courses of various types will also be needed.

Applicants are required to be fully qualified in the branch of technical work for which application is made and should preferably have had some experience as instructors. Selected applicants without satisfactory teaching experience may be required to undergo a short intensive course of training during which the appropriate rates for instructors will be paid.

Successful applicants will be appointed as temporary instructors by the appropriate State Public Service authority.

Application forms and conditions of training and employment may be obtained from the Deputy Director of Industrial Training in the State in which appointment is desired.

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The address/of the respective Deputy Directors are as follows:-
Australian Capital Territory - Canberra Technical College, New South Wales - Sydney Technical College, Ultimo, Sydney. Victoria - V.C.A. Building, Flinders Street, Melbourne. Queensland - Dept of Public Instruction, Brisbane. South Australia - Education Dept, Adelaide. Western Australia - Perth Technical College, Perth. Tasmania - Education Dept, Hobart.

TESTING OF SILENT SENTRY DEVICES

Verey Lights appearing in Coy Areas tonight between 2000 hrs and 2100 hrs will be from Silent Sentry Devices being tested.

PICTURES

Tonight 3 Apr 45 at Picture Theatre 1915 hrs.

AAES SHOW: BATTLE FOR CHINA 65 Mins.
BATTLE FOR RUSSIA 100 Mins.

(ALL TALKIE SHOW)

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A DCM was held on 23 Mar 45 for the trial of Q121601 PTE REX R G
47 AUST INF BN.

CHARGE A A I2 (I) (a) WOAS DESERTING HIS MAJESTY'S SERVICE in that
he in the Field absented himself without leave from 0800 hrs 3 Dec 44
until 1700 hrs on the 14 Jan 45 with intent to evade embarkation
with his Unit for service overseas.

FINDING: NOT Guilty of Desertion but Guilty of A W L.

SENTENCE: 60 DAYS FIELD PUNISHMENT AND FORFEITURE OF 60 DAYS PAY.

47 AUST INF BN

CANTEEN A/C

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR PERIOD ENDING 25 MAR 45

EXPENDITURE

INCOME

TO Stock on Hand	409-12-8	By Sales	1372-14-8	
Purchases:-		ADCS	1372-14-8	
A D C S	1285-12-0	Cigs	67-6-6	
Cigs	57-10-0	Returns	22-11-10	
Stamps	40-0-0	Less (goods)	3-15-3	
Returns	5-7-6	Stamps	40-0-0	1606-8-3
	1388-0-6			
Gross profit:		Stock on hand:		
Cigs	16-4-0	ADCS	373-7-10	
Stamps	NIL	Stamps	3-0	
A D C S	70-0-5	Cigs	4-7-6	377-18-4
	86-4-5			
	1884-6-7			1884-6-7

STATEMENT OF AFFAIRS AS AT 25 MAR 45

LIAILITIES

ASSETS

Capital A/C	767-13-0	Cash on hand	91-2-5
Gross Profit		Cash in Bank	281-13-11
86-4-5		Stock:	
Less Losses		ADCS	373-7-10
3-15-3		Stamps	3-0
		Cigs	4-7-6
82-9-2			377-18-4
Nett Profit		Debtors:	
to Regtl Funds	82-9-2	B Coy	12-5-6
		C Coy	3-16-7
Creditors:		HQ Coy	5-0
"D" Coy	8-16-8	Bn HQ	5-17-0
		Offr Mess	23-14-1
		Regtl Funds	58-4-4
			104-2-6
		Fittings	4-1-10
	858-18-10		858-18-10

We certify that the above statements are true and correct according to the Books, Accounts and Vouchers produced and the information given us.

J.R. WATCH Maj) AUD
) IT
 P. CASSERA LT) ORS

A DCM was held at Q'ld L of C Area on 14 Mar 45 for the trial of QX55836 PTE COE GE.W. 47 AUST INF BN.

CHARGE WQAS, DHMS with intent permanently to absent himself from his Military Duty, AWL from 0900 hrs 14 Oct 44 until he was arrested at 1630 hrs 19 Feb 45 dressed in civilian clothes. A.A. 12 (1) (a).

FINDING GUILTY

SENTENCE Imprisonment with hard labour 2 years.
Forfeiture of 875 days pay.

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FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

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At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 7/4/1945. 47 ANST INF BN (Unit)

W.E. 11/1243 OFFRS. 33 O.R.'s. 769 + OFFRS. 1 O.R.'s. 35 ATT. BY W.E.

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

W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.					
1	2	3	4		5	6	7	8	9	10
Rein'ts Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein'ts Required.	
-	-	-	1	*						
1	1	-	2	*						
1	1	-	8	Lieut.-Colonels						
-	-	7	27	Majors	AAMC	1	-	-	-	
				Captains						
				Lieutenants						
				Quarter-masters						
				A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.						
				Civilians Counting as Offrs.						
2	2	7	38			1	-	-	-	

	DETAIL	A.I.F.	C.M.F.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.N.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL.	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	**	TOTAL.
Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in para. 10 of instructions for compilation of form will complete Part E(1) & E(2).	A.	37	A1 (1AIF-B1)								38
	E.(1)	1	(ATT AAMC)								1
	E.(2)	1	(ATT 29 ANST INF BN)								1

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

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

OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit From.	Date.	CAUSE.
Qx43161	LT	PARSLOW T	RETD TO UNIT	2-4-45	EX HOSPITAL

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit To.	Date.	CAUSE.
Vx55	Maj (died)	COOMBS CJA	M/O TO NGDD DET TOROKINA	2-4-45	FOR MONT TO G.D.D (MELB) MED CLASS B1.
Qx6183	MAJ	GREGORY R.C	M/O REC LEAVE TO MAINLAND VIANGDD DET (TOROKINA)	2-4-45	24 DAYS ARL
Qx52316	LT	McLELLAN C.J.	EVAC MDS 7/45 TO A-A-45	4-4-45	TISSUE AND.

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO 47 ANST INF BN (Unit) IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED. 7/APR/1945.

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

NIL

47 Aust Inf Bn Unit

Alan Deary

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PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 7/4/1945 (Total to agree with Columns 4 and 7 of Part A.)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held.	Army Number.	Surname.	Initials.	Posting.	Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No)	If not present with Unit, state how employed.	Date of Detachment.
MAJ(T/COL)	VX55	COOMBS	CJA	C.O	NO	NGDD DET (TOROKINA) FOR MOB TO GDD (MALS) Auth: 2 Aust Corps MS156 of 1 Apr 45	2-4-45
MAJ	GA6183	GREGORY	R.C	21/C	NO	REC LEAVE (24 DAYS)	2-4-45
MAJ	NX12394	WATCH	J.R	OC "A" Coy	YES	ADJ Comd	
CAPT	VX114129	McDONALD	S.M	OC "D" Coy	YES	A/2IC	
"	VX11220	PASCOE	J.C	21C "B" Coy	YES	A/OC "A" Coy.	
"	VX100022	HARKIN	E.F	ADJ	YES		
"	VX104351	HICKERD	H.D	OC "B" Coy	YES		
"	NX104284	WADE-FERRELL	D.H	21C "D" Coy	YES	A/OC "D" Coy.	
"	VX114126	ORFORD	G.F	21C "C" Coy	YES	A/OC "C" Coy.	
LT/T/CAPT	NX113829	CARNEY	R.L	21C "A" Coy	YES	A/OC "A" Coy.	
LT	GA44158	GRIFFITH	D.H	2PL	YES		
"	VX102619	HOFFMAN CR	C.R	SUPER "A"	NO	NGDD A Base SUB AREA	1-3-45
"	GA35765	MULLALLY	REC	11PL	YES		
"	GA35819	CASSARA	P	1PL	YES		
LT/T/CAPT	GA44157	ANDERSEN	C.I	Q.M	YES		
LT	GA44134	EVANS	A.C	T.O.	YES		
"	GA43161	PASLOW	T	APL	YES		
"	GA44802	NICHOLLS	M.J	SUPER "A"	YES	A/PL Comd 7 PL.	
"	GA44803	CHAPMAN	J.A.S	12PL	YES		
"	VX55040	BYRNE	J.S	SUPER "D"	YES		
"	NX108721	DELOHERY	A.A	1.O	YES		
"	GA7589	WOODHEAD	J.M	8 PL	YES		
"	NX116908	BERRY	J.C.M	5 PL	YES		
"	NX119353	PENROSE	W.T	10 PL	YES		
"	VX102090	HOPE	I.R	18 PL	YES		
"	VX3436	BAKER	C.R	16 PL	YES		
"	GA40742	GOLICK	L.R	7 PL	NO	REC LEAVE	5-3-45
"	GA52216	McLELLAN	C.J	14 PL	NO	7 Aust Fd Amb	4-4-45
"	NX11979	ELBOURNE	A.D	3 PL	YES		
"	GA59882	CLARK	K	SUPER "C"	YES		
"	GA30206	GORSCH	R.F	9 PL	YES		
"	GA51978	CHRISTIE	C	15 PL	YES		
"	VX102584	DUGARD	P	1st Adj	YES		
"	NX125897	MILL	S.J	17 PL	YES		
"	NX140596	HENRY	R.A	SUPER "C"	NO	REC LEAVE	1-3-45
"	NX141078	LAYTON	A.M	SUPER "C"	NO	REC LEAVE	5-3-45
"	GA48673	TALLEN	M.D	REMP OFF	YES		
"	VX79038	DICKENSON	R.N	REMP OFF	YES		
CAPT	VX114281	SMITH	M.H	R.M.O	YES		
CAPT	VX5145	LEWIS	E.A	OC "B" Coy	NO	ATTENDING Cse 16 HQ	16-2-45
						TACT Sch	

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

Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank, if Held.	Army Number.	Name and Initials.	Unit.	Date of Attachment.	Nature of Attachment.
CHAPLAIN	VX94623	STRICKLAND F.P	29 Aust Inf Bde	16-12-44	CHAPLAIN
CAPT	VX13315A	SPRING D.F	109 CCS	12-3-45	DENTIST
"	NX190057	WATSON P	72 ADU	30-3-45	"

7 APR 45

Date of Despatch

Signature of Commander
Adm Comd 47 Aust Inf Bn

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DETAILS OF N C Os

POSTED	RANK	W B	P S	UNSUITABLE BEING	SURP	REF	AT PRESENT HOSP
				DEALT WITH UNDER			RETURN ANTICIPATED
				GRO 415/43			
Intelligence Duties	Sjt	1	1	-	-	-	-
Intelligence Duties	Cpl	2	2	-	-	-	-
Signallers	Cpl	4	3	-	-	1	(1 X List Sch)
Clerks	Cpl	6	5	-	-	1	(1 X 1st Sch, 1 Rec for Prom)
Clerks Ord Room	Sjt	2	2	-	-	-	-
Technical Storeman	Sjt	1	1(A/Cpl)	-	-	-	(1 Rec Prom)
Tailor	Sjt	1	1	-	-	-	-
Tailor	Cpl	1	1	-	-	-	-
M M G Nos	Cpl	2	1	-	-	1	(1 Sch)
L M G Nos & Rfn	Cpl	36	37	-	1	-	(2 Rec Promotion)
Mortar Nos Cpl	Cpl	5	4	-	-	1	(1 Rec Prom)
Pnrs	Cpl	4	4	-	-	-	-
Provost Sjt	Sjt	1	1	-	-	-	-
S/B	Sjt	1	1	-	-	-	-
S/B	Cpl	2	2	-	-	-	-
Tk/A Gun Nos	Cpl	4	3	-	-	1	(1 Rec Promotion)
R S M	WO 1	1	1	-	-	-	-
R M S	WO 2	1	1	-	-	-	-
C S M	WO 2	5	5	-	-	-	-
C M S	S Sjt	5	5	-	-	-	-
Sjts Pl	Sjt	25	27	-	2	-	-
Dr MT	Cpl	1	-	-	1	1	-
ATTACHED - <u>A A M G</u> Hyg Insp	Sjt	1	1	-	-	-	-
Med Orderlies	Sjt	1	1	-	-	-	-
Chiropodist	Cpl	1	1	-	-	-	-
<u>A A G G</u> Shoemaker	Cpl	1	1	-	-	-	-
<u>A A G G</u> Caterer	WO 2	1	1	-	-	-	-
Cooks	Sjt	5	4	-	-	1	-
Cooks	Cpl	5	5	-	-	-	-
<u>A A P C</u> Pay Clerks	Sjt	1	1	-	-	-	-
Pay Clerks	Cpl	1	-	-	-	1	(Rec for promotion)
<u>A A P S</u> Postal Duties	Sjt	1	1	-	-	-	-
TOTAL NCOs		129	124	-	3	8	3

47th AUST INF BN Unit

War Diary

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PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 7/4/1945.

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.
Ammunition Examiners				Surveyors, Engineering				Operating Room Assis.				G.P.O. Assistants			
Armament Artificer Fitter				Surveyors, R.A.A.				Operator, Keyboard				Hammermen			
Armament Artificer Fitter (Electrical)				Surveyors, Topographical				Operator, Line				Leather Stitchers			
Armament Artificer Fitter (M.V.)				Surveyors, Trigonometrical				Operator, Signal				Orderlies, Nursing			
Armament Artificer Fitter (A.F.V.)				Toolmakers				Operator, Switchboard				Orderlies, Nursing Mental			
Armament Artificer Instrument				Turners				Operator, Wireless				Plate Layers			
Armament Artificer Radio				Watchmakers				Opticians				Rangetakers	4	3	1
Armament Artificer Signals				Welders				Painters				Rivetters			
Armament Artificer Wireless								Panel Beaters				Roughriders			
Artificer, Artillery								Photographer, Dry Plate				Saddlers			
Artificer, Engine								Predictor Numbers				Saddletree makers			
Blacksmiths	1	1						Printers				Shoemaker and Boot Repairer		1	
Bricklayers								Radiographers				Stevadores			
Computers								Riggers				Stokers, Staty. Engine			
Cooks, Hospital				GROUP II.				Sawyers				Storemen, Technical	4	3	1
Coppersmiths				Armourers				Signallers	26	24	4	Tailors	2	2	
Dispensers				Axemen				Signwriters				Textile Refitters			
Draughtsmen				Bakers				Telescope Identfn. Numbers				Tinsmiths			
Draughtsmen (Architectural)				Bty. Com'd'a. Asst.				Well Borers				Vulcanizers			
Draughtsmen (Engineering)				Boilermakers				Wheelers				Wagon Erectors			
Draughtsmen (Mechanical)				Carpenters	6	3	1	Winchman				Whitesmiths			
Draughtsmen (Topographical)				Carpenters and Joiners				Wireman							
Electricians				Cooks				Woodturners							
Electricians (M.V.)				Dental Mechanics											
Electricians (Signals)				Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Med.)											
Fitters				Driver-Operator											
Fitters (Cycle)				Drainers											
Fitters (Electrical)				Electricians											
Fitters (Gun)				Electricians (Engineers)											
Fitters (Instrument)				Fire Control Operators				GROUP III.				DETAILS OF NON-TRADESMEN.			
Fitters (M.V.)				Gun Operator				Battery Surveyors							
Fitters, Railway Signal				Hatchman				Butchers	1	1					
Fitters, Signals				Height Taker				Clerks	10	9	1				
Grinder, Precision				Helio Operator				Clerks, Supply	3	2					
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator				Clerks, Technical							
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Intelligence Duties	10	10		Coach Trimmers							
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Joiners				Concretors							
Mechanics, Radio				Lineman				Cooks							
Mechanics, Typewriter				Lineman, Signals				Dental Clerk Orderlies							
Mechanics, Wireless				Lithographers				Despatch Riders							
Millwrights				Machinists, Metal				Draughtsmen, Signals							
Operators, Excavator				Machinists, Wood				Drivers, H.T.		1					
Pattern Maker				Masons				Driver Mechanics		5					
Pharmacist				Masseurs				Driver Tptn. Plant							
Photographer, Wet Plate				Mechanics, M.T.				Engine Hands, I.C.							
Photowriter				Miners				Equipment Repairers	1	1					
Plumber				Moulders				Farrriers		1					
Saw Doctors				Nurses, Trained				Fitters' Mates							
Surveyors				Observation Post Assts.				Gun Layers		1					
CARRIED FORWARD	1	1		CARRIED FORWARD	17	16	1	CARRIED FORWARD	57	60	6	Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively.	769	624	89

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

Date of Despatch

Signature of Commander

ADM COMD 47th AUST INF BN

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

ROUTINE ORDERS

Ser No 37
7 Apr 45

PART I

by

MAJ J R WATCH ADM COMD 47 AUST INF BN

119 REGIMENTAL TRUST FUND COMMITTEE

1 The following now constitute the above committee:-

Capt S M McDONALD
Capt C PASCOE
Capt H D HIBBERD

120 DUTIES MOUNTING 1800 hrs 7 APR 45

Duty Coy A Coy
Next for duty B Coy

121 INCOME TAX - SUPERANNUATION CONTRIBUTIONS CONSIDERED INCOME
(Ref G R O 99/45)

1 Contributions to the Commonwealth Superannuation Fund of members of the Commonwealth Public Service and of the Permanent Military Forces who are serving in the Forces on continuous full-time duty are being paid by the Commonwealth.

