

AWM52
**2nd Australian Imperial Force and Citizen
Military Forces unit war diaries, 1939-45 War**

Item number: 8/5/2

2/2 Machine Gun Battalion
July - August 1944

J U L Y W A R D I A R Y

- SATURDAY 0900 Lt. W. BENNETT attending Div. I.O's conference at
1st July 2/43 Bn.
- 1030 C.O. calling meeting of committee members re Rodeo
MT. GARNET.
- Lt. C. C. HALL to act as sports officer while Lt.
R. R. McLAREN is secretary of Rodeo committee.
- SUNDAY 0825 Bn. Church Parade conducted by Padre ABSALOM of
2nd July 2/9 Aust. Cav. (Commando) Regt.
- 1430 Capt. P. K. SEARLE reported 26 Bde. for movement
to 6 Div. area to attend Air Photo Interpretation
School duration four days. He will billet with
2/3 Aust. M.G. Bn.
- MONDAY 2/2 AUST. M.G. BN. - TRG. INSTN. NO.2: Details
3rd July movement of unit to MT. GARNET area for rodeo and
Div. Parade. APPX "A"
- Advance party under Capt. WRAGGE and Lt. EDWARDS.
Camp Security Guard under Lt. BENNETT and Lt.
CRAVEN.
- Adm. Inst. No. 1 Further details of move to APPX
Mt. GARNET. "A"
- Chaplain T. THOMAS posted to Unit vice CHAPLAIN
JAEGGER.
- TUESDAY Adm. Inst. No. 2 Protection against scrub APPX
4th July typhus. "C"
- 1330 Lt. COCHRAN left for TOWNSVILLE to pick up
trophies for rodeo.
- 1400 C.O. and Capt. VARLEY, Capt. NICHOLAS, Capt.
FERGUSON, Capt. WRAGGE, visited MT. GARNET area
in connection with rodeo.
- 1430 Capt. F. HERBERTSON, Lt. K. G. N. KIBBLE marched
in from hospital.
- WEDNESDAY 1000 Lt. C. E. JACK marched in from L. H. Q. School of
5th July Hygiene.
- 1630 21 cross-posted personnel from 5 Bde. marched in
to join unit. They included 1 bricklayer, 1 CQMS.,
1 Mortar Sjt., 1 AACC Cpl., 1 AEME Sjt. Armourer,
1 Cpl. Sigs., 15 M.G. (Gun Nos.) All specialists
went to H.Q. Coy, remainder to M.G. Coys.
- Sjt. E. C. PALMER nominated to attend L.H.Q. School
of M.I. SOUTHPORT, commencing 24th July.
- THURSDAY 0900 Visual training films were to have been shown in unit
6th July lines, but due to faulty generator postponed until
1900 hrs. Films shown:

SILENT BATTLE
HOUSE FLY
SEX HYGIENE

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JULY WAR DIARY - CONTD.

- THURSDAY
6th July
(Contd.)
- C.O. and Adjnt. to attend 1 Aust. Army Command and Staff Course, Trinity Beach, 19th July.
- A Coy. to act as enemy for 24 Bde. during exercise en route MT. GARNET.
- Lt. C. C. HALL evacuated P.U.O.
- FRIDAY
7th July
- Advance Party for MT. GARNET Rodeo moved out 1300 hrs. Capt. K. E. WRAGGE O.C. party.
- 1200 requisitions for W.E's and amendments of units other than M.G. Bns.
- Capt. M. J. LAMB transferred to the P.S.L.
- Lt. H. E. EDWARDS evacuated P.U.O.
- SATURDAY 0830
8th July
- Main body under Captain W. P. NICHOLAS commenced move to MT. GARNET.
- Personnel marching in to Bn. Rear will be sent to MT. GARNET or BN. MAIN, depending on the medical report.
- LT. C. E. JACK evacuated P.U.O.
- SUNDAY
9th July
- 1 Aust. Corps Order to transfer all surplus A.E.M.E personnel at present with unit to 2/77 L.A.D. with First Aust. Army. Movement 10th July.
- C.O. left for ATHERTON to arrange insurances re MT. GARNET Rodeo.
- MONDAY 1200
10th July
- Main body arrived bivouac area MT. GARNET. 10 evacuations during march out. Main causes malaria and bad feet.
- Rank W.O.II ROBINSON confirmed.
- TUESDAY 1000
11th July
- Lt. BRERETON and two N.C.O's returned to Unit from M.M.G. school SOMERSET DAM. Lt. BRERETON obtained highest marks of school.
- WEDNESDAY
12th July
- Application made to 9 Aust. Div. for transfer back to Unit of Capt. R. W. CAMERON, D.S.O.
- 1300 C.O. returned from ATHERTON, having also been to CAIRNS.
- THURSDAY
13th July
- Pte. BEST, E.L., declared illegal absentee by Lt. C.P. CRAVEN.
- Main body rehearsing for 9 Aust. Div. Ceremonial Parade.

JULY WAR DIARY CONTD.

FRIDAY
JUL 14 Regtl Seniority of Reinforcement Officers joined unit is as follows :-

Lt HUGGINS, A.H.F.
Lt BOOTH, D.A.T.
Lt BORTHWICK, R.W.K.
Lt COCKSHELL, W.D.

Cpl FEARNE, W.I. transferred to this Bn from 5 Bde was classified A at local Officer Pre-Selection Board, and is to report to next LHQ Pre-Selection Board.

1330 hrs Unit took part in 9 AUST DIV Ceremonial Parade held at NEWMAN PARK RACECOURSE - MT GARNET.
Salute taken by Gen T A BLAMEY, C-in-C Australian Military Forces. APPX
A

SATURDAY
JUL 15 Unit presiding and assistant officers for Commonwealth Referendum -

Capt W P NICHOLAS	President
" K S WRAGGE	Assistant
Lt W M BENNETT	"

Majority of unit personnel attended MT GARNET race meeting, which was organised in conjunction with 9 AUST DIV RODEO.

SUNDAY
18 JUL 1030 hrs Commencement 9 AUST DIV Rodeo- mainly organised by Lt-Col E. APPX MACARTHUR-ONSLOW, Major J K MACKAY, Major M I WHEATLEY, Lt D R STUART, Lt R R McLAREN of this unit and several officers of other units, who comprised the committee. A
At conclusion of Rodeo Lady BLAMEY presented the trophies to prize winners, after which Gen BLAMEY, Maj-Gen WOOTTEN and Lt-Col MACARTHUR-ONSLOW each delivered a short address.

Lt A B FARQUHAR evacuated to 2/1 Aust C.C.S.

MONDAY
17 JUL 0800 hrs Bn commenced move from MT GARNET to RAVENSHOE camp area. Duration of march 17-19 Jul.
1400 hrs C.O. and Adjutant left MT GARNET for RAVENSHOE camp.
1800 hrs Lt C C HALL marched in from 2/2 A.G.H.
Lt C A MOXHAM discharged 2/4 A.G.H. (N.Y.D.N) and marched out to NSW L of C Area.
Coys to submit by 1200 hrs returns showing progress on X-Ray, Photographing and Blood Grouping. APPX.

TUESDAY
JUL 18 Sjt PALMER, E.C. nominated to attend next LHQ School of Military Intelligence.
Advice received from Records of posting to unit of 90 ORs on transfer mainly from 19 AUST MG BN.

WEDNESDAY 0800 hrs
19 JUL C.O. and Adjt with skeleton Ord Rm staff marched out to attend 1 AUST CORPS COMD AND STAFF COURSE at CAIRNS (Duration 20.7.44 to 30.7.44). APPX
B
Message received from 9 AUST DIV re units willingness to accept return of Maj B P DAWSON to Regtl Duties, should he be re-classified A.1.
Arrangements being made through Records to transfer surplus personnel at present with 2/1 Aust MG Bn to this unit as reinforcements.
Lt H R EDWARDS marched in ex 2/2 A.G.H.

JULY WAR DIARY CONTD

THURSDAY
20 JUL

C.O. replied to 9 AUST DIV , NOT agreeable to return of Major B P DAWSON to Regtl Duties, stating full reasons.

Several NCOs from outside units, mostly not from any unit in 6, 7 and 9 Divs, have recently been posted to this unit by Records, either to fill existing vacancies or surplus to establishment. In most cases these NCOs are not comparable to the normal standard of NCOs in the Bn, either in efficiency or standard of training. As a result of this and partly because the troops resent inexperienced NCOs leading them when there are still good NCOs material available from men in the unit, there is not the same co-operation, which in the past, has been extremely good between NCOs and men of the unit.

FRIDAY
21 JUL

Received instructions from Div on movement of personnel to the rest camp at CAIRNS, Bn Allotment 30 for a period of six days early in AUGUST.

One Sjt & one Cpl, both mortar NCOs posted to this unit. Q.M. and another senior officer to inspect 13 A.O.D. Lt C E JACK marched in ex 2/2 A.G.H.

SATURDAY
22 JUL

All personnel classed "B" are to be re-examined and re-classified either A2, B1, B2, C or D.

Lt R J R BENNETT transferred to B.I.P.O.D. Sjt ROBERTS, S.R. nominated to replace Sjt SHEPPERD, D. as instructor F.A.A.R.T.S. School Of Signals.

SUNDAY 0825 hrs
23 JUL

Bn church parade conducted by padre from 2/9 Aust Cav Commando Regt.

Pl Trg Syllabus drawn up. This will be carried out as each Coy concludes the trg by Sections.

Lt C A MOXHAM evacuated to 3 AUST AMB TRAIN to 114 A.G.H.

MONDAY
24 JUL

Candidates classified A by 9 AUST DIV OFFR PRE-SELECTION BOARD to attend LHQ Pre-Selection Board.

Lt D R STUART discharged to industry.

NCOs promoted to substantive rank must now wait for promulgation in Part 11 Orders before assuming that rank.

TUESDAY
25 JUL

Major G A SEARLE marched in from leave.

Vacancy allotted unit for LHQ Tactical School Junior Wing Course No 13.

Capt W P NICHOLAS nominated to attend .

Formation of an ORs Club in RAVNESHOE now completed. Up to 10% each coy strength granted permission to attend on non-training nights, Saturday evenings and Sundays after each church parades.

Further NCOs vacancies for schools. 1 to 9 AUST DIV Air Photo Interpretation Course No 1 at 24 AUST INF BDE. 1 to F.A.A. P.T. School WONGABEL.

Lt W D COCKSHELL evacuated to 2/1 AUST C.C.S.

WEDNESDAY
26 JUL

Received from 54 AUST INF BN £6.4.0 distribution of unit Regtl Trust Funds covering transfer of personnel to 2/2 AUST MG BN .

Requested Sjt JENKINS, L.F. at present instructor F.A.A. School of Mechanisation be returned to unit as Tpt Sjt.

0830 hrs 90 ORs marched in transferred from 19 AUST MG BN.

THURSDAY
27 JUL

Lt D R STUART marched out to QLD L OF C AREA G.D.D. for discharge to industry.

Lt C P CRAVEN re-classified B2 -Unfit for marching or strenuous exertion.

Capt W N C G BENNETT marched in from 2/2 A.G.H.

Lt R C CANN evacuated to 2/1 AUST C.C.S. - P.U.O.

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FRIDAY
28 JUL

Approval by 1 AUST CORPS for use of rifle range DAMBULLA, Field Firing range MILLAA MILLAA during period 9-15 Aug incl.

2/2 AUST MG BN Trg Instr No 4 covers trg in Gas, Camouflage, Hygiene, and includes precis of recent ops in the ARAKAN Sector by Comd 36 INDIAN DIV. APPX.

Lt W N TIPPETT evacuated to 106 A.G.H. whilst attending LHQ S.A.S. BONEGILLA (P.U.O.)

SATURDAY
29 JUL

Amended maps PALMERSTON 1:63,360 No 2012 now replacing No 4805 all old series recalled from Coys and destroyed.

All arrangements for CAIRNS rest camp now cancelled, due to prevalence of malaria within the Div.

SUNDAY
30 JUL

0830 hrs Bn Church Parade conducted by Padre from 2/9 Aust Cav Commando Regt.

Lt C C HALL required to be seconded as instructor LHQ, S.A.S.

MONDAY
31 JUL

1200 hrs C.O. & Adjt marched in from 1 AUST CORPS COMD AND STAFF SCHOOL - TRINITY BEACH.

Lt M D JOHNSTON evacuated to 2/1 AUST C.C.S. (P.U.O.)

2/2 AUST. M. G. BN.

WAR DIARY.

JULY. 1944.

MEDICAL DIARY.

MEDICAL EVACUATIONS. 5. Officers & 160. O.R'S.

1. SICKNESS.

Recurrent Malaria is still high in the Unit and the ~~XX~~ majority of evacuations are from that. Football injuries have been very heavy consisting mainly of injured ribs, sprained fingers injured knee joints, and sprained ankles, several were evacuated. Four of the new reinforcements were evacuated with Scabies, and ~~XXX~~ except for a little Tinea, all were physically fit.

2.

RECLASSIFICATIONS.

Official notifications has been received that one (1) Officer and 20 O.R's have been re-classified, all have now left the Unit with the exception of those in Hospital and the Offr;

3. CONSULTATIONS.

Consultations for the month numbered about (40) forty, all of whom have seen the Specialists. Three have been recommended for re-classifications.

4. MEDICAL EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES.

We are fairly well equipped at present and supplies have been plentiful, with the exception of sticking plaster.

5. MEDICAL PERSONNEL.

At present we have 5 S.B's fit for duty, the rest being re-classified or discharged, but hope to start training new men for the job in the near future.

6. HYGEINE.

The hygeine of the Unit is excellent, as was shown on the Mt Garnet march.

7. FOOD.

Rations have been excellent, and are being well prepared by the Cooks.

GENERAL REMARKS.

The health of the Unit at present is very good. As I have been in Hospital for two weeks, a visiting M.O. has been doing Sick Parades, and has found things very satisfactory.

Winston Bennett
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WINSTON BENNETT. CAPT:

SECRET

2/2 AUSTRALIAN M G BN

WAR DIARY

JULY 1944.

With Appendices

- "A" MITGARNET PARADE
- "B" TRAINING
- "C" ADMINISTRATION
- "D" ROUTINE ORDERS
- "E" EDUCATION
- "F" FIELD RETURNS

SECRET

APPX

"A"

MT GARNET

CEREMONIAL PARADE

and RODEO.

3 Jul 44

2/2 AUST MG BN • TRG INSTN NO 2

1. 2/2 Aust MG Bn will bivouac in area MT GARNET 12/16 Jul 44.
Outline programme at MT GARNET Race Course •

12 Jul	Complete Concentration
13 "	Rehearsal for Div Ceremonial Parade
14 "	Div Ceremonial Pde
15 "	Recreation - MT GARNET Annual Picnic Race Meeting
16 "	" - 9 AUST DIV RODEO.

2. (a) Advance Party
Capt K.S. WRAGGE
Lt H.R. EDWARDS
6 ORs per MG Coy - 4 ORs HQ Coy; RSM - Pte Oliver, Bn HQ;
will prepare coy bivouac sites.
Separate instructions will be issued.

- (b) Camp Security Guard
Lt W.M. BENNETT
Lt A.H. HUGGINS
12 ORs per MG Coy - 10 ORs HQ Coy; 2 ORs Bn HQ
will remain in camp.
These troops will compose troops awaiting medical board or light duty
personnel.
Meals will be provided at a central kitchen as directed by Q.M.

- (c) Rear Party
To be left at MT GARNET after main body start their return home to
present camp sites.
Separate instns will be issued.

3. Training during moves

As far as possible trg at present will be carried out, but particular
attention will be paid to hygiene and sanitation and march discipline.

4. Training Areas - MT GARNET

See attached trace Appx "A".
Trg will only take place in areas allotted. Approval will be obtained
from this HQ for any movement outside allotted trg areas.

5. Move to MT GARNET

Rd RAVENSHOE - MT GARNET will be the axis of the move. In view of Div
Adm vehicular traffic and civilian traffic, movement of marching personnel will
be north of the road.

6. Groups

A - 20 Aust Inf Bde - 2/3 Aust Pnr Bn	Marching personnel to move south of main rd.
B - 24 Aust Inf Bde - 2/2 Aust MG Bn	Marching personnel to move north of main rd.

7. Movement

Groups A and B will start on 8 Jul 44. 8/9 Jul 44 bivouac west of
9 Aust Div camp area. 9/10 Jul 44 bivouac, not east of easting grid 20.
10/11 Jul 44 bivouac, not east of easting grid 10.
11 Jul 44 arrive at bivouac sites to be allotted in area MT GARNET.

8. Move from MT GARNET - RAVENSHOE

Groups A & B will start 17 Jul.
Further instns will be issued.

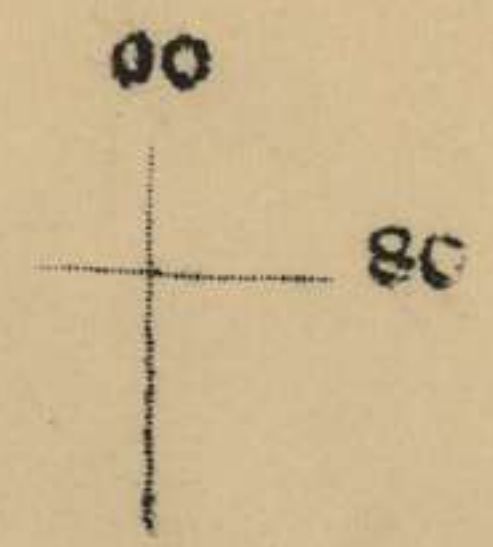
F. Warley
Capt
(F. Warley)
Adjt 2/2 Aust MG Bn.

DISTRIBUTION:

A Coy	1-2	HQ Coy 9-10	Q.M.	14	Dental Unit	18
B Coy	3-4	Cond 11	I.C.	15	File	19
C Coy	5-6	Adjt. 12	R.M.O.	16	War Diary	20-21
D Coy	7-8	T.O. 13	Trg Offr	17		



APPX 'A' TO 2/2 DIST MG BN TAG
INSTN - OVERLAY TO
MT GARNET SHEET 1/63360

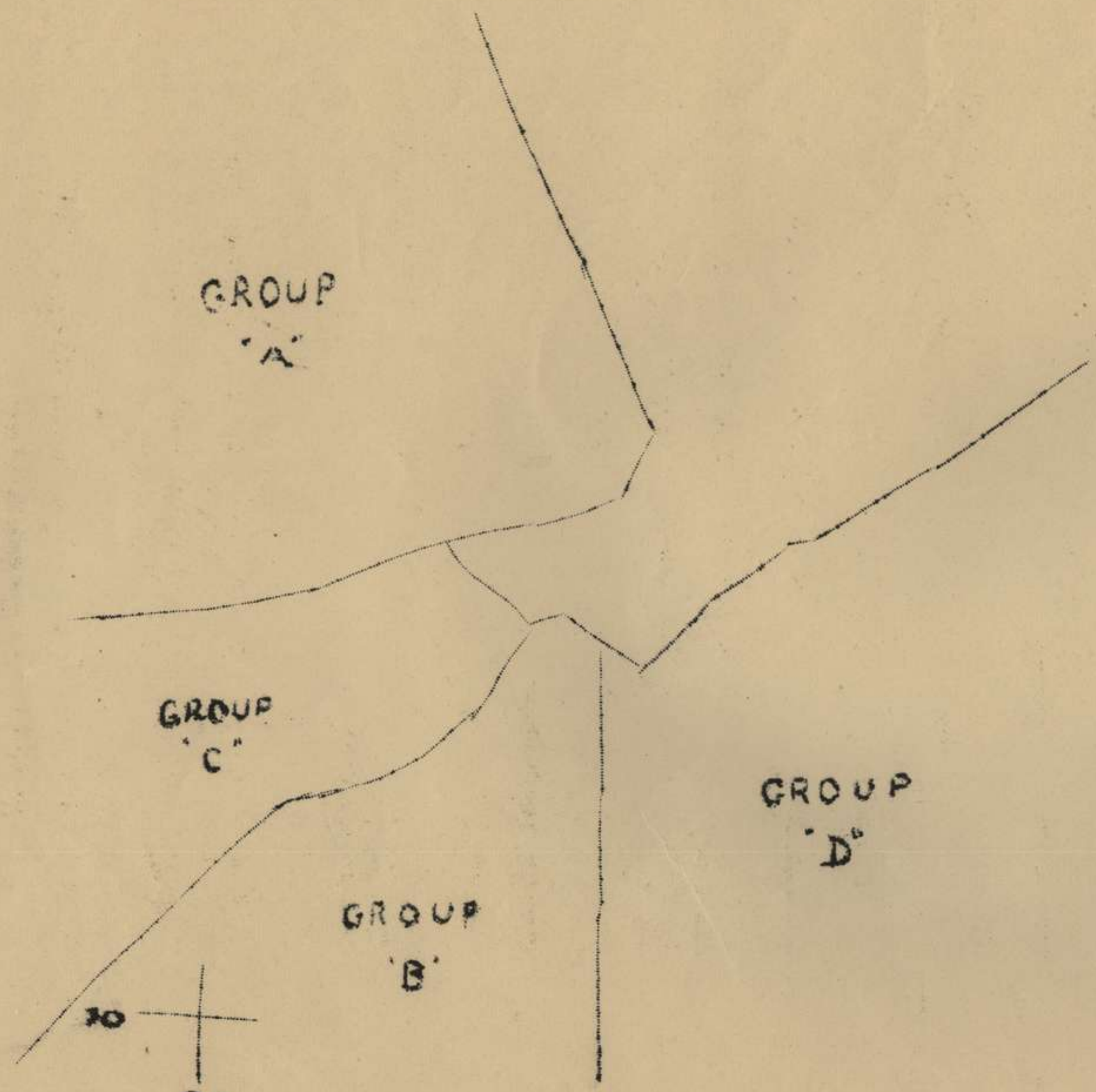
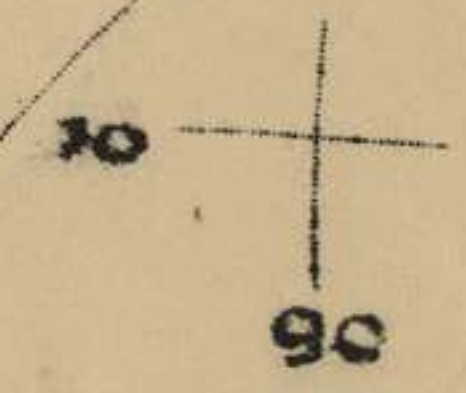


GROUP
'A'

GROUP
'C'

GROUP
'B'

GROUP
'D'



6 Jul 44

9 AUST DIV CEREMONIAL PARADE

GENERAL

1. A Divisional Ceremonial Parade, consisting of a review and march past, will take place on NEWMAN PARK RACECOURSE, MT GARNET on FRIDAY 14 JUL 44.
2. The parade will be reviewed and the salute will be taken by the C-in-C Aust Military Forces or, in his absence, the GOC FIRST AUST ARMY.
3. A full rehearsal for the parade will take place on THURSDAY 13 JUL 44; timings will be the same as for the parade on 14 JUL 44.

DRESS

4. (a) Officers - Hats khaki fur felt (turned up), pugarees, shirts J.G., trousers J.G., gaiters web (preferably Aust), boots AB. Hats will be correctly dented. Chin straps will be worn on point of chin.
- (b) Other Ranks - as for officers.
- (c) Sweaters will be worn if cold weather prevails on 14 Jul 44. Further instructions on this subject will be issued to all concerned on the morning of 14 Jul 44, if necessary.

EQUIPMENT TO BE WORN

5. (a) Officers - belts web, braces web, pistol holsters web. Pistol lanyards will NOT be worn.
- (b) Other Ranks - belts web, braces web, basic pouches web (where applicable), sidearms (where applicable).

ARMS TO BE CARRIED

6. (a) Officers - pistols only
 - (b) Other Rs - Pistols
Rifles
Sub-Machine
Guns
- } according to normal allocation of arms

MOVEMENT FROM BIVOUAC AREAS TO PARADE GROUND

7. The unit will move from bivouac area in sufficient time to be on parade at 1310 hrs. Further instructions will be issued later.
8. On arrival at review positions bayonets will be "fixed", and officers will take post in review order.

THE PARADE

9. The Div will be formed up by groups (this unit in Gp 15) in "column of threes" with officers in front of each group in review order -
Coys will form up with HQ Coy on the right flank, "D" Coy on the left flank.

10. Special Coy Pde State (in addition to normal Daily returns) will be submitted to BN HQ at 1200 hrs on 13 and 14 Jul 44.

11. Officers There will be three ranks of Officers - the first rank five (5) ¹⁰ yards behind C.O., with one (1) yard between ranks. The front rank will comprise 15 officers. The rear rank will be two (2) yards in front of the first rank of troops.

THE MARCH PAST

12. Marching Pace - 120 paces to the minute.
13. March distances will be :-
COs party to Coy Comd - 10 yds
Between Coys - 15 "
Between major units - 50 "
14. Units will march past with left files two yards from inside railin, of race track. Dressing of marching personnel will be by the left.
15. Saluting base will be marked by flags ten yards on either side of the dais.

- 16. The Command "Eyes Right" and "Eyes Front" will be given by C.O., Comds, and Comds of sub-units down to pls. All officers will salute.
- 17. Officers will ensure that they do NOT decrease the length of their pace when saluting passing the Saluting Base.
- 18. When marching personnel have passed the Saluting Base and are out of sound of the bands, they will increase their pace to clear the race track as soon as possible.

Adjt 2/2 Aust (F.A. Varley)

DISTRIBUTION:

A Coy	1-2
B "	3-4
C "	5-6
D "	7-8
HQ Coy	9-10
Comd	11
Adjt	12
T.O.	13
Q.M.	14
I.O.	15
R.M.O.	16
Trg Offr	17
R.S.M.	18
Dental Unit	19
File	20
War Diary	21-22

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9 AUST DIV CEREMONIAL PARADE

C.O. Adj't

(Further to 2/2 Aust MG Bn above memo dated 6 Jul)

of entrance "F" southern end of racecourse.

GENERAL

1. The parade will be reviewed and the salute will be taken by the Commander-In-Chief, A.M.F.
2. During the march past weapons mentioned hereunder will be carried as follows :-
 - (a) Sub-Machine Guns - sling on left shoulder and carried vertically. Left hand placed on the butt.
 - (b) Bren-guns - as above.
3. Parade Ground
 - (a) Front line of other rank personnel of the group will be marked by a furrowed line to be dug by personnel of 8 Aust Svy Bty.
 - (b) Group frontage and equivalent frontage at the rear of each group will be marked by pegs. The right flank pegs (both front & rear) on the morning of the rehearsal and the parade, will be replaced by unit signs.
4. Delete (5) para 11 first line substitute 10 in 9 Aust Div Ceremonial Parade dated 6 Jul 44. Delete "The march Past" paras 12 -16 incl in 9 Aust Div Ceremonial memo dated 6 Jul and substitute.
5. Groups

Sub-units will be so arranged that personnel are of even depth throughout the group. This will necessitate the transfer of personnel from one sub unit to another sub unit.
5. Although the frontage of each group is 20 x it is not intended that the full frontage will be occupied. The right marker of the group will be positioned by the unit sign, to be placed on the right front corner of the bn. All files will be dressed by the right with normal intervals between files.
6. Officers

Number in each rank will not exceed the number of files in the group. Front rank filled first, balance in the second rank.
7. Marching pace - 120 paces to the minute.
8. Marching Personnel

C.Os party to officers	= 10x
Between groups	= 50x
9. Group will march past with right flank two yards from outside railing of race track. Dressing of marching personnel will be by the right.
10. The Commands "Eyes Right" and "Eyes Front" will be given by C.O. only. All officers will salute. Personnel in right files of each group will continue looking to the front.
11. Medical Arrangements

2/3 Aust Fd Amb will have medical aid post fifty yards south of /over

9 AUST DIV CEREMONIAL PARADE

CO. Adj. Lt.

'further to above memo dated 6 Jul)

1. EQUIPMENT

- (a) Offrs - Belts web, braces web, pistol holsters web worn on the belt left side, Pistol laynards, compasses and am pouches will not be worn.
- (b) Other ranks will wear pistols as above.
- (c) Previous details applies.

2. UNIT GUIDE PARTY

A Coy will detail one NCO and 2 ORs to report to RSM Bn HQ 1100 hrs with unit signs. They will be transported to Capt BURELL; HQ 9 Aust Div at entrance #A# northern end of racecourse at 1130 hrs 13 and 14 Jul - 1130 hrs Cut lunches will be carried by these guides.

3. Lunch 13 and 14 Jul - 1130 hrs

4. MOVEMENT

From coy areas HQ, A, B, C, D Bn HQ will parade with HQ Coy.

F. A. Varley Capt
(F. A. Varley)
Adj. Lt 2/2 Aust MG Bn.

DISTRIBUTION

- A Coy - 1
- B Coy - 2
- C Coy - 3
- D Coy - 4
- HQ Coy - 5
- CO & Adj. Lt - 6
- Q.M. - 7
- R.S.M. - 8
- Rear HQ 9
- File 10
- War Diary -11-12

409 Ant Div
received from 7/2 Ant mbr R-18-3-0
being payment for 363 programs

~~Whaley~~ Lt
409 Ant Div
16 Jul. 44

- 6 JUL 1944

FILE 11061 I 144.

SUBJECT : 9 AUST DIV CEREMONIAL PARADE.

HQ 9 Aust Div
Ref : A 19/1/1623
4 Jul 44.

[Signature]

2	C.O.	
	2i/c	
1	Adj.	<i>Fav</i>
	Q.M.	
	M.O.	
3	I.O.	
	T.O.	
	R.S.M.	

GENERAL.

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2. The Parade will be reviewed and the salute will be taken by the C-in-C Aust Military Forces or, in his absence, the GOC-in-C First Aust Army.

3. A full rehearsal for the parade will take place on THU 13 Jul 44; timings will be the same as for the parade on 14 Jul 44.

4. This document, covering the parade, is issued in four parts as follows :-

- PART I - Movement of units from bivouac areas to the parade ground.
- PART II - The Parade.
- PART III - The March Past.
- PART IV - Movement of units after the march past to bivouac areas.

DRESS.

5. (a) Officers - Hats khaki fur felt (turned up), puggarees, shirts JG, trousers JG, gaiters web (preferably Aust), boots AB. Hats will be correctly dented. Chin straps will be worn on point of chin.
- (b) Other Ranks - as for officers
- (c) Sweaters will be worn if cold weather prevails on 14 Jul 44. Further instructions on this subject will be issued to all concerned on the morning of 14 Jul 44, if necessary.

EQUIPMENT TO BE WORN.

6. (a) Officers - belts web, braces web, pistol holsters web. Pistol lanyards will NOT be worn.
- (b) Other Ranks - belts web, braces web, basic pouches web (where applicable), pistol holsters web (where applicable), sidearms (where applicable).

ARMS TO BE CARRIED.

7. (a) Officers - pistols only.
- (b) Other Ranks - Pistols)
Rifles) according to normal allocation
Sub-Machine Guns) of arms in each unit.
Brens)
Mortars 2 in)
- (c) Pistols may be worn on left or right side and may be worn on belts web or hooked to arm pouches provided all officers and other ranks personnel of any one unit are identical.
- (d) Personnel who normally carry no arms will NOT carry arms.

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PART I

MOVEMENT OF UNITS FROM
BIVOUAC AREAS TO THE PARADE GROUND.

1. Units will march from bivouac areas in sufficient time to be on parade in their allotted group dispositions at the following times :-

GROUP	UNIT	ENTRANCE VIDE APPX "A"	TIME	REMARKS
5	RAE 9 Aust Div	B	1310	
4	53 Comp AA Regt	B	1325	
3	2/12 Aust Fd Regt	B	1340	
2	HQ RAA 9 Aust Div	A	1315	
2	2/7 Aust Fd Regt	A	1315	
2	2/3 Aust LT AA Bty	A		
2	8 Aust Svy Bty	A		
1	Sigs 9 Aust Div	A	1325	
1	2/9 Cav (Commando) Regt	A	1335	
1	HQ 9 Aust Div	A	1340	
6	2/13 Aust Inf Bn	C	1310	) 20 Aust Inf Bde will move via GUNNAWARRA rd and between bivouac areas 6 and 7.
7	2/15 Aust Inf Bn	C	1325	
8	2/17 Aust Inf Bn	C	1340	
9	2/28 Aust Inf Bn	D	1310	) HQ 24 Aust Inf Bde will ensure that all personnel of 24 Aust Inf Bde are clear of entrance "E" by 1250 hrs.
10	2/32 Aust Inf Bn	D	1325	
11	2/43 Aust Inf Bn	D	1340	
12	2/23 Aust Inf Bn	E	1310	
13	2/24 Aust Inf Bn	E	1325	
14	2/48 Aust Inf Bn	E	1340	
15	2/2 Aust MG Bn	F	1310	
16	2/3 Aust Pnr Bn	F	1325	) Move to entrance "F" via west side of course.
17	2/3 Aust Fd Amb	F	1325	
17	2/8 Aust Fd Amb	F	1340	
17	2/11 Aust Fd Amb	F	1340	
	20 Aust Inf Bde Bands	A	1300	
	24 Aust Inf Bde Band	E	1300	
	26 Aust Inf Bde Band	E	1300	

2. Formations and units will receive the best routes from bivouac areas to the parade ground entrances and will ensure that in the approach march they do NOT interfere with any other unit bivouac area.

3. (a) Front line of other rank personnel of all groups will be clearly marked by a furrowed line on the ground.

(b) Group frontages and the equivalent frontage at the rear of each group will be marked by unit signs.

(c) Position of Bde Comds (and equivalent), Bde Staffs (and equivalent), and COs will be marked by appropriate pegs.

(d) Necessary unit guide parties with necessary unit signs will report to Capt BURMELL, HQ 9 Aust Div at entrance "A" at 1130 hrs 13 and 14 Jul 44. Cut lunches will be carried by these personnel.

4. Inf Bn 2 pr guns will move at the rear of bns, taking up positions as indicated in Appx "A". Distance on parade between equipments will be five yards.

5. Fd and AA Guns will be in position on the race track by 1230 hrs. Guns will enter the parade ground at entrance "F" and will wheel to the right round the race track to take up positions as per Appx "A". Guns will move in the following order :-

...Guns of 2/7/

5. (Cont'd)

Guns of 2/7 Aust Fd Regt

Guns of 2/12 Aust Fd Regt

Guns of 53 Aust Comp AA Regt

6. On arrival at review positions groups will independently "fix bayonets" (where applicable) and officers will take post in review order.

PART II

THE PARADE.

1. UNITS TO TAKE PART AND UNIT GROUPING)

2. FRONTAGE OF EACH GROUP)

See Appx "A".

3. DISTANCES BETWEEN GROUPS)

4. DISTANCES BETWEEN COMDS, STAFFS AND OFFICERS -

See Appx "B".

5. 9 Aust Div will be formed up by Groups (Nos 1 -17 vide Appx "A") in "column of threes" with officers in front of each group in review order.

(a) In the case of Inf Bdes and RAE 9 Aust Div, HQ Bdes and HQ RAE will make their own arrangements for the disposition within groups of Bde HQ and HQ RAE personnel respectively.

(b) In Gp 1, HQ 9 Aust Div will be on the right flank, 2/9 Aust Cav (Commando) Regt in the centre, and Sigs 9 Aust Div on the left flank.

(c) In Gp 2, HQ RAA 9 Aust Div will arrange the dispositions of HQ RAA 9 Aust Div, 2/7 Aust Fd Regt, 2/3 Aust Lt AA Bty, and 8 Aust Svy Bty personnel as required.

(d) In Gp 17, 2/3 Aust Fd Amb will be on the right flank, 2/8 Aust Fd Amb in the centre, and 2/11 Aust Fd Amb on the left flank.

(e) In Gps 3 - 16 both incl gp comds will arrange the dispositions of sub-units as follows :-

(i) 2/12 Aust Fd Regt - 23 Aust Fd Bty on right flank, 62 Aust Fd Bty on left flank.

(ii) 53 Aust Comp AA Regt - by own arrangements.

(iii) Inf Bns, MG Bn, Pnr Bn - HQ Coy on right flank, D Coy on left flank.

6. Gp Coms will be :-

- Gp 1 - Lt Col MUNTZ - 2/9 Aust Cav (Commando) Regt
- Gp 2 - Lt Col GREEN - 2/7 Aust Fd Regt
- Gp 3 - 16 - COs Bns; or in their absence, Adm Comds.
- Gp 17 - Lt Col OUTRIDGE - 2/8 Aust Fd Amb

7. (a) The maximum number of personnel, giving due regard to other duties, will take part in the parade. There is no limitation to the number of personnel to take part as there is ample space in allotment of ground to groups to provide for larger numbers of personnel than units indicated on recent return submitted to this HQ.

(b) Unit Parade States will be submitted by Gp Comds reps to DAAG 9 Aust Div, located as per Appx "B", at 1330 hrs on 13 and 14 Jul 44.

8. (a) Appx "A" shows diagrammatically only the total depth of ground available to each group. This is approx 130 yards. It is considered that no group will occupy all of this ground.

(b) Some units and sub-units will occupy more ground than others i.e. HQ Coys of bns will occupy more ground than rifle coys. Personnel will NOT be moved from one unit or sub-unit to another to obtain even depth of personnel in each group.

9. OFFICERS - Where possible there will be fifteen officers in FRONT RANK OF OFFICERS, fifteen officers in SECOND RANK OF OFFICERS, and the balance in THIRD RANK OF OFFICERS. However, in gps 1 and 17 the number of officers in each rank will depend on the number of columns in these groups.

10. GUNS.

(a) FD and AA

(i) The following fd and AA guns only will be on parade and for the review will be located on the race-track at the rear of the parade as per Appx "A" :-

2/7 Aust Fd Regt	-	eight 25 prs
2/12 Aust Fd Regt	-	twenty four 25 prs
53 Aust Comp AA Regt	-	four 3.7 AA guns and eighteen 40 mm Bofors.

(ii) Guns will be backed on to, and at right angles to the outside railing of the race track. They will be spaced approximately ten yards apart covering special markings to be placed on the track railing.

(b) INF BN 2 Prs.

(i) 2 prs will be towed by jeeps and for the review will be located centrally to the rear of each bn as per Appx "A".

(ii) Allotment	-	Each Bn of 20 Bde	3
		Each Bn of 24 Bde	3
		Each Bn of 26 Bde	3

(iii) 24 Aust Inf Bde will handover three 2 pr guns to 26 Aust Inf Bde for rehearsal and parade only.

11. VEHICLES.

The following vehicles only will be on parade :-

Vehicle - GOC	)	Situated to the rear of Flagman's DAIS
Jeep - GSO I	)	vide Appx "A".
Jeep - AA & QMG)	

Jeep - CRA

Jeep - BM RA and SC RA

Jeeps - one each for	CO 2/7 Aust Fd Regt	)	situated on track
	CO 2/12 Aust Fd Regt	)	vide Appx "A".
	CO 53 Aust Comp AA Regt)	

Prime movers - one per fd gun, AA gun, and inf 2 pr guns

7. (b) Marching Personnel.

- Bde Comds (and equivalent) to Staffs - 3 yards
- Bde Staffs to COs - 15 yards
- COs parties to sub-unit comds - 10 yards
- Between Coys (or equivalent) - 15 yards
- Between minor units - 25 yards
- Between major units - 50 yards

8. Units (incl vehicles) will march past with left files two yards from inside railing of race track. Dressing of marching personnel will be by the left.

9. HQ 9 Aust Div will commence moving from review position by wheeling right when signalled by Liaison Officer located at entrance "A". All other units will then conform in accordance with correct march distances.

10. Saluting Base will be marked by flags ten yards on either side of the dais.

11. The Commands "Eyes Right" and "Eyes Front" will be given by comds of all units and sub-units down to and including pl or equivalent comds. All officers will salute.

12. Officers will ensure that they do NOT decrease the length of their pace when saluting passing the Saluting Base.

13. (a) When marching personnel have passed the Saluting Base and are out of sound of the bands, they will increase their pace to clear the race track as soon as possible.

(b) Individual vehicles will similarly increase their speed to 15 mph.

PART IV.

MOVEMENT OF UNITS AFTER
THE MARCH PAST TO BIVOUAC AREAS.

excl inf 2 prs.

1. All gun equipments/will leave the race track by Exit "F".

2. Groups will leave the race track by the following Exits :-

- Group 1 - Exit "B"
- Group 2 - Exit "F"
- Groups 3,4,5. - Exit "F"
- Groups 6,7,8. - Exit "B"
- Groups 9,10,11. - Exit "F"
- Groups 12,13,14. - Exit "E"
- Group 15. - Exit "F"
- Group 16. - Exit "B"
- Group 17. - Exit "F"

3. (a) On reaching the southern end of the "straight" groups leaving the race track by Exit "F" will move to the right side of the race track.

(b) Liaison Officer, HQ 9 Aust Div will contact all units concerned at this point.

4. Group Comds will ensure that gps are well clear of all exits before ordering independent unit parades.

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12. PERSONNEL IN PRIME MOVERS.

Only dvr and one additional other rank per vehicle will be permitted.

13. Ceremonial "Orders" during the parade are shown in Appx "C".

PART III

THE MARCH PAST.

1. On command of GOC 9 Aust Div "NINTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISION WILL MARCH PAST IN COLUMN OF ROUTE", the following action will be taken :-

(a) 20 Aust Inf Bde Bands and bands of 24 Aust Inf Bde and 26 Aust Inf Bde will move by quickest routes to take up positions opposite the Saluting Base as follows :-

20 Aust Inf Bde Land No 1	-	Position "W"
20 Aust Inf Bde Band No 2	-	" " "X"
24 Aust Inf Bde Band	-	" " "Y"
26 Aust Inf Bde Band	-	" " "Z"

(b) Arty officers riding in vehs for the march past will march from their review positions to their jeeps on race track vide appx "A".

(c) Vehicles will be started.

2. After mounting jeep CO 2/12 Aust Fd Regt and CO 53 Aust Comp AA Regt will move to the head of their respective gun groups.

3. When vehs of each regt are ready to move, regts will despatch a motor cycle orderly with the necessary reports to CRA at head of column.

4. Each regt will arrange for a flagman to pass on the signal to move from the CRA to all dvr's of vehicles.

5. Speed of all vehicles will be 8 m p h.

6. Marching pace - 120 paces to the minute.

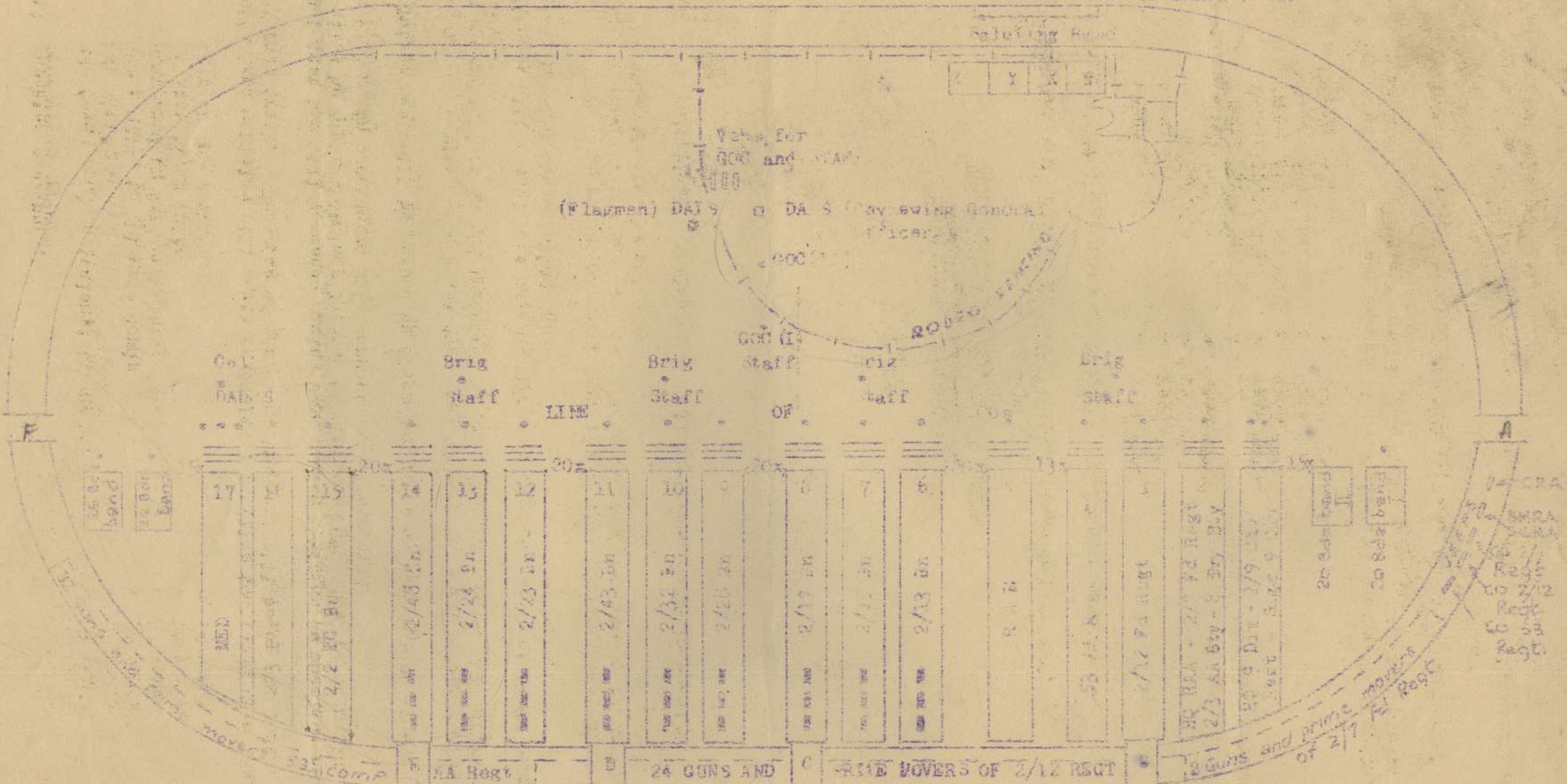
7. March distances will be as follows :-

(a) Vehicles.

GOCs party to CRA	-	50 yards
CRA to RAA Staff	-	10 yards
RAA Staff to CO 2/7 Aust Fd Regt	-	25 yards
COs Regts to gun groups	-	15 yards
Between equipments	-	15 yards
Between regts	-	50 yards

..... 7 (b).

SIGHTING
DATS for MARCH PAST.



NOTES - DISTANCE BETWEEN GROUPS UNLESS OTHERWISE SHOWN, WILL BE 5 YDS.
FRONTAGE OF EACH GROUP - 30 YDS.

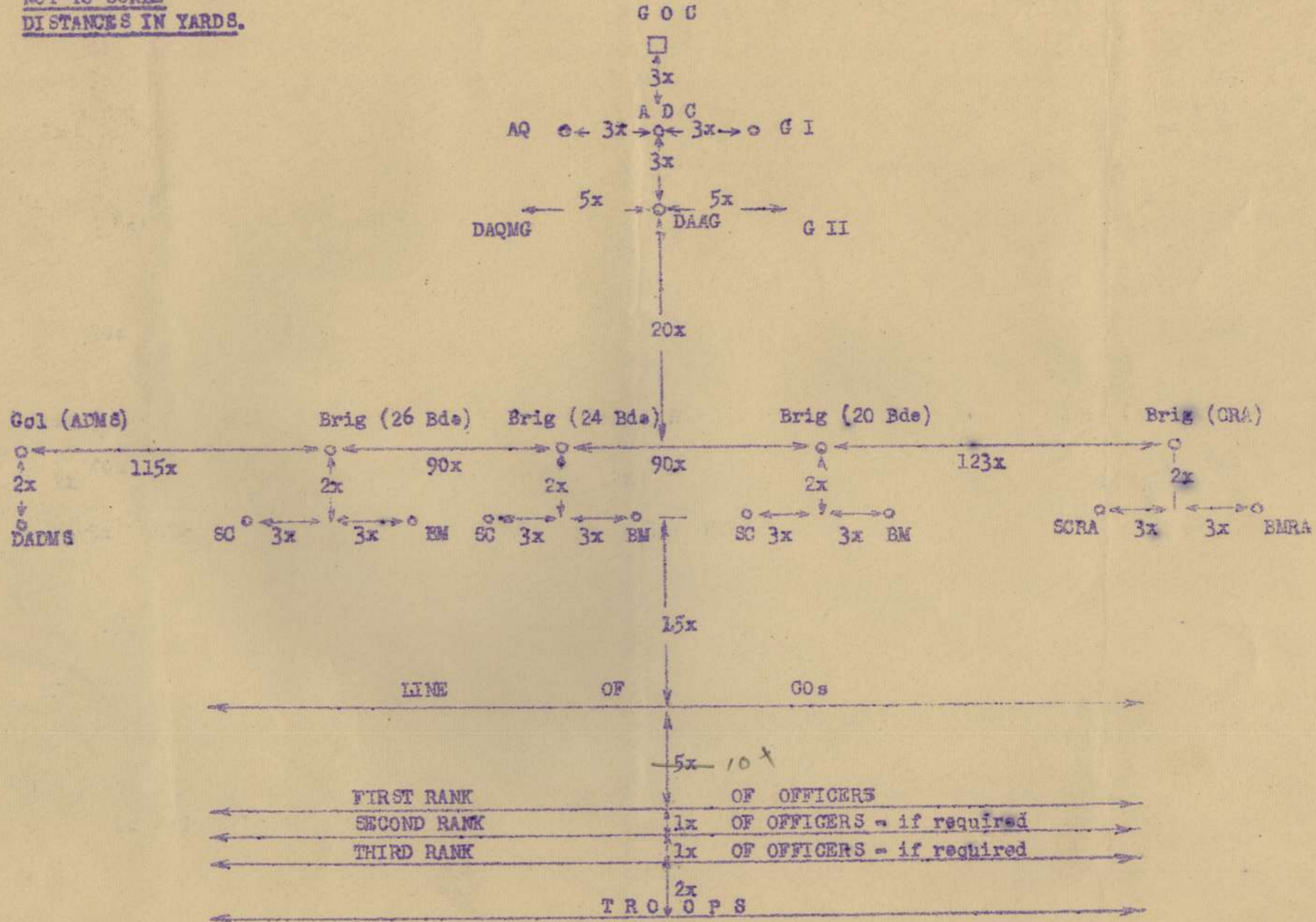
REQUIREMENTS THREE RANKS OF OFFICERS (IF REQUIRED)
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DISTANCES BETWEEN COMDS, STAFFS AND OFFICERS

Appx "B" to 9 Aust Div A 19/1/1623
of 4 Jul 44.

NOT TO SCALE
DISTANCES IN YARDS.



CEREMONIAL ORDERS FOR THE PARADE.

Executive Orders are shown in BLOCK letters. Executive orders will be given by COs when flag is dropped on the flagmans dais (see Appx "A")
except in Serials 5 and 6.

SERIAL	ORDER GIVEN	ORDERS BY			NOTES.
		G O C	CRA, BDE COMDS, ADMS	COs	
1.	Immediately prior to arrival of Reviewing General Officer	"Ninth Australian Division will come to attention and "Slope Arms."	"_____ will come to Attention and Slope Arms."	"_____ Atten-SHUN _____ Slope-ARMS."	<p>1. C R A will issue orders for gps 2 - 4.</p> <p>2. CO 2/9 Aust Cav (Commando) Regt, CRE, CO 2/2 Aust MG Bn and CO 2/3 Aust Pnr Bn will only issue orders as shown for COs.</p> <p>3. Bands will play "General Salute" commencing on the executive "ARMS."</p> <p>4. For the purpose of inspection the parade will be divided into five "blocks" as follows :- No 1 Block - Gps 1 - 5 (CRA) No 2 Block - Gps 6 - 8 (Comd 20Aust Inf Bde) No 3 Block - Gps 9 - 11 (Comd 24Aust Inf Bde) No 4 Block - Gps 12- 14 (Comd 26Aust Inf Bde) No 5 Block - Gps 15- 17 (ADMS)</p> <p>Comds "blocks" are shown in brackets. "Block" Comd only will salute.</p> <p>5. The Reviewing General Officer may address the Parade after Serial 6.</p>
2.	On arrival of Reviewing General Officer on DAIS	"Ninth Australian Division -General Salute."	"_____ General Salute."	"_____ General Salute - Present- ARMS."	
3.	After General Salute	"Ninth Australian Division will Slope Arms."	"_____ will Slope Arms."	"_____ Slope-ARMS."	
4.	After Slope Arms	"Ninth Australian Division will Order Arms and Stand at Ease."	"_____ will Order Arms and Stand at Ease."	"_____ Order-ARMS." "_____ Stand at-EASE."	
5.	As Inspecting General Officer approaches right flank of each Block (see NOTES.)		"_____ will come to Attention."	"_____ Atten- SHUN."	
6.	As Inspecting General Officer passes the Block immediately to the left.		"_____ will Stand at Ease."	"_____ Stand at-EASE."	
7.	When indicated by Reviewing General Officer.	"Ninth Australian Division will march past in Column of Route. "	Action as detailed in PART III of this Order.		

Groups

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Ref: 9 Aust Div Trg Instr No.11 and Addendum No.1

9 Aust Div Adm Instr No. 3.

Ref Maps: MT GARNET 1 in to 1 mile

PALMERSTON 1 in to 1 mile

1. 9 Aust Div will return to camp in area RAVENSHOE during the period 17/20 Jul 44.

2. Training during moves.

As with the moves to MT GARNET, training will be carried out during the return to camp sites.

3. Move to area RAVENSHOE.

(a) Axis of move, Rd MT GARNET - RAVENSHOE.

(b) Groupings and movement of marching personnel as shown below :-

<u>Groups</u>	<u>Units</u>	<u>Side of Axis to move</u>	<u>Date to start move</u>
A	20 Aust Inf Bde 2/3 Aust Pnr Bn	South	17 Jul 44
B	24 Aust Inf Bn 2/2 Aust MG Bn	North	17 Jul 44
C	RAA 9 Aust Div RAE 9 Aust Div	South	18 Jul 44
D	26 Aust Inf Bde 2/9 Aust Cav (Commando) Regt	North	18 Jul 44

(c) HQ 9 Aust Div)
HQ RAA 9 Aust Div) To move by MT ... 17 Jul 44

(d) Time of Moves and Bivouac Sites.

(i) Groups will complete moves in three days, bivouacing on two nights.

(ii) Locations of bivouacs will be in areas as shown below :-

1st night - East of grid 05 but NOT east of grid 15

2nd night - East of grid 15 but NOT east of grid 25

(iii) Units will advise this HQ of bivouac sites by 13 Jul 44.

4. Rear Parties

- (a) See 9 Aust Div Adm Instr No.3
- (b) It is stressed that unit sites in the MT GARNET area be left clean.

5. TC - 17 Jul 44.

All vehs and guns (except as necessary for marching personnel; rear parties; rec; etc..) will move back to camp sites on 17 Jul 44 as set out below :-

- (a) SP - Bridge 970775
- (b) SPEED - 15 mih (Guns 10 mih)
- (c) DENSITY - 20 vtm
- (d) BLOCK TIMINGS - Past SP as follows :-

<u>UNITS</u>	<u>TIMES</u> From - to
HQ 9 Aust Div HQ RAA 9 Aust Div SIGS 9 Aust Div	1000 - 1030
20 Aust Inf Bde 2/3 Aust Pnr Bn	1030 - 1110
24 Aust Inf Bde 2/2 Aust MG Bn	1110 - 1150
RAE 9 Aust Div	1150 - 1220
26 Aust Inf Bde 2/9 Aust Cav (Commando) Regt	1220 - 1300
RAA 9 Aust Div	1400 - 1500

(e) All other units, free running from 1500 hrs.

6. INTERCOMN

- (a) Ref 9 Aust Div Trg Instr No.11, Addendum No.1
- (b) WT and DRLS comms will be provided by Sigs 9 Aust Div for return move.
- (c) Sector Sig Offices will be established as under :-

<u>No.</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Opens</u>	<u>Closes</u>
1	040753	171000K	191200K
2	220802	181000K	201200K

- (d) Adv Div Sig Office MT GARNET will close 181200K
- (e) DRLS Time Table to be published later.

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9 Aust Div*

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HQ 9 Aust Div
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8 Jul 44

Further to HQ 9 Aust Div A19/1/1673 of 4 Jul 44.

GENERAL.

1. This instruction amends certain paragraphs of our A19/1/1673 of 4 Jul 44, and gives further information relative to the Divisional Ceremonial Parade.
2. The Parade will be reviewed and the salute will be taken by the Commander-in-Chief, Australian Military Forces.
3. During the march past, weapons mentioned hereunder will be carried as follows :-
 - (a) Sub-machine guns - slung on left shoulder and carried vertically. Left hand placed on the butt.
 - (b) Mortars 2-inch - slung on left shoulder with barrel vertical.
 - (c) Bren Guns - as for sub-machine guns.
4. Personnel of Group 17 (Medical) will NOT carry arms.
5. Delete paragraph 3 PART I of our A19/1/1673, and insert the following :-
 - *3. (a) Front line of other rank personnel of all groups will be clearly marked by a furrowed line to be dug by personnel of 8 Aust Svy Bty.
 - (b) Group frontages and the equivalent frontage at the rear of each group will be marked by pegs. The right flank pegs (both front and rear) of each group will, on the morning of the rehearsal and the parade, be replaced by unit signs.
 - (c) Position of Bde Comds (and equivalent), Bde Staffs (and equivalent) and COs will be similarly marked by pegs.
 - (d) Necessary unit guide parties with necessary unit signs will report to Capt BURRELL, HQ 9 Aust Div, at entrance "A" at 1130 hrs 13 and 14 Jul 44. Cut lunches will be carried by these personnel.
6. Delete the whole of PART II "THE PARADE" our A19/1/1673 and insert the following :-

PART II

THE PARADE

1. UNITS TO TAKE PART AND UNIT GROUPING.) See
2. FRONTAGE OF EACH GROUP.) Appx
3. DISTANCES BETWEEN GROUPS.) "A"

4. DISTANCES BETWEEN COMDS, STAFFS, AND OFFICERS - See Appendix "B".

5. 9 Aust Div will be formed up by Groups (Nos. 1-17 vide Appx "A") with officers in front of each group in review order.

(a) In Group 1, HQ 9 Aust Div will be on the right, 2/9 Aust Cav (Commando) Regt in the centre, and Sigs 9 Aust Div on the left of the group. Group to be formed up in a maximum of fifteen files, with units and/or sub-units in column of threes. Gp Comd will arrange. Group must be of even depth.

(b) In Groups 2, 3 and 4, the Gp Comds may arrange the units as they require, provided each sub-unit is in column of threes and the group is formed up in a maximum of fifteen files. Groups must be of even depth.

(c) In Group 5, the Gp Comd may arrange the position of HQ RAE and Fd Coy personnel as required, provided each sub-unit, i.e. Fd Coy or Fd Pk Coy, is in column of threes and the group is formed up in a maximum of fifteen files. Group must be of even depth.

(d) In Groups 6 - 16 inclusive, battalions will be formed up in fifteen files, with HQ Coy on the right, D Coy on the left. Each group will be of even depth. Bde HQ personnel will be placed in Groups 6 - 14 inclusive as required.

(e) In Group 17, 2/3 Aust Fd Amb will be on the right, 2/8 Aust Fd Amb in the centre, and 2/11 Aust Fd Amb on the left of the group. The group will be formed up in nine files. Group will be of even depth.

(f) To attain even depth of sub-units throughout a group, personnel may be transferred from one sub-unit to another.

6. Group Comds will be :-

GROUP 1 - Lt-Col MUNTZ, 2/9 Aust Cav (Commando) Regt.

