

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

**Item number: 8/3/96**

**61 Infantry Battalion**  
**June - August 1945**

# WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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Army Form C.21.8  
(adapted.)

Unit 61 AUST INF BN

Date and Time.—From 1 Jun

To 6 Jun 45

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Bougainville	1 Jun 45		Coys engaged in weapon trg and HQ Coy in specialist trg. Capt McKEW (TO) and Lt WRIGHT (LO) (7 Bde) visited this HQ.	
	2 Jun 45		Coys engaged in weapon trg and HQ COY in specialist trg. Lecture to Offrs.	<i>Rivara</i> ..... Capt Adjt 61 Aust Inf Bn
	3 Jun 45		Church parade held. Rest day for Bn. Bn was responsible for Bde duties for week ending 11 Jun. List of working parties attached as Appx 1. Trg period for week ending 10 Jun transferred to week ending 17 Jun.	(Appx 1)
	4 Jun 45		Coys engaged on working parties. Routine orders issued as Appx 2.	(Appx 2)
	5 Jun 45		Working parties as per schedule. Maj MERRITT 3 Div LO1 and Capt McKEW Bde TO visited this HQ. Capt N.C. CAIRNS marched out to LHQ TACTICAL SCHOOL. Lecture to Offrs on Appreciations by Capt G.O. FORWARD. Education lectures conducted during afternoon.	
	6 Jun 45		Sec patrol along EAST WEST trail to 713932 thence SOUTH along CHOP CHOP trail to coast at 716862 departed at 08 <sup>00</sup> hrs. Returned 1600 hrs. Capt KERR Rear 3 DIV HQ visited area. Lecture to offrs by Capt ASHE Bde Legal Offr.	

# WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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Unit 61 AUST INF BN

Date and Time.—From 7 Jun To 11 Jun 45

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Bougainville	7 Jun 45		Working parties as per schedule. Bde Hygiene Offr Lt MOORE visited this HQ. Cpl WAND (Mil History Section) arrived this HQ re review of Bn operations. Maj JONES 7 Bn visited this HQ.	
	8 Jun 45		Coy Comd conference held at 0830 hrs. Bde parade held at GLOUCESTER OVAL. The C in C Gen Sir Thomas BLAMEY taking the salute. Text of address attached as APPX 3. Lt WRIGHT Bde IO visited this HQ. 61 Aust Inf Bn Trg Instr No 4 issued as per appx 4.	?? (Appx 3) (Appx 4)
	9 Jun 45		CO's request hour held at 0800 hrs. Coy Comds Conference held at 0830 hrs. Capt McMICHAEL HQ 3 Div visited this HQ to interview Int NCO'S view replacement HQ 3 Div. Message received re Guard of Honour for HE Gov General N.Z. 13 Jun attached as appx 5. Field return of offr's attached as appx 6. Field return of OR's attached as appx 7. Sports Review issued 9 Jun attached as appx 8.	(Appx 5) " 6 " 7 " 8
	10 Jun 45		OPD Church Service held at 0845 hrs, RC Service at 0930 hrs. Rest day for remainder of Bn. Lt BALDWIN and guard party returned ex 2/1 AGH. Lt J.D. WILSON marched out to NG School M2-2 Flame Thrower course.	
	11 Jun 45		Bn HQ and HQ Coy Classification shoot TOROKINA RIVER RIFLE RANGE. A,B,C Coys engaged in drill, weapon trg in coy areas. In afternoon sports were held. Capt KELLY BM(L) and Lt WRIGHT (LO) 7 Bde visited this HQ. Lt WATTS and party returned ex 109C.C.S.	

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Unit 61 AUST INF BN

Date and Time - From 12 Jun To 16 Jun 45

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Bougainville	12 Jun 45		A service of Remembrance for members of this Bn who died on active service in BOUGAINVILLE 15 Jan 45 - 10 May 45 was held at 0845 hrs. Text of service attached as Appx 9. HQ Coy (mortars) range practice TOROKINA RIVER RIFLE RANGE. A,B,C Coys engaged in drill and weapon training.	(Appx 9)
	13 Jun 45		Personnel for Bde Guard of Honour to HE Gov General N.Z. left area. HQ, A,B,C Coys engaged in drill and weapon trg.	
	14 Jun 45		Message of congratulation received from acting Bde Comd Lt-Col MATTHEWS for personnel of Guard of Honour for HE Gov General N.Z. attached as appx 10. HQ,A,B Coys engaged in TsOET and weapon trg in coy areas. C Coy jungle range practice.	(Appx 10)
	15 Jun 45		HQ,A & C Coys engaged in TS OET and weapon trg in coy areas. B Coy Jungle Range Practice. Bn Swimming carnival held in 61 Bn area, final results being: C Coy 16 points, BnHQ 11, HQ Coy 9 points, B Coy 4 points, A Coy 3 points. Following offr's took part in Bde Offrs Rifle Competition - Capt CLIFTON SMITH, Capt RUDDER - Lts FORD, PLUMMER, WATTS and BRINKLEY.	
	16 Jun 45		Bn Parade held at 0830 hrs. CO Lt-Col T.J. FARRELL introduced himself to pers. Coy Comds conference held at 0845 hrs. CO'S request hour held at 0900 hrs. At 1145 hrs 6 reinforcements arrived BnHQ. All coys continued with trg for remainder of morning after Bn Parade. Sports held afternoon.	

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Army Form C.2118  
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Unit 61 AUST INF BN

Date and Time—From 17 Jun To 20 Jun 45

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Bougainville	17 Jun 45		<p>Following church services held - C of E 0830 hrs, RC 0930 hrs, OPD 0900 hrs. Rest day for the Bn. Leave draft of 1 offr 19 OR's warned to prepare for movement. Lt McCASKELL (19 War Graves Unit) visited this HQ 1345 hrs.</p>	
	18 Jun 45		<p>CO and L/Cpl Pender (Int) departed this HQ 0835 hrs to visit 15 Aust Inf Bde as observer party. Leave draft of 1 offr 19 OR's departed this HQ 0835 hrs. CO 4 Fd Regt &amp; Capt WARD 4 Fd Regt visited this HQ 1125 hrs. HQ Coy engaged in specialist training. B Coy Bren classification practice at 200 yds range. A &amp; C Coys engaged in individual trg. Bn Trg Syllabus period 18-23 Jun 45 attached as appx 11. Bn Int School commenced, Syllabus attached as appx 12. Precis issued on Close Air sp demonstration - held 22 Jun 45 attached as appx 13.</p>	<p>(Appx 11) " 12 " 13</p>
	19 Jun 45		<p>Lecture to offr's by Capt WARD 4 Fd Regt at 0930 hrs. HQ Coy engaged in specialist trg. A Coy Bren Classification practice 200 yds range. B Coy Jungle Craft trg. C Coy individual trg.</p>	
	20 Jun 45		<p>Prov Marshall (3 Div) visited this HQ 0945 hrs. Band pers marched into Bn from 9 Bn 1115 hrs. Personnel returned from Sig and Flame Thrower Schools 1145 hrs. Maj OLDFIELD (2 Aust Corps Amenities Offr) and Lt BUTLER (7 Bde Amenities Offr) visited this HQ 1200 hrs. HQ Coy engaged in specialist trg. A Coy engaged in drill, weapon and individual trg. B Coy engaged in scout trg. C Coy engaged in individual trg.</p>	

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Date and Time.—From 20 Jun To 23 Jun 45

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Bougainville	20 Jun 45		Sports Offr LT JAMES attended conference at Bde HQ 1400 hrs. Lt WILSON returned this HQ ex hosp ex school.	
	21 Jun 45		Capt KELLY (BML) visited this HQ 0930 hrs. HQ Coy engaged in specialist trg. A Coy engaged in Assault course and bayonet trg. B Coy engaged in weapon trg, TsOET. C Coy Bren classification practice 200 yds range. Dance Band played at 2/1 AGH OR's Rec Hut from 1915 hrs. Bn Routine Orders serial No 13/45 issued and attached as appx 14. CO and L/Cpl PENDER returned this HQ from 15 Bde 1230 hrs.	(Appx 14)
	22 Jun 45		HQ Coy engaged in specialist trg. A & C Coys engaged in individual trg. B Coy engaged in specialist trg, demonstration and practice with sigs and 3 inch Mortar in jungle. Lt MILLS (Bde Education Offr) visited this area and lectured B Coy 1900 hrs. CO, 2 i/c, Adj, IO, Coy Comds, Lt CLARKSON, Lt JAMES and Mortar NCO's witnessed air sp demonstration from 1315 hrs to 1500 hrs. Personnel entitled to 1939-43 STAR issued with ribbon.	
	23 Jun 45		Leave Draft of 1 Offr 24 OR's warned to prepare for movement. Capt RUSSELL (PELO) lectured offrs and Coys. Capt McKEW (Bde TO) and Lt MILLS (Bde AES Offr) visited this HQ 1130 hrs. HQ Coy engaged in specialist trg. A, B and C Coys kit inspections and weapon maintenance. Results Sports Competition - matched played during week. Cricket - Bde HQ 6/116 d 61 Bn 59. Sports review issued 1 Jul 45 attached as appx 15.	(Appx 15)

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Unit 61 AUST INF BN

Date and Time.—From 24 Jun To 27 Jun 45

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Bougainville	24 Jun 45		<p>Following Church Services held - PD Holy Communion 0845 hrs, Evening Service 1900 hrs - RC 0930 hrs. Rest day for Bn. Following transfers to take effect from 250630L - Lt FORD R.L. from B Coy to MMG Pl. Lt McKELLAR from C Coy to OC B Coy. Capt CORBOLT (Adjnt 25 Bn) visited this HQ 0930 hrs. Lt WATTS and guard party departed for 2/1 AGH 1315 hrs. Maj WEPPNER and Capt CORBOLT ( 2 i/c and Adjnt 25 Bn respectively) visited this HQ 1600 hrs. Lt WHITTAKER and guard party departed this HQ for duty at 109 003 MOTUPENA PT. Capt GOWLAND evac to 2/1 AGH a.m. Lt WILSON marched out to NG School Flame thrower course.</p>	
	24 Jun 45		<p>Bn assumed responsibility of provision of working parties for Bde for week ending 1 Jul 45. Capt McKEW (Bde TO) visited this HQ 1400 hrs.</p>	
	26 Jun 45		<p>Lt WRIGHT (LO) visited this HQ 1125 hrs. Message received from Bde saying that this Bn is to supply 1 cpl 10 OR's as party of Guard of Honour for HRH The Duke of Gloucester on 2 Jul. Bde Guard to be under command of Maj LAWSON of 61 Bn.</p>	
	27 Jun 45		<p>Sec patrol along EAST WEST trail to 713932 thence SOUTH along CHOP CHOP trail to coast(at 716862) departed this HQ 0830 hrs returned 1500 hrs. Capt KELLY (BML) visited this HQ 1130 hrs. Capt RODRIGUEZ 11 Fd Amb visited this HQ 1525 hrs. Volley Ball competition results - matches played 27 Jun 45. 9 Bn (1) D 61 Bn(1) 2 - 1. 25 Bn (1) D 61 Bn (2) 3 - Nil.</p>	

# WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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Unit 61 AUST INF BN Date and Time—From 28 Jun To 30 Jun 45

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Bougainville	28 Jun 45		<p>Col R.C. REEVE CSO 2 Corps visited CO 0925 hrs. Maj BUTLER (BM) and SC Capt PRENTICE visited this HQ 0930 hrs. CAPT KELLY (BML) visited this HQ 1500 hrs. Lt TRAVERSE 31/51 Bn visited this HQ 1520 hrs. MUSICAL RECITALS of classical music held at 1900 hrs, programme included music by STRAUS RIMSKY-KORSAKOV. Message received from Bde stating that 61 Bn is now to supply 1 Cpl 17 OR's for Guard of Honour and NOT 1 Cpl 10 OR's as originally instructed. Bn Routine Orders serial 14/45 issued and attached as appx 16.</p>	(Appx 16)
	29 Jun 45		<p>Maj WEPPNER (2 i/c 25 Bn) and Capt CORBOLT (Adjnt 25 Bn) visited this HQ 1110 hrs. Lecture to officers on situation by IO 1115 hrs. Lecture to Officers by CO 1130 hrs.</p>	
	30 Jun 45		<p>Lt Col HANNON (ADDS) visited this HQ 1000 hrs. Capt KELLY (BML) visited this HQ 1005 hrs. Capt BADGERY PARKER (Corps Edn Offr) and Lt MILLS (Bde Edn Offr) visited this HQ 1110 hrs. Lt-Col BRADLEY (12 Aust Adv WKSP) visited this HQ 1125 hrs. Maj McQUEEN (DAD HYG 2 CORPS) visited this HQ 1145 hrs. Personnel warned for leave 23 Jun 45, departed this HQ 1315 hrs. Volley Ball competition results, matches played 30 Jun. 61 BN (2) d Bde HQ(1) 3 - Nil. 61 BN (1) d 11 FD AMB (1) 2 - 1. Enlargement TOROKINA 1:63360 showing Bn Def Perimeter and Coy localities attached as appx 17. Outlay showing Sub Division Bn Trg Area attached as Appx 18.</p>	(Appx 17) " 18

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# MESSAGE FORM

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TO <i>6 Bn</i>	(w) For Information (INFO.)	Message Instructions	GR
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*9 Bn 25 Bn*

ORIGINATOR'S No.

*AG 416 restricted @ 6 Bn will become responsible for provision bde duties from 040600h @ following work parties required @ one @ daily bombing up detail PIVA strip 1R OR rpt reporting in 0800h @ two @ 10hr 390R handling engr stores for ~~hrs~~ 53 ft ph on each 4 and 5 pm cut lunch is required rpt reporting 0800h @ three @ a continuous speedoring detail 1nc @ 180R throughout the week working 6hr shifts rpt reporting 040600h hence six hourly intervals all inform*

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES  
ROUTINE ORDERS : PART I

Copy No. <sup>14</sup>.....  
Serial 12/45

HQ 61 AUST INF BN  
4 JUN 45

by

Lt-Col T.J. FARRELL  
COMD 61 AUST INF BN

Nos 76 - 79

76. CENSORSHIP - MAILING OF CURRENCY

Mailing of currency is prohibited. Censors finding currency in letters or parcels will return same to the sender together with letter.