2 The Taxation Commissioner has ruled that the amount of superannuation contributions paid by the Commonwealth forms part of the member's assessable income for the year in which the amount is paid to the fund, and that the member will be entitled to a concessional rebate of tax for the amount so paid, subject to the limit prescribed by the Income Tax Assessment Act.

E. Martin Capt
Adjnt 47 Aust Inf Bn

NOTICES

CHURCH SERVICES (Bn Chapel)

P D 0830 hrs 8 Apr 45
R C 1045 hrs 8 Apr 45

DCM held at HQ Q'ld L of C Area on 19 Mar 45 for the trial of QX40198 PTE SMALL E W 47 AUST INF BN on the charge

WOAS deserting HIS MAJESTY'S SERVICE with intent permanently to absent himself from his Military duty, AWL 2359 hrs 14 App 44 to 1500 hrs 8 Mar 45. A.A. 12 (I) (a)

FINDING NOT guilty of desertion, guilty of AWL,

SENTENCE 18 months Detention

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47 AUST INF BN

OUTLINE OF TRAINING FOR WEEK ENDING 15 APR 45

SERIAL	DATE	SUB -- UNIT	AREA	SUBJECT	LESSONS	REMARKS
1	9 APR	HQ Coy -1 Pl	Bn Parade Coy area	Bn Parade Kit & Skin Inspection, Morse Code R/T Procedure Practical	STAA Pam 5 Part 1	
2	" "	2 Pl	" "	BN Parade. Kit Inspection & skin Map Reading and compass Fire Control -MMG	SAT Vol 1 Pam 7 Pt III Les 95	Elevations and Beaten zone
3	" "	3 Pl	" "	Bn Parade. Mortars in the advance Action on first contact. Giving quick support to the attack. "B" Coy 30x Range - Grouping zeroing and application. Aiming and trigger pressing		
4	" "	4 Pl	Bn Pde Gd Coy area	Bn Parade Gun Drill Pl Adm. Lecture - Jap Tanks	Les 1 - 35 Recapt Recognition SENSHA	Kit, Skin, Tool, store ins
5	" "	5 Pl	" "	Bn Parade. Camp and Road Construction		
6	" "	"A" Coy	" "	Bn Parade. Coy Adm. Jungle Navigation	(I) Aids to navigation. (II) Use of Aids (III) Pacing	Skin, and foot inspection Check of Coy Weapons T & AD for JW Dir No 4
7	" "	"B" Coy	" "	Bn Parade. Pl in advance, contact drill. Bayonet drill. Adv anced handling of Bren.	Pl Mov. Action of scouts, fwd sec and pl on contact. Secs to feel for flanks.	
8	" "	"C" Coy	Bn Pde Gd TOROKINA 578960	Bn Pde. Coy Pde & Insp of arms. Adv to contact by Pl Lecture.	Warning Order, Issue of Orders. Objectives to be gained. Formations. Action on contact - Leading scout LEADING Secs & Rem of Pl	T & AD for JW Dir No 5 (

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47 AUST INF BN

OUTLINE OF TRAINING FOR WEEK ENDING..15 APR 45.....

SERIAL	DATE	SUB -- UNIT	AREA	SUBJECT	LESSONS	REMARKS
8	9 APR 45	"C" Coy	Coy area	Bayonet trg Pl in advance to contact	Promote physical fitness and offensive spirit. Issue of orders & prep. for move. Formations & posn of Comds. Action during normal halts.	T & AD for JW Dir. No 5 (c)
9	" "	"D" Coy	Bn Pde Co & Coy area	Coy & Bn Parade. Coy Adm Sec & Pl trg - attack.	MAN management by all sub Unit comds Adv to contact. Sec & Pl Formations. Contact - action of scouts-leading Sec - Ren Pl. Passing back information. Issue of orders	Soldiers' welfare. Jungle warfare Tact. Dir No 5
10	10 APR	B Coy - 1 Pl	Coy area	Horse Code. - Semaphore. W/T and R/T Procedure Practical Don V. care and maintenance	STAA Pam 5 Pts 1 & 2 STAA Pam III	
11	" "	2 Pl	" "	R G D Rifle Stoppages Instruments	BAT Vol I Pam 7 Pt II 45-56 BAT Vol I Pam 13 Les 3 BAT Vol I Pam 7 Pt II Sec 6	Practice in general handling. Loading & Unloading Practice in use.
12	" "	3 Pl	" "	Laying Mortars on compass bearings Mortars in def prep of G D Pa Accuracy and speed in answering G D F	Pam 9 Less 37 " 40 " 41	
13	" "	4 Pl	" "	Gun Drill. PIEA Map reading Bren	Gun Drill Recapt T O B T Speed Test. Pam 16 Less 1-3. Map enlarg. Patrol Sketch T O B T	
14	" "	5 Pl	" "	Camp and road construction		

47 AUST INF BN

OUTLINE OF TRAINING FOR WEEK ENDING 15 APR 45

SERIAL	DATE	SUB UNIT	AREA	SUBJECT	LESSONS	REMARKS
6	10 Apr	"A" Coy	Coy area to 583960	SECTION Trg - Patrols C A B Lecture	Patrol briefing and reports Sec Cond orders. Sec Form. Passing information. Patrol logs. Going sketch.	T & AD for JW Dir No 3
7	" "	"B" Coy	Coy area	Coy Pde & Inspection. Lecture - Jungle Navigation Q & A on Patrols Map Reading - References & Elem visualization of country.	Aids to Navigation. Use of these aids. Pacing. To improve the knowledge of eqpt required and orders for patrols.	T & AD for JW Pages 11-12 T & AD for JW Pages 8, 9, 10.
8	" "	"C" Coy	" " 30x Range Coy area	Snap and rapid practices Pl in encounter attack	Quick aiming and firing Correct manipulation of bolt. Immediate action to be carried out on making contact. Passing back of information and issue of orders. Subsequent action according to plan	T & AD for JW No 5
9	" "	"D" Coy	Coy area Bn Ovals 1 & 2	Coy Parade. Sec & Pl trg - patrolling	Coy Drill Patrol briefing. Man management before and during patrol Pl before, during & after patrol Issue of orders Pacing Navigation	IT Pt viii Sec 2-11 (incl) Jungle Warfare-TD 3 & 4

47 AUST INF BN

OUTLINE OF TRAINING FOR WEEK ENDING..... 15 APR 45.....

SERIAL	DATE	SUB -- UNIT	AREA	SUBJECT	LESSONS	REMARKS
1	11 APR	HQ Coy-1P1	Coy area	Semaphore, Morse Code, V/T and R/T procedure practical. American phone care and maintenance.	STAA Pam 5 Pt 1 & 2	
2	" "	2P1	" "	E G D Preparation for night firing Fire control Coming into action under cover.	SAT Vol 1 Pam 7 Pt II 45-95 " " " " " " " " Les 74 " " " " " Pt 111 Les 98,99. " " " " " Pt 11 Les 60	General handling Use of cover
3	" "	3 P1	" "	Construction of def posn and est. com and control. Application, snap, rapid, accuracy and bolt manipulation	Pam 9 Les 42,43. Lesson 35	
4	" "	4 P1	"B" Coy 30x range Jungle rear coy	Sec and P1 trg. Lecture Recce and Occe. Gun Drill	Jungle warfare. Adv to contact. Encircling attack and consolidation. Lecture Recce & Occe 2 pr tactics GD 1-35 Speed Test.	All morning sec & P1 exs
5	" "	5 P1	Coy area	Camp and road construction		
6	" "	"A" Coy	Coy area to 583 960	P1 trg - Patrolling	P1 Comd briefing. Sec Comd orders. Check of eqpt. Jungle formations. Reports	T & AD for JW No 3
7	" "	"B" Coy	Coy area	Coy Pde and inspection. Squad drill Compass march by secs Educ. Offr Lecture. Bayonet Drill Blind fold stripping of Bren.	To exercise troops in practical use of compass and pacing.	

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OUTLINE OF TRAINING FOR WEEK ENDING.. 15. APR. 45.....

SERIAL	DATE	SUB -- UNIT	AREA	SUBJECT	LESSONS	REMARKS
8	11 APR	"C" Coy	Coy area	Jungle range-Snap shooting prac. Pl in encounter attack.	Shooting from hip at semi-concealed targets. As for serial 7	T & AD for J W No 5
9	" "	"D" Coy	" " Bn Ovals 1 & 2	Coy Parade Sec and pl trg - attack	Sec and Pl drill. Coy marching and drill. Issue of orders. Task of holding elem. Task Movt. Control of encircling elem. Consolidation on gaining objective.	IT Pt 8 Sec 27 - 32 T & AD for JW No 5
1	12 APR	HQ Coy-1Pl	Coy area	Semaphore, Morse Code, Sport W/T Procedure Practical. 10 L U C care and maintenance	STAA Pam 5 Pt 11	
2	" "	2 Pl	" "	E G D Rifle - aiming Stoppages Fire control. Types of targets	SAT Vol I Pam 7 Pt 11 45-50 SAT Vol I Pam 3 Less 6 SAT Vol I Pam 7 Pt 1 Sec 6 SAT Vol I Pam 7 Pt IV 100-5	Engagement of targets
3	" "	3 Pl	" "	Long control and voice control Ranging and HQ trg	Pam 9 Les 44, 49, 54, 55, 50.	
4	" "	4 Pl	Perimeter Rd	Rece and Occee too pr tactics		All day exercise
5	" "	5 Pl	Coy area	Camp and road construction.		
6	" "	"A" Coy	Coy area to 533690	Sec trg - attack	Issue of orders. Deploy. Use of ground and cover. Control. Re-organisation	A M. T & AD for J W No 2
7	" "	"B" Coy	" "	Sport Coy Pde and inspection. Miniature Range Practice Sport	Grouping, applic. rapid prac	

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15 Apr 45

OUTLINE OF TRAINING FOR WEEK ENDING.....

SERIAL	DATE	SUB - UNIT	AREA	SUBJECT	LESSONS	REMARKS
8	12 APR	"C" Coy	Coy area	P1 in deliberate attack Sports	Issue of orders. Prep. for attack incl recce, ammo, adm. Movt to and assault of obj. Re-organisation	T & AD for JW No 5
9	" "	"D" Coy	" " Bn Oval 1 & 2	Coy Pde. Coy and P1 drill Sec and P1 trg Sport	same as for first day.	
1	13 APR	BQ Coy- I P1	Coy area	Semaphore, Morse Code. W/T and R/T procedure practical Sig Office Records and procedure	STAA Pam 5 Pt 1 & 2 STAA Pam 8	
2	" "	2 P1	" "	E G D P1 Tactics Fire control. Indirect orders Map reading and compass	BAT Vol I Pam 7 Pt 11 45-56 BAT Vol I Pam 7 Pt 111 106 - 107	Sec and P1 drill Orders indirect
3	" "	3 P1	" "	Methods of packing base plates in soft soil. Overhead & flank. fire Kit, skin, stores, and Mor. Insp.	Pam 9 Less 56, 57.	
4	" "	4 P1	Jungle rear coy area	Patrols. Sport	Briefing-prep-issue of orders -Patrol reports-J W	
5	" "	5 P1	Coy area	Camp and road construction.		
6	" "	"A" Coy	Coy area to 583960	P1 trg - attack	Adv and first contact. Passing of information. Orders-P1 and Sec Comd Deployment of Secs. Use of P1 support wps. Mopping up. Security & Protection sighting of wps. Fire lanes. Mutual support.	T & AD for JW No 5

47 AUST INF BN

OUTLINE OF TRAINING FOR WEEK ENDING 15 APR 45

SERIAL	DATE	SUB -- UNIT	AREA	SUBJECT	LESSONS	REMARKS
7	13 Apr	"B" Coy	Coy area Range	Coy Pde and Insp. Jungle Range Coy Adm. Kit and Med Insp	snip shooting at opportunity targets.	
8	" "	"C" Coy	Coy area	Pl in defence Pl withdrawal	Siting of wps for defense, in dept and mutual support Const. and camouflage of wpn pits. Clearing fields of fire. Security by day and night. Fire control Issue of orders. Orderly Movt by Secs. R V Drill	T & AD for JW No 5 MTP No II
9	" "	"D" Coy	" " Min Range	Coy Pde RANGE PRACTICES - L M G	Holding, aiming, firing, length of burst, trigger pressing Prac - SAT Vol I Pam 14 LMG Pt I	Firing from hip to be practiced. Kit Inspection.
1	14 APR	HQ Coy-I Pl	Coy area	Semaphore. Morse Code. W/T Procedure Practical Sig duties from lessons learnt. Wireless set 108 operating	STAA Pam 5 Pt 2	
2	" "	2 Pl	" "	E G D Rifle - Firing poses Instruments - T O B T - Stoppages	SAT Vol I Pam 7 Pt 2 45-50 Sat Vol I Pam 3 Les 13, 15, 16.	General standard
3	" "	3 Pl	" "	Dets in support of Coy or Pl Attack Lecture on care and preservation of arm.	Pam 9 Less 2	
4	" "	4 Pl	MIN Range	Range Practice	Rifle, Bren, Owen.	

47 AUST INF BN

OUTLINE OF TRAINING FOR WEEK ENDING 15 APR 45

SERIAL	DATE	SUB - UNIT	AREA	SUBJECT	LESSONS	REMARKS
5	14 APR	HQ Coy - 5 Pl	Coy area	Camp and road construction		
6	" "	"A" Coy	Min Range B Coy	Ranges Practices. Adv handling of Bren.	Firing from the hip. Care before and after firing snap shooting.	Table A Pt 1 Para 14
7	" "	"B" Coy	Old "D" Coy area	Pl in adv - First contact and attack	To exercise troops one stage further on from contact drill of 9 Apr 45 Action of scouts, fwd Sec. Quick appreciation by Pl Comd. Orders for attack. Correct and best use made of supporting fire.	T & AD for JW No 5
8	" "	"C" Coy	Coy area	Pl in deliberate attack	Issue of orders. Prep for attack incl recce, amm, and adm. Mvt to and assault of objective. Re-organisation. Action on being ambushed. Setting of secambush	T & AD for JW No 5 T & A D for JW No 5
9	" "	"D" Coy Bn area	" " Bn area	Coy Pls Sec and Pl trg - Patrolling	Pl drill. Formations. Patrol reports Logs going maps	IT Pt 8 Secs 20 - 34 T & AD for JW No 3,4.
1	15 APR	ALL COYS	BN AREA	STAND - DOWN		

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

ROUTINE ORDERS

Ser No 38
10 Apr 45

PART 1

by

MAJ J.R. WATCH ADM COMD 47 AUST INF BN

122. Duties mounting 1800 hrs 10 Apr 45.

Duty Coy
Next for Duty
Orderly Officer supplied by HQ Coy

HQ Coy
A Coy

122. CORRESPONDENCE COURSES - STORAGE OF MATERIALS (Ref 29 Aust Inf Bde R.O. of 8 Apr 45)

The following procedure will be adopted for storing text books, notebooks and other correspondence course material during the period when the service student is in movement or in action.

- (i) Correspondence course students pack all their materials in one parcel, label it and leave it in the charge of the UEOs.
- (ii) The UEOs arrange with the quartermasters of Battalions or C.M.S of smaller Units to reserve one or more cases for the holding of all correspondence course materials in the Unit.
- (iii) The cases are allotted a serial number and carted in the usual manner. On arrival at destination, if study is possible, the UEOs issue correspondence course material. If conditions prevent study the material is kept in Q Store at B Echelon or LOB to be issued when conditions are such that study can be resumed.

123. CENSORSHIP (Ref 29 Aust Inf Bde R.O. Of 8 Apr 45)

"In accordance with LHQ Field Censorship Instruction No 4 Appendix "B", the Unit Censor stamp must be impressed on the front of green envelopes clear of the declaration and writers signature. Green envelopes will NOT bear a franking Officers signature.

124. PRE SELECTION OF MALES OFFICERS (Ref 29 Aust Inf Bde R.O. 8 Apr 45)

The objects of the pre selection scheme is that anyone desirous of interview by an Officer pre selection board, with a view to his appointment to commissioned rank in the relevant arm or corps, may submit an application to his C.O. or O.C. to be forwarded to Formation HQ accordingly. The application should state the arm or Corps in which appointment is desired. It will, however, be explained to applicants that they must be prepared to accept commissions in any arm, corps or service for which the LHQ Board may consider them most suitable.

W. H. ... Capt
Adjt 47 Aust Inf Bn

NOTICES

FIGURES - TONIGHT 10 Apr 45
AAES Show - BATTLE FOR BRITAIN and other short films.

appx 9
OUTLINE PLAN FOR OCCUPATION OF FDL's

SECRET
Copy No.
16 Apr 45

Ref Map : TOROKINA I in = I mile (Series 4895)

INFORMATION

1 (a) ENEMY: As per current sitreps and Int Summaries. It can be anticipated that 48 hrs warning can be given of any impending attacks on FDLs.

(b) OWN TROOPS: 42 Aust Inf Bn has moved to area previously occupied by 24 Aust Inf Bn - otherwise no change.

INTENTION

2 On receipt of instruction from Bde HQ 47 Aust Inf Bn will occupy FDLs and prevent any enemy attempt to penetrate the FDLs along that portion of responsibility.