GROUP 2 - Lt-Col GREEN, 2/7 Aust Fd Regt.

GROUPS 3 - 16 :

COs battalions, or in their absence, Adm Comds.

GROUP 17 - Lt-Col OUTRIDGE, 2/8 Aust Fd Amb.

7. (a) The maximum number of personnel, giving due regard to other duties, will take part in the parade. There is no limitation to the number of personnel to take part, as there is ample space in allotment of ground to groups to provide for larger numbers of personnel than units indicated on recent returns submitted to this HQ.

(b) Unit Parade States will be submitted by Gp Comds' representatives to DAAG 9 Aust Div, located as per Appx "B", at 1330 hrs on 13 and 14 Jul 44.

8. (a) Appx "A" shows diagrammatically only the total depth of ground available to each group. This is approximately 130 yards. It is considered that no group will occupy all of this ground.

(b) Some groups will occupy more ground than others. Units and sub-units will be so arranged as to ensure that personnel are of even depth throughout each group. This will necessitate, in some cases, the transfer of personnel from one unit or sub-unit to another unit or sub-unit for the purposes of the parade.

9. Although the frontage of each group as per Appx "A" is 20 yards, it is NOT intended that the full frontage will be occupied. The right marker of each group will be positioned by the unit sign to be placed on the right front corner of each group (vide paragraph 5 above). All files will be dressed by the right with normal interval between files.

OFFICERS.

10. The number of officers in each RANK OF OFFICERS (see Appendices "A" and "B") will NOT exceed the number of files in each group. FRONT RANK OF OFFICERS will be filled first, then the SECOND RANK OF OFFICERS, then the balance, if applicable, in THIRD RANK OF OFFICERS.

GUNS.

11. (a) Fd and AA

(i) The following fd and AA guns only will be on parade and for the review will be located on the race-track at the rear of the parade as per Appx "A" :-

2/7 Aust Fd Regt	-	eight 25-prs
2/12 Aust Fd Regt	-	twenty four 25-prs
53 Aust Comp AA Regt	-	four 3.7-in. AA guns and eighteen 40-mm Bofors.

(ii) Guns will be backed on to, and at right angles to the outside railing of the race track. They will be spaced approximately ten yards apart covering special markings to be placed on the track railing.

(b) Inf Bn 2-prs.

(i) 2-prs will be towed by Jeeps, and for the review will be located centrally to the rear of each battalion as per Appx "A".

(ii) Allotment :

Each bn of 20 Aust Inf Bde	-	3
Each bn of 24 Aust Inf Bde	-	2
Each bn of 26 Aust Inf Bde	-	3

(iii) 24 Aust Inf Bde and 2/3 Aust Par Bn will hand over one 2-pr and three 2-prs respectively to 26 Aust Inf Bde for rehearsal and parade only, by mutual arrangements.

(c) Inf Bn 6-prs.

(i) Allotment :

Each bn of 24 Aust Inf Bde	-	1
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(ii) To be placed in front of 2-prs during review.

4. Each regt will arrange for a flagman to pass on the signal to move from the CRA to all drivers of Arty vehicles.

5. Speed of Arty vehicles will be 8 m.p.h.

6. Marching Pace - 120 paces to the minute.

7. March distances will be as follows :-

(a) Vehicles

GOC's party to CRA	-	50 yards
CRA to RAA staff	-	10 yards
RAA Staff to CO 2/7 Aust Fd Regt	-	15 yards
COs Regts to Gun Groups	-	15 yards
Between equipments	-	15 yards
Between Regts	-	50 yards

(b) Marching Personnel

Bde Staffs to Bde Comds	-	3 yards
Bde Comds to COs	-	20 yards
COs parties to officers	-	10 yards
Between Bdes	-	75 yards
Between groups	-	50 yards
ADMS to DADMS	-	3 yards
DADMS to COs Fd Amb	-	5 yards

NOTE: Bde Staffs will march past in front of Bde Comds.

8. ^{Groups} Units will march past with right flank two yards from outside railing of race track. Dressing of marching personnel will be by the right. Arty equipments will march past in column of route on the right of the race track. Inf Bn 2-prs and 6-prs will march past in line at the rear of marching personnel. Interval between Jeeps - 4 yards.

9. Group 1 will commence moving from review position by wheeling right when signalled by Lt SAMPSON, Liaison Officer, HQ 9 Aust Div, located at entrance "A". All other groups will then conform in accordance with correct march distances.

10. Saluting Base will be marked by flags on the right of the race track, ten yards on either side of the DAIS.

11. The commands "Eyes Right" and "Eyes Front" will be given by Bde Comds (and equivalent) and Gp Comds only. All officers will salute. Personnel in right files of each group will continue looking to the front.

12. Officers will ensure that they do NOT decrease the length of their pace when saluting passing the Saluting Base.

13.(a) When marching personnel have passed the Saluting Base and are out of sound of the bands, they will increase their pace to clear the race track as soon as possible.

(b) Individual vehicles will similarly increase their speed to 15 m.p.h.

8. Delete paragraph 3(a) PART IV of our A19/1/1673 and insert the following :-

"3. (a) On reaching the southern end of the "straight," groups NOT leaving the race track by Exit "F" will move to the left side of the race track."

9. In Appx "C" to A19/1/1623 amend Serial 7 to read :

"Ninth Australian Division will march past by groups."

VEHICLES.

10. (a) All Jeeps on parade will have their hoods, canvas down. Windscreens will be lowered on to bonnets. Canvas covers for windscreens will NOT be used.

(b) Hoods of tractors arty and matedors will be left up, covering steel frames.

MEDICAL ARRANGEMENTS.

11. (a) 2/3 Aust Fd Amb will place a Medical Aid Post, including one MO, fifty yards to the south of entrance "F". Medical Aid Post will include one tent, which will be marked by a Red Cross Flag.

(b) Three motor ambulances will be stationed at the Medical Aid Post.

(c) One motor ambulance and a SB squad (2 personnel) will be stationed at Entrances "B", "C", "D", and "E".

(d) RMO 2/11 Aust Commando Sqn will be the MO on duty at Medical Aid Post - vide sub-paragraph (a) above.

Affatto Capt

Lt-Col

AA & QMG 9 Aust Div

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As for HQ 9 Aust Div A19/1/1673 of 4 Jul 44.

16 Jul 44

2/2 AUST MG BN TRG INSTN NO 3

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Ref 2/2 Aust MG Bn Trg Instn No 1 and Adm Instn No 1.
Ref maps MT GARNET 1 m to 1 inch

1. 2/2 Aust MG Bn will return to camp RAVENSHOE during the period 17/19 Jul 44.
2. Move to Ravenshoe (rd)
Move north to MT GARNET -RAVNSHOE starting 17 Jul 44, at 0800 hrs.
 - (i) move will be completed in three days bivouacing on two nights
 - (ii) move will be as follows :-
D Coy forward, A Coy on the left, B Coy on the right, C Coy in the rear.
Bn HQ and HQ Coy in centre on axis of advance.
Move in same formation as for move to MT GARNET area.
R.A.P. on move will be in rear of column, on bivouac at RA.P.

Present Camp bearing	80°	to	MT GARNET map ref	046751
"	50°	"	Track	127822
"	115°	"	SPRING CREEK	148813
"	63°	"	FORD	174826
"	along rd	CUTTING	"	177837
"	61°	"	FORD	219861
"	119°	"	ARCHER CK	215830
"	145°	"	YARDS	316819

3. Rear Party
 - (a) Capt K S WRAGGE
WO(11) RAMSAY, J.G.
5 ORs per coy, if possible from personnel who cannot march, but capable of working in this area, names to be submitted to Bn HQ 162000K.
 - (b) It is stressed that coy sites in this area will be left as clean as possible before main body march out.
 - (c) Capt WRAGGE to arrange tpt required by ~~the~~ Rear Party.

4. TC 17 Jul 44
All vehicles except as necessary for marching personnel and rear party will move back to camp site as set out below :-

- (a) SP - Bridge 970775
- (b) Speed - 15 m.i.h.
- (c) Density 20 v.p.m.
- (d) Past SP From 1110 to 1150

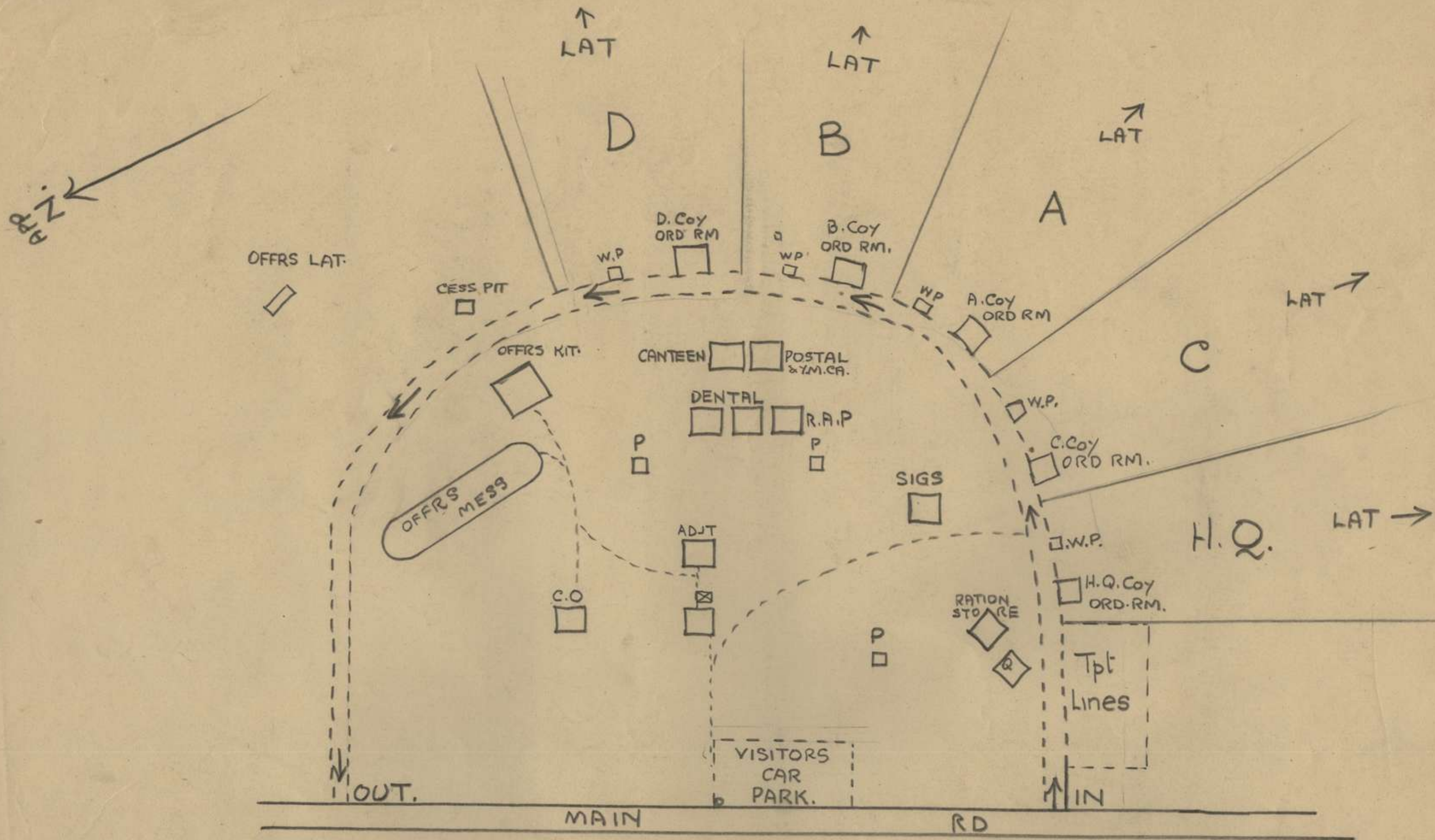
5. Intercomm
 - (a) Bn HQ closes 171000K reopens same time camp RAVENSHOE
 - (b) WT and DRLS comms provided by Sigs 9 Aust Div for return move
 - (c) Sector Sig Offices will be established as follows :-

No	Location	Opens	CJ
1	040753	171000K	191200K
2	220802	181000K	201200K
 - (d) Intercomm will be maintained during the march by WT with each Coy and Bn HQ located in the column.
 - (e) Times of DRLS from Bn HQ-RAVNSHOE to HQ on the march to be advised by Sig Offr.

Varley
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DISTRIBUTION:

A Coy	-	1	CO & Adj	-	6
B Coy	-	2	Q.M.	-	7
C Coy	-	3	R.S.M.	-	8
D Coy	-	4	File	-	9
HQ Coy	-	5	War Diary	-	10 & 11



Rough Sketch NOT TO SCALE

(10)

Des Diary

2/2 Aust MG Bn
13 Jul 44

PARADE STATE

ON PARADE

<u>Offrs</u>	<u>WOs</u>	<u>Sjts</u>	<u>Cpls</u>	<u>L/Cpls</u>	<u>ORs</u>
176	4	17	32	22	241
Total ⁷ 17 Offrs & 316 ORs.					

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C.O. 2/2 Aust MG Bn.

SECRET

APPX
"B"

TRAINING.

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2/2 AUST MG BN TRAINING INSTRUCTION NO. 4

1. ANTI-GAS TRAINING

Specialist personnel in the Unit are Lt. W. TIRPETT, Unit Gas Offr., Sjt. BENDALL, G.A., Cpl BIRRELL, C.A.D. (Unit Gas N.C.O's), who will be available to train instructional cadres. All other personnel will be trained to TOET standard.

2. CAMOUFLAGE TRAINING

Will be on the same lines as for anti-gas.

3. To permit further training of specialists in the above subjects it can be anticipated that schools will be available in the near future.

4. ESSENTIAL HYGIENE

The demands of 'Essential Hygiene' on the individual are not onerous, but they do entail constant compliance with the few simple rules of individual conduct.

5. Every individual in a force has a dual responsibility in regard to hygiene - firstly that he takes the measures necessary to safeguard himself from disease and secondly that he ensures that he does whatever lies in his power to protect the remaining members of the force from disease.

6. The rules given in Appx "A" attached summarise the responsibility of every individual in each grade in regard to hygiene for tropical theatres of operations. By constant training and supervision, these responsibilities must be impressed on officers and men, until they are accepted as customary and carried out instinctively by all ranks.

7. CONCLUSIONS ARRIVED AT IN OTHER THEATRES IN WARFARE AGAINST THE JAPANESE.

A précis of 'Notes on recent operation in the ARAKAN' by the commander of 36 Indian Div is attached at Appx "B".

8. These notes are of particular interest in that they show clearly that, in all essentials, the conclusions arrived at in recent campaigns in NEW GUINEA, are the same as those arrived at in fighting Japanese in the ARAKAN.

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Lt
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for Adjt 2/2 Aust MG Bn

Distribution:

A Coy	- 1
B "	- 2
C "	- 3
D "	- 4
Comd	- 5
Adjt	- 6
HQ Coy	- 7
I.O.	- 8
War Diary	- 9-10 ✓
File	- 11
Spare	- 12

Appx "A" to 2/2 Aust MG Bn
Training Instructions No. 4

ESSENTIAL HYGIENE

RESPONSIBILITY OF THE INDIVIDUAL

<u>Responsibility</u>	<u>Reason for</u>
1. Take Atebrin in the dosage ordered	Cures MT Malaria. Prevents BT Malaria from breaking through.
2. Use insect repellent lotion on the skin and anti-mite fluid on the clothes. Use mosquito nets, inspect them daily and maintain in serviceable condition.	Reduces risk of infection with malaria, dengue, and scrub typhus.
3. Observe orders for dress	
4. Obtain drinking water from authorised water point, or use tablets, individual water sterilising.	To avoid water borne diseases, Typhoid, Dysentery, Cholera.
5. In certain islands bathe only in streams passed as safe for bathing.	To avoid Cholera and Bilharzia.
6. Keep the body and clothing clean by regular washing.	To avoid skin complaints
7. Wash the hands after visiting the latrines etc., and before eating or handling food.	Minimise risk of Dysentery, etc.
8. Use the latrines provided and cover the excreta.	To prevent flies becoming infected.
9. Protect food and eating utensils from flies.	To prevent infection of food and breeding of flies and mosquitoes.
10. Burn waste food, and burn, crush or puncture and bury empty tins.	

PRECIS ON NOTES ON RECENT OPERATIONS IN THE ARAKAN BY COMD 36 INDIAN DIV.

1. In a country where it is difficult to pick on objectives, a useful rule is, always to go to the highest ground, because if you do not the Jap undoubtedly will. It is not enough, however, just to hold dominant points, but as in other types of warfare, mobile and readily accessible counter attack parties are necessary.
2. We have experienced extremely tough infantry resistance from men of all sorts of unexpected units - divisional transport, ordnance, gunners, etc. This is because every soldier, whatever branch of the service he belongs to, appears to have a sound basis grasp of infantry tactics and a determination to 'stay put' in the position he has been told to defend, in spite of shelling, dive bombing, mortaring and machine gunning. The main effect of this Jap characteristic is that Jap units and formations are singularly free of 'soft tails' and are therefore able to operate more vigorously and with greater impunity in enemy infested areas than we are.
3. Supply by sea or by air is imperative for the future, not only here, but in most operations against the Japanese. Sea transport will undoubtedly carry the greater weight of supplies, but it is of course dependent upon harbours with proper facilities. These do not exist in BURMA with the exception of the PORT OF RANGOON. One is therefore thrown back on air supply. For future campaigns in ARAKAN, or indeed anywhere in S E A command, air supply should be regarded as normal, and not an eleventh hour improvisation.
4. The Jap is a courageous and most tenacious infantry-man, and normal methods must be adjusted to deal with him when he occupies positions on the topmost peaks of razorback hills in the middle of jungle country. Under such conditions whatever the force, the ultimate assault is invariably carried out by, at the most, a score of men advancing along a narrow track.

To deal with such a position, three things it is suggested are necessary:-
 - (a) Intimate knowledge of the exact enemy dispositions which can only be obtained by active and courageous patrolling by small patrols of two or three men and later by fighting patrols.
 - (b) A co-ordinated plan based on knowledge gained by patrols, and on considerable personal reconnaissance by the commander.
 - (c) The use in the plan of every appropriate type of fire. I am of the opinion that the two most useful weapons we have are the medium gun, and the SHERMAN tank. The former is first class for 'Bunker Busting' when used with delayed action fuzes, and the latter is highly effective for support in the infantry in the final stages of the attack.Whatever the actual fire plan for dealing with a particular position, it must include provision for counter battery and counter mortar fire, as the Jap almost invariably reacts by bringing down his defensive fire onto his own positions when they are captured.
5. One of the features of fighting in the ARAKAN is that anybody may find himself confronted by a Japanese at short range at any time, and almost in any place. This means that all ranks must be armed with personal weapons at all times, and be ready to use them, and also means that an active and enquiring state of mind is necessary. This is not easy, especially when climbing on a very hot day, up a very steep path. Under such conditions there have been a number of cases where either one or the other side have been caught napping through unpreparedness.

6. The Jap makes a speciality of beating up HQs., gun lines and administrative areas. Every individual soldier must of course be trained and be prepared to gig his own defence in the area. It will usually be necessary, however, in addition, to detail infantry for the special protection of important HQs and administrative areas.

7. I have been struck most forcibly by one point in this type of fighting and that is the large dividend paid to those who prepare for the worst and do not rely on hoping for the best. The Jap is a most shrewd judge of the unit's preparedness to give him a rousing reception, and if positions are made really strong, it is more than probable that he will leave them alone.

8. The importance of active patrolling cannot be overstressed. Good patrolling produces a sense of superiority over the enemy, and acclimatizes the soldier to the uncongenial atmosphere of the jungle. Secondly, it guards against being surprised, and is an insurance, though not an infallible one, against Jap methods of infiltration. Thirdly, it keeps troops fit and a considerable amount of keenness can be engendered by it.

Patrolling should be organised probably on a battalion basis, and co-ordinated by brigade. A patrol map for every 24 hours should be prepared in advance, and each day's work be co-ordinated throughout the formation.

9. The importance of physical fitness in all ranks cannot be over emphasised. This is particularly necessary in the case of Senior Commanders who must get round the place and who can only make successful plans if they have been to see for themselves.

10. We have heard a great deal about anti-malarial measures. It is a truism to say that their importance cannot be overestimated. There are two types of men who swell the malaria total - The "Foolish" and the "Bloody Minded". The first forgets to take his Mepacrine, and never knows the time for putting down his sleeve. He must be treated and protected from himself very much like a child; this is a task for the platoon and section commander. The second type are those who do not approve of, and do not like taking doses, and who take every opportunity not to use their mosquito nets and cream. They can only be dealt with by disciplinary action.

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A great deal has been written on how to defeat the Jap, and I sometimes feel a ridiculous atmosphere has been created by suggesting that particularly subtle or new methods are required. Good troops well trained and well equipped will defeat the Jap every time, but, there is no Bargain Basement where second rate troops and equipment may be bought that will defeat this extremely stout-hearted and sturdy soldier.

Regarding the methods to be employed against them, I think they may be summarised briefly under two headings:-

(a) Make full use of the superiority of individual intelligence, fire power, and modern equipment. Do not descend, unless it is absolutely necessary, to his own level to fight him in country of his choice.

(b) Pay him back in his own coin by infiltration, encirclement, and spreading alarm by the use of noise.

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

- 8 JUL 1944

Subject: Special allotment of training ammunition.

FILE # 1141/24/44
HQ 9 Aust Div
7 Jul 44
G266/80/11

Ref 1 Aust Corps G/3488/SD and this HQ G252/80/11 dated 5 Jul 44.

It is advised that the following amounts of ammunition may be added to pools as follows :-

Ammunition	1 Aust Corps	6 Aust Div	9 Aust Div
Bombs ML HE 2 inch Mortar (complete)	8100	6000	6000
Bombs ML Smoke 2 inch Mortar (complete)	800	600	600
Bombs ML HE 3 inch Mortar (10 lbs complete)	5000	3500	3500
Bombs ML Smoke 3 inch Mortar (10 lbs complete)	300	350	350
Grenades Tk A No 75	900	800	800
Grenades Rifle No 36M	1300	1600	1600

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Lt Col
GS 9 Aust Div

DISTRIBUTION:

- 20 AUST INF BDE 2/9 AUST CAV (COMMANDO) REGT
- 24 AUST INF BDE 2/2 AUST MG BN RAA 9 AUST DIV ADOS 9 AUST DIV
- 26 AUST INF BDE 2/3 AUST PNR BN RAE 9 AUST DIV

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TRAINING IN OPEN AND CLOSE COUNTRY AND NATURE OF TRAINING

TYPE OF COUNTRY

1. Until the probable theatre of operations is known the bulk of the training will be carried out in open and semi-open country. Wherever possible, the longer exercises will be held in country varying from quite open to thickly timbered and rough ground. Training in jungle warfare will, however, be continued generally throughout the training period. Commanders of all grades must become accustomed to adapting their organisation, formations and procedure to suit whatever type of ground they may be required to fight through.

NATURE OF TRAINING

2. As well as amphibious operations which have been dealt with separately, the following phases of operations will be studied:-

Protection: Advanced Guards
Flanks Guards
Rear Guards including extrication from close contact
Outposts.

Attack

Defence

Night Operations

Deliberate Withdrawal

3. Detailed attention will be given to:-

- (a) Study of and practice in battle procedure for each phase; in particular the composition and duties of reconnaissance, order, fighting and transport groups in formations, units and sub units and simultaneous action where possible to save time, consistent with proper preparation.
- (b) Teaching the basic principles and sequence in planning, organising and executing each phase. It is important that ALL RANKS understand the stages and sequence of stages in each phase.

When dealing with planning, every commander must be taught:-

- (i) To recognise a phase when confronted with it;
- (ii) To recognise each stage in a phase whether its occurrence is planned or is unexpected, and to know when it has been completed and what the next stage should be.
- (iii) To know by heart those constant and recurring points on which in each phase of operations he has to make a decision - and to know the sequence of decisions - in order to form a plan.

In teaching it will generally be best to treat subjects by discussion rather than by lecture.

4. Matters for particular attention.

Advance Guards (FSR II 41 - 44)

(a) The principal faults to be eradicated are:-

- (i) hesitancy at first contact;
- (ii) a tendency of forward troops to make a wide outflanking move, thereby uncovering the units in rear.

At first contact the forward troops must press on, locate and if possible overcome the opposition, while still not exposing rear units to surprise.

If the opposition is strong, the forward troops must still press on and locate and pin it, try to find the extent of the position and
assess/

its strength, seize all points of tactical importance and in particular those which will assist the next or more senior commander to execute his plan; but, throughout, the primary duty is the protection of the echelons in rear.

Flank Guards (FSR II 46)

- (a) It must be made clear that a flank guard role is essentially a protective one. The methods of using flank guards in moving and stationary roles should be explained.
- (b) Special exercises in flank guard work need not be held, but opportunity should be taken to include flank guards in exercises which lend themselves to it.

Rear Guards (FSR II 47 - 49, 81 - MTP 4/1943)
including Extrication from close contact.

Exercises will be held both for daylight and night withdrawals of this nature.

Outposts (FSR II 51 - 53, 69 para 9)

Outpost exercises will be held in conjunction with exercises in defence or in approach marches.

Attack (FSR II Chapter VI)

- (a) Organisation and procedure are the main points for attention. Ref FSR II 59 (1) together with tactical principles.
- (b) Any misunderstanding of exploitation should be removed. On arrival at the objective, in all cases local exploitation whether to the front or the flanks will be undertaken to:-
 - (i) provide local security and cover any reorganisation;
 - (ii) assist flanking units.

This should be automatic. It is redundant to order it. It applies whether or not consolidation has been ordered. When, however, ground beyond the objective can be occupied with little or no resistance, whether or not any (spontaneous or planned) exploitation should be carried out depends on matters discussed in the following extract from FSR II 59 (1):-

"There is often a period after a successful attack when ground beyond the allotted objective can be occupied with little or no resistance, while the enemy is still surprised and disorganised. Whether or not a subordinate commander should push forward beyond the line given him as his final objective must depend on the instructions which he has received, his knowledge of the superior commander's intentions, the situation to his right and left and his tactical judgment as to the value of the ground in front. Generally speaking, a bold decision should be taken, unless it will lead to dangerous isolation. In any event, information of the opportunity and of his action should be sent back at once to the next higher commander."

- (c) The two stages of pursuit should be brought out - FSR II (44) (1).
- (d) During training the following will be covered:-

Advance Guards - employment of main body after contact - consolidation and exploitation - pursuit.

- (e) Opposed river crossings. Those requiring special engineer bridging equipment are difficult to arrange in this area, and should be studied without troops for the time being.

Defence (FSR II Chapter VII and MTP 3/1943)

- (a) Roles of reserves in -
Holding ground
Supporting other localities by fire

- (a) (Contd) Counter attack, immediate for coys and deliberate for bns will be studied and practised.
- (b) Field defences - ref MTP 3/1943. Protective works including clearing fields of fire, and obstacles.
- (c) Anti-tank defences - ref MTP 3/1943 - and tank attack will receive consideration on all levels.
- (d) MTP 3/1943, para 141 and 142 (a) should be referred to for the variation which may be necessary in reconnaissance and order procedure, particularly when time is short.
- (e) Exercises will cover the three phases shown in MTP 3/1943, viz

Preparatory Phase
(Enemy) Assault Phase
Counter Attack Phase.

Night Operations (FSR II Chapter VIII)

- (a) Notes on night attacks are being issued separately.
- (b) Exercises will cover -

Night marches
Night advances } care must be taken to choose suitable ground
Night attacks } for these.
Night withdrawals.

Deliberate Withdrawals.

- (a) It will be noted that separate headings have been used for
 - "A" - Rear Guards and Extrication from Close contact.
 - "B" - Deliberate Withdrawal.
- (b) (i) "A" is to cover the action of rearguards or the last portion of a force to withdraw and which for the time being at least acts as a rearguard.
- (ii) The differentiation between "A" and "B" is shown in following extracts from FSR III 28 (4):-

"The tactics of a force withdrawing in the face of an active pursuit may be; in fact to pursue similar tactics to those of a rearguard, only on a much larger scale.
"As in a rearguard action, before one position is left, parties should be sent back to reconnoitre the next position in rear. But, whereas with a rearguard it may be only a matter of a few officers going back two or three miles, with a large force the numbers involved may be considerable; it may be necessary to send them back a distance of 10 or 12 miles; and they may be separated from their units, or formations for 24 hrs or more."

- (iii) An example illustrating "A" and "B" is:-

A division has been advancing and has met opposition so superior that it is forced to withdraw to a suitable defensive position a considerable distance to the rear. There is sufficient time for making a deliberate withdrawal. One bde.

gp/

(iii)(Contd) is left holding the front making as great a display of strength as possible, while the remainder of the division withdraws unhampered to the rear defensive position the division is to occupy. This deliberate withdrawal is then followed by a withdrawal of the bde gp left in contact with the enemy. This bde's withdrawal will be one of extrication from close contact, and, during withdrawal, it will probably have to fight on a number of subsidiary defensive positions.

The same principles apply in a bde gp when it withdraws in similar circumstances, covered by a bn rearguard; and so on.

(c) The organisation and procedure for "B" should be studied first. Once commanders have a grasp of that they will be better able to cope with "A" which often calls for speedy action and improvisation.

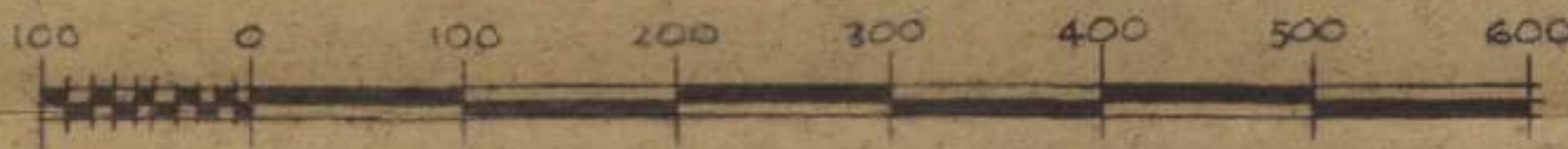
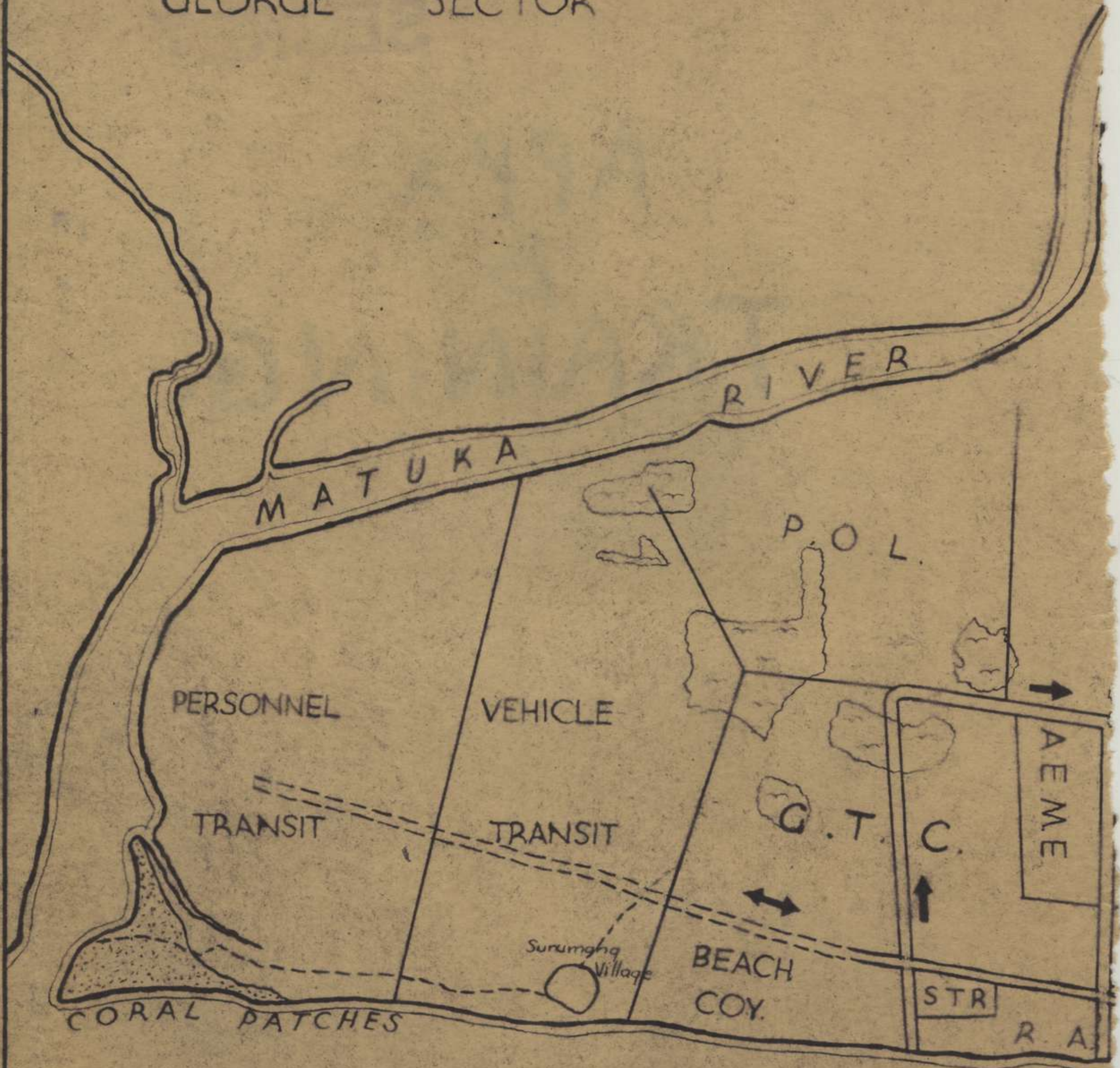
5. Training programme of bdes will be so arranged that they deal at some time with each of subjects discussed above. It will often be possible to cover two or three items in the one exercise. If certain items will not fit into any of the longer exercises then special short exercises will be held to obtain practice in the particular subject.

6. Bde exercises set by division will cover some of the subjects referred to above.

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FIRST KEY PLAN

GEORGE SECTOR



SCALE 1" = 164'

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APPX
"B"
TRAINING.

EXERCISE
ROBIN

- 2/2 Aust MG BN 14 Days Pl Trg Syllabus July 44 -

Coy Pdes, Drill etc	-	9
Bayonet Training	-	6
Sport	-	6
Route Marches	-	2
Perimeter Defence	-	2
Open Range Rifle	-	8
M.M.G. Fd Firing	-	8
Travelling	-	11
Spare	-	6
M.M.G.	-	28
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M.M.G. SUB-DIVISION

Pl Drill-Indirect Fire	-	7	} Ref book Ft 1
Sec Drill-Night Firing	-	2	
Battle Drill	-	3	
Indirect Fire	-	8	} Ref book Ft 1
Night Firing	-	2	
Fixed Lines	-	3	
Flanking & Overhead Fire	-	3	
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2/2 Aust MG Bn Trg Syllabus 14 Days July 44

Period	Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5	Day 6	Day 7	Day 8	Day 9	Day 10	Day 11	Day 12
0330	Coy Pde	Coy Pde	Coy Pde	Coy Pde	Coy Pde	Coy Pde	Coy Pde	Coy Pde	Coy Pde	Field	Range	Rifle
0340	Drill etc	Drill etc	Drill etc	Drill etc	Drill etc	Drill etc	Drill etc	Drill etc	Drill etc	Field	Range	Open
0915	Pl Drill Less 73,74	Indirect Fire Less 109, 110 L	ROUTE MARCH	N.F. Less 116, 117.	Battle Drill Less 91	Pl Drill Less 80,81	Fixed Lines Less 127	ROUTE MARCH	Fixed Lines Less 128	-do-	-do-	-do-
0955												
1005	Indirect Fire Less 106L	Pl drill Less 76	-do-	Pl Drill Revision	-do-	Perimeter Defence	Overhead Fire Theory Less 125	-do-	Perimeter Defence	-do-	-do-	-do-
1045												
1050	Sec Drill L.F. Less 84	Indirect Fire Less 112, 113L	-do-	Indirect Fire Less 114, 115L	Indirect Fire Revision	Flanking Fire Less 124	Indirect Fire Less 106P	-do-	SPARE	-do-	-do-	-do-
1130												
1135	Indirect Fire Less 107, 108L	Indirect Fire Less 106P	-do-	Pl Drill Less 79	SPARE	SPARE	Pl Drill REVISION	-do-	SPARE	-do-	-do-	-do-
1215												
1330	Pl Drill Less 75	Pl Drill Less 77	-do-	Clean & Check W.E.	Bn Sport	Battle Drill Less 92	Coy Sport	Overhead Fire Less 126	-do-	MOVE TO FIELD FIRING RANGE	-do-	RIFLE OPEN RANGE
1410												RETURN TO CAMP
1415	Sec Drill N.F. Less 85	SPARE	-do-	-do-	-do-	N.F. Less 118, 119	-do-	SPARE	-do-	-do-	-do-	-do-
1455												
1505	Bayonet Trg	Bayonet Trg	Bayonet Trg	-do-	-do-	Bayonet Trg	-do-	Bayonet Trg	Bayonet Trg	-do-	-do-	-do-
1545												
1845	Cross Count -ry March without compass.		Compass March			Occupation of posn.		Relief of Guns Less 119		BIVOUAC FIELD FIRING RANGE Night Fir. -ing.	BIVOUAC FIELD FIRING RANGE Fixed Lines Less 129	BIVOUAC RIFLE RANGE
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M.M.G. PROBLEMS.

- Question.1. The Q.A. to engage a target at 1400x has been calculated as E. 1Deg 25 Min.
What would be the Angle of Sight to the Target?
- Question.2. A paddock fence running directly across your front and 700x away measures 9 deg. If you walk 100x towards it what angle would it measure?
- Question 3. An enemy vehicle is moving diagonally towards your gun position. What amount would you require to aim off the vehicle at a range of 1250 E. Its speed is known to be 35 M.P.H.
- Question.4. A recruit asks you the following question. "You say that a circle comprises 360 Deg; what about the tripod handweel, it is only marked to 4 Deg?
What is your answer?"
- Question. 5. An NCO. carrying out instruction in Fire Orders Direct fire, makes the following statements:-
(a) In the case of a traversing target, both Nos 1. lay one tap outside the flanks of the target to cater for possible Errors in Direction.
(b) In every case where combined sights are ordered for Direct fire the No.1 Gun will be given the lower elevation
(c) In every case in direct fire the length of burst should be 25 rounds.
Make the necessary corrections, if any, in these statements.
- Question. 6. (a) Of what does the Safety Angle for any range consist?
(b) Define-(1) Clearance and minimum Clearance.
(2) Auxiliary Aiming Mark.

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APPX "A" to MAINTENANCE PROJECT

FORCE MAINTENANCE TONNAGE

	Detail	Sups	Expense Stores	Hos- pital Sups	Ord Stores	Amn	POL	Medical	Water	Sun- dries	TOTAL
1	Reserves to be landed D Day on GEORGE GREEN Beach	12	1	1	2	24	2	-	2	2	46
2	Reserves to be landed on ITEM Beach D Day	148	11	12	36	255	60	5	30	10	560
3	Reserves to be landed on ITEM Beach - after D Day but prior to D plus 14	1003	79	86	250	2020	924	30	-	177	4549
4	TOTALS	1163	91	99	288	2299	986	35	32	189	5155

NOTE: Detailed distribution by days after D Day will be issued later.

(iv) Certain stores for medical requirements : Mosquito nets, stretchers, blankets, ground sheets etc.

17. AEME

(a) Repair and Recovery

(i) Beach Gp Wksp will be augmented by det 2/118 Aust Bde Wksp.

(ii) Det 2/118 Aust Bde Wksp will be responsible for recovery on GEORGE GREEN Beach and evacuation, if necessary by returning craft to ITEM SECTOR.

(b) Waterproofing

All vehicles will be completely waterproofed prior to embarkation by units under supervision of AEME.

(c) De-Waterproofing

(i) De-Waterproofing of vehs making dry landing will be carried out by drivers up to stage 3.

(ii) Vehs which have been immersed will proceed through de-waterproofing areas to be established by Beach Gp Wksp for checking and such repairs as necessary.

18. POSTAL

It is anticipated that normal mail deliveries will commence on D plus 5.

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for Lt-Col
AA & QMG 9 Aust Div

DISTRIBUTION :

	No. of Copies	Appx "A"	First Key Plan	
			ITEM Sector	GEORGE Sector
			Copy No.	Copy No.
26 Aust Inf Bde (2 each for 20 and 24 Aust Inf Bdes as if they were 26 Aust Inf Bde)	6	6	1-6	1-6
2/9 Aust Cav (Commando) Regt	1	1	7	7
RAA 9 Aust Div	2	2	8-9	8-9
RAE 9 Aust Div	2	2	10-11	10-11
Sigs 9 Aust Div	2	2	12-13	12-13
2/2 Aust MG Bn	1	1	14	14
2/3 Aust Pnr Bn	1	1	15	15
2 Aust Mil Ldg Gp	1	1	16	16
2 Aust Base Sub-Area	1	1	17	17
2 Aust Beach Gp	1	1	18	18
RAN	1	1	19	19
RAAF	1	1	20	20
Comd	2	2	21-22	21-22
G	4	4	23-26	23-26
Q	4	4	27-30	27-30
AASC 9 Aust Div	2	2	31-32	31-32
Medical	2	2	33-34	33-34
Ord	2	2	35-36	35-36
AEME	2	2	37-38	37-38
Pro	1	1	39	39
Fils	2	2	40-41	40-41
War Diary	2	2	42-43	42-43

(f) Establishment of WP.

10. SUPS

(a) 2 days FOR and 1 day Emergency Ration to be carried on the man.

(b) 1 days FOR and 2 days ABL will be landed for whole force less force landing on GEORGE GREEN Beach will be landed in ITEM SECTOR.

(c) 1 days FOR and 2 days ABL will be landed on GEORGE GREEN Beach for force landing there.

(d) 1 days FOR, 4 days ABL and 16 days SWPA scale for whole force together with 30000 Emergency Rations will be landed from D plus 1 to D plus 10.

(e) 500 native rations will be landed on D plus 2.

(f) FOR and ABL rations will be issued from D plus 1 to D plus 8, thereafter SWPA scale.

11. WATER

(a) Reserve of 1 gal per man for entire force will be landed on D Day. This water will only be issued in case of emergency other than to Medical units.

(b) Engrs will establish WPs in BMA in accordance with priority laid down in para 9 sub-para (f).

(c) All water to be sterilized prior to consumption.

12. POL

(a) All vehs will land with tanks filled to $\frac{3}{4}$ capacity, plus res of 100 miles.

(b) Estimated mileage for vehs:

(i) 20 miles per day.

(c) 3 days reserve for whole force will be landed on D Day. 21 days res for whole force will be landed from D plus 1 to D plus 10.

13. TRANSPORT

(a) Preparation of Vehs for Embarkation

(i) To be completely waterproofed.

(ii) Chains to be fitted.

(iii) Tow ropes to be in such position in front of veh to be easily accessible if vehicle drowns.

(b) 65 - 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ ton 6 x 6 GMC will be made available to RAE for loading of stores.

(c) Remainder of task vehicles will be loaded with:

(i) Amm

(ii) Ord Stores.

(d) All ASC vehicles loaded with stores on landing will be unloaded within 12 hrs.

14. AMN

(a) Units will land with proportion of first line amn which can be carried on the man or in unit vehs and that portion of unit res which can be handled by unit personnel and vehs during landing.

(b) Second line amn will be carried under arrangements 9 Aust Div.

(c) Basis of calculation as per LHQ 5771 as amended.

15. MEDICAL(a) D DAY

(i) One Fd Amb to land with assault bde and establish an MDS at the Beach Head.

(ii) One Fd Amb to land with follow up bde and move SOUTH in support of it.

(iii) One Coy of Corps Fd Amb plus att surgeon to land with Cav Commando Regt and establish ADS.

(iv) Beach Gp Med Coy to land with Beach Gp and establish BDS.

(b) D plus 1

(i) One Coy of Corps Fd Amb to land at Beach Maintenance Area and maintain evacuation from follow up bde to BDS.

(ii) Div AMCU Type A to land at Beach Maintenance Area.

(c) As Early As Practicable After D plus 1

(i) CCS to land in Beach Maintenance Area and to establish there or in the vicinity.

(ii) Third Fd Amb to remain with res bde at FINSCHAFEN.

(d) Estimation of Casualties

50 KIA. 150 VIA from D to D plus 2, thence same figures weekly.

16. ORDNANCE

Two sources of Ord Stores will be available from D Day.

(a) Bde Ord Fd Pks

These scalings will be held in two portions:

(i) Light scaling in accordance with permissive repairs schedules approved for light sec of Wksp AEME.

(ii) Balance to complete 24 days usage to land with heavy sec of Wksp AEME before D plus 14.

(b) Ord Beach Det

24 days maintenance requirements of the following categories will be available.

(i) Parts for 1st ech repair for vehs of the Div plus Beach Gp.

(ii) A scaling of General Stores and Clothing.

(iii) A scaling of Tech Stores.

MAINTENANCE PROJECT

(ISSUED IN CONJUNCTION WITH 9 AUST DIV
OUTLINE PLAN EXERCISE ROBIN)

INFM1. RES AND MAINTENANCE

(a) 1 Aust Corps is to be responsible for maintenance of the Force from excl D plus 14.

(b) 24 days initial maintenance for the whole Force is to be drawn from MILNE BAY.

(c) The Main Div Maintenance Area will be in ITEM SECTOR. GEORGE GREEN Beach will be the alternative area. First Key Plans are attached.

(d) On D plus 14, 10 days maintenance res for the whole force is to be held in Main Div Maintenance Area by 2 Aust Beach Gp.

(e) 3 days maintenance for whole force less force landing on GEORGE GREEN Beach will be landed in ITEM SECTOR on D Day.

(f) 3 days maintenance for the force landing on GEORGE GREEN Beach will be landed on D Day at GEORGE GREEN Beach.

(g) Subsequent maintenance to GEORGE GREEN Beach to be by small craft from Main Div Maintenance Area under arrangements Comd 2 Aust Beach Gp.

2. INTELLIGENCE(a) ITEM Beach

(i) 900 yds black sand, clear of obstructions, width 2 - 10 yds.

(ii) Suitable for LC which should beach 5 - 10 yds off shore. LST should beach 20 yds off shore.

(iii) Coastal track 50 to 80 yds from beach. Main coast rd 250 yds from NORTH end of beach and 500 yds from the centre.

(iv) Hinterland consists of coconut plantation with clay surface, with exception of 100 yds of low scrub at northern end of beach.

(v) No local resources other than timber are available. Natives are hostile and in the hands of the enemy.

(b) GEORGE Beach

(i) 1450 yds black sand, beach clear of obstructions, with width of 2 to 4 yds.

(ii) Main road is within 60 - 70 yds and is easily accessible.

(iii) Hinterland is restricted by MATUKA RIVER which is from 400 to 800 yds WEST from southern half of beach. This area has firm soil and much secondary growth with scattered native gardens. Northern end of beach is backed by coconut plantation which has a small swamp in the centre.

(2)

(iv) Capacity of beach is approx 750 tons every 24 hrs.

(v) No local resources other than timber are available.

3. COMPOSITION OF FORCE TO BE LANDED

(a)	<u>Personnel</u>	<u>Vehs</u>	<u>Guns</u>	<u>Stores</u>
D Day	10855	1857		750 tons

(b) Detail for subsequent build up to be issued separately.

(c) Detailed COB to be issued separately.

INTENTION

4. To land the force in accordance with the plan and to arrange for its subsequent maintenance as per Adm Table att as Appx A.

METHOD

5. CRAFT AND SHIPS

(a) All loading will be tactical loading.

(b) Allotment of shipping as per Distribution of Force to ships issued separately.

6. DISCHARGE - VEHS, MECHANICAL EQUIPMENT, GUNS, and STORES

(a) No vehicles, mechanical equipment, or guns, other than those operationally urgent, will be landed before H plus 3 hrs.

(b) No bulk stores will be landed before H plus 3 hrs.

(c) No Force vehicles, other than those mentioned in sub para(a) above, together with RAE and Beach Gp requirements, will be landed before H plus 8 hrs.

(d) Minimum vehicles and equipment will be landed on GEORGE GREEN Beach.

7. LABOUR

2/2 Aust MG Bn less two Coys under command 2 Aust Beach Gp from incl D Day.

8. VEHICLE LOADINGS

(a) Jeeps and trailers -- 4 cwt and 6 cwt respectively.

(b) GMC 2½ ton 6 x 6 -- 3 tons.

(c) All other vehicles -- 50% capacity.

9. ENGERS

Priority of tasks within the Beach Maintenance Area will be as follows:

(a) Beach roadways.

(b) Beach exits.

(c) Lateral road.

(d) Beach Maintenance Area roads.

(e) Dump areas.

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26 AUSTRALIAN INF BDE LANDING TABLE

LC Ser. No. (a)	Craft ready to beach (b)	Unit (c)	Personnel Parties		Vehicles and Guns No. Type (f)	Stores Tons Type (g)	Embark Sector or Beach (h)	Craft (i)	Ship (j)	Land-ing Sector and Beach (k)	Remarks (l)
			Foot (d)	Veh (e)							
1-8	H hr	2/48 Bn Beach Group 2/43 Pd Coy RAE	225 8 6					8 LCVP	H. T. ALLEN	GREEN	Incl 6 sets Beach signs
9-16	H hr	2/23 Bn Beach Group 2/13 Pd Coy RAE	242 8 6					8 LCVP	MANGORA	RED	Incl 6 sets Beach signs
17-20	H plus 5	2/48 Bn	128					4 LCVP	H. T. ALLEN	GREEN	One wave as a tactical group
21-23	H plus 5	2/9 Armd Regt 2/13 Pd Coy RAE	24	12	3 tanks			3 ALG (40)	CARTER HALL	GREEN	
24-27	H plus 5	2/23 Bn	128					4 LCVP	MANGORA	RED	One wave as a tactical group
28-30	H plus 5	2/9 Armd Regt 2/13 Pd Coy RAE	24	12	3 tanks			3 ALG (40)	CARTER HALL	RED	
31-38	H plus 15	2/48 Bn 2/9 Armd Regt 8 SFCP Bde Sig Sec	238 2 9 7					8 LCVP	H. T. ALLEN	GREEN	
39-43	H plus 15	2/23 Bn 2/9 Armd Regt 4 SFCP Bde Sig Sec	142 2 9 7					5 LCVP	MANGORA	RED	

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9 R.S.M. _____

(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)	(h)	(i)	(j)	(k)	(l)
44- 51	H plus 20	2/48 Bn Beach Group 2/11 Fd Amb Bde HQ Bde Sig Sec	127 92 2 3 3					8 LOVP	H.T. ALLEN	GREEN	
52- 55	H plus 20	2/23 Bn Beach Group 2/7 Fd Regt 2/11 Fd Amb	72 32 20 2					4 LOVP	MANOORA	RED	
56- 57	H plus 30	Beach Group		6	2 tractors			1 ALC (20) 1 ALC (15)	CARTER HALL	GREEN	Towing sleds
58- 59	H plus 30	Beach Group	33	6	2 tractors			2 ALC (20)	CARTER HALL	RED	Towing sleds. 33 engr personnel
60- 67	H plus 40	2/24 Bn	256					8 LOP(R)	APD	RED	
68- 75	H plus 45	2/24 Bn Bde Sig Sec	249 7					8 LOP(R)	APD	RED	
76- 79	H plus 45	Bde HQ Bde Sig Sec Guard Pl 2/11 Fd Amb RAAF Beach Party Beach Group	27 9 20 31 4 21					4 LOVP	H.T. ALLEN	GREEN	1 LOVP to depart when Bde Comd desires

(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)	(h)	(i)	(j)	(k)	(l)
80- 87	H plus 50	2/24 Bn 2/11 Fd Amb	226 30					8 LCP(R)	APD	RED	
88- 90	H plus 50	Beach Group		59		1½ tons		4 LVT(A1) 8 LVT(A2)	LST	GREEN	Disembark Beach Gp personnel and come under comd 2/24 Bn
100- 103	H plus 55	RAE Beach Group	39 81					4 LCVP	WESTRALIA	GREEN	
104- 106	H plus 60	2/7 Aust Fd Regt	47	17	4 x 25 prs 2 Tractors 1 Jeep 1 Trailer			3 LCM	MANOORA	RED	
107- 111	H plus 60	RAE	55	10	5 x Vehs & Tractors			5 AG(15)	CARTER HALL	GREEN	
112	H plus 60	RAE Beach Group	20	2	2 Jeeps 2 Trailers			1 LCM	WESTRALIA	GREEN	
113	H plus 70	Beach Group	46	2	2 Jeeps 2 Trailers			1 LCM	WESTRALIA	RED	
114	H plus 70	Bde Sig Sec Provost Det B Sec Sigs 9DIV Air sq party	6 12 12	6 1	(3) Trailers (3) Jeeps 1 Jeep 1 Trailer			2 LCM	H T ALLAN	GREEN	
115- 120	H plus 80	Beach Group	150	2	2 Jeeps 2 Trailers			6 LCVP	WESTRALIA	RED	
121- 125	H plus 80	Beach Group	40 120					5 LCVP	WESTRALIA	GREEN	

(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)	(h)	(i)	(j)	(k)	(l)
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126- 127	H plus 140	2/48 Bn 2/11 Fd Amb Nine fwd observer posts RAAF	18	1 1	1 Jeep 1 Trailer 1 Jeep 1 Trailer	1½ tons		2 LGVP	H. T. ALLEN	GREEN	
128- 133	H plus 140	Bde HQ Bde Sig Sec Guard Pl LAD Pro Sec 2/2 MG Bn 2/11 Fd Amb 4 BFCP 2/23 Bn	20 10 21 2 10 32 27 23	1 1	1 Jeep 1 Trailer 1 Jeep 1 Trailer			6 LGVP	MANCORA	RED	
134	H plus 145	Three light warning Secs RAAF	33	6	3 Jeeps 3 2½-ton			1 ALC (40)	H. T. ALLEN	GREEN	
135- 142	H plus 150	Beach Group	256					8 LGVP	H. T. ALLEN	GREEN	
143- 150	H plus 150	2/23 Bn	148	7	3 Jeeps 3 Trailers 2 x 2 prs			8 LGVP	MANGORA	RED	
151- 153	H plus 160	Beach Group 2/123 Bde Wksp	65 31					3 LGVP	WEERALYA	RED	

(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)	(h)	(i)	(j)	(k)	(l)
154- 157	H plus 160	Bde HQ LAD Pro Sec Lt AA 53 Comp Regt Beach Group	 36 39	6 2 1 2	3 Jeeps 3 Trailers 1 Jeep 1 Trailer 1 Jap 1 Trailer 1 Jeep 1 2½-ton 3 x 40mm	2 tons		2 ALC (40) 2 LOVP	H. T. ALLEN	GREEN	
158- 165	H plus 170	Beach Group 2/48 Bn Lt AA 53 Comp Regt	206 20 4					8 LOVP	H. T. ALLEN	GREEN	
166- 168	H plus 180	Beach Group	96					3 LOVP	H. T. ALLEN	GREEN	
169- 172	H plus 180	2/7 Fd Regt	72	20	2 Jeeps 1 Trailer 4 2½-ton 2 tractors 4 25-prs	2 7/10 tons		2 ALC (20) 2 ALC (40)	MANOORA	RED	
173- 175	H plus 180	2/7 Fd Regt	36	3	3 Jeeps 2 Trailers			3 LOVP	WESTRALIA	GREEN	
176	H plus 180	Beach Group RAE 2/48 Bn 2/11 Fd Amb Force stores	 16 21 22	71 39 7 1	11 Jeeps 11 Trailers 10 vehicles 11 Jeeps 11 Trailers 28 vehicles 7 jeeps 7 trailers 2 x 2 prs 1 jeep 1 trailer	 31 tons		LST(1)	GREEN	Retract not later than H plus 5 hrs	

(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)	(h)	(i)	(j)	(k)	(l)
177	H plus 180	2/23 Bn		5	5 Jeeps 5 Trailers				LST(2)	RED	
		2/24 Bn	28	4	4 Jeeps 4 Trailers 2 x 2 prs						
		2/9 Armd Regt	24	6	1 Jeep 1 Trailer 5 vehicles	1 ton					
		RAE	16	39	11 Jeeps 11 Trailers 28 vehicles						
		2/11 Fd Amb	22	1	1 Jeep 1 Trailer						
		Beach Group		69	9 Jeeps 8 Trailers 4 vehicles 4 x 2 prs						
		Force Stores				30 tons					
178- 180	H plus 210	Reece Party 24 Bde RAE	20 153	6	3 vehicles			1 LOVP 2 LCM	WESTRALIA	GREEN	
181- 183	H plus 220	8 SFCP RAE Reece Party HQ 9 Div Reece party AASC 9 Div	49 22 10	1 1 1	1 Jeep 1 Trailer 1 Jeep 1 Trailer 1 Jeep 1 Trailer			2 LOVP 1 ALG (15)	H.T. ALLEN	GREEN	
						1/10 ton					
184- 187	H plus 230	2/11 Fd Amb Beach Group 2/123 Bde Wksp 2/26 Sup Depot Pl	30 13 6 29	4	2 Jeeps 2 Trailers			4 LOVP	WESTRALIA	RED	

(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)	(h)	(i)	(j)	(k)	(l)
188- 189	H plus 230	Beach Group RAE	34 29					2 LGVP	MANCORA	RED	
190- 192	H plus 230	2/2 MG Bn	76	1	1 Jeep 1 Trailer			3 LGVP	H. T. ALLEN	GREEN	
193- 198	H plus 230	2/7 Fd Regt	121	6	4 Jeeps 4 Trailers 2 Tractors (TD9) 8 x 25 prs	2 7/10 tons		1 LGVP 5 LCM	WESTRALIA	GREEN	
199	H plus 240	2/11 Fd Amb 2/123 Bde Wksp 2/123 Ord Fd Pk Beach Group Force Stores	39 4 245	1 7 2 245	1 Jeep 1 Trailer 5 Jeeps 5 Trailers 1 Vehicle 2 Jeeps 2 Trailers 25 Jeeps 25 Trailers 41 Vehicles	4 tons 10 tons 9 tons 8 tons			LST(3)	RED	Retract not later than H plus 6 hrs
200	H plus 250	Beach Group 2/24 Bn Force Stores	 219	 4	20 Jeeps 20 Trailers 4 Jeep 4 Trailers	6 1/2 tons 23 tons			LST (4)	GREEN	Retract not later than H plus 6 hrs

(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)	(h)	(i)	(j)	(k)	(l)
201- 203	H plus 300	Lt AA 53 Comp Regt	28	2	1 Vehicle 3 x 40mm			3 ALC (15)	MANOCRA	RED	
204	H plus 300	RAE	54	17	6 Jeeps 6 Trailers 11 Vehicles			1 LOVP 2 ALC (20) 2 ALC (40)	H. T. ALLEN	GREEN	

THEN FERRY SERVICE COMPLETE DISCHARGE OF FORCE STORES.

Attached is Loading Table compiled from recent experiments in conjunction with Beach Group Operations.

It was found that these loads were the absolute maximum permissible under operational conditions, and whenever practicable the Jeep Trailer load should be reduced to 800 lbs to conform with recent D.M.E instructions viz, "the total trailed load (including trailer) must not exceed 1000 lbs."

The Jeep loads have been based on the inclusion of one D.M.T only. With the inclusion of passengers the load should be reduced ~~to~~ by 150 lbs for each passenger carried.