77. DESECRATION OF ENEMY GRAVES

1. Article 4 of the Red Cross Convention requires that all dead be honourably interred and that graves be respected and marked so that they may always be found.
2. Unauthorised interference with human remains is an offence.
3. Personnel will not, except in the course of duty, interfere with any grave, or any dead body of any nationality, or without authority be in possession of any such remains including the ashes of a cremated body.

78. TRAFFIC SPEEDS

Speed limits for vehicles in 2 Aust Corps Area will not exceed the following :-

Staff Cars	25 miles per hour
Motor Cycles	25 " " "
Other Vehicles	20 " " "

79. REGIMENTAL TRUST FUND

On hand commencement of Month		£ 312: 0: 7
<u>Received during Month</u>		
Canteen Profit Distribution	£ 49:18:10	
Balance Unit Canteen (Refund)	£ 150: 0: 0	£ 199:18:10
<u>Expenditure during Month</u>		
Refrigerator Sjts Mess	£ 56:10: 0	
Advance Unit Canteen	£ 150: 0: 0	£ 206:10: 0
<u>Balance on hand</u>		£ 305: 9: 5

We certify that we have examined the Cash Book, Unit Trust Book and vouchers relating to 61 Aust Inf Bn Regt Trust A/c and that in our opinion this statement correctly sets out the position of the fund as at 28 May 45.

J.S. PATERSON Capt (sgd)  
D.H. McKELLAR Lt (sgd)

*Dewar* Capt  
A&Jt 61 Aust Inf Bn

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NOTICES

LITERARY COMPETITION

£12 IN PRIZES

Conducted by

THE SOLOMON ISLANDS WRITERS CLUB

SECTION A : SHORT STORY (Non-War Theme)  
1st £3 2nd £1/10/- 3rd 10/-

SECTION B : ONE ACT PLAY (Any Theme)  
1st £3 2nd £1

SECTION C : POEM (Any Theme)  
1st £2 2nd £1

PRIZES : These will take the form of orders on an Australian bookseller.

CONDITIONS -

- (a) Entries welcomed from all members of Australian or Allied Forces in SWPA outside the mainland of Australia.
- (b) Entrant may enter in all sections, and submit any number of entries within the sections.
- (c) The Short Story is limited to 3,000 words and must be on a non-war theme.
- (d) The submissions <sup>not</sup> must have been published before the closing date of the Competition. MSS remain the property of the entrants, and will be returned. An addressed but unstamped envelope should be forwarded for this purpose.
- (e) Closing date 30 Jun 45.
- (f) Entries to be forwarded with writers' name and unit on a separate slip to Secretary, Solomon Islands Writers Club, c/o HQ 2 Aust Corps.

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OTHER RANKS CLUB - TOROKINA

REGULATIONS

1. All male and female Other Ranks of the AMF, RAN, RAAF and RNZAF have the right of automatic membership.
2. Members of US Armed Forces will be admitted by invitation only.
3. Membership can be automatically withdrawn for infringement of any regulation or unbecoming conduct.
4. The Club Manager is invested with full powers, and will police these regulations in the interest of all members. Complete and willing co-operation is expected.
5. Temporarily, times of service are as follows :-

Club opens - 1800 hours  
Club closes - 2200 hours (Dance nights 2230 hours)  
Snacks, Cool Drinks, Ice Cream - 1800 hrs - 2200 hrs  
Dry Canteen - 1800 hours - 2030 hours

6. Buffet Dances commencing at 1900 hours will be held on Tuesday and Thursday of each week. The closing time for the Club on these nights will be extended to 2230 hours. Members will make their own arrangements for inviting and escorting female guests in accordance with 4 Aust Base Sub Area RO A.153/45. Tables may be booked by contacting the Club Manager.
7. The Club telephone number is Pacific 546 R2.
8. Vehicles transporting personnel are not permitted to approach the Club buildings but will park in the defined area. This is not an authorised Parking Area within the meaning of ASO Chap 14 Sec 3, and in consequence the security of vehicles will be the responsibility of individual drivers.
9. Regulation dress will be observed by all members at all times.
10. Intoxicating liquor will NOT be brought on to the premises.
11. Fraternisation or familiarity with NATIVE staff is strictly forbidden.
12. The following "DON'TS" will please be honoured by all Other Ranks in the interest of harmony and good fellowship :-

DON'T crash into any party (mixed or otherwise).

DON'T introduce tap dancing without the Manager's consent.

DON'T be a party to any unseemly conduct.

DON'T fail to co-operate with the Club Manager.

DON'T forget, this is YOUR Club.

DON'T abuse the privileges and facilities offered.

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The TOROKINA Broadcasting Station will operate on 1280 Kilometers as from 1700 hrs 28 May 45.

TEXT OF AN ADDRESS

by  
GEN SIR THOMAS BLAMEY GBE, KCB, CMG, DSO  
C in C AMF

to

7 AUST INF BDE  
8 JUN 45

" I must congratulate you on this very fine parade(.) but I have something more than that on which to congratulate you - your very fine achievements in the last few months(.) I saw this brigade or parts of it at MILNE BAY and DONADABU(.) there have been many changes in the ranks since then but the brigade has gone on steadily to reach a very high standard and will reach a higher one (.) your achievements are extremely gratifying to all of us(.) it is strange to look back to july 1942 when you received your first christening in battle at MILNE BAY (.) there was a long break but we knew that you would be wanted again (.) I told you what I thought would be your role and now I am proud of the way you have performed it (.) it is heartening for your commander and lieutenant general SAVIGE and myself to look back six years ago, when some of you were just leaving school and then forward to today when we are really over the top of the hill (.) however hard it may be for us we know now we are definitely on the right side (.) there are difficulties ahead but I think they will not be so serious as in those days at MILNE BAY and KIKODA (.) we can look back now with great satisfaction at the part we played in this gigantic task of restoring security in our land and bringing freedom back to the earth (.) you still have a big part to play against the japanese (.) when you engage a European army and break up its organisation it is defeated and you have won (.) but when you fight the japanese although you may smash their formations every man becomes a combat unit of his own and continues to fight (.) that is what we face on this island (.) we have to kill them all off (.) you have great superiority in tactics weapons equipment and fighting skill over the japanese (.) his losses compared with ours are amazing (.) that shows that you have taken your task seriously and fitted yourself for it (.) I do not know how long this task will take but we can be quite sure that there will be changes following the defeat of the Germans in EUROPE (.) these changes have not appeared yet but will do so within two to three months (.) what we do know is that our task is right here on this island (.) it is simply to destroy the enemy (.) you have not had your share of glamour these last few months (.) other operations of no greater magnitude and certainly no greater hardships have been glamorised to a very great degree (.) in the earlier stages it may have been said to have been our fault (.) however the japanese thought they were up against more of our army than they were and it was impossible for us to reveal the identity of our units (.) now everyone should know that you are here (.) we have spread the news of your achievements so that you may be given your share of public approbation which you so richly and rightly deserve (.) I express my personal gratification for your fine achievements and my confidence that you will carry on until the end (.)"

War Time  
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61 AUST INF BN TRG INSTR NO 4/45

HQ 61 Aust Inf Bn  
8 Jun 45

Ref Map : TOROKINA 1 in to 1 mile

GENERAL:

1. This trg instr is issued to cover remainder of present trg period in outline up to 23 Jul 45.

OBJECT:

2. The syllabus is designed to bring personnel up to pl trg standard whilst allowing maximum time for recreation.

ALLOCATION OF TIME:

3. (a) Trg will be on a basis of 6 days per week of 6 hrs per day (incl recreation).  
(b) One night per week will be devoted to night trg (2 hrs) when moon is suitable.  
(c) Trg period will be allotted as follows :-

Individual Trg	2 weeks
Sec Trg	3 weeks
Pl Trg	2 weeks

  
(d) Daily trg hrs will be : 0830 - 1200  
1330 - 1600

PRINCIPLES & REFERENCE:

4. Principle of trg in all tactics will be as set out in (a) 2 Aust Corps Tac & Adm Doctrine  
(b) Tropical Warfare Pam 2.
5. (a) Drill manual will be MTP 18  
(b) Weapon Trg as per SAT Vol I
6. Principles of tactical trg in other manuals may be referred to only if NOT set out in pams as per para 4.

PREPARATION OF EXERCISES:

7. Pl Comds will supervise and prepare schemes for sec trg.  
Coy Comds will prepare pl exercises.
8. Coys will submit daily a state showing disposn of all tps under comd to reach this HQ by 0730 hrs daily.
9. Coys will devote at least one hr per week to discussion of current affairs.

Unit Educ Offr is available to advise coys in this sphere and will arrange for visits by Bde Educ Offr as required.

RECREATIONAL TRG:

10. 3 days per week are allotted as sports days. Accordingly coys will play sport on each afternoon of the week except wed when sport will be played in the morning.
11. The period 1530 - 1600 each day will be devoted to physical trg under direction of trained instrs in coys.

ASSAULT COURSE, RANGES Etc:

12. Full use will be made of assault course, jungle ranges etc by coys during this trg, and coys will submit requests for allotment of these with trg syllabus.
13. Rifle range will be made available to coys as often as possible.

NIGHT TRG:

14. At least 2 hrs per week will be devoted to night trg, depending on the phases of the moon. This trg will consist of practice in mov on and off tracks in jungle, assisted by moonlight.

OFFRS TRG:

15. Offr trg will be continued as per schedule issued 6 Jun 45.

NCO TRG:

16. NCO trg will be supervised by coy comds, on similar lines to offr trg.

CADRE TRG OF PERSONNEL ex LEAVE HOSPITAL etc:

17. To bring personnel ex leave, hospital etc and reinforcements up to standard of remainder of bn, a cadre will be est by A coy, on a plan to be advised later. This trg will be under the general supervision of Maj A.N. LAWSON.

MAINTENANCE OF TRG AMN, WEAPONS & EQPT:

18. Maintenance of trg amn, weapons and eqpt will be strictly supervised by coys. Any amn returned after range practices etc will be returned in good order and condition.
19. On Sat of each week coy comds will render a certificate to this HQ to the effect that all weapons on charge to the coy have been inspected and are in first class condition.

HYGIENE:

20. During trg full attention must be paid to hygiene, with a view to the prevention of malaria, scrub typhus, skin diseases and dysentery.
21. Mosquito repellent will be carried, and used, at all times. Shirts will NOT be removed during trg, except when tps are actually going over the assault course or engaged in P & RT.

SYLLABUS:

22. Att as Appx 'A' is an outline syllabus covering entire period of trg. Detailed syllabus will be submitted to this HQ by 1800 hrs Tue of each week, covering trg for the following week.

*Burman*  
CAPT  
ADJT 61 AUST INF BN

Distribution :

List 'A'

Outlined Trg Syllabms to period ending 23 Jul 45

(Issued as Appx A to 61 Aust Inf Bn Trg Instr 4/45)

INDIVIDUAL TRG: -

1st Week - Completed.

2nd and 3rd

Week -

- : Jungle Range - individual )
- TOET )
- Zeroing rifles and bren ) Rifle Coys
- Jungle Craft )
- Classification Range - Bren )
- Assault Course )
- Individual Specialist Trg )
- Classification Range ) BnHQ & HQ Coy
- Assault Course )

SECTION TRG:

4th Week

- : Jungle Craft applicable to secs )
- Rece & Security Patrols ) Rifle Coys
- Observation trg - Concealment and cam )
- Sec Battle drill and Sec fms )

Individual Specialist Trg - BnHQ & HQ Coy

5th Week

- Sec Trg on Jungle Ranges )
- OSMG Range practice ) Rifle Coys
- Use of 36M Grenade, grenade )
- discharger & 2" mortar in )
- jungle )
- Mortar range )
- Jungle Navigation )

- Collective trg, based on the )
- employment of the various )
- weapons and specialist ) BnHQ
- personnel ) HQ Coy
- Tk A and Pnr Pls carry out )
- trg in patrols - rece, security )
- fighting. )

6th Week

- Sec fd firing stressing firing from hip )
- Ambushes ) Rifle
- Sec in attack incl location and ) Coys
- disarming jap booby traps )
- Sec in def incl cam and booby traps )

Appropriate pl trg incl range ) BnHQ & HQ Coy

practices for specialist weapons )

7th Week

- Pl in approach march and first contact )
- Pl in attack incl battle procedure ) All
- Weapon demonstration of all inf weapons ) Coys
- Specialist weapons working with rifle coys )
- Adv handling of weapons ) HQ Coy
- booby traps etc. ) BnHQ

8th Week

- Pl in def )
- Patrols - fighting and security patrols )
- incl patrol logs ) Rifle
- Setting of ambushes ) Coys
- Fd Firing exercise )

Adv Handling - Range practice - BnHQ & HQ Coy



# MESSAGE FORM

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FROM (A)	Originator	Date—Time of Origin	Office Date Stamp
	<i>7 Bde</i>	<i>091205L</i>	<i>Appx.</i>
	<i>For Action</i>		
TO	<i>9 Bn 25 Bn 61 Bn 20 pl 2/1<sup>st</sup> Guard Regt.</i>		Message Instructions
	<i>(w) For Information (INFO.)</i>		<i>GR</i>
			<i>121</i>

ORIGINATOR'S No.

~~AGH31~~ RESTRICTED © This Bde is to provide a ceremonial guard of Honour for H E GOVERNOR GENERAL NZ approx 13 JUNE © NZ and US troops forces also participating © Guard will be commanded by Maj LAWSON 61 Bn with Capt JAST 25 Bn 2 i/c Capt M'Kew this H.Q colour bearer and following personnel WO PIETKE 1 cpl 1000s 9 Bn 1 s/sgt 1 cpl 2000s 25 Bn 1 cpl 1500s 61 Bn 2000s 20 pl guard regt © personnel will be carefully selected call men © Maj LAWSON will liaise direct with unit regarding selection personnel and 419 of the guard to commence 10 JUNE © details of ceremony and procedure will be communicated to Maj LAWSON as soon as possible

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

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Originator's Instructions  
Degree of Priority

Time	System	Op
<i>1335.</i>	<i>41T</i>	
Time Cleared		<i>JLB.</i>

Signed

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War Diary Appx. 6

## FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

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

23 / 45 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 9 / 6 / 1945 61 Bn (Unit)

W.E. II / 12 3 OFFRS. 33 O.R.'s 769 + OFFRS. 1 O.R.'s 32 ATT. BY W.E.