METHOD

3 SUMMARY: It is considered that, with one Coy as Bde reserve, vital ground in vicinities 628966 and 618962 can best be held with two Coys forward and one Coy in reserve in vicinity 604967.

TROOPS AND AREAS

4 (a) B Coy with under Comd 2 Dets Mortars, will occupy Coy Defence position in area 628966.

(b) C Coy with under Comd 2 Dets Mortars will occupy Coy Defence position in area 618962.

FDLs and BOUNDARIES

5 As per attached trace "X".

FIRE PLANS

6 MORTARS: D F Tasks forward of Coy areas.
M M G : 1 Sec 627966 under Comd B Coy.
1 Sec 618963 under Comd C Coy.

RESERVES

7 (a) D Coy with under Comd 2 Dets Mortars will remain in present area as Bde Reserve.

(b) A Coy will occupy area 604967 as Bn Reserve and will be prepared, if required, to occupy position at Hill 2220 in square 6398.

PROTECTION

8 (a) Pioneer Pl and Tk/A Pl will form local protection Bn HQ.
(b) On occupation B and C Coys will be responsible for patrolling forward around mine fields and tracks leading into FDLs.
(c) A Coy will provide security patrols on left flank.

ADMINISTRATION

9 MEDICAL: Forward RAP will be established in vicinity Bn HQ.

SUPPLIES

10 B Ech will remain in and operate from present area.

INTERCOM

11 Forward Bn HQ will be established at 625963.

ACK.....
Signed at.....
Issued by.....

E. H. ... Capt
Adjt 47 Aust Inf Bn

Ref Map: TOROKINA I in - I mile (Series 4892)

INFORMATION

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HQ COY	1	1
A COY	2	2
B COY	3	3
C COY	4	4
D COY	5	5
C O	6	6
29 AUST INF BDE	7	6
FILE	8 & 9	7 & 8
WAR DIARY	10 & 11	9 & 10

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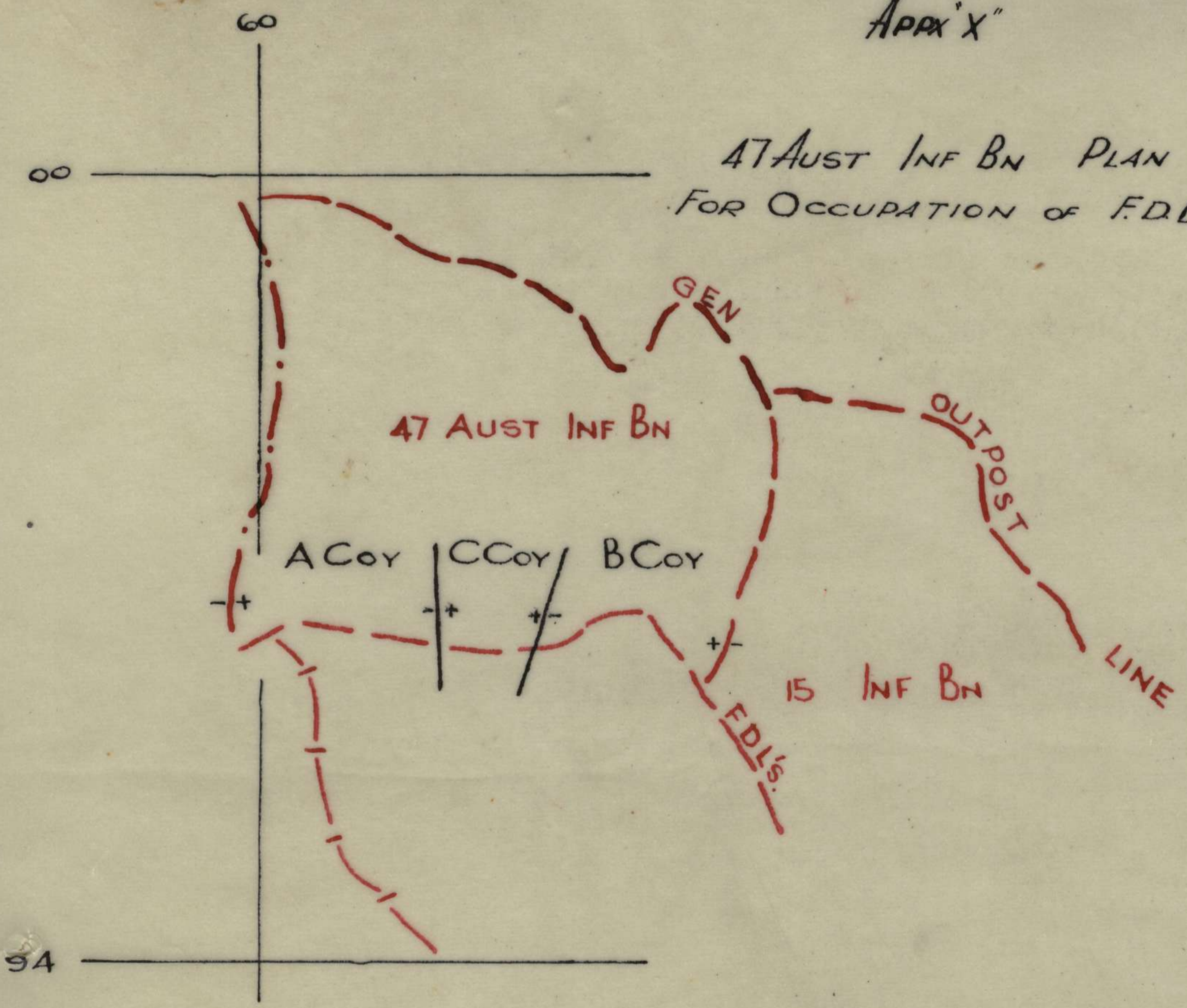
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Adjt Lt Aust Inf Bn
1st Aug 45

ACK.....
Signed.....
Issued by.....

APPX 'X'

47 AUST INF BN PLAN
FOR OCCUPATION OF FDLs.



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New Day

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

ROUTINE ORDERS

Ser No 39
11 Mar 45

PART 1

By

MAJ J.R. WATCH ADM COMD 47 AUST INF BN

125. Duties Mounting 1800 hrs 11 Apr 45.

Duty Coy	A Coy
Next for Duty	B Coy
Ord Offr	LT NDCHOLLS
Picquet Offr	LT GORSCH

²
186 ACCEPTANCE BY MEMBERS OF THE AMF OF CAMPAIGN MEDALS ISSUED BY ALLIED NATIONS AND WEARING OF RIBBONS OF SAME (29 Aust Inf Bde R.O. 8 Apr 45)

1. It has been brought to notice that individual members of the AMF or civilians attached thereto have been wearing the ribbons of campaign medals issued by Allied nations.
2. Owing to the practical impossibility of reciprocation an interchange of campaign medals with Allied Forces is regarded by the United Kingdom and Australian Governments as being undesirable.
3. It is advised therefore that permission is not given for acceptance of these campaign medals or the wearing of the ribbons of same by members of the AMF, or by approved representatives of Philanthropic Societies or civilians attached to the AMF in an official capacity.

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187 P O L (Ref 29 Aust Inf Bde R.O. 8 Apr 45)

Distillate. Will NOT be issued for Hygiene purposes to any Unit. Issues will be made ONLY for use for power purposes. Lighting kerosene may be drawn in lieu of distillate for hygiene purposes on the basis of one third normal requirements of distillate for Units within the perimeter and Adele areas. Units drawing from TOKO DID may draw lighting kerosene as per normal requirements of distillate.

E. J. Martin
.....Capt
Adjt 47 Aust Inf Bn

NOTICES

A Unit Concert will be presented by 7 Aust Fd Amb personnel at their Unit area at 1915 hrs Thursday 12 Apr 45. All ranks are invited to attend. As seating accomodation is limited you are advised to take along your own seats.

Fellowship meeting in Chapel at 1915 hrs tonight.

Subject:- "THE COMING REVOLUTION"

All are welcome.

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

ROUTINE ORDERS

Ser No 39 40
13 Apr 45

PART 1

by

MAJ J. R. WATCH ADM COMD 47 AUST INF BN

128. Duties Mounting 1800 hrs 13 Apr 45.

Duty Coy	C Coy
Next for Duty	D Coy
Brd Offr	LT CLARKE
Picquet Officer	LT CHRISTIE

129. BADGES OF RANK (Ref 29 Aust Inf Bde Sig of 11 Apr 45) and NCOs

Badges of rank of Offrs and WOs/will be worn at all times. Badges of rank will NOT be removed when Units are in contact with the enemy.

J. R. Watch
....., Capt
Adj 47 Aust Inf Bn

NOTICES

Out of Regimental Funds the sum of 43-19-8 has been expended on supplementary rations for the month of April. The rations have been distributed amongst kitchens. The rations include, Baking powder, Lemon extract, vanilla extract, mixed spice, cornflour, vinegar, pickles, chutney, Shelly crystals, pie apple, worcester sauce, sugar.

The donation of 70-0-0 to the Regt funds have been received from the Maryborough Unit Welfare Committee.

PICTURES tonight at Bn Theatre.

"MOONTIDE"

47 AUST INF BN REGIMENTAL FUND

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES 1 - 31 Mar 45

<u>RECEIPTS</u>		<u>EXPENDITURE</u>	
Bank A/c as at 1 Mar	125.15. 2	Supplementary Rations	
AAOS Profits (Jan)	53. 4.11	Mixed Herbs	9.15. 4
Kmas Messing allowance	40. 5. 0	Pickles	2. 8. 0
Bn Canteen Profits (Mar),	82. 9. 2	Pie apple	3. 3. 0
		Custard Powder	4.10. 0
		Jellies	30. 0. 0
		<u>Amenities Sports Meeting</u>	
		Prizes	30. 0. 0
		Athletic singlets	4.19. 0
		Cordial	2. 8. 0
		<u>AMENITIES</u>	
		Tennis racquets	6. 0. 0
		General	18. 7. 0
		29 Bde Band	10. 0. 0
		Balance at Bank	180. 3.11

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We certify that the above statement is true and correct the books, vouchers and accounts produced.

J. R. Watch
....., Capt
Adj 47 Aust Inf Bn

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

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

15 / 45 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 14 / 4 / 1945. 47 Aust Inf Bn (Unit)

W.E. 11 / 1243. OFFRS. 33 O.R's 769 + OFFRS. 1 O.R's 35 ATT. BY W.E.

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

W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.				
1	2	3	4		5	6	7	8	9
Rein'fts Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein'fts Required.
-	-	-	1	*					
-	-	-	3	*					
-	1	-	8	Lieut.-Colonels					
-	-	5	25	Majors	AAMC	1	-	-	-
				Captains					
				Lieutenants					
				Quarter-masters					
				A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.					
				Civilians Counting as Offrs.					
-	1	5	37			1	-	-	-

	DETAIL	A.I.F.	C.M.F.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.N.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL.	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	**	TOTAL.
Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in para. 10 of instructions for compilation of form will complete Part E(1) & E(2).	A.	36	A1 (IAIF-B1)								37
	E.(1)	1	(ATT AAMC)								1
	E.(2)	1	(ATT 29 AUST INF BDN)								1

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

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

OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit From.	Date.	CAUSE.
NX145631	MAJ	WINDSOR G	RETD TO UNIT	10-4-45	EX Hosp.

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit To.	Date.	CAUSE.
VX133134	CAPT	SPRING D F	M/O TO 109 CCS	7-4-45	EX DUTY (DENTAL)
VX102080	LT	HOPE I R	M/O TO 3 AUST DIV FLAME TROOPERS CSE	10-4-45	CSE NO 3 - DURATION 14 DYS STUDENT
OX52216	LT	MC LELLAN C J	WADS 7 AUST Fd Amb	12-4-45	8 DYS - TRANS TO 'X' LIST
VX102619	LT	HOFFMAN C R	POSTED RSL (RETIRED)	23-3-45	AUTH FIRST AUST ARMY AMS 3139.

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO 47 AUST INF BDN (Unit) IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED. 14 / 4 / 1945.

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

47 Aust Inf Bn

Unit

15/45 (Serial No.)

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 14/4/1945 (Total to agree with Columns 4 and 7 of Part A.)

WMA Diary

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held.	Army Number.	Surname.	Initials.	Posting.	Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No)	If not present with Unit, state how employed.	Date of Detachment.
MAJ T/AT/Col	VX55	Coombes	CJA	CO	No	NGDD DET (TOROKINA) FOR MST TO GDD (MELB) A/Adj - 2 Aust Corps MSTSB OF 1 APR 45. REC LEAVE (24 DAYS)	2-4-45
MAJ	Qx6183	GREGORY	RC	2/C	NO		
MAJ	NX12394	WATCH	JR	OC HQ Coy	YES	Adj Comd	
MAJ	NX145681	WINDSOR	G	OC Coy	YES	A/OC HQ Coy	
CAPT	VX114129	McDONALD	SM	OC D Coy	YES	A 2/C	
"	VX112201	PASCOE	JC	2/L B Coy	YES	A/OC "A" Coy	
"	VX100022	HARKIN	EF	ADJ	YES		
"	VX104351	HIBBERD	HD	OC B Coy	YES		
"	NX104284	WADE FERRELL	DH	2/C D Coy	YES	A/OC "D" Coy	
"	VX114126	ORFORD	GF	2/C C Coy	YES	A/OC "C" Coy	
Lt/T/CAPT	NX115339	CARNEY	RL	2/L A Coy	YES		
Lt	Qx11153	GRIFFITH	DH	2PL	YES	A 2/C C Coy	
"	Qx35765	MULLALLY	AEC	1PL	YES		
"	Qx35819	CASSERA	P	1PL	YES		
Lt/T/CAPT	Qx44157	ANDERSEN	CI	QM	YES		
Lt	Qx44134	EVANS	AC	TO	YES		
"	Qx43161	PARSLOW	T	APL	YES		
"	Qx43802	NICHOLLS	MJ	SUPER "A"	YES	A/PL Comd TPL	
"	Qx43803	CHAPMAN	JAS	12PL	YES		
"	VX55040	BYRNE	JJ	SUPER "D"	YES		
"	NX108721	DELOHERY	RA	10	YES		
"	Qx7383	WOODHEAD	JM	8PL	YES		
"	NX116908	BERRY	JCM	5PL	YES		
"	NX119353	PENROSE	WT	10PL	YES		
"	VX102080	HOPKINS	IR	13PL	NO	3 Aust Div Plans & Transport Sch	10-4-45
"	VX3436	BAKER	CR	16PL	YES		
"	Qx40742	GORLICK	LR	7PL	NO	REC LEAVE	5-5-45
"	NX111979	ELGOVANE	AD	5PL	YES		
"	Qx59882	CLARK	K	SUPER "C"	YES		
"	Qx30206	GOASCH	RF	4PL	YES		
"	Qx51978	CHRISTIE	C	13PL	YES		
"	VX102584	DOGARD	P	ADJ ADJ	YES		
"	NX123887	ARTILL	SJ	17PL	YES		
"	NX140590	HENRY	RA	SUPER "C"	NO	REC LEAVE	1-3-45
"	NX141078	LAYTON	AM	SUPER "C"	NO	REC LEAVE	5-8-45
"	Qx42673	TALLOD	MD	ADJUTANT	YES		
"	VX79038	DICKENSON	RN	ADJUTANT	YES		
CAPT	VX114281	SMITH	MH	RMD	YES		
CAPT	VX3145	LEWIS	EA	OC A Coy	NO	ADJUTANT 16 LHQ TACT Sch	16-2-45
Lt	Qx32216	MCLELLAN	CS	14PL	NO	THOST F.D. Amb 'X' LIST	4-4-45 12-4-45

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

Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank, if Held.	Army Number.	Name and Initials.	Unit.	Date of Attachment.	Nature of Attachment.
Chaplain	VX94623	STRICKLAND FP	29 Aust Inf Bde	16-12-44	CHAPLAIN
CAPT	NX190057	WATSON F	72 ADU	30-3-45	DENTIST

14 APR 45
Date of Despatch

[Signature]
Signature of Commander
Adj Comd 47 Aust Inf Bn

FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 14/4/1945 47th Aust Inf Bn (Unit)

W.E. 11/120/3 OFFRS. 35 O.R's. 769 + OFFRS. 1 O.R's. 32 ATT. BY W.E.

Part A. Posted Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements Required.

W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.				
Reinfts. Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Reinfts. Required.
-	-	-	1	W.Os. Class I.					
-	-	-	6	W.Os. Class II.	AACE	1	-	-	-
				Squadron or Company Quartermaster Sgts.					
-	-	-	5	Staff Sergeants					
1(NR)	1	2	33	Sergeants	AACE: AMAC: MIRC: MARS	8	-	1(AACE)	1 NR
1(NR)	1	-	66	Corporals	AACE: AMAC: AAOE	6	-	1(AACE)	2 NR
90	80	10	578	Troopers, Privates, etc.	AACE: AMAC: AAOE	19	2(AACE)	NIL	NIL
				Civilians counting as O.R.					
92 *	82	12	689 *	Totals of cols. marked * should agree with details shown in Part E on Page 2.		32 *	14	3	3 *

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

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

Detail	A.I.F.	C.M.F.		A.W.A.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	**	TOTAL.
		Under 19 Years.	19 Years and over.							
A	91	47	257							689
B(1)		81	1							
B(2)	91	13	19							32

Part B. Other Ranks Attached from Other Units.