On no account will passengers be carried in Jeep Trailers.

It cannot be too strongly stressed that the Jeep is far from invincible, and the addition of a trailer necessitates

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The most judicious handling and loading of these vehicles.

In operational areas only two types of vehicles will be available.

X Jeep $\frac{1}{4}$ Ton 4x4 & Trailers.

Y.M.C. 3 Ton 6x6.

Certain formations

will operate Dodge 4x4 $\frac{3}{4}$ Ton Weapon Carriers, but they will not concern this unit.

X N.B. This information may be
X reasonable.

This introductory note is purely as a suggestion, but I explained this to Major Searle.

L.F. Jenkins Sgt.

P.S. I would appreciate a copy of the record issued by the unit.

VEHICLE LOAD TABLE

The following table gives the maximum permissible loads to be carried in unit VEHICLES. Bulk permitting.

SUPPLIES	PACK	GROSS WEIGHT	LOADS FOR JEEPS 600 LBS.	LOAD FOR JEEP TRLR. 1000 LBS.	LOAD FOR GMC 3 TON
Sugar	Drums	40 Lbs	15	25	168
Cheese	Case	74 "	9	13	90
Meat Pres.	"	48 "	13	21	140
Meat & Veg.	"	69 "	9	15	97
Salmon	"	69 "	9	15	97
Vegs Tins	"	60 "	10	17	112
Tomatoes	"	60 "	10	17	112
Coffee	"	72 "	9	14	93
Tea	Chests	120 "	5	9	56
Rice	Bags	60 "	10	17	112
Jam	Case	73 "	9	13	92
Custard Pdr.	"	68 "	9	15	100
Fruit Juice	"	60 "	10	17	112
Tomato Paste	"	66 "	9	15	102
Salt	Drums	61 "	10	17	110
Dehyd Potatoes	Case	28 "	22	36	240
" Parsnips	Drums	25 "	24	40	270
Peas Blue	"	49 "	12	20	137
Wheatmeal	"	33 "	18	30	203
Bacon	Case	73 "	9	14	92
Milk Cond. US	"	51 "	12	20	132
Flour	Drums	40 "	15	25	168
Fruit Pres.	Case	62 "	10	17	108
Beans Baked	"	51 "	12	20	132
Biscuits	"	88 "	7	12	76
Oatmeal	Drums	35 "	18	30	192
Curry Pdr	Case	78 "	8	13	86
Pepper	"	73 "	9	14	92
Baking Pdr.	"	48 "	13	21	140
Tropical Spread	"	78 "	8	13	

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44 Gall Petrol	Drums	430 Lbs	-	2	16
44 " Range Fuel	"	430 "	-	2	16
44 " Kerc	"	449 "	-	2	16
44 " Distillate	"	472 "	-	2	15
44 " Lub. Oil	"	505 "	-	2	14
4 " Petrol	"	44 "	-	24	155
4 " Range Fuel	"	44 "	-	24	155
4 " Kero.	"	44 "	-	24	155
4 " Distillate	"	44 "	-	24	155
4 " Lub Oil	"	45 "	-	24	150
Grease	Tins	36 "	17	28	185
"	"	5 "	120	200	1350

ENGINEER STORES

Steel Crib		200 Lbs	-	5	34
3" Tub Scaffold	-	9 Ft	65 Ft	110 Ft	750 Ft
Wire Netting	Rolls	100 Lbs	6	10 Ft	67
Pickets Long	Bundles	90 "	7	11	75
Pickets Short	"	50 "	12	20	135
Wire Barbed	Coils	28 "	22	36	240
" Danert	"	65 "	10	15	100
" Plain	"	112 "	5	9	60
Nails	Cases	120 "	5	8	56
Fly Wire	Rolls	40 "	15	25	168
Cordage 1 1/2"	Coils	56 "	18	12	120
" 3/2"	"	80 "			84
		180 "	3	6	37

ENGINEER STORES (Cont'd)

Corr. Iron 9 Ft Sheets	10 Lb ($\frac{1}{2}$ Ton Crate)	40	66	450
Iron Plain 6'x 3' "	20 "	30	50	340
Hessian Rolls	" " Bale	10	17	110
Sisolkraft "	120 "	5	9	56
Gelignite Cases	50 "	12	20	135
Cement Bags	94 "	7	11	72
Sand Bags Bales	430 "	1	2	16
Malthoid Roll	130"	4	8	52
ARC Mesh Edls 5 plus clips 500 Lbs	-	-	2	14
" " Sheets	84 Lbs	-	12	80

AMMUNITION	DESCRIPTION	MARKING	GROSS WEIGHT	LOAD FOR JEEP 600 LBS	LOAD FOR TRLR. (1000 LBS)	Load FOR GMC3
.303 BDR	H1 Wood Box Brown	Green Grid over stamp V11 or V11Z	76 Lbs	8	14	90
.303 OTU	H13 W/Box yell green batten each end	"	84 "	8	12	80
.303 TRAC X303	"	Green Triangle over G1	83 "	8	12	80
.303 AP	"	Green Spot over W1	84 "	8	12	80
.303 BELT	H26 W/Box Blue Green V Batten	Green Grid over V11	44 "	14	24	155
.55	H27 W/Box Brown W Emossed	Green Broad arrow over W	56 "	10	18	120
.38 C.REV	H25 W/Box Green	Green Elipse over 11	9 "	70	110	740
9mm OWEN	H29W/Box Blue 9Embo.	Diamond Shape Batten Ends	86 "	7	12	80
9mm Owen	H13 W/Box Blue	"	102 "	6	10	66
2" Mortar HE	B167 Met Box Dark Green	Details Stencilled	69 "	9	15	98
2" Mortar SMOKE	B167 Met Box Light Green	"	62 "	10	17	110
3" MORTAR HE	B162 W/Box Brown	"	96 "	6	10	70
3" MORTAR HE	B166 Met Box Dark Green	"	90 "	7	12	75
3" MORTAR SMOKE	B166 Met Box Light Green	"	85 "	7	12	80
36M Grenade HNAD	G36 W/Box Brown	"	28 "	22	35	240
36M Rifle GRENADE	"	"	30 "	20	33	225
68 GRENADE TK/A	P59 Met Box Dark Green	"	50 "	12	20	133
69 GRENADE	B167 "	"	46 "	13	22	145
63 GRENADE	G63 W/Box Green	"	28 "	22	35	240
2 PDR TK/A	C207 Met Box Dark Green	"	114 "	6	9	60
25 PDR HE FUSED	P59 Met Box P Dark Green	"	118 "	5	9	57
25 PDR BE SMOKE	P59 Met Box Light Green	"	107 "	6	10	63
25 PDR SHOT	P60 Met Box Dark Green	"	107 "	6	10	63
" " "	"	"	97 "	6	10	70
25 PDR CART.	C206 Met Box Dark Green	"	62 "	10	17	110
25 PDR CART. SUPER	"	"	69 "	9	15	98
1" SIGS.	H13 W/Box Blue Green	"	35 "	17	30	192

AMMUNITION	DESCRIPTION	MARKING	GROSS WEIGHT	LOAD FOR JEEP LBS.	LOAD FOR 600	LOAD/FOR TRIR.1000 LBS.	LOAD FOR GMC 3 TON
SHORT PARE ILL. .5 SMOKE GENERATOR CKET SIGS. Lb.3 Star GREEN	B167 Met Box Dark Green	Details Stencilled	52 Lbs,	12		20	128
	H45 W/Box Green	"	56 "	10		18	120
	M43 W/Box Brown	"	69 "	9		15	98
CKET SIGS LB.3 STAR RED	B161 W/Box Brown	"	47 "	13		22	122
) MM BOFORS	C219 Met Box.	"	165 "	4		6	40
) MM BOFORS	C216 Met Box	"	155 "	4		6	43

Adjutant

NR

2/2. Asst M.G. Rm. *

1 AUST CORPS
COMMAND AND STAFF COURSE
EXERCISE - "ROBIN"

OBJECT

1. To study Amphibious Operations, particularly:-
 - (a) "Ship to Shore" Operation.
 - (b) The planning of an opposed landing by an Aust Div Task Force in co-operation with naval and air support.
2. From this study to determine:-
 - (a) The suitability of the composition of the Aust Div Task Force as at present constituted.
 - (b) The relationship between the Div Task Force and the Base Sub Area particularly in the early stages of the operation.

CONDUCT OF THE EXERCISE

3. Students will assemble at 1400 hrs 20 Jul, at the cloth model, seated in accordance with the accommodation plan (issued separately).
4. The outline plan for the capture of MADANG and ALEXISHAFEN will then be given. Students will be issued with the following documents which will be referred to during this conference:-
 - (a) 1 Aust Corps Operation Instruction No 6.
 - (b) 1 Aust Corps Intelligence Summary No 1.
5. On receipt of the outline plan detailed planning and issue of orders will begin at Divisional Headquarters and will subsequently continue through brigades to battalions.
6. Divisional Commanders, with staff officers required will discuss the divisional outline plan with the GOC 1 Aust Corps at the cloth model at 1000 hrs 26 Jul.
7. A general discussion on the exercise will be held at 0830 hrs 30 Jul in the Lecture Hall.

GENERAL SITUATION

8. The situation is based on the period prior to the successive captures of the ADMIRALTIES, HOLLANDIA - AITAPE, WAKDE and BIAK Islands by Allied Forces.
9. Recent operations have destroyed the security of the enemy's advanced naval bases and have assured our local naval superiority. The enemy is displaying no tendency to commit his main naval reserves in an attempt to check our continued progress.
10. The air situation in the SWPA remains satisfactory to us and it is considered the present ratio of approximately two to one in our favour will be retained.
11. 32 US Div has captured SAIDOR and this advance combined with the previous capture of CAPE GLOUCESTER has given the Allied Forces complete control over the VITIAZ STRAITS.

12. 11 Aust Div has relieved 7 Aust Div in the RAMU VALLEY and, maintained by air dropping, has slowly forced the enemy back to the west of BOGADJIM, which 11 Aust Div now holds. The maintenance of 11 Aust Div by sea has begun.

13. 5 Aust Div, having cleared the enemy from the coastal area, was concentrated at SAIDOR, and moved by sea to the BOGADJIM area, where the Div has bivouaced under the protection of 11 Aust Div ready to add weight to the 11 Aust Div thrust to capture MADANG. 14 days maintenance for 5 Aust Div and 11 Aust Div will be built up in the BOGADJIM area by D Day.

14. 9 Aust Div, with 2 Aust Beach Gp and Corps Tps allotted, has recently concentrated at MILNE BAY in preparation for a sea-borne operation along the north coast of NEW GUINEA.

15. No 2 Aust Base Sub-Area, selected for allotment to 9 Aust Div Task Force, has just completed its concentration at STRATHPINE.

16. HQ 1 Aust Corps, with 5 Aust Div, 9 Aust Div, and 11 Aust Div under command, has opened at FINSCHHAFEN.

17. On 10 Jul 44 GOC 1 Aust Corps arrived HQ 9 Aust Div and issued the outline plan for the capture of MADANG and ALEXISHAFEN.

Command and Staff Course,
TRINITY BEACH
13 Jul 44.

AMPHIBIOUS TRAINING - 1 AUST CORPS

COMMAND AND STAFF COURSE : 20 JUL - 30 JUL 44

EXERCISE "ROBIN"

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TIME-TABLE FOR SUBMISSION OF REQUIREMENTS

The following are the requirements to be submitted to the Directing Staff as solutions of the problems:

Two copies of each of the requirements specified will be submitted not later than the dates shown opposite them.

Should alteration of the date given for any particular requirement be desired, the matter should be taken up with the Directing Staff in good time to permit the alteration to be effected without disorganising the programme.

Serial	Requirement	Reference	To be submitted NOT later than
<u>BY DIVISION</u>			
1	Divisional Outline Plan	Para 6 of Exercise "ROBIN"	1000 hrs 26 Jul 44
2	Divisional Distribution of Force to Ships		2000 hrs 26 Jul 44
3	Convoy Time-Table		2000 hrs 27 Jul 44
4	Priority Units Base Sub-Area	Op Instr Para 22	2000 hrs 27 Jul 44
5	Naval Support Requirements	Op Instr Para 10	2000 hrs 28 Jul 44
6	Air Support Requirements	Op Instr Para 18	2000 hrs 28 Jul 44
7	Operation Order including relevant Appendices of Arms & Services		2200 hrs 28 Jul 44
8	Intelligence Summary		2000 hrs 28 Jul 44
9	Maintenance Project and First Key Plan		2000 hrs 29 Jul 44
10	Outline Plan of Embarkation		2000 hrs 29 Jul 44
<u>BY BRIGADES (see Note below)</u>			
11	Operational Plan		2200 hrs 27 Jul 44
12	Brigade Distribution of Force to Ships		2200 hrs 28 Jul 44
13	Brigade Landing Table		12 Aug 44
<u>BY BEACH GROUPS</u>			
14	Operation Order		2200 hrs 29 Jul 44
<u>BY BATTALIONS (see Note below)</u>			
15	Battalion Landing Craft Table		12 Aug 44

Note:-Brigade Planning

If a brigade is an assault brigade, it will plan for its own task. Should a brigade be in reserve or land as a follow-up brigade, it will plan as though it were the assaulting brigade which precedes it.

Battalion Planning

All battalions will plan as for the forward battalions of the assault brigade.

Serials 13 and 15 will be forwarded to reach 1 Aust Combined Operations Section by 12 Aug 44, for checking and return.

To Capt Varley.

2/2 Aust MG Bn
4 Jul 44

Publications

ATTENTION

PUBLICATIONS

1. Please supply this Unit with the following Text Books and Pamphlets, which are required for the Amphibious Training 1 Aust Corps :-

(a) 1 Aust Corps Training Instruction No 2/1944 - "Beach Organisation and Maintenance".

(b) Combined Operations Pamphlets as follow:-

No 1	-	General	-	1942	✓
No 2	-	Beach Organisation and Maintenance	-	1942	✓
No 3	-	Air Aspect	-	1942	✓
No 4	-	Planning	-	1943	✓
No 6(a)	-	Signals	-	1942	X
No 6(b)	-	Signals	-	1942	✓
No 8	-	Landing Tables and Loading Craft	-	1942	Superseded by 38.
No 9	-	Responsibilities for Loading and Discharge of Ships and Craft	-	1942	✓
No 34(a)	-	NIA and RA Arty	-	1942	X
No 35(a)	-	RE	-	1943	✓
No 35(c)	-	RE Transportation Units	-	1943	✓
No 37	-	Infantry	-	1942	X
No 38	-	RASC	-	1943	✓
No 39(a)	-	Medical	-	1943	✓
No 40	-	RAOC	-	1942	✓
No 41(a)	-	REME	-	1942	✓
No 41(b)	-	REME	-	1942	✓

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Capt

(F A VARLEY)

Adjnt., 2/2 Aust MG Bn

Those marked off are here. Sending a L of C for others. In addition from our library we have.

Pam 3. A.F.V. 1942

5c RE 2pt units 1941

5a RE 10w units 1941

Training at home stas 1943.

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- 8 JUL 1944

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

Subject: 1 Aust Corps Command and Staff Course.

FILE 1142/24/44

HQ 9 Aust Div
7 Jul 44
G681/80/7

1. The following additional adm arrangements will apply :-

References are to paragraphs in the original 1 Aust Corps G/3819/SD of 28 Jun 44.

2. Para 12 - Accommodation

(a) Div HQ office accommodation is being increased by the addition of 21 tents RD, of which a proportion are to be fitted with telephones and electric light. The detailed allotment of office accommodation will be made later.

(b) Bde HQ office accommodation is being increased by the addition of 3 tents RD. Bdes will sub-allot accommodation after arrival in the area.

3. Para 14 - Personal Equipment

(a) Bedding will include mosquito nets.

(b) Eating utensils will include knife, fork, spoon and mess tin, but it is expected that crockery will be made available for all messes.

4. Para 16 - Transport

The following transport will be used to convey officers and adm personnel to the course and will be retained in TRINITY BEACH area for the duration of the course. Drivers will be included in nominal rolls to be submitted to this HQ on 8 Jul 44 :-

Div HQ	-	Cars DS	6
		Trucks 3 ton	2
		Jeeps	2
		Truck 15 cwt	1
RAA	-	Car DS	1
		Jeeps	3
		Truck 3 ton	1
Bde HQ each	-	Car DS	1
		Jeep	1
		Truck 3 ton	1
		(for all adm pers and gear of bde)	
HQ Inf, Pnr, MG Bns,)	}	each Jeep	1
Cav Regt, Div Sigs,)			
HQ Comd AASC)			
RAE	-	Jeeps	2
		Trucks 3 ton	1
2/9 Cav Regt	}	Truck 3 ton	1
2/3 Pnr Bn			
2/2 MG Bn			
AASC 9 Aust Div			
		(to be provided by AASC for adm pers and gear)	

5. Para 22 - Assembly of Personnel

All officers attending the course, including those originally designated to attend Staff Exercise only, will report in the Camp area by 1700 hrs on 19 Jul 44. 1 Aust Corps now advise that lecture room will probably be sufficient to allow all officers to attend the complete course.

DISTRIBUTION: List "A" plus serial 18.

R. J. Mame Maj
Lt Col
9 Aust Div

C. Coy. — 7/7/44

QX7517 Pte J. H. A. S. E.

nominated for general duties
1st corp. command and staff
Landing TRINITY BEACH.

~~Adj has been supplied with
nominal notes of rear, advance,
R., and main body.~~

~~Please supply runner with
A4 concerning our Pte
Wilson K. QX2348
marched in this morning.~~

A. Buchanan
- A/cpl

C. Coy. 11/11/14

AX 2517 THE TUNAS. E.

memorandum for general duties

1st Corp. Command and Staff

TRINITY BEACH

~~Staff has been supplied with~~

~~ammunition boxes of war, etc.~~

~~As and more boots.~~

~~Plan supplied.~~

~~AX 2517~~

~~AX 2517~~

~~marked in this morning.~~

W. J. ...
A/12/14

MESSAGE FORM

Register No.

Call

Ser. No.

Priority

Transmission Instructions

ABOVE THIS LINE FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY

FROM
(A)

A Co.
Originator

Date—Time of Origin

07 1100 H.

Office Date Stamp

For Action

TO

Bn. H Q.

(re) For Information (INFO.)

Message Instructions

GR

ORIGINATOR'S No.

47. Nomination for 1st Aust Corps Command Staff Course general duties

Qx. 9860. Rte Murray W. J.

This message may be sent AS WRITTEN by any means

except

Herbertson
Wireless

Signed

Re. Leo W. J.

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

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(A)

B Coy

Originator

Date—Time of Origin

07 1130 K

Office Date Stamp

For Action

TO

BN HQ.

(i) For Information (INFO.)

Message Instructions **GR**

ORIGINATOR'S No.

OR 23

Nomination this Coy 1 Aust
Corp command and staff course
OX 15226 pte Bradford W.F.

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

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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THI or TOR		
Time Cleared		

MESSAGE FORM

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Ser. No.

Priority

Transmission Instructions

above this line for signals use only
hear heavenly music

FROM

Originator

Date—Time of Origin

(A)

07 1130 K

For Action

TO

(or) For Information (INFO.)

B-11 H.R.

Message Instructions

GR

ORIGINATOR'S No.

*OK 55. Memorandum this copy
 sent command and staff command
 OK 12550 the [unclear] [unclear]*

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

Wireless

Signed

Signed

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
Time Cleared	THI or TGR	

REC'D
- 6 JUL 1944
FILE 1119/50/44

Subject: 1 AUST CORPS COMMAND AND STAFF COURSE

HQ 9 Aust Div
Ref: A24/1/1696
6 Jul 44

RAA 9 AUST DIV 2/2 AUST MG BN
20 AUST INF BDE 2/3 AUST PNR BN
24 AUST INF BDE SIGS 9 AUST DIV
26 AUST INF BDE AASC 9 AUST DIV

1. Reference this HQ G216/80/7 of 3 Jul 44.
2. The personnel listed in Appx "A" are required from 9 Aust Div for administrative purposes by 1 Aust Corps Command and Staff Course.
3. Addressees will select administrative personnel in accordance with Appx "A".
4. Personnel will be detached from parent units to 1 Aust Corps Command and Staff Course for the period required. This will be approximately fourteen days.
5. Addressees will forward to this HQ prior to 10 Jul 44 a nominal roll of personnel selected in accordance with Appx "A".
6. Personnel, except those marked (x) in Appx "A", will be moved to camp site TRINITY BEACH on 14 Jul 44 under bde and unit arrangements. Personnel marked (x) will be similarly moved no later than 7 Jul 44.

NOTED	
2	C.O. <i>[Signature]</i>
	2/c
1	Adj. <i>[Signature]</i>
	Q.M.
	M.O.
3	I.O.
	T.O.
	R.S.M.

[Signature] Capt
for Lt.-Col
AA & QMG 9 Aust Div

*tie up
with R...*

0830. 14 Jul.

Appx "A" to HQ 9 Aust Div A24/1/1696
of 6 Jul 44

FORMATION OR UNIT	ADM PERSONNEL										REMARKS	
	RSM	Butcher	Storeman Ration	Storeman "Q"	Hygiene Duties	Cooks Sgt	Cooks Pto	General Duties	Mess Waiters	Typists		Ord Room Sgt
RAA 9 AUST DIV							2					
Sigs 9 Aust Div										1(x)		
20 Aust Inf Bdo	1(x)		1(x)	1(x)					2			
24 Aust Inf Bdo					1	1	2		2			
26 Aust Inf Bdo					1		2		2			
2/2 Aust MG Bn								3				
2/3 Aust Pnr Bn						1		3		1(x)		
AASC 9 Aust Div		1									1(x)	
TOTALS:-	1	1	1	1	2	2	6	6	6	2	1	

2 C.O. NOTED
 5 2i/c
 1 Adjt. FW
 4 Q.M.
 M.O.
 3 I.O.
 R.S.M.

*Jungle instructions
 coming.*

2/3 AUST MG BN
 RECEIVED

- 3 JUL 1944

FILE 1056/24/44

CONFIDENTIAL

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

Subject: 1st Aust Corps Comd and Staff Course.

HQ 9 Aust Div
 3 Jul 44
 G216/30/7

1. Ref 9 Aust Div Training Instruction No 9 para 2(a).
2. 1st Aust Corps G/3819/SD of 28 Jun 44 is attached. Attention is directed to the following points.
3. Para 1: The duration of the course has been extended to incl 30 Jul 44.
4. Para 3: Suggestions for any modification to the allotment of vacancies will reach this HQ by 8 Jul 44.
5. Para 15: Addressees will ensure that officers attending the course are in possession of the pamphlets set out in Appx "D", if necessary by indenting for deficiencies direct on First Aust Army Publications Depot ABERDEEN.
6. Para 24: Nominal rolls will reach this HQ by 8 Jul 44.
7. Appx "A" Para 1 - Composite Div HQ: The following 9 Aust Div units have been nominated to send officers on the scale indicated :-
 - 2/7 Aust Fd Regt
 - 2/3 Aust Fd Coy
 - 2/13 Aust Fd Coy
8. Appx "A" Para 2 - Inf Bdes: The following are designated:-
 - Left - 20 Aust Inf Bde
 - Centre - 24 Aust Inf Bde
 - Right - 26 Aust Inf Bde
 - Medical - 2/11 Aust Fd Amb
9. Appx "A" Para 3 - Inf Bns: The following have been nominated :-
 - 2/23 Aust Inf Bn
 - 2/28 Aust Inf Bn
 - 2/32 Aust Inf Bn
 - 2/17 Aust Inf Bn or one bn 26 Bde (to be notified later).
10. Appx "D" Para 2:
 - (a) Bdes will each bring one copy of Scale of Tpt for Jungle Div
 - (b) In addition to the Staff Tables listed, formations and units will prepare beforehand Staff Tables of personnel, vehicles, guns and unit equipment :-
 - (i) based on full WE and WET
 - (ii) based on "assault scale" sufficient for up to 48 hrs from the initial landing.
 - (c) The above staff tables will require amendment as planning proceeds, according to the special circumstances of the operation but will provide a useful basis. A specimen proforma is shown below -

Serial No.	Unit	Personnel			Vehicles			Guns		Unit Eqpt	
		Offrs	OR	Total	Jeep	Trailer	2½ ton	2 pr	25 pr	Tons DW	Tons Cu

% Unit Eqpt, i.e. equipment which cannot be carried on unit vehicles.

11. Appx "E" Para 2 - Clerical Staff Bde HQ: Personnel will be supplied as follows :-

<u>Personnel</u>	<u>20 Bde</u>	<u>24 Bde</u>	<u>26 Bde</u>
Typist (G)	1	-	1
Typist (AQ)	1	-	1
Clerks (Int)	-	-	2
Draughtsmen	1	1	-
Orderlies	-	2	-
Orderlies (for CO Fd Amb) 2 - 2/11 Aust Fd Amb.			

12. Appx "E" Para 5 - Office Equipment:

(a) Typewriters will be provided by -

HQ 9 Div - GS, AQ, RAA	each 2
RAE, Medical)	each 1
Ord, AEME)	
Inf bdc HQ	each 1

(b) Duplicators will be provided by -

HQ 9 Div - GS, RAA	each 1
Inf bdc HQ	each 1

13. Further instructions will be issued later about provision and movement of adm personnel and details of the move to TRINITY BEACH.

DISTRIBUTION:

List "A" less serial 10
plus serial 18

R. J. Warner Maj
Lt Col
GS 9 Aust Div

- 3 JUL 1944

FILE / 1 CONFIDENTIAL

Subject: AMPHIBIOUS TRAINING - 1 AUST CORPS COMMAND AND STAFF COURSE

HQ 1 Aust Corps
28 Jun 44.
G/3819/SD.

6 Aust Div (1 - for 2/9 Aust Armd Regt)
7 Aust Div (25)
9 Aust Div (25)
1 Aust Combined Ops Sec (1)
1 Aust Beach Gp (1)
2 Aust Beach Gp (1)
1 Aust Mil Ldg Gp (1)
2 Aust Mil Ldg Gp (1)
42 Aust Water Craft Coy (1)

Copy to:

Adv LHQ (15)
First Aust Army (2)

1. A Command and Staff Course is to be held, under the direction of 1 Aust Corps, in the TRINITY BEACH area, during the period 20 Jul - 30 Jul (both dates incl).

OBJECTS OF THE COURSE

2. These will be as follows:-

(a) To give instruction, and initiate discussion in the various aspects of amphibious warfare.

(b) To exercise the staffs of Division, Brigade and Unit Headquarters in the methods of planning for amphibious warfare.

PERSONNEL TO ATTEND

3. Due to restrictions enforced by the limited school accommodation available, it is necessary to limit the number attending the Course to 150 officers. Detailed allotment of vacancies to formations is attached at Appendix "A". This allotment has already been agreed to by 7 Aust Div and 9 Aust Div, but consideration will be given to minor modifications, if addressees consider this necessary and make representation to that effect before 10 Jul 44.

SYLLABUS

4. A provisional syllabus is attached at Appendix "B".

METHOD OF STUDY

5. Syndicate Staffs

(a) For planning during the staff exercise, these will be organised on the following basis :-

(i) A Divisional Headquarters, including Naval and Air Force advisers and PMLO.

(ii) Three Brigade Headquarters, each with a MLO.

(iii) Nine Battalion Headquarters.

(iv) One Beach Group Headquarters.

(b) During discussions, the above will be formed into suitably sized sub-syndicates.

6. Precis

These will be issued to reach addressees by 13 Jul 44. List of precis is attached at Appendix "C".

7. Discussions

Discussions based on the precis will be carried out:-

- (a) Initially by sub-syndicates.
- (b) Secondly in general discussion.

8. Presentation of a Divisional Landing

Combined Ops Sec will give a model demonstration of a divisional landing operation.

9. Demonstrations

A limited number of inspections and demonstrations will be arranged.

10. Staff Exercise

The initial outline plan is to be given verbally by GOC 1 Aust Corps and will involve a "Ship to Shore" operation by a divisional task force. Planning and issue of orders will then begin at Divisional Headquarters, and will subsequently continue through brigades to battalions.

ADMINISTRATION

11. Location of School

An area is being prepared in the vicinity of the road junction at map reference 638836 (CAIRNS 1 inch to 1 mile).

12. Accommodation

The following accommodation will be available :-

- (a) Offices
 - (i) Divisional Headquarters - one hut 100' x 18' sub-divided into four rooms.
 - (ii) Brigade Headquarters (each) - one hut 54' x 18' sub-divided into five rooms of which three small rooms are for the infantry battalions of the brigade.
 - (iii) Beach Group - portion of one hut 54' x 18'.
- (b) Personnel - Scale "A" accommodation, situated adjacent to the office buildings.

13. Lighting

Electric light will be provided for office buildings only.

14. Personal Equipment

Personnel attending the Course will bring bedding and eating utensils.

15. Text Books and Pamphlets

A list of publications, to which reference will be made during the course, is attached at Appendix "D".

16. Transport, Tentage and Accommodation Stores

These will be provided by 1 Aust Corps in conjunction with 9 Aust Div, details to be arranged by 1 Aust Corps. 7 Aust Div will not be required to provide this equipment.

17. Office Equipment

--- All Office equipment, including stationery but less the typewriters and duplicators shown in Appendix "E" attached, will be available at the School.

18. Provision of OR personnel

(a) Batmen - These will be brought on the following scale :-

(i) Colonels and above - one batman per officer

(ii) Lt-Cols and below - one batman per three officers.

--- (b) Clerical Staff - Details of clerical staff required from formations are given in Appendix "E" attached.

(c) Drivers, cooks, general duties etc. - These will be provided by 1 Aust Corps in conjunction with 9 Aust Div, details to be arranged by 1 Aust Corps. 7 Aust Div will not be required to provide these personnel.

19. Mail

The postal address for the personnel attending the Course will be as follows:

Command and Staff Course,
C/o 1 Aust Combined Ops Sec,
AIF,
AUSTRALIA.

INTERCOMMUNICATION AND SIGNAL EQUIPMENT

20. Normal signal channels are available between the School and divisions, and it is expected that direct wireless links to the divisions will be established.

21. Signal requirements for the Staff Exercise will be arranged by 1 Aust Corps.

ASSEMBLY OF PERSONNEL

22. All officers attending the Course, together with clerical staff and batmen, will report to the Course Adjutant in the Camp Area on 19 Jul 44.

23. The administrative personnel referred to in para 18(c), as being provided under arrangements 1 Aust Corps and 9 Aust Div, will move to the Camp Area under separate instructions.

NOMINAL ROLLS

24. Nominal rolls of all personnel attending the Course including, in the case of officers, particulars of their present appointment, will be forwarded to this Headquarters by 10 Jul 44. The earliest notification possible, will be given by signal, of any casualties, and the nominations to replace same.

H. Wells.
Brig.
GS 1 Aust Corps.

Appendix "A" to HQ 1
Aust Corps G/3819/SD
of 28 Jun 44.

AMPHIBIOUS TRAINING - 1 AUST CORPS

COMMAND AND STAFF COURSE - 20 JUL - 30 JUL 44

(Personnel marked + attend Staff Exercise Only)

1. COMPOSITE DIVISIONAL HEADQUARTERS

Appointment	7 Div	9 Div	Appointment	7 Div	9 Div
<u>DIV HQ</u>			Fwd	19	17
GOC	1	1	<u>ARTY (Cont'd)</u>		
GSO I	1	1	<u>FD REGT</u>		
GSO II or GSO II(L)	1	1	CO	-	1
GSO III(O) or GSO III(L)	1	1	Adjt	-	1+
GSO III (Int)	1	1	<u>COMP AA REGT</u>		
GSO III (Air)	1	-	CO	-	1
AA&QMG	1	1	Adjt	-	1+
DAAG	1	-	OC SL Bty	-	1+
DAQMG or DAQMG(L)	1	1	<u>TK A BTY</u>		
LO	1	1	Bty Comd	1	-
ADMS	1	1	<u>ENGRS</u>		
DADMS	-	1	<u>HQ RAE</u>		
ADOS	1	1	CRE	1	1
CEME	1	1	Adjt	1+	-
DAPM	-	1+	Fd Engr	-	1+
<u>CAV</u>			OC Fd Coy	1+	-
CO Cav (Commando)			OC Fd Coy	-	1+
Regt	1	1	OC Fd Coy	-	1+
Adjt Cav (Commando)			<u>SIGS</u>		
Regt	1+	-	CO	1	1
<u>ARTY</u>			Adjt	1+	-
<u>HQ RAA</u>			<u>INF</u>		
CRA	1	1	CO MG Bn	1	1
BM or BM (L)	1	1	Adjt MG Bn	-	1+
SC	-	1	CO Pnr Bn	-	1
<u>FD REGT</u>			Adjt Pnr Bn	-	1+
CO	1	-	<u>S & T</u>		
Adjt	1+	-	CASC	1	1
			S Sup O	1+	-
			Adjt	-	1+
Fwd	19	17	<u>TOTAL</u>	28	33

2. INFANTRY BRIGADES

Appointment	Bde		Bde		Bde	
	7 Div	9 Div	7 Div	9 Div	7 Div	9 Div
<u>BDE HQ</u>						
Comd	1	1	1	1	1	1
BM or BM(L)	1	1	1	1	1	1
SC or SC(L)	1	1	1	1	1	1
IO	1	-	1	-	-	1
BASCO	1+	-	1+	-	-	1+
Bde Sig Offr	1	-	-	1	-	1
<u>MED</u>						
CO Fd Amb	1	-	1	-	-	1
TOTAL	7	3	6	4	3	7
TOTAL:	7 Aust Div .. 16		9 Aust Div .. 14			

3. INFANTRY BATTALIONS

Appointment	7 Div	9 Div
CO	6	4
Adjt	6	4
TOTAL	12	8

4. TANKS

CO 2/9 Aust Armd Regt	1
Adjt 2/9 Aust Armd Regt	1+
TOTAL	2

5. MILITARY LANDING GROUPS

Appointment	1 ML Gp	2 ML Gp
PMLO	1	1
MLO	3	3
TOTAL	4	4

6. LANDING CRAFT COMPANY

OC 42 Ldg Craft Coy	1
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7. COMBINED OPS SEC

Appointment	No of Offrs
GSO I	1
AA&QMG	1
GSO II	3
RAE Adviser	1
Sig Adviser	1
TOTAL	7

8. BEACH GROUPS

Appointment	1 Bch Gp	2 Bch Gp
Principal BMr	1	1
Comd	1	1
DAQMG	-	1
IO	-	1
DADMS	-	1
OC Fd Coy	1	-
OC Beach Sig Sec	-	1
CO Pnr Bn	1	1
TOTAL	4	7

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PROGRAMME

DATE (a)	SER (b)	TIME		SUBJECT (e)	METHOD (f)	PLACE (g)
		FROM (c)	TO (d)			
12 Jul	1	-	-	Issue of precis to Staffs attending	-	Div Areas
19 Jul	2	-	-	Assembly - allotment of accommodation and offices	-	CAIRNS one inch sheet 638836
20 Jul	3	0830	0845	Opening address	-	Lecture Hall
	4	0850	0930	Precis No.1 : "Naval Considerations affecting Army Planning, including Close Support"	Discussion by Div, Bde etc Staffs separately.	Div, Bde etc HQs
	5	0945	1030	ditto	General discussion	Lecture Hall
		1030	1100	Recess		
	6	1100	1150	Precis No.2: "Air Aspects affecting Army Planning"	Discussion by Div, Bde etc Staffs separately	Respective HQs
	7	1200	1230	ditto	General discussion	Lecture Hall
	8	1400	1500	Issue of Corps directive for Staff Exercise - incl (a) Int Summary (b) Order of Battle (c) Allotment of Shipping (d) Naval and Air Cover	Verbal and written	Model
	9	1530	1630	Inspection of Aust Landing Craft	-	TRINITY BEACH
	10	2000	-	Preparations for STAFF PLANNING	Div level only	Div HQ

DATE (a)	SER (b)	TIME		SUBJECT (e)	METHOD (f)	PLACE (g)
		FROM (c)	TO (d)			
21 Jul	11	0830	0930	<u>Precis No.3:</u> "Types and Characteristics of Ships, Craft and Amphibians"	General Discussion	Lecture Hall
	12	0945	1045	<u>Precis No.4:</u> "Landing Tables and Stowage Plans"	General Discussion	ditto
		1045	1115	Recess		
	13	1115	1200	<u>Precis No.5:</u> "Naval Gunfire Support"	Discussion by Div, Bde etc Staffs separately	Respective HQs
	14	1200	1230	ditto	General Discussion	Lecture Hall
	15	1400	1515	<u>Precis No.6:</u> "Planning"	Discussion by Div, Bde etc Staffs separately	Respective HQs
	16	1530	1630	ditto	General Discussion	Lecture Hall
	17	2000	2100	PLANNING - Method, Sequence, Time-table.	Div Staff Discussion - issue of Planning Time-table to separate HQs by 0830hrs 22 Jul	Div HQ
22 Jul	18	0830	0930	<u>Precis No.7:</u> "Beach Organisation and Maintenance"	Discussion by Div, Bde etc Staffs separately	Respective HQs
	19	0945	1045	<u>Precis No.8:</u> "Coordination between RAE, Sig, Med and other Services of the Force, and Beach Group Services"	ditto	ditto
		1045	1115	Recess		
	20	1115	1230	Serials 18 and 19	General Discussion	Lecture Hall
	21	1400	1630	Inspection of a prepared Beach Maintenance Area and Beach Group Equipment.	-	-

DATE (a)	SER (h)	TIME		SUBJECT (e)	METHOD (f)	PLACE (g)
		FROM (c)	TO (d)			
22 Jul	22	2000		Decisions on questions raised in Serial 19	Issued as Corps Instruction	Respective HQs
	23	2000		STAFF PLANNING		Respective HQs
23 Jul	24	0830	1630	Presentation of a Landing Operation by an Aust Div including - (a) Issue of Corps Comd's Plan; (b) Study and discussion of int; (c) Div Comd's Outline Plan; (d) Org of Force in relation to the shipping available; (e) Embarkation of Force; (f) Mov and timings of convoys - (g) Discharge of convoys - (i) Assault Flights (ii) Ferry Service and follow-up tps. (h) Deployment of Force, incl - (i) Tactical tps, (ii) Beach Group	(i) Issue of notes (ii) Verbal (iii) Use of model, charts, diagrams etc.	Model
	25	1630		Questionnaire on Serial 24	Issued	Respective HQs
	26	2000	-	ditto	Discussion by Div, Bde etc Staffs separately	Respective HQs
4 Jul	27	0830	0930	ditto	Answers to questions	Model
	28	0930	1230	Serial 24	General Discussion	Model
	29	1400	1630	STAFF PLANNING	-	Respective HQs
	30	2000	-	ditto	-	Respective HQs
5 Jul	31	0830	0915	<u>Precis No.9: "Signals in a Landing Operation"</u>	Discussion by Div, Bde etc Staffs separately	Respective HQs
	32	0930	1030	ditto	General Discussion	Lecture Hall

DATE (a)	SER (b)	TIME		SUBJECT (e)	METHOD (f)	PLACE (g)
		FROM (c)	TO (d)			
25 Jul		1030	1100	Recess		
	33	1100	1145	Precis No. 10: "Embarkation Arrangements"	Discussion by Div, Bde etc Staffs separately	Respective HQs
	34	1145	1230	"Embarkation Arrangements"	General Discussion	Lecture Hall
	35	1400	1630	STAFF PLANNING	-	Respective HQs
	36	2000	-	Films on Combined Operations	-	-
	26 Jul	37	0830	1230	STAFF PLANNING	-	Respective HQs
38		1430	1530	Waterproofing demonstration	-	ELLIS BEACH (square 5992 MACALISTER sheet one inch)
39		2000	-	STAFF PLANNING	-	Respective HQs
40		-	-	STAFF PLANNING	-	Respective HQs
27 Jul						
28 Jul	40	-	-	STAFF PLANNING	-	Respective HQs
29 Jul						
30 Jul	41	-	-	General Discussion	-	Lecture Hall

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LIST OF PRECIS

1. Naval Considerations affecting Army Planning, including Close Support.
2. Air Aspects affecting Army Planning.
3. Types and Characteristics of Ships, Craft and Amphibians.
4. Landing Tables and Stowage Plans.
5. Naval Gunfire Support.
6. Planning.
7. Beach Organisation and Maintenance.
8. Co-ordination between RAE, Sig, Med and other Services of the Force and Beach Group services.
9. Signals in a Landing Operation.
10. Embarkation Arrangements.

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1. Text Books and Pamphlets

(a) 1 Aust Corps Training Instruction No.2/1944 - "Beach Organisation and Maintenance",

(b) Combined Operations Pamphlets as follows: -

No 1	-	General	-	1942
No 2	-	Beach Organisation and Maintenance	-	1942
No 3	-	Air Aspect	-	1942
No 4	-	Planning	-	1943
No 6(a)	-	Signals	-	1942
No 6(b)	-	Signals	-	1942
No 8	-	Landing Tables and Loading Craft	-	1942
No 9	-	Responsibilities for Loading and Discharge of Ships and Craft	-	1942
No 34(a)	-	RHA and Fd Arty	-	1942
No 35(a)	-	RE	-	1943
No 35(c)	-	RE Transportation Units	-	1943
No 37	-	Infantry	-	1942
No 38	-	RASC	-	1943
No 39(a)	-	Medical	-	1943
No 40	-	RAOC	-	1942
No 41(a)	-	REME	-	1942
No 41(b)	-	REME	-	1942

2. Formations will bring Staff and Logistic Tables on the following scale :-

TABLE	7 Aust Div	9 Aust Div	1 Aust Beach Gp	2 Aust Beach Gp
Staff and Logistic tables for units of 6, 7 and 9 Aust Divs - (forwarded under cover of 1 Aust Corps G/3446/SD of 28 May 44)	2	2	1	1
Staff and Logistic tables for 1 and 2 Aust Beach Gps - (forwarded under cover of 1 Aust Corps G/3472/SD of 1 Jun 44+)	1	2	2	2
Logistics of Small Craft (to be issued shortly by 1 Aust Corps+)	2	2	1	1
Scale of Transport for Aust Beach Gps (LHQ SM4373 of 27 Apr 44) - (Distributed by 1 Aust Corps 4 May 44+)	1	1	2	2
Scale of Transport for Jungle Division - (forwarded under cover of 1 Aust Corps G/3698/SD of 16 Jun 44+)	-	4	1	1
Scale of Transport for Corps Tps - (forwarded under cover of 1 Aust Corps G/3698/SD of 16 Jun 44+)	-	4	1	1
Staff Table of Units 1 Aust Base Sub Area - (forwarded under cover of 1 Aust Corps G/3636/SD of 9 Jun 44)	2	2	2	2
Staff and Logistic Tables for units of 1 Aust Corps Tps - (forwarded under cover of 1 Aust Corps G/3821/SD of 28 Jun 44+)	-	2	1	1

+ NOT issued to 7 Aust Div by 1 Aust Corps.

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(Requirements in Clerical Staff and Office Equipment)

1. CLERICAL STAFF - DIVISIONAL HEADQUARTERS

Branch Service etc.	Personnel	To be supplied by 9 Aust Div	To be supplied by 7 Aust Div
GS	Chief Clerk	1	-
	Typists	2	-
	Draughtsmen	2	-
	Clerks	-	1
	Orderlies	-	2
AQ	Typists	3	-
	Clerks	-	1
	Orderlies	1	-
MED	Typists	1	-
ORD	Typists	1	-
AEME	Typists	1	-
	Clerks	1	-
PRO	Clerks	1	-
CAV	Typists	1	-
	Orderlies	1	-
<u>ARTY</u>			
<u>HQ RAA</u>	G Typist	1	1
	A Typist	1	1
	Draughtsman	1	-
	Orderlies	1	-
<u>Fd REGTS</u>	Typists	1	1
	Orderlies	1	1
<u>COMP AA REGT</u>	Typists	1	-
<u>TK A BTY</u>	Clerks		1
<u>ENGRS</u>			
<u>HQ RAE</u>	Typists	-	1
	Clerks	-	1
	Orderly	1	-
<u>FD COYS</u>	Typists	2	1

Branch Service etc.	Personnel	To be supplied by 9 Aust Div	To be supplied by 7 Aust Div
SIGS	Typists Clerks Draughtsman	- - -	1 1 1
INF			
MG BN	Typists Clerks	1 1	- -
PNR BN	Typists Clerks	- -	1 1
TKS	Typists	1	-
S & T	Typists Clerks Orderlies	1 1 1	- - -

2. CLERICAL STAFF - THREE BRIGADE HEADQUARTERS

Personnel	To be supplied by 9 Aust Div	To be supplied by 7 Aust Div
Typist (G)	2	1
Typist (AQ)	2	1
Clerks (Int)	2	1
Draughtsman	2	1
Orderlies	2	1
Orderlies (for CO Fd Amb)	2	1

3. CLERICAL STAFF - NINE INFANTRY BATTALIONS

(To be supplied by 9 Aust Div)

Typists (1 for each infantry battalion) TOTAL 9
Orderlies (1 for each infantry battalion) TOTAL 9

4. CLERICAL STAFF - BEACH GROUP

Personnel	To be supplied by 1 Aust Beach Gp	To be supplied by 2 Aust Beach Gp
Typists	1	1
Orderlies	1	1

5. OFFICE EQUIPMENT

Equipment	To be supplied by 9 Aust Div	To be supplied by 7 Aust Div	To be supplied by 1 Aust Beach Gp
Typewriters	10	5	1
Duplicators	5	4	

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EXERCISE ROBIN

HQ 9 Aust Div
27 Jul 44
G6

Subject: 9 Aust Div Outline Plan

1. Herewith tentative
 - (a) Outline plan
 - (b) Allotment of shipping by convoys
 - (c) Allotment of force to ships for
 - (i) 2/9 Aust Cav (Commando) Regt
 - (ii) 26 Aust Inf Bde Gp and part of follow up bde gp.
2. 2/9 Aust Cav (Commando) Regt will submit earliest possible draft unit landing craft table.
3. 26 Aust Inf Bde will submit
 - (a) earliest possible, draft recommended distribution of force to ships in the form shown in item 5 appended 6 Aust Div outline plan as presented by DS.
 - (b) later (as detailed separately by 7 and 9 Aust Divs after Command and Staff Course ends).
 - (c) times of beaching and retracting of its 4 LSTs.

Tentative Allotment of Craft on D Day.

4. (a) LSI KANLABLA - 2/9 Aust Cav (Commando) Regt
- (b) A total of 8 LST are allotted to 26 Aust Inf Bde Gp and 24 Aust Inf Bde Gp. 26 Aust Inf Bde Gp will if possible limit its requirements to 4 LST
- (c) LST 26 Aust Inf Bde

Only those LST carrying minimum fighting vehicles required ashore before road development, and carrying engineer equipment required to develop the beach to receive vehicles arriving later will be beached at H plus 3 hrs.
Remainder at H plus 6 hrs.
RAE will notify 26 Aust Inf Bde of details of vehicles carrying engineer equipment to be landed at H plus 3 hrs.
These LST will be vehicle loaded.
26 Aust Inf Bde will advise this HQ earliest possible, of the times at which each of its LST is

 - (i) to beach and
 - (ii) to retract.
- (d) LST 24 Aust Inf Bde

These will be called in to beach not before H plus 6 hrs, to take immediate advantage of LST berths vacated by LST of 26 Aust Inf Bde.
5. RAE and 2 Aust Beach Gp will advise 26 Aust Inf Bde of priorities by time in staff table form for all RAE components in 26 Aust Inf Bde allotment of shipping.

HQ 9 Aust Div will similarly advise 26 Aust Inf Bde of requirements for recce parties HQ 9 Aust Div and all RAAF components not under command 26 Aust Inf Bde.

F. J. Nicholls
for Lt Col *May*
GS 9 Aust Div

<u>DISTRIBUTION</u>	<u>No of copies</u>	
26 Aust Inf Bde	6	2 each for 20 and 24 Aust Inf Bdes as if they were 26 Aust Inf Bde
2/9 Aust Cav (Commando) Regt	1	
RAA 9 Aust Div	2	
RAE 9 Aust Div	2	
Sigs 9 Aust Div	2	
2/2 Aust MG Bn	1	
2/3 Aust Pnr Bn	1	
2 Aust Mil Ldg Gp	1	
2 Aust Base Sub Area	1	
2 Aust Beach Gp	1	
RAN	1	
RAAF	1	
Comd	2	
G	4	
Q	4	
AASC 9 Aust Div	2	
Medical	2	
Ord	2	
AEME	2	
Pro	1	
File	2	
War Diary	2	

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2/2 Aust MG Bn	1	
2/3 Aust Pnr Bn	1	
2 Aust Mil Ldg Gp	1	
2 Aust Base Sub Area	1	
2 Aust Beach Gp	1	
RAN	1	
RAAF	1	
Comd	2	
G	4	
Q	4	
AASC 9 Aust Div	2	
Medical	2	
Ord	2	
AEME	2	
Pro	1	
File	2	
War Diary	2	

EXERCISE ROBIN

OUTLINE PLAN

OBJECT

1. To land north of ALEXISHAFEN, cut Jap coastal L of C north of MADANG, and capture airfields and harbour at ALEXISHAFEN with a view to its development as an advanced base.

METHOD

2. First Phase - H Hour D Day

- (a) Land 26 Aust Inf Bde Gp plus essential components of Beach Gp north of REMPI RIVER (ITEM GREEN and RED beaches) with the following tasks:-
- (i) Form a beachhead, to include GARU village and MURNASS PLANTATION.
 - (ii) Seize the crossing over REMPI RIVER.
 - (iii) Exploit to CAPE JUNO.
- (b) Land 2/9 Aust Cav (Commando) Regt, plus supporting arms and a detachment of the Beach Gp, north of MATUKA RIVER (GEORGE GREEN beach) with the following tasks:-
- (i) Prevent enemy movement south along the coast.
 - (ii) Secure a beachhead as a possible alternative to the main landing.
 - (iii) Secure the crossings over the MATUKA RIVER.

3. Second Phase - as soon after H Hour D Day as is practicable.

Land 24 Aust Inf Bde Gp on main beach (ITEM GREEN or RED) to pass through 26 Aust Inf Bde Gp and advance south along coast on ALEXISHAFEN.

4. Third Phase - As early as allotment of craft will permit.

Land 20 Aust Inf Bde Gp as div reserve.

5. Draft Order of Battle

Attached as Appx A.

6. Command

Each assaulting force will be under direct command of HQ 9 Aust Div.

7. D Day - 22 Aug.

8. H Hour - as early as practicable after 0600 hrs.

9. Movement from MILNE BAY

- (a) Troops employed in First and Second Phases will embark at MILNE BAY. Staging details later.
- (b) 20 Aust Inf Bde Gp will be concentrated at FINSCHHAFEN between D minus 18 and D minus 9.
- (c) Balance of Task Force (including LOB gps) will remain at MILNE BAY until shipping becomes available to move it.

10. Assault Support

- (a) Maximum use of bombing from 0515 hrs on airfields at ALEXISHAFEN, landing beaches and enemy defences in CAPE CROISILLES area and CAPE JUNO.
- (b) Air strafing of enemy movement along coastal road from daylight.
- (c) Naval bombardment from H minus 30 mins to H minus 5 mins on landing beaches. Thereafter ships at call from SFCPs.
- (d) Naval bombardment of enemy gun positions north of CAPE CROISILLES, at ALEXISHAFEN and CAPE JUNO from H minus 30 mins to H plus 30 mins.

11. Rehearsal

A rehearsal will be held between D minus 18 and D minus 9, for at least the assault convoys.

12. Recco Parties and RAAF Component

These parties will land with Assault Bde as set out in Appx B att.

13. Draft Maintenance project - issued separately.

ORDER OF BATTLE

HQ 9 Aust Div
B Aust FS Sec
2 Aust Mob Met Flt
Det Public Relations
4 Aust Visitors and Observers Sec

Assault troops GEORGE Sector

HQ 2/9 Aust Cav (Commando) Regt
with under command

2/4 Aust Commando Sqn
2/11 Aust Commando Sqn
2/12 Aust Commando Sqn
2/9 Aust Cav (Commando) Regt Sig Tp
One bty (1t 25 prs) 2/7 Aust Fd Regt
One LAA Sec 53 Aust Comp AA Regt (LE)
1 Aust SFCP
Det 2/13 Aust Fd Coy
One Coy 2/2 Aust MG Bn
Sec 2/15 Aust Gen Tpt Pl
Sec 2/187 Aust Sup Depot Pl
One bearer coy Corps Fd Amb and Surgical Team
Det 2 Aust Beach Gp (incl det Naval Beach Commando)

Assault troops ITEM Sector

HQ 26 Aust Inf Bde
with under command
26 Aust Inf Bde Sig Sec
2/78 Aust LAD (Type J)
4 Pl A Coy 2/1 Aust Gd Regt
2/23 Aust Inf Bn
2/24 Aust Inf Bde
2/43 Aust Inf Bn
B Sqn 2/9 Aust Armd Regt
2/7 Aust Fd Regt less one bty
2/7 Aust Fd Regt Sig Sec
2/63 Aust LAD (Type D)
4 Aust SFCP
8 Aust SFCP
Det B Sec Sigs 9 Aust Div
One coy 2/2 Aust MG Bn
One sec 9 Aust Div Pro Coy
Air Sp Party

Under comd 26 Aust Inf Bde for landing and assault only

One LAA Tp 53 Aust Comp AA Regt (LE)
2/13 Aust Fd Coy (less det)
One Pl 2/16 Aust Fd Coy
Mech Eqpt Pl 2/24 Aust Fd Pk Coy
2/26 Aust Sup Depot Pl
2/11 Aust Fd Amb
One Bearer Coy Corps Fd Amb
Lt Sec 2/123 Aust Bde Ord Fd Pk
Lt Sec 2/123 Aust Bde Wksp
Det 2 Aust Mil Ldg Gp
Nine Fwd Observer Posts RAAF
RAAF Beach Party
Three Lt Warning Secs
Recce party HQ 9 Aust Div
Recce party 24 Aust Inf Bde
Recce party RMA 9 Aust Div

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Recce party RAE 9 Aust Div
Recce party Sigs 9 Aust Div
Adv party HQ Comd RASC 9 Aust Div
2 Aust Beach Gp less dets

with under comd

2/2 Aust MG Bn less two coys (lands with follow up
One sec 9 Aust Div Pro Coy bde)

NB -- OOB of remaining units will be issued separately.

RECCE PARTIES AND RELF COMPONENT

26 Aust Inf Bde will provide space in landing craft for the following personnel, vehicles and stores and will land them in accordance with timings as shown.

<u>Unit</u>	<u>Offrs</u>	<u>ORs</u>	<u>Totals</u>	<u>Jeeps</u>	<u>Trailers</u>	<u>2½ ton</u>	<u>Ton DW</u>	<u>Timings</u>
<u>10 9 Aust Div</u>								
G Branch	1	3	4	-	-	-	-	} With 3rd wave
AQ Branch	1	2	3	1	1	-	-	
Medical	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	
<u>10 9 Aust Div</u>	1	12	13	-	-	-	-)
<u>RELF</u>								
Fwd Observer Posts	-	18	18	-	-	-	1½	With reserve bn.
Beach Party	1	3	4	-	-	-	-	) Immediately preceding or with
Light Warning Secs	-	39	39	3	-	3	-	) Bde HQ
Air Sp Party	2	11	13	1	1	-	-	With Bde HQ
	7	88	95	5	2	3	1½	

NOTE RMA, RAE, and 24 Aust Inf Bde will advise 26 Aust Inf Bde strengths and landing times desired for recce parties.

NOTES ON GOCs CONFERENCE 1400 HRS 25 JUL 44

1. Maj Gen MILFORD recapitulated the last conference and repeated those requirements issued to the bde comds and asked for comments on any requests that the assaulting bde comds would make.
2. Bde comds gave their appreciation and outline plan.
3. GOC then pointed out slight differences not agreed upon by the bde comds and dealt with the tactical problem of JUNO PT. His decisions were that JUNO PT could be adequately dealt with by the supporting fire and that being out of range of the landing beaches as far as small arms or MG fire was concerned would not present any threat to the assaulting bde. Possibility of smoke and the fact that in the initial period it would be safely neutralised by fire should be a sufficient answer to the bde comds on the subject.
4. It would not be essential to include CAPE JUNO in the early stages of the assault. In securing the crossing over the REMPI river as far as just east of that crossing might be quite adequate until the leading bn of the next bde could come up and if necessary clean up CAPE JUNO area. Alternatively if there was little opposition the bns of the assaulting bde would automatically exploit and clear up CAPE JUNO.
5. Consequently the decision is that there will not be four bns in the assaulting bde and that the GOC is prepared to accept the fact that CAPE JUNO may be occupied by the assaulting bde in the early stages.
6. The GOC then dealt with the question of tanks and intimated he was prepared to consider the requests of the bde comds. He also pointed out that we want the maximum available for the final objective and that the plan will include some tanks. Tanks may possibly be used by the supporting bde to assist in the clearing up of CAPE JUNO if that area had not been dealt with by the assaulting bde.
7. The beach maintenance area may have to be developed on GREEN beach rather than RED beach and that contingency must be kept in mind.
8. CRAs then issued their appreciation of the bombardment plan on the assumption that strategical bombing has been in progress for some time. The forces at its disposal were three cruisers, 12 destroyers and the RAAF fighter and fighter bomber sqns. It was estimated that the dropping capacity of the aircraft was 225 tons at one lift and it was suggested that this could be repeated once and by a proportion of aircraft twice during D Day.
9. The CRAs proposal was to use the maximum number of aircraft available to bomb ALEXISHAFEN airstrips and beaches from minus 75 to minus 30 mins. The tonnage of shells available for naval bombardment could allow 282 tons for the operation up to H plus 30 mins and therefore it was proposed that two cruisers would expend nearly all their ammunition between H minus 30 and H plus 30 mins.
10. CAPE CROISILLES to be dealt with by two destroyers.
11. The fire support for the initial landing would envisage spending half the ammunition available and that the remaining half would be available to the SFCPs. Cruisers would be available during the day for opportunity targets.
12. As the expenditure of ammunition would entail the rearming of ships it is hoped to have two field batteries in to cover interim period of the rearmament.
13. Small craft carrying 40 mm guns were available and would be carrying approx 1000 rounds for close support.

Employment of arty

14. It was decided to put the light equipment on GEORGE beach as it has its own light prime movers and would be more suitable and more mobile to keep up with the Cav (Commando) Regt.
15. With regard to ITEM beaches suggested that the area will be suitable for the employment of artillery.
16. More 40 mm Bofors should be landed as early as possible but only after adequate recce has been carried out.
17. Suggested times for bringing in guns will be shown in outline plan issued.
18. Naval rep said ships would unload outside range and release point would be 13,000 yards. Variations in this distance depend entirely upon the type of convoy.
19. RAAF rep intimated that the airforce could carry out their part of the bombardment programme but could not guarantee any accuracy before or during first light period. They would be much happier if the timings were amended to provide the initial bombing about 20 mins later than was suggested.

CRE

20. Appreciation included the decision that there first task was support of assaulting troops. Second task to assist beach gp in construction of beach exits and beach maintenance area. The principal task in the early stages would be the problem of crossing REMPI R.
21. It was intended to ask for the following additions to the order of battle:-
 - One mech eqpt pl
 - Mech eqt coy from base area by D plus 6 days
22. They appreciate they may be able to get the tanks over the REMPI R by H plus 10 hrs.
23. Deemed necessary to ask for an LSD to bring in certain craft and equipment.
24. CRE requested comd that all engineer troops would revert to command CRE on landing.
25. 45 Aust Water Tpt Coy would remain behind but it would be desirable for them to arrive by D plus 2.
26. In connection with the crossing of the REMPI R it is necessary to get pontoon bridging in by H plus 4 hrs.