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

W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.					
Rein'ts Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein'ts Required.	
-	-	-	1	*						
1	1	-	2	Lieut.-Colonels						
4	4	-	4	Majors	AAMC	1	-	-	-	
-	-	-	20	Captains						
-	-	-	1	Lieutenants						
				Quarter-masters						
				A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.						
				Civilians Counting as Offrs.						
5	5	-	28			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'	'B'	'A'	'B'						
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.
			Nil		

#### OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit To.	Date.	CAUSE.
VX29956	Capt	CAIRNS N.	LHQ Tac Sch Beenleigh Qld.	5/6/45	to attend Course 18 Wing B 17 Jun/29 Jul 45

### PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO 61 Bn (Unit) IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED. 9 / 6 / 1945.

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

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 9 / 6 / 1945 (Total to agree with Columns 4 and 7 of Part A.)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held.	Army Number.	Surname.	Initials.	Posting.	Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No)	If not present with Unit, state how employed.	Date of Detachment.
Lt-Col	NX130833	FARRELL	T.J.	CO	Yes		
Maj	QX36035	TWELOW	E. McK.	2IC	No	On Leave	21/5/45
"	QX36031	LAWSON	A.N.	OCHQ	Yes		
Capt	QX40906	HUTCHINSON	F.C.		No	On Leave	30/4/45
"	QX36029	RUDDER	W.L.	OC A	Yes		
"	QX36365	PATERSON	J.S.	QM	Yes		
"	QX48865	GOWLAND	R.E.	OC B	Yes		
"	SX381	FORWARD	G.O.	Adj't	Yes		
Lt	QX36030	EMMETT	H.E.		No	On Leave	21/5/45
"	QX19174	FORD	R.L.	2IC B	Yes		
"	NX14159	CUMMINS	R.P.	TO	Yes		
"	QX56380	IRVINE	W.G.	IO	No	On Leave	19/5/45
"	QX51719	BRINKLEY	F.R.	HQ Coy	Yes		
"	QX35526	HENDERSON	P.W.		No	On Leave	21/5/45
"	QX53203	WHITTAKER	J.N.	A Coy	Yes		
"	QX51720	CLARKSON	A.G.	2IC A	Yes		
"	QX55054	WATTS	A.A.	B coy	No	Det 109 Aust CCS	29/5/45
"	QX61121	WHITE	J.J.	SO	Yes		
"	QX60395	JAMES	W.C.	HQ Coy	Yes		
"	NX115828	PLUMMER	R.T.V.	OC C	Yes		
"	NX116117	McKELLAR	D.H.	2IC C	Yes		
"	QX59984	HOOK	D.W.	A/Adj't	Yes		
"	QX62058	WEYBIRD	J.G.		No	On Leave	23/4/45
"	SX21749	RUSSACK	H.W.	A Coy	Yes		
"	VX28129	GIBSON	J.M.	B Coy	Yes		
"	SX22866	SCOTT-TOMS	W.H.		No	On Leave	30/4/45
"	QX36054	BALDWIN	N.E.	C Coy	No	Det 2/1 AGH	31/5/45
"	QX57794	WILSON	J.D.	C "	Yes		
Capt	NX200122	CLIFTON-SMITH	G.	RMO	Yes		

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

Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank, if Held.	Army Number.	Name and Initials.	Unit.	Date of Attachment.	Nature of Attachment.
Chap	NX161548	PRIOR A.C.	61 Bn	31/3/45	Padre
Capt	NX149733	McCABE C.J.	"D" Sec 63 Aust Dental Unit		Dental duties

9 Jun 45  
Date of Despatch

*[Signature]*  
Lt-Col  
Commander  
61 Aust Inf Bn

Unit 8/5/ 13/5/45 15 Aug 45

PART D—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

No. Rank Name Particulars

(Total to agree with Columns 4 and 7 of Part A.)

No.	Rank	Name	Particulars
VX29956	Capt	CARRNS	M/out to IHQ Tactical School Course 17 Wing B. (Raeleigh) 5 Jun 45.
QX48864	Capt	HOBBS	On Leave ex IHQ Tac Sch No. 17 Course. 3/5/45
QX50122	Lt	McINTYRE	M/out for disposal 12/5/45
QX38891	Lt	DAVES	Evac Hosp ex NO Sch of Sig 18/4/45
VX15997	Lt	FINN	On Leave from secondment as instr Reg Sch May 45
QX35527	Lt	LOWNDERS	CCTU No. 18 Course Seymour 11/5/45
QX59799	Lt	McDONALD	CCTU No. 18 Course Seymour 11/5/45

PART E—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER UNITS

Name and Initials	Unit	Date of Attachment	Nature of Attachment
FRICH A.C.	GI BR	21/3/45	Temp
COCHRAN B.J.	WD	22 Aug 45	Dental duties

Signature of Commanding Officer: *[Signature]* Lt-Col Date of Despatch: 9 Jan 45

# FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday <sup>9</sup>/<sub>6</sub> / 194<sup>5</sup> 61 Bn (Unit)

*Appx 7*  
*War Diary*

W.E. <sup>12c</sup>/<sub>3</sub> OFFRS. <sup>33</sup> O.R.'s. <sup>769</sup> + OFFRS. <sup>1</sup> O.R.'s. <sup>32</sup> ATT. BY W.E.

## Part A. Posted Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements Required.

1 W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				5 DETAIL.	6 ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.					10
1 Reinf'ts. Required.	2 Deficient W.E.	3 Surplus to W.E.	4 Posted Strength.		6 Arm or Corps.	7 Posted Strength.	8 Surplus to W.E.	9 Deficient W.E.	Reinf'ts. Required.	
N/R 1	1	-	-	W.Os. Class I.						
2	2	-	4	W.Os. Class II.		1	-	-		
				Squadron or Company Quartermaster Sgts.						
-	-	1	0	Staff Sergeants						
-	-	-	32	Sergeants	1215	9	-	-		
-	-	4	71	Corporals	115	7	-	1	1	
155	155	17	520	Troopers, Privates, etc.	112	13	-	1	1	
				Civilians counting as O.R.						
158	158	22	633	Totals of cols. marked * should agree with details shown in Part E on Page 2.	AACU AACU AACU AACU AACU	30	-	2	2	

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

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

Detail	A.I.F.	C.M.F.		A.W.A.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	**	TOTAL.
		Under 19 Years.	19 Years and over.							
A										663
B(1)	222		441							
B(2)										

### Part B. Other Ranks Attached from Other Units.

Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong
10	241 Aust LAD		
4	"D" Sec 63 Aust Dental Unit		
1	LHQ Pool Amenities		

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

Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.
199	Leave		
11	School		
1	NCO Instr NO Sch of Sigs.		
1	Area Comd MOTUPENA		
1	NO Sch of Sigs (Batman)		
1	2 Aust Corps NO Mobile Trg Team Junior Wing (Batman)		
1	Records Office		
15	9 Aust Inf Bn		
1	HQ 7 Aust Inf Bde		
33	2/1 AGH		
20	109 Aust CCS		

### Part D. Description of Other Ranks Whose Return To <sup>61 Bn</sup> (Unit) is Particularly Requested. <sup>9</sup>/<sub>6</sub> / 194<sup>5</sup>

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

**PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday / 6 / 1945.**

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.		
Ammunition Examiners				Surveyors, Engineering				Operating Room 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				Sangetakers	4	5	1		
Armament Artificer Signals				Welders				Painters				Riveters					
Armament Artificer Wireless				Batman I 35	35			Panel Beaters				Roughriders					
Artificer, Artillery				Gen Duty 3	3			Photographer, Dry Plate				Saddlers					
Artificer, Engine				Hyd Duty 4	4			Predictor Numbers				Saddletree makers					
Blacksmiths	1	135		LMG Rifle 397262	135			Printers				Shoemaker and Boot Repairer					
Bricklayers		2		Mortar Nos 73	70	3		Radiographers				Stevadores					
Computers				MWD Nos 22	23			Riggers				Stokers, Staty. Engine					
Cooks, Hospital				<b>GROUP II.</b>				Sawyers				Storemen, Technical	3	4			
Coppersmiths				Armourers				Signallers	26	28		Tailors	2	2	1 sgt		
Dispensers				Axemen				Signwriters	Incl 4	Colts		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	6	5	1	Winchman				Whitesmiths					
Draughtsmen (Topographical)				Carpenters and Joiners				Wireman									
Electricians				Cooks				Woodturners									
Electricians (M.V.)				Dental Mechanics				Orderlies 32	32			Water Duty					
Electricians (Signals)				Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Med.)				Enrs 32	27	5		RSM 32					
Fitters				Driver-Operator				Pro Sgt 1	1			QMS 10					
Fitters (Cycle)				Drainers				Storemen 6	6			CSM 5					
Fitters (Electrical)				Electricians				S. Bearers 21	21			CSM 5					
Fitters (Gun)				Electricians (Engineers)				Regt Police 6	7			CSM 5					
Fitters (Instrument)				Fire Control Operators								Sgts 25	25				
Fitters (M.V.)				Gun Operator				<b>GROUP III.</b>									
Fitters, Railway Signal				Hatchman				Battery Surveyors				<b>DETAILS OF NON-TRADESMEN.</b>					
Fitters, Signals				Height Taker				Butchers	1			Chiropracist	1	1			
Grinder, Precision				Helio Operator				Clerks	12	13		Eng Insp	1	1			
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator				Clerks, Supply				Med Ord	2	2			
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Intelligence Duties	10	9	1	Clerks, Technical				Steeemaker			1		
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Joiners	1	sgt		Coach Trimmers				Postal Sgts			1		
Mechanics, Radio				Linemen	1	1/sgt		Concretors				Pay Clerks			2		
Mechanics, Typewriter				Lineman, Signals	1	Cpl		Cooks									
Mechanics, Wireless				Lithographers				Dental Clerk Orderlies									
Millwrights				Machinists, Metal				Despatch Riders				<b>ATTACHED BY W.E.</b>					
Operators, Excavator				Machinists, Wood				Draughtsmen, Signals	1	1							
Pattern Maker				Masons				Drivers, H.T.	11	11							
Pharmacist				Masseurs				Driver Mechanics		3							
Photographer, Wet Plate				Mechanics, M.T.				Driver Tptn. Plant									
Photewriter				Miners				Engine Hands, I.C.									
Plumber				Moulders				Equipment Repairers	1	1							
Saw Doctors				Nurses, Trained				Farriers									
Surveyors				Observation Post Assts.				Fitters' Mates									
								Gun Layers	8	-	0						
CARRIED FORWARD	1	3		CARRIED FORWARD	551	414	140	CARRIED FORWARD	309	570	154	Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A, respectively.	801	663	160		

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.

9 Jun 45

Date of Despatch

Signature of Commander

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WOI WOII S'Sgts Sgts Cpls      WOI WOII Sgts Sgts Cpls

Category	WOI	WOII	S'Sgts	Sgts	Cpls	WOI	WOII	Sgts	Sgts	Cpls
Tpt Cpl			1							1
Int Duty			1		2			1		2
Signallers			4		4			2		4
Clerks			2		6			1		7
Tailor			1		1			1		N/R
Tech Storeman			1					1		
LMG Rifle Nos					36					41
MMG Nos					2					2
Mortar Nos					5					4
Pnrs					4					5
Pro Sjt			1					1		-
S.Bearers			1		2			1		2
Tk A Nos					4					3
RSM	1					N.R.				
RQMS		1				1				
CSM		5				3				
CQMS			5			6				
SQTS			25			25				
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>71</b>	

**Attached:**

AAMC										
Med Ord					1			1		
Chiropodist					1			1		1
Hyg Insp					1			1		
AAOC										
Shoemaker					1			1		-
Postal Sgt					1			1		1
Pay Clerks					1			1		
AACC										
Caterer		1					1			
Cooks			5		5			5		5
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>1</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>8</b>		<b>1</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>7</b>		

Posted in accordance with GRO A187/44

VX81369 Cpl Liston J.A. - Clerk  
 VX118025 Cpl McCleod J.A. - Pioneer

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 (d) Where equipment not detailed note comments on form by insertion of N.S. in col. "Remarks".  
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Signature of Commander

Date of Report

# SPORTS REVIEW

ISSUED WEEKLY BY AUST ARMY AMENITIES SERVICE - 7 AUST INF BDE.

Competition Results - Week ending 9 Jun 45

CRICKET 25 Bn defeated 9 Bn 4 for 147

SOFTBALL 25 Bn defeated 9 Bn 15 - 3

RUGBY LEAGUE  
61 Bn forfeited to 25 Bn

HOCKEY 25 Bn defeated 61 Bn 5 - 1  
9 Bn defeated 11 Fd Amb 2 - 1

VOLLEY BALL  
6 Jun - 9 Bn (1) defeated Bde HQ (1) 2 - 1  
9 Bn (2) forfeited to Bde HQ (2)  
25 Bn (2) defeated 11 Fd Amb 3 - Nil  
9 Jun - 25 Bn (1) defeated Bde HQ (1) 3 - Nil  
25 Bn (2) defeated Bde HQ (2) 2 - 1  
61 Bn (1) defeated 11 Fd Amb (2) 3 - Nil  
9 Bn (1) defeated 11 Fd Amb (1) 2 - 1  
61 Bn (2) forfeited to 9 Bn (2)

Fixtures for Week Ending 16 Jun 45 No. 1

CRICKET - 13 Jun 45  
9 Bn v 61 Bn Shelley Oval 0830 hrs  
Bde HQ v 11 Fd Amb Memorial Park 0830 "

SOFTBALL - 13 Jun 45  
Bde HQ v 11 Fd Amb Memorial Park 1330 "  
9 Bn v 61 Bn Gloucester Park 0830 "

RUGBY LEAGUE - 16 Jun 45  
25 Bn v 9 Bn Gloucester Park 1330 "

VOLLEY BALL - 13 Jun 45  
Bde HQ (1) v 61 Bn (1) 61 Bn 0830 hrs  
Bde HQ (2) v 61 Bn (2) 61 Bn 0930 "  
9 Bn (1) v 25 Bn (1) 9 Bn 0830 "  
Fd Amb (1) v 9 Bn (2) 9 Bn 0930 "  
Fd Amb (2) v 25 Bn (2) Fd Amb 0830 "

16 Jun 45  
Bde HQ (1) v Fd Amb (1) Bde HQ 0830 "  
Bde HQ (2) v Fd Amb (2) Memorial Park 0930 "  
25 Bn (1) v 61 Bn (2) 61 Bn 0830 "  
9 Bn (1) v 25 Bn (2) 9 Bn 0830 "  
9 Bn (2) v 61 Bn (1) 9 Bn 0930 "

Competition Table as at 9 Jun 45

	Cricket	Softball	Hockey	Rugby League	Volley Ball
HQ 7 Aust Inf Bde	-	-			(1) - (2) 6
9 Aust Inf Bn	4	4	6	-	(1) 6 (2) 3
25 Aust Inf Bn	6	8	4	4	(1) 6 (2) 6
61 Aust Inf Bn	-	-	2	4	(1) 6 (2) -
11 Aust Fd Amb	3	-	4	-	(1) 6 (2) -



A SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE  
FOR MEMBERS OF 61 AUST INF BN WHO  
DIED ON ACTIVE SERVICE IN  
BOUGAINVILLE - 15 JAN 45 - 10 MAY 45

12 JUN 1945 0845 HRS

THE CHAPLAIN SHALL SAY:

"I beheld, and, lo, a great multitude which no man could number stood before the throne, clothed in white robes, and palms in their hands; and cried with a loud voice, saying Salvation to our God which sitteth upon the throne. These are they which came out of great tribulation.....therefore are they before the throne of God and serve HIM day and night in His temple and He that sitteth on the throne shall dwell among them. They shall hunger no more, neither thirst any more; neither shall the sun light on them, nor any heat..... and God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes."  
Revelation 7 - 9/17

HYMN:

O God, our help in ages past,  
Our hope for years to come,  
Our shelter from the stormy blast,  
and our eternal home;

Beneath the shadow of Thy Throne  
Thy Saints have dwelt secure;  
Sufficient is Thine Arm alone,  
And our defence is sure.