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

Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.
6	129 AUST BOE WASHOP			1	29 AUST INF BDE		
6	72 ADU			8	HOSPITAL		
4	312 AUST LAD			11	SCHOOL		
1	29 AUST INF BDE			1	2/8 COO SQN		
				2	RECORDS		
				4	T.P.C.		
				29	LEAVE		
				3	3DIV PRO Coy		
				58	TOTAL		
				2	HOSPITAL		
				1	LEAVE		
17	TOTAL			3	TOTAL		

Part D. Description of Other Ranks Whose Return To 47th (Unit) is Particularly Requested. 14/4/1945

Army No	Rank.	Name and Initials.	REMARKS (e.g., present whereabouts if known).
			NIL
		WE: PTES	658
		POSTED: PTES	578
		DEFICIENT	80 OF WHICH 30 IN HOSP RTU ANTICIPATED.

DETAILS OF N C O s (14 Apr 45)

POSTED	RANK	W E	P S	UNSUITABLE BEING DEALT WITH UNDER G R O 415/43	SURP	DEF	AT PRESENT HOSPITAL RETURN ANTICIPATED
Intelligence Duties	Sjt	1	1		-	-	-
Intelligence Duties	Cpl	2	2		-	-	-
Signallers	Cpl	4	3		-	1	- (1 X List School)
Clerks	Cpl	6	5		-	1	- 1 Rec Promotion
Clerks Orderly Sjt	Sjt	2	2		-	-	-
Technical Storemen	Sjt	1	1 (A/Cpl)		-	-	- 1 Rec Promotion
Tailer	Sjt	1	1		-	-	-
Tailer	Cpl	1	1		-	-	-
MMG Nos	Cpl	2	1		-	1	- (1 X List School)
LMG Nos and Riflemen	Cpl	36	38		2	-	1 & 1 Rec Promotion
Mort Nos	Cpl	5	5		-	-	- 1 Rec Promotion
Pioneers	Cpl	4	4		-	-	-
Provost	Sjt	1	1		-	-	-
Stretcher Bearer	Sjt	1	1		-	-	-
Stretcher Bearer	Cpl	2	2		-	-	-
Tk/A Gun Nos	Cpl	4	3		-	1	- 1 Rec Promotion
R S M	W O 1	1	1		-	-	-
R Q M S	W O 2	1	1		-	-	-
C S M	W O 2	5	5		-	-	-
C Q M S	S/Sjt	5	5		-	-	-
Sjts Platoon	Sjt	25	27		2	-	-
Driver M T	Cpl	1	-		-	1	-
<u>Attached</u> <u>AAMC</u> Hyg Inspector	Sjt	1	1		-	-	-
Med Orderly	Sjt	1	1		-	-	-
Chiropodist	Cpl	1	1		-	-	-
<u>AACC</u> Shoemaker	Cpl	1	1		-	-	-
<u>AACG</u> Caterer	W O 2	1	1		-	-	-
Cooks	Sjt	5	4		-	1	- 1 Rec Promotion
Cooks	Cpl	5	4		-	1	1
<u>AAPC</u> Pay Clerk	Sjt	1	1		-	-	-
Pay Clerk	Cpl	1	-		-	1	-
<u>AAPS</u> Postal Duties	Sjt	1	1		-	-	-
Total N C O s		129	125		4	8	2

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Unit

Serial No.

PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 14/4/1945.

WAA Diary

Table with columns for Details of Tradesmen (GROUP I, II, III), W.E., Posted Strength, and Reints. Required. Includes rows for various trades like Ammunition Examiners, Surveyors, Operating Room Assts, etc.

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

14 APR 45 Date of Despatch

Signature of Commander ADM COMD A7AOST/NF B.1

Mac Dwyer
Appx 14

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

ROUTINE ORDERS

Ser No 42
16 Apr 45.

PART 1

by

MAJ J.R. WATCH ADM COMD 47 AUST INF BN

131. DUTIES mounting 1800 hrs 16 Apr 45

Duty Coy	B Coy
Next for Duty	C Coy
Ord Officer	LT PENROSE
Piquet Officer	LT NICHOLLS

132. USE OF ROPE TOWING. (Ref 29 Aust Inf Bde R.O. of 14 Apr 45)

1. Several instances have been reported of damage to ropes, towing, due to the failure of the hooks attached to the chain sections of the ropes.

2. As it is essential to preserve the life of this equipment and to obtain maximum strength, the following method of using a rope will be observed.

(a) The hooks attached to the chain will not be directly connected to either the towed or towing vehicle.

(b) The chain section will be looped over a suitable portion of each vehicle and the hooks fastened in the connecting links provided between the chain and wire rope.

133. HOOKWORM (Ref 29 Aust Inf Bde R.O. of 14 Apr 45)

1. Due to the prevalence of HOOKWORM disease on this island and especially in areas previously occupied by the Japanese, the following precautionary measures will be adopted:-

(a) Personnel will avoid Japanese and native gardens as far as possible.

(b) If it is necessary to traverse these gardens, removal of footwear and clothing and sitting on the ground will be rigorously avoided.

(c) Vegetables will be cooked in the normal way.

If, in the case of green leafy vegetables, cooking is not considered desirable, any of the following will suffice:

(i) Dip in boiling water for two minutes.

(ii) Soak for 30 minutes in superchlorinated water (not detasted) or a magenta coloured solution of Condy's crystals.

W. R. ...
..... Capt
Adjnt 47 Aust Inf Bn

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OUTLINE OF TRAINING FOR WEEK ENDING 22 APR 45

SERIAL	DATE	SUB - UNIT	AREA	SUBJECT	LESSONS	REMARKS
1	16 APR	HQ Coy - 1P1	Bn Pde Gd Coy area	Bn Parade Morse Code. Wireless Set 536A - DESCRIPTION. Sport.		
2	" "		2P1 " "	Bn Parade. Kit Inspection, Skin Inspection. Map Reading & compass. Squad Drill	Pam 18	
3	" "		3P1 CRASSEVIC ATION RANGE	Rifle Practice 1, 2, and rapid	BAT Vol I Pt 11	
4	" "		4 P1 Bn Pde Gd Coy area	Bn Parade P1 Adm. Map Reading Gun Drill	Scales Recapitulation 1 - 36	
5	" "		5P1 " "	Bn Parade. Camp and road construction		
6	" "	A Coy	" "	Bn Parade. Coy Adm. Sports		
7	" "	B Coy	" "	Bn Parade. Med & Kit Inspection Sport		
8	" "	C Coy	" "	Bn Parade. Coy Adm.		
9	" "	D Coy	" "	Bn Parade. Coy Adm.		
1	17 APR	HQ Coy - 2P1	Range	Open Range Practice	Pam 14 Table A Pt 11 Grouping, Application, Rapid and snap.	
2	" "		1 P1 Coy area	Morse Code. W/T Procedure Prac. 536A - Employment. Semaphore. Lamp working.	Pam V Pt 11 TM 11 - 235 Sec 11	
3	" "		3 P1 " "	All night occupation of defensive position and answering GDF's P1 Adm.		

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OUTLINE OF TRAINING FOR WEEK ENDING 22 APR 45

SERIAL	DATE	BDE -- UNIT	AREA	SUBJECT	LESSONS	REMARKS
4	17 APR	HQ - 4 Pl	Coy area rear Coy area	Pl exercise - Patrol and Patrol Reports Mech 2 pdr Gun Drill	TR& AD for J W Recapit. Superstructure " 1 - 36	
5	" "	5 Pl	" "	Camp and Road Construction		
6	" "	A Coy	TOROKINA I" Squares 5895 5896	Coy exercise. Approach march. Overcoming minor opposition	Issue of orders - Prepn for move. Formations control. All round protection in move. Quick action on Sub Comds on contact. Passing of Infm. Tactical crossing. Action of covering party. Movement of fwd elements effecting crossing	T & AD for JW No 5
7	" "	B Coy		Crossing Water Obstacles		
8	" "	B Coy	Along track 577956 - 587963	Coy exercise - Approach march, Minor opposition, Ambush.	As for Serial 6	
9	" "	C Coy	On track to LARUMA R	Coy exercise - Approach march and Encounter attack	As for Serial 6	
10	" "	D Coy	Coy area TOROKINA I" Square 55 - 96	Coy Parade and Drill Coy Exercise - approach march and first contact	As for Serial 6	
1	18 APR	HQ Coy- 1Pl	Coy area	Horse Code. R/T Procedure Prac. 536A - Employment. Semaphore. Lamp Working	Pam V Pt 1 TM11 - 235 See 111	

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OUTLINE OF TRAINING FOR WEEK ENDING ... 22 Apr 45 ...

SERIAL	DATE	SUB-UNIT	Place	SUBJECT	LESSONS	REMARKS
2	18 APR 45	HQ coy- 2 Pl	Coy area	E G D Stoppages Fire Orders - Practical Elevation . Range and Ranges	Vol I Pam 7 Less 45-56 " " " " Pt 1 Sec 6 " " " " Pt111 Less 95 " " " " Pt111	Elevation, Range and Ranges
3	" "	3 Pl	" "	Map reading. Map Reference. Protractor and conversion of Bearings. Sig Line Work.		
4	" "	4 Pl	" "	Bren Rifle Owen Pita Map Reading Gun Drill 2 pdr	Receipt Tso E T Receipt Pam 16 Less 3 Enlargements Receipt 1 - 36	
5	" "	5 Pl	" "	Camp and road construction		
6	" "	A Coy	TOROKINA I" SQUARE 5895	Coy exercise - Attack	Issue of orders. Deployment. Passing info. Use of cover. Timings and control. Formations. Drill for consolidation.	T & AD for JW No 5
7	" "	B Coy	CLASSIFIC- ATION RANGE	Range Practices	SAT Vol I Pam 14 Rifle	Grouping, application rapid, snap.

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OUTLINE OF TRAINING FOR WEEK ENDING 22 APR 45

SERIAL	DATE	SUB-UNIT	Area	SUBJECT	LESSONS	REMARKS
8	18 APR 45	C Coy	30 yard Range Area R	Coy in deliberate attack	As for Serial 6	
9	" "	D Coy	Coy area TOROKINA I" Square 55-96	Coy Pde Drill Surprise attack	Selection and security Assembly areas-recess and planning by all Comds- Briefing of all troops in enemy detail	
1	19 APR 45	HQ Coy- 1 Pl	Range	Open Range	SAT Vol I Pam 14	Grouping, application, Rapid snap.
2	" "	2 Pl	Coy area	To continue firing in the event of target becoming obscured. Fire orders- Indirect Stoppages Methods of indirect fire	Vol I Pam 7 Pt 11 Vol I Pam 7 Pt 111 Less 106 Vol I Pam 7 Pt 1 Sec 6	Indirect Fire Theory
3	" "	3 Pl	Coy area	Ceremonial Drill, Guards and sentries. Bren Recapit. Grenades Recapit	Less 1-4, 8, 9.	
4	" "	4 Pl	B Coy Range	Range Practice - Rifle and Bren	Pam 13 Miniature Table	
5	" "	5 Pl	Coy area	Camp and road construction		
6	" "	A Coy	TOROKINA I" 5796 -5896	Coy exercise - Pl Patrols from firm base	Use of Jungle Aids Patrol Reports Going sketch.	T & AD for J W No 3 & 4

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OUTLINE OF TRAINING FOR WEEK ENDING 22 APR 45

SERIAL	DATE	SUB-UNIT	Area	SUBJECT	LESSONS	REMARKS
7	19 Apr 45	B Coy	Track 577956-587963	Coy Exercise - approach march Encounter attack, consolidation	as for 17 Apr	
8	" "	C Coy	30 x range area	Re-organisation, consolidation and patrolling.	Biting of defences in accordance with orders issued prior to attack. Defence in dept. Reports on and evac of cas- ualties. Security patrols-Protection Track and L/T maintenance.	T & AD for J W No 5
9	" "	D Coy	Coy area TOROKINA I Square 55-96	Coy Parade and Drill Coy exercise - encircling attack	Recces, Control during encirclement Jungle navigation for a Coy on move. Formations during move and assault- Security of firm base	T AND AD FOR JV NO 5
1	20 Apr 45	HQ Coy - 1P1	Coy area	Message Code R/T Procedure Prac. Discussion on BHQ Sigs work	Par V Pt 1	
2	" "	" 2P1	" "	2" Mortar Stripping (Blindfolded) Steppages P I T A Gun Indirect fire	Less 1 & 2 Less 15 Vol I Par 7 Pt 1 Sec 6 Less 109	

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OUTLINE OF TRAINING FOR WEEK ENDING

SERIAL	DATE	SUB-UNIT	Area	SUBJECT	LESSONS	REMARKS
3	20 APR 45	HQ Coy - 3 Pl	Coy area	Bayonet C A B Discussion Rifle Oven Night occupation and handling	Less 1 - 5 Less 13 - 19 Less 2 & 3	
4	" "	4 Pl	Near Coy area - Pl	Exercise . Advance to contact - encircling attack - consolidation. Re-organisation Pl area Questionnaire - 2 Pdr mech		T & AD for J W No 5
5	" "	5 Pl	Coy area	Camp and road construction		
6	" "	A Coy	TOROKINA 1 st Square 5896	Coy Exercise Defence	Security. Issue of orders. Defence in dept. Siting of weapons. Mutual support	T & AD for JW No 6
7	" "	B Coy	Track 577956 -587963	Coy exercise - Patrolling, Pl attack, movement of Coy through this Pl- establishment of defensive posn.	Security. Issue of orders. Control. Siting of weapons incl close support	
8	" "	C Coy	Open Range	Snap and rapid practices	Quick aiming and firing. Correct bolt manipulation	Par 14
9	" "	D Coy	Coy area TOROKINA 1 st Square 55-96	Coy Parade and Drill Coy exercise - Encounter attack	Action of vanguard on contact-action of subordinate Coys Passing of information Issue of orders. Control	T & AD for J W No 5

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OUTLINE OF TRAINING FOR WEEK ENDING 22 APR 45

SERIAL	DATE	SUB-UNIT	Area	SUBJECT	LESSONS	REMARKS
1	21 APR	HQ Coy - 1 Pl	Coy area	Morse Code. V/T Procedure Prac. Discussion of Coy Sigs Work Sensophore, Lamp Practice	Pam V Pt 11	
2	" "	2 Pl	" "	Rifle Drill, Preparing guns for action. Changing barrels without loss of water. Flanking fire stripping (blindfolded) Cleaning and Insp of Stores.	Vol I Pam 7 Pt 111 Less 125	
3	" "	3 Pl	" "	Tactical siting of Mortars. Handling, care and maintenance of phones. Competitive Det Drill.		
4	" "	4 Pl	B Coy Range	2 pdr sub-calibre Att Shoot	Moving & Hull down targets	
			Coy area	Lecture - Jap Tactics Gun Drill 2 pdr	I Summaries ATM's Recap 1 - 36	
5	" "	5 Pl	" "	Camp and road construction		
6	" "	A Coy	FOROKINA I Squares 5895, 5896	Track improvement. Track Map. Track cutting on compass bearing		T & AD for J W Tactical Appx "A"
7	" "	B Coy	Track 5779 -5879	Coy exercise - Recce Patrols, Deliberate attack. Exploitation, consolidation	as for 17 & 20 Apr	
8	" "	C Coy	Track to LARUMA R	Coy Exercise - Defence	As for Serial No 6 of 20 Apr	

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OUTLINE OF TRAINING FOR WEEK ENDING 22 APR 45.....