SIGS

27. It is assumed that an assault bde HQ ship is available and is fitted with the necessary number of permanent WT stations. It is intended to request corps sigs to provide necessary sig personnel to man these stations. The bde sig sec has been depleted by linemen accompanying the assault bns and it is therefore suggested that dets of B Sec Sigs comprising 12 ORs should augment the bde sigs for carrying lines forward from bdes.

Medical

28. One fd amb first bde, one fd amb moves south in support to them. One coy corps fd amb to land with Cav (Commando) Regt - ADS. On D plus 1 coy corps fd amb to maintain evacuation of two fd amb which move south. MCU to be landed D plus 1. D plus 2 CCS will land beach maintenance area or vicinity. Third fd amb to remain intact with third bde. Additional

units
medical/required for task:-

Two bearer coys of corps fd amb and later an additional CCS upon arrival of base sub area when ALEXISHAFEN captured.

Cav (Commando) Regt

29. It is intention to land the Cav (Commando) gp to act as right flank protection to the main landing. In addition it is necessary to secure a crossing of the MATUKA R to the south.

30. It is considered that this force will be quite strong enough to attain its object and that naval bombardment could neutralise enemy gun position to the north on CAPE CROISILLES.

31. The whole of this force will of course be committed.

32. Outline plan envisages landing at H Hr of one sqn in order to form a beachhead. In the next phase two more sqns to be landed for the securing of the right flank of the crossing of the MATUKA R. The next phase envisages the remainder of the force landing with the guns. ... s

33. It is suggested that in addition to the rations carried on the man three days rations for this force should be landed on the first day.

Naval rep

34. No ship was to have more than its designed load aboard it. A definite cargo or veh carrying capacity is laid down for each type of craft and will not be exceeded.

35. Shipping is available to the force from D minus 13 to D minus 9 and from D minus 5 to D plus 10. As four days are required for checking of shipping and maintenance before operations, rehearsals should be carried out in the period D minus 1 to D minus 9. Any variation to this procedure can only be approved by the C in C Naval forces.

36. Naval dawn is approx 0430 to 0440 hrs and it is suggested that H hr should be 0600 hrs.

NOTES ON CONFERENCE HELD DIV HQ AT 2000 HRS 22 JUL 441. Present

Maj Gen	WOOTTEN	GOC
Maj Gen	MILFORD	GOC
Lt Col	BARHAM	GI
Lt Col	FLETCHER	GI
Lt Col	MORGAN	AQ
Lt Col	LAHEY	AQ
Maj	NICHOLLS	GII
Maj	RICE	GII
Capt	PEARCE	GIII (I)
Capt	JACOBSEN	GIII (I)
Maj	KENT	DAQMG
Maj	HILL	DAQMG
Brig	EASTICK	CRA
Brig	O'BRIEN	CRA
Lt Col	MULLER	CRE
Lt Col	THOMPSON	CRE
Maj	HARPER	Engr Offr
Col	WAIN	Comd 1 Aust Beach Gp
Col	HODGSON	Comd 2 Aust Beach Gp
Maj	McARTHUR	PMLO
Col	MAITLAND	ADMS
Col	HOBSON	ADMS
Comdr	PIERSON	RAN
Wing Comd	BURRAGE	RAAF

2. Points noted by Comdr PIERSON RAN

There is no offshore shelter for landing craft south of CAPE CROISILLES except probably in the mouth of rivers. To determine these possibilities, additional intelligence information is required, and better and larger scale photos of each of the river mouths.

3. Allowing 15% casualties to landing craft and taking into consideration the lack of shelter, the Navy can:-

- Guarantee the landing of all craft.
- Cannot guarantee protection of craft from SE weather.
- Cannot carry out any form of beach maintenance for small craft on the beaches.

4. Beaches north of CAPE CROISILLES are well protected from SE weather but are poor beaches both from landing point of view and in the fact that they are enfiladed from coast gun positions. Definitely unfavourable if guns cannot be knocked out.

5. The entrances to both MEIGER and MUGIL harbour are narrow and probably affected by swift currents. Although destroyers can cover entrance to MUGIL harbour, they cannot guarantee neutralisation. Beach at MUGIL ideal for re-supply.

6. Intention is to launch assault from 13,000 yds offshore. This will allow approx 1 hour run in for landing craft.

7. Ships can lay in 2 miles offshore only when coastal gun positions have been captured.

8. Navigational difficulties in the complete approach can be taken as nil, with the exception of the lack of inshore features.

9. There is only one main feature inshore - CAPE CROISILLES which can be picked up at all times. Otherwise, at night landfall can be made with no guarantee of accuracy. Night approach likely to be up to 2,000 yds out due to close inshore condition of weather, lack of inshore features, tides and unknown currents.

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10. Daylight approach definitely on if landfall can be made 1½ hours before decided H hr. Navy desire H hr to be at minimum, daylight plus 1½ hours.
11. The question asked by Maj Gen MILFORD, the beach north of BUNA (2) is very good for a landing, except that it does not offer any shelter and cannot be used as a landing craft base under any circumstances. There are certain restrictions because shortness of beach - 250 yds. This beach is Fox B and is already at BUNA 1.
12. After crossing REMPI R, the islands south would provide excellent cover for small landing craft under all weather conditions.
13. Otherwise, unless this area or mouths of rivers selected for lying up places can be used early, there is no anchorage for small craft off any part of coast. Due depth of water also no anchorage for large craft.
14. AA guns at ALEXISHAFEN which can cover up to REMPI R, cannot be accurately knocked out by Naval gunfire. Can be partially neutralised by area shoot of heavy calibre, in nature of softening up preparations.
15. Reaffirms that Naval bombardment support can be expected to approach as close as 4,000 yds offshore.
16. Naval craft will provide coastal patrols at night to flanks (incl destroyers) to intercept possible counter landing by enemy landing craft.
17. PT boats and coast creeping dealt with separately.

RAAF INFORMATION

1. Main threat from enemy force at HOLLANDIA. WEWAK out. RABAUL out. GASMATA out.
2. Probably constitute threat to shipping even at concentration place at MILNE BAY.
3. Anti-submarine patrol through straits and area NE of coast incl NEW BRITAIN provided from start.
4. Additional photos can be obtained during few days preceding operation/obliques especially of beaches and river mouths.
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5. Guarantee all fighter at ground readiness all the time.
6. Anti-submarine protection by Liberators throughout voyage.
7. No fighter cover required en route - fighters on call.
8. Fighter cover (substantial force) must be provided throughout D day. Cater for enemy moving up reinforcements during attack or after preliminary knockout.
9. Own fighter cover adequate as long as 5 Air Force do not divert. Suggest pressure on 5 Air Force.
10. Fighter cover can continue on subsequent days if required. Not considered likely. Will be wanted perhaps second day.
11. Air support Substantial air support available.
12. Heavy attack prior to landing particularly dive bombers and strafers.
13. Tac R from GUSAP.
14. 2 Piper Cubs available for arty observation. Suggest fly in from GUSAP.
15. Sweep and anti-submarine patrol continuously from D - 1 day onwards to northwards sea approach.

NOTES OF DIV STAFF DISCUSSION HELD 2000 HRS 20 JUL IN LECTURE HUT
1 AUST CORPS STAFF AND COMD COURSE.

1. Present:

Lt Col	BARHAM	GI
Lt Col	FLETCHER	GI
Lt Col	MORGAN	AQ
Lt Col	LAHEY	AQ
Comdr	PIERSON	RAN
Wing Comd	BURRAGE	RAAF
Maj	NICHOLLS	GII
Maj	RICE	GII
Maj	KAISER	GII(L)
Maj	KENT	DAQMG
Maj	HILL	DAQMG
Maj	WARKE	LO
Maj	DRIVER	LO
Capt	RIDLEY	LOI
Capt	BUITEN	LOI
Capt	BLATCHFORD	GIII(O)
Capt	SAUNDERS	GIII(O)
Capt	PEARCE	GIII(I)
Capt	JACOBSEN	GIII(I)
Capt	WATT	GIII(Air)
Brig	EASTICK	CRA
Brig	O'BRIEN	CRA
Lt Col	MULLER	CRE
Lt Col	THOMPSON	CRE
Lt Col	WHITHERS	CASC
Lt Col	NELSON	CASC
Lt Col	LAMBERT	CO Sigs
Lt Col	PARKER	CO Sigs
Col	MAITLAND	ADMS
Col	HOBSON	ADMS
Lt Col	DORNEY	ADMS(L)
Col	WARN	Beach Gp
Col	HODGSON	Beach Gp
Maj	McARTHUR	PMLO
Lt Col	CRAMP	CEME
Lt Col	POLGLAGE	CEME
Maj	HARRIS	DAPM

2. Direction to arms and services re approach to higher formation through staff channels.
3. Additional information required by arms and services to be obtained from Corps I Centre after examination and submission of requirements to their Hq. That is to say heads of branches require a questionnaire from arms and services for both technical and tactical information over and above that already supplied by Corps I Centre.
4. Additional copies Terrain Studies MADANG and ALEXISHAFEN areas required.
5. I appreciation landmarks seaward obstacles etc.
6. Appreciations from arms and services RAN and RAAF as soon as practicable.
7. Requests for detailed of craft available and table of sea distances.
8. Coast creeping appreciation by OC LC Coy.

9. I Sec to distribute photos etc plus annotations additional maps for arms and services to incl beach information.
10. Six copies all information for distribution staff and 1 Aust Corps.
11. Distribution of requirements for assault scales as required.
12. From Q - list of landing craft and assault craft in conjunction with PMLO.
13. Information of enemy tanks in area as affecting the present scale of tk A guns proposed for assault troops.
14. Distribution of Intelligence Summaries and information downwards to be in operation as soon as possible.
15. Distribution of ammunition scale.
16. Warning of staffs for absence from lecture to carry on planning.
17. Engr Camp Staff re failure of lighting.
18. Amendment of original draft of Assault Scales. Instruction from GI to GII.
19. RAN and RAAF to supply information to command and staff for additional technical problems.

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EXERCISE ROBIN

NOTES ON CCCs CONFERENCE HELD AT 1400 Hrs 24 Jul 44

1. <u>Present</u>	Maj Gen	WOOTTEN	GOC	
	Maj Gen	MILFORD	GOC	
	Lt Col	BARHAM	G I	
	Lt Col	FLETCHER	G I	
	Lt Col	MORGAN	AQ	
	Lt Col	LAHEY	AQ	
	Brig	WINDEYER	Bde Comd	
	Brig	EATHER	Bde Comd	
	Brig	CHILTERN	Bde Comd	
	Brig	DOUGHERTY	Bde Comd	
	Brig	WHITEHEAD	Bde Comd	
	Brig	PORTER	Bde Comd	
	Brig	EASTICK	CRA	
	Brig	O'BRIEN	CRA	
	Lt Col	MULLER	CRE	
	Lt Col	POLGLAZE	CEME	
	Lt Col	CRAMP	CEME	
	Col	MAITLAND	ADMS	
	Col	HOBSON	ADMS	
	Col	HODGSON	Beach Gp	
	Col	WAIN	Beach Gp	
	Lt Col	LAMBERT	CO Sigs	
	Lt Col	PARKER	CO Sigs	
	Maj	MCARTHUR	PMLO	and assistant
	Maj	NICHOLLS	G II	
	Maj	RICE	G II	
	Capt	SUMMERVILLE		
	Capt	PEARCE	G III (I)	
	Capt	JACOBSEN	G III (I)	
	Maj	KENT	DAQMG	
	Maj	HILL	DAQMG	
	Engr Advisor	Combined Ops Sec		
	Comdr	PIERSON	RAN	
	Wing Comdr	BURRAGE	RAAF	

2. The object of the conference is to give the outline plan as far as it has been decided upon. It is intended to implement the outline plan as soon as the necessary appreciations etc are available to the comd.

Considerations

3. The operation will be limited to certain features in order to achieve its object.

4. As far as possible it is desirable to carry out the landing without interference from the enemy artillery.

5. It is desirable to land the force in that place which will achieve the object in the shortest amount of time.

6. It is necessary to guard against possible enemy thrusts against the landing from the flanks, particularly from the north.

7. An alternative object must be considered from the point of view of beach development.

8. Beaches north of CAPE CROISILLES are not suitable for development. In addition the extra distance to be travelled both to the beaches and from the beaches to the objectives might entail a considerable setback in the time that the objective can be taken. Therefore beaches selected will be all those south of CAPE CROISILLES.

9. Beaches for consideration south are:-

HOW GREEN BEACH - Not suitable.

GEORGE GREEN BEACH - Suitable.

ITEM GREEN BEACH - Suitable.

ITEM RED BEACH - Suitable.

The last three mentioned beaches are selected for the operation.

10. Disadvantages - southern beaches.

- (a) Within extreme effective range of heavy AA guns at ALEXISHAFEN.
- (b) ITEM BEACHES are much better for development than GEORGE BEACHES.
- (c) Much nearer to objectives.
- (d) Will eliminate the difficulty of transporting supplies and equipment through the boggy areas around and south of GEORGE sector.
- (e) The AA guns at ALEXISHAFEN can be heavily bombed and strafed during the landing to effect some measure of neutralisation.
- (f) The inability for the Jap gunner to achieve any degree of accuracy particularly under fire reduces the chance of him using his artillery to the maximum advantage during the landing.
- (g) Suitable enemy OPs are not available along the coast.

Plan

11. ITEM GREEN BEACH and ITEM RED BEACH will be the main beachhead.

12. Subsidiary force to land on GEORGE GREEN BEACH to secure the alternative objective and to prevent enemy movement down the coast on the right flank.

13. Distribution of forces (subject to alterations before plan being made firm).

GEORGE GREEN

- (a) One aust cav commando regt
- One Field battery (8 guns)
- One company MG battalion
- Detachment sigs
- Detachment medical
- Transport
- One SFCP

(b) ITEM GREEN and ITEM RED BEACHES

- One infantry brigade
- One field regiment (less one field battery)
- One company MG battalion
- Engineers
- One field ambulance
- Air support party
- Two FSCPs
- Beach group

14. It is proposed to allocate 4 Alligators and 8 Buffaloes to the assault brigade commander for use during the assault if he so desires.

15. The initial landing on GEORGE GREEN BEACH will be made from an APD in LCVPs. Should the assault force be using their Alligators and Buffaloes two LSTs are available in order to make the necessary "split" in the assault force.

16. The balance of the assault brigade will be landed by LSIs.

17. The reserve brigade will be brought (possibly from FINSCHHAFEN by LCIs.)

Future action on landing

18. The assault brigade is to secure the beachhead and provide the defence of the beachhead.

19. The second brigade will push through as soon as possible and continue the advance down the coast (possibly H plus 2 hrs).

Other considerations

20. (a) Question of priorities will have to be considered by the assault brigade commander with engineers and Q in order to allot the landing craft available.
- (b) The force landing on GEORGE GREEN BEACH is under divisional command.
- (c) The Buffaloes are available but it is not necessary for the assault commander to use them.
- (d) There ^{are} some tanks available to the assault force commander. He will let division know his requirements.
- (e) It is not intended to develop GEORGE GREEN BEACH and only unit equipment will go in.
- (f) The possibilities of an LSD and Buffaloes being available for the right flanking force is to be discussed with the Navy. If this is not practicable a cargo ship will be required.
- (g) In the initial landing the beach group will be under command of the assaulting brigade which will have to coordinate and control the beach group.
- (h) The extent of the beach maintenance area is not intended to be more than 800 yards in depth.
- (i) The assault will be launched from 13,000 yards.
- (j) Landing craft harbours or anchorages must be selected.

Communications

21. (a) There is no information from Navy about HQ ship. If a destroyer is to be used only one WT set will be available to the division.
- (b) The third brigade (possibly at FINSCHHAFEN) may not be brought forward before D plus 1 day.
- (c) During the assault divisional HQ will be afloat in the HQ ship.
- (d) Communications may be desirable to all units under command. This will be done from both the HQ ship and the beachhead.
- (e) Divisional HQ must be distributed amongst various craft to ensure landing in correct sequence.
- (f) Communications must be established between GEORGE GREEN and ITEM GREEN and ITEM RED BEACHES by the time divisional HQ lands.

Artillery

22. (a) The CRA to inform division what methods he is adopting to deal with the various Japanese guns scattered throughout the area.
- (b) What AA guns are required to go in early.
- (c) What extra guns (including LAA are required for beach defence.

Roads and tracks

23. (a) It is considered that it is unnecessary to make any road north and south beyond the beachhead and that the existing road will be sufficient subject to engineer maintenance.
- (b) Tracks inland consist mostly of footpads and it is not intended that there will be any movement inland except patrols.

Projected air bombardment plan

24. In accordance with availability of aircraft enemy airfields to the north will be softened up. This programme will be carried out solely by direction of GHQ. RAAF representative will outline the strategic bombing plan at a divisional conference.

25. Assault brigade commander must know close support bombing plan. This will be coordinated with arty bombardment.

H Hour

26. The landing will be conducted in daylight at the earliest possible moment the Navy can manage. It will be approximately 1½ hours after first light.

Notes on next conference at 1400 hrs 25 July

27. (a) The outline plan of the commander of the force to land at GEORGE GREEN BEACH.
- (b) CRAs appreciation on method of bringing in artillery.
- (c) Bombardment plan. CRA will tie up factors for coordination in naval bombardment and close support bombing.
- (d) Representatives of Q, beach group and engineers are to arrange a committee to investigate and recommend the rate of intake of stores and vehicles.
- (e) Appreciations to be given by various commanders will be submitted verbally at the conference but their plan must be submitted to the various branches of the staff in the usual six copies.
- (f) The assault brigade commander will require recommendations from arms and services under his command for any additional units and sub-units equipment and stores required by them to be landed in the assault force.
28. The divisional outline plan will be formed after this conference and from that branches and arms will work out applicable details.

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NOTES ON CONFERENCE HELD BY GOC 9 AUST DIV at 2000 hrs 21 Jul 44.

1. Present.

Maj Gen	WOOTTEN	GOC
Maj Gen	MILFORD	GOC
Lt Col	BARHAM	GI
Lt Col	FLETCHER	GI
Lt Col	MORGAN	AQ
Lt Col	LAHEY	AQ
Maj	NICHOLLS	GII
Maj	RICE	GII
Capt	PEARCE	GIII(I)
Capt	JACOBSEN	GIII(I)
Maj	KLINT	DAQMG
Maj	HILL	DAQMG
Brig	EASTICK	CRA
Brig	O'BRIEN	CRA
Lt Col	MULLER	CRE
Lt Col	THOMPSON	CRE
Maj	HARPER	Engr Offr
Col	WAIN	Comd 1 Aust Beach Gp
Col	HODGSON	Comd 2 Aust Beach Gp
Maj	McARTHUR	PMLO

2. Capt PEARCE GIII(I) 9 Aust Div:-

Topography
Configuration
Ground condition
Vegetation
Streams
Tracks
Met -

Seasons
Rainfall
Wind
Surf and swell
Sea
Visibility
Current
Moon - Sun

3. Capt JACOBSEN GIII(I) 7 Aust Div:-

Enemy OOB, strengths, locations air, naval and ground.

GOC asked for following information to be obtained:-

Mechanical tpt and barges available in area.

Jap supply situation
Water supplies
Natives
Total fd arty in area
Normal time for low and high water
Maximum arcs fire arty
Strat map marked with enemy strengths
MADANG to WEWAK.

4. Lt Col MULLER, CRE 9 Aust Div provided advantages of various beaches from the engr point of view, with particular reference to development beyond the immediate beach areas.

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EXERCISE ROBIN

HQ 9 Aust Div

291500K Jul

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9 AUST DIV OUTLINE PLAN

Ref 9 Aust Div G6 dated 27 Jul 44.

1. In second phase, tentative beaching time of first wave of LCI allotted to 24 Aust Inf Bde Gp is H plus 3 hrs. All LCI to unload in one hour.
2. Delete draft OOB and instead refer to staff tables issued
 - (a) for D Day as
 - Forces allotted to GEORGE GREEN beach
 - Forces allotted to ITEM BEACH
 - Forces allotted to 24 Aust Inf Bde Gp
 - (b) for 20 Aust Inf Bde Gp as
 - Forces allotted to 20 Aust Inf Bde Gp.
3. H Hour to be 0600 hrs.
4. Buffaloes NOT to beach before H plus 30 minutes.
5. LCI and LST to land on D Day are to stage at MINSCHHAFEN from daylight, D minus 2 to daylight D minus 1.
6. Assault support is to include an aircraft counter-mining run to be made at H minus 4 minutes along water's edge.
7. Intercommunication
 - (a) Special code for ship to shore recognition signals is to be issued by RAN. These signals change daily at 1200 hrs.
 - (b) Wireless silence to be maintained during voyage and broken only on order of Command Ship. This order may be expected at H minus 30 minutes.
 - (c) All sets to be on listening watch from H minus 90 minutes.

DISTRIBUTION:

List A .

R. D. Law
Lt Col
GS 9 Aust Div

16. 18 - 24 Tac R sorties possible per day.
17. Suggest 3 Kitty Sqns held in GUSAP and moved into ALEXISHAFEN immediately strip is captured. On standby for 60 mile radar warning in order carry out good interceptions. Primary role early stages would be protection at GUSAP.
18. MADANG later for medium bombers. No particular hurry.
19. C 47s used to fly in spares etc into ALEXISHAFEN.
20. Meteorological data indicates that area and time suitable for laying aircraft smoke curtain. Same deductions from Navy. Possible use 600 - 800 yds off shore at H - 5 mins. Smoke carry in at same time as landing craft.
21. May be by smoke bombs or smoke tank curtains. Can lay on both at short notice to cater for variations of wind. Must use smoke bombs for offshore wind.
22. Sufficient through air support hookup both planes can be over target at once - 4800 yds by two aircraft - for 15 mins.
23. Radar sets in as soon as possible - three light sets as soon as can get in (up above trees) will give 60-70 miles until GCI set available.
24. GHQ arranging softening up HOLLANDIA before D-day - 8 sqns Liberators.
25. Dive bombers could soften up coastal gun positions but could only get percentage knockouts and only guarantee partial neutralisation.

Capt PEARCE informed Comd that information had just been received prior to the conference (answers to some of questions asked by Div Comd on previous night), and that it had not been possible in the time to draw any deductions from the information but that Capt JACOBSEN would give the facts as received.

Capt JACOBSEN then gave the answers received from Corps to the following questions:-

- Fd arty in area?
- Barges available to Jap?
- Enemy MT in area?
- Date to move and destination of 20 Div remnants?
- Ranges of Jap AA guns?
- Availability of natives after landing?
- Water supply?

Comdr PIERSON gave information on lying up places and anchorages for small craft.

Wing Comd BURRAGE gave information as to Jap air bases and where threat from enemy air interference might be expected, and that up to date air photos could be obtained by PRU aircraft just prior to the landing.

Div Comd asked that information be obtained on the following lines:-

- (a) Meteorological data on winds in the area, with a view to employment of smoke.
- (b) Any OPs available to the enemy in the ALEXISHAFEN area from which he could bring observed fire to bear on the area of REMPI R mouth.

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AVAILABLE LANDING BEACHES

Serial	Section	Beach	Map Ref	Particulars of Beach	Suitability for Beach Maint Area.	Work required on Beach Exits	Remarks
1.	ABLE	C	6073	400 yds 4-5 yds wide Good beach 150 yds to road.	Can only be extended to north. Too limited for full development	Strong possibility of wet ground in plantation making exits difficult.	Three major rivers and approx ten small streams to cross to ALEXISHAFEN. <u>NOT RECOMMENDED</u>
2.	CHARLIE	A	6371	100 yds good beach 75 yds to road.	Good area for development.	Very little work required on exits. Existing tracks should be utilised.	Very narrow frontage. Two major rivers and approx eight small streams to cross to ALEXISHAFEN. <u>NOT RECOMMENDED</u>
3.	EASY	C	7066	400 yds 30 yds wide 150 yds to road. Amphibians can easily drive directly to road.	Appears good area for development. Restricted by MUGIL RIVER to south, which would have to be bridged for development.	Very little work required on exits initially.	Two major rivers and approx five small streams to cross to ALEXISHAFEN. <u>PREFERENCE No 4.</u>
4.	FOX	B	7361	250 yds 10 ft wide, 1 yds to road.	No problems for development.	Very little work required on exits initially. Existing road system very suitable for development of comms.	Two major rivers and approx four small streams to cross to ALEXISHAFEN. <u>NOT RECOMMENDED</u>

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Serial	Section	Beach	Map Ref	Particulars of Beach	Suitability for Beach Maint Area.	Work required on Beach Exits.	Remarks
5.	GEORGE	B	7158	1450 yds - 2 yds to 4 yds wide. 60 - 70 yds from road.	Good Beach Maint area.	Very little work required on exits. Break in MT road Earth track only to river.	MATUKA R (50 yds wide varying) adjoins Beach Maint Area. Problem only in flood -(6 - 8 ft deep). Two major and approx three small streams to cross to ALEXISHAFEN. <u>PREFERENCE No 2.</u>
6.	HOW	B	7155	1300 yds, 2- 4 yds wide. 50 yds from road. (only 400 yds effective beach due to swamp behind beach).	Open swamp grass clearing in Beach Maint Area. Heavy timber along 400 yds of beach. (Southern end) Major portion of Beach Maint Area would be without cover.	Some work required on exits.	One major and approx three small streams to cross to ALEXISHAFEN. 400 yds of beach is backed with swamp impassable to MT. <u>PREFERENCE No 3.</u>
7.	ITEM	B	7151	900 yds, 2 to 10 yds wide. 250 - 400 yds from road.	Very suitable Beach Maint Area. Plantation.	Very little work on exits.	One major river and two minor streams to cross to ALEXISHAFEN REMPI R is fordable except in flood. <u>PREFERENCE No.1.</u>

NOTES: 1. All other beaches have been investigated and it is considered that they are unsuitable for the construction of exits and Beach Maint Areas.

2. Work required on construction of beach exits and Beach Maint Areas in each of preferences 1 to 4 is within the scope of Beach Gp and Div engrs. Beach exits would be completed within 3 hrs and access with Beach Maint Areas to first stage within 14 hrs.

PROFORMA MESSAGE FORM

FROM:- 9 AUST DIV

281830K

TO:- 20 BDE : 24 BDE : 26 BDE : 2/9 CAV REGT : RAA : RAE : SIGS :
2/2 MG BN : 2/3 PNR BN : 2 AUST MIL LDG GP : 2 AUST BASE SUB AREA
2 AUST BEACH GP : RAN : RAAF : COMD : G : Q : AASC : MEDICAL :
ORD : AEME : PRO : FILE : WAR DIARY

012 RESTRICTED (.) ref my G6 of 27 jul outline plan (.) para 3(a)
for quote form shown in item 5 appended 6 aust div outline plan as
presented by DS unquote quote form shown in appx D to precis 4

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F. J. Nicholls
1/10/48

2/2 MCG BN

PROFORMA MESSAGE FORM


FROM : 9 AUST DIV

291045K

TO : 2/9 CAV REGT : RAA : RAE : SIGS : 2/9 ARMD REGT :
2/2 MG BN : 2/3 PNR BN : AASC : 2 AUST MIL LANDING
GP : 2 AUST BASE SUB AREA : 2 AUST BEACH GP : RAN:
RAAF : MEDICAL : ORD : AEME : PRO

I 2 RESTRICTED (.) exercise ROBIN (.) owing to difficulty of
reproduction 9 aust div ROBIN intelligence summary has been distributed
only to inf bdes (.) copies of summary may be perused at HQ 9 aust div

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AMENDED ALLOTMENT OF FORCE TO SHIPS AND CRAFT
BY CONVOYS

PRODUCED AS OUTLINE FOR
AGREEMENT WITH NAVY REPS

As at 281240K

Dep	Arrive		Craft	Personnel		Veh - Guns (incl trlrs)		Stores		Landing Craft		Remarks
				Type	No.	Embarked	Prog. Total	Embarked	Prog. Total	Embarked	Prog. Total		Remaining at far shore
MB.	D Day	H	LSI (a)	4	5523		212		500		4 LCM	(a) 10 hr discharge Vehs MANOORA 27/6 KAMBLA 43/22 WESTRALIA 27/9 plus 9x2 prs H T ALLEN 45/20 (b) Tks loaded in 6 ALC 40 Bulldozers } RAL (6 ALC 15 Tpt etc } (3 ALC 20 (c) LVT in LST with assault coys. Trucks pre-loaded
		H	APD	6	364		plus				15 LCVP	
	H plus 6 hrs		LCI	10	1850		9x2 prs				6 ALC 40	
		H	LSD (b)	1	276		45 (b)				3 ALC 20	
	2 - H hr		LST (c)	8	2400		600		250		6 ALC 15	
	4 - H plus 3 hrs					10913		857		750	4 LVT A1	
2 - H plus 6 hrs					12023					8 LVT A2		
MB.	D plus 1		LCI	6	1110		20	377	1150		do	Pers Vehs Stores 2000 200 700 Remain over night 150 20 1150 1110 - -
	FL		AKA (d)	1	150	12173			1900			
MB.	D plus 2		AK (d)	1	400(e)	12573	20	897	1150	3050	do	(d) Remain overnight (e) Docks Op Coy Pers Vehs Stores 400 20 1150
	1200 hrs											
F.	D plus 3		LSD	1	276	12349	30	927	400	3450	LCM	43 LC Coy - } To be staged 3xALC 40 } to PINSCHHAFEN 13xALC20 } prior to D Day 3xALC 15 } Pre loaded
	FL										LCVP 9 ALC 40 16 ALC 20 9 ALC 15 12 LVT A1&A2	
F.	D plus 4		LST	3			150		420		do	Pers Vehs Stores 276 30 400
	FL		LCI	10	600	15299		1077	3370			
					1850							

Dep	Arrive	Craft	Personnel		Veh - Guns (incl trlrs)		Stores		Landing Craft		
			No.	Embarked	Prog Total	Embarked	Prog total	Embarked	Prog Total	Remaining at far shore	
MB	D plus 5 FL	AK (d)	1	400(e)	15699	20	1097	1200	5070	do	(e) Docks Op Coy (d) Remain overnight Pers 400, Vehs 20, Stores 1200
F(f)	D plus 6 FL	LCT (f) LCI	5 6	100 1110	16909	45	1142	400	5470		(f) Stage to FINSCHHAFEN D - D plus 4 Pers Vehs Stores 100 45 600 1110 - -
MB	D plus 7 FL	LST	4	1200	18109	200	1342	900	6370	do	Pers Vehs Stores 1200 200 900
MB F	D plus 8 FL	LST	4(g)	800	18909	300	1642	900	7270	do	(g) 1 LST ex MILNE BAY 3 LST ex D plus 4 convoy from FINSCHHAFEN Pers Vehs Stores 800 300 900
	D plus 9	Small Boat Coy as required									ex MILNE BAY
Ashore by All D plus 10 Days				18909		1642		7270			

SUMMARY OF CRAFT AVAILABLE

NB. F = FINSCHHAFEN
MB = MILNE BAY
FL = FIRST LIGHT

4 LSI	USS HENRY T ALLEN	- 1
	HMAS KANIMBLA	- 1
	HMAS MANOCRA	- 1
	HMAS WESTRALIA	- 1
6 APD		- 6
16 LCI		- 32
1 LSD	USS CARTER HALL	- 2
8 LST		- 16
1 AKA	USS ALGORAB	- 1
2 AK	USS BYRON & JONES	- 2
	USS JOHN W JAMIESON	- .
5 LCT		<u>5</u>
TOTALS	38 Major craft	68

Outline Plan

OBJECT.

1. ^{9 Aust Div & attached} land north of ALEXISHAFEN, cut jap coastal L of C north of MADANG, and capture airfields and harbour at ALEXISHAFEN with a view to its development as an advanced base.

METHOD.

2. First Phase - H Hour & Day

(a) D Coy 2/2 Aust mg Bn under comd 26 Aust Inf Bde plus essential components of Beach gp north of REMPI RIVER. (ITEM GREEN & RED beaches) with the following tasks:-

- (i)
- (ii)
- (iii)

(b) C Coy 2/2 Aust mg Bn under comd 2/9 Aust Bde (commands) Regt, plus supporting arms & a detachment of the Beach gp, north of MATUKA RIVER. (GEORGE GREEN beach) with the following tasks:-

- (i)
- (ii)
- (iii)

3. Second Phase - as soon after H Hour & Day as is practicable.

2/2 Aust. mg Bn less C & D Coys will land with 24 Aust Inf Bde gp on item beach. (ITEM GREEN or RED) ~~to~~ gp will be available for labour under comd 2 Aust Beach gp from D Day.

ALLOTMENT OF SHIPPING ARRIVING D DAY

Allotment as at 231000K

Group Capacity	Pers	2½ ton Vehs	Tractors & Misc	Lt Vehs	Trailers	Guns	Tks	Stores	
	10855	357					750		
1. 2/9 Aust Cav (Commando) Regt	1252	6	1	21	19	11	-	-	
2. 26 Aust Inf Bde Gp	6053	98	38	185	166	32	9	-	
3. 2 Aust Beach Gp									
4. 24 Aust Inf Bde Gp (details)	3550	types as required							
5. Force stores				271				750	
6.	10855	857					750		

Note (a) 10 hr discharge
Capacity estimated as:

	Veh/Guns	Stores
LSI "K"	67	110
LSI "M"	33	118
LSI "V"	47	82
APA "A"	65	190
	<u>212</u>	<u>500</u>

(b) Tanks in 6 ALC (40)
Bulldozers RAE Eqpt -
6 ALC (15)
3 ALC (20)

(c) 12 LVT loaded LST with assault coys.

(d) Details of force stores in maintenance project.

(e) For details of LST see 9 Aust Div G6 of 27 Jul 44.

(f) 6 APD carry 768 troops

Summary of D Day Shipping

Unit	Ship	Time	Stores Tons	
			Force	Unit
2/3 Aust Cav (Commando) Regt	(a) LSI KANIMBLA	H Hr	102(d)	8
23 Aust Inf Bde Gp incl 2 Aust Beach Gp	(a) LSI MANOORA (unused space	H Hr)	390(d)	-
	(a) LSI WESTRALIA allotted to	H Hr)		
	(a) LSI HT ALLEN 24 Bde Gp)	H Hr)		
	(b) LSD	H Hr	To carry maximum unit stores in ALCM 40 with the tanks	
	(f) 6 APD	H Hr		
	(c)(e) LST	H plus 3 and H plus 6	To carry minimum unit stores	
24 Aust Inf Bde Gp	(e) LST 8 LCI	H plus 6 Not before H plus 6	114(d)	65
	Additional space in LSI of 26 Aust Inf Bde Gp			

General

Limits on loads in small craft:-

LCVP, LCA, LCPR and similar types	- 32 men
LVT	- 30 men
LCM	- 15 tons

2/2 M/L/B

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PROFORMA MESSAGE FORM

FROM : 9 AUST DIV

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TO : 20 BDE : 24 BDE : 26 BDE : 2/9 CAV REGT : RAA :
RAE : SIGS : 2/2 MG BN : 2/3 PNR BN : 2 AUST
MIL LANDING GP : 2 AUST BASE SUB AREA : 2 AUST
BEACH GP : RAN : RAAF : COMD : G : Q : AASC :
MEDICAL : ORD : AEME : PRO

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of para 3 (b) comma bde landing table

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PROFORMA MESSAGE FORM

FROM : 9 AUST DIV

251945K

TO : LIST A

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0 10 Two fd op rations and one days emergency ration to be carried on man
(.) one days fd op ration and two days aust beach landing being brought
in under div arrangements

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adpts JAW
Gordon

PROFORMA MESSAGE FORM

FROM : 9 AUST DIV

211230K

TO : 20 BDE : 24 BDE : 26 BDE : 2/9 CAV REGT : RAA :
RAE : SIGS : 2/2 MG BN : 2/3 PNR BN : 2 AUST
MIL LANDING GP : 2 AUST BEACH GP : RAN : RAAF :
G : A : Q : AASC : MEDICAL : ORD : AEME : PRO

O 1 RESTRICTED 6 copies required all submissions to this HQ (.)
all papers documents etc will be marked exercise ROBIN in top
right hand corner

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J. J. Nicholls
Maj

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maj. Plumer
Adj. Gen.
ord. Am.

EXERCISE ROBIN

Subject : Supply of Ammunition in the Field.

1st Div
2 Jul 44
G1

1. The basis for calculations for first line ammunition and refills will be based on the scales set out in LHQ SM 5771 of 2 Jun 44, a copy of which document with amendment is held by the following formations and units:-

20 Aust Inf Bde	2 Copies
24 Aust Inf Bde	2 "
26 Aust Inf Bde	2 "
2/9 Aust Cav (Commando) Regt	1 "
RAA 9 Aust Div	2 "
RAE 9 Aust Div	1 "
2/2 Aust MG Bn	1 "
2/3 Aust Pnr Bn	1 "
AASC 9 Aust Div	1 "
Ord 9 Aust Div	1 "
Distribution - List 'A' less serials 12, 14, 15, 16, 21.	7/1 Lt Col CS 9 Aust Div

MESSAGE FORM

Register No.

Call

Ser. No.

Priority

Transmission Instructions

ABOVE THIS LINE FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY

FROM

Originator

Date—Time of Origin

Office Date Stamp

(A)

2/2 AUST. "19. BN.

231600K

For Action

TO

9 AUST. DIV.

(w) For Information (INFO.)

Message Instructions

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ORIGINATOR'S No.

0 FOR EXERCISE @ TOPSEC. @ you 07 ACK.

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

} Wireless

Signed

Fullerby Capt.

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

Signed

Originator's Instructions
Degree of Priority

Time	System	Op
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Time Cleared		

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D.R.L.S. TIME TABLE.

H.Q. 9 Aust Div -- Trinity Beach.

RUN No 3. (Special to 1 Aust Corps Command & Staff Course)

H.Q. 9 Aust Div	departs	0800 hrs	1230	hrs
Trinity Beach Sig Off.	arrives	1230	1700	
" " " "	departs	1500	1845	
H.Q. 9 Aust Div	arrives	1930	2345	

Correct to 200800K.

*Planned to be
for Lt-Col.*

GS 9 Aust Div.

DISTRIBUTION : List "B"
Plus 26 Copies for distribution at
Staff and Comd School.

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maj Plummer
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Cap.
adpt. Flw
mj. Plummer

PRO FORMA MESSAGE FORM

FROM: HQ 9 AUST DIV

231115K

TO: LIST B

07 for EXERCISE (.) TOPSEC (.) ALLIED NAVAL FORCES advise following
additional craft available for operation ROBIN (.) four LVTA (1)
eight LVTA (2) ack

R. Rice
Maj

PRO FORM MESSAGE FORM

SENDER

NO. & JUST DIV.

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OR FOR EXERCISES (.) OR FOR (.) ADDITIONAL CRAFT AVAILABLE FOR
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Maj. Plummer
Capt. F.W.
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EXERCISE ROBIN

SECRET

HQ 9 Aust Div
21 Jul 44
G2

Subject : Assault Scales.

1. (a) Staff Tables will be prepared by units on the basis as shown in Appx A attached and six copies submitted to this HQ by 1800 hrs 24 Jul 44.
- (b) Comds of supporting arms and services are responsible for the preparation of these tables for units and services of Corps troops under comd.
2. A proforma is attached as Appx B.

Distribution: List A
Less Serials 11 - 16.

J. McCalla
Lt Col
GS 9 Aust Div *Moj*

Appx "A" to 9 Aust Div
G/2 of 21 Jul 44.

ASSAULT SCALES.

1. Staff Tables are to be based as follows :-
 - (a) On full WE and WET.
 - (b) On 1st reinforcements
 - (c) On scales sufficient for :-
 - (i) assault scale for initial landing
 - (ii) balance of requirements to augment (i) assault scale within 48 hrs of initial landing
 - (iii) additions required after first 48 hrs but within 10 to 14 days of initial landing
 - (iv) LOB and balance of 1st reinforcements.
 - (d) Bdes; fd regts and units with sig secs; LADs; gd pls and the like units attached will show these units on their staff tables.
 - (e) Units will be prepared to submit also, the above figures for sub units and combinations of sub units (e.g. coy and bty).
 - (f) Pro-forma is attached as Appx "B".
2. Man loads.
 - (a) One day's emergency and one day's fd op ration will be carried.
 - (b) One day's Aust Beach Landing Ration will be landed by each unit. (Pack = 6 rations in sealed kerosene tin; weight 35 lbs)
3. Strength of Inf Bns
 - (a) Assume to be 835 all ranks (latest WE) plus 1st reinforcements 160 all ranks; to be available at MILNE BAY at time of concentration.
 - (b) 1st reinforcements will replace equivalent number personnel left out of battle.
 - (c) Once critical period of op has passed and danger of loss of whole units no longer exists, LOB parties plus balance of 1st reinforcement will rejoin div when shipping is available.
 - (d) Two 2 pr Tk A guns per bn will be left behind initially. Minimum crews to be left with LOB, remainder to land with unit as extra personnel. Pnr Bn of Beach Gp will take all of its Tk A guns.
4. Weapons of MG Bn

Units initially allotted for duty in beachhead, e.g. MG bn if required will take all weapons.
5. Scale of Reserve
 - (a) All natures

Seven days reserve all natures will be landed with each flight; in the case of the first flight, this reserve will be landed within first twelve hrs.

5. Scale of Reserve (contd)

(b) Ammunition reserve

- (i) Will be calculated in accordance with instructions being issued separately; based on LHQ SM 5771 of 2 Jun 44.
- (ii) 2nd line ammunition policy, all through Beach Gp.
- (c) Reserve of arty ammunition will not necessarily be seven days, but as recommended by CsRA.

6. Unit Equipment

- (a) Unit equipment comprises all equipment and stores carried in bulk, which cannot be carried on the man nor in the vehicle.
- (b) Unit equipment will be reduced to minimum in view of limited number and capacity of vehicles.

7. Water

One gallon per man as div reserve will be landed with each flight, under div arrangements.

8. Veh loading.

- (a) Bulk - loaded 2-1/2 ton vehicles will carry three tons.
- (b) Jeeps and trailers may carry up to 4 cwts on the jeep and 6 cwts on the trailers.
- (c) All other load-carrying vehicles will be loaded to not more than 50% capacity.

9. Tonnages

All tonnages to be reckoned in long tons, (i.e. 2240 lbs = 1 ton).

Ser No.	BASIS	UNIT	PERSONNEL			VEHICLES					GUNS			UNIT EQPT		REMARKS
			Offrs	ORs	Total	Jeep	Trailers	2 1/2 ton	j	k	2 pr	25 pr	n	Tons DW	Tons Cubic	
a	b	c	d	e	f	g	h	i	j	k	l	m	n	o	p	q
1	(a) <u>Full WE and WET</u>	L	31	591	621	19	19							12	15	
5	(b) <u>1st Reinforcement</u>		7	62	69	-	-							-	-	
	(c).(i) <u>Assault scales for initial landing</u>		27	460	487	5	5							10	11	
	(ii) <u>Balance of requirements to augment (c) (i) assault scale within 48 hrs of initial landing</u>		4	77	81	14	14							-	-	
	(iii) <u>Additions required after first 48 hrs but within 10 to 14 days of initial landing</u>			54	54	-	-							2	4	
	(iv) <u>LOB and balance of 1st reinforcement</u>		7	62	69	-	-							-	-	

* 7 tons amm.
 2 1/2" guns etc.
 1/2" Sig ROP etc.
 all can be carried ashore on the man.
 Jeeps & Trailers loaded.

NOTES. (a) Total of (c) (i) (ii) (iii) and (iv) to equal total of (a) and (b).
 (b) "Unit equipment" i.e. equipment and stores which cannot be carried on the man nor in the vehicles.

This Distribution List cancels all previous lists which should be destroyed.

DISTRIBUTION LIST 9 AUST DIV - EXERCISE ROBIN

Serial No	Unit	List A	List B
1.	20 Aust Inf Bde	2	5
2.	24 Aust Inf Bde	2	5
3.	26 Aust Inf Bde	2	5
4.	2/9 Aust Cav (Commando) Regt	1	1
5.	RAA 9 Aust Div	2	7
6.	RAE 9 Aust Div	2	2
7.	Sigs 9 Aust Div	2	2
8.	2/2 Aust MG Bn	1	1
9.	2/3 Aust Pnr Bn	1	1
10.	2 Aust Mil Landing Gp	1	1
11.	1 Aust Corps	2x	2x
12.	2 Aust Base Sub Area	1x	1x
13.	2 Aust Beach Gp	1x	1x
14.	RAN	1x	1x
15.	RAAF	1x	1x
16.	Comd	2	2
17.	G	4	4
18.	Q	4	4
19.	AASC 9 Aust Div	2	2
20.	Medical	2	7
21.	Ord	2	2
22.	AEME	2	2
23.	Pro	1x	1x
24.	File	2	2
25.	War Diary	2	2
x As required		Total	
		45	64

Distribution: List A.

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HQ 9 Aust Div
21 Jul 44
G1

DISTRIBUTION LIST 9 AUST DIV - EXERCISE ROBIN

1. The following distribution list is designed to cater for all troops comprising 9 Aust Div COB and will be amended from time to time.
2. Distribution is divided into two categories:-

List A -- all formations and units under comd or in support 9 Aust Div.

List B - down to and including battalions and equivalent units.
3. Units and services of Corps troops allotted are catered for under the respective units and services of 9 Aust Div.
4. This list will only apply to exercise "ROBIN" and will be treated as a maximum distribution. Elimination of units etc not represented, will be the responsibility of the branch or service concerned in promulgating instructions.

*J. J. Nicholls
Lt Col
Maj*

Distribution: List A
Less Serials 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16.

GS 9 Aust Div

DISTRIBUTION LIST 9 AUST DIV - EXERCISE ROBIN

Serial No	Unit	List A	List B
1.	20 Aust Inf Bde	1	4
2.	24 Aust Inf Bde	1	4
3.	26 Aust Inf Bde	1	4
4.	2/9 Aust Cav (Commando) Regt	1	1
5.	RAA 9 Aust Div	1	5
6.	RAE 9 Aust Div	1	1
7.	Sigs 9 Aust Div	1	1
8.	2/2 Aust MG Bn	1	1
9.	2/3 Aust Pnr Bn	1	1
10.	2 Aust Mil Landing Gp	1	1
11.	1 Aust Corps	2x	2x
12.	2 Aust Base Sub Area	1x	1x
13.	2 Aust Beach Gp	1x	1x
14.	RAN	1x	1x
15.	RAAF	1x	1x
16.	Comd	1	1
17.	G	2	2
18.	A	2	2
19.	Q	2	2
20.	AASC 9 Aust Div	1	4
21.	Medical	1	7
22.	Ord	1	4
23.	AEME	1	6
24.	Pro	1x	1x
25.	File	2	2
26.	War Diary	2	2
x As required		Total	32
			62

EXERCISE ROBIN.

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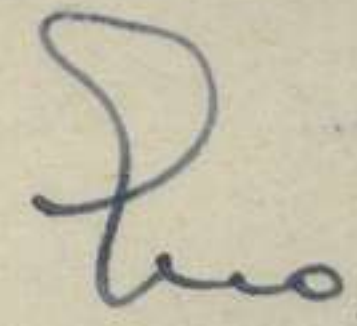
HQ. 2/2 Aust M.G. Bn.
24 July 44.

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9 Aust Div.

Assault Scales - 2/2 Aust M.G. Bn.

1. Reference 9 Aust Div : G2 dated 21 July 44.
2. Herewith assault scales for this unit.



..... Lt. Col.
(E. Macarthur-Onslow)
Comd. 2/2 Aust M.G. Bn.

EXERCISE ROBIN

Ser No.	BASIS	UNIT	PERSONNEL			VEHICLES							UNIT EQPT		REMARKS	
			Ofprs	ORs	Total	Jeep	Trailers	2 1/2 ton						Tons DW		Tons Cubic
a	b	c	d	e	f	g	h	i	j	k	l	m	n	o	p	q
(a)	<u>Full WE and WET</u>	2/2 Aust M.G. Bn.	31	591	622	19	19							17	24	
(b)	<u>1st Reinforcement</u>		7	62	69	-	-							-	-	
(c) (i)	<u>Assault scales for initial landing</u>		20	450	470	5	5							10 ^x	11	x - 7 tons amm. 2 1/2 " guns etc. 1/2 " RAP, Sigs &c
(ii)	<u>Balance of requirements to augment (c) (i) assault scale within 48 hrs of initial landing</u>		10	102	112	14	14 ^x									All can be carried ashore on the man
(iii)	<u>Additions required after first 48 hrs but within 10 to 14 days of initial landing</u>		1	39	40									2	4	Jeeps and Trailers loaded.
(iv)	<u>LOB and balance of 1st reinforcement</u>		7	62	69									5	9	

EXERCISE ROBIN

Ser No.	BASIS	UNIT	PERSONNEL			VEHICLES							UNIT EQPT		REMARKS	
			Offrs	ORs	Total	jeep	Trailers	2½ ton						Tons DW		Tons Cubic
a	b	c	d	e	f	g	h	i	j	k	l	m	n	o	p	q
(a)	<u>Full WE and WET</u>	2/2 Aust H.Q. Bn.	31	591	622	19	19							17	24	
(b)	<u>1st Reinforcement</u>		7	62	69	-	-							-	-	
(c) (i)	<u>Assault scales for initial landing</u>		20	450	470	5	5							10 ^x	11	8 - 7 tons amm. 2½ " guns etc. ½ " RAP, Sigs &c
(ii)	<u>Balance of requirements to augment (c) (i) assault scale within 48 hrs of initial landing</u>		10	102	112	14	14 ^x									All can be carried ashore on the man
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EXERCISE ROBIN

ASSAULT WAVE.

	<u>Officers</u>	<u>ORs.</u>
	20	450
TOTAL.....	<u>20</u>	<u>450</u>

REQUIRED IN 48 HOURS

<u>Officers</u>		<u>Ors.</u>
O.C. H.Q. Coy.	<u>Bn.HQ.</u>	10
4 Coy. 21/cs.	Regtl. Police	4
Q.M.	Clerks	1
I.O.	Batman	1
T.O.		
A.A. Officer	<u>HQ.Coy.</u>	
Padre	CQMS	1
	Pioneer Sjt	1
	Tpt.Sgt	1
	Clerk	1
	Batmen	3
	Tech. Sgt	1
	A.A.Pl.	20
	Drivers	2
	Hygiene Dut.	2
	Orderly	1
	Storemen Q.	1
	Water Duts.	2
		36
	<u>4 M.G.Coys.(each)..</u>	
	CQMS	1
	Tech Stormn.	1
	Tpt.Cpls.	1
	Drivers	4
	Storemen	1
		32
	<u>Attached.</u>	
	AAMC	3
	AEME	5
	AACC	20
	AAPS	1
		28
	TOTAL.....	<u>10</u> <u>102</u>

REQUIRED AFTER 48 HOURS.

<u>Officers</u>		<u>ORs.</u>
Bn. 21/e.	Ord.Room Sgt.	1 1
	Sgt.(Records)	1
	Clerks (Bn.)	2
	Dvr. Mechs.	3
	Batmen	1
	CSM	1
	Clerk(HQ.Coy)	1
	Clerk(Q)	1
	Tech.Stm.	2
	Bricklayer	1
Carpenters	2 Dvrs.	10
RQMS	1 Stm.	1
Eqpt.Repr.	1 AAPC	1
Tailors	2 AACC	1
Mess Duts.	2 AAOC	1
Butcher	1 Tpt.Cpl.	1
	RSM	1
	TOTAL... 39	<u>1</u>

TOTAL M.G. BN. PLUS ATTACHED..... 31

EXERCISE ROBIN.

DISTRIBUTION OF PERSONNEL ON LANDING CRAFT -2/2 AUST MG BN.

<u>Ser. No.</u>	<u>Craft</u>	<u>No. of Personnel</u>	<u>Stores.</u>	<u>Time required on Beach</u>	<u>REMARKS.</u>
1	LCVP	32	Carried on the man	H plus 15 mins.	
2	LCVP	13	1 Jeep	H plus 30 mins.	Craft fully loaded.
3	LCVP	32	Carried on the man	H plus 30 mins.	
4.	LCVP	32	Carried on the man	H plus 30 mins.	

SECRET.

For Information
26 Bde.

EXERCISE ROBIN.

DISTRIBUTION OF PERSONNEL ON LANDING CRAFT -2/2 AUST MG BN.

<u>Ser. No.</u>	<u>Craft</u>	<u>No. of Personnel</u>	<u>Stores.</u>	<u>Time required on Beach</u>	<u>REMARKS.</u>
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2	LCVP	13	1 Jeep	H plus 30 mins.	Craft fully loaded.
3	LCVP	32	Carried on the man	H plus 30 mins.	
4.	LCVP	32	Carried on the man	H plus 30 mins.	

For Information
26 Bde.

SECRET.

EXERCISE ROBIN.

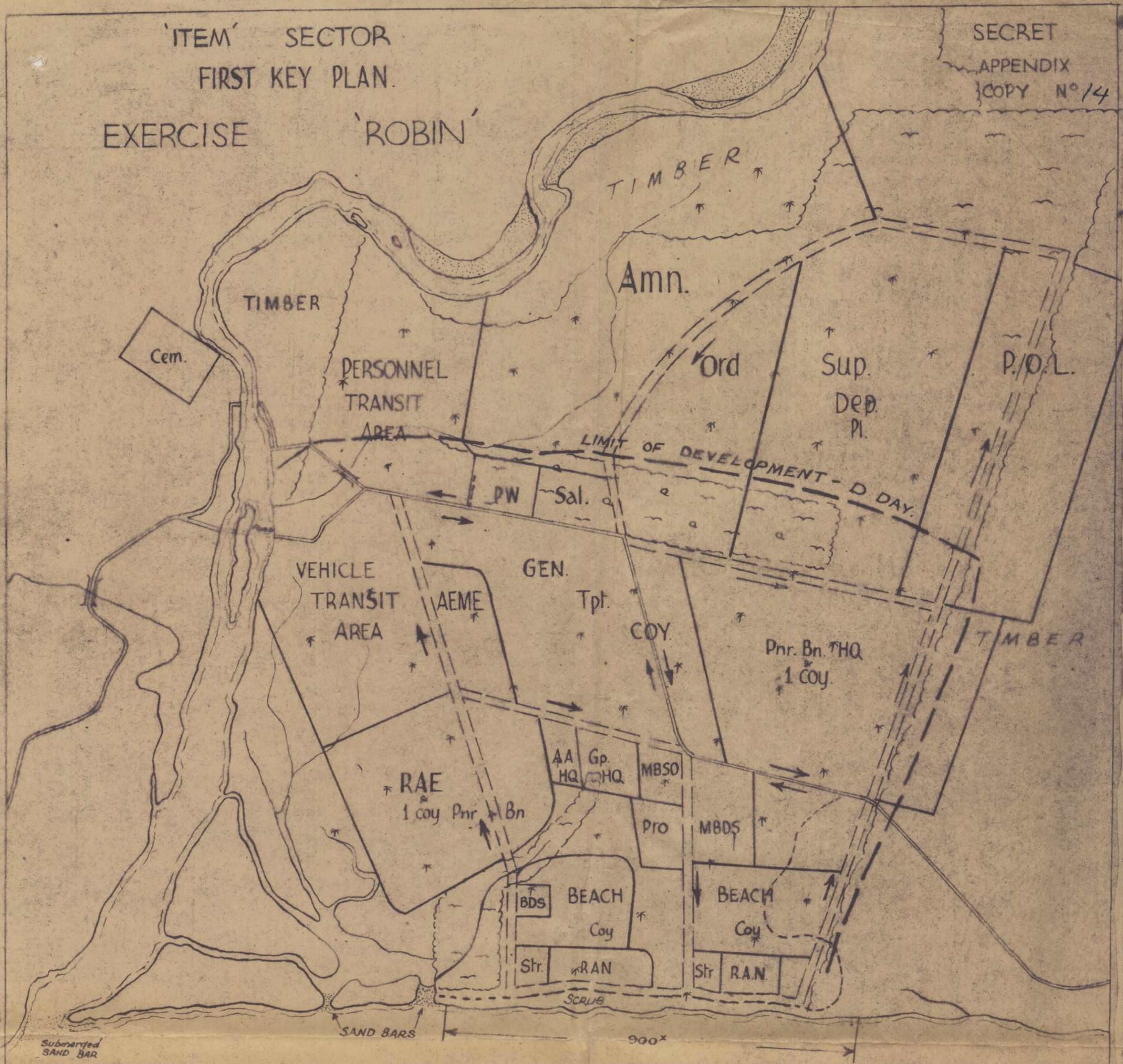
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'ITEM' SECTOR
FIRST KEY PLAN.

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APPENDIX
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EXERCISE 'ROBIN'



100 200 300 400 500 600 YARDS.

Scale 164 yards to 1 in.

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APPX

"C"

ADMINISTRATION.

- 4 JUL 1944

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HQ 24 Aust Inf Bde

3 Jul 44.

24 AUST INF BDE ADM INSTR NO 6.MOVE TO MT GARNET.

Ref Map: MT GARNET 1: 63,360.

1. Ref 24 Aust Inf Bde Trg Instr No 5 of 23 Jun 44.
2. No move before 7 Jul 44.
3. Adv Parties - Adv parties as under will move to MT GARNET area and prepare bivouac areas. (See Appendix "A")

Serial	Unit	Str		Tpt		QC
		Offrs	OR	15 Cwt	3 Ton	
1	HQ 24 Bde (and att'd tps)	1	10	1		Capt J. ROSE
2	2/28 Bn	2	25	1		Maj C.R. TUCKER
3	2/32 Bn	2	25	1		Lt R.R. KENNEDY
4	2/43 Bn	2	25		1	Capt J.D. GORDON
5	2/2 MG Bn	To be decided by CO			2/2 Aust MG Bn	
6	2/3 Fd Amb	1	10			

4. Main Body - On 8 Jul main body will move to MT GARNET and carry out exercises en route (For bivouac areas for nights 8/9, 9/10, 10/11 and 11/12 Jul see Appendix "B".)
5. Rear Parties -

Serial	Unit	Str		Tpt		QC
		Offrs	OR	15 Cwt	3 Ton	
1	HQ 24 Bde	1	16	1	1	Lt W.G. FOLEY
2	2/28 Bn	1	20		1	Lt J. MERCER
3	2/32 Bn	1	20		1	Lt E.E. IVEY
4	2/43 Bn	1	20		1	Lt M.A. YOEMAN
5	2/2 MG Bn	To be decided by CO			2/2 Aust MG Bn	
6	2/3 Fd Amb	To be decided by CO			2/3 Aust Fd Amb	

6. Personnel Returning from Leave - See Appendix "C".
7. Amn - (a) blank - 25 rds per rifle will be carried on the man
(b) no other amn will be carried
8. Sups - (a) Rations: normal ration scale.
(b) Indents: indents lodged for rations to be consumed on and after 8 Jul will be made out separately for :-
(i) Adv Party
(ii) Main Body
(iii) Camp Security Guards
and will be clearly marked showing Sup P at which rations will be drawn.
(c) Sup P's:
(i) DID RAVENSHOE - normal hrs.
(ii) Sup P in bivouac area MT GARNET opens 1300 hrs to 1500 hrs daily from 8 to 17 Jul both incl at 945748.