Before the hills in order stood,  
Or earth received her frame,  
From everlasting Thou art God,  
To endless years the same.

A thousand ages in Thy sight  
Are like an evening gone;  
Short as the watch that ends the night  
Before the rising sun.

Time, like an ever-rolling stream,  
Bears all its sons away;  
They fly forgotten, as a dream  
Dies at the opening day.

O God, our help in ages past,  
Our hope for years to come,  
Be thou our guard while troubles last,  
and our eternal home. Amen.

RESPONSIVE READING: Psalm 23

"The Lord is my shepherd ; I shall not want.  
2. He maketh me to lie down in green pastures; he leadeth me beside the still waters.  
3. He restoreth my soul: He leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.  
4. Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.

5. Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.

6. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

CHAPLAIN:

Brethren let us give thanks to God

For His manifold and continued blessings upon our King and Empire.

For the peace which has come to Europe bringing hope and comfort to oppressed people.

For our preservation through the dangers of these years and for the signs of approaching victory and peace in the Pacific.

For our own part in the defence of our country and the maintenance of liberty in this theatre of war. For the heroism, devotion, sacrifice and comradeship shown in the recent campaign. Unto God be all the honour and praise for He is the source of all our noblest acts.

For our own preservation in the midst of danger and all our present blessings.

**ALL:**

O God accept these our thanksgivings for we lift up our hearts unto Thee.

**THE GENERAL THANKSGIVING:**

ALMIGHTY God, Father of all mercies, we thine unworthy servants do give thee most humble and hearty thanks for all thy goodness and loving-kindness to us, and to all men. We bless thee for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all, for thine inestimable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. And, we beseech thee, give us that due sense of all thy mercies, that our hearts may be unfeignedly thankful, and that we show forth thy praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives; by giving up ourselves to thy service, and by walking before thee in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with thee and the Holy Ghost be all honour and glory, world without end. Amen.

**THE LESSON FROM HOLY SCRIPTURE:**

**THE SERMON:**

**HYMN:**

For all the Saints who from their labours rest,  
Who Thee by faith before the world confess'd,  
Thy name, O Jesu, be for ever blest. Alleluia.

Thou wast their Rock, their Fortress, and their Might;  
Thou, Lord, their Captain in the well-fought fight;  
Thou in the darkness drear their one true Light. Alleluia.

O may Thy Soldiers, faithful, true, and bold,  
Fight as the Saints who nobly fought of old,  
And win, with them, the victor's crown of gold. Alleluia.

And when the strife is fierce, the warfare long,  
Steals on the ear the distant triumph-song,  
And hearts are brave again, and arms are strong. Alleluia.

The golden evening brightens in the west;  
Soon, soon to faithful warriors comes their rest;  
Sweet is the calm of Paradise the blest. Alleluia.

But lo . there breaks a yet more glorious day;  
The Saints triumphant rise in bright array:  
The King of glory passes on His way. Alleluia.

ACT OF COMMEMORATION:

Chaplain: Let us honour the memory of our fallen comrades. They counted not their own lives dear, but laid them down for their friends.

QX19919	Lt	ROBINSON H. D.	Killed in Action	1 Feb 45
S39003	Pte	MORGAN G. J.	Died of Wounds	1 Feb 45
W52716	Pte	SPARK G. C.	Killed in Action	5 Feb 45
QX62512	A/Sjt	WHITE G.	Killed in Action	9 Feb 45
Q28077	Pte	STACEY S.	Killed in Action	24 Feb 45
S52945	Pte	IRELAND C. R.	Killed in Action	6 Mar 45
QX61487	Pte	IRVINE H. J.	Killed in Action	11 Mar 45
TX16160	Pte	HOLLAND W. E.	Died of Wounds	11 Mar 45
TX16159	Pte	FOSTER D. H.	Killed in Action	15 Mar 45
N465010	Pte	LAING J. C.	Killed in Action	29 Mar 45
Q121288	Pte	LOW N. G.	Killed in Action	29 Mar 45
N297435	Pte	WARD A. E.	Killed in Action	1 Apr 45

ONE MINUTE SILENCE

Chaplain:

Eternal Father we give Thee thanks for the dear remembrance of these our brethren, who after the strife and suffering of war, now rest in Thee. We praise Thee for their fellowship with us on earth, for the Redeeming love of Christ, and for the sure and certain hope that, when war shall be no more, and death shall be swallowed up in victory, we shall meet them again in the peace and joy of Thine eternal kingdom.

ALL: We remember them and bow before Thee O Lord.

Chaplain:

For the bereaved we pray Thee O God of all compassion. For those for whom the road will be lonely and the future dark. In their loneliness may they find the healing of Thy companionship, in the darkness may they find their hands taken into the hands of God. Go with them into the morning of Thy perfect day. In the love of Thy dear Son we ask this grace.

ALL: Hear this prayer for thou alone art our assurance O Lord.

ALL: "O Lord support us all the day long of this troublous life, until the shades lengthen and the evening comes, and the busy world is hushed, the fever of life is over and our work is done. Then, Lord, in Thy mercy grant us safe lodging, a holy rest and peace at last through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

RECESSIONAL

God of our Fathers, known of old  
Lord of our far flung battle line  
Beneath whose awful hand we hold  
Dominion over palm and pine  
Lord God of Hosts be with us yet  
Lest we forget - lest we forget

The tumult and the shouting dies  
The captains and the kings depart  
Still stands thine ancient sacrifice  
An humble and a contrite heart  
Lord God of Hosts be with us yet  
Lest we forget - lest we forget

Far-called our navies melt away  
On dune and headland sinks the fire  
Lo, all the pomp of yesterday  
Is one with Ninevah and Tyre  
Judge of the Nations spare us yet  
Lest we forget - lest we forget

BENEDICTION

NATIONAL ANTHEM

LAST POST

REVILLE

# MESSAGE FORM

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*121*

Call

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Transmission Instructions

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Originator

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Office Date Stamp

*Appx June*

For Action

TO

*61 BOW*

(w) For Information (INFO.)

Message Instructions

GR

*32*

ORIGINATOR'S No.

*90366 Post from Lt Col MATTHEW'S*

*to all members of guard for H E the Governor  
general of NZ please extend my congratulation  
at excellent performance and turn out  
all informed*

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

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Wireless

Signed

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

Signed

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This message may be sent AS WRITTEN

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## 61 AUST INF BN TRG SYLLABUS

PERIOD 18 - 23 JUN 45

Appx. 11

647/1013  
War Diary

SN	DATE	SUB-UNIT	AREA	SUBJECT	LESSON	REMARKS
1	18 Jun 45	HQ Coy	Coy Area	Specialist trg-sport-P & RT	1 pl Morse sending & receiving 2 pl EGD, Stoppages 3 Pl Mortar 3 in 4 Pl Misfire drill, gundrill	SAT Vol I Pan 7 Pt I less 18 SAT Vol I Pan 9 Less 6, 9, 12, 15, 24, 26 2 pdr Tk A
		A "	" "	Individual trg-sport-P & RT	Observation trg  Individual Stalk	2 Aust Corps Tac & Adm Doctrine Directive Tac 3 Tropical Warfare Pam 2 Chap 8 para 4 IT Part 8 1944 Sec 12. 2 Aust Corps Tac & Adm Doctrine Directive Tac 3 Tropical Warfare Pam 2 Chap 3 para 3 IT Part 8 1944 Sec 12
		B "	200 yds Range TOROKINA R	Range Practice-Sport-P & RT	Bren classification practice	
C "	Jungle Range	Individual trg-sport-P & RT	Scout trg-quick action on suddenly appearing targets			
2	19 Jun 45	HQ Coy	Coy Area	Specialist trg-sport-P & RT	1 pl Fullerphone- L/T procedure 2 pl Gundrill-bayonet  3 pl Lessons from ops bayonet-booby traps 4 pl gun drill	SAT Vol I Pam 7 Part I less 27, 29, 30  2 pdr Tk A
		A "	200 yds Range TOROKINA R	Range Practice-sport-P & RT	Bren Classification Practice	
		B "	Coy Area	Obstacle course & Junglecraft-Educational lecture-sport-P & RT	Aids to Navigation	2 Aust Corps Tac & Adm Doctrine Directive Tac 4 Tropical Warfare Chap XIII

SER	DATE	SUB-UNIT	AREA	SUBJECT	LESSON	REMARKS
		C Coy	Coy Area	Individual trg-assault course	Cam & fd craft observation trg	IT part 8 1944 Sec 4 2 Aust Corps Tac & Adm Doctrine Directive Tac 3 Tropical Warfare Pam 2 Chap 8 para 4 IT part 8 1944 Sec 6.
3	20 Jun 45	HQ Coy	Coy Area	Sports-specialist trg-night trg-education trg-map reading	1 pl line instru- ment maintenance 2,3,4 pls- assault course-CAB-conven- tional signs & abbreviations- engagement night targets	CAB Manual Map Reading
		A Coy	Coy Area	Sport-drill-weapon trg- individual trg.	Bren Keeping direct- ion & memorising a route	SAT Vol I Pam 4 less 8, 9. 2 Aust Corps Tac & Adm Doctrine Tac directive No.4 MTP 33 No.14
		B Coy	Jungle Range	Sport-scout trg	Quick action OSMG Grenade	
		C Coy	Coy Area	Sport-individual trg- assault course	Cover from fire	IT Part 8 1944 Sec 7
4	21 Jun 45	HQ Coy	Coy Area	Specialist trg-sport	1 pl Morse sending & receiving 2 pl Range finder trg, stoppages 3 pl Gun drill, sand Table, ranging 4 pl gun drill PITA siting weapons	SAT Vol I Pam 7 Part I SAT Vol I Pam 9 less 45,50
		A Coy		Assault Course, Bayonet- Sport	Bayonet	SAT Vol I Pam 12 less 2, 3



SER	DATE	SUB-UNIT	AREA	SUBJECT	LESSON	REMARKS
		B Coy	Coy Area	Weapon trg- sport	T'sOET	SAT Vol I : 12 1
		C "	TOROKINA R 200 yd Range	Range Practice - sport	Bren Classification practice	
5	22 Jun 45	HQ Coy	Coy Area	Specialist trg - sport	1 pl Salvage cable checking & maintenance, Buzza adjustment, Key setting, contact cleaning. 2 pl Gun Drill 3 pl Weapon trg 4 pl gun mechanism, sights buffer & recuperator	SAT Vol I Pam 7 Part II less 60 SAT Vol I Pam 12 Less 1,2 Pam 9
		A Coy	Jungle Ranges	Individual trg-sport	Quick action-scouts-OSMG Grenade	
		B "	Coy Area	Obstacle Course-spec- ialist demonstration & practice-CAB discuss- ions-sport	Lecture & practice with sigs in Jungle, Mortars 3 in in jungle.	CAB
		C "	Coy Area	CAB discussion-individ- ual trg-sport	Aids to navigation in jungle.	2 Aust Corps Tac & Adm Doctrine Tac directive No. 4 Tropical Warfare Pam 2 Chap XIII IT Part 8 1944 Sec 11.

SER	DATE	SUB-UNIT	AREA	SUBJECT	LESSONS	REMARKS
6	23 Jun 45	HQ Coy	Coy Area	Int Lecture Specialist trg-current ops- sport.	1 pl Practical cyphering 2 pl Stoppages, weapon maintenance 3 pl T'sOET 4 pl weapon maintenance	7 Bde Sig Sec
		A Coy	" "	COY COMDS DISCRETION - SPORT		Kit inspections Weapon maintenance
		B "	" "			
		C "	" "			

*Rawson* ..... Capt  
Adj 61 Aust Inf Bn

SYLLABUS FOR INT TRAINEES.

18 Jun - 7 Jul 45.

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	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thu.	Fri.	Sat.	
FIRST WEEK.	0830 - 0915	Introduction	North Points - Variation and Conversion of Bearings.	1330 - 1545. Relief and its Representation	Abbreviations.	Message writing.	Setting an map and Finding posn.
	0920 - 1005	Object of Map		1545 - 1600.	North Points, Variation and Conversion of	Compass and Protractor.	Contour Exercise. ( Sand Table.)
	1020 - 1105	reading topograph -ical definitions and terms.	Scales.	Revision.	Bearings.		
	1110 - 1200	Mil Conventional signs.	System of Ref.			Slopes and Gradients.	
SECOND WEEK.	0830 - 0915	Enlarging. (T)	Traversing. (T.)	Fd Sketching. (T.)	Fd Sketching (P)	Practical Contouring	Trace of Fd Sketch.
	0920 - 1005						
	1020 - 1105	Enlarging (P)	Traversing (P)	Fd Sketching (P)	M. L.		
	1110 - 1200				Scales.		
THIRD WEEK.	0830 - 0915	Organization and functions of Int.	Patrol Reports	Organization of Inf Bde.	INFM. Sources Reliability Recording Grouping Distributing	Revision.	Test.
	0920 - 1005		Orders and Instructions	Organization of Inf Bn (Tropical Scale)			
	1020 - 1105	Intelligence in Bde and Bn.		Duties of Int Section.			
	1110 - 1200		Int Summaries and Reviews.				