SERIAL	DATE	SUB-UNIT	ALL	SUBJECT	LESSONS	REMARKS
9	21 APR	D Coy	TOROKINA I" Squads 55-96	Coy exercise - Consolidation and exploitation	Adoption of a plan as a drill - Patrols Type - Use and Benefit - Recce of area for defence and Pl areas specified and occupied - Siting of weapons and close support - Defence in depth Security	T&AD for JW No 6
1	22 APR	ALL COYS		STAND DOWN		

DETAILS OF N C Os

Posted	Rank	WE	PS	Unsuitable Being Dealt with under GRO 415/43.	Surp	Def	At Present Hosp Return Anticipated.
Intelligence Duties	Sjt	1	1	-	-	-	-
Intelligence Duties	Cpl	2	2	-	-	-	-
Signallers	Cpl	4	3	-	-	1	- (1 X List Sch).
Clerks	Cpl	6	5	-	-	1	- (1 Rec Promotion).
Clerks Orderly Room	Sjt	2	2	-	-	-	-
Technical Storeman	Sjt	1	1 (A/Cpl)	-	-	1	- (1 Rec Promotion).
Tailor	Sjt	1	1	-	-	-	-
Tailor	Cpl	1	1	-	-	-	-
MMG Nos	Cpl	2	1	-	-	1	- (1 School).
LMG Nos & Riflemen	Cpl	36	39	-	3	-	- (1 Rec Promotion).
Mortar Nos	Cpl	5	5	-	-	-	- (1 Rec Promotion).
Pioneers	Cpl	4	4	-	-	-	-
Provost	Sjt	1	1	-	-	-	-
Stretcher Bearer	Sjt	1	1	-	-	-	-
Stretcher Bearer	Cpl	2	2	-	-	-	-
Tk/A Gun Nos	Cpl	4	3	-	-	1	(- (1 Rec Promotion). (1 (Hospital Return Exp- ted))
R S M	WO1	1	1	-	-	-	-
R Q M S	WO 2	1	1	-	-	-	-
C S M	WO 2	5	5	-	-	-	-
C Q M S	S/Sjt	5	5	-	-	-	-
Sjts Platoon	Sjt	25	26	-	1	-	-
Dvr M T	Cpl	1	-	-	-	1	-
<u>Attached - AAMC</u> Hyg Insp	Sjt	1	1	-	-	-	-
Med Orderly	Sjt	1	1	-	-	-	-
Chiropodist	Cpl	1	1	-	-	-	-
<u>AACC</u> Shoemaker	Cpl	1	1	-	-	-	-
<u>AACC</u> Caterer	WO 2	1	1	-	-	-	-
Cooks	Sjt	5	4	-	-	1	- (1 Rec Promotion).
Cooks	Cpl	5	4	-	-	1	- (1 Rec Promotion).
<u>AAPC</u> Pay Clerk	Sjt	1	1	-	-	-	-
Pay Clerk	Cpl	1	-	-	-	1	-
<u>AAPS</u> Postal Duty	Sjt	1	1	-	-	-	-
Total N C Os		129	125	-	4	8	1

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

Army Form W.3008
(Adapted) (Page 1)
(Revised Jan., 1943)
16 / 45 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 21 / 4 / 1945 47 Aust. Inf. Bn. (Unit)

W.E. 11 / 120 / 3 OFFRS. 33 O.R's. 769 + OFFRS. 1 O.R's. 35 ATT. BY W.E.

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

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10				
W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.								
Rein'ts Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein'ts Required.				
-	-	1	2	Lieut.-Colonels	A A M C.								
			3	Majors									
	2		7	Captains		1							
		5	25	Lieutenants									
				Quarter-masters									
				A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.									
				Civilians Counting as Offrs.									
	2	6	37			1							
		DETAIL		A.I.P.	C.M.F.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.N.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL.	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	**	TOTAL.
Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in para. 10 of instructions for compilation of form will complete Part E(1) & E(2).		A.		36	A1	(1 A.I.P. - B1)							37
		E.(1)		1	A1	(ATT AAMC)							1
		E.(2)		1	A1	(ATT 29 AUST. INF. BDE.)							

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

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

OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit From.	Date.	CAUSE.
VX117038	T/LT COL	FRY. W.G.	9 AUST. INF. BN.	16.4.45	COMD 47 AUST. INF. BN. AUTH. (MS1430) 1ST. ARMY.

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit To.	Date.	CAUSE.
VX115825	LT. / CAPT	CARNEY R.L.	M/O. RAAF. SCHOOL or ARMY COOP. CSE 36	14.4.45	STUDENT DURATION 30 APR 45 - 31 MAY 45.
Qx50206	LT.	GORSCH. R.F.	DET 2/1 ABN.	16.4.45	GD. DUTIES
VX102080		HOPE I.R.	DET. FLAME THROWER 29 AUST INF BDE	17.4.45	EX 3 AUST. DIV. FLAME THROWER CSE No 3

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

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

47 AUST INF BN Unit

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 21/4/1945 (Total to agree with Columns 4 and 7 of Part A.)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held.	Army Number.	Surname.	Initials.	Posting.	Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No)	If not present with Unit, state how employed.	Date of Detachment.
MAJ. T/LT/CD	VX 117038	FRY	W.G.	C.O.	YES		
"	VX 55	COOMBS	C.J.A.	UNPOSTED	NO.	NG.DD. DET. (FOROKINA) POB MOVT TO G.D.D. (MELB) AUTH: 2 AUST CORPS MISTAKEN OF 1 APR 46	2.4.45
MAJ	Qx 6183	GREGORY	R.C.	2/IC	NO.	REC. LEAVE (24 DAYS)	2.4.45
"	Nx 12394	WATCH	J.R.	OC. HQ Coy	YES	ACT 2/IC	
"	Nx 143681	WINDSOR	G.	OC. C Coy	YES	ACT OC. H.Q. Coy.	
CAPT	VX 114129	MCDONALD.	S.M.	OC. D Coy	YES		
"	VX 110201	PASCOE	J.C.	2/IC C Coy	YES	ACT OC. A Coy	
"	VX 100022	HARKIN	E.F.	ADJT	YES		
"	VX 104351	HIBBERD	H.D.	OC. B Coy	YES		
"	Nx 104284	WADE-FERRELL	D.H.	2/IC D Coy	YES		
"	VX 114126	ORFORD	G.F.	2/IC C Coy	YES	A/OC. C Coy	
LT	Qx 44138	GRIFFITH	D.H.	2-PL	YES	A/2/IC. C Coy	
"	Qx 35763	MULLALLY	A.R.C.	11 PL	YES		
"	Qx 35819	CASSERA	P.S.	1 PL	YES		
LT T/CAPT	Qx 44157	ANDRUSAN	C.I.	QM	YES		
LT	Qx 44134	EVANS	A.C.	T.O.	YES		
"	Qx 43161	PARSHLOW	T	4 PL	YES		
"	Qx 48802	NICHOLLS	M.J.	SUPER A	YES	A/PL COMD 7 PL	
"	Qx 48803	CHARMAN.	J.A.S.	12 PL	YES		
"	VX 55040	BYRNE	J.J.	SUPER D	YES		
"	Nx 108721	DELOHERY	R.A.	1.0.	YES		
"	Qx 7388	WOODHEAD.	J.M.	8 PL	YES		
"	Nx 116908	BERRY	J.C.M.	5 PL	YES		
"	Nx 119353	PENROSE.	W.T.	10 PL	YES		
"	VX 102080	HOPE	I.R.	18 PL	NO.	DET. FLAME THROWERS. PL. 29 AUST INF. BDE.	17.4.45.
"	VX 3436	BAKER	C.R.	16 PL.	YES		
"	Qx 40742	GORLICK.	L.R.	7 PL	NO.	REC. LEAVE.	5.3.45.
"	Nx 111979	ELCOURNE	A.D.	3 PL	YES		
"	Qx 59884	CLARK	K.	SUPER. C	YES		
"	Qx 50206	GORSCH	R.F.	9 PL	NO.	DET. GD. DUTIES. 2/1 AGH	16.4.45
"	Qx 57978	CHRISTIE	C	13 PL	YES		
"	VX 102584	DUGARD.	P.	ASST/ADJT.	YES		
"	Nx 125887	AXTILL	S.J.	17 PL	YES		
"	Nx 140590	HENRY	R.A.	SUPER B	NO	REC LEAVE	1.3.45.
"	Nx 141078	LAYTON	A.M.	SUPER. C	NO	REC LEAVE	
"	Qx 48673	TALLON	M.D.	REINFT. DET	YES		
"	VX 79038	DICKENSON	R.N.	REINFT. DET	YES		
CAPT	VX 114281	SMITH.	M.H.	R.M.O.	YES		
CAPT	VX 5145	LEWIS	L.A.	OC. A Coy	NO	ATT CSE 16 L.HQ. TACT SCH	16.2.45
LT T/CAPT.	Nx 11588	CARNY	R.G.	2/IC A Coy	NO	CHAF. SCH ARMY CO-OP CSE 36	14.4.45
LT	Qx 52216	MCGILLAN	C.J.	14 PL	NO	7 PD. AMB	12.4.45

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

Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank, if Held.	Army Number.	Name and Initials.	Unit.	Date of Attachment.	Nature of Attachment.
CHAPLAIN	VX 94623	STRICKLAND F.P.	29 AUST BDE	16.12.44	CHAPLAIN
CAPT	Nx 190057	WATSON F.	72 A.D.U.	30.3.45	DENTIST

21 APR 45
Date of Despatch

W.G. Fry
Signature of Commander
COMD 47 AUST INF BN.

FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 21/ APR/1945. 47AUST INF Bn (Unit)

W.E. 11/120/3. OFFRS. 35 O.R's. 169 + OFFRS. 1 O.R's. 32 ATT. BY W.E.

Part A. Posted Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements Required.

W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.				
Reinfts. Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Reinfts. Required.
-	-	-	1	W.Os. Class I.					
-	-	-	6	W.Os. Class II.	AACC	1	-	-	-
				Squadron or Company Quartermaster Sgts.					
			5	Staff Sergeants					
1(NR)	1	1	32	Sergeants	AACC: AAMC: AAPC: AAPS	8	-	1(NR)	1(NR)
1(NR)	1	-	65	Corporals	AACC: AAMC: AACC	6	-	1(NR)	2(NR)
101	91	10	367	Troopers, Privates, etc.	AACC: AAMC: AAPC	18	2(NR)		
				Civilians counting as O.R.			1(NR)		
103*	93	11	677*	Totals of cols. marked * should agree with details shown in Part E on Page 2.		33*	4	3	3*

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

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

Detail	A.I.F.	C.M.F.		A.W.A.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	**	TOTAL.
		Under 19 Years.	19 Years and over.							
A1	412									
A	13	12	2							677
B(1)		1	1							
B(2)	13	1	20							33

Part B. Other Ranks Attached from Other Units.

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

Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.
6	72 ADU			4	SCHOOLS		
3	312 AUST LAD			30	LEAVE		
1	29 AUST INF BDE			1	218 COO SQN		
				2	RECORDS		
				3	PPC		
				32	211 AGH		
				5	29 AUST INF BDE		
				17	TOTAL		
				1	LEAVE		
10	TOTAL			1	SCHOOL		
				2	TOTAL		

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

Army No	Rank.	Name and Initials.	REMARKS (e.g., present whereabouts if known).
			NIL
		WE :- Pres	658.
		POSTED :- Pres	367.
		DEF :-	91 of which 30 in Hosp R.T.U ANTICIPATED.

PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 21/APR/1945.

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I.			Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.)			Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II. (cont.)			Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.)		
W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.
			Surveyors, Engineering			Operating Room Assts.			G.P.O. Assistants		
			Surveyors, R.A.A.			Operator, Keyboard			Hammermen		
			Surveyors, Topographical			Operator, Line			Leather Stitchers		
			Surveyors, Trigonometrical			Operator, Signal			Orderlies, Nursing		
			Toolmakers			Operator, Switchboard			Orderlies, Nursing Mental		
			Turners			Operator, Wireless			Plate Layers		
			Watchmakers			Opticians			Bangetakers	4	3
			Welders			Painters			Riveters		
						Panel Beaters			Boughriders		
						Photographer, Dry Plate			Saddlers		
						Predictor Numbers			Saddletree makers		
						Printers			Shoemaker and Boot Repairer		
						Radiographers			Stevadores		
						Biggers			Stokers, Staty. Engine		
			GROUP II			Sawyers			Storemen, Technical	4	4
			Armourers			Signallers	26	4	Tailors	2	2
			Axemen			Signwriters			Textile Refitters		
			Bakers			Telescope Identfn. Numbers			Tinsmiths		
			Bty. Comd's. Asst.			Well Borers			Vulcanizers		
			Boilermakers			Wheelers			Wagon Erectors		
			Carpenters	6	3	Winchman			Whitesmiths		
			Carpenters and Joiners			Wireman					
			Cooks			Woodturners			NON-SPECIALISTS		
			Dental Mechanics						BATHEN	35	35
			Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Med.)						DRIVERS MT	12	11
			Driver-Operator						OFFERS MESS	1	1
			Drainers						SJTS MESS	2	2
			Electricians						HYG DUTY	4	4
			Electricians (M.V.)						LMG+RMEN	347	10
			Electricians (Signals)						MMG NOS	22	19
			Fitters						DETAILS OF NON-TRADESMEN.		
			Fitters (Cycle)			GROUP III			MORT NOS	73	73
			Fitters (Electrical)			Battery Surveyors			ORDERLIES	32	29
			Fitters (Gun)			Butchers	1		PIONEERS	32	32
			Fitters (Instrument)			Clerks	10		PROVOST	1	1
			Fitters (M.V.)			Clerks, Supply	2		REGT POLICE	6	5
			Fitters, Railway Signal			Clerks, Technical			STOREMEN	6	6
			Fitters, Signals			Coach Trimmers			S.Bs	21	21
			Grinder, Precision			Concretors			TK/AGUN NOS	19	15
			Mechanics, Instrument			Cooks			WATER DUTY	2	2
			Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)			Dental Clerk Orderlies			ATTACHED BY W.E.		
			Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)			Despatch Riders			R.S.M	1	1
			Mechanics, Radio			Draughtsmen, Signals			R.Q.M.S	1	1
			Mechanics, Typewriter			Drivers, H.T.			C.S.M	5	5
			Mechanics, Wireless			Driver Mechanics			C.Q.M.S	5	5
			Millwrights			Driver Tptn. Plant			SJTS PL	25	26
			Operators, Excavator			Engine Hands, I.C.					
			Pattern Maker			Equipment Repairers	1				
			Pharmacist			Farriers					
			Photographer, Wet Plate			Fitters' Mates					
			Photowriter			Gun Layers					
			Plumber								
			Saw Doctors								
			Surveyors								
			CARRIED FORWARD	1	1	CARRIED FORWARD	17	14	CARRIED FORWARD	57	59
									Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively.	769	103

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

21 APR 45
Date of Despatch

Signature of Commander

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by

LT COL W G FRY COMD 47 AUST INF BN.

134. DUTIES Mounting 1800 hrs 20 Apr 45

Ord Offr to be provided by HQ Coy.
Piquet Offr to be provided by D Coy.

135. RETURN OF BOTTLES TO CANTEEN

Empty beer bottles must not be left lying around Coy Areas. Each Coy will ensure that all empty bottles are collected, crated and returned to the Unit Canteen daily.

136. BOILING OF CLOTHES

This must be organised on a Pl basis and proper wash tubs, coppers and clothes lines provided. Washing periods will be each Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 1530 hrs to 1630 hrs and will be under the supervision of Pl Comds who will see that clothes are boiled.

W G FRY
..... Capt
Adjnt 47 Aust Inf Bn

NOTICES

CHURCH SERVICE

Usual Friday evening R.C. Devotions cancelled.

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137. BAREFEET AND HOOKWORM DISEASE

The habit of walking to the showers in bare feet and playing sport without boots is highly dangerous in the Tropics. Hookworm disease is contracted in this way i.e. by the bare skin of the sole of the feet coming in direct contact with the ground.

This information will be communicated to all pers and the practice of walking about in bare feet will be discontinued.

138. STORES LODGED WITH LOB (Ref 29 Aust Inf Bde R.O. 20 Apr 45)

1. The following procedure will be observed regarding all articles left at LOB.

- (a) All boxes will be numbered
- (b) Lists of contents of boxes will be made out and disposed of as follows.

- 1 Copy OC LOB
- 1 Copy Bn QM or equivalent.
- 1 Copy with Box

In the event of the stores being Coy Stores, a copy will be held by the Coy in addition.

2. This procedure is introduced to facilitate ordering forward of any items if necessary and to assist in ensuring their safe custody.

E. Macklin
..... Capt
Adjnt 47 Aust Inf Bn

NOTICES

CHURCH SERVICES Sunday 22 Apr 45

R.D.	0830	Chapel
R.C.	1015	Chapel

47 Aust Inf Bn
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29 AUST INF BDE (AIF)

1. OUTLINE OF TRG CARRIED OUT

- A Coy Practically all tps used in work parties.
- B Coy A practice on the Open Range was carried out. The Coy was also exercised in the Approach March and first contact.
- C Coy The major part of the Coy was used on patrols. The remainder carried out section trg.
- D Coy This Coy was kept intact for the week and covered.
 - (a) Approach march and first contact.
 - (b) Coy attacks.
 - (c) Reorganization on gaining objective.
- HQ Coy HQ Coy has been largely used for duties but a system whereby a nucleus of each Pl will receive specialist trg is now in operation. The Signal Pl worked mainly on wireless procedure.

2. STANDARD OF TRG

The Coys are to the stage when Coy exercises can be attempted. It is hoped that one Coy can be preserved intact and trained as was "D" Coy this week.

HQ Coy Tank Attack and one section of the Pioneers were given elementary infantry's section work and weapon trg. Mortars and MMG carried out advanced handling. The Sig Pl has been without wireless sets for nearly twelve months. Their procedure is poor and requires intensive trg.

3. UNIT CADRES

The third NCO Cadre was concluded. The standard attained was very satisfactory. The students were keen and eager to learn. The fourth Cadre began this week.

4. OFFICER TRG

- 1. A general lecture on the Officer and the Bn.
- 2. D Coy was the only Coy with all Offrs present in the area. The approach march, First contact and attack were fully discussed.
- 3. A Sand table is now ready for use.