NOTED	
CO	
2/c	
Adit.	Fail
Q.M.	
M.O.	
I.O.	
T.O.	
R.S.M.	(initials)

9. POL - As for Sups

10. Water - Drought conditions and the length of haul make water restrictions necessary in MOUNT GARNET area.

- (a) Sup: Water will be supplied in the MOUNT GARNET area at the rate of 2 galls per man per day. Arrangements will be made by this HQ to supplement this ration from WP on HERBERT RIVER at 093723. This WP will be open daily from 1400 hrs to 2359 hrs daily.
- (b) Cartage: To economise in the use of tpt water vehs of the Bde gp will be pooled. Detailed instrs will be issued later.
- (c) Storage: As no storage facilities are available in MOUNT GARNET bivouac area units will take sufficient tanks (with Adv Parties) from present lines.
- (d) WP 941755 - Open 0800 till 1700 hrs daily from 11 to 17 Jul.
- (e) Adv Parties: Up to and incl 10 Jul adv parties will draw water from WP at 953773.
- (f) Control: This HQ will issue drs of water vehs with issue cards stating WP at which to draw and quantity to be drawn.
- (g) En Route to MOUNT GARNET: WP at WILD RIVER 178819
- (h) At RAVENSHOE: Units will leave tanks full for use of rear parties. Water vehs remaining in RAVENSHOE area with AASC 9 Aust Div, 2/118 Aust Bde Wkshop and 2/122 Aust Bde Wkshop will be used to replenish water sup of rear parties as required. HQ Comd AASC 9 Aust Div will co-ord.

11. Med-

- (a) Adv party: RAP will operate in area 1 (see Appendix "A") as from 7 Jul 44.
- (b) Main body: Lt secs of 2/3 Aust Fd Amb will be attd to each Bn. MAC will be with Bde 1 ech.
- (c) Rear party: Bn RAPs will function as usual. 2/11 Aust Fd Amb has consented to make available a MO if necessary.
- (d) Scrub Typhus: Clothing will be treated with mite repellent lotion prior to movement from present area.

12. Hyg -

- (a) Conservancy: Strict attention will be paid to the provision of adequate latrine facilities during meal halts, and in bivouac areas. Fouled ground will be clearly marked before moving.
- (b) Refuse: All refuse will be burnt and buried. Empty tins will be crushed before burial.
- (c) Water: All water will be sterilised before consumption.

13. Dental - Dental secs will move with units to which attd. Detailed instrs will be issued later.

14. Rec -

- (a) Rec Posts: AEME will est rec posts as under:-
 - (i) 2/123 Aust Bde Wkshop (present site) from 8 to 22 Jul both incl.
 - (ii) INNOT HOT SPRINGS - from 9 to 12 Jul and 17 to 19 Jul all dates incl.
 - (iii) MT GARNET (with Lt 2nd Ech Wksp in bivouac area 945748) 11 to 19 Jul both incl.
 - (iv) RAVENSHOE - from 8 to 22 Jul both incl, all rec within 9 Aust Div area RAVENSHOE will be done by 2/122 Aust Bde Wkshop in present site.

14. Rec (Contd)

- (b) Rd Patrol: An AEME Rd Patrol with mechanics MV hand tools and small quantity of small parts will patrol RAVENSHOF MT GARNET Rd between rec posts 1 and 3, 0700 to 1900 hrs daily during the exercise commencing 8 Jul.
- (c) LAD: 2/76 LAD will move with Bde "B" ech.

15. Dress -

- (a) On the Man: Battle order with hats khaki fur felt.
- (b) With B Ech: Clean set of working dress JG and pullover.

16. Blankets -

- (a) On the Man: One blanket with groundsheet per man.
- (b) With B Ech: Two blankets per man under unit arrangements.

17. B Ech -

- (a) Brigaded under comd Capt J.L. FERGUSON.
- (b) Cooking: Morning and evening meals will be prepared in B Ech and taken fwd to tps in hot-boxes. Midday meal will be carried on the man.

18. Tentage - Tent flys on the scale of 8 men per fly will be taken by unit adv parties.

19. TC - DAPM 9 Aust Div will make arrangements for duration of exercise paying particular attention to regulating traffic at WP's.

20. Pro - 9 Aust Div have det 10 ORs to this Bde for move to MOUNT GARNET. This det will revert to div control during the period in MOUNT GARNET bivouac area.

21. Sal - Det 9 Aust Div Sal Unit remains present site. 9 Aust Div Sal Unit less det will establish sal dump in bivouac area 945748 to which units will evacuate all salvageable material.

22. Amenities: Mob Cinemas. Two mob cinemas will be in operation in the bivouac area. Adv party comd will have screen frame erected in suitable area for screening on 14 Jul. Films will be screened on the race course nightly at 1900 hrs commencing 11 Jul.

23. Canteens-

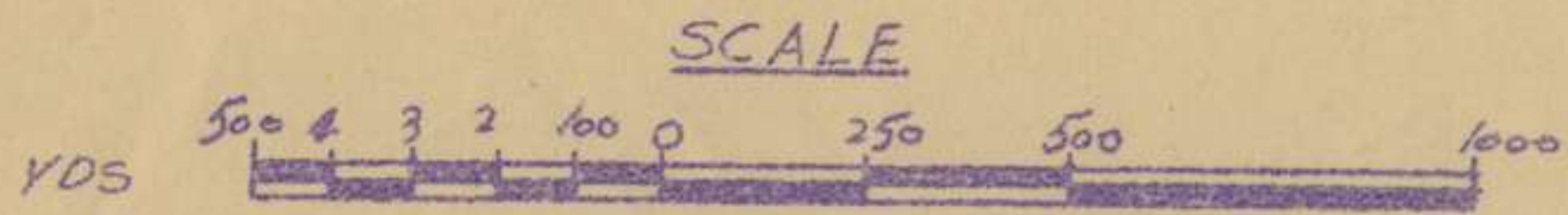
- (a) AACS will est issue pt at bivouac area 945748.
- (b) Under arrangement AASC two canteens will be opened on the race course on 15 and 16 Jul for sale of soft drinks and refreshments.

24. Bounds - MT GARNET town area (incl) picture house and hotels are out of bounds to ORs.

Percy L. Finlay Capt.
SC 24 Aust Inf Bde.

DISTRIBUTION:

2/28 Aust Inf Bn (2)	2/2 Aust MG Bn	9 Aust Div	SC	Sig Offr
2/32 Aust Inf Bn (2)	2/3 Aust Fd Amb	Comd	IO1	Sup O
2/43 Aust Inf Bn (2)	2/76 LAD	BM	IO	War Diary
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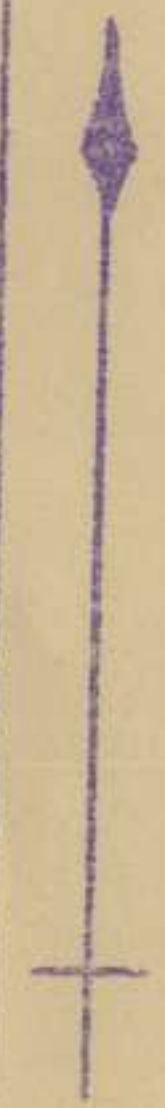
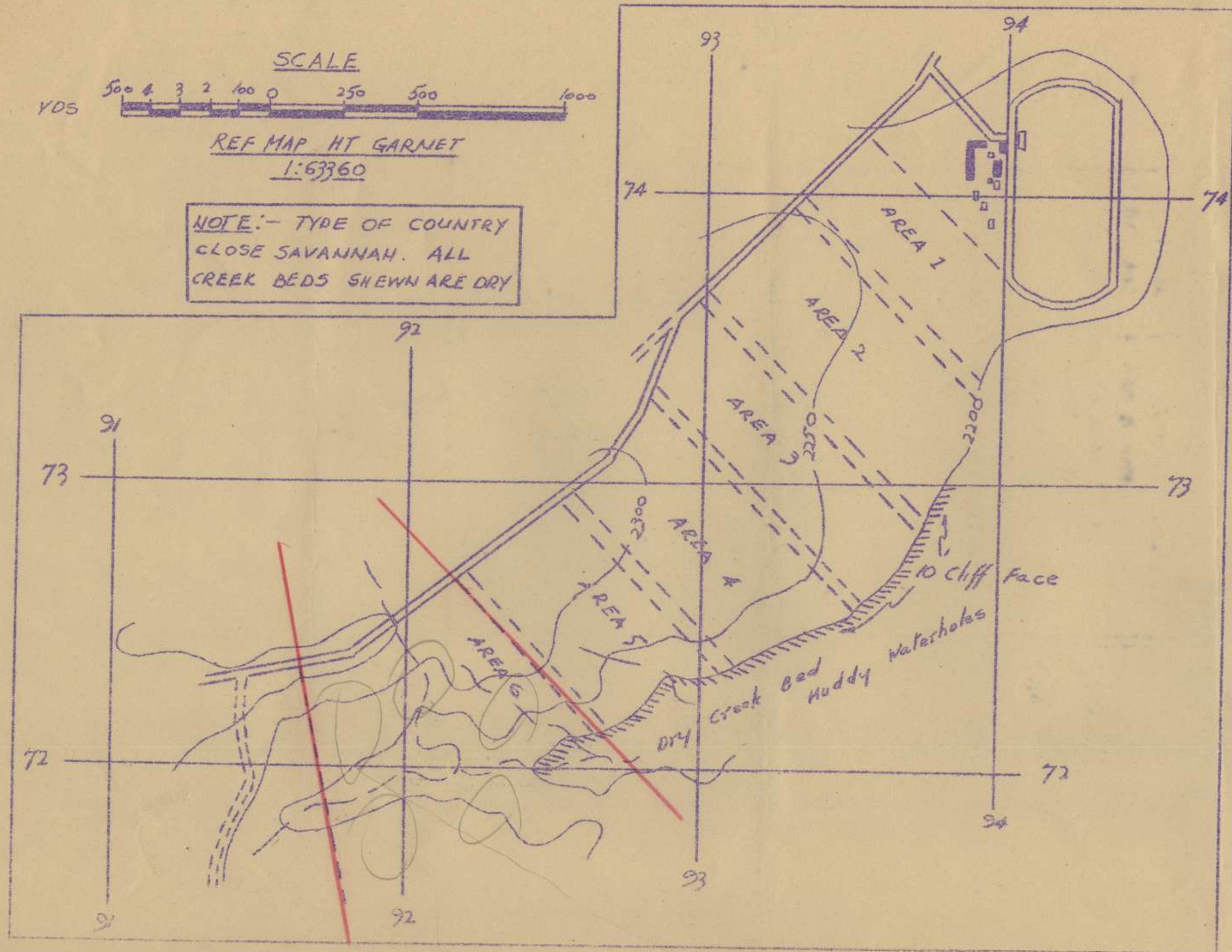


REF MAP HT GARNET
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NOTE:- TYPE OF COUNTRY
CLOSE SAVANNAH. ALL
CREEK BEDS SHEWN ARE DRY

" "
APPX A to ADM INSTR
NO.6

AREA 1	2/3	FD AMB
" 2	2/28	BN
" 3		BDE HQ.
" 4	2/32	BN
" 5	2/43	BN
" 6	2/2	MG BN



BIVOUAC AREAS FOR PERIOD 8 - 12 JUL

<u>Serial</u>	<u>Night</u>	<u>Unit</u>	<u>Bivouac Area</u>
1	8/9 Jul	24 Aust Inf Bde (and attd tps)	Bde def area MOUNT ARCHER 247812
2	8/9 Jul	2/28 Aust Inf Bn	
3	8/9 Jul	2/32 Aust Inf Bn	
4	8/9 Jul	2/43 Aust Inf Bn	
5	8/9 Jul	Bde B ech	
6	8/9 Jul	2/3 Aust Fd Amb (less light secs)	
7	9/10 Jul	24 Aust Inf Bde HQ	Area 127810, 135810
8	9/10 Jul	2/28 Aust Inf Bn	
9	9/10 Jul	2/32 Aust Inf Bn	
10	9/10 Jul	2/43 Aust Inf Bn	135800, 127797
11	9/10 Jul	Bde B ech	
12	9/10 Jul	2/3 Aust Fd Amb	
13	10/11 Jul	24 Aust Inf Bde HQ	Area 140801, 143801 143797, 140799
14	10/11 Jul	2/28 Aust Inf Bn	
15	10/11 Jul	2/32 Aust Inf Bn	
16	10/11 Jul	2/43 Aust Inf Bn	
17	10/11 Jul	Bde B ech	
18	10/11 Jul	2/3 Aust Fd Amb	
19	11/12 Jul	24 Aust Inf Bde HQ	To be advised later
20	11/12 Jul	2/28 Aust Inf Bn	
21	11/12 Jul	2/32 Aust Inf Bn	
22	11/12 Jul	2/43 Aust Inf Bn	
23	11/12 Jul	Bde B ech	
24	11/12 Jul	2/3 Aust Fd Amb	

In areas prepared
by adv parties
(See Appendix "A")

10
CONFIDENTIAL

HQ 2/2 Aust MG Bn
3 Jul 44

2/2 AUST MG BN - ADM INSTN NO 1
(Further to 2/2 MG Bn Trg Instn No 2)

Ref map 1 in to 1 mile MT GARNET.

1. Location & Groupings See trace "A" attached.
2. Advance Party as per Trg Instn No 2 No move before 7 Jul 44.
3. Camp Security Guards As per Trg Instn No
4. Rear Party Same personnel as detailed for Advance party (see trg instn No 2)
5. Sups
 - (a) Rations Normal ration scale.
 - (b) Indents Indents lodged for rations to be consumed after 3 Jul will be made out separately for :-
 - (i) Adv Party
 - (ii) Main Body
 - (iii) Camp Security Guardand will be clearly marked showing Sup P at which rations will be drawn.
 - (c) Sup Ps
 - (i) D.I.D. RAVENSHOE -normal hrs.
 - (ii) Bivouac area No 7 MT GARNET area opens 1300 hrs to 1600 hrs daily from 8 to 17 Jul both incl.
6. P.O.L. As for Sups.
7. Tpt Unit will rely on own tpt.
8. Water Drought conditions and the length of haul, make water vehicles necessary in the MT GARNET area.
 - (a) MT GARNET
 - (i) Water will be supplied from WPs in MT GARNET area at the rate of 2 galls per man per day. If desired may supplement this allowance to limit of one carrying and holding capacity from WP on HERBERT RIVER at 093723 between 1400 hrs and 2359 hrs.
 - (ii) Cartage

To economise tpt water vehs will be pooled with 2 Aust Inf Bde and 2/3 Aust Fl Amb area 5 approx "A" and will collect and deliver water under 24 Aust Inf Bde arrangements.
 - (iii) Storage

Sufficient tanks will be taken to bivouac area as storage facilities will be available.
 - (iv) WPs

"C" -941755 opens daily 0600 to 1700 hrs. from 14 Jul both incl.
 - (v) Daily entitlement - galls area 5 group "C"

8 Jul	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
400	400	400	6000	6000	6000	6000	6000	6000	6000	400
Total 39600										400
 - (vi) Advance Party

WP to 10 Jul will draw from WP A-953773.
 - (vii) 24 Aust Inf Bde will issue dvrs of water vehs for which they are drawing, WP at which to draw and capacity to be drawn.
 - (viii) Stock

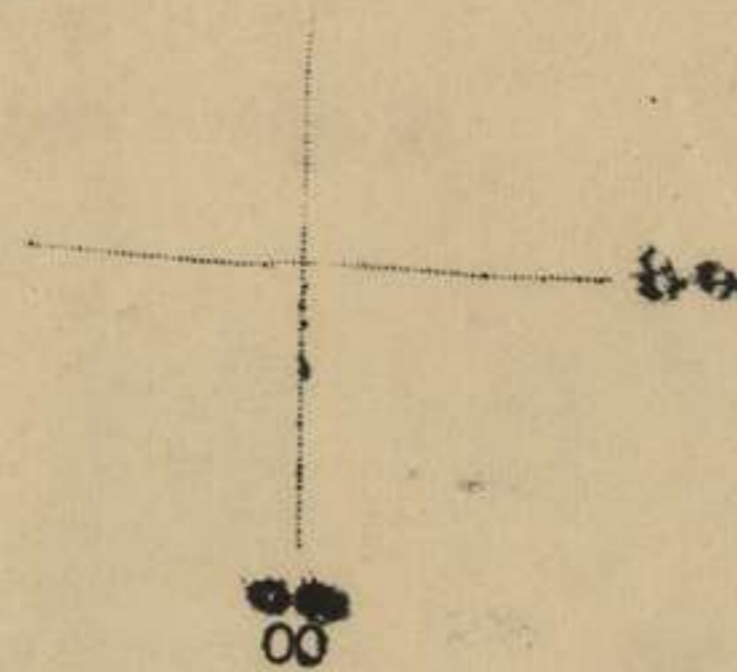
Water for stock within the racecourse will be provided by troughs with ball valve control.
 - (b) En Route to and from Mt Garnett WI at WILLO RIVER 178819.
 - (c) at RAVENSHOE
 - (i) Tanks will be left full for security guards.
 - (ii) AASC 9 Aust Div will co-ord replenished water sup for security guards.

9. Medical
- (a) 2/3 Aust Fd Amb will move in sp group B
 - (b) Evac During move - by fd amb from bde groups direct to 2/1 Aust CCS by MAC.
 - (c) Med Aid Post Med Aid Post will be est on racecourse on 15 & 16 Jul.
 - (d) Scrub Typhus Clothing will be treated with mite repellent lotion before move from present area.
10. Hygiene
- (a) Conservancy Strict attention will be paid to the provision of adequate latrine facilities during meal halts, and in bivouac areas. Fouled ground will be clearly marked before leaving.
 - (b) Refuse: All refuse will be burnt and buried. Empty tins will be crushed before burial.
 - (c) Water: All water will be sterilised before consumption.
11. Dental Dental sec will move with HQ Coy.
12. Ord Det Bde Ord Fd Park opens at bivouac area No 7 MT GARNET from 11 to 18 Jul both incl. Otherwise ord units will remain in present area.
13. Rec
- (a) Rec Posts AEME will est rec posts as under :-
 - (i) 2/123 Aust Bde Wkshop (present site) from 8 to 22 Jul both incl.
 - (ii) INNOCENT HOT SPRINGS - from 9 to 12 Jul and 17 to 19 Jul both dates incl.
 - (iii) MT GARNET (with Lt 2nd Ech Wkshp in bivouac area No 7) 11 to 19 both incl.
 - (iv) RAVENSHOE - from 8 to 22 Jul both incl, all rec within 9 Aust Div area RAVENSHOE be done by 2/123 Aust Bde Wkshop in present site.
 - (b) Rd Patrol An AEME Rd Patrol with mechanics MV hand tools and small quantity of small parts will patrol RAVENSHOE - MT GARNET rd between rec posts 1 and 3, 0700 to 1900 hrs daily during the exercise commencing 8 Jul.
14. Repairs
- (a) AEME will est a Lt 2nd Ech Wkshp at bivouac area No 7 MT GARNET from 11 to 19 Jul both incl.
 - (b) Evac
 - (i) 1st Ech - from units to nearest LAD or rec post.
 - (ii) 2nd Ech - to Lt 2nd Ech Wkshp at MT GARNET or to 2/123 Aust Bde Wkshp.
 - (c) Spare Parts Det Ord Fd Park at MT GARNET with Lt 2nd Ech Wkshp
 - (d) LADs Move with Fms or units
15. T.C. Arrangements will be made by 9 Aust Div, particularly in VP.
16. Pro 10 ORs 9 Aust Div Pro Coy will be allotted to each bde for move and from bivouac area No 7.
17. Sal "Q" will evacuate unit salvage to bivouac area No 7.
18. Amenities Mob Cinemas - Two will be in operation in the bivouac area.
 - (a) Racecourse nightly at 1900 hrs starting 14 Jul.
 - (b) Bivouac Area 5 - 14 Jul.
19. Canteens
- (a) AACS will est issue pt at bivouac area no 7. "Q" will arrange for operation of unit canteen.
 - (b) AACS will open two canteens on racecourse 15 & 16 Jul for sale of soft drinks and refreshments.
20. Bounds MT GARNET town Area (incl) picture house, hotels, is out of bounds to ORs.

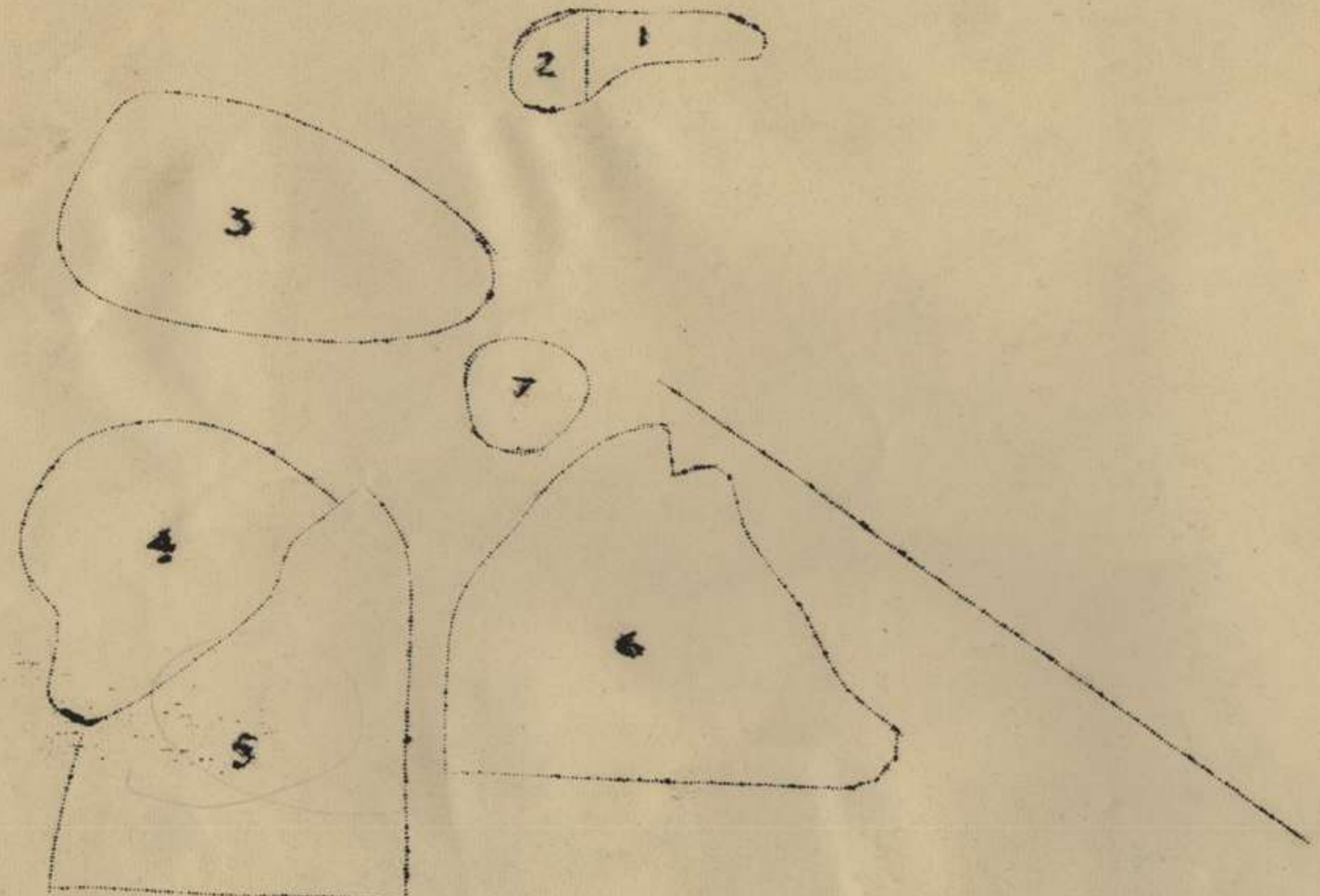
J. Warburton Capt
Adjnt 2/2 Aust Fd Regt

DISTRIBUTION

A Coy -	1-2	HQ Coy	9-10	Q.M.	14	Dental Unit	18
B Coy	3-4	Cond	11	I.O.	15	File	19
C Coy	5-6	Adjnt	12	R.M.O.	16	War Diary	20-21
D Coy	7-8	T.O.	13	Trg Offr			



27 Aust MIA Bn
 ADM. INSTN NO. 1. Overlay
 REF. MAP. MT GARNET 163360



1. + HQ 9 Aust Div
 HR RAA 9 Aust Div
 B Aust FS Sect
 A Coy 2/4 Aust Gd Regtl
 less 1, 2 & 4 pls
 2/67 Aust LAD
 9 Aust Div Fd Cash Office
 9 Aust Div Postal Unit
 27 Aust Mobile Cinema Unit
2. + Sigs 9 Aust Div
 9 Aust Div Pro Coy
3. + 20 Aust Inf Bde
 2/3 Aust Pnr Bn
 2/8 Aust Fd Amb
4. + RAA 9 Aust Div
 RAE 9 Aust Div
5. + 24 Aust Inf Bde
 2/2 Aust MG Bn
 2/3 Aust Fd Amb
6. + 26 Aust Inf Bde
 2/9 Aust (Commando) Regt
 2/11 Aust Fd Amb
7. + AASC 9 Aust Div (det)
 B.BP
 SPs
 FPs
 Det 2/123 Aust Bde Ord Fd Pk
 Det 9 Aust Div Salvage Unit



♦ Denotes responsibility for local area administration.

4 Jul 44

2/2 AUST MG BN - ADM INSTN NO 2

PROTECTION AGAINST SCRUB TYPHUS

1. Scrub typhus can be prevented if clothes are treated with anti-mite fluid. This fluid is harmless to the skin and clothes, but poisonous to "mites", and it resists washing much better than mosquito repellent lotion.

2. Frequency of Application

One treatment protects until the clothes have been washed cold or warm with soap or Persil 7 times or boiled (10 minutes) with soap three times. Sweat or rain do not effect this time. Generally, therefore, under field conditions treatment should be done every fortnight. Treated clothing put away and not washed will remain protective for at least two months. If mosquito repellent lotion is used, treatment must be carried out weekly.

3. Amount Used

1 fluid ounce (two tablespoons) for one set of clothes - shirt trousers and socks.

4. Method of Application: is by rubbing the fluid into the cloth (all cloth in contact with the body) by hand. Dipping is out of the question and spraying must be avoided as it gives erratic results.

5. Details

Each man receives his issue (enough to treat all his clothing, worn or unworn) in a tin. He dips the finger tips of one hand into the fluid, taking out enough to give a light smear over the inner surfaces of the two hands. With the smeared hands he rubs the fluid into the material with an action like that of washing; or he may spread the clothes on a flat surface e.g., a ground sheet on the ground, and wipe the hands firmly over them. Socks & trousers being worn may be stretched and rubbed against the skin, but a shirt must be taken off and turned inside out to avoid the pockets. From the point of view of protection it does not matter which side of the cloth is treated.

There are at least 75 light smears in a fluid ounce. Heavier smears would give a patchy cover. Success depends on thoroughness. The full quantity must be used thus :

SOCKS: 6 smears to each. If no socks are worn, 6 smears inside each boot, but treated boots will not protect if worn with untreated socks.

TROUSERS: 10 smears to each leg, 10 about waist and fly.

SHIRT: 6 smears to each sleeve, and 20 on the body of the shirt. If underpants and singlets are worn, extra fluid should be issued to allow 10 smears to each garment.

The Reason for requiring a full cover is as follows :

The fluid acts by poisoning mites. This poisoning takes time. Treated cloth that has been washed may take half an hour to kill a mite, in which time the mite can travel for a foot or more, and could therefore cross a treated band and bite under an untreated patch. Double dosage is no more effective than that laid down (1 ounce is liberal).

Therefore heavy treatment of strips or patches will not protect.

Complete cover is essential.

To treat a set of clothes takes 15 minutes.

6. Distribution

The fluid is in 5 gall drums. The scale of issue is 1 ounce per set of clothes per man initially, replenishable fortnightly.

Within the coys the fluid should be issued to platoons in clean containers of suitable size (some tins which make convenient measures are listed below).

The men will parade with all their tropical clothes to be treated. Each man with a container in which to receive his issue of fluid. The best container would be jam tin cut down so that its walls are about 1 inch high to give the effect of a deep saucer. In New Guinea tobacco tins were used.

The men will file past issuing point and receive one ounce per set of clothes. The fluid should be ladled out with a measure. A two ounce Capstan tobacco tin or 4 oz cream tin, cut half way down and fitted with a handle makes a good 2 fluid ounce ladle.

6. Distribution (contd)

Clothes should be treated on the spot and under supervision. The clothes may be dry, damp, or wet, but preferably dry, as the fluid then "shows up" better. New clothes fresh from store take and hold the fluid as well as those that have been worn and washed. Treatment of all articles at one time is necessary to avoid confusion later as to which are done and which are not.

When in mite country the men will live and sleep in treated clothes.

<u>MEASURES:</u>	Kia-ora fruit tin	30 ozs
	Jam tin	20 "
	Milk tin	12 "
	Bully beef tin	3 "
	2 oz tobacco tin	4 "

7. Results

- (a) Where anti-mite fluid has been made available, its use has been followed by a considerable reduction in scrub typhus. Where scrub typhus has occurred failure in distribution has been detected e.g., whole platoons or sections have been sent no fluid or too little.
- (b) Persons returning to the unit have not immediately received fluid, and have worn untreated clothes until the next general issue.
- (c) New clothing (particularly socks) has been taken forward and issued without fluid.
- (d) All available evidence indicated that where men are given the fluid and shown how to use it, they get results.

8. Body Inspection

It is important that after each days work or march that each man's body is inspected for mites, and any person suspected of being bitten should report to the M.O. to have the mite removed.

9. All Coys will forward a certificate by 1200 hrs 7 Jul 44 that this ins'n has been promulgated to all ranks.

J. McFarlane Capt
(F.A.V. Bailey)
Adj't 2/2 Aust MG Bn.

DISTRIBUTION:

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HQ 9 Aust Div
Ref: A71/4/1639
4 Jul 44

- Subject: DENTAL TREATMENT - PERIOD 8-17 JUL 44
Dental off 266
1. Reference 9 Aust Div Adm Instr No 3, para 12.
 2. During the above period when units will be either moving to, situated at, or returning from MT GARNET, dental secs of 2/6 Aust Dental Unit and 2/8 Aust Dental Unit will continue dental treatment for personnel of units to which they are responsible vide this HQ A71/4/1235 and in accordance with instructions contained in the following paras.
 3. Dental secs of 2/6 Aust Dental Unit and 2/8 Aust Dental Unit will continue operating until 1600 hrs 11 Jul 44, when they will move to MT GARNET and bivouac with HQ and/or units to which they are at present attached.
 4. Units will arrange to leave the necessary personnel in present camp sites after main bodies move out so that they can receive dental treatment in the normal way. Preference will be given to personnel requiring urgent treatment. Units will leave personnel in present areas on the basis of six men per day from the time main bodies move out of camp sites until 1600 hrs 11 Jul 44.
 5. Personnel remaining in present areas for dental treatment will either move out after treatment has been completed in any available unit tpt or will remain until the afternoon of 11 Jul and move with personnel and equipment of respective dental secs. OsC Dental Secs will advise units at earliest of the particular personnel required for dental treatment up till 1600 hrs 11 Jul 44.
 6. One 3 ton veh per dental sec will be provided by "Q" 9 Aust Div and will report to each dental sec at the lines of the unit to which they are attached at 1600 hrs 11 Jul 44.
 7. Units to which dental secs are at present attached will erect two tents in bivouac areas by 1700 hrs 11 Jul 44 in which equipment of dental secs can be placed on arrival. Tents should be located alongside unit WPs i.e. water tanks etc.
 8. Dental treatment will continue during the bivouac period at MT GARNET until 1700 hrs 16 Jul 44, except that personnel will NOT remain in bivouac areas for dental treatment during the full rehearsal for the div ceremonial parade on 13 Jul 44 or for the parade itself on 14 Jul 44.
 9. Dental Secs will return to present camp sites early on the morning of 17 Jul 44. Sufficient personnel, on the same basis of six men per day, will be tpted with dental secs to receive dental treatment until the arrival of main bodies in present areas.
 10. One 3 ton veh for each dental sec and for personnel to receive dental treatment on arrival in camp sites will be provided by "Q" 9 Aust Div. Vehs will report to dental secs at 0900 hrs 17 Jul 44.

Offahan Capt
for
Lt.-Col
AA & QMG 9 Aust Div

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2/8 Aust Dental Unit (4)

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Subject : CONFERENCE - M.G. Bn COMDS.

Sigs 9 Aust Div. /
In the field.
Ref : 5/487/1

9 Aust Div.

Copy to -
CSO 1 Aust Corps.
2/2 Aust M.G.Bn.

1. Ref para 12b of report on above conference.
2. It is considered that increase in pers. is not justified to the extent recommended in the above report.
3. The increase in pers. is apparently based on the recommended increase in establishment of wireless sets. Whilst it is realized that a wireless set 108 Mk III requires 2 sigs to operate it, it is very unlikely that set and pers. would be committed to work for extended periods. The reason for this is that in a M.G. Bn wireless is considered an alternative means of comm. Experience has shown the Bn to be employed in a semi mobile way.
4. It is considered that an adequate establishment would be as listed below :-

Bn H.Q.		Each Gun Coy		Total
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Lieut	1	1	Cpl	1 offr 40 DRS
Sgt	1	5	Sigs	
Sigs	9	1	driver	
Dvr Mech	1			
Batman	1			

1 cons

5. It is pointed out that this Unit was not consulted as stated in para 12b.

W.L. Lambert
(W.L. Lambert)
Lt-Col.
Comd Sigs 9 Aust Div.

5 Jul 44.

*11-21-44 say they were -
The wording is 'Divisional
Signal Officers' - Well,
they might be anywhere.
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Subject: PUBLICATIONS

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6 AUST DIV
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Copy to FIRST AUST ARMY FOR 7 AUST DIV

Reference Small Arms Training Volume I, Pamphlet 7, Part 3.

1. Advice has been received that the above pamphlet, which was requisitioned for as a result of the recent conference of MG bn commanders, is not available, as it is at present being reprinted.
2. Copies will be forwarded to formations as soon as stocks become available.

(Sgd) ? ? ? Maj.,
for Brig
GS 1 Aust Corps

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Subject : ABC ESSAY COMPETITION FOR TROOPS

Any further?

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2 AUST BEACH GP	CEME
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RAA 1 AUST CORPS	1 AUST CORPS RECEPTION CAMP
HQ RAE 1 AUST CORPS TPS	2 AUST CORPS RECEPTION CAMP
5 AUST FD SVY COY	2 AUST CORPS SALVAGE UNIT
"A" AUST CORPS SIGS	CAMP
HQ COMD 1 AUST CORPS TPS AASC	

Subtended are particulars of ABC ESSAY COMPETITION FOR TROOPS :

" The Australian Broadcasting Commission, Listening Groups Section, in conjunction with the Aust Army Education Service announces an essay competition for military personnel.

2. Two subjects have been set :

A. Is "Soldiers' Preference" an economically sound proposition?

B. Can private enterprise organise itself to avoid a post war depression?

Essays will be submitted to reach AD Education HQ First Aust Army NOT later than 5 Aug 44.

3. Two essays will be chosen on each topic - the best FOR and the best AGAINST. There will be four winning essays altogether.

4. The two essays selected on subject "A" will be read and broadcast by the ABC on the National Programme from 2FC and regional stations on Mon 4 Sep at 2040 hrs. Similarly the essays selected on subject "B" will be broadcast on 11 Sep. It will be noted that this is the regular feature hour for ABC broadcasts on social and international problems, and already enjoys a large audience. A fee of five guineas will be paid to each of the four winners by the ABC.

5. Conditions of entry :

- (i) All army personnel are eligible
- (ii) Title of subjects must be written clearly at the head of each entry
- (iii) Essays must NOT exceed 900 words
- (iv) Each essay must state a clear case, answering the question for or against
- (v) Essays must bear a statement that the work is unpublished and original, signed by the author and witnessed by an officer.
- (vi) It is desirable that entries be written in ink wherever possible
- (vii) Reg No., Name, Rank and Unit must be shown at the head of first page
- (viii) A covering note should be attached if soldiers do NOT require return of essays
- (ix) A member may submit essays on both topics if he or she wishes

6. Desirable points in a good essay for broadcast purposes are indicated as a guide :

- (i) Entrants should keep to the point
- (ii) Write in plain, simple and direct English
- (iii) Avoid long involved sentences as far as possible
- (iv) Style should be concrete and avoid abstraction and vague generalisations.
- (v) Wherever facts are known they should be stated as exactly as possible".

2. It is desired that the above particulars be promulgated to all ranks.

(Signature)
for Brig

DA & QMG 1 Aust Corps

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24 AUST INF BDE ADM INSTR NO 8.

WATER ARRANGEMENTS FOR EXERCISE "PANDO"

HQ 24 Aust Inf Bde
 7 Jul 44.
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Ref Map MOUNT GARNET 1: 63,360

1. Ref 24 Aust Inf Bde Adm Instr No 6.
2. Adv Party:
 - (a) Until 10 Jul (incl) WP at 953733 will be used.
 - (b) Water truck from 2/3 Aust Fd Amb will service all adv parties.
 - (c) Water in excess of entitlement will be drawn from WP at 093723 which is open daily between 1400 hrs and 2359 hrs.
3. Main Body:
 - (a) All water trucks will be with B Ech.
 - (b) 8 JUL-
 - (i) Each water truck will fill the tanks at present camp site for Rear Party.
 - (ii) Water trucks will rendezvous (filled) at camp theatre at 08:00K.
 - (iii) Pro det will escort trucks to bivouac area at 247812.
4. Rear Parties:

No alteration from previous instrs.
5. 2/2 Aust MG Bn:

Water truck No 66291 will come under comd Bde control as from 111600K.
6. Sterilization:

Chlorinating will be carried out in water trucks but NO detasting solution will be added to the water until after it has been removed from the water truck.
7. Water Discipline:

Only water that is issued from water trucks will be used, both on the move and at MOUNT GARNET. Tps will NOT drink water from any other source.

QM. advised 11 0800.K.

8. Water Issuing Cards:

These have been sent to all units and will be carried by the drivers of the water trucks.

Res. G. L. Pina Capt.
A/ SC 24 Aust Inf Bde.

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1. WATER
Bn water truck will cart two loads daily from water point "C" map ref 941775 for bn requirements and then cart one load for 2/43 Aust Inf Bn. Other requirements will be drawn from WP-HERBERT RIVER.
2. CLEANING RACECOURSE
All ranks will deposit empty bottles, paper, rubbish etc in 44 gal drums provided for this purpose.
3. FIREWOOD
All fallen timber may be used but no trees will be fallen.
4. LIVE TIMBER
Light saplings may be used for tent poles. At conclusion of camp in this area, ~~xxxx~~ rear party will have all poles ~~stacked~~ collected and stacked at 24 Aust Inf Bde visitors car park.
5. PADDOCK FOR HOLDING STOCK
Out of bounds to all ranks.
6. CANTEENS - RACECOURSE
15 Jul hours 1200 - 1700
16 Jul " 1000 - 1130
~~Personnel will provide~~ 1330 - 1700
Personnel will provide own drinking utensils.
7. BUYING SYNDICATES & JOCKEYS
Report 0830 hrs 15 Jul to RSM Bn HQ for transport to saddling paddock by 0900 hrs.
8. RODEO COMPETITORS
Report 0830 hrs 14 Jul to RSM Bn HQ for transport to saddling paddock by 0900 hrs.
9. FIVE SHILLING TOTALISATOR - will operate on 15/16 Jul at Paddock entrance. Open Stand - Vicinity Rodeo Enclosure.
Five shillings or multiples thereof will only be accepted.
10. BOOKMAKERS
No army personnel will operate on or in the vicinity of the course. Disciplinary action will be taken against offenders.
11. PROGRAMME
15 Jul - 1000 hrs Sale of Horses
1400 " First Race
1700 " Last Race
16 Jul - 1030 " First Event
1200 & 1300 Lunch
1645 Distribution of Prizes
12. SADDLING PADDOCK
Offrs only will enter saddling paddock at civilian rates on 15 Jul - out of bounds to ORs.
13. PROGRAMMES
For 14/16 Jul will be on sale in the form of a race book 1/- each. May be posted as a souvenir.
14. PRIZE WINNERS
Report to offr in charge display table not later than 1600 hrs 16 Jul.
15. DRESS - ORs
Hats - turned down
Shirts)
Trousers) J.G.
Calters
Waist Belt
If pullover worn, waist belt to be worn outside.

DISTRIBUTION: AS OVER

F. A. Varley Capt.
(F.A. Varley)
Adjt 2/2 Aust MG Bn.

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- Rear HQ - 6
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1. WATER
 An water truck will carry two loads daily. "C" map for 21/11/45 for on requirements and the "C" map for 21/11/45 for on requirements will be used. Other requirements will be as follows.
 2. GENERAL REQUIREMENTS
 All ranks will deposit empty bottles in the cans provided for this purpose.
 3. FIREWOOD
 All fallen timber may be used for firewood.
 4. CLEAN TINDER
 Light sawdust may be used for firewood. At conclusion of camp in this area, when rear party will leave all poles standing collected and stacked at 21/11/45 for visitors car park.
 5. PADDOCK FOR HOLDING STOCK
 Out of bounds for all ranks.
 6. CANTINE - RACCOON
 15 Jul hours 1200-1700
 16 Jul " 1000-1300
 Personnel will provide own drinking utensils.
 7. BUYING SYNDICATES & JOCKEYS
 Report 0830 hrs 15 Jul to RSM Bn HQ for transport to saddle padlock by 0900 hrs.
 8. RODEO COMPETITORS
 Report 0830 hrs 15 Jul to RSM Bn HQ for transport to saddle padlock by 0900 hrs.
 9. FIVE SEILING TOTALISTOR - will operate on 15/16 Jul at Redoubt entrance. Open stand - Vicinity Rodeo Enclosure. Five entries or multiples thereof will only be accepted.
 10. BOOKMAKERS
 No entry personnel will operate on or in the vicinity of the course. Disciplinary action will be taken against offenders.
 11. PROGRAMME
 15 Jul -
 1000 hrs Sale of Horses
 1100 " First Race
 1200 " Last Race
 16 Jul -
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 1300 " Distribution of Prizes
 12. SADDLING PADDOCK
 Only only will enter saddle padlock at civilian rates on 15 Jul - out of bounds 0830.
 13. PROGRAMME
 For 15/16 Jul will be on sale in the form of a race book 1/- each. May be posted as a souvenir.
 14. PRIZE WINNERS
 Report to office in charge display table not later than 1600 hrs 16 Jul.
 15. DRESS - GRS
 Hats - turned down
 Shirts)
 Trousers) J.G.
 Gaiters
 Waist Belt
 If pullover worn, waist belt to be worn outside.

Adjt S/2 Aust Bn
 (P.A. Verley)
 Capt.

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HQ 24 Aust Inf Bde
15 Jul 44.

24 AUST INF BDE ADM INSTR NO 9.

EXERCISE "PANDO" - MOVEMENT TO RAVENSHOE.

Ref Map MT GARNET 1:63,360

1. CLEANING OF QUARTERS:

(a) These will comprise of Unit B echs and following additional personnel:-

Bde HQ	1 Offr	10 ORs
Each Bn	1 Offr	15 ORs

(b) Particular attention will be paid to the following pts:-

(i) stacking of poles on Bde visitors car park;

(ii) cleaning of areas;

(iii) filling-in of latrines and sullage pits and marking of such ground with signs "FOUL GROUND" and

(iv) mending of fences.

(c) On arr in B ech site for night 17/18 Jul personnel in addition to normal B ech personnel will rejoin their coys.

2. RAVENSHOE CAMP:

Units will ensure that personnel at present in camp-sites at RAVENSHOE and such personnel as arrive in RAVENSHOE from this area on 16 Jul prepare camp-site before main body moves in on 19 Jul.

3. SUPS:

(a) For consumption 18 & 19 Jul 44 will be drawn from Sup P at MT GARNET.

(b) 2/3 Aust Fd Amb will draw rations and hand over in B ech areas as under:-

To Bde HQ.....	30 rations
To each Bn.....	30 rations

4. POL:

(a) Vehs will move with full tanks

(b) Further requirements as for sups.

5. WATER:

(a) Water bottles will be filled on night 16/17 Jul

(b) Water carts will operate as for outward move.

6. MED:

Dets of 2/3 Aust Fd Amb will be allotted to Bde HQ and Bns as for outward move.

7. TPT:

(a) On 16 Jul vehs will report to Bns before 1800 hrs as under:-

To 2/28 Bn	.....	2	3	Ton trucks
To 2/32 Bn	.....	3	3	Ton trucks
To 2/43 Bn	.....	3	3	Ton trucks

These vehs will move to RAVENSHOE but will ~~NOT~~ be returning to this area. Units will arrange their own convoys with these vehs and own tpt.

(b) 17 Jul unit B ech vehs will be ready to move on the rd adjacent to present camp-site at 1030 hrs.

(c) Any accom stores NOT returned to RAVENSHOE on 15 Jul will be loaded on Unit tpt and either remain with B ech or else be forwarded to RAVENSHOE under unit arrangements.

(d) As block timings have been laid down by HQ 9 Aust Div for the use of the rd in this area on 17 Jul units will ensure that all vehs are ready to move in the Bde convoy at 1030 hrs.

(e) 2/2 Aust MG Bn will pass SP - br at 970775 at 171110K rear veh to clear of SP by 171120K. All other move of 2/2 Aust MG Bn will be as detailed by own Comd.

8. PERSONNEL FOR COMD & STAFF SCHOOL & BDE NCO-CADRE

Instrs have been issued as to move of above-mentioned personnel. Units will ensure that such personnel are at required SPs on time.

Rose J. Lipman Capt.
H/SC 24 Aust Inf Bde.

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9 AUST DIV D.R.L.S. TIME TABLE.

(To be read in conjunction with 9 Aust Div addendum No 1 to
Trg Instn No 11 and Sigs 9 Aust Div Sig Order No 3).

No 1 RUN -- Adv 9 Div (Mt GARNET) - Rear 9 Div (R'hoer).

Formation.	8 July		9 July		10 July		11 July		12 - 16 July	
	AM	P.M.	A.M.	P.M.	A.M.	P.M.	A.M.	P.M.	A.M.	P.M.
Depart Adv 9 Div.	0715	1415	0715	1415	0715	1415	0715	1415	0715	1415
No 1 sector										
Sig Off	0815	1515	0815	1515	0740	1440	0740	1440		
No 2 "	-	-	0800	1500	0800	1500	0725	1425		
Arrive Rear 9 Div	0850	1550	0850	1550	0850	1550	0850	1550	0725 (12 Jul only)	
Depart " "	0930	1630	0930	1630	0930	1630	0930	1630	0850	1550
No 1 sector										
Sig off	1005	1705	1005	1705	1040	1740	1040	1740	0930	1630
No 2 "	-	-	1020	1720	1020	1720	1055	1755		
Arrive Adv 9 Div.	1105	1805	1105	1805	1105	1805	1105	1805	1105	1805

Distribution: List B.

Correct to 1200 hrs 7 July 44.

[Signature]
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GS 9 Aust Div.

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Appendix to 9 AUST DIV D.P.L.S. TIME TABLE. - Run No 1.

Groups will clear and collect DRLS traffic from Sector Sig Offices as under -

Group	8 Jul	9 Jul	10 Jul	11 Jul	12 Jul
A & B	AM No 1 PM No 1	AM No 2 PM No 2	AM No 2 PM No 1	AM No 1 PM No 2	-
C	-	AM No 1 PM No 1	AM No 2 PM No 1	AM No 1 PM No 2	AM No 2
D	-	-	AM No 1 PM No 2	AM No 1 PM No 2	AM No 2,

NOTE : Ref para 2 Addendum No 1 9 Aust Div Trg Instrn 11.
In lieu of Sector Sig Office No's 3 and 4 read No's 1 and 2 respectively.

NOTICE

War diary

The following is/a ^{copy of} letter received by the C.O. from Sjt JACKSON
ex Hygiene Sjt of this unit :-

11th Jul, 1944

"To Colonel Macarthur-Onslow, D.S.O.
C.O. 2/2nd Aust Machine Gun Bn,

Dear Sir,

Today I assume the mantle and responsibilities of a
Civilian once again. After four years and 1 month in the unit which is
under your command, I have been discharged Medically Unfit for further
service.

I can honestly assure you sir that I feel no elation about
the matter. The purpose of this letter is to express the pride and
honour I have and always will have for being able to serve in a humble
way in the Grand old 2/2nd. In conclusion sir, may I be permitted say
- may good fortune follow you one and all with no set backs to a final
and convincing Victory and so sir, Good-bye -Good luck. God bless you
all it has been an honour to have been with you.

Faithfully yours,

(sgd) W.H. Jackson.

PRO FORMA MESSAGE FORM

FROM: 24 Aust Inf Bde

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TO: 2/28 Bn 2/32 Bn 2/45 Bn 2/2 MG Bn 2/3 Pd Amb
20 Aust Inf Bde Comd IM SC IO LO(1) Bde Sig Offr
9 Aust Div File (2) War Diary (3)

0153 SECRET (.) ref 24 Aust Inf Bde exercise instr 2 para 7 (.)
for bound 11 read bound 6 (.) ref exercise instr 3 para 13 for
2/28 Bn read 2/32 Bn (.) ref timetable serial 6 (.) for 0630K
Read 0700K

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except by wireless

If likely to be intercepted
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W. Stambird Capt.

*Fair
Capt Nicholas*

Bn HQ
15 Jul 44

War diary

TO ALL COYS

PREPAREDNESS FOR WAR OF UNIT PERSONNEL

1. It has been reported that, in a number of Coys a large portion of members have not yet been X-Rayed, photographed or blood-grouped.
2. This information if accurate, is of grave concern in war. Therefore Coys will submit a return to this HQ by 181200K and monthly by 171200K set out in pro forma shown hereunder:-

REPORT ON PROGRESS OF X RAY, PHOTOGRAPHING AND BLOOD-GROUPING

Coy	Number			Number Requiring		
	X-Rayed *	Photo-graphed *	Blood Grouped *	X-Ray	Photograph	Blood Grouping

(* In each case include in brackets (sgd) beside the total, the number who have been X-rayed etc, but whose Pay Books and A.A.B 83s have not been properly entered.)

F. Varley Capt
(F. K. Varley)
Adjt 2/2 Mast MG Bn.

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FROM: 24 Aust Inf Bde

TO: 2/28 Bn 2/32 Bn 2/43 Bn 2/2 MG Bn 2/3 Fd Amb 9 Aust Div
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2/28 Bn

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H. Staud
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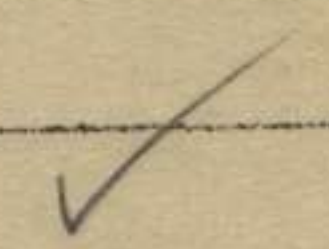
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16 July.



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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES.

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To 2/2 Mr G Bond

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22 Jul 44
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- 2/2 AUST MG BN ADM INSTN NO 6 -

ESTABLISHMENT OF CAIRNS REST CAMP

1. A camp has been established at CAIRNS to provide rest periods for troops on the ATHERTON TABLELANDS. The camp opened on 17 Jul 44. It is requested that Officers appreciate the purpose of this camp and accordingly allot vacancies to personnel who require a rest as first priority.
2. The camp will be known as CAIRNS Rest Camp.
3. Location - Ref map CAIRNS on inch to one mile 704737 - HALL STREET EDGE HILL - approx 1 1/2 miles west of NORTH CAIRNS Rly Stn - Phone 3154 ext. 89.
4. The Cairns Rest Camp will be administered by HQ 17 Aust L of C Sub-Area.
5. The period spent at CAIRNS Rest Camp will be for approximately three days.
6. (a) Permanent leave quota for 9 Aust Div is :-

<u>Offrs</u>	<u>WOs and Sjts</u>	<u>Cpls & ORs</u>	<u>Total</u>
2	9	83	94
6. (b) Allotment of quotas to Coys on 5 Aug 44 :-

HQ Coy	- 1 WO or Sjt,	6 ORs	
A Coy	- 1 " "	5 "	
B "	- 1 " "	5 "	
C "	- 6 ORs		
D "	- 6 "		

next quota this unit - 6 Sep 44
7. Facilities & Amenities at the camp will include :-
 - AACS Canteen - Wet and Dry
 - Recreation Hut incl piano and radio
 - Offrs & Sjts Messes.
8. Organised trips to beaches and elsewhere will be carried out as arranged by OC CAIRNS Rest Camp.
9. Sporting material will be available and it is hoped at a later date to establish a tennis court. Other amenities will be made available from time to time.
10. DISCIPLINE - All ranks in CAIRNS Rest Camp will be subject to the discipline of OC Camp, who in turn will be responsible to Comd 17 Aust L of C Sub-Area.
11. DRESS - All ranks will comply with orders for dress laid down by HQ 17 Aust L of C Sub Area, vide First Aust Army ASOs, chapter 10, para 11.
12. MALARIAL PRECAUTIONS - Personnel of unit, ~~which~~ are NOT at present taking atebrin will NOT take atebrin while at the Rest Camp.
13. LEAVE - Leave from Rest Camp will be granted daily by OC Camp until 2359 hrs. Personnel will not leave camp unless they are in possession of a leave or duty pass.
14. PAY - will not be available at the Camp.
15. EQUIPMENT - to be carried by the man :-
 - 2 blankets
 - Mosquito net
 - Messing gear.
16. TOBACCO - Tobacco and cigarettes will NOT be available at the canteen. Personnel should take sufficient to cover the period of absence from the unit.
17. TRANSPORT - Ten trucks - 3 ton with 12 drivers are available at the Rest Camp for the purpose of moving "rest" personnel to places of interest.
18. (a) Mvt of drafts to and from the Rest Camp will be by rail,
(b) Rail Schedule for Rest Train :-
 - (i) NORTH CAIRNS TO RAVENSHOE

NORTH CAIRNS	0845 hrs	departs
MAREEBA	1245 "	(meal provided at feeding pt)
TOLGA	1340 "	arrives
ATHERTON	1600 "	"
WONGABEL	1655 "	"
WONDECLA	1855 "	"
RAVENSHOE	2015 "	"
 - (ii) RAVENSHOE TO NORTH CAIRNS

RAVENSHOE	2200 "	departs
WONDECLA	2320 "	arrives
WONGABEL	0020 "	"

18. Mvt (contd)

(ii)	ATHLERTON	0050	hrs	arrives
	TOLGA	0105	"	"
	MAREEBA	0200	"	"
	NORTH CAIRNS	0810	"	"

19. ENTRAINING - Rest Dr Pts will report to Entraining Offr at RAVENSWOOD 30 mins before scheduled time of arrival or departure of train.

20. RAIL WARRANTS- are being issued by RTOs at Entraining Stns.

21. SECURITY -Unit censorship as contained in LHQ Ft Censorship Instrs No 4 will apply to all ranks visiting CAIRNS Rest Camp & their normal unit address "AUSTRALIA" will be the only address stated in their correspondence. An offr is being apptd by HQ 1 Aust Corps to carry out censorship at the camp on a weekly relief basis.

W. M. Bennett Lieut
(W. M. Bennett)
for Sjt 2/2 Aust NG Bn

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ROUTINE ORDERS

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AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE

ROUTINE ORDERS BY

LT-COL E MACARTHUR-ONSLOW, D.S.O.

COMMANDING 2/2 AUST MG BN

(7)

IN THE FIELD

3 Jul 44

79. AMENDMENTS TO C.M.D. STANDING ORDERS

1. Delete "less pit work party Chap 11 insert" 2 ORs to report 0030 hrs DAILY to wash jerseys. Requisition for work parties must reach Bn HQ by 1700 hrs day prior to duty required".

J. Varley
CAPT
(E.A. Varley)
Adj. 2/2 Aust MG Bn

APPOINTMENTS, PROMOTIONS, TRANSFERS ETC.

NX 25512 Pte TENANT, T. transf. from "D" Coy to Bn HQ - 3 Jul 44

NOTICES

AMENITIES

Receipt is acknowledged from 2/2 Aust MG Bn Comforts Auxiliary for bundles of magazines. Receipt is acknowledged from R. Maybury, C/- De Havilland Aircraft, Camperdown, Sydney, for parcel of magazines to lonely soldiers.

FOUND

Leather tobacco pouch. Owner may have same by applying to this HQ.

DISCIPLINE

NX 171982 Pte O'HARA, F. WOAS Absent from a place of Pde. A.A. Sect 15 (2) Fined £5 & awarded 28 days detention, by C.O.

JUNE MONTHLY SAMUEL MITCHELL TRUST ACCOUNT

Receipts

		d	s	c
June 1	Balance	309	10	9
	Sale of Salvage	2	11	3
6	Sale of Salvage	1	10	0
7	Sale of Bottles	1	0	0
12	Sale of Salvage	1	15	6
17	Canteen Profit Apr	35	9	6
21	Sale of Salvage	2	1	3
21	Capt Mitchell Mrs Cards		2	0
26	Profit photography	2	12	0
26	Sale of Razor Blades	4	10	0
28	Canteen Profit Ing Bn	14	4	
28	Sale of Salvage	1	15	1
		<u>356</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>2</u>

Expenditure

		d	s	c
June 1	Sports Material	10	0	7
	Timber		3	5
	Locks	2	2	0
	Cellular	1	4	0
3	Nails & carbide	4	1	8
3	Wire electric	3	19	6
3	Fruit	37	12	10
3	Sports Gear	12	19	1
12	Unit Canteen			
3	3oz 25 watt bulbs	32	17	0
1	watt bulb	2		
2	prs hair clippers			
		31	10	0
	Timber		5	3
	2 bags flour	2	13	4
	2 lamp holders	2		
	1 3oz switches	15		
	2 bags flour	2	13	4
	2 Coy tent Comp	1	1	0
		11	19	11
10	Cotton	4		5
12	Stencils	1		6
12	Sockets & Screws	5		3
26	Sports Gear	2		6
29	Prize Money Quiz	5		0
30	Timber basket	5		10
30	Timber for unit	1		0
30	Leather for boots	4		5
30	Acetylene Lamp 10/6			
30	Nails	11	1	1
30	2 Coy tent Comp	1	1	0
30	Nails	18		2
		31	22	1
	Cash on hand		11	1
	Balance	2	0	1
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(80-81)

LT-COL E MACARTHUR-ONSLOW, D.S.O.

IN THE FIELD

COMMANDING 2/2 AUST MG BN

5 Jun 44

80. PERSONNEL REJOINING UNIT FROM "X" LIST

1. Considerable difficulty is being experienced by medical establishments in accounting for personnel discharged from hospital for return to the unit.
2. This difficulty is being caused by the fact that some personnel are leaving the draft prior to arrival at 9 Aust Div Reception Camp and reporting direct to parent unit.
3. All personnel are informed of the necessity, when on draft ex hospitals etc., of reporting to 9 Aust Div Rec Camp in accordance with the instructions issued by the medical establishments to the draft.

81. PERSONNEL RETURNING FROM HOSPITAL

Personnel returning from hospital are once again reminded that on completion of their maintenance atebirin course their A.B. 83 must be signed by the R.M.O. when course is completed. Any personnel who are still in possession of their anti-malarial treatment card (A.A.F. D 108) are asked to return them to R.A.P. immediately.

J.H. Varley Capt.
(F.A. Varley)
Adjnt 2/2 Aust MG Bn.

APPOINTMENTS, PROMOTIONS, TRANSFERS ETC

NX 144210	LT A H HUGGINS	posted to "D" Coy	as from	21 Jun 44
SX 827	LT W D COCKSHELL	" " "A" Coy	"	21 Jun 44
TX 738	LT D A BOOTH	" " "C" Coy	"	21 Jun 44
NX 123766	LT R W BORTHWICK	" " "B" Coy	"	21 Jun 44

NOTICES

AMENITIES

AMUSU THEATRE RAVENSHOE

On SUNDAY nights the allotment will be in future - 4 @ 1/11 and 20 @ 1/3.