Subject : CLOSE AIR SUPPORT DEMONSTRATION.

*War Diary*  
*Appx 13*

Q 61 Aust Inf Bn  
18 Jun 45

All Coys

Ref Map : TOROKINA 1 in to 1 mile.

INTRODUCTION :

1. A close air support demonstration will be conducted at approx 1415 hrs 19 Jun 45 by RNZAF in conjunction with Mortar pl 25 Aust Inf Bn.

OBJECT :

2. (a) To test the efficiency of a method of long range indication of target whilst still retaining surprise effect.  
(b) To decrease the time lag between the appearance of smoke on the target and the fall of the bombs.

COMMUNICATION :

3. (a) Communication, ground to air will be by No. 11 Set, sighted in the vicinity of the mortar position.  
(b) One No. 11 Set and one No. 4 receiver set netted in on air craft frequency, will maintain listening watch at the observers OP position.  
(c) 7 Aust Inf Bde Sig Sec will be responsible for wireless communication.  
(d) 25 Aust Inf Bn will arrange line communication between observers OP position and mortar position.

TARGETS :

4. (a) Two point targets will be registered prior to the demonstration, located approximately Target A 680962 Target B 682965.  
(b) To ensure that conditions approximate to those encountered on the 3 Aust Div front, the above targets will be registered by sound ranging and NOT by use of an OP on a feature.  
(c) In addition points will be registered approximately 500 yards from each target and on a true bearing of 180° from it.

CONDUCT OF DEMONSTRATION :

5. (a) No. 11 set located at the mortar position in creek junction 674963 will establish communication with aircraft at approximately 1415 hrs 19 Jun, prior to commencement of bombing.  
(b) Aircraft are to make their approach from the SOUTH along the line of TOROKINA RIVER and bomb from WEST to EAST. No bombs to fall WEST of TOROKINA RIVER from creek junction 692981 to river bend 674954 and a line from river bend 674954 to clearing 687946.

(c) Four tests will be carried out :-

(i) Aircraft will call up ground station and call for indicator smoke. This will be one round of 3" mortar smoke 500 yards from target on a bearing of 180 degrees from it. When the aircraft are approaching the target, they will call for target smoke (two rounds 3" mortar smoke on target A).

(ii) Test (i) will be repeated using target B.

(iii) Aircraft will call for indicator smoke and the mortars will automatically follow this with target smoke on target A, the latter to appear 1 min 50 secs after receipt of the call for indicator smoke.

(iv) Test (iii) will be repeated on target B.

(d) On completion of bombing observers may inspect the target area to check accuracy of mortar smoke and bombing. A track has been cut from creek June 674963. This may entail wading TOROKINA RIVER.

OBSERVERS :

6. (a) The following will attend - Bn 2IC, Adjt, IO Rifle Coy Comds, Lt Clarkson, Lt James, Sgt Williams 2 Mortar sec comds, Cpl Sweetman.

(b) Personnel will assemble Bn Car Park at 1320 hrs 19 Jun.

TRANSPORT :

7. TO will arrange necessary transport.

CODE WORDS :

8. Code words for use during demonstration are as follows:-

Indicating smoke 500 yards SOUTH of target	SINGLE
Target smoke	RAPID
All bombing completed	DONE
Cease bombing (in event of emergency)	CAREFUL

*abg* Maj  
2IC 61 Aust Inf Bn

DISTRIBUTION :

2IC  
Adjt  
IO  
Coy Comds  
Lt James  
Lt Watts

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES  
ROUTINE ORDERS PART I

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by  
Lt-Col T.J. FARRELL  
COMD 61 AUST INF BN

HQ 61 Aust Inf Bn  
21 Jun 45

80. HOMING PIGEONS - DISPOSAL OF STRAY, INJURED OR DEAD BIRDS AND THEIR MESSAGES

1. Pigeons are being extensively employed as a message carrying agency within First Aust Army, and lofts are located in many instances down to Battalions.
2. A pigeon is identified by the markings found on the aluminium identity ring on a bird's leg. Each ring is numbered and has the letters either of the Army, or in some cases of a civilian pigeon club, followed by the last two figures of the calendar year the bird was hatched, eg, 650 DAD 45, or 17 VHA 41.
3. Any personnel finding dead, injured exhausted, or stray pigeons will, where possible, convey the bird with any message it may be carrying to the nearest Signal Office.
4. On receipt of a bird at a Signal Office, the following action will be taken:-
  - (a) The message will be re-transmitted.
  - (b) A report will be forwarded to the Senior Signal Officer in the area, giving the following information:-
    - (i) The ring number and markings on the bird's identity ring.
    - (ii) Copy of message, also action taken as per para 4 (a).
    - (iii) Details of locality where bird found. Where possible map references will be given.
  - (c) The bird, if alive, will then be despatched to, or arrangements made for its collection by, the nearest pigeon unit.
5. Fresh water should be available for a recovered bird at least three times daily, if it is not practicable to leave the water with the bird all day. In the absence of normal pigeon rations (Maple peas and wheat)  $\frac{3}{4}$  of an oz (1 desertspoonful) of rice, or if rice is not available bread crumbs, should be given to the bird once daily at approximately 1600 hrs.

6. All personnel will be warned NOT to shoot or molest any homing pigeon either in flight or on the ground.

81. OILING OF SMALL ARMS AMMUNITION

1. Casualties have resulted recently due to ammunition misfiring whilst personnel were in contact with the enemy. In each instance it was found that the ammunition had been previously oiled.
2. Small Arms Ammunition will not be oiled or greased under any circumstances. Oil has a more deleterious effect on cartridges than water and may cause misfires, peak pressures, and erratic firing, in addition to the possibility of damaging the weapon.

3. Regular maintenance with dry rag or waste, together with the driest possible storage will ensure the best performance with all types of ammunition.

**82. CENSORSHIP - MAILING OF CURRENCY**

Mailing of currency is prohibited. Censors finding currency in letters or parcels will return same to the sender together with the letter.

**83. INCOME TAX**

**1. Definitions.**

"dependant" means -

(a) a person resident in Australia who comes within one of the following categories and who is wholly maintained by the member -

- (i) wife or mother;
- (ii) child under 16 years of age;
- (iii) child over 16 years of age who is in receipt of an invalid pension or who is permanently incapacitated;
- (iv) child over 16 years of age but under 18 years of age who is receiving full-time education at a school or university;

(b) if the member is a widower - any person resident in Australia who is -

- (i) a female relative wholly maintained by the member and having the care of the member's children under 16 years of age;
- (ii) a person wholly engaged in keeping house for the member and having the care of his children under 16 years of age; or
- (iii) a daughter house-keeper who is wholly maintained by the member;

(c) If the member married subsequent to 6 October, 1939, whilst serving overseas - his wife and any children of the marriage, even though they are domiciled overseas.

A wife, female relative or daughter house-keeper will be deemed to be wholly maintained if her separate net income for the year does not exceed £50;

Norfolk Island and the Territories of Papua and New Guinea will be deemed to be outside Australia;

"resumption of duty" will mean -

(a) in the case of a member returned by reason of sickness or injury and who, on disembarkation in Australia, is admitted into hospital: the date he is first discharged from hospital; and

(b) in all other cases: the date of disembarkation in Australia.

**Members required to lodge tax returns.**

2. A member on full-time military duty, the total of whose military and private income exceeds £250 during the year ending 30 June, 1945, must lodge an income tax return with the Deputy Commissioner for Taxation in the State in which the member enlisted. Such return need not be lodged by a member serving outside Australia unless his private income earned in Australia exceeds £250.

3. Military income for the year ending 30th June, 1945, means the total of a member's -

- (a) active pay (excluding deferred pay) calculated at the rate shown on page 2 of the member's pay book. This will include field, command, responsibility and special allowances and any allowance under WFR 9;
- (b) subsistence allowance; and

- (c) value of rations and quarters at the rate of 2s 5d per day for the period he was rationed and quartered by the Army.

A member on whose behalf contributions are being paid by the Commonwealth to the Commonwealth Superannuation Fund will show the amount of such payments as income and should claim in his return for a concessional rebate in respect thereof.

Preparations of returns.-

4. Income tax return forms, together with printed instructions, may be obtained from pay representatives. The forms should be completed to show full details of private income, military income and particulars of dependants and other items for which rebates are allowable. Particulars of items for which rebates are allowable are indicated on the form.

5. Unless the member lodges a return and shows his military income in fullest detail, the taxation authorities may not be able to grant the exemptions to which he is entitled. He should, therefore, include with his return a separate statement setting out the following information:-

- (a) date of embarkation for service outside Australia;
- (b) date of return to Australia;
- (c) whether the reason for return was injury or illness;
- (d) if the member has served outside Australia, his military income for the year ended 30th June, 1945, should be shown under the following headings:-
  - (i) military income up to a date 90 days after his resumption of duty in Australia; and
  - (ii) military income after that date.

6. The completed return is to be forwarded to the Deputy Commissioner of Taxation in the capital city of the member's State of enlistment. It should be posted so as to reach that address by 31st July, 1945. If the member is in doubt on any point, a letter setting out the full facts should accompany his return.

Income exempt from taxation.-

7. The provisions for exemption of military income of a member who embarks for service outside Australia are briefly set out hereunder:-

- (a) if a member embarks for service outside Australia and, within the 12 months following the date of embarkation, serves outside Australia for a continuous period of 90 days or periods which aggregate not less than 180 days, then, subject to the provisions of sub-para (d) of this paragraph, income earned by him in Australia as a member of the forces is exempt from tax -
  - (i) for the income year prior to the income year during which he embarks;
  - (ii) from the commencement of the income year of embarkation to the date of embarkation; and
  - (iii) during the period of 90 days following the date of his resumption of duty in Australia on his return;
- (b) all military income earned outside Australia is exempt from tax;
- (c) a member who dies abroad or who is returned to Australia on account of injury or illness will be entitled to the same exemptions as indicated in sub-para (a) of this paragraph although he has not completed a qualifying period of service therein mentioned; and
- (d) a member who serves outside Australia on duty of a special nature or short duration, such as voyage only, inspectional duties, etc, will be exempt from taxation in respect only of such military income as is actually earned outside Australia and will not be entitled to the exemptions mentioned in sub-para(a) of this paragraph.



Special deduction.-

8. The following table sets out the special deduction allowed by the Income Tax Assessment Act to a member who is engaged on full-time military duty :-

<u>Amount of income</u>	<u>Allowable deductions</u>
Not exceeding £250	The whole income
£251-£258	£146
£259-£300	£146 less £1 for every £1 by which the income exceeds £258.
£301-£350	£104 less £1 for every £2 by which the income exceeds £300.
Exceeding £350	£79 less £1 for every £3 by which the income exceeds £350.

For the purposes of this table, "income" means net income (including private income) after making all allowable deductions.

Submission of first income tax return subsequent to discharge.-

9. In addition to the information set out in para 5 of this order, a member, after his discharge, should show separately in the statement accompanying his return the amount received by him for pay in lieu of leave and the amount of deferred pay and interest thereon.

10. Where a member, upon final discharge in Australia, is granted pay in lieu of leave, the payment will be treated as a retiring allowance and the member will be liable to taxation only on 5% of the amount so paid.

11. Deferred pay and interest thereon received by a member on his discharge is not subject to taxation.

84. CLEANING OF WEB EQUIPMENT AND GAITERS

1. The bleaching of articles of web equipment and gaiters, either by excessive washing with soap and soda or by other means, will cease immediately.

2. Items treated in this manner are not only unduly conspicuous in action, but the treatment greatly deteriorates the material and reduces the life of the article.

3. Any such article will be cleaned only when it is essential and in such case will be washed in lukewarm soapy water and lightly scrubbed.

85. COURTS MARTIAL Attention is drawn to Appx 'A' of this R/O.

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CAPT  
ADJT 61 AUST INF BN

DISTRIBUTION

List 'A'

NOTICES

RESULTS OF BN SWIMMING CARNIVAL

13 JUN 45

	1st	2nd	3rd
50 metres Freestyle	L'Sgt Mills (C)	Pte Branden- burg (BHQ)	Cpl Conway (HQ)
Breaststroke	Pte Rayner (HQ)	Pte Allen J. (HQ)	Pte Cribb (HQ)
200 metres	WOII Elliott (C)	WOI Newcomb (BHQ)	
Relay Heat	A Coy	C Coy	BHQ
100 metres	WOII Elliott (C)	Pte Rayner (HQ)	
Medley	C Coy	BHQ	
Diving	Pte Ewen J. (B)	Pte Warner (C)	Lt Watts (B)

POINTS :- BHQ HQ A B C  
7 9 3 4 16

The result of a District Court-Martial convened by GOC, 3 AUST DIV is published hereunder :

NATURE AND DATE OF TRIAL : DCM 28 MAY 45

ACCUSED : N297322 PTE FLINT L.R. ~ 61 AUST INF BN

CHARGE :

1st Charge: AA 18 (2) WOAS WILFULLY INJURING HIMSELF WITH INTENT THEREBY TO RENDER HIMSELF UNFIT FOR SERVICE in that he in the field on 10 Apr 45 wilfully injured himself by discharging his OSMG at his left foot causing a penetrating gun shot wound in his left foot with intent to render himself unfit for service.

2nd Charge: AA40 WOAS NEGLIGENCE TO THE PREJUDICE OF GOOD ORDER AND MILITARY DISCIPLINE in that he in the field on 10 Apr 45 so negligently handled an OSMG as to cause it to be discharged thereby injured his left foot and rendered himself temporarily unfit for service.

FINDING : NOT GUILTY of the first charge, but GUILTY of the second charge.

SENTENCE : £5 FINE

CONFIRMATION : The finding and sentence were duly confirmed on 5 Jun 45 and promulgated to the accused in the field on 7 Jun 45.