5. LESSONS BROUGHT OUT DURING TRG

- 1. HQ Coy.
 - (a) 1 Pl - Wireless procedure still requires considerable work before reaching proficiency.
 - (b) 2 Pl - The few tps trained have lost the speed necessary for Gun Drill and the remedying of stoppages.
 - (c) 3 Pl - Elementary drill is good, advanced handling poor.
 - (d) 4 Pl - Without actual firing of the weapon the troops have no idea of its capabilities.
 - (e) 5 Pl - Much elementary infantry rifle work is needed

2. Rifle Coys

- (a) Runners must shadow their Offrs at all times otherwise the battle drill is liable to break down due to lack of comms.
- (b) Personnel must camouflage both their persons and their packs to obtain maximum surprise.
- (c) Talking by anyone but people who have information or orders to give means confusion.
- (d) Routes of approach must if possible be such that troop movements are not disclosed by movement of foliage.
- (e) Men must carry normal scale of tools and dig to get necessary practice in siting weapon pits.
- (f) The Coy Comds plan can often be best illustrated on a miniature model of terrain as seen on recce.

6. MAN MANAGEMENT.

- (a) Daily inspections were carried out of all weapons. Weekly inspections of clothing feet and skin showed these were satisfactory. Clothes were boiled.
- (b) Entertainments - One picture only was shown. More entertainment which can be provided from within the Unit will be arranged.

7. WEAPONS

129 Aust Ede Workshops inspection was completed. 9 Bren and 19 Owens were graded US. Replacements are not yet to hand. Clothing - The position has eased and troops shortages are in the main remedied.

8. STANDARD OF FITNESS

The men are keen and physically fit though there are numerous skin diseases - approx 30% of effective Unit strength.

Considerable trg is necessary before the Bn is ready for battle. Elementary mistakes such as lack of camouflage, disclosure of intended movements, the runners becoming divorced from their OC revealed the lack of continuity of instruction.

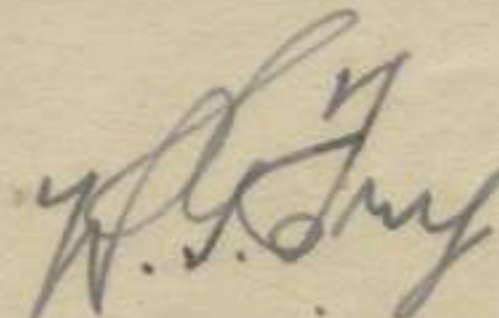
9. RECOMMENDATIONS - Nil.

10. GENERAL

It is obvious that working parties must be supplied and while this state of affairs exists one rifle Coy will be held intact each week while an MMG crew, a Mortar Detachment and a section of Tk/A personnel will receive a few days consecutive work/

SIGNED IN THE FIELD

Apr 45

 Lt Col.
Comd 47 Aust Inf Bn

SUBJECT; - MEDICAL REPORT FOR 'WEEKLY REPORT ON TRAINING' Para 9

R.A.P.
47 Aust Inf Bn

Adjt,
47 Aust Inf Bn

General health of personnel is good. There have been a number of cases of Otitis Ext during the week and the position as regards skin lesions remains more or less I.S.Q.

SIGNED IN THE FIELD

21. Apr 45

h. Smith Capt

R.M.O. 47 Aust Inf Bn

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1. SECURITY PIQUETS

Reduce to 5% instead of 15%.

2. REMOVAL OF CAMP FITTINGS TO LOB

Sisalkraft, Showers etc, Surplus gear.

3. L O B STORES

Inventory of contents of boxes to be prepared in triplicate.
See Unit R.O.

4. DRESS

NO shorts to be taken from this area. Minimum dress in fwd areas - trousers, boots and gaiters. Shirts to be worn in scrub.

5. SALUTING AND COMPLIMENTS

Remind pers of significance of Red and Blue Pennants.

6. A AND Q STAFF

Keep informed of what is happening.

7. ACCN STORES

Adequate will be taken initially but will have to be dropped later on.

One Fly per Coy. Tents for Bn HQ Officers.

8. Weed out non - essential stores now and arrange with QM to return to LOB.

9. TOOLS

Vitally necessary. Must take all picks.

10. BRENS

Spare barrels and spare parts to be taken.

11. LIQUOR

No liquor to be taken fwd. Bde Comd arranging some stock to be held in bulk.

12. PILFERING

Any pilfering will be regarded as a Court Martial offence - rations etc.

13. PATROLLING

- (i) Must be able to pinpoint their posn and enemy's posn.
- (ii) Must have adequate comms

PATROLLING (CONT)

- (iii) Must have navigating parties when patrolling over unknown tracks and country. Pacer and check pacer.
- (iv) Essential patrols be able to maintain contact when necessary overnight. Ready to hold ground gained.
- (v) Results of insufficient patrolling - C F Slaters Knoll attack.
- (vi) Patrol Comds must be examined by CO and/or IO immediately on return and their statements checked against infm already held.
- (vii) Wide and deep patrolling necessary.

14. DEFENCE

- (i) Coys to hold frontage and depth of 250 yds.
- (ii) Narrow fronts dangerous.

15. GENERAL

- (i) Avoid holding sups surplus to agreed requirements in Coy Areas.
- (ii) Keep men busy at all times.
- (iii) Improvements to tracks.
- (iv) Res of specialists especially Int personnel.
- (v) Pillboxes - how dealt with - often dealt with by weapons within section or Pl.

16. TRAINING GENERALLY.

- (i) Composition of R and O Gps.
- (ii) Layout and working of HQ - Spare set of signs.
- (iii) Use of RPs.
- (iv) Traffic control in Bn areas.
- (v) Ambushes - getting out of enemy.

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23 Apr 45.

E. G. Harbin Capt
Adjt 47 Aust Inf Bn

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LT COL W G FRY COMD 47 AUST INF BN

139. COMMANDER IN CHIEF'S CARDS (Ref 29 Aust Inf Bde .R.O. 20 Apr 45)

IL 1. The following information received from LHQ in regard to the award of Commander-in-Chief's Cards is forwarded.

(a) The award of Commander-in-Chief's card is made by the Commander-in-chief only.

(b) It may be made to all ranks at any time.

(c) It is the Commander-in Chief's expression of outstanding individual efforts and devotion to duty, but which have not reached the standard necessary for an award of a Mention-in-Despatches.

(d) The award of a Commander-in-Chief's Card is normally reserved for personnel serving in an operational area, or in contact with the enemy. In special cases however, the Commander-in-chief has recognised meritorious service in a non operational area by presenting his card.

(e) No riband or emblem is worn.

(f) The award is published in general orders, and an appropriate note made on the Individual's Record of Service.

140. MESSAGE FROM THE PRIME MINISTER OF AUSTRALIA TO AUSTRALIAN TROOPS

On the recent visit to New Guinea and the Solomons area of the Acting Minister for the Army (Senator the Hon. J.M. Fraser) he conveyed the following message from the Prime Minister of Australia:-

"The Australian Government and people have ever had cause to be proud of their fighting forces. In this war new names have been emblazoned on the banners of Australian Units, to join those made sacred in our memory in 1914-18.

The stage through which the Pacific War is now passing finds such places in New Guinea, New Britain, Bougainville and the Solomons having the strongest impact on our minds and on our hearts. Our thoughts are constantly with you.

Your Government knows the obstacles in your path - a tenacious and ferocious enemy and shocking terrain.

The Acting Minister of the Army (Sen Fraser) comes to you at my request to ensure that what can be done will be done. I ask that you do not hesitate to tell him fully what he should know.

That God will watch over you and protect you is the hope and prayer of Australia.

141. REC HUT

Personnel will not use the Rec Hut before 1200 hrs daily excluding Rest Day.

142. DUTIES Mounting 1800 hours 23 Apr 45.

HQ Coy to supply Ord Offr.
A Coy to supply Piquet Offr.

W. G. Fry
..... Capt
for Adjt 47 Aust Inf Bn

Apprentice War Diary

47 AUST INF BN

OUTLINE OF TRAINING FOR WEEK ENDING 29 APR 45

SERIAL	DATE	SUB-UNIT	AREA	SUBJECT	LESSONS	REMARKS
1	23 Apr	HQ Coy-1 Pl	Coy area in Pde Ground	Kit & Skin Inspection. Sports Bn Parade		
2	" "	2 Pl	" "	Pl Adm. Sports Bn Parade		
3	" "	3 Pl	" "	Bn Parade. Pl Adm. Sport		
4	" "	4 Pl	" "	Bn Parade Pl Adm. Sport		
5	" "	5 Pl	" "	Bn Parade Pl Adm. Sport		
6	" "	A Coy		Bde work Parties		
7	" "	B Coy		Bde Work Parties		
8	" "	C Coy	" "	Bn Parade. Coy Adm. Sports		
9	" "	D Coy	" "	Bn Parade. Coy Adm. Sports Operational Patrols.		
1	24 APR	HQ Coy-3 Pl	Coy area	Pl Drill. Elementary Mor Drill Rifle Firing & handling Trg Bren Load, Fire & I A	Pam 3 Less 13 - 18 Less 1,2,8,9.	
2	" "	1 Pl	" "	Morse Code - 408 Mk III Desc & Char Semaphore. Wireless set 208 - Tuning and netting	S T Vol III Pam 17 Chap I	
3	" "	2 Pl	" " 30x Range	Practical IAs MMG - Surprise targets	SAT Vol I Pam 7 Pt I To practice pers in engaging opportunity targets rapidly	

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OUTLINE OF TRAINING FOR WEEK ENDING

29 APR 45

SERIAL	DATE	SUB-UNIT	AREA	SUBJECT	LESSONS	REMARKS
4	24 APR	HQ Coy-4 Pl	TOROKINA RANGE Coy area	Range practice - Quick Fire 2 pdr Gun Maintenance.	Moving targets	
5	" "	A Coy		Bde Work Parties		
6	" "	B Coy		Bde Work Parties		
7	" "	C Coy	TOROKINA I" to I mile 5696	Coy exercise - Approach march. Gaining of contact. Preparation for encounter attack	Formation of Coy in approach march. Action of leading scouts and sections on contact. Battle Drill within Sec, Pl, and Coy during preparation for attack. Control and intercomm. Issue of orders and passing of info to all pers.	PSR Vol II Chap 5 Sec 37 & 41 T & AD for JW Directive No 5
8	" "	D Coy	Coy area TOROKINA I" to I mile 5696	Coy Parade, Inspection, Drill Patrolling-Pl Exercise	Patrol briefing. Orders by Pl Comd. Jungle navigation and pacing. Points before, during and after patrols	MTP 18 Sec 119-121 T & AD for JW Directive 3 & 4
1	25 APR	HQ Coy-1Pl	Coy area	Morse Code - 108 Mk III. Working Lamp Working. Semaphore. W/T procedure with 208 sets	SAT Vol III Pam 17 Chap II	
2	" "	2Pl	" "	Technical Subjects Night Firing	Pam 7 Pts 1 Sec 9 Pts II Sec 17 Pt III Sec 26	
3	" "	3 Pl	30x Range	Rifle zeroing. Grouping. Application. Bren -introductory practice.		

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SERIAL	DATE	SUB-UNIT	AREA	SUBJECT	LESSONS	REMARKS
4	25 APR	HQ Coy-4 Pl	Coy area	Pita Mech. 2 pdr. Lecture - Jap Camouflage and cave defences Lecture - Current Sit-reps Gun Drill 2 pdr.	Pam 16 Less 1,2. Recapit. A T M 38 I Reports Recapit.	
5	" "	A Coy		Bde Work Parties		
6	" "	B Coy		Bde Work Parties		
7	" "	C Coy	TOROKINA I" = Imile 5696	Coy exercise (continued) Recapitulation of previous day then: The flanking attack, mopping up. Re-organisation and consolidation.	Issue of orders. Control during the attack. Fire and movt within Secs and Pls. Action on capture of objective.	T & AD for JW Directive No 5
8	" "	D Coy	Coy area TOROKINA I"-I mile 5796	Operational Patrolling Coy Parade, Inspection, and drill. Pl trg - Pl in encounter attack	As for C Coy exercise (applied to Pl)	T & AD for JW Directive No 5 IT Part viii Sec 27 - 32
1	26 APR	HQ Coy-1Pl	Coy area	Morse Code - Lecture 208 - Valves. Semaphore. W/T procedure with 208 Sets.		
2	" "	2 Pl	" "	Pl - Indirect Fire Sec- Direct Fire Booby Traps	Pam 7 Part II Sec 8 Part 111 Sec 19 Sec 25	Full use of fire power
3	" "	3 Pl	" "	Det Drill. Defensive Position and D F Tasks.		
4	" "	4 Pl	PERIMETER Road	Pl exer cise- Recce & occup - ation.	R & O procedure	

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OUTLINE OF TRAINING FOR WEEK ENDING 28 Apr 45

SERIAL	DATE	SUB-UNIT	AREA	SUBJECT	LESSONS	REMARKS
5	26 APR	A Coy		Work Parties (Bde)		
6	" "	B Coy		Work Parties (Bde)		
7	" "	C Coy	TOROKINA 1" = 1 mile 5796	Coy exercise - Coy in deliberate attack.	Issue of orders. Preparation for attack by Sec, Pl and Coy. Recce. Use of support weapons. Timings. Action on capture of objective.	F S R Vol II Sec 55-57 T & AD for JW. Directive No 5.
8	" "	D Coy		Operational Patrolling Pl Trg - Pl in defence	Issue of orders by Pl and Sec Comds. Lay out of Pl Defensive position. Defence in depth. Mutual support and siting of wpons Protective Patrolling.	IT Part viii Sec 41 T & AD for JW No 6
1	27 APR	HQ Coy-I Pl	Coy area	Lamp working. Semaphore. R/T Procedure practical. Morse Code.		
2	" "	2 Pl	Coy area	Range Finder Flanking Fire Map shooting	Pam 10 Pam 7 Part III Sec 37 Pam 7 Part III Sec 27	Particular attention to safety angles
3	" "	3 Pl	" "	Pl Drill. Range Cards. Booby Traps. Preparation for and night occupation.		
4	" "	4 Pl	" "	Pita Mech - 2 pdr Lecture- Booby Traps Map Reading Compass Gun Drill 2 pdr	Pam 16 Less 2A3. Recapitulation Bn screed & ATMs Compass Recapitulation	

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OUTLINE OF TRAINING FOR WEEK ENDING 29 APR 45

SERIAL	DATE	SUB-UNIT	AREA	SUBJECT	LESSONS	REMARKS
5	27 APR	A Coy and B Coy		Bde Work Parties and Div Work Parties		
6	" "	C Coy	TOROKINA 1" = 1 mile 5796	Coy Exercise - Coy in defence.	Siting and layout of defensive position. Issue of orders by all Coys. Defence in depth and all round defence. Priority of work. Protective Patrolling.	FSR Vol II Chap vii Sec 67 - 69 T & AD for JW Directive No 6
6	" "	D Coy	Coy area	Operational Patrols Coy Parade and inspections Route March Weapon Trg - TSOBT	Hardening up. March Discipline	
1	28 APR	HQ Coy-IP1	Coy area	Morse Code - Discussion Lessons learnt. R/T Procedure practical Semaphore.		
2	" "	2P1	" "	Elementary Gun Drill. Competitive Quiz. Cleaning and inspection.		
3	" "	3P1	" " 30x Range	TsO E T Mortar O S M G	No 1 - 5	
4	" "	4 P1	PERIMETER ROAD Coy area	P1 Exercise- Advance, Contact, Encircling attack. Consolidation. Map Reading Gun Drill	Conversion Bearings Recapitulation	T & AD for JW
5	" "	A & B Coys		Bde Work PARTIES		

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OUTLINE OF TRAINING FOR WEEK ENDING

SERIAL	DATE	SUB-UNIT	AREA	SUBJECT	LESSONS	REMARKS
6	28 Apr	C Coys	Coy area 30x Range	Coy Parade Inspection and drill C S M G Practice Wpn Trg - Recapitulation	SAT Vol IPam 14 SMC Practices	
7	" "	D Coy	Coy area 30x Range	Coy Parade, Inspection and drill. Miniature Range Practices Operational Patrols	Grouping, application.	
1	29 Apr	ALL COYS		STAND DOWN		

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by

LT COL W G FRY COMD 47 AUST INF BN

143. AUTHORISED PARKING AREAS (Ref 29 Aust Inf Bde R.O. 21 Apr 45)

- (a) ANZAC BEACH, TOKOKINA is NOT an authorised Parking area within the provisions of ASO Chap 14 Sec 3.
- (b) All unattended vehicles at ANZAC BEACH will be impounded.

144. CLOSING OF ROADWAY (Ref 29 Aust Inf Bde R.O. 21 Apr 45)

(1) The road running through the American Gasoline Dump No. 5 between KOROMOKINA ROAD AND THE BOMBER ROAD (along West end of Bomber Strip) is closed to all vehicular traffic between 1800 hrs and 0600 hrs each night on and from 8 Apr 45.

145. LOSS OF SERIAL 17 AIR & 1st CLASS SURFACE DESPATCH FOR NEW GUINEA AND AUSTRALIA (Ref 29 Aust Inf Bde R.O. 25 Apr 45.)

Confirmation has been received of the loss of all airmail including Direct Bag correspondence and other first class mail despatched from BOUGAINVILLE to NEW GUINEA and the MAINLAND on 17 Apr 45.

A total of 25 bags for 632 lbs was jettisoned approx 140 miles off NEW GUINEA as a result of the aircraft developing serious engine trouble.