AUST MOB CINEMA NO 11

The abovenamed mob cinema will be showing in unit lines to-night Wednesday, the programme is -

News from Home

Shorts

"After the Thin Man", William Powell-Mymma Loy.

LOST

A fountain pen was lost in unit lines. Finder please return to Bn HQ or B Coy Ord Rms.

AMENITIES - Receipt is acknowledged from 2/2 Aust MG Bn Comforts Auxiliary for 13 bundles of papers and magazines.

ROUTINE ORDERS

(82-83)

BY

LT-COL E MACARTHUR-ONSLOW, D.S.O.

IN THE FIELD

COMMANDING 2/2 AUST MG BATTALION

11 JUL 44

82. SECURITY - DISCLOSURE OF UNIT IDENTITY TO CIVILIANS (9 Aust Div GS Instr No 20).

(a) There have been numerous instances lately of breaches of security involving disclosure of Unit identity to civilians.

(b) Examples of such breaches are :-

(i) Units making purchases from local sawmills and butter factory in unit name.

(ii) Messes ordering supplies from civilians in name of Mess (including unit designation).

(iii) Ordering papers from newsagents in name of unit or mess.

(iv) Display in local shops of advertisements for unit dances, showing name of unit.

(c) Attention is drawn to 9 Aust Div Routine Order No 2 - Security - of 21 Jun 44, which refers to several other breaches that have been noticed.

(d) Attention is also drawn to GRO F235 of 23 Jun 44, which sets out form of certificate required to secure exemption from sales tax in making certain purchases. Officers completing such certificates will NOT add name of unit after their signature.

(e) Posters or display cards prepared to advertise dances or for similar purposes will not disclose unit name. The rules applicable to Christmas cards will also apply in such cases, that is, they "must not disclose a unit's colour patch, location, or exploits in the present war". (Ed Censorship Instruction No 1, para 11).

(f) Breaches of this order will be dealt with disciplinarily.

83. DRAUGHTSMEN REQUIRED BY LHQ (2 Aust Corps RO 202)

(a) Personnel with Mechanical Drawing and Design experience are required by the Design Division of the MGO Branch LHQ to carry out Engineering design and drawings of equipment being developed by the army and it is requested that applications be submitted by personnel to fill the following positions :-

WOI5

WOII8

Sjts8

(b) Candidates must have sound basic technical qualifications together with experience in mechanical engineering drawing and design.

(c) Applications giving full particulars of training and experience are required to reach this HQ by 0900hrs 13 Jul 44.

W. Beckett Lt
for Adj 2/2 Aust MG Bn

DISCIPLINE - DOM - OZ 28622 Pte ROE W, convened by Maj-Gen G. F. WOOTTEN Comd 9 Aust Div was held in the Field on 4 Jul 44. (AA Sec 15 (1))

FIRST CHARGE - W.O.A.S. A.W.L from 2359 hrs 5 May 44 until 2325 hrs 7 Jun 44.

SECOND CHARGE - W.O.A.S. using insubordinate language to his superior officer. AA Sec 8 (2)

The accused was found guilty on both charges, and sentenced to undergo detention for six (6) months, and this finding and sentence was confirmed by Maj-Gen G. F. WOOTTEN Comd 9 Aust Div on 8 Jul 44.

APPOINTMENTS, PROMOTIONS, TRANSFERS, ETC.

NX 56677 A/WOII ROBINSON K.I.B.	Rank confirmed	8 Jul 44.
OZ 6905 A/CPL SCOTT A.M.	" "	24 Jun 44
OZ 6979 L/CPL HOSKINS G.R.	Promoted CPL	w.e.f. 24 Jun 44
NX 37027 PTE FERRIS D.	Appointed L/CPL	w.e.f. 24 Jun 44
NX 6778 A/SJT COLEMAN G.H.	Rank confirmed	24 Jun 44
NX 2746 A/CPL HANSEN J.E.	Rank confirmed	24 Jun 44
NX 55073 CEN HUTCHISON G.M.	taken on strength from AEME	6 Jul 44
NX 55073 PTE HUTCHISON G.M.	Relinquishes T/Gp li (Mech MV)	6 Jul 44

(84-87) *War Diary*

LT-COL E MACARTHUR-ONSLOW, D.S.O.
COMMANDING 2/2 AUST MG BN

IN THE FIELD
12 Jul 44

84. DUTIES DUTY COY - "A" COY
NEXT FOR DUTY - "B" COY

86. COMPLIMENTS
Breaches in paying of compliments are still occurring. Coys will ensure that sentries and all personnel are again made familiar with their duty in this regard.

87. UNIT BARBER
The unit barber is operating near canteen tent. Hours as laid down for standing camp.

F. A. Varley
CAPT
(F.A. Varley)
Adjt 2/2 Aust MG Bn.

AMENDMENT TO R.O. 85 of 11 JUL

Appointments, Promotions, Transfers etc:-

QX 2985 Pte WILLIAMS, T.G.T. apptd. L/Cpl (paid) w.s.f. 15 Jun 44
QX 17312 " PRENTIS, C.P. " " " "

NOTICE

LOST

Cigarette Lighter, gong brand, vicinity Bn HQ adm area. Finder please return to this HQ.

88. DUTIES DUTY COY - "A" COY
NEXT FOR DUTY- "B" COY

89. DIPLOMATIC STAFF CADETS -APPLICATION FOR TEMPORARY APPOINTMENT
(1 Aust Corps RO 201)

1. The following is a copy of a notice appearing in the Commonwealth Gazette of 11 May 1944 :-

" Applications for temporary engagement as Diplomatic Staff Cadet are invited from British subjects (male or female) who, on 1 January, 1945, will have reached the 17th but not 25th anniversary of their birth.

Applicants must have matriculated or hold the Leaving or Senior Public Certificate. A University degree in Arts, Commerce, Law, or Economics is desirable but not essential.

Applicants will be required to undergo a competitive examination in the following subjects :-

English, Essay, Precis, Current Australian and International Affairs, and General Knowledge on questions of History, Geography, Economics, Social Questions and Politics.

Success at the examination which will be conducted on Saturday, 2 September, 1944, does not confer the right to temporary engagement (or temporary transfer in the case of an officer of the Commonwealth Public Service), selection being made following personal interview of a determined number successful at the examination. In the final selection for engagement, the provision for preference to members of the Forces will be applied.

Successful applicants will be engaged for two years (if officers of the Commonwealth Service they will be transferred temporary to the Dept of External Affairs for that period), during which time they will receive minimum remuneration of 274 pounds per annum if an adult or 256 pounds per annum if a minor (subject to cost of living adjustments,) and will be required to undertake and approved course of University study at the expense of the Commonwealth. At the end of the course, applicants will be further examined, and, if the result is satisfactory, will receive temporary appointment to the Department of External Affairs. The question of permanent appointment to the Commonwealth Public Service (if not an officer of that Service) will receive consideration at a later date. If a permanent officer of the Service, promotion or transfer to an appropriate vacancy in the Department will be effected under section 50 of the Public Service Act.

Applications should be made on the printed form which may be obtained from the Diplomatic Staff Officer, Dept of External Affairs, Canberra or from the Commonwealth Public Service Inspector at any of the following addresses :-

Sydney - Herald Building, 66 Pitt Street
Melbourne - C'wealth Bank Bldg, 225 Bourke Street
Brisbane - C'wealth Offices, Adelaide Street
Adelaide - A.M.P. Building, King William Street
Perth - Commonwealth Bank Building
Hobart - Customs House

Applications should be forwarded direct by the candidate to reach the Diplomatic Staff Officer, Dep of External Affairs, Canberra, A.C.T. not later than 1 AUGUST, 1944.

2. Eligible members of the AMF may avail themselves of the opportunity of submitting applns.

3. Appln forms will be obtained from the places listed above, but where sufficient time is not available, printed pro forma appln forms will be supplied on request.

4. All applns will be completed and forwarded to Diplomatic Staff Dept of External Affairs, CANBERRA A.C.T. not later than 1 Aug 44.

F. A. Varley Capt
(F. A. Varley)
Adjt 2/2 Aust MG Bn.

90. OUT OF BOUNDS - NEWMAN PARK RACECOURSE

1. Consequent upon personnel during night 11/12 Jul interfering with arrangements for the ceremonial parade and other functions during bivouac period NEWMAN PARK RACECOURSE is out of bounds to all personnel (excl officials and working party 2/3 Aust Pnr Bn) at all times except during functions on 14, 15 & 16 Jul.
2. Further interference with the work proceeding for these functions or with equipment at the racecourse will be treated MOST SERIOUSLY.

91. COMMONWEALTH REFERENDUM 1944 (GRO A251 sub-para 13)

1. Voting for the Commonwealth Referendum will take place between 0800 hrs and 2000 hrs on SATURDAY, 19 AUG 44. Any member of the AMF who is a British subject and who -
 - (i) is not under the age of 21 years; or
 - (ii) is under the age of 21 years and has served outside Australia,is entitled to vote.
2. The following places have been appointed special polling places, where members of this unit may record their votes :-
Bn and Coy HQ.
3. Members absent on duty or on leave on Saturday, 19 Aug, may vote according to the provisions of the Electoral (War Time) Act at any special polling place (e.g. at any other AMF, RAN, or RAAF unit) or, if they are on the electoral roll, may vote as an ordinary voter at a polling place in their own sub-division or as an absent voter at any polling place in the State for which they are enrolled.

F. A. Verley Capt
(F.A. Verley)
Adjt 2/2 Aust MG Bn.

NOTICE

R.C. MASS - SUNDAY 16 JUL 44

Will be celebrated in 2/32 Aust Inf Bn's lines at 0645 and 0815 hrs. Confession will be held at 1830 hrs on SATY night. Other Denominations Services will be notified later.

Wai Deans

92. DUTIES
- DUTY COY - "B" Coy until 1400 hrs 21 Jul 44.
 - NEXT FOR DUTY- "C" Coy from 1400 hrs 21 Jul till 1400 hrs 28 Jul
 - BN ORD OFFER - Lieut R W BORTHWICK
 - BN ORD SGT - Sjt POYNTING, N.G.
 - BN ORD CPL - Cpl VILLIERS, L.J.
 - RUNNERS - Pte CLARKE, R.A.
 - " CAMPBELL, W.J.
 - SJT OF THE GD- Sjt ALBERTSON, A.F.
 - CPLS " " - Cpl BROWN, A.E.
 - Cpl TAYLOR, R.W.

93. DESTRUCTION OF DOCUMENTS (First Aust Army RO 204)
1. A number of documents, including those graded TOP SECRET to RESTRICTED, have been found in dumps situated within the Corps area.
 2. The attention of all personnel is drawn to the necessity of ALL documents, papers etc, containing information which may be of use to the enemy, being destroyed by fire under the supervision of an NCO.

94. PERSONNEL IN TRANSIT -DETRAINING AT CAIRNS (First Aust Army RO No 205)
1. Considerable confusion and delay in the accounting of personnel in Transit is caused by Officers and ORs of units in CAIRNS Area, who detrain at CAIRNS Railway Station instead of marching in to 16 AUST PERS STAGING CAMP.
 2. This is a direct contradiction of instructions previously issued.
 3. 16 Aust Pers Staging Camp is responsible for the accounting in transit through this Area, and personnel failing to report are posted as AWL and necessary disciplinary action taken.

95. ROYAL MILITARY COLLEGE OF AUSTRALIA -VACANCIES FOR STAFF CADETS (GRO)
1. Applications are invited for admission by way of normal entry to the ROYAL MILITARY COLLEGE, DUNTRON (25 vacancies). Successful candidates will enter the college early in 1945 and on graduation, will be appointed to the Australian Staff Corps.
 2. Forms of application and particulars of eligibility, examinations etc may be obtained from the HQ L of C Area in each capital city. Apphus must reach the HQ L of C Area by 30 Sep 44.
 3. To be eligible for admission to the College as a cadet, a candidate must-
 - (a) be medically fit;
 - (b) be unmarried;
 - (c) be a British subject permanently resident in Australia;
 - (d) be over 16 years of age and under 20 years of age on 24 Feb 45.
 - (e) have the following minimum educational qualifications:-
 - a pass or higher certificate at a public examination for the "Leaving" (or Senior) of the "Intermediate" (or Junior) in - English, mathematics, one other language and any of the following subjects :-
 - Physics and chemistry
 - Geography
 - Book-keeping
 - Economics etc in accordance with RMO Regulations.
- Candidates who have qualified for the Leaving or Senior certificate will receive preference over those who have qualified for the Intermediate or Junior.

96. VACANCIES FOR OFFICERS & SENIOR NCOS IN THE AUSTRALIAN ARMY EDUCATIONAL SERVICE AND THE AUSTRALIAN ARMY AMENITIES SERVICE (GRO)
1. Vacancies exist for officers (in the rank of lieutenant) and for senior NCOS in the Australian Army Educational Service and the Australian Army Amenities Service.
 2. The minimum qualifications requisite for appointment are :-
 - A - EDUCATIONAL SERVICE
 - (a) General Educational duties :-
 - One or more of the following :-
 - (i) leaving certificate of equivalent
 - (ii) university degree
 - (iii) certificate of a teaching institution;

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COMMANDING 2/2 AUST MG BN

(99)

IN THE FIELD
21 JUL 44

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99.	<u>DUTIES</u>	<u>DUTY COY</u>	
			"C" COY from 1400 hrs 21 Jul 44 to 26 Jul 44.
	BN ORD OFFR	-	Lieut K G KIBBLE
	BN ORD SJT	-	Sjt SHEPPARD, D.
	BN ORD CPL	-	Cpl NICHOLSON, L.
	BN ORD RUNNERS	-	Pte FOLEY, A.J.
		-	" STEEN, B.
	SJT OF THE GD	-	Sjt GIBSON, T.
	CPL " "	-	Cpl PATTERSON, C.
	" " "	-	Cpl DOOLEY, C.J.

W. M. Bennett
Lieut
(W.M. Bennett)
for Adjt 2/2 Aust MG Bn

NOTICES

SPORTS & AMENITIES

There will be a meeting of Coy AMENITIES Reps & BASKETBALL Reps at 1815 hrs on Friday 21 Jul 44 in SPORTS STORE. Basketball reps to know how many teams Coy can supply in unit competition to commence next week.

HOCKEY - Capt F HERBERTSON will be O.C. Hockey practice which will commence Monday at 1600 hrs. A match has been arranged for Saturday 29 Jul. ALL interested please attend.

FOOTBALL TEAMS - RUGBY UNION

Bn 2nd team to play 2/15 Aust Inf Bn 2nd team on Saty 22 Jul at 1430 hrs
Bn 1st team to play 2/1 Aust Fd Regt on Sunday 23 Jul at Mapee River.

Bn 2nd team

Fullback: Donoghue, R.J.
 Backs: Thorpe, W., Priddle, J.,
 Herbertson, F. (capt), Jordan, J.
 Half Back: Hartley, A.
 Five-Eight: Villiers, L.J.
 Lock: McLaren, R.R.
 Breakaways: Shepherd, D., Webster, W.J.
 2nd Row: Searle, P.K., Smith, E.H.
 1st Row: Lister, R.J., Lyons, J., Rice, D.V.
 Reserves: Barron, S.A., Hoggan, J.,
 Colver, F.S., Harrison, J.T.
 Woods, I.G.
 Referee: Snodgrass, C.R.

Bn 1st team

White, N.R.
 Adanthwaite, T., Jones, A (vac capt)
 Chinnery, H.J., Whiteman,
 Ford, D.
 Oliver, K.B.
 Nicholas, W.P. (capt)
 Bowden, O.D., Starkey, A.E.
 Gillespie, G., McInnes, L.D.
 Runge, R.A., Coughlin, W.E.,
 Miller, D.C.
 Reserves:
 Herbertson, F., McLaren, R.R.
 Linesman: Woods, I.G.

SOCCER

Unit team will play 2/3 Aust Pnr Bn on home ground at 1430 hrs Sunday 23 Jul.

AMENITIES - Receipt is hereby acknowledged to 2/2 Aust MG Bn Comforts Auxiliary for 7 bundles of papers and magazines.

CHURCH SERVICE - SUNDAY 23 JUL 44

R.C. Services - Mass

0700 hrs Y.M.C.A. (MG lines)
0930 " 2/3 Pnr Bn lines.

Confessions: 1630 & 1830 hrs 2/8 Fd Amb
(Fr Byrne's tent)

A.M.R. & O 1587
RUELECTED

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE
ROUTINE ORDERS BY
LT-COL E MACARTHUR-ONSLOW, D.S.O.
COMMANDING 2/2 AUST MG BN

(100-101)
IN THE FIELD
24 JUL 44

Waldman

100. TRACK DISCIPLINE
- (a) Vehicles when moving in the Camp Area must NOT move off made roads,
 - (b) It has been noticed that Track Discipline in this area is very lax, and ALL ranks are warned to use only tracks as laid out.

101. COMMONWEALTH REFERENDUM -1944
In connection with the forthcoming Referendum members of the AMF:-
- (a) may attend meeting in uniform
 - (b) will not address meetings
 - (c) will not take part in processions or demonstrations
 - (d) will not undertake canvassing or the distribution of literature or cards
 - (e) Special leave will not be granted to members in connection with the Referendum Campaign.

W. H. Bennett Lieut
(W.H. Bennett)
for Adj 2/2 Aust MG Bn.

APPOINTMENTS, PROMOTIONS, TRANSFERS ETC

NX 25076 Pte HUTCHISON, W.A. transferred from A.E.M.E. to unit - 24 Jul 44
NX 25076 " HUTCHISON, W.A. relinquishes T/Gp(ii) Mech IV (at own request) 24 Jul 44

NOTICES

WONDECLA-RAVENSHOE RD

Repairs to road WONDECLA-RAVENSHOE now completed, Road may be used from this date.

AMENITIES

PROGRAMMES -27 AUST MOB CINEMA -111 AUST MOB CINEMA

27 AUST MOBILE CINEMA

25 Jul -30 Jul 44

News From Home

"Just a Cute Kid"

Screen Snapshots

"Here Comes Mr Jordan"

with Claude Rains

1 Aug -6 Aug 44

News From Home

"Emergency Squad"

"Silver on the Sage"

with Wm Boyd &

Wm Hayes

111 AUST MOB CINEMA

25 Jul - 30 Jul 44

News From Home

The Book Shop

Shooting for Par

"My Lucky Star"

Sonja Henie, Tyrone Power

1 Aug - 6 Aug 44

News From Home

March of Time

"Batchelor Mother"

with Ginger Rogers

David Niven

RAVENSHOE PICTURE PROGRAMME FOR WEEK 24 JUL to 31 JUL 44

Mond 24	"Strawberry Blonde"	James Cagney
Tues 25		Rita Hayworth & Olivia de Haviland
Wed 26	Two weeks to live	Lum & Abner
Thurs 27		East Side Kids
	Kid Dynamite	Marguerite Chapman
		Bob Hope - Dorothy Lamour
	Parachute Nurse	
Fri 28		They Got Me Covered
Sat 29	McGuirkins for Brooklyn	William Bendix - Grace Bradley
Sun 30		Errol Flynn
Mon 31	Dodge City	
Tue 1		Story of the Vatican

Acknowledged herewith is 5 packets of papers and magazines from 2/2 Aust MG Bn Comforts Aux.

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102.	<u>DUTIES</u>	DUTY COY	-	"C" COY
		NEXT FOR DUTY	-	"D" COY from 1400 hrs 28 Jul to 1400 hrs 4 Aug 44.
		BN ORD OFFER	-	Lieut COCKRAM, H.J.
		ORD SGT	-	Cpl PAHAH, M.A.B.
		" CPL	-	" DUNN, D.
		" RUNNERS	-	Pte MUNRO, S.
			-	" SHOVE, A.
		SGT OF THE GD	-	Sgt MONAGHERY, R.T.
		CPLS " "	-	Cpl HILL, R.W.
			-	L/ " FERRIS, D.

103. SECURITY

F.S.S. will conduct periodical inspections to check camp security. Dates not yet known. To assist personnel in finding their vehicle after leaving picture theatres in local towns, the unit vehicle no 189 may be called. Use of unit name is forbidden.

104. SALVAGE

Attention is again directed to salvage of newspapers. Sale of these papers provides a useful contribution to Regtl Funds.

105. AMENDMENT TO C.S.O.

Amendment to Camp Standing Orders Appendix "B"

(1) Orders of the Guard

Para 4. Delete Offrs & Sgts Kitchens, transport lines. Retreat to Reveille.

Insert Ammunition tent by day and night. Retreat to Reveille.

106. AIR MAIL TO ENGLAND

A new Air Mail service to England via CEYLON has been instigated. Rates are 1/6 - 1/2 oz; 9d per letter card.

107. TIMBER CUTTING

Reports have been received that green timber is being cut in areas other than the area allotted to 9 Aust Div. Coys will ensure that green timber is NOT cut except in accordance with the provisions laid down by Div HQ.

Lieut
 (W.H. Bennett)
 For Adjt 2/2 Aust MG Bn.

NOTICES

OTHER RANKS CLUB-DAVENSHOE

Hours of service on SUNDAYS have been altered to 1430 hrs to 1400 hrs and 1700 hrs to 2230 hrs as from Sunday 30 Jul 44.

RUGBY UNION - SATY & SUNDAY 29 & 30 JUL

Saturday afternoon 29 Jul Unit Offrs team plays 2/17 Aust Inf Bn's Offrs team at 1600 hrs on the Home Ground.

Sunday afternoon - Bn No 1 & 2 teams play 2/32 Aust Inf Bn's No 1 & 2 teams on the Home Ground.

Bn No 1 team

Fullback: White, N.R.
 Backs: Adamthwaite, T.A., Oliver, K.B., Jones, A., Turner, M.G.
 Five-Eight: Plank, D. (v.capt)
 Half: Ford, D.
 Lock: Nicholas, W.F. (capt)
 B/aways: Shepherd, D., Bowden, C.D.
 Front Row: Miller, D.O., Coughlin, W.T., Runge, R.A.
 Second Row: Davis, J.G., Gillespie, G.
 Reserves: Chinnery, H.J., Herbertson, F., Stankey, A.E., McInnes, L.D.

Bn No 2 team:

Whiteman, C.
 Gardiner, F.E., Chinnery, H.J., Herbertson, F., Patterson, C.F.
 Villiers, L.J. (capt)
 Nimmo, J.D.
 Neuhaus, F.
 G. Ferguson, Hutchison, W.A., Stacey, J., ...
 McInnes, L.D., McGrath, H.V.
 Gainen, R.C., Dunn, D., Robinson, B.A.

R.C. CHURCH SERVICES - SUNDAY 30 JUL 44

Mass 0700 E.C.C. (MG lines) Confessions 2/8 Ed Amb (Sat 29th) in
 0930 Para Lines Fr Bymes Tent 1630 & 1830 hrs.

W.A. Dean

108. PAC CAIRNS (1 Aust Corps RO No 215)

A PAC is situated at 65 GRAFTON STREET, CAIRNS, and personnel are on duty 24 hrs daily.

109. AIR MAILS TO UNITED KINGDOM (1 Aust Corps RO of 24 Jul)

An improved Air Mail Service is now operating via India or South Africa, Egypt and Gibraltar to the United Kingdom.

A Flat rate of 1/6 per 1/2 oz. for letters and 9d for postcards will be charged.

Mails will go forward by boat to India or South Africa and thence by air.

No superscription is necessary.

The Weight restriction now existing on the service via USA does not apply.

Charges via USA are 2/1 per 1/2 oz. with a weight limit of 2 oz and letters must be superscribed "Via United States".

W.M. Bennett Lieut
(W.M. Bennett)
for Adjt 2/2 Aust MG Bn.

APPOINTMENTS, PROMOTIONS, TRANSFERS ETC

SX 24945 Cpl MILLS, P.C. reverts to ranks at own request - 26 Jul 44

NOTICE

AMENITIES

It is intended to rebuild the log hut near "A" Coy lines for use as recreation hut. No timber will be removed from the building for any purpose.

RAVENSHOE PICTURE PROGRAMMES TO WEEK ENDING SUNDAY 13 AUG

Wed 2	)	Assignment In Brittany	Susan Peters, Pierre Aumont
Thu 3	)	Sin Town	Constance Bennett
Fri 4	)	The Pied Piper	Monty Woolley - Roddy McDowall
Sat 5	)	I walked with a Zombia	James Ellisson - Frances Dee
Sun 6	)	You Cant beat the Law	Edward Norris
Mon 7	)	Swing Shift Maisie	Ann Sothern - James Craig
Tue 8	)	Black Eyes	
Wed 9	)	Moon Over Miami	Petty Grable
Thu 10	)	Riders of the Badlands	
Fri 11)	You were never Lovlier	Fred Astaire - Rita Hayworth
Sat 12)	Rebel Son	
Sun 13)		

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APPX

"E"

EDUCATION.

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

*L. Gardiner
notified 30/6/44*

A.A. Education Service,
Correspondence Branch (Sydney),
Sydney Technical College,
~~ULTIMO, N.S.W.~~
c/o 1 Aust Army Base Post Office,
SYDNEY, N.S.W.

20 June 44

NX15827,
Lieut Gardiner P.E.
"D" Coy
2/2 Aust M.G. Bn

A.A. EDUCATION SERVICE—CORRESPONDENCE COURSES

1. Your application for a course in **Bookkeeping.** has been accepted.
2. You should now complete the enclosed Enrolment Form and Class Admission Cards and forward them, together with the deposit of **15/-** direct to the above address. Postal Notes or Money Orders or Cheques should be made payable to Sydney Technical College.
3. A list of text books required for the course is enclosed. These are not supplied and must be obtained by you. If you have any difficulty in procuring them, Mr. R. McGreal, Army Education Service Libraries, Public Library of N.S.W., Bent St., Sydney, N.S.W., may be able to assist you upon application.

Copies : Education Officer,
D.A.D. Education.

2/2 Aust M.G. Bn. ✓

A.E. BRADSHAW. Captain,
O.C., A.A. Education Service,
Correspondence Branch (Sydney).

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A.A. Education Secretariat,
Sydney Technical College, Service
Correspondence
ULTIMO, N.S.W. (SYDNEY)
c/o 1 Aust Army Base Post Office,
SYDNEY, N.S.W.

24 June 44

2/2 ~~Asst~~ Machine Gun Bn.
AUSTRALIA.

(For Unit Education Officer)

A.A. EDUCATION SERVICE—CORRESPONDENCE COURSES

NX126546 Pte Hutchinson R.H.

1. It is advised that the enrolment in a course at the Sydney Technical College has been completed and assignments of work have been forwarded to him.
2. As the post-war welfare of the soldier is a matter of fundamental importance, your personal co-operation in encouraging him to continue the course would be appreciated. You can assist him by:
 - (a) Making an inquiry every now and then regarding his progress.
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 - (c) Making arrangements for a place in which he may work and study in quiet in his spare time.

A.E. BRADSHAW.

Captain,
Education Officer,
A.A. Education Secretariat.

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A.A. Education Secretariat,
Sydney Technical College,
ULTIMO, N.S.W.

c/o 1 Aust Army Base Post Office,
SYDNEY, N.S.W.

3 July 44

2/2 Aust M.G. Bn.
AIF.. AUSTRALIA.

(For Unit Education Officer)

A.A. EDUCATION SERVICE—CORRESPONDENCE COURSES

QX1947 Pte Shve A. "D" Coy. (Above Address).

1. It is advised that the enrolment of
in a course at the Sydney Technical College has been completed and assignments of work have been
forwarded to him.
2. As the post-war welfare of the soldier is a matter of fundamental importance, your personal co-operation
in encouraging him to continue the course would be appreciated. You can assist him by :
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H.Q. 1 Aust Lof C Sub-Area.

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A. E. BRADSHAW. Captain,
Education Officer,
A.A. Education Secretariat.

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A.A. Education Service,
Correspondence Branch (Sydney),
Sydney Technical College,
ULTIMO, N.S.W.

c/o 1 Aust Army Base Post Office,
SYDNEY, N.S.W.

NX18291,
Sgt Palmer E.C.,
BN H.Q.,
2/2 Aust M.G. Bn
AIF. AUSTRALIA.

3 Jul 44

A.A. EDUCATION SERVICE—CORRESPONDENCE COURSES

1. Your application for a course in
has been accepted.

Local Govt & Shire Clerks. (1) Arithmetic.

2. You should now complete the enclosed Enrollment Form and Class Admission Cards and forward
them, together with the deposit of direct to the above address.
Postal Notes or Money Orders or Cheques should be made payable to Sydney Technical College.

(2) Bookkeeping (3) English Stage 1.

45/-

3. A list of text books required for the course is enclosed. These are not supplied and must be obtained
by you. If you have any difficulty in procuring them, Mr. R. McGreal, Army Education Service
Libraries, Public Library of N.S.W., Bent St., Sydney, N.S.W., may be able to assist you upon
application.

Copies : Education Officer,
D.A.D. Education.

2/2/Aust M.G. Bn.

Captain,
OAC E.A. BREDSHAW Service,
Correspondence Branch (Sydney).

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

18 JUL 1944

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A.A. Education Service,
Correspondence Branch (Sydney),
Sydney Technical College,
ULTIMO, N.S.W.
c/o 1 Aust Army Base Post Office,
SYDNEY, N.S.W.

7 Jul 44.

QX7013,
L/Sgt Chandler M.N.
2/2 Aust M.G. Bn.
AIF. AUSTRALIA.

A.A. EDUCATION SERVICE—CORRESPONDENCE COURSES

1. Your application for a course in
has been accepted. **Agriculture Stage 1.**
2. You should now complete the enclosed Enrolment Form and Class Admission Cards and forward them, together with the deposit of **15/-** direct to the above address. Postal Notes or Money Orders or Cheques should be made payable to Sydney Technical College.
3. A list of text books required for the course is enclosed. These are not supplied and must be obtained by you. If you have any difficulty in procuring them, Mr. R. McGreal, Army Education Service Libraries, Public Library of N.S.W., Bent St., Sydney, N.S.W., may be able to assist you upon application.

Copies : Education Officer, **2/2 Aust M.G. Bn.**
D.A.D. Education.
HQ 26 Aust Inf Bde,

Captain,
O.C., **A. E. BRADSHAW**,
Correspondence Branch (Sydney).

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

4, 53/20/17
A.A. Education Service,
Correspondence Branch (Sydney),
c/o 1 Aust. Army Base Post Office,
SYDNEY.

15 Jul 44.

QX12680,
Pte Smith C.J.
"A" Coy 3 Pln.
2/2 Aust M.G. Bn.
AUSTRALIA.

A.A. EDUCATION SERVICE—CORRESPONDENCE COURSES

1. Your application for a course in **Diesel Engine Operation.** has been accepted.
2. You should now complete the enclosed Enrolment Form and Class Admission Cards and forward them, together with the deposit of **15/-** direct to the above address. Postal Notes or Money Orders or Cheques should be made payable to Sydney Technical College.
3. A list of text books required for the course is enclosed. These are not supplied and must be obtained by you. If you have any difficulty in procuring them, Mr. R. McGreal, Army Education Service Libraries, Public Library of N.S.W., Bent Street, Sydney, N.S.W., may be able to assist you upon application.
4. It is suggested that you consult your Unit Education Officer who will advise you regarding the facilities which have been provided for the purchase of text books, by arranging for a debit to cover the cost of such text books being effected through your paybook.

Copies: Education Officer,
D.A.D. Education.

2/2 Aust M.G. BN. ✓

A.E. BRADSHAW, Captain,
O/C A.A. Education Service,
Correspondence Branch (Sydney).

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

A.A. Education Secretariat,
Sydney Technical College,
ULTIMO, N.S.W.
Aust Army Education Service
Correspondence Branch (SYDNEY)
c/o 1 Aust Army Base Post Office,
SYDNEY, N.S.W.
29 July 44

2/2 M.G. Bn.

(For Unit Education Officer)

A.A. EDUCATION SERVICE—CORRESPONDENCE COURSES

1. It is advised that the enrolment of QX7414 Pte CAVE. F.M. 1 Pl. H.Q. Coy. (Above Address). in a course at the Sydney Technical College has been completed and assignments of work have been forwarded to him.
2. As the post-war welfare of the soldier is a matter of fundamental importance, your personal co-operation in encouraging him to continue the course would be appreciated. You can assist him by :
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102 Aust Con Depot.

Q'land L of C Area.

Copy to F.T.E.O. (for information).

A. E. BRADSHAW. Captain,
Education Officer,
A.A. Education Secretariat.

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

Army Form W.3003
(Adapted) (Page 1)
(Revised Jan., 1943)
(Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 1/7/1944 22nd Aust MGBN (Unit)

W.E. 11/62/1 OFFRS. 29 O.R's 239 + 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.								
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 4 21 1	* * Lieut.-Colonels Majors Captains Lieutenants Quarter-masters A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs. Civilians Counting as Offrs.	AAMC AACHD	1 1							
			29			2							
		DETAIL		A.I.F.	C.M.F.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.N.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL.	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	**	TOTAL.
		A.		31									31
		E.(1)											
		E.(2)											

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

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

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

OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit From.	Date.	CAUSE.
NX15827	LIEUT	GARDINER PE	SCHOOL	28.6.44	FIRST AUST ARMY REGTA SCH WONGABEE
NX60350	✓	JOHNSON MD.	✓	28.6.44	✓
NX34672	CAPT	WRAGGE KS	LEAVE	28.6.44	

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit To.	Date.	CAUSE.
NX31079	MAJ	MACKAY JK.	G.D.D.SYDNEY	30.6.44	
NX34784	✓	GREEN PB	103AGH	30.6.44	✓
NX65687	LIEUT	ARMSTRONG W/B	SCHOOL	29.6.44	FIRST AUST ARMY REGTA TRG SCH SOMERSET DAM.

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).

2/2 Aust MG BN Unit

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 1/7/1944 (Total to agree with Columns 4 and 7 of Part A.)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held.	Army Number.	Surname.	Initials.	Posting.	Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No)	If not present with Unit, state how employed.	Date of Detachment.
LT-COL	NX12629	MACARTHUR-ONSLOW	E	C.O.	YES		
MAJOR	Qx6263	SEARLE	GA	21/C	NO	LEAVE	
	NX12343	WHEATLEY	MI		YES		
CAPT	Qx6350	GOLDSMITH	AD		YES		
CAPT	Qx6363	SEARLE	PK		YES		
	NX34664	NICHOLAS	WP		YES		
	NX34672	WRAGGE	KS		YES		
LIEUT	Qx6396	STUART	DR	TD.	YES		
LIEUT (T/CAPT)	NX14551	VARLEY	FA	POST	YES		
	NX15828	FERGUSON	GT	QM	YES		
LIEUT	Qx9618	FARQUHAR	AB		YES		
	Qx19119	BENNETT	RJR		NO	LEAVE	
	NX15827	GARDINER	PE		YES		
	NX79866	BENNETT	WM	10	YES		
	NX58535	MELVILLE	WR	SIGS	YES		
	NX60350	JOHNSON	MD		YES		
	NX26071	MILLS	IY		NO	LEAVE	
	Qx19129	CRAVEN	CP		YES		
	Qx19141	EDWARDS	HR		YES		
	NX27163	COCKRAM	HJC		YES		
	NX57427	CANN	RC		NO	LEAVE	
	Qx22731	GINN	RT		NO	LEAVE	
	NX47063	MCLAREN	RR		YES		
	Qx19540	KIBBLE	KGN		NO	LEAVE	
	NX77467	HALL	CC		YES		
	Sx827	COCKSHELL	WD		YES		
	Tx738	BOOTH	DAT		YES		
	NX123700	BORTHWICK	RW		YES		
	NX114210	HUGGINS	AHS		YES		
CAPT	NX200337	BENNETT	WNGC	RMO	YES		
CHAP MAJL	VX63807	JAEGER	GE		NO	DET FOR DUTY 2/2 AGN	

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.

1.7.44
Date of Despatch

[Signature]
Signature of Commander

2/2 AUGUST M G BN Unit

PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 1 / 7 / 1944.

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.
Ammunition Examiners				Surveyors, Engineering				Operating Room Assts.				G.P.O. Assistants			
Armament Artificer Fitter				Surveyors, R.A.A.				Operator, Keyboard				Hammermen			
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	24	24	
Armament Artificer Signals				Welders				Palpters				Riveters			
Armament Artificer Wireless								Panel Beaters				Roughriders			
Artificer, Artillery								Photographer, Dry Plate				Saddlers			
Artificer, Engine								Predictor Numbers				Saddletree makers			
Blacksmiths								Printers				Shoemaker and Boot Repairer			
Bricklayers	1		NR					Radlographers				Stevedores			
Computers								Riggers				Stokers, Staty. Engine			
Cooks, Hospital				GROUP II.				Sawyers				Storemen, Technical	7	5	NR
Coppersmiths				Armourers				Signallers	27	15	NR	Tailors	2	1	NR
Dispensers				Axemen				Signwriters				Textile Refitters			
Draughtsmen				Bakers				Telescope Identfn. Numbers				Tinsmiths			
Draughtsmen (Architectural)				Bty. Comd's. Asst.				Well Borers				Vulcanizers			
Draughtsmen (Engineering)				Bollermakers				Wheelers				Wagon Erectors			
Draughtsmen (Mechanical)				Carpenters	2	2		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											
Fitters (M.V.)				Gun Operator				GROUP III.							
Fitters, Railway Signal				Hatchman				Battery Surveyors							
Fitters, Signals				Height Taker				Butchers	1	2					
Grinder, Precision				Hello Operator				Clerks	12	12					
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator				Clerks, Supply							
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Intelligence Duties				Clerks, Technical							
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Joiners				Coach Trimmers							
Mechanics, Radio				Lineman				Concretors							
Mechanics, Typewriter				Lineman, Signals				Cooks							
Mechanics, Wireless				Lithographers				Dental Clerk Orderlies							
Millwrights				Machinists, Metal				Despatch Riders							
Operators, Excavator				Machinists, Wood				Draughtsmen, Signals							
Pattern Maker				Masons				Drivers, H.T.							
Pharmacist				Masseurs				Driver Mechanics	3	13					
Photographer, Wet Plate				Mechanics, M.T.				Driver Tptn. Plant							
Photowriter				Miners				Engine Hands, I.C.							
Plumber				Moulders				Equipment Repairers	1	-					
Saw Doctors				Nurses, Trained				Farriers							
Surveyors				Observation Post Assts.				Fitters' Mates							
								Gun Layers							
CARRIED FORWARD	1			CARRIED FORWARD	3	2		CARRIED FORWARD	4	7	11				
													Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively.		
													55	74	*

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(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.

1. 7.44
Date of Despatch

Signature of Commander
Capt. for Lt. Col.

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 8 / 7 / 1944 2/2 Aust MG Bn (Unit)

W.E. III / 62 / 1 OFFRS. 29 O.R's 259 + 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.							
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 4 21 1	* * Lieut.-Colonels Majors Captains Lieutenants Quarter-masters A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs. Civilians Counting as Offrs.	ARMC AACMD	1						
			29			2						
		DETAIL	A.I.F.	C.M.F.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.N.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL.	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	**	TOTAL.
		A.	31									31
		E.(1)										
		E.(2)										

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

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

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

OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit From.	Date.	CAUSE.
QX6364	1/CAPT	HERBERTSON F.	HOSPITAL	17.7.44	
NX12109	LIEUT	JACK CK	SCHOOL	27.7.44	L.H.Q. SCH OF HYGI & SANITATION

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit To.	Date.	CAUSE.
TX738	LIEUT	BOOTH DAY	SCHOOL	27.7.44	F.A.A.R.T.S. MR. & FS. CSENDS
NX7262		HALL CC	HOSPITAL	3.7.44	

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).

2/2 AVST MG BN Unit

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 8/7/194. (Total to agree with Columns 4 and 7 of Part A.)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held.	Army Number.	Surname.	Initials.	Posting.	Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No)	If not present with Unit, state how employed.	Date of Detachment.
LT-COL.	NX12629	MACARTHUR-ONSLON	CE.	CO	YES		
MAJOR	OX6263	SEARLE	GA.	2/10	NO.	LEAVE	
"	NX12343	WHEATLEY	M.I.		YES.		
CAPT	OX6350.	GOLDSMITH	AD.		YES		
"	OX6363	SEARLE	PK.		YES		
"	NX34664	NICHOLAS	WI.		YES		
"	NX34674	WIRAGGE	KS		YES		
LIEUT (CAPT)	OX6364	HERBERTSON	F		YES		
LIEUT	OX6370	STUART	DR	TO	YES		
LIEUT (T/CAPT)	NX14551	VARLEY	FA.	ADJ	YES		
"	NX15828	FERGUSON	GT	QM.	YES		
LIEUT	OX9618.	FARQUHAR	A.B.	BP	YES		
"	NX12409	JACK	CE		YES		
"	OX19119	BENNETT	RJR.		NO.	LEAVE	
"	NX15827	GARDINER	PE		YES		
"	NX70865	BENNETT	WM	I.D.	YES		
"	NX55335	MELVILLE	WR.	SIGS	YES		
"	NX60350	JOHNSON	MD		YES		
"	NX26071	MILLS	IY		NO	LEAVE	
"	OX19139	CRAVEN	CP		YES		
"	OX19144	EDWARDS	HR		YES		
"	NX27163	COCKRAM	HJC		YES		
"	NX57427	CANN	RC		NO	LEAVE	
"	OX22731	GINN	RJ.		NO	LEAVE	
"	NX47043	MCLAREN	RR		YES		
"	OX19340	KIBBLE	KGN		YES		
"	NX144210	HUGGINS	AM.		YES		
"	SX827	COCKSHELL	W.D.		YES		
"	TX738	BOOTH	D.A.T		NO	F.I.A.A.R.T.S. MR & FS. SCHOOL	
"	NX23766	BORTHWICK	RW.		YES		
CAPT	NX200337	BENNETT	WNCG	RMO	YES		
CHAP (ATHL)	VX65807	JAEGER	GE	CHAP	NO.	DET FOR DUTY TO 2/11 1944.	

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.

8.7.44
Date of Despatch

J. Marley
Signature of Commander

2/2 AUST MG BN

Unit

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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 8/7/1944.

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.
Ammunition Examiners				Surveyors, Engineering				Operating Room Assts.				G.P.O. Assistants			
Armament Artificer Fitter				Surveyors, R.A.A.				Operator, Keyboard				Hammermen			
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	24	20	NR.
Armament Artificer Signals				Welders				Palpters				Rivetters			
Armament Artificer Wireless								Panel Beaters				Roughriders			
Artificer, Artillery								Photographer, Dry Plate				Saddlers			
Artificer, Engine								Predictor Numbers				Saddletree makers			
Blacksmiths								Printers				Shoemaker and Boot Repairer			
Bricklayers	1	1						Radiographers				Stevadores			
Computers								Biggers				Stokers, Staty. Engine			
Cooks, Hospital				GROUP II.				Sawyers				Storemen, Technical	7	7	
Coppersmiths				Armourers				Signallers	27	20		Tailors	2	7	
Dispensers				Axemen				Signwriters				Textile Refitters			
Draughtsmen				Bakers				Telescope Identfn. Numbers				Tinsmiths			
Draughtsmen (Architectural)				Bty. Comd's Asst.				Well Borers				Vulcanizers			
Draughtsmen (Engineering)				Bollermakers				Wheelers				Wagon Erectors			
Draughtsmen (Mechanical)				Carpenters	2	2		Winchman				Whitesmiths			
Draughtsmen (Topographical)				Carpenters and Joiners				Wireman							
Electricians				Cooks				Woodturners				NON SPECIALISTS			
Electricians (M.V.)				Dental Mechanics								FAALMG	13	13	
Electricians (Signals)				Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Med.)								AMM-NO	8	8	
Fitters				Driver-Operator								BATMEN	30	30	
Fitters (Cycle)				Drainers								BATMAN DWR	1	1	
Fitters (Electrical)				Electricians								GEN DUTIES MERS	2	2	
Fitters (Gun)				Electricians (Engineers)								HYG DUTIES	2	2	
Fitters (Instrument)				Fire Control Operators								MG DETAILS	276	228	
Fitters (M.V.)				Gun Operator				GROUP III.				DETAILS OF NON-TRADESMEN.			
Fitters, Railway Signal				Hatchman				Battery Surveyors				M/K ORDERLIES	24	10	
Fitters, Signals				Height Taker				Butchers	1	1		ORDERLIES	25	25	
Grinder, Precision				Helio Operator				Clerks	12	12		REGTA POLICE	3	2	
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator				Clerks, Supply				STOREMAN	6	6	
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Intelligence Duties				Clerks, Technical				STRET BRS	17	10	
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Joiners				Coach Trimmers				WATER DUTIES	2	2	
Mechanics, Radio				Lineman				Concretors				DRIVERS M/T	25	25	
Mechanics, Typewriter				Lineman, Signals				Cooks				PIONEERS.	1	1	
Mechanics, Wireless				Lithographers				Dental Clerk Orderlies				PRIVATE	1	1	
Millwrights				Machinists, Metal				Despatch Riders				ATTACHED BY W.E.			
Operators, Excavator				Machinists, Wood				Draughtsmen, Signals				TRANSPORT	1	1	
Pattern Maker				Masons				Drivers, H.T.				RSM	1	1	
Pharmacist				Masseurs				Driver Mechanics	2	13		RQMS	1	1	
Photographer, Wet Plate				Mechanics, M.T.				Driver Tptn. Plant				CSM.	5	4	
Photewriter				Miners				Engine Hands, I.C.				BQMS	5	5	
Plumber				Moulders				Equipment Repairers	1	-		SERGEANTS	26	23	
Saw Doctors				Nurses, Trained				Farriers							
Surveyors				Observation Post Assts.				Fitters' Mates							
								Gun Layers							
CARRIED FORWARD	1	1		CARRIED FORWARD	3	3		CARRIED FORWARD	47	49		Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively.	559	478	*

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8.7.44
Date of Despatch

F. J. ...
Signature of Commander
Capt. for Lt. Col.

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

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

/ / (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday / / 194 (Unit)

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

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

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 2 4 21 1	* * Lieut.-Colonels Majors Captains Lieutenants Quarter-masters A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs. Civilians Counting as Offrs.	ATTACHED	1								
			29			1								
				DETAIL	A.I.F.	C.M.F.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.N.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL.	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	**	TOTAL.
				A.	30									30
				E.(1)										
				E.(2)										

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

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.
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PART B.—PARTICULARS OF OFFICERS JOINED OR QUITTED DURING WEEK.

OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit From.	Date.	CAUSE.
N45937	Lieut	BREKTON	SCHOOL	17/11	

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit To.	Date.	CAUSE.
N11214	Lieut	SALK	HOSPITAL	8/11	
N12059	Capt	BENNETT	WALCH	17/11	

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).

2/2 Aust MG Bn. Unit

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

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

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held.	Army Number.	Surname.	Initials.	Posting.	Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No)	If not present with Unit, state how employed.	Date of Detachment.
LT-COL.	NX12629	MACHINER	UN	E	CC.	YES	
MAJOR	24626	SEARLE	GH		24/6	NO	LEAVE
	NK12343	WHEATLEY	PH			YES	
CAPT	24635	GOLDSMITH	HD			YES	
	24636	SEARLE	PK			YES	
	NK24644	WHEATLEY	WP			YES	
	NK24672	WRIGGER	KS			YES	
LIEUTENANT	24674	HERBERTSON	F			YES	
LIEUT	24676	SMART	DR		TO	YES	
LIEUTENANT	24681	VALE	EH		TO	YES	
	NK15825	FERGUSON	GT		GM.	YES	
LIEUT	24685	FARQUHAR	AB			YES	
	24689	BENNETT	RTR			NO	LEAVE
	NK15827	GARDINER	TR			YES	
	NK15825	BENNETT	WHP		IC	YES	
	NK15830	DEVLIN	WHP		SIB	YES	
	NK15830	JOHNSON	MD			YES	
	NK15831	MILES	LY			YES	LEAVE
	24689	CRIVEN	CP			YES	
	NK15837	COCKBURN	HJL			YES	
	NK15837	CANN	RC			NO	LEAVE
	24689	GINN	RJ			NO	LEAVE
	NK15840	PICKAREN	RR			YES	
	24689	KIBBLE	KN			YES	
	NK15840	HUGGINS	MH			YES	
	24689	CUSHMAN	WD			YES	
	24689	DOUGLAS	DAT			NO	144 HRS MILITARY SCHOOL
	NK15840	BORTHWICK	RW			YES	
	NK15847	BREKTON	IK			YES	
CHAPLAIN (MILITARY)	VX 6507	TARGET	GE		CHAP	NO	DETACH DUTY TO 2/24/44

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.

15 7/44
 Date of Despatch

Stearley Capt. for Lt. Col.
 Signature of Commander

2/2 Aust MG Bn. Unit

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

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.
Ammunition Examiners				Surveyors, Engineering				Operating Room Assts.				G.P.O. Assistants			
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				Rangefinders	24	20	NK
Armament Artificer Signals				Welders				Paipeters				Riveters			
Armament Artificer Wireless								Panel Beaters				Roughriders			
Artificer, Artillery								Photographer, Dry Plate				Saddlers			
Artificer, Engine								Predictor Numbers				Saddletree makers			
Blacksmiths								Printers				Shoemaker and Boot Repairer			
Bricklayers	1	1						Radiographers				Stevedores			
Computers								Elggers				Stokers, Staty. Engine			
Cooks, Hospital				GROUP II.				Sawyers				Storemen, Technical	7	7	
Coppersmiths				Armourers				Signallers	27	22		Tailors	2	1	
Dispensers				Axemen				Signwriters				Textile Refitters			
Draughtsmen				Bakers				Telescope identfn. Numbers				Tinsmiths			
Draughtsmen (Architectural)				Bty. Comd's Asst.				Well Borers				Vulcanizers			
Draughtsmen (Engineering)				Bollermakers				Wheelers				Wagon Erectors			
Draughtsmen (Mechanical)				Carpenters	2	2		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											
Fitters (M.V.)				Gun Operator				GROUP III.							
Fitters, Railway Signal				Hatchman				Battery Surveyors							
Fitters, Signals				Height Taker				Butchers	1	1					
Grinder, Precision				Helio Operator				Clerks	12	12					
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator				Clerks, Supply							
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Intelligence Duties				Clerks, Technical							
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Joiners				Coach Trimmers							
Mechanics, Radio				Joiners				Concretors							
Mechanics, Typewriter				Lineman				Cooks							
Mechanics, Wireless				Lineman, Signals				Dental Clerk Orderlies							
Millwrights				Lithographers				Despatch Riders							
Operators, Excavator				Machinists, Metal				Draughtsmen, Signals							
Pattern Maker				Machinists, Wood				Drivers, H.T.							
Pharmacist				Masons				Driver Mechanics	3	13					
Photographer, Wet Plate				Masseurs				Driver Tptn. Plant							
Photewriter				Mechanics, M.T.				Engine Hands, I.C.							
Plumber				Miners				Equipment Repairers	1						
Saw Doctors				Moulders				Farriers							
Surveyors				Nurses, Trained				Fitters' Mates							
				Observation Post Assts.				Gun Layers							
CARRIED FORWARD	1	1		CARRIED FORWARD	3	3		CARRIED FORWARD	47	51		Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively.	559	500	*

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15.7.44
Date of Despatch

[Signature]
Signature of Commander

PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 22/ 7 /1944.

Table with 15 columns: Details of Tradesmen (GROUP I, II, III), W.E., Posted Strength, Reints. Required. Includes rows for Ammunition Examiners, Artificers, Electricians, etc., with handwritten entries and totals.

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

Part A of Army Form W3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 1947
 PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in
 DETAILS OF NCOs ATTACHED BY WE

TRADE	RANK	WE	PS	SURP	DEF	TRADE	WE	PS	SURP	DEF
CARPENTER	CPL	1	1			AAMC				
SIGNALERS	CPL	4	5	1		CHIROPODIST	1	1		
CLERKS	SJT	2	2			HYG INSP	1	1		
"	CPL	7	6			MED ORD	2	2		
TAILOR	SJT	1	1			AEME				
"	CPL	1	1			ARMOURER	2	1		
TECH STOREMEN	SJT	1	1			FITTER GPI	1	1		
AALMG NOS	CPL	1	1			MECH GPII	1	1		
MG DETAILS	CPL	36	36							
STRETCHER BEARERS	SJT	1	1							
"	CPL	1	1							
DRIVERS MT	CPL	1	1			AAPC				
PIONEER	SJT	1	1			PAY CLERK	1	1		
PROVOST	SJT	1	1							
TRANSPORT	SJT	1	1			AAPS				
"	CPL	4	3			POSTAL DUTIES	1	1		
RSM	WOI	1	1							
RQMS	WOII	1	1			AAOC				
CQMS	SJT	5	6			SHOEMAKER	1	1		
CSM	WOII	5	5							
SERJEANTS (UNSPEC)	SJT	26	26			AACC				
						CATERER	1	1		
						COOKS	20	20		
ATTACHED										
AAMC										
CHIROPODIST	CPL	1	1							
HYG INSP.	SJT	1	1		1 (NR)					
MED ORD	SJT	1	1							
AAPC										
PAY CLERK	SJT	1	1							
AAPS										
POSTAL DUTIES	SJT	1	1							
AAOC										
SHOEMAKER	CPL	1	1							
AACC										
CATERER	WOII	1	1							
COOKS	SJT	5	4							
"	CPL	5	4							
AEME										
ARMOURER	SJT	1	1							
FITTER	SJT	1	1							
TOTAL			121	113		TOTAL		32	30	

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Signature of Commander

Date of Despatch

L.O. Form 116-10/47-410m

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

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

28/44 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 22/7/1944. 2/2 AVST MGBM (Unit)

W.E. III / 62 / 1. OFFRS. 29 O.R.'s. 559 + OFFRS. 1 O.R.'s. 32 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 4 23 1	* * Lieut.-Colonels Majors Captains Lieutenants Quarter-masters A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs. Civilians Counting as Offrs.									
			31										
		DETAIL	A1	607855	C.M.F.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.N.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL.	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	**	TOTAL.
		A.	29	2									31
		E.(1)											
		E.(2)											

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

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

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

OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK

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

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

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

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).

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

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

29 / 44 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 29 / 7 / 1944 2nd Aust MG Bn (Unit)

W.E. III / 62 / 1 OFFRS 29 O.R's 339 + OFFRS 1 O.R's 32 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 4 21 1	* * Lieut.-Colonels Majors Captains Lieutenants Quarter-masters A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs. Civilians Counting as Offrs.	AAMC	1							
			29			1							
		DETAIL		A.I.F.	C.M.F.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.N.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL.	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	**	TOTAL.
		A.		30									30
		E.(1)											
		E.(2)											

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

OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit From.	Date.	CAUSE.
QX6263	MAJ	SEARLE G.A.M.C.L.	LEAVE	24-7-44	
QX19119	LT	BENNETT R.J.R.	✓	25-7-44	
NX200773	CAPT	BENNETT W.N.C.B.		26-7-44	

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit To.	Date.	CAUSE.
SX827	LT	COCKSHELL W.D.	HOSPITAL	25-7-44	
NX39427	✓	CANN R.C.	✓	27-7-44	
QX6378	✓	STUART D.R.	GDD BRISBANE	27-7-44	FOR RELEASE.

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).

2/2 AUST MG BN Unit

Army Form W.3009
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(Revised Jan., 1943)
29/44 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 29/7/1944.

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.
Ammunition Examiners				Surveyors, Engineering				Operating Room Assts.				G.P.O. Assistants			
Armament Artificer Fitter				Surveyors, E.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				Rangefinders	24	17	NR.
Armament Artificer Signals				Welders				Palpters				Riveters			
Armament Artificer Wireless								Panel Beaters				Roughriders			
Artificer, Artillery								Photographer, Dry Plate				Saddlers			
Artificer, Engine								Predictor Numbers				Saddletree makers			
Blacksmiths								Printers				Shoemaker and Boot Repairer			
Bricklayers	1	2						Radlographers				Stevedores			
Computers								Riggers				Stokers, Staty. Engine			
Cooks, Hospital				GROUP II.				Sawyers				Storemen, Technical	7	7	
Coppersmiths				Armourers				Signallers	27	24	NR.	Tailors	2	2	
Dispensers				Axemen				Signwriters				Textile Refitters			
Draughtsmen				Bakers				Telescope Identfn. Numbers				Tinsmiths			
Draughtsmen (Architectural)				Bty. Comd's Asst.				Well Borers				Vulcanizers			
Draughtsmen (Engineering)				Bollermakers				Wheelers				Wagon Erectors			
Draughtsmen (Mechanical)				Carpenters	2	2		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											
Fitters (M.V.)				Gun Operator				GROUP III.							
Fitters, Railway Signal				Hatchman				Battery Surveyors							
Fitters, Signals				Height Taker				Butchers	1	1					
Grinder, Precision				Helio Operator				Clerks	12	11					
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator				Clerks, Supply							
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Intelligence Duties				Clerks, Technical							
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Joiners				Coach Trimmers							
Mechanics, Radio				Lineman				Concretors							
Mechanics, Typewriter				Lineman, Signals				Cooks							
Mechanics, Wireless				Lithographers				Dental Clerk Orderlies							
Millwrights				Machinists, Metal				Despatch Riders							
Operators, Excavator				Machinists, Wood				Draughtsmen, Signals							
Pattern Maker				Masons				Drivers, H.T.							
Pharmacist				Masseurs				Driver Mechanics	3	13					
Photographer, Wet Plate				Mechanics, M.T.				Driver Tptn. Plant							
Photowriter				Miners				Engine Hands, I.C.							
Plumber				Moulders				Equipment Repairers	1	1					
Saw Doctors				Nurses, Trained				Farriers							
Surveyors				Observation Post Assts.				Fitters' Mates							
CARRIED FORWARD	1	2		CARRIED FORWARD	3	4		CARRIED FORWARD	49	54		Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively.	539	609	*

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Signature of Commander

Part A of Army Form W 3000 at 0600 Hours Saturday 22/1/1944
 DETAILS OF NCOs ATTACHED BY W.E.

TRADE	Details of Trade	RNK	WE	PS	SURP	DEF	TRADE	Details of Trade	WE	PS	SURP	DEF
CARPENTER	G.O. Assistants	CPL	1	1			AAMC	Surveyor Engineering				
SIGNALERS	Handwriting	CPL	4	5			CHIROPODIST	Surveyor	1	1		
CLERKS	Letter Stickers	SJT	2	2			HYG INSP	Hygiene Inspector	1	+		
"	Orderlies Messing	CPL	7	6			MED ORD	Medical Orderlies	2	2		
TAILOR	Orderlies Messing	SJT	1	1			AEME	Armourer				
"	File Labels	CPL	1	-			ARMOURER	Armourer	2	1		
TECH STOREMAN	Handwriting	SJT	1	1			FITTER GPI	Fitter	1	1		
AALMG NOS	Handwriting	CPL	1	1			MECH GPI	Mechanic	1	1		
MG DETAILS	Handwriting	CPL	36	40								
STRETCHER BEARER	Handwriting	SJT	1	1			AAPC	Pay Clerk				
"	Handwriting	CPL	1	-			PAY CLERK	Pay Clerk	1	1		
DRIVERS MV	Handwriting	CPL	1	1			AAPS	Postal Duties				
PIONEER	Handwriting	SJT	1	1			POSTAL DUTIES	Postal Duties	1	1		
PROVOST	Handwriting	"	1	-			AADC	Shoemaker				
TRANSPORT	Handwriting	SJT	1	1			SHOEMAKER	Shoemaker	1	-		
"	Handwriting	CPL	4	3			AACC	Caterer				
ASM	Handwriting	WOI	1	1			CATERER	Caterer	1	1		
RQMS	Handwriting	WOI	1	+			COOKS	Cooks	20	20		
CSM	Handwriting	WOI	5	5								
CQMS	Handwriting	S/SJT	5	5								
SERGEANTS (UNSPEC)	Handwriting	SJT	26	26								
ATTACHED												
AAMC												
CHIROPODIST		CPL	1	1								
HYG INSPECTOR		SJT	1	-								
MED ORD		SJT	1	1								
AAPC												
PAY CLERK		SJT	1	1								
AAPS												
POSTAL DUTIES		SJT	1	1								
AADC												
SHOEMAKER		CPL	1	-								
AACC												
CATERER		WOI	1	1								
COOKS		SJT	5	5								
"		CPL	5	5								
AEME												
ARMOURER		SJT	1	1								
FITTER		SJT	1	1								
CARRIED FORWARD												
Total of column marked * to agree with columns 4 and 5 and 1 and 10 of Part A respectively.			121	115			3	4	32	29	1	

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2/2 AUSTRALIAN M G B N

WAR DIARY

AUGUST 1944

ORIGINAL

With Appendices

- "A" Training
- "B" Administration
- "C" Routine Orders
- "D" Field Returns

W. Bennett dt

AUGUST WAR DIARY

TUESDAY
1 AUG

Lt C P CRAVEN transferred as Asst Adjt QLD L of C YERRONGPILLY.