REMISSION OF SENTENCES

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QX38563 PTE COYNE E. : 61 AUS T INF BN  
SENTENCE : TO SUFFER FIELD PUNISHMENT FOR NINETY (90) DAYS  
& FORFEIT ALL ORDINARY PAY FOR NINETY (90) DAYS  
DATE OF SENTENCE : 24 APR 45  
DATE OF SUSPENSION  
OF SENTENCE : 31 MAY 45  
BY WHOM REMITTED : GOC 3 AUST DIV  
DATE OF REMISSION : 31 MAY 45 : 53 DAYS REMISSION

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QX62336 PTE WHALLEY R. : 61 AUST INF BN  
SENTENCE : TO SUFFER FIELD PUNISHMENT FOR SIXTY (60) DAYS  
& FORFEIT ALL ORDINARY PAY FOR SIXTY (60) DAYS  
DATE OF SENTENCE : 24 APR 45  
DATE OF SUSPENSION  
OF SENTENCE : 31 MAY 45  
BY WHOM REMITTED : GOC 3 AUST DIV  
DATE OF REMISSION : 31 MAY 45 : 23 DAYS REMISSION

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N130860 PTE REDDIE S.A. : 61 AUST INF BN  
SENTENCE : TO SUFFER FIELD PUNISHMENT FOR NINETY (90) DAYS  
& FORFEIT ALL ORDINARY PAY FOR NINETY (90) DAYS  
DATE OF SENTENCE : 24 APR 45  
DATE OF SUSPENSION  
OF SENTENCE : 31 MAY 45  
BY WHOM REMITTED : GOC 3 AUST DIV  
DATE OF REMISSION : 31 MAY 45 : 53 DAYS REMISSION

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N33879 PTE BAGLEY E.J. : 61 AUS T INF BN  
SENTENCE : TO SUFFER FIELD PUNISHMENT FOR NINETY (90) DAYS  
& FORFEIT ALL ORDINARY PAY FOR NINETY (90) DAYS  
DATE OF SENTENCE : 24 APR 45  
DATE OF SUSPENSION  
OF SENTENCE : 31 MAY 45  
BY WHOM REMITTED : GOC 3 AUST DIV  
DATE OF REMISSION : 31 MAY 45 : 53 DAYS REMISSION

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N200944 PTE SOLLEY F.G. : 61 AUS T INF BN  
SENTENCE : TO SUFFER FIELD PUNISHMENT FOR NINETY (90) DAYS  
& FORFEIT ALL ORDINARY PAY FOR NINETY (90) DAYS  
DATE OF SENTENCE : 24 APR 45  
DATE OF SUSPENSION  
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BY WHOM REMITTED : GOC 3 AUST DIV  
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NX198681 PTE KING J.J. : 61 AUST INF BN  
SENTENCE : TO SUFFER FIELD PUNISHMENT FOR NINETY (90) DAYS  
& FORFEIT ALL ORDINARY PAY FOR NINETY (90) DAYS  
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# SPORTS

# REVIEW

1 Jul 45

ISSUED WEEKLY BY AUST ARMY AMENITIES SERVICE - 7 AUST INF BDE

No. 4

## Competition Results - Week ending 23 Jun 45

CRICKET -- Bde HQ 6/116 (Mahlook 37, Hinze 3/31) d 61 Bn 59 (Mahlook 5/13) 11 Fd Amb 7/135 (Talbot 65) d 25 Bn 9/105 (Strelow 4/22)

SOFTBALL - 25 Bn d 11 Fd Amb 13 - 4

VOLLEY BALL - 27 Jun - Bde HQ (2) d 11 Fd Amb (1) 3 - Nil, 9 Bn (1) d 61 Bn (1) 2 - 1, 9 Bn (2) d 25 Bn (2) 2 - 1, 25 Bn (1) d 61 Bn (2) 3 - Nil.

30 Jun - 61 Bn (2) d Bde HQ (1) 3 - Nil, 25 Bn (2) d Bde HQ (2) 2 - 1, 61 Bn (1) d 11 Fd Amb (1) 2 - 1, 25 Bn (1) d 9 Bn (2) 2 - Nil

HOCKEY - 11 Fd Amb 2 d 9 Bn 1 (Ackworth)

Match unplayed - 25 Bn v 61 Bn will be played at Stewarts Oval on 041400L.

Referee - one from each unit to be supplied

## Fixtures for Week ending 7 Jul 45

CRICKET - 4 Jul 0830 - 1600

25 Bn v Bde HQ Memorial Park

9 Bn v 11 Fd Amb Shelleys Oval.

61 Bn Bye.

SOFTBALL - 4 Jul. 25 Bn v Bde HQ at Stewarts Oval - 0830, 9 Bn v 11 Fd Amb Stewarts Oval - 1000, 61 Bn Bye.

VOLLEY BALL - 4 Jul.

Bde HQ (1) v Bde HQ (2) Memorial Park

9 Bn (1) v 9 Bn (2) 9 Bn

25 Bn (1) v 25 Bn (2) 25 Bn

61 Bn (1) v 61 Bn (2) 61 Bn

11 Fd Amb Bye

RUGBY LEAGUE

25 Bn v 9 Bn Gloucester Park

HOCKEY

9 Bn v 25 Bn Stewarts Oval

61 Bn v 11 Fd Amb Stewarts Oval

## Competition Table as at 30 Jun 45

	Cricket	Softball	Hockey	Rugby League	Volley Ball
HQ 7 Aust Inf Bde	6	-			(1) 9
9 Aust Inf Bn	3	12	10	-	(2) 18
25 Aust Inf Bn	9	16	8	8	(1) 15
61 Aust Inf Bn	1	-	2	8	(2) 15
11 Aust Fd Amb	10	8	16		(1) 27
					(2) 15
					(1) 18
					(2) 9
					(1) 9
					(2) 3

## Local Sporting Results

9 Aust Inf Bn Athletic Carnival, held Sat 30 Jun at Stewarts Oval.

Results Coy Point-score competition-

HQ Coy 43 pts

C Coy 21 Pts

A Coy 21 Pts

D Coy 14 Pts

Outstanding athlete was Pte G. Voigt who won the 100, 220 and 44 yds Championships.

TABLE TENNIS -

25 Bn 22 games d 227 Sup Dep Pl 2 games

AUST RULES ↘

25 Bn 6 goals - 12 behinds (Scott 2 goals 2 behind Retallick 2 goals 2 behind, Quinlivan 1 goal 4 behind, Howe 1 goal 2 behind, Tassell 2 behind) d 9 Bn 3 goals 10 behind.

HOCKEY -

25 Bn 2 (Mulry 1 Howard 1) d 106 CCS 1.

FOOTBALL - RUGBY LEAGUE.

SYDNEY Easts 27 d Canterbury Bankstown 21, Balmain 18 drew with St George 18, Newtown 32 d South Sydney 13, Wests 18 d North 12.

RACING -

MELBOURNE Zalmon, who was equal favourite with Winterset in the G.M. Steeple, fell and broke his neck in yesterdays Steeple. John Milford also fell.

RESULTS AND STARTING PRICE

BRISBANE	SYDNEY	MELBOURNE
2 Year Old Handicap	Maiden Handicap	2 Year Old Handicap
1. Wee Robin 2/1	1. Pennyquik 5/1	1. Chatter Lad 5/1
2. Silk King 8/1	2. Valaire 14/1	2. Lerghen 20/1
3. Stal Rose 14/1	3. Attention 33/1	3. Credo 12/1
2 Year Old Handicap	Nursery	Hurdle
1. The Diver 5/4 on	1. Bramalt 25/1	1. Walladale
2. Cabaretta 7/1	2. Balmore 6/4	2. Ellipsis
3. Atcherley 10/1	3. Don Giovanni 6/1	3. Anthony
5th Division	3 Year Old Handicap	2 Year Old Handicap
1. Mansfield Even	1. Marlborough 7/1	1. Tenderfoot 6/1
2. Gay Rose 10/1	2. Gold Ross 8/1	2. Beaumille 2/1
3. Its Merry 10/1	3. Waratah 8/1	3. Star of India 5/2
1st Division	Flying Handicap	Steeple
1. Port Raider 7/4	1. Vermeil 4/1	1. Heresay 9/2
2. Harvest 25/1	2. Star Gold 7/2	2. Simranda 33/1
3. Treniban 25/1	3. Cargoenel 10/1	3. Puckawidgee 15/1
3rd Division	Peter Moore Cup	Kynore Handicap
1. All Steel 33/1	1. Turnagain 7/1	1. Aggressor 7/4
2. Minoto 7/2	2. Tim Kim 25/1	2. Labrador 5/1
3. Welcome Pal 5/2	3. Salivant 12/1	3. Audacity 4/1
2nd Division	Welter	Mt Alexander Handicap
1. Noble Hero 7/1	1. Battle King 14/1	Codical 1. 9/2
2. Invisable 5/2	2. Bab Hall 25/1	Clayton 2. 9/2
3. Eudorseny 25/1	3. Last Bowl 7/1	Night Link 3. 5/1
4th Division	Welter	Ardock Handicap
1. Second Forrest 14/1	1. Brazier 7/2	1. Metro Star 5/1
2. Cora 6/1	2. Pearler 14/1	2. Oxford Street 3/1
3. Mention 5/1	3. Twice Royal 12/1	3. Brace 8/1

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NOTICE :-

7 AUST INF BDE SPORTS CARNIVAL TO BE HELD AT GLOUCESTER PARK,  
SATURDAY 7 JULY 1945, COMMENCING 1230 HRS.

7 AUST INF BDE SWIMMING CARNIVAL TO BE HELD AT BDE POOL (61 Bn)  
MONDAY 9 JULY 1945, COMMENCING 1230 HRS.

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES  
ROUTINE ORDERS PART I

Copy No. <sup>15</sup>  
Serial No. 14/45  
Nos 86 - 88

by  
Lt-Col T.J. FARRELL  
COMD 61 AUST INF BN

HQ 61 Aust Inf Bn  
27 Jun 45

86. AMF PRISONERS OF WAR AND INTERNEES, ETC

1. For the purposes of the order, a "recovered prisoner of war" means any member of the AMF who has been captured, detained or interned by the enemy and has subsequently been repatriated, exchanged or in any other way released, and includes escapees.

Duty to avoid capture.

2. Every member of the AMF will, at all costs, endeavour to avoid falling into enemy hands. If, however, a member is taken prisoner, he will obey the directions given in this order which are applicable to all ranks at all times and under all circumstances.

Duty during interrogation by the enemy.

3. During interrogation, a member will supply his number, rank and name only. He will remain courteous and maintain a military bearing, indicating that the obligations of any soldier preclude his answering any other questions.

Indirect methods of obtaining information.

4. Every prisoner of war will, at all times, be on guard against carelessness, over-confidence and enemy trickery. Such ruses as the use of agents as nurses or of other agents as bogus Red Cross officials or prisoners of war will always be expected. Even in conversation with known and trusted friends extreme caution will be shown, as the conversation may be overheard by eavesdroppers or concealed listening devices.

Broadcasts over enemy wireless and enemy propaganda.

5. A member of the AMF who becomes a prisoner of war will not transmit messages over enemy wireless, except simple messages of the type permitted in correspondence; for example, messages relating to the health of the prisoner of war himself and greetings to family and friends. He will not in any way lend himself to enemy propaganda by taking part in wireless broadcasts (other than for the purpose of transmitting a message of the type described above) or in any other way whatsoever.

Parole.

6. (a) A member of the AMF when taken prisoner of war or interned by an enemy or neutral power will not give his parole, except a parole of the limited nature described in para 7 of this order.

(b) The term "parole" means an undertaking not to escape given in any form whatever or however described.

7. (a) Parole may properly be given to obtain temporary release from confinement for a few hours on odd occasions for specific purposes: e.g. exercise, recreation or medical treatment. Parole so given will be clearly limited to the period of temporary release.

(b) Parole in respect of a warrant officer, non-commissioned officer or other rank can be given only through a commissioned officer.

(c) The terms of any parole given will be observed with the greatest strictness for the period for which it is given.

#### Escape.-

8. It is the duty of every Australian prisoner of war and internee to escape at the first opportunity, regardless of any instructions to the contrary issued by or in any prisoner of war or internment camp or by the detaining power and regardless of any reprisals which might be taken against the remaining prisoners of war and internees.

9. (a) Except as provided in paras 10, 11 and 12 of this order, a recovered PW will not give any information in conversation, correspondence, or in any other way whatever to any person regarding the escape of himself or any other person from detention or internment, or about the means whereby he or any other person avoided capture by the enemy.

(b) Such information would be useful to the enemy, would prejudice the chances of others in similar circumstances to escape and would endanger the lives of those who have given help at any stage.

(c) As soon as possible after recovery, every recovered PW will sign an undertaking in the form set out in para 13 of this order. The officer responsible for the interrogation mentioned in para 10 (a) of this order will ensure that this is done and will forward the signed undertaking to the nearest 2nd Echelon component for despatch to the home Records Office of the member where it will be filed in that member's personal dossier.

#### Interrogation.-

10. (a) A recovered PW will disclose all details of his escape, evasion of capture, release or recovery to interrogating officers authorised by the Director of Military Intelligence (DMI).

(b) The officers authorised by the DMI are -  
(i) Any GSO, Grade I, or army or higher formation HQ.  
(ii) Any GSO not below Grade II on corps or Div HQ.  
(iii) GSO, Grade III (Intelligence), on div HQ.  
(iv) Any officers designated by the abovementioned general staff officers.

(c) Subsequent to interrogation pursuant to para 10 (a) of this order, the Director of Prisoners of War and Internees or, in his absence, the senior "A" Branch officer on the spot acting on his behalf is authorised to interrogate on any matter other than those referred to in para 10 (a) of this order.

(d) No member other than one of the officers listed in para 10 (b) of this order will question any recovered PW on any matter referred to in para 10 (a) of this order. Nothing in this paragraph will, however, preclude any officer who is required in the course of his duty so to do from interrogating a recovered PW for information relating to missing and prisoner of war personnel and to the locations of any known burials.

(e) The interrogation procedure will conform to LHQ Intelligence Instruction No. 22 dated 15th June, 1945.

#### Lectures.-

11. (a) If a recovered PW desires to lecture on his experiences, he will not disclose any information about his own escape, evasion of capture, release or recovery, or that of any other person, unless the script of the proposed lecture is first approved by the DMI or his

representative.

(b) A recovered PW may, however, lecture on personal matters connected with his detention or internment to War Relatives' Associations and the like, but must exercise the greatest care to ensure that his lecture does not disclose any information which could be useful to the enemy, would prejudice the chances of other prisoners of war escaping or would endanger the lives of those who helped the lecturer at any stage during his escape.

(c) If it is considered desirable for service reasons that a recovered PW should lecture on the means employed by him in his escape the decision as to the desirability will be made by the Director of Military Training or his representative and the text of the proposed lecture will be delivered to the DMI or his representative for approval and censorship.

Interviews with the Press.