Particulars of despatch are as follows:

<u>DESTINATION</u>	<u>SERIAL</u>	<u>BAGS</u>	<u>WEIGHT</u>	
LAE	17	2	80	
APO Townsville	17	1	30	
P.O. Townsville	17	1	30	
G.P.O. Brisbane	17	3	105	AIR
G.P.O. Sydney	17	3	98	MAIL
G.P.O. Melbourne	17	3	115	
G.P.O. Adelaide	17	1	25	
G.P.O. Perth	17	1	25	
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G.P.O. Brisbane	7	1	20	1st
G.P.O. Sydney	7	1	35	CLASS
G.P.O. Melbourne	7	1	40	SURFACE
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A.P.O. Townsville	17	1	2	
3 Base	17	1	10	
1 Base	17	1	2	DIRECT
APC 0130	17	1	5	BAGS
LAE	17	1	20	

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A total of 148 regd articles originated from Units within 3 Aust Div was included. Senders of all registered articles lost will be separately advised by 3 Aust Div Postal Unit.

A.D. (Posts), First Aust Army has advised that compensation in respect of registered articles lost, will not be payable. In respect of Postal Notes lost however, where the relative numbers are known, application may be submitted for the issue of duplicates. Such applications should be forwarded through this Unit.

Details of postings of airmails and first class mail matter through the various offices which may be regarded as lost are as follows:

<u>OFFICE</u>	<u>Postings included</u>
FPO 158 att HQ 3 Aust Div	Between 1000hrs 15 Apr/1000 hrs 16 Apr.
FPO 069 att 29 Aust Inf Bde	Between 0800 hrs 16 Apr 45/0800 hrs 17 Apr 45.

It is almost certain that a small amount of late postings after the times indicated, would be included and lost.

DUTIES Mounting 1800 hrs 25 Apr 45.

HQ COY

Ord Offr to be supplied by HQ Coy

Piquet Offr to be supplied by A Coy

P. J. Dugard
..... Capt
Adj 47 Aust Inf Bn

NOTICES

A.A.E.S. Picture Show at Bn Theatre tonight at 1915 hrs.

Bn Fellowship Meeting tonight in Chapel at 1915 hrs

appa 24

RESTRICTED

The information contained in this document will not be communicated either directly or indirectly to the Press or to any person not authorised to receive it.

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

ROUTINE ORDERS

Ser No 47
26 Apr 45

PART I

by

LT COL W.G. FRY COMD 47 AUST INF BN

146. DUTIES Mounting 1800 hrs 26 Apr 45.

D COY

Ord Offr to be supplied by D COY

Piquet Offr to be supplied by A COY

147. TRAFFIC CONTROL (Ref 29 Aust Inf Bde R.O. 24 Apr 45).

Speed limits within PURIATA -- TOKO -- MAWARAKA areas are.

Jeeps -- 20 mph -- max

Other vehs -- 15 mph -- max

148. ANTI MALARIA PRECAUTIONS (Ref 29 Aust Inf Bde R.O. 24 Apr 45)

For purpose of anti-malaria precautions times of sunrise and sunset will now be observed as 0615 hrs and 1800 hrs.

149. REQUEST HOUR

The COs request hour will be held each Sunday immediately after Church Parade.

L. H. King
..... Capt
Adjnt 47 Aust Inf Bn

NOTICES

SOLOMONS ISLANDS WRITERS CLUB -- ESSAY COMPETITION (Ref 29 Aust Inf Bde R.O. 21 Apr 45)

SUBJECTS Section A -- Some Aspect (the writer's own choice) of English literature in the nineteenth and twentieth centuries.

Section B -- A critical analysis of cultural life in Australia.

Section C -- Discuss the following comment from Harry Levin's 'James Joyce' (page 133)

"On the whole there were not many obstacles to keep Swift from living up to his definition of style 'proper words in proper places'. The wear and tear of language since his time, the corruptions of usage, the vulgarizations of journalism, the affectations of scholarship have so relaxed the standard that we are no longer surprised to find proper words in improper places".

CONDITIONS --

(a) Entries welcomed from all members of Australian or Allied Forces in SWPA outside the mainland of Australia.

(b) Any entrant may submit an essay in all three sections.

(c) No essay is to exceed 1000 words.

(d) Essays to be enclosed in an envelope marked with a pen name.

(e) Entries to be forwarded with writer's name number and Unit on a separate slip of paper to Secretary, Solomon Islands Writer's Club, G (Ops) Branch, 2 Aust Corps.

PRIZES Two prizes will be awarded in each section.

First Prize: Order on Australian Bookseller to value of 1/10/-

Second Prize: Order on Australian Bookseller to value of 10/-

MESSAGE FORM

Register No.

Call	Ser. No.	Priority	Transmission Instructions <i>appsc 25</i>
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ABOVE THIS LINE FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY

FROM (A)	Originator 47 Aust Inf Bn	Date—Time of Origin 280800L	Office Date Stamp
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For Action

A B C D HQ COYS QM RMO PADRE

TO	(w) For Information (INFO.)	Message Instructions GR
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ORIGINATOR'S No.

GS706 . SECRET . WARNING ORDER . Bn will concentrate during the next week vicinity MOTUPENA prior to movt SHINRU CK area . D and C Coys will be on one hrs notice to move as from 281200L . Remainder will be on 12 hrs notice as from 281200L . Marching order and battle scale stores to be taken . Ack

This message may be sent AS WRITTEN by any means { except } Wireless

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

Originator's Instructions
Degree of Priority

Time	System	Op.
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Time Cleared		

Signed

Signed

E. J. Harbin
Capt

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

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

17 / 45 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 28 / 4 / 1945. 47 Aust. Inf Bn (Unit)

W.E. 11 / 120 / 3 OFFRS. 33 O.R's. 769 + OFFRS. 1 O.R's. 35 ATT. BY W.E.

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

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.				
Rein'ts Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein'ts Required.
-	-	1	2	*					
1	1	-	2	*					
2	2	-	7	Lieut.-Colonels					
-	-	5	25	Majors	A.A.M.C.	1	-	-	-
				Captains					
				Lieutenants					
				Quarter-masters					
				A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.					
				Civilians Counting as Offrs.					
3	3	6	36			1	-	-	-

	DETAIL	A.I.F.	C.M.F.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.N.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL.	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	**	TOTAL.
Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in para. 10 of instructions for compilation of form will complete Part E(1) & E(2).	A.	35	A1 (A.I.F. B1).								36
	E.(1)	1	A1 (ATT. A.A.M.C.)								1
	E.(2)	1	A1 (ATT. 29 AUST. INF BDE)								1

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

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

OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit From.	Date.	CAUSE.
Qx 50206	LT.	GORSCH. R.F.	RETD. TO UNIT.	24.4.45	EX. GD. DUTIES 2/1 AGH
Qx 34730	"	PROCTOR. M.J.	RETD TO UNIT.	26.4.45	EX. R.S.L.

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit To.	Date.	CAUSE.
Nx108721	LT	DELOHERY. R.A.	DET 15 AUST. INF BDE	22.4.45	INT. DUTIES
Vx 55040	"	BYRNE. J.J.	M/O TO L.H.Q. SCH.		
			MIL. INT. CSR. No 22	24.4.45	STUDENT DURATION 7.5.45-16.6
Vx 3436	"	BAKER. C.B.	DET. 2/1 AGH.	24.4.45	GD. DUTIES.

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

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

NIL.

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 28/4/1945 (Total to agree with Columns 4 and 7 of Part A.)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held.	Army Number.	Surname.	Initials.	Posting.	Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No)	If not present with Unit, state how employed.	Date of Detachment.
MAJ. T/LT COL	VX 117038	FRY	W.B.	C.O.	YES		
MAJ T/LT COL	VX 55	COOMBS	C.J.A.	UNPOSTED	NO	DET. G.D. MELBOURNE	23/4/45
MAJ.	NX 12394	WATCH	J.R.	2/IC	YES		
MAJ	NX 145681	WINDSOR	B.	OC HQ Coy	YES		
CAPT	VX 114129	M'DONALD	S.M.	OC D Coy	YES		
"	VX 112201	PASCOR	J.C.	2/IC B Coy	YES	A/OC 'A' Coy	
"	VX 100032	HARKIN	E.F.	ADJT	YES		
"	VX 104351	HIBBERD	H.D.	O.C. B Coy	YES		
"	NX 104284	WADE-FARRELL	E.H.	2/IC D Coy	YES		
"	VX 114126	ORFORD	G.F.	2/IC C Coy	YES	A/O.C. 'C' Coy	
LT.	QX 44138	GRIFFITH	D.H.	UNPOSTED	YES	A/2.I.C. 'C' Coy	
"	QX 35766	MULLANY	A.E.C.	11 PL	YES	A/2.I.C. 'B' Coy	
"	QX 35819	CASSERA	P.S.	1 PL	YES		
LT/T/CAPT	QX 44157	ANDERSEN	C.I.	QM.	YES		
LT	QX 44134	EVANS	AC	TO	YES		
"	QX 43161	PARRLOW	T.	4 PL	YES		
"	QX 48802	NICHOLS	M.J.	SUPER 'A'	YES		
"	QX 48803	CHAPMAN	J.A.S.	12 PL	YES		
"	QX 34730	PROCTOR	M.J.	SUPER 'D'	YES		
"	NX 108721	DELOHERY	R.A.	1.O.	NO	DET. 15 AUST. INF. BDE	23/4/45
"	QX 7388	WOODHEAD	J.M.	8 PL	YES		
"	NX 116908	BERRY	J.C.M.	5 PL	YES		
"	NX 119353	PRINROSE	W.T.	10 PL	YES		
"	VX 102080	HOPE	I.R.	18 PL	NO	DET. FLAME THROWERS PL	17/4/45
"	VX 3436	BAKER	C.R.	16 PL	NO	DET. 29 AUST INF BDE	
"	QX 40742	GORLICK	L.R.	7 PL	NO	DET. GD. DUTIES 2/1 AGH.	24/4/45
"	NX 111979	ELBOURNE	A.D.	3 PL	YES	R.G.C. LEAVE	5/3/45
"	QX 59882	CHARK	K.	SUPER 'C'	YES		
"	BX 50200	BORSCH	R.P.	9 PL	YES		
"	QX 57978	CHRISTIE	C.	13 PL	YES		
"	VX 102584	DUGARD	P.	ASST ADJT	YES		
"	NX 125887	ARTILL	S.J.	17 PL	YES		
"	NX 140590	HENRY	R.A.	SUPER 'C'	NO	R.G.C. LEAVE	1-3-45
"	NX 141078	LAYTON	A.M.	SUPER 'C'	NO	R.G.C. LEAVE	5-3-45
"	QX 48673	TALLOH	M.D.	2 PL	YES		
"	VX 79038	DICKENSON	R.N.	REMIT. OFF	YES		
CAPT	VX 114281	SMITH	M.H.	R.MO	YES		
CAPT	VX 5145	LEWIS	E.A.	OC 'A' Coy	NO	ATT CSR 16. L.HQ. TACT. SCH	16-2-45
LT/CAPT	NX 115829	CARNEY	R.W.	2/IC 'A' Coy	NO	RAAF SCH ARMY COOP. CSR 36	14-4-45
LT.	QX 32216	McLILLAN	C.J.	SUPER 'B'	NO.	7 AUST. TD AMB (X-LIST)	12-4-45
"	NX 35040	BYRNE	J.J.	SUPER 'D'	NO.	L.H.Q. SCH. OF MIL. INT.	
						CSR 22 'B' Wing	24-4-45

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

Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank, if Held.	Army Number.	Name and Initials.	Unit.	Date of Attachment.	Nature of Attachment.
CHAPLAIN	VX 94623	STRICKLAND P.P.	29 Aust Inf Bde	16-12-44	CHAPLAIN
CAPT	NX 190057	WATSON. F.	72. A.D.V.	30-3-45	DENTIST

28 Apr 45
Date of Despatch

[Signature]
Signature of Commander
Lt. Col.

FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS

11/43 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 11/43/1945 41401ST INF BN (Unit)

W.E. 11/43 OFFRS. 35 O.R's. 769 + OFFRS. 1 O.R's. 32 ATT. BY W.E.

Part A. Posted Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements Required.

1 W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				5	6 ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.				
Reinfts. Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.	DETAIL.	Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Reinfts. Required.
-	-	-	1	W.Os. Class I.					
-	-	-	6	W.Os. Class II.	44CC	1	-	-	-
				Squadron or Company Quartermaster Sgts.					
-	-	-	5	Staff Sergeants					
-	-	-	32	Sergeants	44CC 44MC 44PC 44PS	8	-	144CC	1 (NR)
-	-	1	68	Corporals	44CC 44MC 44PC	6	-	144CC	2 (NR)
96	86	10	572	Troopers, Privates, etc.	44CC 44MC 44PC	18	144PC 144MC 244CC	-	-
				Civilians counting as O.R.					
96 *	86	11	684 *	Totals of cols. marked * should agree with details shown in Part E on Page 2.		33 *	4	3	3 (NR)

Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in para. 7 of instructions for compilation of this return will complete analysis of Part B(1) and B(2).
** Personnel belonging to a category not provided for in the analysis will be shown in this Col. Particulars will be shown, e.g., 20 U.K. Forces, 10 N.Z. Forces.

Detail	A.I.F.	C.M.F.		A.W.A.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	**	TOTAL
		Under 19 Years.	19 Years and over.							
A	13	12	2							684
B(1)		1								
B(2)	13	11	20							33

Part B. Other Ranks Attached from Other Units.

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

Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.
5	72 ADU			4	HOSP		
4	312 AUST LAD			6	SCH		
1	29 B1c.			1	2/8 Cdo Sqn.		
				2	RECORDS		
				2	FPC		
				26	LEAVE		
10	TOTAL			2	241 1951		
				5	29 B1c		
				1	15 B1e		
				51			
				1	LEAVE		
				1	SCH		
				1	HOSP		
				3	TOTAL		

Part D. Description of Other Ranks Whose Return To 41401ST INF BN (Unit) is Particularly Requested. 28 APR 1945

Army No	Rank.	Name and Initials.	REMARKS (e.g., present whereabouts if known).
		WE : ETC	658
		POSTED	512
		DEFICIENT	86
			OF WHICH 29 IN HOSP RTU ANTICIPATED

DETAILS OF N C Os

POSTED	RANK	WE	PS	INSUITABLE BEING DEALT WITH UNDER G R O 415/43	SURP	DEF	AT PRESENT HOSPITAL RETURN ANTICIPATED
Intelligence Duties	Sgt	1	1	-	-	-	-
Intelligence Duties	Cpl	2	2	-	-	-	-
Signallers	Cpl	4	4	-	-	-	-
Clerks	Cpl	6	5	-	-	1	(1 X List School) 1 Rec Promotion)
Clerks Ord Room	Sjt	2	2	-	-	-	-
Tailor	Sjt	1	1	-	-	-	-
Tailor	Cpl	1	1	-	-	-	-
MMG Nos	Cpl	2	1	-	-	1	(1 X List School) 1 Rec Promotion)
LMG Nos and Riflemen	Cpl	36	40	-	4	-	-
Mort Nos	Cpl	5	6	-	1	-	-
Technical Storeman	Sjt	1	1	-	-	-	-
Pioneers	Cpl	4	3	-	-	1	-
Provost	Sjt	1	1	-	-	-	-
Stretcher Bearers	Sjt	1	1	-	-	-	-
Stretcher Bearers	Cpl	2	2	-	-	-	-
Tk/A Gun Nos	Cpl	4	4	-	-	-	-
R S M	WO 1	1	1	-	-	-	-
R Q M S	WO 2	1	1	-	-	-	-
CS M	WO 2	5	5	-	-	-	-
C Q M S	S/sjt	5	5	-	-	-	-
Sjts Platoon	Sjt	25	25	-	-	-	-
Drivers M T	Cpl	1	-	-	-	1	(1 Rec Promotion)
<u>Attached</u> AAMC Hyg Insp	Sjt	1	1	-	-	-	-
Med Ord	Sjt	1	1	-	-	-	-
Chiropod	Cpl	1	1	-	-	-	-
AAOC Shoemaker	Cpl	1	1	-	-	-	-
AACC Caterer	WO 2	1	1	-	-	-	-
Cooks	Sjt	5	4	-	-	1	(1 Rec Promotion)
Cooks	Cpl	5	4	-	-	1	(1 Rec Promotion)
AAPC Pay Clerks	Sjt	1	1	-	-	-	-
Pay Clerks	Cpl	1	-	-	-	1	-
AAPS Postal Duties	Sjt	1	1	-	-	-	-
TOTAL N C Os		129	127	-	5	7	-

47 AUST INF BN

Unit

Army Form W.3009
(Adapted) (Page 2)
(Revised Jan., 1943)

Serial No.

PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 28/4/1945.