Capt K S WRAGGE, Lt W M BENNETT nominated as returning officers for Commonwealth Referendum.

Lt P E GARDINER evacuated to 2/1 AUST C.C.S.(P.U.O.)

WEDNESDAY
2 AUG

Documents for D.C.Ms Pte PACEY, C., Pte BISHOP, R.P. , on charges AWL submitted to Div.

THURSDAY
3 AUG

Inter Camp Bus Service now running between the extremities of 9 AUST DIV camp area and township of RAVENSHOE.

Formation of an officers Club in RAVENSHOE has commenced and will be opened at a date in the near future.

FRIDAY
4 AUG

Arrangements completed for sports afternoon with 2/3 AUST MG BN, matches will include -

Rugby Union
Soccer
Aust Rules
Basketball

Bn will conduct an Inf Range Takers Course for range-takers from 20-24-26 AUST INF BDES and 2/3 AUST PNR BN. Lt D A BOOTH will be O.C. School. Duration 7-18 Aug. APPX. "A"

SATURDAY
5 AUG

Personnel classified B1 or B2 are to be marched out to 9 AUST DIV Reception Camp. They will then be interviewed and recommended for further disposal.

A.R.L. for Capt F R K STANILAND granted at conclusion of LHQ Tactical School, BEENLEIGH.

One vacancy for NCO allotted unit for F.A.A. Vehicle Waterproofing School.

SUNDAY 0830 hrs
6 AUG

Bn church parade conducted by Padre from 2/9 Aust Cav Commando Regt.

Padre T THOMAS marched in to take up duties as unit Chaplain.

2/6 AUST DENTAL UNIT transferred to 7 AUST DENTAL UNIT. One Section of this unit has been attached 2/2 AUST MG BN.

MONDAY
7 AUG

Lt W N TIPPETT evacuated P.U.O. from LHQ S.A.S. BONEGILLA.

Efforts have been made by Coy Comdrs and Education Offr to popularise discussions on Current Affairs Bulletin. These however, have met with little success, except on subjects of vital interest such as the Commonwealth Referendum.

Lt R J R BENNETT marched out on transfer to No 1 QLD L OF C AREA B.I.P.O.D.

Lt C P CRAVEN marched out to 1 AUST PERS STAGING CAMP.

TUESDAY
8 AUG

All leave to INNISFAIL has been cancelled for an indefinite period.

Findings of D.C.M. on QX 11615 Pte DONALD, N.W.V., NX 39815 Pte PACEY, C., QX 9162 L.Cpl DAY, E.C. contained in RO of today.

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WEDNESDAY
9 AUG

HQ COY including Bn HQ personnel picked up by A.S.C. Tpt and taken to DAMBULLA rifle range to conduct range practices, as required to qualify for proficiency pay.

B Coy moved to MILLA MILLA field firing range ref map PALMERSTON 1 inch 619983.

Programme Field Firing - Range Practices :-

090800K	B Coy	MILLA MILLA	HQ Coy	DAMBULLA
100800K	C "	" "	101030K	B Coy DAMBULLA
101500K	HQ "	RAVENSHOE camp		
110800K	D "	MILLA MILLA	111030K	C " "
111500K	B "	RAVENSHOE		
120800K	A "	MILLA MILLA	121030K	D " "
121500K	C "	RAVENSHOE		
130800K	Cadre	DAMBULLA	131030K	A " "
131500K	D "	RAVENSHOE		

15 Aug A Coy and Cadre return to camp.

Lt G J JEFFCOAT evacuated from S.A.S. BONEGILLA to 106 A.G.H. (P.U.O.)

THURSDAY
10 AUG

0800 hrs C Coy to DAMBULLA rifle range and MILLA MILLA field firing ranges.

1700 " HQ Coy returned from DAMBULLA.

Lt R C CANN rejoined unit ex hospital.

A/WO(i) BUCHANAN, C.L. rejoined unit ex hospital.

Capt W N C G BENNETT nominated to attend LHQ AAMC School.

Lt R.C CANN marched in ex 2/6 A.G.H.

Lt W N TIPPETT returned S.A.S. BONEGILLA from 106 A.G.H.

FRIDAY
11 AUG

0800 hrs D Coy less Cadre and essential personnel left unit for range practices and field firing.

0900 " C.O., Adjt and Capt W P NICHOLAS visiting DAMBULLA rifle range and MILLA MILLA field firing range, Notified by 9 AUST DIV - ranks of following offrs confirmed :-

T/Capt	R W CAMERON,	D.S.O.	-	CAPT
"	F HERBERTSON,		-	CAPT
Lt	C E JACK		-	CAPT

1700 B Coy returned from DAMBULLA Medical
Capt W N C G BENNETT nominated to attend/War Course
No 24 held at LHQ AAMC School, IVANHOE, Victoria
from 10 Sep -21 Oct 44.

SATURDAY
12 AUG

0800 hrs A Coy less cadre personnel left unit to conduct range practices, and field firing at DAMBULLA rifle range and MILLA MILLA field firing range.

A/WO(ii) COLE, R.W. rejoined unit ex F.A.A. R.S.M. and C.S.Ms SCHOOL.

GRO 492/43 states that a weekly request hour will be instituted. During this period an officer must be available to answer questions by all ranks. The policy within the Bn since inception has always been that any member may approach any officer incl the C.O. on any subject at any time. This has proved a most satisfactory arrangement, and will be continued in addition to request hour.

SUNDAY
13 AUG

0900 hrs Bn Church Parade conducted by Padre T THOMAS.
Sporting results -

Soccer	-	Bn team defeated	53 Comp AA Regt
Rugby Union	-	Bn 2nd team defeated	2/15 Aust Inf Bn
		Bn 1st team lost to	" "
Hockey	-	Bn team defeated	" "
Aust Rules	-	" lost to	2/13 "

Lt M D JOHNSTON marched in ex 2/2 A.G.H.

Capt W P NICHOLAS marched out to LHQ TACTICAL SCHOOL
Course No 13 -Duration 20.8.44 to 1.10.44.

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MONDAY
14 AUG

As a result of Sjt GOLDSMITH, D being boarded B 2, WO (ii) ROBINSON K B has been nominated to attend F.A.A. R.T.S. CSMS School in his place.

Lt P E GARDINER marched in ex 2/6 A.G.H.
Capt F R K STANILAND marched in ex LHQ Tactical School BEENLEIGH.

TUESDAY
15 AUG

Amendment No 8 to a MG Bn WE 111/62/1 includes :-

Détail	No	On man or with gun	Amn Res.	Rounds Total
Pistols .38 inch	165	12	990 990	2970
Rifles .303 "	395	25	10000	19375
" " "	27	25	-	675
For att personnel				
S.M.G.	30	240	18000	25200
M.M.G. .303 inch	48	2000	48000	144000
AALMGs .303 "	13	200	6500	9100
Pistols Signals	24	10	120	360
Grenades No 36 hand	-	-	480	480

APPX
"B"

Lt R R McLAREN evacuated to 2/1 AUST C.C.S. (P.U.O.)

WEDNESDAY
16 AUG

WO(ii) ROBINSON K B reports WONGABEL 1345 hrs to attend FAARTS For CSMS No 4.

Amendment No 1 to 1 AUST CORPS Equipment M.T. deletes 3 trailers 2 wheel water 80 gal, and increases number of Jeep trailers to 19. This is a result of the recommendation from the MG Bn Comds Conference.

THURSDAY
17 AUG

2/2 Aust MG Bn has entered a team in the 9 AUST DIV Soccer competition to be decided over the next six weeks.

9 AUST DIV is conducting a tactical exercise at TRINITY BEACH to be carried out by :-

24 AUST INF BDE Gp	24/27 Aug 44	APPX.
26 " " " "	11/14 Sep 44	
20 " " " "	29 Sep/2 Oct 44	

MG Coys have not as yet been notified of movement with Bdes.

FRIDAY
18 AUG

NX 23332 Sjt GIBSON, T. and QX 14579 Sjt LEIPER, R. were graded "A" by LHQ OFFR PRE-SELECTION BOARD.

SATURDAY
19 AUG

Voting within the unit took place during the day on the Commonwealth Referendum.

9 Div Medical Bulletins issued weekly show an average evacuation PUO for the Bn of approx 25.30 each week.

SUNDAY
20 AUG

Visual Training Films shown to whole unit during day. Subjects 1. - Silent Enemy, delaing with Malaria; 2. - House Fly, 3. Sex Hygiene.

Capt K S WRAGGE evacuated to 2/1 AUST C.C.S. P.U.O.

MONDAY
21 AUG

Following vehicles are being transferred forthwith to 2/2 AUST MG BN, for use as non-operational tpt :-

2	15 cwt	4 x 2	from 2/7 AUST FD REGT
2	15 cwt	4 x 2	" 8 AUST SVY BTY

APPX
"B"

TUESDAY
22 AUG

It has been decided to hold a Bn Sports meeting on Saturday 16 Sep. Same events being held as previous year, plus hurdles. Prizes mainly will be in the form of plaques, being made by unit equipment repairer.

The following officers have been taken on strength with Regt Seniority as from date of transfer 14.143. :-

NX 59427 Lt R C CANN
QX 17967 Lt G J JEFFCOAT
QX 22731 Lt R J GINN
NX 77262 Lt C C HALL
NX 47403 Lt R R McLAREN
QX 19340 Lt K G N KIBBLE

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TUESDAY
22 AUG (CONTD)

Capt F R K STANILAND evacuated to 2/1 AUST C.C.S.
P.U.O.

WEDNESDAY
23 AUG

Average monthly enrolments of unit personnel in AAES correspondence courses are approx 5. A wide variety of subjects are chosen by students. These include :-

Agriculture,
Bookkeeping,
Deisel Engines,
Steam Engines,
Sheep and Wool Classing,
Local Govt Course,
Mathematics,
English,
Journalism,
Meat Inspection.

T/Capt F HERBERTSON marched out to QLD L OF C AREA
G.D.D.

Lt K G N KIBBLE marched out to QLD L OF C AREA G.D.D.
Capt W N C G BENNETT marched out to LHQ AAMC Medical
War Course No 24.

THURSDAY
24 AUG

Formation of hobby groups in woodwork, leatherwork are
being considered by 2 i/c Maj G A SEARLE.

FRIDAY
25 AUG

Details of intended events for the inter-coy athletics
meeting to be held Sat 16 Sep are contained in R.Os.

NX 50634 WO(ii) SIMPSON has been awarded a M.I.D. for
services rendered in the S.W.P.A. during the period
1 Apr - 30 Sep 43.

SATURDAY
26 AUG

Mail service has generally been very good. Daily air
mail service arriving in time for distribution to be
completed before parade at 0830 hrs. Majority of
letters arrive from Southern States in from two to
three days. Occasionally however, there is delay
caused by weather conditions, but normally the only
result is several hours wait before delivery.

SUNDAY 0830 hrs
27 AUG

Bn Church Parade
Average weekly rate of evacuations PUO, still remains
at from 25 to 30.

MONDAY
28 Aug

Very little interest is being evinced in the forth-
coming Victory Loan.

MONDAY
29 Aug

NIL

TUESDAY
30 AUG

NIL

WEDNESDAY
31 AUG

Application for promotion of Lt R BRERETON to rank
of Capt substantive submitted to Div.

~~THURSDAY~~
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P. J. O. O. O.

CO 2/2 Aust MG Bn

2/2 AUST MG BN
WAR DIARY
AUGUST 1944

MEDICAL DIARY

MEDICAL EVACUATIONS - 7 OFFICERS & 144 OR's

1. SICKNESS

Recurrent malaria has been the lowest this month since our return to the mainland. There has been a good many footballers evacuated, mostly with injured knees and fractured wrists. One patient had a serious fracture of the Tibia and Tibula. The majority of these football injuries will necessitate their being in hospital for a period of 1 - 3 months. D 11's have been filled in and forwarded for the majority of these cases.

2. RECLASSIFICATIONS

Official notification has been received that 10' OR's have been reclassified. There are still 15 awaiting reclassification.

3. CONSULTATIONS

There has been 37 consultations this month, all of whom have seen a specialist, and have been satisfactorily dealt with.

4. MEDICAL EQUIPMENT & SUPPLIES

Except for Elastoplast and 2.0. we have been getting all the supplies necessary.

5. MEDICAL PERSONNEL

A Stretcher Bearers school has been in progress over the past two weeks and we are sure to get our quota of S.B.'s for the unit. The R.M.O. (Capt Bennett) has left for a school of about 2 months duration and in the meantime a medical officer from the 2/8 Fld Am has been in attendance for the sick parades.

6. HYGIENE

A new hygiene Sjt has been appointed to the unit. The D.A.D.H. paid a visit to the unit and made several suggestions for new drains and latrines. Work is now being carried out on these suggestions.

7. FOOD

Rations have been excellent and are being well prepared by the cooks.

GENERAL REMARKS

The health of the unit at present is very good.

*J. S. Haistra Sjt
for
R.M.O. (Capt W. M. Bennett)*

SECRET

APPX 'B'

ADM.

W Bennett dt.

4. Wireless Comms

- (a) During move - Each GP HQ will maintain rear link wireless comm to Div HQ from 1500 hrs to 0900 hrs nightly.
- (b) At MT GARNET. Continuous wireless comm Adv Div HQ - Gp HQ will be maintained.

5. Signal Security.

The following Keywords for use with R/T Code No. 2 will be effective as from 0001 hrs 8 Jul 44. No other code will be used for R/T transmission down to Bn or equivalent HQ.

Serial 1 - THE WAY IN FROM / L

2 - NORMAL EIGHTS / B

3 - BREAKING CUPS / C

Serial 1 will come into use 0001 hrs 8 Jul 44.

Codes herewith marked for serial (1). Use horizontal alphabetical letter first, vertical letter from code phrase second.

Distribution - as for Trg Instr No. 11

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ORDER OF BATTLE AND WAR ESTABLISHMENTS

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HQ 1 Aust Corps,
2 Aug 44.
G/4222/SD.

6 Aust Div	(10)	HQ Ccmd 1 Aust Corps Tps AASC	(1)
9 Aust Div	(10)	1 Aust Armd Div Pro Coy	(1)
1 Aust Beach Gp	(1)	1 Aust Corps Fd Cash Office	(1)
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1 Aust Combined Ops Sec	(1)	1 Aust Corps Veh Pool	(1)
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RAE 1 Aust Corps Tps	(1)	1 Aust Corps Sal Unit	(1)
A Aust Corps Sigs	(1)	2 Aust Corps Fd Punishment	(1)
1 Aust Corps Sec Int Corps	(1)	Centre	(1)
'U' Aust FS Sec	(1)		

- 1. Forwarded herewith for information and action as necessary copy/copies of First Aust Army G(SD)4248 of 29 Jul 44.
2. Submissions in relation to the following war establishments have already been forwarded to higher authority and no further action is contemplated:-

Headquarters of an infantry brigade (II/2/3)
 Headquarters divisional engineers (II/4/3)
 A survey battery RAA (II/8A/2)
 An infantry battalion (TS) (II/12c/3)
 A field ambulance (TS) (II/16/4)
 Headquarters RAE 1 Aust Corps Tps (III/29/1)
A machine gun battalion (TS) (III/62/1)
 A casualty clearing station (TS) (III/75/1)

3. Submissions regarding certain other war establishments have not yet been forwarded and are now being returned to formations for review. Further proposals for increases in personnel cannot be considered unless complying with the directions contained in the memorandum from First Aust Army.

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H. Wells

Brig,
GS 1 Aust Corps.

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Subject: ORDER OF BATTLE AND WAR ESTABLISHMENTS

HQ First Aust Army (AIF)
29 Jul 44
G(SD) 4248

Distribution List 'D' (Branches and formations down to and including infantry brigades) less serials 11, 12, 58, 59, 63, 71, 73.

1. LHQ SM 13252 dated 10 Jun 43 is repeated hereunder for information and action as necessary:-

ORDER OF BATTLE AND WAR ESTABLISHMENTS

1. The position has now been reached that the posted strength of many units on the Order of Battle is below War Establishment and the intake of manpower and womanpower to the Army is below requirements to maintain existing units at their present strength. This is due to the increasing commitments within the Army for operational areas, and the decreasing allotment of manpower to the Army for reinforcements.

2. Progress in organizing the Army must continue, but as a measure of necessity all modifications required must be carried out by a process of re-adjustment of personnel within the numbers and scales of existing establishments.

While it may be clear that advantages would be gained by the reorganization of certain types of units or installations on larger war establishments, the cumulative effect of such an increase, taking into account the increase not only in units themselves, but also the consequent increased commitment for maintenance, prohibits such a policy.

3. For the above reasons the following procedure will be adopted:-

(a) All proposals for an increase in the use of manpower by a proposed increase to a war establishment, by the raising of new units on existing or new war establishments, or on account of reorganization, will be balanced by an accompanying proposal for a corresponding decrease in manpower, either by a proposed decrease in other war establishments or by disbandment or conversion of existing units.

(b) All proposals for increased holdings or new works to be executed by Army units will be related to the capacity of existing Army establishments to carry out, staff and maintain the proposed project.

4. A proposal for a small variation in a war establishment where the cumulative effect is non-existent or very small and where a concurrent increase in maintenance services is not involved, will receive consideration as an exception, but this exception does not affect the general application of the above policy.

5. It is to be noted that allowance has already been made for allotment of the intake of womanpower against existing commitments. As women become available, they will be posted to suitable appointments to release men for posting as reinforcements to operational units, and the intake of women cannot be cited as a balance against an increase in war establishments or in the Order of Battle.

2. LHQ advises that the conditions of the above SM will in future be much more rigidly applied.

3. Proposals involving an increase of personnel will not be submitted unless they are considered vital. They will be signed personally by the commander concerned,

4. The availability of personnel in reinforcement holdings, or rendered surplus as a result of disbandments which have been or may be ordered by LHQ, will only be accepted as an offset against such increases in very exceptional cases. It is essential that all such personnel be used as reinforcements for the present OOB on existing WEs.

G. W. Shuman
Brig
GS First Aust Army

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FILE 1902/2/44

FROM: 9 AUST DIV

251400K

TO: LIST B

A3546 restricted further 1 aust corps A10496 of 10 aug forwarded to units under cover our A3175 restricted (.) 1 aust corps loan liaison officer is capt KC JAMES 2/1 aust fd regt (.) 9 aust div deputy loan liaison officer is VX 17668 capt J.E McKEDDIE 2/12 aust fd regt (.) capt McKEDDIE is authorised to deal direct will all unit loan liaison officers with regard to all matters appertaining to the loan (.) it is advised that to date no literature or other material in connection with loan has been received by HQ FIRST AUST ARMY (.) further instructions and information will be forwarded in due course

[Signature]

Maj

DRIS

MESSAGE FORM

Register No.

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Transmission Instructions

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FROM

Originator

Date—Time of Origin

Office Date Stamp

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For Action

TO

7 1157 3N

(re) For Information (INFO.)

Message Instructions **GR**

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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**

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PRO FORMA MESSAGE FORM

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FROM 9 AUST DIV

161200K / 7 AUG 1944

TO : LIST B

FILE 745 2144

A3271 restricted reference 1 aust corps adm instr A10496 of 10 aug 44 (.)
SECOND VICTORY LOAN (.) para 13 (.) particulars of suitable personnel to
attend for interview will be submitted to this HQ by 25 aug 44

W. J. Allan

Maj

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unit loan offer

PRO - FORMA MESSAGE FORM

FROM ; 9 AUST DIV

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TO : LIST B

A3175 restricted (.) reference 1 aust corps adm instr A10496 of 10 aug 44 copy of which is attached (.) para 3 (.) deputy loan liaison officer will be appointed by RAA 9 Aust Div (.) particulars of officer appointed will reach this HQ by 17 aug 44 (.) the attention of units is directed to paras 9, 10, 11 and 12 of 1 aust corps adm instr

H. H. Attau
Maj

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HQ 1 Aust Corps
10 Aug 44

A 10496

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2. For the efficient performance of your duties you should :-

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(c) see that the unit pay corps representatives have all the forms etc necessary to enable them to do their part of the task.

(d) arrange a parade of your unit at which the loan scheme will be explained.

(e) organise and conduct a complete canvass of all members of your unit and secure the maximum number of applications.

(f) keep in touch with the Army, Corps etc Loan Officer through Deputy Loan Liaison Officers, supplying them with progress reports of results.

(g) Endeavour to stimulate rivalry between sub-units of your unit and between your own unit and others in the formation or area.

3. When talking to members of your unit, you can stress the facts :-

(a) War Loans are the soldier's safest and most remunerative type of investment with the most attractive interest rates.

(b) War Loans are the best way to accumulate a real post war stake to assist in civil re-establishment, enabling the investor to take better advantage of future opportunities. Bonds, while yielding a relatively high interest rate, will be readily saleable when the money is needed.

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 - (c) see that the unit pay corps representatives have all the forms etc necessary to enable them to do their part of the task.
 - (d) arrange a parade of your unit at which the loan scheme will be explained.
 - (e) organise and conduct a complete canvass of all members of your unit and secure the maximum number of applications.
 - (f) keep in touch with the Army, Corps etc Loan Officer through Deputy Loan Liaison Officers, supplying them with progress reports of results.
 - (g) Endeavour to stimulate rivalry between sub-units of your unit and between your own unit and others in the formation or area.
3. When talking to members of your unit, you can stress the facts :-
 - (a) War Loans are the soldier's safest and most remunerative type of investment with the most attractive interest rates.
 - (b) War Loans are the best way to accumulate a real post war stake to assist in civil re-establishment, enabling the investor to take better advantage of future opportunities. Bonds, while yielding a relatively high interest rate, will be readily saleable when the money is needed.
 - (c) That many thousands of soldier's wives are working and accumulating savings, either from their own earnings or from allotment moneys. Many soldiers could quite easily influence their wives to invest their savings in War Loan Bonds. By such savings and investment now, soldiers and their wives will assure themselves of a tidy nest-egg for the future, and at the same time will earn the best available interest, preserve the accessibility of their money and assist Australia's war effort.

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To be notified in G.R.Co. dated 11th August, 1944.

W.R.- III/62/1. A MACHINE GUN BATTALION (Provisional)

ANNEXMENT NO. 8

Page 12

Under "TECHNICAL SCALE"

Replace "Table of weapons and ammunition" and detail and substitute -

"Table of weapons and ammunition"

The following table will be substituted for that shown on page 12. -

(v) Table of weapons and ammunition

Detail	Number	Ammunition - rounds		
		On men or with gun	Reserve	Total
Pistols, .38-inch	105	12	990	2370
Rifles, .303-inch	395	25	10000	19375
Rifles, .303-inch for attached personnel	27	25	-	675
Sub machine guns	30	240	18000	25200
M.M.Co., .303-inch	48	2000	48000	144000
A.A.L.M.Co., .303-inch	13	200	6500	9100
Pistols, signal	24	10	120	360
Grenades, No. 26 M. hand	-	-	480	480

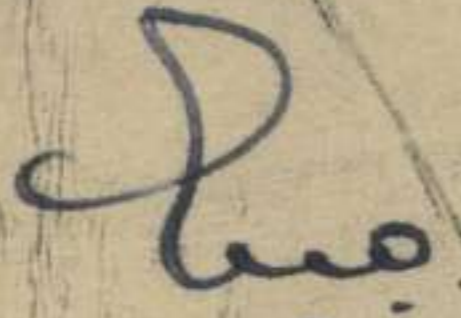
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HQ 9 AUST DIV

PUBLICATIONS

1. Reference your G983/50/3 of 12 Aug 44.
2. Subtended hereto is return of publications required by this Unit:-

	<u>copies</u>
Pam No 1 Manual of Mil Int in the Rd -Gen principles and Organisation	1
Pam No 2 " " - Battle Intelligence	1
Pam No 3 " " - Security Counter Int	1
" " - The Inf Subaltern	1
Sig Trg Cable Layer Mechanical No 2 (Aust) 1	1
Wireless Set No F56	1
Part 111 - Poled Lines, 1943	1
Ser No 10/1943 List of changes in War Material and Pattern of Mil Stores (Aust) & local modifications	1
No 2 Technical Instr on Waterproofing of Eqpt Trucks 3 ton GS (Aust) No 3 (Ford)	1
No 1 Tech Instr on Waterproofing of Eqpt Trucks 2½ ton GS USA	1
4/1944 List of Changes in War Material & Patterns of Mil Stores and Local Modifications	1
Vol 1 Projector, Inf, Tank Attack (Aust)	1
Pam 16	
Pam 40 Mines & Booby Traps -Part 11 (ALL Arms) The breaching of Minefields	2


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C.O. 2/2 Aust MG Bn.

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HQ 9 Aust Div
12 Aug 44
G983/50/3

1. Attached as Appx "A" is list of spare publications held by HQ 1 Aust Corps.
2. A return is required at this HQ by 16 Aug showing number of copies required.

A Blatchford Capt
for Lt Col
GS 9 Aust Div

Distribution : List A less serial 15.

No	Title	No of Copies
	Manual of Remedial Physical Training	2
Pam No 1	Manual of Military Intelligence in the Field - General Principles and Organisation	7 ✓
Pam No 2	Manual of Military Intelligence in the Field - Battle Intelligence	8 ✓
Pam No 3	Manual of Military Intelligence in the Field - Security Counter Intelligence	8 ✓
	The Infantry Subaltern	42 (5) ✓
	Standing Orders for the HQ 18 Aust Inf Bde 1944	3 ✓
Sig Trg Vol 3 Aust Pam No 11	Cable Layer Mechanical No 2 (Aust) 1	5 ✓
Sig Trg Vol 3 Aust Pam No 12	Wireless Set No F56	2 ✓
Sig Trg Pam No 4	Part III - Poled Lines, 1943	41 ✓ I V
LHQ Trg Trg Ins No 6	Air Sentries	
Serial No 10/1943 F A A Trg Instn No 29	List of Changes in War Material and of Patterns of Military Stores (Aust) and local modifications Fruitful Camouflage	4 ✓ 7
Appx C	Instruction Book D & M Tank Infantry Matilda - Standard Maintenance Operations & Adjustments	4
Amend No 1	Instruction Book D & M Tank Infantry Matilda I, II, III, IV, V	4
No 1	Technical Instruction on Waterproofing of Equipment Trucks 2½ ton GS USA	1 ✓
No 2	Technical Instruction on Waterproofing of Equipment Trucks 3 ton GS (Aust) No 3 (Ford)	1 ✓
No 3	Technical Instruction on Waterproofing of Equipment Fire Control Instruments	2
No 4	Technical Instruction on Waterproofing of Artillery Equipment - Field Medium and Tank Attack Equipment	2
No 5	Technical Instruction on Waterproofing of Artillery Equipment - 40 mm AA Equipment	1
No 6	Technical Instruction on Waterproofing of Equipment Trucks 3 ton GS (Aust) No 3 (Chevrolet)	1
No 7	Technical Instruction on Waterproofing of Artillery Equipment - 3.7" AA Equipment (Mobile)	1
	Elsa Aircraft Recognition Card	128
Serial No 3/1944	List of Changes in War Material and Patterns of Military Stores and Local Modifications	4
4/1944	List of Changes in War Material and Patterns of Military Stores and Local Modifications	5 ✓
2/1944	List of Changes in War Material and Patterns of Military Stores and Local Modifications	5 ✓
TM 9-575	Technical Manual - Auxiliary Fire Control Instruments (Field Gasses, Eyeglasses, Telescopes and Watches)	9
Pam No 2	The Offensive	2
Pam No 4	Withdrawal	1
Vol 1 - Pam No 16	Projector, Infantry, Tank Attack (Aust)	17 ✓

No	Title	No of Copies
Pam No 18 (Aust)	Dismounted Drill (All Arms)	56
Pam No 40	Mines & Booby Traps - Part III (All Arms) The Breaching of Minefields	23
Pam No 3 Serial No	Mechanical Vehicle Training	8
1 Pam No 5	Combined Operations - Smoke Syllabus of Reinforcement Training - Draft Priority 3 (DP 3) Stage - AMSC Ammunition Personnel	4
Ministry of War Transport Notice No M242	Advice to Those in Lifeboats and Rafts of Merchant Ships	60
	Notes on the Use of Smoke in the Field Packing and War	8
	Australian Military - (Places of Detention)	9
	Regulations and Standing Orders and Guard Compound - Standing Orders	1
Vol 1 Pam 4 Amendment No 1	Bren LMG Notes on Control of Venereal Disease	5
	Infantry Training Part I - The Infantry Battalion	87
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WEST AUSTRALIAN STATIONERY DEPOT
(PUBLICATIONS DEPOT)
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REQUISITION FOR TEXT BOOKS

A.M.R. & O.			5 copies	
SAT VOL 1 PAM	1	Weapon Trg	20	"
	2	Appln of Fire	60	"
	3	Rifle	60	"
	4	Tren L.M.G.	60	"
	6	A.A.	20	"
	7	Pt 1 Mech Subjects	100	"
		" 2 Trg	80	"
		" 3 Fire Control	80	"
	8	Mortar	60	"
	10	Range Finder	40	"
	11	Pistol	40	"
	12	Bayonet	60	"
	13	Grounds	50	"
	14	Range Practices	30	"
		SIG Owen & Sten	60	"
F.S.P.B.			6	"
Manual of Elementary Drill			6	"
"		Inf Engineering	10	"
"		P.E.	10	"
"		Military Law	5	"
Lectures in Elementary Military Law			10	"
Gas Trg Pans (1942)			50	"
Manual of Inf Trg			10	"
Inf Minor Tactics			50	"
M.T.Ps	No 3	Tactical Handling Inf Bn	5	"
	No 21 & 21a	Wire Obstacles	10	"
	No 23		10	"
	No 24	Trg of M.Gs	40	"
	No 33	Trg in Fieldcraft	20	"
	No 40		10	"
	No 42		10	"
Range tables			200	"
Manual of Map Reading & Inf Sketching			40	"
Rules of Procedure			5	"
Complete Copy GPOs 1942			1	"
Sig Trg Vols 1-7 complete			1	set
Pamphlets on Vol. 3 Don 7			6	copies
40 Line VC			6	"
D & P Frame & Boxes Terminal			6	"
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108 sets			6	"
208 "			6	"
Sig Trg (All arms) 1942 complete scale IV				

Paul Capt
(F.A. Varley)
Adj't 2/2 Aust MG Bn.

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2/9 AUST CAV (COMMANDO) REGT
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26 AUST INF BDE
2/2 AUST MG BN
2/3 AUST PNR BN
AASC 9 AUST DIV
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1. The following transfers of vehs will be implemented forthwith.
Necessary documentation will be passed to ADOS.

<u>Veh</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>To</u>	<u>From</u>
(a) Trucks 15 cwt 4 X 2	6	HQ 9 Aust Div	2/7 Aust Fd Regt
(b) " " "	4	20 Aust Inf Bde	"
(c) " " "	4	24 Aust Inf Bde	"
(d) " " "	4	26 Aust Inf Bde	"
(e) " " "	2	2/2 Aust MG Bn	"
(f) " " "	2	2/3 Aust Pnr Bn	"
(g) " " 4 X AB spers	3	RAE 9 Aust Div	"
(h) Vans 1 ton 4 X 2	2	2/9 Aust Cav (Commando) Regt	"
(j) " " "	1	20 Aust Inf Bde	"
(k) " " "	1	24 Aust Inf Bde	"
(l) " " "	1	26 Aust Inf Bde	"
(m) " " "	2	Sigs 9 Aust Div	"
(n) " " "	1	RAE 9 Aust Div	"
(o) Trucks wireless 4 X 4	2	Sigs 9 Aust Div	"
(p) Lorry 30 cwt 4 X 4	1	2/9 Aust Cav (Commando) Regt	"
(q) M/C	3	Medical	8 Aust Svy Bty
(r) Vans 1 ton 4 X 2	3	"	"
(s) Trucks 15 cwt 4 X 4	2	2/2 Aust MG Bn	"
(t) " " 4 X 2	4	AASC 9 Aust Div	"
(u) M/C	1	20 Aust Inf Bde	"
(v) " "	1	24 Aust Inf Bde	"
(w) " "	1	26 Aust Inf Bde	"

2. Handover of vehs will be under mutual arrangements.

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Lt.-Col
2/3 AUST MG BN

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APPX "E"

ROUTINE ORDERS

W Bennett Lt

WARD

110. COLOUR PATCHES

No member of this unit will wear the colour patch of another unit, except as a miniature on U.S. uniform.

111. EFFECTIVE DATE OF PROMOTIONS OF WOs AND NCOs - UNAUTHORISED WEARING OF RANK OF RANK (vide First Aust Army A123)

1. The appointment or promotion of a WO or NCO takes effect from the date notified in the Routine Order Part 11 authorising the appointment or promotion or, if no date is so notified, from the date of the order.
2. When a member is informed by the C.O. that a recommendation for his promotion has been submitted he will also be informed that such promotion will NOT take effect until promulgated in Routine Orders Part 11.
3. Except as provided in para 4 hereof, rank will NOT be assumed or badges of rank worn until the order authorising the appointment or promotion has been promulgated in Routine Orders Part 11.
4. In cases of operational necessity or emergency, if the promotion of a member has been approved by a formation commander pursuant to G.O M187/44 and only when approved by the C.O. the member may wear the badges of the higher rank forthwith, pending promulgation of the promotion in Routine Orders Part 11. Notwithstanding this approval, the wearing of such badges will NOT entitle the member to the pay and allowance of such higher rank unless and until the promotion is so promulgated.

112. LOCAL LEAVE

The importance of selecting suitable personnel for Local Leave is stressed. Only such personnel as are capable of conducting themselves properly and returning on time will be selected. Heavy penalties will be awarded to offenders in this regard.

Capt
(E.A. Verley)
Adj. 2/2 Aust Inf Bn.

APPOINTMENTS, PROMOTIONS, TRANSFERS ETC

NK 15837	Lieut R B BERTON,	posted to "A" Coy	as from 1 Aug 44
GE 19141	" R R EDWARDS	posted to "C" Coy	as from 1 Aug 44

DISCIPLINE

GE 58529 Pte JONES, H. W/OAS absenting himself without leave from IMPERIAL Leave Party from 2359 hrs on 30 Jul to 1000 hrs 31 Jul 44. Fined 35 and automatic forfeiture of 2 days pay, by C.O.

NOTICES

REGISTERED ENVELOPES

Personnel may obtain Registered Linen Envelopes on application to the Pay Sgt at fixed prices.

CHURCH PARADES

Other Denominations parades - Padre THOMAS, J.
Holy Communion each Sunday in the YMCA Hut at 0800 hrs. General Parade each Sunday in "D" Coy Mess at 0900 hrs. Coysassemble at 0850 hrs.
Dress: Trousers J.G., Shirts, J.G., Gaiters Web. Belts web, Hat turned up, boots AB, unless otherwise ordered.

MEMORIES

Acknowledgement is hereby given for receipt of 3 packets of papers and magazines from 2/2 Aust Inf Bn Comforts Auxiliary.

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Lt-COL E MACARTHUR-ONSLOW, D.S.O.

IN THE FIELD

COMMANDING 2/2 AUST MG BN

4 AUG 44

113. DUTIES

BN ORDERLY OFFICER	-	Lt BRERETON, R.
BN " SGT	-	Sjt MORGAN, A.A.D.
BN " CPL	-	Cpl CHALLIS, N.H.
BN RUNNERS	-	Pte KEMP, J.
	-	" McLAURIN, R.
SJT OF THE GD	-	Sjt WESTONE, C.E.
CPLS " "	-	Cpl DAVEY, C.
	-	" RANDALL, L.
DUTY COY	-	"A" COY.

F.A. Varley Capt
(F.A. Varley)
Adjnt 2/2 Aust MG Bn.

APPOINTMENTS, PROMOTIONS, TRANSFERS ETC.

NK 84398	Pte	CRISP, H.J.	apptd T/Cp (ii) (Equip. Repairer)	w.e.f. 16 Jun 44
QX 8343	"	ROSS, R.H.	" T/Gp (iii) (Range-taker)	w.e.f. 23 Jul 44
QX 21305	"	PROBERT, A.	" " " "	w.e.f. 23 Jul 44
QX 3063	"	RICE, D.V.	" L/CPL (paid)	w.e.f. 22 Jul 44
NK142412	Sjt	LENNON, A.E.	reverts to ranks (at own request)	w.e.f. 3 Jul 44

DISCIPLINE

NK 69931 Pte ROBERTS, H.E. WOS absent without leave in RAVENSHOE. A.A. Sec 15(3)
Admonished by C.O.

NOTICES

WEEK END SPORT

Matches will be played against 2/3 AUST MG BN on Saturday 5 Jul in the following sports :-

Rugby Union :	1st v 1st
Soccer :	1st v 1st
Aust Rules :	1st v 1st
Basketball :	1st v 1st
	2nd v 2nd

Times will be announced later. 2/3 MG personnel will stay for evening meal.
Rugby Union match arranged with 2/7 Aust Arty Regt for Sunday is now cancelled.

R.C. CHURCH SERVICES

0700 hrs Y.M.C.A. Hut (2/2 MG Bn)
0930 " 2/3 Pnr Bn

Confessions 1630 & 1830 hrs Fr Byrnes 2/8 Fd Amb.

OTHER DENOMINATIONS - Padre THOMAS

Holy Communion each Sunday at the Y.M.C.A. Hut at 0800 hrs. Gen Pde each Sunday in "D" Coy
Mess at 0900 hrs. Coys assemble at 0850 hrs.

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117. UNAUTHORISED TAKING OF ATEBRIN

Under no circumstances are ANY personnel to take atebtrin except when ordered by an A.G.H. It has come to notice that personnel have been taking atebtrin when feeling an attack of malaria coming on. This is a very dangerous practise and MUST STOP immediately.

118. PROMOTIONS

In order that all ranks will understand the system of promotions within the Bn and promulgation of authority for promotion; the following procedure will operate forthwith :

To comply with RO No 111 of 2 Aug 44 reference the wearing of badges of rank, promotions will in future be published in Unit ROs on receipt of Records Pt 11 Orders, quoting necessary date and authority. Personnel concerned must wear appropriate badge of rank and will have the increase of pay credited in their pay books by Unit Pay Sjt.

In the case of reversions or relinquishment of rank, or trade groupings; entries will be made immediately by unit Pay Sjt, thereby ensuring no hardship is suffered waiting for official notice in Records Pt 11 Orders. Coys will ensure that this procedure is carried out.

119. LOCAL LEAVE TO TOWNS (vide 9 Aust Div A3036)

Until further notice applications for personnel to proceed on leave to TOWNSEMAIL will NOT be considered.

Capt
(E.A. Varley)
Adjt 2/2 Aust IG Bn.

DISCIPLINE

1. NX 30708 Sjt WE TONE, C.E. WOAS conduct to the prejudice of good order and Military Discipline A.A.40. Reprimanded by C.O.
2. QX 9162 L/Cpl DAY, E.C. WOAS Conduct to the prejudice - submitted for franking a letter addressed to Mrs E.C. Day and purporting to have been signed on the envelope as having been censored by Lt BOOTH well knowing that such signature was not that of the said Lt BOOTH and that the letter had not been so censored. A.A.40 Reverted to the rank of Pte by C.O.
3. NX 45721 Pte WALLACE, D. WOAS absent without leave from 0800 hrs 18-6-44 to 1100 hrs 27-6-44, a period of 9 days 3 hrs. A.A. Sect 15(i). Was fined 25 Loss of 14 days pay & notified of automatic forfeiture of 10 days pay by C.O.

NOTICES

OFFICIAL WAR PHOTOGRAPHS

Military History Section has advised that the prints ordered and paid for by personnel of this unit just prior to movement from New Guinea, have been despatched to the addresses as directed.

2 AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL PARADE

GOC 9 Aust Div has received the following letter from General Sir Thomas Blamey Commander-in-Chief Australian Military Forces, expressing his appreciation of the recent Divisional Ceremonial Parade at MOUNT GARNET :-

Dear General Wootten,

I was very greatly obliged for your invitation to review the Ninth Division at Mount Garnet on 14 Jul.

The bearing of the troops on parade was all that was to be desired. It was obvious that the morale of the formation is very high indeed, and that the relations throughout all parts of the Division are the happiest.

In view of the recent return of the Division from active service, I consider the standard of the parade as very high indeed. Please convey my congratulations to the Commanders and the Staff responsible for the excellent display, and to all ranks for their gallant bearing and steadiness on the parade.

Yours sincerely,
E.A. Blamey, General
Commander-in-Chief
Australian Military Forces.

12 AUG 44

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120. DUTIES

BN ORDERLY OFFICER	-	Lt R BORTHWICK
BN " SGT	-	Sjt MILLS, W.
BN " CPL	-	Cpl BROWN, A. E.
SJT OF THE GD	-	Sjt POYNTING, N.
CPLS OF THE GD	-	Cpl VILLIERS, L.
	-	L/ " MYERS, R.
BN ORDERLY RUNNERS	-	Pte LACE, A. J.
	-	" LACE, W.

DUTY COY - "B" COY

121. CONSERVATION OF RUBBER AND CARE OF MT DURING TRAINING (vide 9 Aust Div G/4329a/SD)

1. The natural rubber supply situation has deteriorated further during recent months and has now reached a position which can only be regarded as most serious. Synthetic rubber has not been able to replace natural rubber for all purposes, so it become imperative that a far more stringent application of conservation measures be applied.
2. It is not an overstatement to say that we may have to fight for rubber before this war will be won. It is therefore the personal duty of all offrs to ensure that the instructions laid down in GRO 222/43 are fully observed. As poor tyre maintenance and speed cause the greatest wastage of rubber, drastic action must be taken, when necessary, to ensure that daily maintenance is carried out and speed limits are observed at all times.
3. In particular, it will be ensured that all drivers automatically carry out maintenance adjustments to their vehicles upon every occasion on which they are halted for periods exceeding a few minutes. This will include inspection of all tyres.
4. A frequent cause of undue tyre depreciation, and other excessive wear and tear to vehicles later to be used in operations, is the condition of roads encountered in training, particularly on artillery and field firing ranges. Drivers, having completed routine maintenance adjustments, are often unoccupied for long periods during exercises, therefore they can be profitably employed in effecting improvements to any rough roads and tracks by :-
 - (a) Removing loose timber and loose rocks.
 - (b) Removing stumps or other obstructions from the centre of the track.
 - (c) Removing obstacles from wheel tracks in order to save bruising of tyres.
 - (d) Filling in holes and removing bumps to lessen strain on chassis.
 - (e) Improving corners to reduce chance of vehicles fouling trees.
5. Coy Comds & T.O. will give the above matters their personal and frequent attention, and ensure that the rubber situation be fully explained to all ranks. Despite efforts up to the present, the general standard of vehicle maintenance and tyre conservation still allows for improvement. This improvement must be effected.

F. A. Varley
 Capt
 (F.A. Varley)
 Adj 2/2 Aust MG Bn.

APPOINTMENTS, PROMOTIONS, TRANSFERS ETC

QX 6262 Lt (T/Capt) R W CAMERON to be CAPT as from 15 Mar 44
 QX 6363 Lt (T/Capt) F HERBERTSON " CAPT " 15 Mar 44
 NX 12409 Lt C E JACK " CAPT " 2 Aug 44

CHURCH SERVICES - SUNDAY 13 AUG 44OTHER DENOMINATIONS

Holy Communion in the marquee at rear of Bn HQ at 0800 hrs.
 General parade at 0900 hrs.

AMENITIES

Hereby acknowledge receipt of 9 packets of papers and magazines from NSW Branch of 2/2 Aust MG Bn Comforts Auxiliary.

122. FORMATION OF TYRE REPAIR WKSP SECTIONS A.E.M.E. (vide 9 Aust Div A3133)
Nominal rolls of personnel whose civilian occupation is known to have been associated with the tyre and rubber trade will be forwarded to Bn HQ by 17 Aug 44.
123. COMMONWEALTH REFERENDUM 1944
1. Votes for the Commonwealth Referendum will take place between 0900 hrs and 1200 hrs Saturday 19 Aug 44, any member who is a British Subject and who -
 - (i) is not under the age of 21 years, or
 - (ii) is under the age of 21 years and has served outside Australia is entitled to vote.
 2. From 0900 hrs 19 Aug 44 members may vote at Coy Ord Rms, Bn HQ personnel at I.Os office.
 3. Coy Comds will make arrangements with Lt W M BENNETT 18 Aug 44 for times of collecting ballot papers, declaration envelopes and alphabetical list of polling places. Coy Comds will be responsible for these papers until returned to Lt W M BENNETT.
 4. Personnel will ensure that before voting they have read the official referendum pamphlet available at Coy Orderly Rooms now.
 5. Members absent on duty or leave Saturday 19 Aug may vote according to the provisions of the Electoral (War-Time) Act at any special polling place (e.g. at any other A.M.F., R.A.N., R.A.A.F. unit) or, if they are on the electoral roll, may vote as an ordinary voter at a polling place in their own sub-division or as an absent voter at any polling place in the State for which they are enrolled.
 6. Coy Comds will notify Lt W M BENNETT 18 Aug 44 number of personnel they will have eligible to vote.
 7. Coy Comds and Lt W M BENNETT, attention is directed to CR 251/44.

124. REQUEST HOUR (GRO 492/43)

This GRO states that a weekly Request Hour will be instituted - a period during which an officer is available for informal consultation by all ranks. The idea to organise the maintenance and improvement of morale in the Army and in particular -

- (a) to create a closer understanding between officers and men,
- (b) to reduce the A.W.L. rate,
- (c) to reduce the number of letters written to obtain redress of grievances through un-authorized or improper channels,
- (d) to assist the soldier in the solution of his family welfare problems,
- (e) to give officers the opportunity to appreciate the incidence in a soldier's personal service of his domestic background,
- (f) to provide an "off the record" information bureau,
- (g) to provide an Army Social Service.

The present system employed in the unit whereby men are allowed to place their problems before their officers at any time, has apparently been satisfactory in the past and the same scheme will remain in operation. However, should any man wish to avail himself of the Request Hour as laid down in GRO he may do so and the C.O. will receive requests at 0900 hrs each Monday morning.

F. J. Varley Capt
(F. J. Varley)
Adj 2/2 Aust MG Bn.

APPOINTMENTS, PROMOTIONS, TRANSFERS ETC.

NX 55478 A/Sjt BATTERHAM, E.V. reverts to CPL w.o.f. 5 Aug 44
NX 22927 L/" MILLS, W.A. " " w.o.f. 5 Aug 44
NX 55478 Cpl BATTERHAM, E.V. apptd L/SJT w.o.f. 5 Aug 44

UNIT "LOAN" OFFICER

Lt W M BENNETT appointed Unit "Loan" Officer for "Second Victory Loan". Enquiries regarding this loan to be directed through this officer.

UNIT LIBRARY

Open Daily from 1200 hrs to 1330 hrs and 1800 hrs to 2000 hrs in the YICA Unit.
Any books would be appreciated for circulation throughout the library.

MOBILE CINEMA

Wednesday 16 Aug -111 Aust Mob Cinema
News from Home
"Prehistoric Porky"
Joe Reichman & His Orch.
"TURNABOUT"
-with Carole Landis, John Hubbard

Saty 19 Aug -27 Aust Mob Cinema
News From Home
Letter from Cairo
Acquitted by the Sea
What a Sneeze Can Do
Caribbean Sentinels
"LOVE UNDER FIRE" - Loretta Young,
Don Ameche

PICTURES - RAVENSHOE to Wed 23 Aug 44.

Wed 16)	Virginia City	Errol Flynn
Thu 17)	Submarine "Alert"	
Fri 18)	The Amazing Mrs Holliday	-Deanna Durbin
Sat 19)	Mexaceli Rose	Gene Autry
Sun 20)	Boston Blackie Goes Hollywood - Chester Morris	
Mon 21)	Road to Morocco	Bob Hope -Bing Crosby-Dorothy Lamour
Tue 22)	Cat People	Simone Simon
Wed 23)		

JUNGLE KNIVES

Personnel requiring jungle knives as procured by the C.O. in New Guinea will notify their Coy Comds. Total requirements from Coys will be handed in to Bn HQ.

AMENITIES

Hereby is acknowledged receipt of 9 packets of papers and magazines from 2/2 Aust MG Bn Comforts Auxiliary, NSW branch.

2 AUST DIV CONCERT PARTY

This party will show in CAMP THEATRE on 17 and 18 Aug 44. Allotment to Coys is 35% of Coy strength each night- Coys will notify Bn HQ by 1200 hrs each day of number wishing to attend that night.

Transport will leave Tpt lines at 1745 hrs (first load) and 1830 hrs (second load). After the performance personnel will form up in the vacant area opposite (i.e. on E side) the theatre.

SPORTS OFFICER

Lt R.C.CANN will act in this capacity during the absence of Lt R.R. McLAREN.

ROUTINE ORDERS BY

(125-126)

War Diary

LT-COL. E. MACARTHUR-ONSLOW, D.S.O.

IN THE FIELD

COMMANDING 2/2 AUST. INF BN

18 AUG 44

125. DUTIES

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|---------------|---|---|
| NEXT FOR DUTY | - | "C" COY from 1400 hrs 18 Aug to 14 hrs 25 Aug 44. |
| BN ORD OFFR | - | Lieut. BOOTH, D. |
| ORD SGT | - | L/SJT CHANDLER, M.N. |
| " CPL | - | CPL COLLINS, W.A. |
| " RUNNERS | - | PTE TOLHURST, B. |
| | - | " CLARKE, R.A. |
| SJT OF THE GD | - | SJT SHEPPARD, D. |
| CPLS " " " | - | CPL VILLIERS, A. |
| | - | " BRINLEY, A. |

126. CUTTING OF GREEN TIMBER, LAWYER VINES AND FLORA

- Green timber is still being cut in areas other than the area allotted to 9 Aust Div and complaints and claims have been received from local authorities.
- One party of cutters operating on the WULLY FALLS RD on being questioned stated that they were unaware of any restrictions.
- Coys will ensure that orders prohibiting the cutting of green timber in unauthorised areas as promulgated to all ranks couched in such terms that a charge under AA Sec II will lie against future offenders.
- The cutting or removal of lawyer vines or any Flora within 150 yds of any main road is prohibited.

J. Warley Capt
Adjnt 2/2 Aust MG Bn.

NOTICES

CIVIL RACE MEETINGS

Army personnel are prohibited from participating in civilian race meetings as jockeys or bookmakers.

WEEK END SPORT

Soccer - Saturday 15:00 hrs.

Unit Team v 53 Comp AA Regt

Rugby Union - Sunday

Bn 2nd team v 2/15 Inf. Bn on home ground	- 14:00 hrs
Bn 1st team v 2/15 Inf. Bn " " "	- 15:15 hrs

Hockey - Sunday - Bn team v 2/15 " " " - 14:00 hrs

Australian Rules - Sunday - Bn team v 2/15 Inf Bn on ASC ground. -1330 hrs.

AMENITIES

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CHURCH SERVICES, SUNDAY 20 AUG

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|-------|----------|--|
| R.C. | 0700 hrs | Y.M.C.A. Hut (2/2 MG Bn) |
| | 0930 " | 2/3 Pnr. Bn. |
| | | Confession: 1630 & 1830 - Fr. Byrnes 2/8 Fd. Amb. |
| O.Ds. | | Holy Communion in the marquee at rear of Bn HQ at 0800 hrs |
| | | General parade at 0900 hrs. |

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127. BATTERIES - CHANGING & RECHARGING: The supply of Batteries 6V is short, and replacements are difficult to obtain. In order to clarify the position within the Battalion, it has been decided to institute a register of batteries.

- 1) All Unit batteries will be taken to the charging room by 1600 hrs 22.8.44 for inspection and numbering. They can be returned immediately after inspection.
- 2) When a battery requires recharging it will be taken to Sjt. Martin, who will issue a replacement.
- 3) Any individually owned battery can be recharged and replacement obtained, but for record purposes will be marked with identification number.
- 4) Under no circumstances will any person remove a battery from the charging room if attendants are absent.
- 5) There is no limit to the number of batteries which can be charged, but the observation of the following simple safety precautions will lengthen the life of batteries, and also maintain them in 100% operative condition.
 - a) Avoid bumping or jolting battery.
 - b) NEVER let it run right flat.
 - c) NEVER leave it in an uncharged condition.
 - d) Leave all maintenance to the battery expert.
 - e) Keep naked lights away.
 - f) DONT tap wires on to terminal posts.
 - g) DONT overload, i.e. Three lights and a wireless is too much.

Coy's will take steps to see that all batteries in Coy areas are inspected on 22.8.44.

128. BOTTLED LIQUOR: A.S.O's Chap. 10 Para 7 is repeated for all ranks:

7. Restrictions in relation to the possession and consumption of liquor:

- a) Except as provided in para (b) hereof, no member of the Australian Military Forces when in uniform shall:
 - (i) In any public place; or
 - (ii) In any doorway or vestibule opening on to any public place or to which access may be gained from any public place, or
 - (iii) In any highway or public road; or
 - (iv) In any vacant land adjacent to a park or public reserve; or
 - (v) On any part of a park or recreation reserve; or
 - (vi) In any public conveyance.

consume any intoxicating liquor or have in his possession any intoxicating liquor contained in a bottle or a container of any description.

b) Nothing in this order shall prevent

- (i) the consumption of liquor upon licensed premises in accordance with the State Liquor Laws or upon the premises of any Naval, Military or Air Force Institute, Mess or Canteen in accordance with the regulations and Orders applying to such Institute, Mess or Canteen; or
- (ii) the supply or possession of liquor contained in a bottle or other container to or by any such Institute, Mess or Canteen in the ordinary course of its lawful business.

c) Company Commanders will ensure that the above Orders are brought before the notice of all troops from time to time on parade. It is the duty of Commanding Officers to endeavour to inculcate in men under their command a respect for their uniform, the wearing of which should operate not as a license to contravene the law but an obligation to set an example in its observance.

E. MacArthur
Capt
(E. MacArthur)
Adj. 2/2 Aust MG Bn

APPOINTMENTS, PROMOTIONS, TRANSFERS, ETC.

PL 16366 I/SJT GORRY, R.C., promoted Sjt., w.e.f. - 10 JUL 44.

VX 117760, CPL AVERY, E.W., reverts to ranks at own request, w.e.f. 10 AUG 44.

NX 45721, PTE. WALLACE, D., transferred to Bn. H.Q. from B Coy.

QX 9277, PTE. COOMBS, E.E., transferred to Bn. H.Q. from D Coy.

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129. IMPROPER USE OF CIVIL POST OFFICE FACILITIES

1. Instances have been reported where troops in transit through TOWNSVILLE, CAIRNS or other NORTH QUEENSLAND towns have posted mail or other postal articles in civil post boxes or lodged telegrams at civil post offices.
2. All ranks are warned that such actions are breaches of censorship instructions and punishable accordingly.

130. SECURITY- DISCONTINUANCE OF CORRESPONDENCE COURSES

1. When troops taking correspondence courses desire to discontinue their studies temporarily, they will NOT write to notify their intention. They will simply neglect the course. This procedure is necessary to prevent disclosure of troop movements.
2. When Army Education Service or educational institutions write enquiring why course has been neglected, a soldier may notify his intention to discontinue course temporarily, unless security precautions make this still inadvisable. In any event, no reason disclosing troop movements or participation of formation in operations will be given.
3. Coys will bring this matter to the attention of all ranks.

131. MILITARY CAR PARK - RAVENSHOE

1. The Military Car Park in RAVENSHOE, which is situated behind the Dance Hall opposite the Officers' Club, will be fenced and placed under Provost control.
2. When the fencing and the Provost Control Box have been completed, all Military Vehicles wishing to park in RAVENSHOE will use the Car Park only.
3. Drivers will give their Work Tickets (M.F. G2's) to Provost Cpl at the Control Box, who will retain the Work Ticket until the vehicle is required to move from the Car Park. Full responsibility for the security of vehicles in the Car Park will be accepted by the Provost personnel on duty.
4. The Military Car Park will be connected by telephone to the Officers' Club, RAVENSHOE.

132. EVACUATIONS TO CCS OR HOSPITAL

1. Instances are occurring where personnel are being evacuated to CCS or IGH without being in possession of all necessary documents, clothing and equipment.
2. The following is a list of articles that must be carried:-
 - AF W3118
 - AF W3118A
 - Paybook
 - AAB 83
 - Mosquito Net
 - Shovel and Shaving Gear
 - Mess Gear and Cutlery.
 - Pyjamas if in soldier's possession.
3. Coys will take necessary action to ensure that the above instructions are complied with.

133. CONSERVATION OF RUBBER

1. With the shortage of rubber that still exists in Allied countries it is essential that all possible steps be taken to economise in its use.
2. The following action will be taken by all Coys using MT.
 - (a) No vehicle will be loaded beyond its maximum permissible load.
 - (b) Speed of vehicles will not exceed those laid down.
 - (c) Tyre pressures will be held to the figures laid down in Mech Circular 324, i.e.

600 x 16 B.T. Tyre, 6 Ply, Jeep 1 ton 4 x 4	- Pressure ...	30	front	30	rear
650 x 20 " " " " " "	" " " "	40	"	50	"
900 x 16 R.F. " " " "	(Trucks 15 cwt. 4 x 4				
	(Battery Staff Metal Van "	25		25	"
	(Trucks 15 cwt 4 x 4				
	(Battery Staff Wood Body "	25		25	"
 - (d) Tyre maintenance will be continually stressed.

1. Approval has been given by the Civil Postal Department for transmission of these lettercards by SURFACE MAIL only unless prepaid at the full airmail rate.

135. OFFICIAL CORRESPONDENCE INTENDED FOR TRANSMISSION via AIR MAIL

1. Official correspondence intended for transmission by Air Mail must bear the endorsement "AIR MAIL". Articles not bearing this endorsement are despatched per surface transport.
2. "AIR MAIL" stickers for use on official correspondence are available at all NPO's.

136. OFFICERS RIDING IN AASC VEHICLES

Officers of units being transported in AASC vehicles may, as their right, claim to travel in the front seat of any vehicle provided that such seat is not required by the CO or R. Co Convoy.

F.A. Varley
 Capt
 (F.A. Varley)
 Adj. 2/2 Aust M.G. Bn.

APPOINTMENTS, PROMOTIONS, TRANSFERS, ETC.

QX 19119 Lt. R.J.R. BENNETT - Transferred to A.A.S.C. v.e.f. 5/7/44

The following officers have been taken on strength with regimental seniority as from date of transfer, 14/1/43.