12. A recovered PW will not give an interview to any broadcasting station or newspaper, or broadcasting or newspaper correspondent or representative, until such time as the interrogations provided for under para 10 of this order are completed and unless such interview is conducted in the presence of a representative of the Director-General of Public Relations. Similarly, a recovered PW will not submit for publication or broadcasting any article, letter or account dealing with his experiences unless it is first approved by a representative of the Director-General of Public Relations.

Form of undertaking.

13. The form referred to in para 9 (c) of this order is as follows :

"I have read and understand the provisions of GRC 157/1945 and I undertake to obey the instructions contained therein in all respects. I understand that any breach will render me liable to disciplinary action.

Signature ..... 194  
Witness .....  
To be witnessed by a commissioned officer.

Number .....  
Rank .....  
Name in full .....  
Unit .....

87. PISTOLS-SECURING OF

Action will be taken to ensure that Pistols are secured by means of lanyards either issue pattern or improvised.

88. REGIMENTAL TRUST FUND

<u>On hand commencement of Month.</u>		£ 305: 9: 5
<u>Received during Month</u>		
En Canteen Profits	£ 150: 0: 0	
Canteen Profit Distribution	£ 40: 1: 8	£ 190: 1: 8
<u>Expenditure during Month</u>		
Band	£ 3: 1: 6	
Regt Barbers	16: 0: 0	
Ribbon Bars	4: 14: 4	
AAAS	205: 1: 6	
Stamps	2: 0	
	£ 228: 19: 4	£228: 19: 4
<u>Balance on Hand</u>		£ 266: 11: 9



We certify that we have examined the Cash Book, Unit Trust Book and Vouchers relating to 61 Aust Inf Bn Regt Trust Account and that in our opinion this statement correctly sets out the position of the fund as at 28 Jun 45.

Sgd. J. S. Paterson..Capt

Sgd. D. H. McKellar..Lt

*Rowland*  
CAPT  
ADJT 61 AUST INF BN

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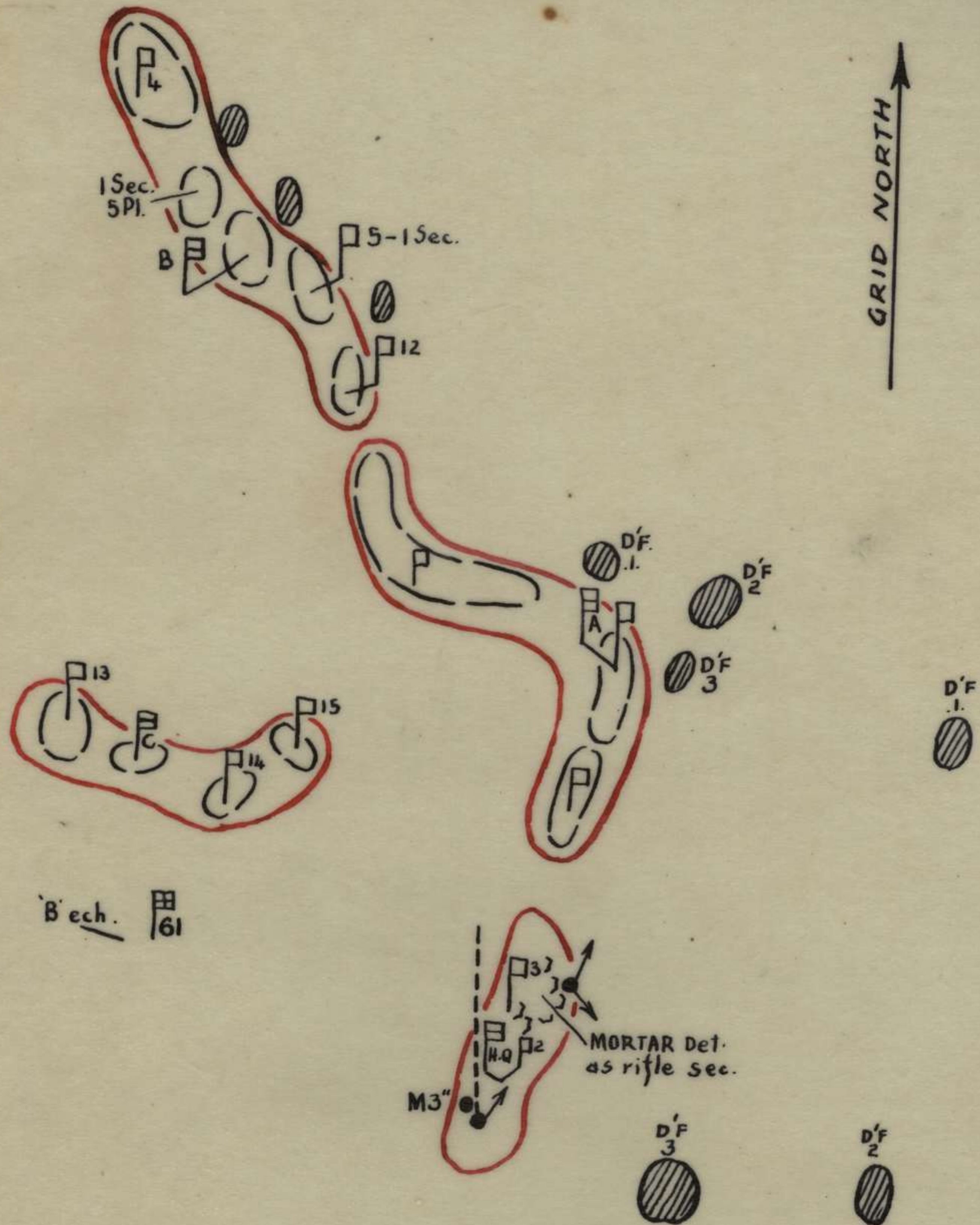
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61 AUST. INF. BN.  
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ENLARGEMENT

# TOROKINA

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SHOWING BN DEFENCE PERIMETER & COY

LOCALITIES

AS PER OVERLAY ATT.

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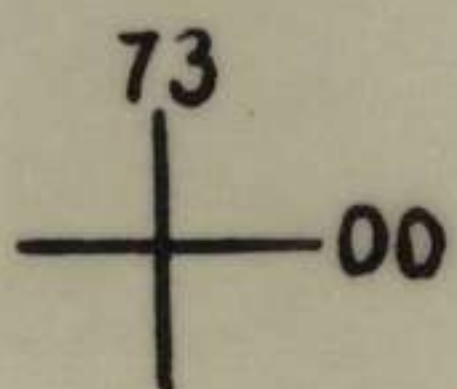
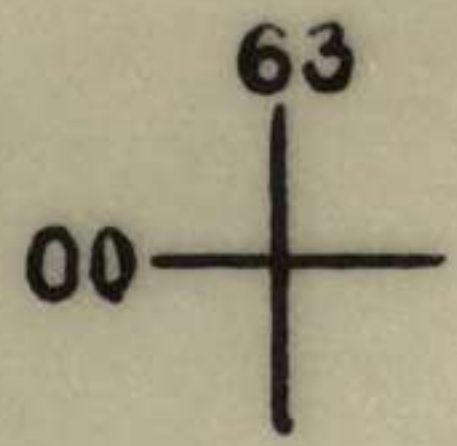


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# SUB DIVISION BN. TRG. AREA

Ref. Map. TOROKINA 1" = 1 MILE



25 AUST. INF. BN.

ARTY. TRG. AREA.

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DANGER AREA  
TKA & MTR. RANGE

C' COY

61 AUST. INF. BN.

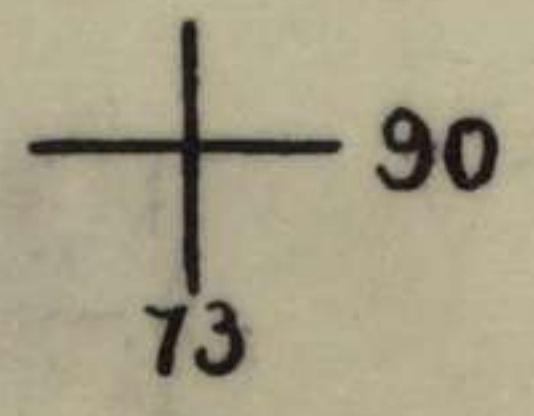
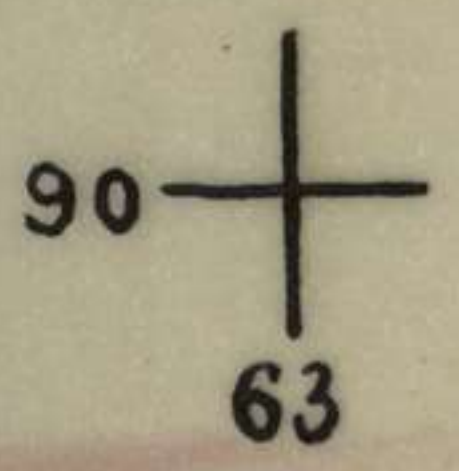
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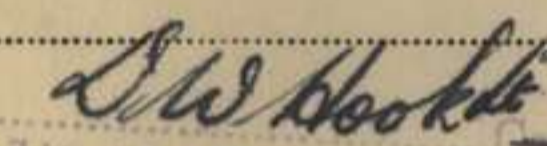


# WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

Army Form C.2118  
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Unit 61 Aust Inf Bn. Date and Time.—From 1 Jul 45 To 3 Jul 45

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
TOROKINA	1 Jul		Following Church Parades held - PD Service 0845 hrs, evening Service 1900 hrs . R.C 0930 hrs. Rest Day for Bn. Lt WATTS and guard party returned from 2/1 Aust Gen Hosp 1600 hrs. Lt WILSON returned this HQ ex flamethrower Course 6.	
"	2 Jul		HQ Coy specialist trg - A & C Coy in Sec trg. B Coy engaged in weapon trg and assault course. Capt STEPHENS and Adjt 2/8 Cdo Sqn visited this HQ 1140 hrs. Maj JACKSON ( 2IC 25 Bn) visited this HQ 1325 hrs. Capt STANLEY visited this HQ 1350 hrs. Capt GOWLAND marched in this HQ ex 2/1 Aust Gen Hosp Lt WHITTAKER and guard party returned ex duty 109 CCS. <del>Lt WILSON marched in ex NG School Flamethrower Course</del> Bn Trg Syllabus period 2-7 Jul 45 issued and attach as - Army Trg Films - Reconnoitering Patrols and Locating the enemy screened in Bn Area 1900 hrs.	Appx 1.
"	3 Jul	0850L	Maj JACKSON (2IC 25 Bn) visited this HQ.	<div style="text-align: right;">                       Adjt 61 Aust Inf Bn                 </div>
		0930L	Mortar Pl departed this HQ for Mortar Range, 672956 Personnel in Guard of Honor for HRH the Duke of Gloucester departed.	
		1000L	Lt Col PICKHAM, C. (DAGG) PD visited this HQ.	
		1515L	Maj JACKSON (2IC 25 Bn) visited this HQ	
		1745L	1 Offr (Capt HUTCHINSON) and 73 ORs marched in to unit ex leave Lt D.H. McKELLAR transferred from B Coy to C Coy as 2 IC Coy as from 0630 hrs. Lt J.D. WILSON marched out - detached to 7 Aust Inf Bde Flamethrower Pl.	
			HQ Coy engaged in specialist trg - Mortar Pl practice shoot - Air Co-Op A Coy recce and security patrols. B Coy Ambushes and patrols. C Coy range practice 200 yard Range.	

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Unit 61 Aust Inf Bn Date and Time.—From 4 Jul 45 To 6 Jul 45

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.													
TOROKINA	4 Jul	0930L	Personnel returned from leave paraded for CO. Lt WILSON (OC 7 Aust Inf Bde Flamethrower Pl) visited this HQ to interview pers for flamethrower pl.														
		1030L	Capt McKEW (Bde TO) Lt WRIGHT LOIII and Lt HAMMOND LOII (7 Bde) visited this HQ.														
		1015L	Int lecture to A & C Coys . HQ Coy specialist trg. A Coy scout trg. B Coy Section training. C Coy Section trg - trg lectures - assault course.														
"	5 Jul	0855L	Maj JACKSON (2IC 25 Bn) visited this HQ.														
		1030L	Lt-Col HULME-MOIR DACG (CE) visited this HQ Bn sports carnival held at STEWART'S OVAL (25 Bn). Points results as follows - HQ Coy 78½ pts C Coy 27 pts. B Coy 26 pts. BHQ 22½ pts A Coy 14 pts.														
"	6 Jul	1500L	Maj BUTLER (7 Bde BM) and party visited this HQ for conference with Lt JAMES (Unit Sports Offr) HQ Coy specialist trg . A & C Coys section trg. B Coy Range Practice 200 yd range. 6 Personnel selected for 7 Bde Flamethrower Pl moved out for attachement to Pl.														
			Bn Swimming Carnival held at Bde pool. Bn points results as follows. <table style="margin-left: 40px; border: none;"> <tr><td>Q Coy</td><td>15</td><td>Pts</td></tr> <tr><td>HQ Coy</td><td>14</td><td>"</td></tr> <tr><td>BHQ</td><td>11</td><td>"</td></tr> <tr><td>A Coy</td><td>6</td><td>"</td></tr> <tr><td>B Coy</td><td>2</td><td>"</td></tr> </table> Results of above listed in Routine Orders Serial 15/45. HQ Coy specialist trg - A Coy section trg. B Coy section trg and education lecture. C Coy Scout Trg.	Q Coy	15	Pts	HQ Coy	14	"	BHQ	11	"	A Coy	6	"	B Coy	2
Q Coy	15	Pts															
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*D.W. Hoekle*  
Adj 61 Aust Inf Bn

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Unit 61 Aust Inf Bn

Date and Time.—From 7 Jul 45 To 9 Jul 45

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
TOROKINA	7 Jul	0835L	Coy Comds conference with CO. HQ, B and C Coys engaged in kit inspection and weapon maint. A Coy held range practice - 200 yd range.	
"	8 Jul	<del>0800</del> 0930 1900 0840 0700  0700	Bde athletics Carnival at Gloucester field - pennant won by 61 Bn with 49 points - 9 Bn second with 43 points 25 Bn & 11 Fd Amb 14 pts each. Results as per sports review att as (appx 2) Field Returns of Offrs and ORs (Serial No 27/45) att as (appx3) The following church services held, PD, 0900 R.C. PD Evening Service. Lt Butler Bde Amenities Offr visited this HQ C.O. Lt-Col T.J. Farrell appointed <sup>Adm</sup> Comd 7 Aust Inf Bde. Rest day for Bn. Maj Lawson Adm Comd 61 Aust Inf Bn.	
"	9 Jul	0925 1015 1015	HQ Coy - specialist trg. No2 Pl E.G.D. Examination tests. A Coy - weapon trg. B Coy - weapon trg. C Coy - weapon trg. Grenade discharger and 2" Mortar pers of A, B, C Coys Range practice at Tk A and mortar range 672956. Maj Jackson ( <del>21st</del> 25 Bn) visited this HQ. Lt Butler Bde Amenities Offr visited this HQ. Capt Kelly (BML) and Lt Wright (LOIL) visited this HQ Bde Swimming Carnival held in Bde pool 61 Bn area - won by 61 Bn with 47 pts. 9 Bn 29 pts. Bde HQ and 25 Bn dead heat for 3rd place. Results as per Sports Review att as appx 8 Bn trg syllabus period 9-14 Jul 45 att as appx 5	