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I.			Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.)			Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II. (cont.)			Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.)								
W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.						
			Surveyors, Engineering			Operating Room Assts.			G.P.O. Assistants								
			Surveyors, E.A.A.			Operator, Keyboard			Hammermen								
			Surveyors, Topographical			Operator, Line			Leather Stitchers								
			Surveyors, Trigonometrical			Operator, Signal			Orderlies, Nursing								
			Toolmakers			Operator, Switchboard			Orderlies, Nursing Mental								
			Turners			Operator, Wireless			Plate Layers								
			Watchmakers			Opticians			Bangetakers	4	3						
			Welders			Painters			Riveters		1						
						Panel Beaters			Roughriders								
						Photographer, Dry Plate			Saddlers								
						Predictor Numbers			Saddletree makers								
						Printers			Shoemaker and Boot Repairer								
						Radiographers			Stevedores								
						Elgrers			Stokers, Staty. Engine								
			GROUP II.			Sawyers			Storemen, Technical	4	4						
			Armourers			Signallers			Tailors	2	2						
			Axemen			Signwriters			Textile Refitters								
			Bakers			Telescope Identfn. Numbers			Tinsmiths								
			Bty. Comd's. Asst.			Well Borers			Vulcanizers								
			Bollermakers			Wheelers			Wagon Erectors								
			Carpenters	6	4	2	Winchman		Whitesmiths								
			Carpenters and Joiners			Wireman			NON-SPECIALISTS								
			Cooks			Woodturners			BATTMEN	35	35						
			Dental Mechanics						DRIVERS MT	12	11						
			Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Med.)						OFFERS DRESS	1	1						
			Driver-Operator						BATT MESS	2	2						
			Drainers						HYG DUTY	4	4						
			Electricians						LMG RIFLES	37	32						
			Electricians (M.V.)						NMG BDS	20	20						
			Electricians (Signals)						DETAILS OF NON-TRADESMEN.								
			Fitters						MORT NO 3	72	73						
			Fitters (Cycle)						ORDERLIES	32	20						
			Fitters (Electrical)						PIONEERS	32	32						
			Fitters (Gun)						PROVOST	1	1						
			Fitters (Instrument)						REGT POLICE	6	5						
			Fitters (M.V.)						STOREMEN	6	6						
			Fitters, Railway Signal						SBS	21	21						
			Fitters, Signals						TK/AGUNNS	17	17						
			Grinder, Precision						WATER DUTY	2	2						
			Mechanics, Instrument						ATTACHED BY W.E.								
			Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)						R S M	1	1						
			Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)						R. Q. M. S.	1	1						
			Mechanics, Radio						T. Q. M. S.	5	5						
			Mechanics, Typewriter						G. Q. M. S.	3	3						
			Mechanics, Wireless						SJTS PL	25	25						
			Millwrights														
			Operators, Excavator														
			Pattern Maker														
			Pharmacist														
			Photographer, Wet Plate														
			Photewriter														
			Plumber														
			Saw Doctors														
			Surveyors														
			CARRIED FORWARD	1	1	-	CARRIED FORWARD	17	13	4	CARRIED FORWARD	57	58	8			
										Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively.		769		624		95	

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

28 APR 1945
Date of Despatch

Signature of Commander

L.H.Q. Press—653—10/43—520m.

COMD 47 AUST INF BN

47 Aust Inf Bn.
45/15/1

29 Aust Inf Bde (AIF)

1. Outline of training.

"A" Coy:- Approach march and first contact.
Immediate attack.

"B" Coy:- One Pl available.
Pl in approach march.
Pl in attack.
Sec stalking.

"C" Coy:- Coy exercises:-
Approach march.
Action on first contact.
Immediate attack.
Deliberate attack.
Consolidation.

"D" Coy:- Engaged on operational, patrols.
Sec stalks and measured pacing over various types
of country.

"HQ" Coy :- A Cadre was retained on a special 10 days syllabus.
The remainder of the Pls were exercised in a general
weekly syllabus submitted and from these working
parties were drawn.

2. Standard of Training

"C" Coy was retained in full and intensive training was carried out. "C" and "D" Coys have now been observed and as they both have keen Coy Comds and energetic and willing troops the standard of fitness for war is becoming apparent. It is my first impression that this Bn is NOT sufficiently trained for battle and if committed casualties above normal must for some time be expected. Whether this view can be considerably modified during the next few weeks will depend on the amount of training carried out.

Some of the things on which I base this opinion are:-

(1) Fd Craft is poor. Bren Gunners in both Coys

(a) when halting during advance placed their weapons with no field of fire although good positions occurred within two or three yards.

(b) when occupying a position the Bren was sighted often with dead ground ahead when a move right, left or forward could have overcome this.

(11) The point sec in practically all cases crowded. The scouts were too close and in the event of fire other forces would have been necessary to help them instead of the point sec pushing forward with the advance.

(111) The sec had not practice in working in gps during the final stages of an attack. These things show that:-

(a) Individual training must be accented.

(b) Intensive Cadres to lift the basic training of NCOs are of prime importance.

Junior Leaders.

In only one case were the orders of a Pl Comd given clearly and in correct sequence at the first attempt. It should be possible wherever difficulties arise to remedy this in the Field.

The diagrammatic method of recording information was not used by any Jnr Ldr until this method was explained.

The sum total of this is that ORs, NCOs and Offrs although keen are suffering from a lack of continuity in training which means that too many lessons must be learned the "hard way".

3. Unit Cadres.

The fourth NCO Cadre will be completed before the unit moves. The students are keen and the potential NCO position is most encouraging.

4. Officers' Training.

Classes were held each evening until interrupted by my recce of the fwd area.

Subjects dealt with were :-

General principles governing the attack.

The immediate attack.

The Deliberate attack.

The preparation of Op Orders.

The giving of verbal orders.

The 2 I/C was detailed to give an hour's instruction on "The Officer on Parade".

5. Lessons brought out during Training.

- (1) NCOs need to exercise much greater control when moving as forward sec.
- (2) They need much practice in controlling their secs on consolidation.
- (3) Weapon training needs intensive periods of actual firing. The 2" Mort and Discharger Cup actually used (smoke only) were not accurate.
- (4) The training of orderlies to carry verbal messages needs attention.
- (5) A good recce and sound plan can be spoilt if during the approach march surprise is lost.

6. Man Management.

- (a) Daily inspection of weapons was carried out.
- (b) Clothes were boiled.
- (c) Entertainments. Two Picture Shows.

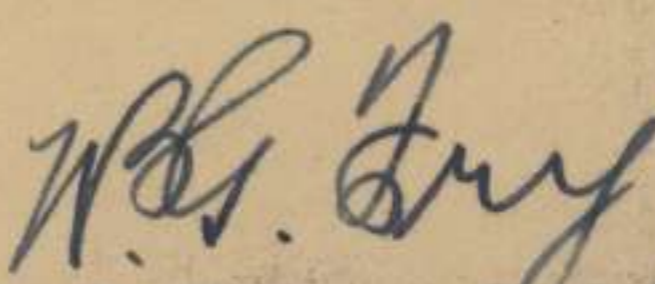
7. Weapons.

9 Brens were received and establishment is now complete. Concern is felt at the shortage of I9 Owens-approx a full Coys allotment - however

8. Standard of Fitness.

The men are generally fit. There are approx 12 cases of Dermatitis which the R M O recommends be evacuated as they will break down causing an extremely long absence if taken forward now.

Recommendations :- Nil.


Lt Col
Comd 47 Aust Inf Bn.

Signed in the Field.

28 Apr 45.

War Diary Apr 28

MOVEMENT TABLE - 47 AIST INF BN

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Serial	Groupings	Particulars		Stores	A L Cs 20.	Trucks 3 ton	Remarks
		Pers	Vehs				
Co			Type Qty				
1 A	Adv Party	42	Jeep 1 Trailer 1	1 Cu Ton	1	3	Move 28 Apr 45
2 A	"D" Coy	70			1	5	Move 30 Apr 45
B	"D" Coy	30		3 Cu Ton			
	2 Dets Mort	16		1 1/2 " "	1	5	
	1 Sec MMG Sigs	13 3					
3 A	"C" Coy	70			1	5	To include LT DICKENSON & D Coy NCOs from Cadre Move 1 May 45.
B	"C" Coy	47	Jeep 1 Trailer 1	3 Cu Ton 1 1/2 " "			
	2 Dets Mort	16			1	4	
	Sig Pls less Det Coys	12		1 1/2 " "			
C	"HQ" Coy	1	Water Tk (3 Ton) 1				
	Flame Thrower Pl	20	Jeep	10 Cu Tons	1	3	
4 A	Bn Hqs	40			1	5	Move 1 May 45
	2 Pl less 1 Sec	16					Bn Hqs Stores
	3 Pl "H" Coy	40					
	Tk/A Pl	6					
B	Tk/A Pl		Jeeps 2				Bn Hqs Stores
	incl 2 Dvrs	19	Trailer 2 (Guns Tk/A) 4	4 Cu Ton	1	2	
5 A	"B" Coy	70			1	5	Date of movt To be advised.
B	B ech						
	YMCA & Canteen	20		18 Cu Ton (Res Amn)			
				8 " " (Q M)			
				9 " " (YMCA & Canteen)	1	5	
				3 " " (B Coy)			
				1 1/2 " " (Mortis)			
C	"B" Coy	21	Jeeps 2				
	2 Dets Mort	16	Trailer 2				
	Sigs	3			1	3	
	Dvrs	2					

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SERIAL Grp	GROUPINGS	PARTICULARS		STORES	ALC 20	TRUCKS 3 ton		
		Pers	Types Qty					
6	A	A Coy	70		1	5	Date: of Movt to be advised Remainder of QM Stores - 4 Cu tons HQ Coy 6 " " Mortars 1 " " A Coy 3 " "	
	B	B Ech	24		14 Cu Ton	1		3
		2 Dets Mort's A Coy	16 2					
	C	A Coy	22	Jeeps 2 Trailers 2		1		3
HQ Coy		24						

2. NOTES.
- Movt will be in 3 stages:
 - By MT from Unit to Beach 4 TOROKINA
 - By ALC 20 from Beach 4 to MOTUPENA.
 - By MT to destination under arrangements 3 Aust Div
 - Bde L.D. at Beach 4 for purpose of loading - Bde T.O.

1st
Signed At 28/12/44
Issue by WND

E. A. Harkin. Capt
Adjnt 47 Aust Inf Bn

<u>ALLOCATION</u>	<u>Copy No</u>	<u>Copy No</u>
HQ Coy	1	Q.M. 6
A Coy	2	File 7 - 8
B Coy	3	War Diary 9 - 10
C Coy	4	
D Coy	5	

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47 AUST INF BN O.O. 9/45

REF MAPS 1:25000

INFM

- 1. (a) Enemy: As per daily sitreps
 - (b) Own tps: Tps under Comd .
- 9 tp B Sqn 2/4 Armd Regt
29 Aust Inf Bde Flamethrower Pl.

INTENTION

- 2. 47 Aust Inf Bn will relieve 57/60 Aust Inf Bn along the HATAI TRACK commencing 2 May 45.

METHOD.

- 3. Summary Initially 47 Aust Inf Bn will occupy areas vacated by 57/60 Aust Inf Bn. Adjustments may be made after relief.
- 4. Role
 - (a) Bn will be prepared to counter enemy outflanking move SW along PURIATA RIVER and from the direction of MOSIGETTA and MAKAPEKA 904534 by patrolling throughout its patrol area.
 - (b) Bn will be responsible for the protection of the track ANDERSON'S JUNC 889462 - track junc 919483 wef 0800 3 May.
 - (c) Bn will continue normal training.
- 5. Relief 47 Aust Inf Bn - 57/60 Aust Inf Bn.
 - (a) Stage 1 - 30 Apr.
C and D Coys will move TOROKINA -- MOTUPENA PT as per 47 Aust Inf Bn Mov Table of 28 Apr. Remainder of Bn will move in accordance with the Mov Table on dates to be notified.
 - (b) Stage 2 - 2 May.
Bn HQ, C and D Coys will move from MOTUPENA PT and relieve 2 Coys 57/60 Aust Inf Bn along HATAI TRACK.
 - (c) Stage 3 - 3 May.
 - (i) A and B Coys will move from MOTUPENA PT and relieve adv HQ and 2 two Coys 57/60 Aust Inf Bn along HATAI TRACK.
 - (ii) 47 Aust Inf Bn assumes responsibility protection track ANDERSON'S JUNC 889462 - track junc 919483 at 0800 hrs.
 - (d) Stage 4 - 4 May
Balance 47 Aust Inf Bn moves from MOTUPENA PT to Bn area.
- 6. Patrol Policy
 - (a) 47 Aust Inf Bn will vigorously patrol throughout its patrol area continuously for any signs en mov particularly at:

BARARA	856503
MAKAPEKA	903532
FORD	869488
Log Crossing	919485
Gardens	917474 and 908472
TOKINOTU	884462
HABSHI	888461
BUIN RD as far as	892461
 - (b) All Coys will be responsible that local security patrolling extends for a distance of at least 1000 yds from all def localities.

MESSAGE FORM

Register No.

Call

Ser. No.

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Transmission Instructions

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ABOVE THIS LINE FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY

FROM

Originator

Date—Time of Origin

Office Date Stamp

(A)

47 INF BN

301940 L

For Action

TO

29 INF BDE

(w) For Information (INFO.)

Message Instructions

GR

A, B, HQ COYS

ORIGINATOR'S No.

~~GIn241 (.) CONFIDENTIAL (.) This HQ will close at 010600 L~~

~~and reopen same time at 709575 ref map PURIATA RIVER 1 inch (.)~~

~~C and D Coy now at 709576 ref map PURIATA RIVER 1 inch (.) all~~

informed

This message may be sent **AS WRITTEN**
by any means { except

..... } Wireless

Signed

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

Signed

Originator's Instructions
Degree of Priority

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R.M.O's REPORT for APRIL 45

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R.A.P. Normal activities.

S.B. Two evacuated, one R.T.U.

SUPPLIES Good

SICK Dermatitis, crutch, is fairly common in skin disease group, and responds but slowly to treatment. Otitis Ext is present in small numbers.

SKIN EXPERIMENT The Bn was the subject of a skin experiment whereby all personnel went without gaiters during the day, for 4 weeks. Skin diseases below the crutch were under weekly inspection for improvement, or otherwise, of their condition. My own view was that there was no dramatic improvement in rate of recovery or prevention.

EVACUATIONS 50% were from skin diseases. Some evacuations (skin), at the end of the month were healing, but it was considered advisable to evacuate in view of a Bn move to forwards areas.

MORALE Good.

RATIONS Satisfactory.

M. Smith Capt.

R.M.O.

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CHAPLAIN'S REPORT APRIL 45

Services of Divine Worship were regularly maintained throughout the month at 47 and 15 Bns.

The Sacrament of the Lords Supper was observed on Easter Day, Sunday 1st April; 15 th, 22 nd, and 29 th inst.

Chaplain W McPheat, a former well known Chaplain of 47 Bn assisted in the service on Sunday 8 Apr, preaching the serm-on on psalm 37.

ANZAC DAY, was observed with official Unit parade ceremonies at 47 Bn and at 29 Bde HQ.

Extra Bde Services On Sunday 8 Apr at 1900 hrs the Chaplain assisted Chaplain M. Costanzo, USANR, in the conducting of Divine Worship at the USA Unit Mag 25.

At the end of the month, it was arranged that, for the time being, Chaplain M Payton ofn42 BN should be responsible for PD services at 15 Bn, and Chaplain F P Strickland of 47 Bn be responsible for PD services at 29 Bde HQ.

Fred P. Strickland Chaplain.

47 AustInf Bn.

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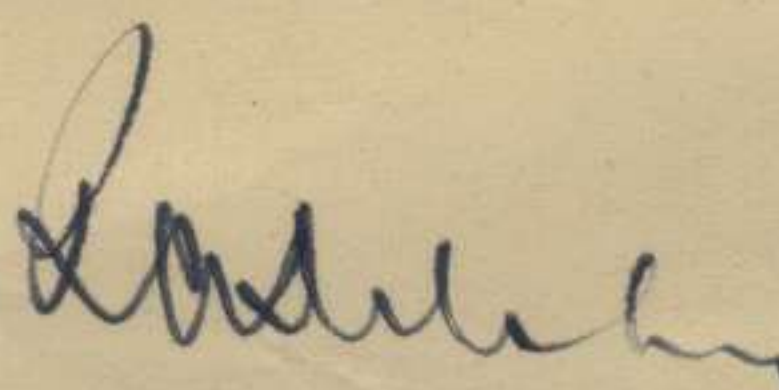
Educational activities continued as usual during the month, and on the 28th, stores were packed and sent to L.O.B.

Bde Educational Sgt gave lectures to Band D Coys on the war situations in Europe, Asia and the Pacific. These lectures aimed at keeping troops incontact with world events, prove very successful, as is shown by the number of questions asked at the end of each talk, and the general enthusiasm and attentiveness.

Many morea applications for new courses were received and further enquiries were made by several personnel. Most popular subjects were trade and technical courses with one or two in sketching , calculus, radio and a few other more difficult subjects. In all cases troops seem keen to learn and anxious to do their courses. Lack of spare time seems to be the main obstacle.

Advance copies of CABI of Mar 26 and Apr 9 were received as well as several pamphlets on general matters, providing good reading material for all interested. War maps were kept up to date, the latest advances by all Allied armies being clearly marked from information given in Guinea Gold,. Notices re the new Annual Army Book were also pinned on the board.

In all it was a very satisfactory month.



Lt.

Unit Education Officer.