- NX 59427, Lt. R.C. CANN
- QX 17967 Lt. G.J. JEFFCOAT
- QX 22731 Lt. R.J. GINN
- NX 77262 Lt. C.C. HALL
- NX 47403 Lt. R.R. McLAUREN
- QX 19340 Lt. K.G.N. KIBBLE

BN SPORTS MEETING.

Bn Sports Meeting will be held on Saturday 16 Sep 44. The same events will be contested as last year, with the addition of hurdles.

AMENITIES

Hereby acknowledge receipt of 10 packages of papers and magazines from 2/2 MC Bn Comforts Auxiliary, NSW Branch.

PICTURE PROGRAMMES

27 Aust Mob Cinema
 21 - 27 Aug 44

1st Aust Mob Cinema
 21 - 27 Aug 44

HIRED WIFE (Rosalind Russell
 (Brian Aherne)

MAN POWER Marlene Dietrich

GOING PLACES

DIARY OF A RACING PIGEON

STRANGER THAN FICTION

THE JOBS AHEAD

NEWS FROM HOME No. 100

FOUND:

1. One wristwatch engraved "To Mervyn from Thelma" on the Palmerston Highway, approximately 5 miles on LAVENSBOE side of MT GARNET on 10 Jul.
2. Owner may obtain watch on application to 2/9 Aust Cav (Commando) Regt.

137. CENSORSHIP: (1 AUST COMPS R:O 227)

- 1) Instances of delay by officers in the censoring of correspondence, the censoring of green envelopes in the unit, and the addition of comments by censoring officers, have been reported.
- 2) Letters will be censored with a minimum of delay. As delay in mail from troops is harmful for morale, Coy Commanders will take steps to ensure that censoring is effected expeditiously. Except when required for disciplinary action, every letter should be despatched within 48 hours.
- 3) Green envelopes will not be censored in the unit but will be impressed with the unit censor stamp. Their contents are liable to Base censorship only.
- 4) Remarks or comments will not be added to any communication by a censoring officer. If, for military reasons, any comment becomes essential, it will be made on a separate sheet of paper.

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APPOINTMENTS, PROMOTIONS, TRANSFERS, ETC.

VX 88984	Cpl HAYHOE, T.E. reverts to ranks (at own request) w.e.f.	21 Aug 44
VX 88984	Pte HAYHOE, T.E. apptd T/Gp (ii) (Cook) (AACC)	" 21 Aug 44
NX 59266	Pte BEAMAN, J.J. relinquishes T/Gp (ii) (Cook)	" 21 Aug 44
NX 59266	Pte BEAMAN, J.A. taken on strength from AACC	" 21 Aug 44
QX 9033	Pte O'BRIEN, K. transferred from HQ Coy to D Coy	" 22 Aug 44

DISCIPLINE:

QX 9033 Pte O'BRIEN, K. WOAS Conduct to the prejudice of good order and military discipline A.A.40. Admonished and licence cancelled by C.O. 24 AUG 44.

QX 7517 Pte JUHAS, E. W. A.S., A.W.L. from 0900 hrs 12/5/44 to 1805 hrs 12/5/44.

A.A.15(1) Admonished by C.O. 22 Aug 44.

NOTICESWEEK END SPORT:

Australian Rules - Sunday, 27 Aug 44.
 Bn Team v 2/8 F.Amb on 2/8 F.Amb. ground at 1500 hrs.

Socc:

Bn Team v 2/15 Bn on postponed till Wednesday.

Div League Competition Final

Survey v ASS on 2/2 Aust MG Bn grounds - Sunday 1000 hrs.

TABLE TENNIS TOURNAMENT:

First Prize 15/- -0- Second Prize 5/-

Entries to be arranged with the YMCA CPL by 2200 hrs. Thursday 24 AUG 44.
 Finals will not be played off till Thursday 31 AUG 44, in order to enable competitors absent with Coys to play off their heats.

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ROUTINE ORDERS BY

LT-COL. E. MACARTHUR-ONSLOW, D.S.O.

COMMANDING 2/2 AUST. MG BN

(138-139)

IN THE FIELD

25 Aug

138. DUTIES

- MEET FOR DUTY - From 1400 hrs 25 Aug to 0900 hrs 28 Aug. 44.
- BN ORD OFFER - Lt. MELVILLE, W.R.
- ORD SGT - CPL EVANS, G.
- " CPL - L/CPL ALABASTER, H.G.
- " RUNNERS - PTE PATCHING, G.H.
- " - " FURBER, J.
- SJT OF THE CO - SJT CAMPBELL, H.
- CPLs " " " - CPL FEARNE, W.
- " " " " - " TRACEY, J.J.

139. COMMONWEALTH WAR LOANS (GRO. F.303)

- 1) Approval has been given for members of the AMF to subscribe to Commonwealth Loans by making an allotment of portion of their pay to the Commonwealth Bank. Amounts received by the bank under the allotment will be credited to a special account in the member's name and interest will be allowed thereon at the rate borne by the bonds selected for purchase by the member. As often as funds in the account accumulate to the extent of £10, the bank will purchase a £10 Commonwealth Treasury Bond on behalf of the member.
- 2) Where a member desires to subscribe in accordance with the provisions of this order, he will sign an allotment, in the form WF 12, of the daily amount (in even shillings) he wishes to contribute for the purchase of Treasury Bonds, the name of the allottee being shown as "Commonwealth Bank of Australia Branch" (with the insertion of the name of the capital city of the member's state of enlistment). The member will, at the same time, sign a printed notification to the bank, a copy of which may be obtained from unit pay sergeant.
- 3) Bonds will be held by the Commonwealth Bank at the capital city of the member's state of enlistment for safe custody on behalf of the member. In the case of members enlisted in the Northern Territory or in New Guinea, bonds will be held by the Commonwealth Bank at Adelaide and Brisbane, respectively.
- 4) Where a member is discharged or cancels his allotment, the special account will be closed and any balance remaining therein will be credited to the member's bank account or paid to him, whichever he desires.

F. M. Varley Capt
(F. M. Varley)
Adjt 2/2 Aust MG Bn.

NOTICES

INTER-COMPANY ATHLETICS

Following are the intended events for the inter-company athletics meeting to be held on 16 SEP 44:

- 1) 100 yds sprint
- 120 " hurdles (10 x 3'0" hurdles, 10 yds apart)
- 220 " sprint
- 440 " sprint
- 880 " sprint
- 1 mile
- 2) Medley Relay Race - Team of 5 runners: 1 x 880 yds, 1 x 440 yds, 1 x 220 yds, 2 x 110 yds.
- Old Buffers 100 yds (over 35)
- Broad Jump
- Hop, Step and Jump
- High Jump
- Obstacle Race
- 100 yd 3-logged Race.
- Throwing the Cricket Ball.
- Kicking the Football
- Tug-o'-War

For Company point score, events carry 5,4,3,2, and 1 points for 1st, 2nd, 4th and 5th places, respectively.

HONOURS AND AWARDS

His Majesty the King has been graciously pleased to approve the following award in recognition of services rendered in the South-West Pacific Area during the period 1 APRIL to 30 SEPTEMBER 1943:-

MENTION IN DESPATCHES

NI50634 WOOL SIMPSON, G.E.

AMENITIES

Receipt is acknowledged of 1 parcel of magazines and 1 parcel of newspapers on 24 AUG 44.

INFORMAL SERVICE

There will be an Informal Service, Community Singing, Musical Items, and Supper in the marquee behind Bn HQ at 1930 hrs on Sunday, 27 AUG 44. All are invited to attend.

CHURCH SERVICES SUNDAY 27 AUG

- R.C. 0700 hrs 2/2 MG Bn (marquee)
- 0950 " 2/3 Pnr. Bn.
- Confession: 1630 & 1830 - Fr. Byrnes' tent 2/8 Fd Amb.
- D.Os. Holy Communion in marquee at 0800 hrs.
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W.P.

140 MAIL SERVICE All ranks are advised that periodically mail will NOT arrive regularly for distribution, owing to weather conditions, which delay air service timetables. It is the policy to collect and issue mail as promptly as possible, but on occasions there will be delays which are no fault of unit or other army postal services.

141 RD DISCIPLINE, SPEEDING, DANGEROUS DRIVING, LIGHTS, UNATTENDED VEHICLES.

GENERAL (9 Aust Div Adm Instr No 7)
The general subject of Vehicle Speeding, Rd. Discipline, Dangerous driving, Incorrect Use of Vehicle Lights and Vehicles left unattended is very prevalent at the present time. All Coy Commanders are requested to give this matter their attention and ensure that the contents of the following paras are promulgated to all ranks immediately.

SPEEDING (a) First Aust Army Administrative Standing Orders Chapter 14, Section 21 lays down the speed limits in the area administered by HQ First Army. This area obviously includes the whole of the Tablelands area, and certainly the area in which 9 Aust Div is at present located.

(b) Maximum speed limits within 9 Aust Div area are set out in DRO No. 11/44, and are as follows:-

- (i) MOUNT GARNEY RD - 20 mph all vehicles.
- (ii) Leader or intra Camp rds - 15 mph all vehicles.
- (iii) Main rds outside 9 Aust Div Camp Area -
Cars Ds, Jeeps, M/Cs - 25 mph
All other vehicles - 25 mph.

NOTE: The maximum speeds within 1 Aust Corps Area are those referred to in sub para (iii) above.

(c) Where signs displaying special speed limits are placed on the side of the rd, speed limits will be observed by all drivers along that portion of the rd to which these signs refer. Particular attention should be paid to signs on the GYLLIES HIGHWAY, the MAREEBA-KURANDA - CAIRNS rd, and the rds in the TRINITY BEACH area.

DANGEROUS DRIVING (a) Many accidents, caused by dangerous driving, have been occasioned by drivers attempting to overtake vehicles rounding bends on winding rds, overtaking vehicles in narrow portions of the rds, particularly cuttings. Drivers will ensure that they are travelling on a straight stretch of rd, free of cuttings before trying to overtake other vehicles. Where an accident occurs in any of the ways detailed above, the driver involved will be dealt with by severe disciplinary action.

(b) Rules of the rd will be adhered to at all times. Drivers will ensure that they drive on the correct side of the rd.

LIGHTS (a) It is apparent that a number of drivers are not aware of the relevant orders on the correct use of headlights.

(b) 1 Aust Corps Routine Order No. 240/44 orders that vehicles will not be driven at night unless two headlights are fitted and functioning properly.

(c) Many drivers neglect to 'dip' their headlights on the approach of opposite traffic, thus causing temporary blindness in many cases to the driver of the vehicle, on which the headlights are not as powerful as the other vehicle concerned. Drivers will dip their headlights as standard drill in this formation. Special mention is made of Jeeps in this regard as their headlights are invariably more powerful than those of other vehicles.

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UNATTENDED VEHICLES Drivers are reminded that it is an offence under Section 13 of "Standing Orders for Drivers of Mechanical Vehicles" for a vehicle to be left unattended. There have been numerous cases of this breach of orders in the last three months. It has been found that in many cases this breach has been occasioned by the orders of officers to their drivers. Any further breaches where officers are concerned will be the subject of a Court Martial.

F. A. Varley
 Capt
 (F. A. Varley)
Adj. 2/2 Aust MG Bn

NOTICES

RAVENSHOE PICTURES Program for the AMUSU Theatre from Sunday 27 Aug to Sunday 3 September as follows:-

Sun 27)	Squadron Leader X	Ann Dvorak
Mon 28)	Enemy Agent Meets Ellery Queen	William Gargan & Margaret
Tue 29)	Buckskin Frontier	Tim Holt (Lindsay)
Wed 30)	The Moving Ghost	James Dunn
Thu 31)	Pilot No 5	Franchot Tone, Marsha Hunt, Gene Kelly
Fri 1)	Down Argentine Way	Don Ameche & Betty Grable
Sat 2)	Outlaws of Panhandle	Charles Starrett & Francis Robinson.
Sun 3)		

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APPX "A"

TRAINING

W. Bennett Lt.

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES.

2/2 AUST MG BN
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6 AUG 1944

FILE 154/150/44

Subject : Infantry Range-Takers Course.

HQ 9 Aust Div
5 Aug 44
G909/25/58

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2	C.O. <i>[Signature]</i>
3	2i/c <i>[Signature]</i>
1	Adj. <i>[Signature]</i>
	Q.M. _____
	M.O. _____
4	I.O. <i>[Signature]</i>
	T.O. _____
	R.S.M. _____

- 20 AUST INF BDE
- 24 AUST INF BDE
- 26 AUST INF BDE
- 2/2 AUST MG BN
- 2/3 AUST FNR BN

Copy to "Q" 9 AUST DIV

1. An Infantry Range Takers Course will be conducted by 2/2 Aust MG Bn and vacancies are allotted as follows :

20 Aust Inf Bde	-	6
24 Aust Inf Bde	-	6
26 Aust Inf Bde	-	6
2/3 Aust Fnr Bn	-	2
		<u>20</u>

2. Duration-one week, commencing Mon 7 Aug 44.

3. Location of course ref PALMERSTON 440860 near road block on RAVENSHOE - AHERTON road.

4. Equipment to be taken as follows :
- Personal arms and equipment
 - Bedding and personal gear
 - Range finding instruments
 - Range finding textbooks
 - Tentsage

5. Rationing will be under arrangements 2/2 Aust MG Bn.

6. Students will report to course at 0830 hrs Mon 7 Aug 44. Transport both to and from the course will be under brigade or unit arrangements.

[Signature]
for Lt Col
GS 9 Aust Div

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2/2 AUST MG BN
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PRO FORMA MESSAGE FORM

7 AUG 1944

FILE 1578/30144

FROM: 9 AUST DIV 071600K

TO: 20 AUST INF BDE: 24 AUST INF BDE: 26 AUST INF
BDE: 2/2 AUST MG BN: 2/3 AUST PNR BN:

0804 (.) RESTRICTED (.) ref our G909/25/58 of 5 aug 44
infantry range takers course (.) course now extended
to 18 aug (.) unit tpt will collect students at
180930K for return to units (.) each addressee will
arrange following stores be available for collection
at bde or unit HQ NOT later than 081500K (.) 1 bucket
1 basin lamp hurricane (.) 2/2 aust MG bn tpt will
collect stores NOT before 081500K and deliver to course
for use by students

M. Bennett

Capt

DRLS

	NOTED
2	C.O. <i>[Signature]</i>
3	2 i/c. <i>[Signature]</i>
1	Adj. <i>[Signature]</i>
	Q.M.
	M.O.
4	I.O. <i>u.B.</i>
	T.O.
	R.S.M.

Subject : 9 Aust Div Tactical Exercise with Troops.
Inf Bde Gp in Coastwise Operations -
TRINITY BAY.

2/3 AUST MG BN
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16 AUG 1944

FILE 1731 24/44.

HQ 9 Aust Div
15 Aug 44
G3/30/7

1. 9 Aust Div is conducting a tactical exercise at TRINITY BEACH to be carried out by:-

24 Aust Inf Bde Gp - 24/27 Aug 44
26 Aust Inf Bde Gp - 11/14 Sep 44
20 Aust Inf Bde Gp - 29 Sep/2 Oct 44.

2. It is not desired that any details of the bde exercise should be passed on from one bde gp to any components of other bde gps who are to carry out the exercise later, as otherwise some of the value of the exercise will be lost.

3. 24 and 26 Aust Inf Bdes will publish this restriction in bde routine orders and commanders will bring it to the notice of all ranks who will be in the training area at the time the first two bde gps are exercised.

Distribution

List A plus
4 Aust Visitors and Observers Sec
1 Aust Comb Ops Sec
2 Aust Mil Ldg Gp
2 Aust Beach Gp
42 Aust LC Coy

R. D. Barkham
Lt Col
GS 9 Aust Div

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2	CO. <i>to</i>
3	2/c <i>to</i>
1	Adj. <i>to</i>
	Q.M.
	M.O.
4	I.O. <i>wb</i>
	T.O.
	R.S.M.

Visual Library

Euo

Films required by
1/ all boys.

To be arranged
for screening + notify copy
of times
Flw

- C 184 Combined ops.
- USC 5 Battle of Britain
- C 96 Inf Recce Patrol by Day.
- AB. 1 Jungle Warfare.

2/ H.Q. boy

- C 484 Kawanishi 97.
- C 486 Mitsubishi
- C 567 Jap Army Bomber.
- USC 4 Divide and Conquer.
- C 129 Inf Recce Patrol by night.
- C 293 Hints on base of eyes.
- C 323 7d duty against Iks.
- C 318 Road Sense + baseless Diving
- C 307 bookers in the field.

3/ Three M.G. boys.

- C 99 Our Parade - Scots Guards.
- C 129 Inf Recce By night.
- C 441 Pl Flanking attack.
- C 466 Handling P.W.
- USC 4 Divide and conquer.
- USC 6 Battle of Russia.
- C 115 Camouflage for all arms.

4/ Two M-G boys

- C 486 Mitsubishi
- C 567 Jap Army Bomber.
- USC 18 Malasia.
- C 474 Camouflage + Fieldcraft Part 1
- C 475 " " "
- C 476 " " "
- C 93 " " "
- C 98 March Discipline
- C 359 Pl in Defence.
- USC 1 Know your way.
- Sex Hygiene.

4/ continued.

C 450

Be Ann Minded.

C 191

Shoot to Kill.

C 307

Meat of Kin

5/ One M.G. bay.

C 323

base & Use of Tools

C 283

Ten Tips for Jacking etc.

~~C 307~~

~~Meat of Kin~~

C 261

Aircraft Recognition

C 165

Spit Fire.

C 222

Dunsen

C 232

Martlett

C 233

Airacobra.

C 237

Boston.

C 239

Fortress.

C 255

Catalina & Doornier.

C 322

Mitchell

C 484

Kawanishi. 97

C 509

Masander.

C 567

Jap Army Bomber. 99

C 38.

C 368

X. Marks the Spot.

C 211

The Louse.

C 108

Anti Personnel Obstacles.

C 122

Anti Vehicle Obstacles.

C 302

Lookers In the Field.

MESSAGE FORM

Register No.

Call

Ser. No.

Priority

Transmission Instructions

ABOVE THIS LINE FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY

FROM

Originator

Date—Time of Origin

Office Date Stamp

(A)

2/2 MUST MSG BN

250930K

For Action

TO

A COY.

(i) For Information (INFO.)

Message Instructions GR

ORIGINATOR'S No.

0234 g. must do photo interpretation course
was at HQ court of law 25 Aug 43. 5 sep
once @ cpt WILSON J D recommended
to attend @ joining notes available at
HQ

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

3rd Lt [Signature] } 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

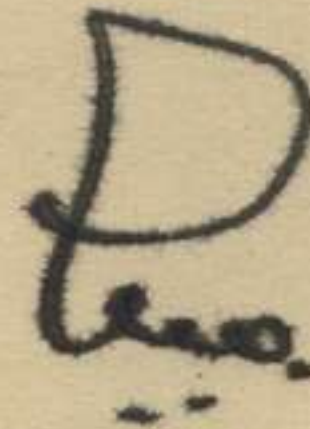
Time	System	Op.
THI or TOR		
Time Cleared		

2/2 Aust MG Bn
24 Aug 44
748/80/44

HQ 9 AUST DIV

9 AUST DIV AIR PHOTO INTERPRETATION COURSE NO 3

1. Reference the above mentioned course.
2. Attached hereto is nominal roll of Cpl WILSON,
J.D. (NX 30707) nominated for the course.



Lt-Col
(E. Macarthur-Onslow)
C.O. 2/2 Aust MG Bn.

NOMINAL ROLL

SCHOOL: 9 AUST DIV AIR PHOTO INTERPRETATION COURSE NO 3

LOCATION: HQ 24 AUST INF BDE.

DURATION: 28 AUG 44 to 5 SEP 44 (inc)

Army No.	Rank	Name	Unit	Service	Schools & Courses	Next-of-Kin
NX30707	Cpl	WILSON, J.D.	2/2 Aust MG Bn	Enlisted 6 JUN 40. Middle East 26 months New Guinea 7 "	--- NGF Mob Trg Cadre Jr headers Course 1944 - "D"	Mother: Mrs. E.M. WILSON No. 3 Mumbena Flats, 113 Middle Head Rd. MOSSMAN, N.S.W.

I certify that the details set out above are correct in every respect.

F. A. Varley Capt
(F.A. Varley)
Adj. 2/2 Aust MG Bn

NOMINAL ROLL

SCHOOL: 9 AUST DIV AIR PHOTO INTERPRETATION COURSE NO 3

LOCATION: HQ 24 AUST INF BDE.

DURATION: 28 AUG 44 to 5 SEP 44 (inc)

Army No.	Rank	Name	Unit	Service	Schools & Courses	Next-of-Kin
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I certify that the details set out above are correct in every respect.

F.A. Varley
Capt
(F.A. Varley)
Adjt. 2/2 Aust NG Bn

2/2 AUST MG BN
RECEIVED

23 AUG 1944

FILE 1875/50/44

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES.

Subject : 9 Aust Div Air Photo Interpretation Course No. 3

HQ 9 Aust Div
22 Aug 44
G79/25/38

20 AUST INF BDE	RAA 9 AUST DIV
24 AUST INF BDE	2/2 AUST MG BN
26 AUST INF BDE	2/3 AUST PNR BN
2/9 AUST CAV (COMMANDO) REGT	

 Copies : 1 AUST CORPS (1)
 "G" (3)
 3 AAPIU (2)

*So suggest
1st Lt Wilson A. Coy.*

OK

NOTED	
C.O.	_____
2/c	_____
Adj.	<i>F.W.</i>
Q.M.	_____
M.O.	_____
L.O.	_____
T.O.	_____
R.S.M.	_____

GENERAL

1. A short course in Air Photo Interpretation for officers, sergeants and intelligence personnel of 9 Aust Div will be conducted in HQ 24 Aust Inf Bde area from 28 Aug to 5 Sep 44 (incl). Instructors will be provided by 3 Aust Air Photo Interpretation Unit (OC. Capt G. BOURNE).

OBJECT

2. The object of the course is to give coy comds, pl comds, pl sjts or their equivalents and intelligence personnel, instruction and practice in the interpretation and handling of air photos in the field. The theoretical and technical aspects of air photo interpretation will be dealt with only so far as they affect practical work in the field.

Particular attention will be paid to use of air photos by patrols.

TIME TABLE

3. The hours of instruction will be as follows, except when the syllabus necessitates otherwise :-

Daily(except Sunday)

0845 - 1030 hrs
1045 - 1215 hrs
1330 - 1530 hrs
1545 - 1630 hrs

On Saturday (2 Sep) instruction will be for half day only.

ALLOTMENT

4. Vacancies are allotted as follows :-

HQ 9 Aust Div	...	1
20 Aust Inf Bde	...	6
24 Aust Inf Bde	...	6
26 Aust Inf Bde	...	6
2/9 Aust Cav (Commando) Regt	...	3
RAA 9 Aust Div	...	6
2/2 Aust MG Bn	...	1
2/3 Aust Pnr Bn	...	1

EQUIPMENT

5. Students require to have throughout the course, notebooks, pencil, a pair of dividers and ruler.

NOMINAL ROLLS

6. One copy of nominal roll will reach HQ 9 Aust Div by 1700 hrs 27 Aug 44.

MESSING.

7. Students will bring cut lunches but may make such provision for midday meal as desired under unit arrangements. Hot water will be provided at midday by 24 Aust Inf Bde rear party for those students who bring tea and sugar.

TRANSPORT.

8. Bdes and RAA will transport their nominees daily to and from the school; 2/3 Aust Pnr Bn will be responsible for transport of students from 2/9 Aust Cav (Comando) Regt, 2/2 Aust MG Bn, and 2/3 Aust Pnr Bn.

A. Blatford Capt
for Lt Col
GS 9 Aust Div

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

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30/44 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 5/8/1944 4 2/2 Aust MG Bn (Unit)

W.E. 111/62/1 OFFRS. 29 O.R's 559 OFFRS. 1 O.R's 32 ATT. BY W.E.

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

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10				
W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.								
Rein'fts Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein'fts Required.				
			1 2 4 19 1	* * Lieut.-Colonels Majors Captains Lieutenants Quarter-masters A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs. Civilians Counting as Offrs.	AAMC AACMD	1 1							
			27			2							
		DETAIL		A.I.F.	C.M.F.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.N.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL.	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	**	TOTAL
		A.	29										29
		E.(1)											
		E.(2)											

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

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

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

OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit From.	Date.	CAUSE.
NX12629	LT-COL	MACARTHUR-ONSLOW	E SCHOOL	31.7.44	
NX14551	T/CAPT	VARLEY.	FA	31.7.44.	

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit To.	Date.	CAUSE.
NX15827	LT	GARDINER PE	HOSPITAL	1.8.44.	

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).

2/2 Aust M.G. BN Unit

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 5 / 8 / 1944 (Total to agree with Columns 4 and 7 of Part A.)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held.	Army Number.	Surname.	Initials.	Posting.	Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No)	If not present with Unit, state how employed.	Date of Detachment.
LT-COL.	NX12609	MACARTHUR-ONSLOW	E	CO	YES		
MAJOR	OX6263	SEARLE	GA	21/C	YES		
	NX12343	WHEATLEY	MI		YES		
CAPT	OX6350	GOLDSMITH	AD		YES		
	OX6363	SEARLE	PK		YES		
	NX34664	NICHOLAS	WP		YES		
	NX34673	WRAGGE	KS		YES		
LT(CAPT)	OX6364	HERBERTSON	F		YES		
	NX14551	VARLEY	FA	ADJT	YES		
	NX15828	FERGUSON	G.T.	QM	YES		
LT	NX12409	JACK	CE		YES		
	OX9618	FAROUHAR	AB		YES		
	OX19119	BENNETT	RJR		YES		
	NX15837	BREKTON	R		YES		
	NX70852	BENNETT	WM	10	YES		
	NX58539	MELVILLE	WR	SIGS	YES		
	NX26071	MILLS	LY		YES		
	OX19139	CRAVEN	CP		YES		
	OX19141	EDWARDS	HR		YES		
	NX26173	COLKRAM	HJC		YES		
	OX22731	GINN	RT		NO	LEAVE	
	NX47043	MCLAREN	RR		YES		
	OX19340	KIBBLE	KN		YES		
	NX144210	HUGGINS	AH		YES		
	TX738	BOOTH	DAT		YES		
	NX123766	BORTHWICK	RW		YES		
	NX7770Y	HALL	CC		YES		
CAPT	NX200337	BENNETT	WNCG		YES	RMO	
CHAP(4CL)	VX112175	THOMAS	T.W.		YES	PADRE	

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.

F. Marby Capt. for Lt. Col.
Signature of Commander

Date of Despatch

2/2 AOST MG BN

Unit

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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 / /194 .

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.
Ammunition Examiners				Surveyors, Engineering				Operating Room Assts.				G.P.O. Assistants			
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				Rangotakers	24	19	
Armament Artificer Signals				Welders				Palpters				Rivetters			
Armament Artificer Wireless								Panel Beaters				Roughriders			
Artificer, Artillery								Photographer, Dry Plate				Saddlers			
Artificer, Engine								Predictor Numbers				Saddletree makers			
Blacksmiths								Printers				Shoemaker and Boot Repairer			
Bricklayers	1	1						Radiographers				Stevedores			
Computers								Riggers				Stokers, Staty. Engine			
Cooks, Hospital				GROUP II.				Sawyers				Storemen, Technical	7	3	N
Coppersmiths				Armourers				Signallers	27	24		Tailors	2	1	N
Dispensers				Axemen				Signwriters				Textile Refitters			
Draughtsmen				Bakers				Telescope Identfn. Numbers				Tinsmiths			
Draughtsmen (Architectural)				Bty. Comd's Asst.				Well Borers				Vulcanizers			
Draughtsmen (Engineering)				Bollermakers				Wheelers				Wagon Erectors			
Draughtsmen (Mechanical)				Carpenters	2	2		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.							
Fitters (M.V.)				Gun Operator				Battery Surveyors							
Fitters, Railway Signal				Hatchman				Butchers	1	1					
Fitters, Signals				Height Taker				Clerks	12	13					
Grinder, Precision				Helio Operator				Clerks, Supply							
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator				Clerks, Technical							
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Intelligence Duties				Coach Trimmers							
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Joiners				Concretors							
Mechanics, Radio				Lineman				Cooks							
Mechanics, Typewriter				Lineman, Signals				Dental Clerk Orderlies							
Mechanics, Wireless				Lithographers				Despatch Riders							
Millwrights				Machinists, Metal				Draughtsmen, Signals							
Operators, Excavator				Machinists, Wood				Drivers, H.T.							
Pattern Maker				Masons				Driver Mechanics	3	73					
Pharmacist				Masseurs				Driver Tptn. Plant							
Photographer, Wet Plate				Mechanics, M.T.				Engine Hands, I.C.							
Photewriter				Miners				Equipment Repairers	1	1					
Plumber				Moulders				Farriers							
Saw Doctors				Nurses, Trained				Fitters' Mates							
Surveyors				Observation Post Assts.				Gun Layers							
CARRIED FORWARD	1	1		CARRIED FORWARD	3	3		CARRIED FORWARD				Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively.	559	63	*

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.

31-8-44
Date of Despatch

Signature of Commander

PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in

Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours, 21st July
DETAILS OF NCO ATTACHED BY WE

TRADE	Rank	WE	PS	DEF	TRADE	PS	WE	SURP	DEF		
CARPENTER	CPL	1	1		ARMY						
SIGNALERS	CPL	4	6		CHIROPODIST	1	1				
CLERKS	SJT	2	2		HYG INSP	1	1				
"	CPL	7	6	N.R.	MED ORD	2	2				
TAILOR	SJT	1	1		HEMIE						
TAILOR	CPL	1	-		ARMOURER	2	1				
TECH STOREMAN	SJT	1	1		FITTER GPI	1	1				
AALMGN ^{OS}	CPL	1	1		MECH GPII	1	1				
MG DETAILS	CPLS	36	32								
STRETCHER BEARER	SJT	1	1								
CV	CPL	1	-								
DRIVERS MT	CPL	1	1								
PIONEER	SJT	1	1								
PROVOST	SJT	1	-	N.R.							
TRANSPORT	SJT	1	+								
	CPL	4	4								
RSM	WO1	1	-	N.R.							
R&MS	WO1	1	-	N.R.							
CSM	WO1	5	4	N.R.							
COMS	SJT	5	6								
SJTS (UNSPEC)	SJT	26	23	N.R.							
ATTACHED											
ARMY											
CHIROPODIST	CPL	1	1								
HYG INSP	SJT	1	1								
MED ORD	SJT	1	1								
ATTACHED BY WE											
ARMY											
PAY CLERK	SJT	1	1								
ARMY											
POSTAL DUTIES	SJT	1	1								
ARMY											
SHOEMAKER	CA	1	1								
ATTACHED BY WE											
ARMY											
CATERER	WO1	1	1								
COOKS	SJT	5	1	N.R.							
	CPL	5	5								
ARMY											
ARMOURER	SJT	1	1								
FITTER	SJT	1	1								
CARRIED FORWARD											
Total of columns marked * to agree with columns 6 and 7 and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively.		121		107		32		31		1	

NOTE--(a) If rank other than private is involved give details on back.
(b) Authorized leader or specialist not included in list will be added as required in space provided.
(c) White A.W.A. and/or A.A.M.W.B. personnel are detailed show details on back.
(d) Where reinforcement not detailed note accordingly on return to W.A. in col. "Reinforcement".
(e) Where reinforcement not detailed note accordingly on return to W.A. in col. "Reinforcement".
(f) Where reinforcement not detailed note accordingly on return to W.A. in col. "Reinforcement".

Signature of Commander

Date of Despatch

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

Army Form W.3008
(Adapted) (Page 1)
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31 / 44 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 12/6/1944 2nd AUST. INF. BATT (Unit)

W.E. 111 / 621 OFFRS. 29 O.R's. 559 + 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.									
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	*										
			2	*										
			4	Lieut.-Colonels										
			18	Majors	A.A.M.C.	1								
			1	Captains	A.A.C.D.	1								
				Lieutenants										
				Quarter-masters										
				A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.										
				Civilians Counting as Offrs.										
			26			2								
				DETAIL	A.I.F.	C.M.F.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.N.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL.	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	* *	TOTAL.
				A.	28									28.
				E.(1)										
				E.(2)										

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

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

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

OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit From.	Date.	CAUSE.
NX59127	LT.	CANN R.C.	EX. HOSPITAL	10-8-44	
GX2278	"	GINN R.J.	EX. LEAVE	7-8-44	

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit To.	Date.	CAUSE.
GX19119	LT.	BENNETT R.J.R.	1ST AUST. L.I.F.C. B.I.P.O.D.	7-8-44	Medical Class B.
GX19139	"	CRAVEN C.P.	1ST AUST. PERSONNEL STAGING CAMP	7-8-44	" "

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).

2/2nd Aust. M.G. Bn. Unit

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PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 12/8/1944 (Total to agree with Columns 4 and 7 of Part A.)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held.	Army Number.	Surname.	Initials.	Posting.	Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No)	If not present with Unit, state how employed.	Date of Detachment.
LT. COL	NX.12609	MACARTHUR-OWSLAN	E.	C.O.	YES		
MAJOR	AX.6263	SEARLE	GA.	2/c	YES		
"	NX.12343	WHEATLEY	M.I.		YES		
CAPT	AX.6350	GOLDSMITH	A.J.		YES		
"	AX.6363	SEARLE	A.K.		YES		
"	NX.34664	NICHOLAS	W.P.		YES		
"	NX.34673	WRAGGE	K.S.		YES		
LT (T/CAPT)	AX.6364	HERBERTSON	F.		YES		
"	NX.14551	VARLEY	F.A.	ADJT	YES		
"	NX.15828	FERGUSON	GT.	R.M.	YES		
LT.	NX.12409	JACK	C.E.		YES		
"	AX.96181	FARQUHAR	A.B.		YES		
"	NX.15837	BRETON	R.		YES		
"	NX.70852	BENNETT	W.M.	I.O.	YES		
"	NX.58535	MELVILLE	W.R.	SIGS	YES		
"	NX.26071	MILLS	I.Y.		YES		
"	AX.19141	EDWARDS	H.R.		YES		
"	NX.26173	COCKRAM	H.J.C.		YES		
"	AX.22731	GINN	R.J.		YES		
"	NX.47043	MCLAREN	R.R.		YES		
"	NX.59427	CANN	A.C.		YES		
"	AX.19340	KIBBLE	K.G.N.		YES		
"	NX.144210	HUGGINS	A.H.		NO	LEAVE	
"	T.X.738	BOOTH	D.A.T.		YES		
"	NX.423766	BORTHWICK	R.N.		YES		
"	NX.77262	HALL	C.O.		YES		
CAPT.	NX.200337	BENNETT	H.N.B.G.		YES	R.M.O	
CHAP. (4 CLASS)	NX.11275	THOMAS	T.W.		YES	PADRE	

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.

W. Bennett Lt Col.
C.O. Signature of Commander

Date of Despatch

2/2 AUST MG BN Unit

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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 12 / 8 / 1944.

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.
Ammunition Examiners				Surveyors, Engineering				Operating Room Assts.				G.P.O. Assistants			
Armament Artificer Fitter				Surveyors, R.A.A.				Operator, Keyboard				Hammermen			
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				Rangefinders			
Armament Artificer Signals				Welders				Painters				Riveters	24	21	NR
Armament Artificer Wireless								Panel Beaters				Roughriders			
Artificer, Artillery								Photographer, Dry Plate				Saddlers			
Artificer, Engine								Predictor Numbers				Saddletree makers			
Blacksmiths								Printers				Shoemaker and Boot Repairer			
Bricklayers	1	2						Radiographers				Stevedores			
Computers								Biggers				Stokers, Siaty, Engine			
Cooks, Hospital				GROUP II.				Sawyers				Storemen, Technical			
Coppersmiths				Armourers				Signallers	27	25		Tailors	7	4	NR
Dispensers				Axemen				Signwriters				Textile Refitters	2	1	NR
Draughtsmen				Bakers				Telescope Identfn. Numbers				Tinsmiths			
Draughtsmen (Architectural)				Bty. Comd'a. Asst.				Well Borers				Vulcanizers			
Draughtsmen (Engineering)				Bollermakers				Wheelers				Wagon Erectors			
Draughtsmen (Mechanical)				Carpenters	2	2		Winchman				Whitesmiths			
Draughtsmen (Topographical)				Carpenters and Joiners				Wireman							
Electricians				Cooks				Woodturners				NONSPECIALISTS			
Electricians (M.V.)				Dental Mechanics								ARMY DETS	13	13	
Electricians (Signals)				Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Med.)								ARM NOS	8	8	
Fitters				Driver-Operator								BATMEN	30	30	
Fitters (Cycle)				Drainers								BATTMAN DVA	1	1	
Fitters (Electrical)				Electricians								GEN DUTIES MEN	2	2	
Fitters (Gun)				Electricians (Engineers)								MG DUTIES	2	2	
Fitters (Instrument)				Fire Control Operators								MG DETAILS	276	258	
Fitters (M.V.)				Gun Operator				GROUP III.				DETAILS OF NON-TRADESMEN.			
Fitters, Railway Signal				Hatchman				Battery Surveyors				MR. CADRETES	24	11	
Fitters, Signals				Height Taker				Butchers	1	1		ORDERLIES	25	25	
Grinder, Precision				Helio Operator				Clerks	12	12		REGTL POLICE	8	2	NR
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator				Clerks, Supply				STOREMAN	6	6	
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Intelligence Duties				Clerks, Technical				STACT BAS	17	6	
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Joiners				Coach Trimmers				WATER DUTIES	2	2	
Mechanics, Radio				Lineman				Concretors				DRIVERS MT	25	25	
Mechanics, Typewriter				Lineman, Signals				Cooks				PIONEER	1	1	
Mechanics, Wireless				Lithographers				Dental Clerk Orderlies				PROVEST	1	NR	
Millwrights				Machinists, Metal				Despatch Riders				ATTACHED BY W.E.			
Operators, Excavator				Machinists, Wood				Draughtsmen, Signals				TRANSPORT	5	5	
Pattern Maker				Masons				Drivers, H.T.				RSM	1	1	
Pharmacist				Masseurs				Driver Mechanics	3	NR		ROMS	11	NR	
Photographer, Wet Plate				Mechanics, M.T.				Driver Tptn. Plant				CSM	5	5	
Photewriter				Miners				Engine Hands, I.C.				CSMS	5	5	
Plumber				Moulders				Equipment Repairers	1	1		SEAJERANTS	26	26	
Saw Doctors				Nurses, Trained				Farriers							
Surveyors				Observation Post Assts.				Fitters' Mates							
CARRIED FORWARD	1	2		CARRIED FORWARD	3	4		Gun Layers							
									47	35		Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively.	559	610	*

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(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

PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in

DETAILS of N.C.O.'s

ATTACHED BY N.E.

DETAILS of N.C.O.'s					ATTACHED BY N.E.					
TRADE	RANK	N.E.	PS	SURP	DEF	TRADE	WE	PS	SURP	DEF
CARPENTER	CPL	1	1			AAMC.				
SIGNALLERS	CPL	4	6			CHIROPDIST	1	1		
CLERKS	SJT.	2	2			HVG. INSP.	1	1		
"	CPL	7	6	N.R.		MED. ORD.	2	2		
TAILOR	SJT	1	1							
TAILOR	CPL	1	-			AEME.				
TECH. STOREMAN	SJT	1	1			ARMOURER	2	1		
A.F.L.M.G. N ^{CO}	CPL	1	1			FITTER G.P.I.	1	1		
M.G. DETAILS	CPLS	36	35			MECH. G.P.I.	1	1		
STRETCHER BEARERS	SJT	1	1							
DRIVERS MT.	CPL	1	1			AAPC				
PIONEER	SJT.	1	1			PAY CLERK	1	1		
PROVOST	SJT	1	1	N.R.						
TRANSPORT	SJT.	1	1			AAPS				
	CPL	4	4			POSTAL DUTIES	1	1		
R.S.M.	NOI	1	1							
RQMS.	NOI	1	-	N.R.						
C.G.M.	NOI	5	5			AROC				
CGMS	PSJT	5	5			SHOEMAKER	1	1		
3 JTS (unSPEC)	SJT.	26	26							
ATTACHED					ATTACHED					
AAMC						CHIROPDIST	CPL	1	1	
CHIROPDIST	CPL	1	1			HVG. INSP.	SJT	1	1	
HVG. INSP.	SJT	1	1			MED. ORD.	SJT.	1	1	
MED. ORD.	SJT.	1	1							
AAPC						PAY CLERK	SJT	1	1	
PAY CLERK	SJT	1	1							
AAPS						POSTAL DUTIES	SJT.	1	1	
POSTAL DUTIES	SJT.	1	1							
AROC						SHOEMAKER	CPL	1	1	
SHOEMAKER	CPL	1	1							
AACC						CATERER	NOI	1	1	
CATERER	NOI	1	1			COOKS	SJT.	5	1	NR
COOKS	SJT.	5	1	NR			CPL	5	4	NR
AEME						ARMOURER	SJT	1	1	
ARMOURER	SJT	1	1			FITTER	SJT	1	1	
FITTER	SJT	1	1							
CARRIED FORWARD					CARRIED FORWARD					
72/113					32 32					

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(b) Attached trades or specialties not included in the list will be added as required in space provided.
(c) Where A.W.A.B. and/or A.A.M.W.B. personnel are listed show details on rank.
(d) Where reinforcement not desired note accordingly on report by position of 'N.E.' in col. 'Reinforce'.
(e) Where any request or posting is made on back of form, the words 'See Back' should be written in one of the blank spaces on this page.

Signature of Commander _____ Date of Report _____

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

Army Form W.3008
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At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 19 / 8 / 1944 2/2nd Aust Gen (Unit)

W.E. 111 / 62 / 1 OFFRS. 29 O.R.'s. 559 + 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.											
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10							
Rein'fts Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.	DETAIL.	Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein'fts Required.							
				*												
				*												
			1	Lieut.-Colonels												
			2	Majors												
			6	Captains	ARMC	1										
			17	Lieutenants	AA O.R.'s	1										
				Quarter-masters												
				A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.												
				Civilians Counting as Offrs.												
			26			2										
				DETAIL	A.I.F.	C.M.P.	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.	28									28		
				E.(1)												
				E.(2)												

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

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

OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit From.	Date.	CAUSE.
NX 12356	CAPT	STANILAND F.R.K.	NO D. COURSE LHB		
			TACTICAL SCHOOL	14-8-44	
NX 15827	LT.	GARDNER P.E.	EX. HOSP	14-8-44	
NX 60350	"	JOHNSON M.D	EX. HOSP	14-8-44	

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit To.	Date.	CAUSE.
NX 31164	CAPT	NICHOLAS W.P.	LHB TACTICAL SCHOOL	13-8-44	
Q 29618	LT.	FARGUHAR A.B.	EVAC HOSP	15-8-44	
NX 47445	"	MCCLAREN R.R.	" "	15-8-44	

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

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

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

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

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held.	Army Number.	Surname.	Initials.	Posting.	Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No)	If not present with Unit, state how employed.	Date of Detachment.
LT-COL	NX12629	MACARTHUR-UNLON	E.	A.O.	YES		
MAJOR	AX 6263	SEARLE.	G.A.MOL.	2/c	YES.		
"	NL 12312	WHEATLEY	M.I.		YES		
CAPT.	AX 6350	GOLDSMITH	A.D.		YES		
"	AX 6303	SEARLE	R.K.		YES		
"	NX 12356	STANLAND	F.R.K.		YES		
"	NX 24672	WREGE	K.S.		YES.		
"	NX 12409	JACK	G.E.		YES		
"	AX 6364	HERBERTSON	F		YES		
LT (C-CAP)	N.X.14551	VARLEY	F.A.	ADJT	YES		
"	NX 15828	FERGUSON	GT.	Q.M.	YES		
LT.	NX 15827	BRETON	R.		YES		
"	NX 15827	BARDNER	P.E.		YES		
"	NX 70852	BENNETT	W.M.	I.O	YES		
"	NX 58535	MELVILLE	W.R.	SIGS	YES		
"	AX 60350	JOHNSON	M.D.		YES		
"	NX 26071	MILLS	I.V.		YES		
"	AX 19141	EDWARDS	H.R.		YES		
"	NX 27163	COCKRAM	H.S.C.		YES		
"	NX 59427	CANN	R.C.		YES		
"	AX 22731	GINN	R.J.		YES		
"	NX 77262	HALL	C.C.		YES		
"	AX 19340	KIRBLE	K.G.N.		YES		
"	NX 14420	HUBBINS	A.H.		YES		
"	Tx 738	BOOTH	DAT.		YES		
"	NX 12376	BORTHWICK	R.W.		YES		
CAPT	NX200337	BENNETT	NVCG		YES	RMO	
CHAP (H-CLASS)	NX 112175	THOMAS	TN		YES	PADRE	

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.

Date of Despatch

Signature of Commander

W. B. ...

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

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.
Ammunition Examiners				Surveyors, Engineering				Operating Room Assts.				G.P.O. Assistants			
Armament Artificer Fitter				Surveyors, R.A.A.				Operator, Keyboard				Hammermen			
Armament Artificer Fitter (Electrical)				Surveyors, Topographical				Operator, Line				Leather Stitches			
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			
Armament Artificer Signals				Welders				Palpters				Riveters			
Armament Artificer Wireless								Panel Beaters				Roughriders			
Artificer, Artillery								Photographer, Dry Plate				Saddlers			
Artificer, Engine								Predictor Numbers				Saddletree makers			
Blacksmiths								Printers				Shoemaker and Boot Repairer			
Bricklayers								Radiographers				Stevadores			
Computers								Riggers				Stokers, Staty. Engine			
Cooks, Hospital				GROUP II.				Sawyers				Storemen, Technical			
Coppersmiths				Armourers				Signallers				Tailors			
Dispensers				Axemen				Signwriters				Textile Refitters			
Draughtsmen				Bakers				Telescope Identfn. Numbers				Tinsmiths			
Draughtsmen (Architectural)				Bty. Comd's. Assl.				Well Borers				Vulcanizers			
Draughtsmen (Engineering)				Boilermakers				Wheelers				Wagon Erectors			
Draughtsmen (Mechanical)				Carpenters				Winchman				Whitesmiths			
Draughtsmen (Topographical)				Carpenters and Joiners				Wireman							
Electricians				Cooks				Woodturners							
Electricians (M.V.)				Dental Mechanics								NON-SPECIALISTS			
Electricians (Signals)				Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Med.)								ARMED DETS.	13	13	
Fitters				Driver-Operator								ARMED HQ.	8	8	
Fitters (Cycle)				Drainers								BATTMEN	30	30	
Fitters (Electrical)				Electricians								BATTMAN DURG			
Fitters (Gun)				Electricians (Engineers)								GEN. DUT. MESS			
Fitters (Instrument)				Fire Control Operators								WVG. DUTIES			
Fitters (M.V.)				Gun Operator				GROUP III.				A.S. DETAILS			
Fitters, Railway Signal				Hatchman				Battery Surveyors				DETAILS OF NON-TRADESMEN.			
Fitters, Signals				Height Taker				Butchers				M.C. ORDERLIES	24	12	NR
Grinder, Precision				Helio Operator				Clerks				ORDERLIES	25	25	
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator				Clerks, Supply				REGTL. PHOEN.	18	2	NR
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Intelligence Duties				Clerks, Technical				STOREMEN	6	6	
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Joiners				Coach Trimmers				STRET. BAS	17		
Mechanics, Radio				Lineman				Concretors				WATER PUMP			
Mechanics, Typewriter				Lineman, Signals				Cooks				DRIVERS MT	25	25	
Mechanics, Wireless				Lithographers				Dental Clerk Orderlies				PIONEER			
Millwrights				Machinists, Metal				Despatch Riders				PROV. MESS			NR
Operators, Excavator				Machinists, Wood				Draughtsmen, Signals				TRANSPORT			
Pattern Maker				Masons				Drivers, H.T.				RSM			
Pharmacist				Masseurs				Driver Mechanics				RSM			
Photographer, Wet Plate				Mechanics, M.T.				Driver Tptn. Plant				CSM	15	3	NR
Photewriter				Miners				Engine Hands, I.C.				CSM			
Plumber				Moulders				Equipment Repairers				CSM			
Saw Doctors				Nurses, Trained				Farriers				SENCEANTS	26	25	NR
Surveyors				Observation Post Assts.				Fitters' Mates							
CARRIED FORWARD	1	1		CARRIED FORWARD	3	3		Gun Layers							
												Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively.			

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Date of Despatch

Signature of Commander

UNIT *1st Australian Cavalry Regiment*

PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in

DETAILS of N.C.O.'s

ATTACHED BY W.E.

TRADE	RANK	W.E.	P.S.	SURF.	DEF.	TRADE	WE	PS	SURF.	DEF.
CARPENTER	CPL	1	-	N.R.		A.A.M.C.				
SIGNALLERS	CPL	4	5							
CLERKS	SJT	2	3			CHIROPODIST	CPL	1	1	
"	CPL	7	5	N.R.		HYG. INSP.	CPL	1	1	
TAILOR	SJT	1	1			MED. ORD.	2	2		
TAILOR	CPL	1	1							
TECH STOREMAN	SJT	1	1			A.E.M.E				
A.A.L.M.G. N	CPL	1	1			ARMOURER	2	1	NR.	
M.G. DETAILS	CPL	36	36	N.R.		FITTER	1	1		
STRETCHER BEARER	SJT	1	1			MECH G.P.I.	1	1		
DRIVERS M.T.	CPL	1	1			A.A.P.C.				
PIONEER	SJT	1	1			PAY CLERK	1	1		
PROVOST	SJT	1	-	NR						
TRANSPORT	SJT	1	1			A.A.P.S				
RS.M.	NOI	1	1			POSTAL DUTIES	1	1		
RQMS	NOI	1	1							
CSM	NOI	5	3			A.A.O.C				
CQMS	SJT	5	5			SHOEMAKER	1	1		
SJTS (UNSPEC)	SJT	26	25			A.A.C.C.				
						CATERER	1	1		
						COOKS.	20	20		
ATTACHED										
A.A.M.C.										
	CPL	1	1			CHIROPODIST.				
	SJT	1	1			HYG. INSP.				
	SJT	1	1			MED. ORD.				
A.A.P.C.										
	SJT	1	1			PAY CLERK.				
A.A.P.S										
	SJT	1	1			POSTAL DUTIES				
A.A.O.C										
	CPL	1	1			SHOEMAKER.				
A.A.C.C.										
	CPL	1	1			CATERER				
	SJT	5	-	N.R.		COOKS.				
	CPL	5	4	N.R.						
A.E.M.E.										
	SJT	1	1			ARMOURER				
	SJT	1	1			FITTER				
TOTALS										
		121	104			CARRIED FORWARD				
						CARRIED FORWARD				

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(b) Authorized badge or specialist not included in list will be added as required in detail provided.
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(d) Where A.W.A.S. and/or A.A.M.W.S. personnel are detailed show details on back.
(e) Where A.W.A.S. and/or A.A.M.W.S. personnel are detailed show details on back.
(f) Where A.W.A.S. and/or A.A.M.W.S. personnel are detailed show details on back.
(g) Where A.W.A.S. and/or A.A.M.W.S. personnel are detailed show details on back.

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

Army Form W.3008
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(Revised Jan., 1943)

33 / 44 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 26/8/1944 2/2nd Aust. M.G. Bn (Unit)

W.E. III / 62/1 OFFRS. 29 O.R's. 559 + OFFRS. 1 O.R's. 32 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	Lieut.-Colonels										
			2	Majors										
			3	Captains										
			16	Lieutenants										
				Quarter-masters	A.A.C.D.		1							
				A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.										
				Civilians Counting as Offrs.										
			23				1							
				DETAIL	A.I.F.	C.M.F.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.N.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL.	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	**	TOTAL.
				A.	23									23.
				E.(1)										
				E.(2)										

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

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

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

OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK

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

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit To.	Date.	CAUSE.
9X6363	CAPT	HERBERTSON F.	T.O.G.D.D. BRISBANE	23-8-44	Medical class 'B'
9X19340	LIEUT	KIBBLE K.G.N		23-8-44	
Nx 20037	CAPT	BENNETT W.N.C.G.	L.H.B. A.A.M.C. SCHOOL	23-8-44	Medical COURSE NO. 24
Nx 34672	"	WRAGGE K.S	EVAE TO HOSP	21-8-44	
Nx 12356	"	STANILAND F.R.H	" " "	22-8-44	

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

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

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 26/8/1944 (Total to agree with Columns 4 and 7 of Part A.)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held.	Army Number.	Surname.	Initials.	Posting.	Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No)	If not present with Unit, state how employed.	Date of Detachment.
LT-COL	NX12629	MACARTHUR-ONSMON	E.	C.O.	YES		
MAJOR	A.X. 6265	SEARLE.	G.A.Mch	2 1/2	YES		
"	N.X. 12342	WHEATLEY	M.I.		YES		
CAPT	EX. 6350	GOLDSMITH	A.D.		YES		
"	A.X. 6368	SEARLE	P.K.		YES		
"	N.X. 12409	JACK	C.F.		YES		
LT-C (LAPD)	N.X. 14551	VARLEY	F.A.	ADTT.	YES		
"	NX. 15828	FERGUSON	G.E.	A.M.O.	YES		
LIEUT	N.X. 15137	BRETON	R.		YES		
"	NX 15827	GARDINER	P.E.		YES		
"	NX 10858	BENNETT	W.M.	I.O.	YES		
"	N.X. 58,35	MELVILLE	N.R.	SIGS	YES		
"	NX 60350	JOHNSON	M.D.		YES		
"	NX 26071	MILLS	L.Y.		YES		
"	A.X. 11111	EDWARDS	H.R.		YES		
"	NX 27163	COCKRAM	H.J.C.		YES		
"	NX. 59427	CANN.	R.C.		YES		
"	EX 28737	GINN	R.J.		YES		
"	NX 17262	HALL	C.C.		YES		
"	NX 144210	HUGGINS	A.H.		NO	LEAVE	
"	T.V. 738	BOOTH	D.A.T.		YES		
"	N-X 123766	BORTHWICK	R.W.		YES		
CHAP (HCLAW)	V.S. 112175	THOMAS	T.W.		YES	PAID E.	

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.

Date of Despatch

F. Atterley
Signature of Commander

2/ Royal HUNT. M.G. BN.

Unit

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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 26/8/1944.

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.
Ammunition Examiners				Surveyors, Engineering				Operating Room Assts.				G.P.O. Assistants			
Armament Artificer Fitter				Surveyors, R.A.A.				Operator, Keyboard				Hammermen			
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			
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								Printers				Shoemaker and Boot Repairer			
Bricklayers								Radiographers				Stevadores			
Computers								Riggers				Stokers, Staty. Engine			
Cooks, Hospital				GROUP II				Sawyers				Storemen, Technical			
Coppersmiths				Armourers				Signallers				Tailors			
Dispensers				Axemen				Signwriters				Textile Refitters			
Draughtsmen				Bakers				Telescope Identfn. Numbers				Tinsmiths			
Draughtsmen (Architectural)				Bty. Comd's Asst.				Well Borers				Vulcanizers			
Draughtsmen (Engineering)				Bollermakers				Wheelers				Wagon Erectors			
Draughtsmen (Mechanical)				Carpenters				Winchman				Whitesmiths			
Draughtsmen (Topographical)				Carpenters and Joiners				Wireman				NON-SPECIALISTS			
Electricians				Cooks				Woodturners				HALF DTS.	13	13	
Electricians (M.V.)				Dental Mechanics								ARMY N.S.	8	8	
Electricians (Signals)				Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Med.)								BATTMEN	34	34	
Fitters				Driver-Operator								BATTMAN DVR	1	1	
Fitters (Cycle)				Drainers								GRY DUTIES	455	455	
Fitters (Electrical)				Electricians								HYC DUTIES	190	190	
Fitters (Gun)				Electricians (Engineers)								M.G. DETACH	376	376	
Fitters (Instrument)				Fire Control Operators				GROUP III				DETAILS OF NON-TRADESMEN			
Fitters (M.V.)				Gun Operator				Battery Surveyors				M.C. ORDERLIES	24	12	N.R.
Fitters, Railway Signal				Hatchman				Butchers				ORDERLIES	23	23	
Fitters, Signals				Height Taker				Clerks				REGT. ORDERLIES	140	2	N.R.
Grinder, Precision				Helio Operator				Clerks, Supply				STOREMEN	6	6	
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator				Clerks, Technical				STRET. BRS	97	97	N.R.
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Intelligence Duties				Coach Trimmers				WATER DUTIES	204	2	
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Joiners				Concretors				MT.	23	23	
Mechanics, Radio				Lineman				Cooks					304		
Mechanics, Typewriter				Lineman, Signals				Dental Clerk Orderlies				PROVOST	120		N.R.
Mechanics, Wireless				Lithographers				Despatch Riders				ATTACHED BY W.E.			
Millwrights				Machinists, Metal				Draughtsmen, Signals				TRANSPORT	5		
Operators, Excavator				Machinists, Wood				Drivers, H.T.				RSM	233	233	
Pattern Maker				Masons				Driver Mechanics				RMS	200		
Pharmacist				Masseurs				Driver Tptn. Plant				CSM	110		N.R.
Photographer, Wet Plate				Mechanics, M.T.				Engine Hands, I.C.				CQMS	5	6	
Photowriter				Miners				Equipment Repairers				SERGEANTS	26	26	N.R.
Plumber				Moulders				Farriers							
Saw Doctors				Nurses, Trained				Fitters' Mates							
Surveyors				Observation Post Assts.				Gun Layers							
CARRIED FORWARD	1	25		CARRIED FORWARD	3	3		CARRIED FORWARD	84	149		Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively.	55	60	*

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

PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in

Part A of Army Form W 3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 18/8/1944
 ATTACHED BY W.E.

DETAILS of N.C.O.s					ATTACHED BY W.E.					
TRADE	RANK	WE	RS	SURP	DEF.	TRADE	WE	RS	SURP	DEF.
CARPENTER	CPL	1				ARMC.				
SIGNALLERS	CPL	4				CHIROPODIST	1		N.R.	
CLERKS	SJT	2				HYG INSP	1	1		
"	CPL	7				MED. ORD.	2	2		
TAILOR	SJT	1								
"	CPL	1				AEME				
TECH STOREMAN	SJT	1				ARMOURER	2	1		
AALMG 1	CPL	1				FITTER	1	1		
M.G. DETAILS	CPL	36	30		N.R.	MECH 6PT	1	1		
STRETCHER BEARER	SJT	1								
"	CPL	1				AAPC				
DRIVERS M.T.	CPL	1				PAY CLERK	1	1		
PIONEER	SJT	1								
PROVOST	SJT	1			N.R.	AAPS				
TRANSPORT	SJT	1				POSTAL DUTIES	1	1		
"	CPL	4								
RSM	NOE	1				AADC				
RQMS	NOE	1				SHOEMAKER	1	1		
CQMS	SJT	5								
SERGEANTS (UNSPEC)	SJT	26			N.R.	AACC				
CSM	WOJ	5			N.R.	CATERER	1	1		
						COOKS.	20	20	N.R.	
ATTACHED										
						ARMC.				
CHIROPODIST	CPL	1			N.R.					
HYG. INSP	SJT	1								
MED ORD	SJT	1								
						AAPC				
PAY CLERK	SJT	1								
						AAPS				
POSTAL DUTIES	SJT	1								
						AADC				
SHOEMAKER	CPL	1								
						AACC				
CATERER	NOE	1								
COOKS	SJT	5			N.R.					
"	CPL	5			N.R.					
						AEME				
ARMOURER	SJT	1								
FITTER	SJT	1								
						CARRIED FORWARD		32	30	
						CARRIED FORWARD		32	30	

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Signature of Commander

Date of Report