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Adit 61 Aust Inf Bn

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Unit 61 Aust Inf Bn

Date and Time.—From 10 Jul 45

To 12 Jul 45

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
TOROKINA	10 Jul	0930	Personnel taking part in Bde Musketry Competition departed for 200x range No 44	
		1425	Lt-Col Pickup MC (DAC) PD visited this HQ. HQ Coy - specialist trg. No 2 Pl Range practice (tk A and Mortar Range 672956). A Coy - section trg. B Coy - section trg. C Coy - weapon and section trg.	
"	11 Jul		HQ Coy - specialist trg. No 4 Pl 2pr shoot (tk A and mortar range 672956) No2 Pl Range practice 30x range 648943. A Coy - section trg. Zeroing range. B Coy - section trg (648943) C Coy - Jungle craft trg. (Lecture by Int Sec)	
		1045	Capt Kelly visited this HQ.	
		1200	Bn IO lectured Offrs on situation.	
		1200	Brig J Field Adm Comd 3 Aust Div visited this HQ. departing 1330.	
		1410	Maj Butler (BM) visited this HQ.	
		1900	30 Club Troubadors gave short concert in HQ Coy mess hut, followed by a talk by Maj Bert Oldfield international cricketer.	
"	12 Jul		HQ Coy - specialist trg. No2 Pl - Bde LMG and MMG competition won by 61 Bn. A Coy - Duty Coy. LMG nos taking part in Bde LMG and MMG competition. B Coy - Jungle Range 659957 LMG Nos taking part in Bde competition. C Coy - weapon trg and jungle craft, practical at 688947. LMG Nos in Bde competition.	
		0930	Chap A.C. Prior marched out this HQ to NGDD for onward movement to 2/4 Pnr Bn.	
		0930	CO departed this HQ for Bde returning 1100 hrs. Maj Lawson (2 <sup>ic</sup> ) departed this HQ 0900 to attend Bde LMG and MMG competition returning at 1015 hrs. Capt Forward visited 25 Bn.	
			Results Bde Musketry Competition att as appx 6. Message from HRH the Duke of Gloucester att as appx 7.	

*D W ...*  
Adjt 61 Aust Inf Bn



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Unit 61 Aust Inf Bn

Date and Time.—From 13 Jul 45

To 14 Jul 45

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
TOROKINA	13 Jul		HQ Coy - specialist trg. A Coy - section trg at 688948	
			B Coy - section trg and battle drill. C Coy - weapon trg and Range practice.	
		0930	Education lecture by NCO Bde. Education Section.	
		0830	A Coy pers depart for sec trg at 688948	
		1015	Lt-Col Ryan CO 11 Pd Amb SMO 7 Bde visited this HQ.	
		1050	Capt McKew (TO) visited this HQ.	
		1130	Capt L.W. Stanley visited this HQ.	
			Half yearly ACF Hampers were issued to all tps.	
		1900	1 man per coy warned for leave draft for 140700 hrs. movt by air.	
			2000	Trg films were shown at Unit theatre. Films MATILDA TANK and CAMOUFLAGE and FIELDGRAFT.
"	14 Jul	0800	Bn parade held for the presentation of pennants and prizes to winners of respective events in Bn and Bde swimming and athletic competitions. For the remainder of morning coys engaged in kit inspection and weapon maint.	
		1030	Lt Hammond Bde LOII visited this HQ.	
		1100	Int Cpl lectured B Coy on situation.	
		1130	Coy Comds conference held this HQ.	
		1340-1515	CO, 2IC, Adjt, IO, A, B, C Coy Comds and Lt James mortar Offr attended Arty Coloured smoke Demonstration at Arty Range No 19 (669960).	
		1600	Bn warned to prepare leave draft of 35 pers for move by air commencing 16 Jul.45	

*D.W. Hook*  
Adjt 61 Aust Inf Bn

# WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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Unit 61 Aust Inf Bn Date and Time.—From 15 Jul 45 To 17 Jul 45

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
TOROKINA	15 Jul		Rest day for Bn.	
		0900	OPD Church service.	
		0930	C of E Holy Communion.	
		1900	OPD Evening service.	
		0930	RC Holy Mass. Working party (Lt Gibson and 20 ORs) departed for 42 Ldg Craft Coy at PURUATA IS, nature of work (barge painting). Sports Review att as appx 8.	
"	16 Jul		Bn assumed part responsibility of Bde working parties for week ending 21 Jul 45. HQ Coy - specialist trg. A Coy - Zeroing rifles and weapon trg at 30x range 648943. B Coy - Bn Guard and duties. C Coy - Elementary weapon trg and foot drill in coy area.	
		0830	Maj Jackson 25 Bn visited this HQ.	
		0930	Leave draft of 10ffr (Lt N.E. Baldwin) and 34 ORs departed for NGDD TOROKINA.	
		1020	Capt Prentice (Bde SC) and 2IC 4 Fd Regt visited this HQ. Capt McKew (Bde TO) Lt Hammond LOII, Lt Wright LOIII visited this HQ. Bn trg syllabus period 16-21 Jul 45 att as appx 9.	
"	17 Jul		HQ Coy - specialist trg. A Coy - Guard and duties. B Coy - working parties. C Coy - weapon trg and drill.	
		1000	Lt Jmaes and 20 ORs departed for 109 CCS. MOTUPENA PT for guard duties. (AANS quarters)	
		1015-1120	Maj Butler (BM) Lt Wright LOIII Lt Wilson (OC Bde Flame Throwers Pl) visited this HQ.	
		1340	Maj Phillips (Town Maj Area Comd MOTUPENA) visited this HQ.	
		1600	Capt L.E. Hunt (PIB) visited this HQ. 1830. IO (Lt Russack) and Int pers attended lecture by Lt Gray IO 42 Ldg Craft Coy at 25 Bn Edn Hut. Subject : Int in conjunction with amphibious warfare.	

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Unit 61 Aust Inf Bn

Date and Time.—From 18 Jul 45

To 21 Jul 45

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
TOROKINA	18 Jul		HQ Coy - working parties, camp construction and sport. A Coy - Sport - lecture and practical laying of booby traps and Int lecture on situation. B Coy - working party constructing "Mockups" for amphibious trg. C Coy - range practice 30x range 658942.	
		1010 1050	Capt McKew (Bde TO) visited this HQ. Bn warned to prepare leave draft of 10 pers to be called for when required.	
			BN Trg Instr No 5/45 period 23-29 Jul 45 att as appx 10.	
"	19 Jul		HQ Coy - specialist trg. No 2PI range practice 30x range 658942 A Coy - drill and weapon trg coy area. B Coy - working parties. C Coy - drill and weapon trg coy area.	
		1330-1545	Lecture to Offrs on Amphibious Ops by Capt Gobel 25 Bn.	
"	20 Jul		HQ Coy - specialist trg and lectures on amphibious trg. A Coy - weapon trg in coy area. B Coy - working parties. C Coy - lectures and trg in amphibious Ops. Band pers marched out for attachment 25 Bn.	
"	21 Jul		All coys engaged in Adm duties, weapon maint in coy areas.	
		0830	Coy Comds conference with CO.	
		0930	Lt Wright (LOI) visited this HQ.	
		0940	Capt McKew (Bde TO) visited this HQ.	
		1400	Lt Swan OC 30 Club Troubadors visited this HQ.	
		1425	4 Offrs 9 ORs arrived this HQ ex leave (Maj <sup>e</sup> Townlow, Lts Emmett Scott-Toms and Chap Beatty.	

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Unit 61 Aust Inf Bn

Date and Time.—From 22 Jul 45

To 24 Jul 45

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
TOROKINA	22 Jul		Rest day for Bn.	
		0900	OPD Church Service	
		0930	R.C. " "	
		0630	Maj Twemlow Adm Comd of Bn as from 0630. Maj Lawson OC HQ Coy. Lt Whybird marched in ex LTD Brisbane.	
"	23 Jul		HQ Coy - specialist and amphibious trg. A Coy - weapon trg. B Coy - Adm duties in coy lines. C Coy - Amphibious trg at LARUMA PT.	
		0830	Capt Prentice (Bde SG) visited this HQ.	
			Lt Gibson and party returned from PURUATA IS.	
		0940	Lt Hammond (LOII) visited this HQ.	
		0830	CO departed this HQ to visit 3 Aust Div HQ at TOKO.	
		1430	Capt Brown visited this HQ.	
		1700	Lt James and guard party returned from 109 CCS	
	1720	44 pers arrived this HQ ex leave.		
"	24 Jul		HQ Coy - specialist trg and amphibious trg. A Coy - weapon trg and lectures and trg on amphibious ops. B Coy - amphibious trg at LARUMA PT. C Coy - Adm duties in coy lines.	
		0945	Capt McKew (Bde TO) visited this HQ.	
		1200	Co returned this HQ from TOKO.	
		1400	Capt Brown visited this HQ.	
		1500	Capt L.W. Stanley (SI) Mob Trg Team att 2 Aust Corps visited this HQ.	
		1730	Mr Johnson (War Correspondent) visited this HQ.	

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# WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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Unit 61 AUST INF BN Date and Time.—From 25 Jul 45 To 29 Jul 45.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
TOROKINA	25 Jul		HQ Coy specialist and amphibious Trg. A Coy amphibious trg at LARUMA PT. B Coy zeroing rifles and section in attack trg. C Coy Drill and weapon trg. Maj TWEMLOW departed this HQ for LARUMA PT to observe amphibious trg.	
"		1420 hrs	Lt HAMMOND (LOII) visited this HQ.	
"	26 Jul		Rest day for all personnel taking part in amphibious trg. HQ Coy engaged in specialist trg and work parties.	
"		0935L	Maj ADAMS (4 Base Sub Area) visited this HQ	
"		1014L	Capt TONKIN IOO 2 Aust Corps visited this HQ	
"		1435L	Padre WILEY (9 Bn) visited this HQ Bn Trg Instr 6/45 issued and attach as appx 11	Appx 11.
"	27 Jul		HQ Coy rest day for barge trg pers- remainder engaged in coy duties. A Coy engaged in weapon Trg. B Coy drill and weapon trg. Int lecture on Situation. C Coy rest day and adm duties. Following offrs attended Arty shoot by Inf Offrs during morning.	
"		1515L	Cpts GOWLAND, RUDDER, McKELLAR, Lts WHITTAKER, WATTS, SCOTT-TOMS. Capt PRENTICE SC 7 Bde visited this HQ.	
"	28 Jul		All Coys engaged in adm duties and weapon maintenance in Coy areas.	
"		1115L	Capt BROWN visited this HQ.	
2	29 Jul		Rest day for Bn. Following church services held - PD 0900L RC 0930L. Note.- Ref Amphibious trg - owing to rough seas all night exercises were postponed except for C Coy which was carried out as per schedule.	

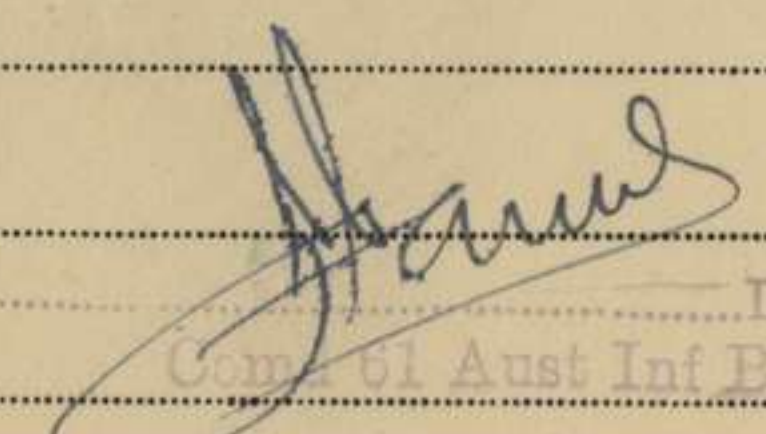

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Unit 61 AUST INF BN Date and Time.—From 30 JUL To 31 JUL 45.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
TOROKINA	30 Jul		HQ engaged in specialist trg, zeroing of rifles and Coy adm duties. A Coy sec trg and zeroing of rifles. C&B Coys sec trg.	
		0830L	Lecture to offr by CO (Review of lessons learnt from recent amphibious trg.)	
			Maj BULTER (BM) and Capt KELLY (BML) visited this HQ and attended above lecture.	
		0950L 1130L	Chaplin COLLINS (25 Bn) visited this HQ. Capt STANLEY (SI 2 Aust Corps Mobile Trg Team) visited this HQ.	
			Bn Trg syllabus period 30 Jul-4 Aug issued as per appx 12	Appx 12.
		Trg Films - A Jungle Patrol and Jungle Warfare were screened in area.		
			Lt GIBSON M.C. marched out on leave thence to Second Aust Army Junior Leaders School SEYMOUR.	
			Bn Mortar School started to train reinfnts for Mortar Pl	
"	31 Jul		HQ Coy specialist trg, zeroing of rifles. A & C Coys engaged in section trg. B Coy engaged in zeroing rifles.	
		0950L	Capt BROWN (LOI) visited this HQ	
		1130L	Thirteen reinforcements arrived this HQ.	
		1730L	Leave draft of 1 Offr (Capt PLUMMER) and 10 ORs departed this HQ.	
		1330L	Lecture to offr on R/T Procedure with 108 set by Sgt ROBERTS.	
			 Lt-Col Comd 61 Aust Inf Bn	
				 Adj 61 Aust Inf Bn

61 AUST INF BN TRAINING SYLLABUS  
 PERIOD 2 -- 7 JUL 45

*War Name*  
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S E R	DATE	SUB-UNIT	AREA	SUBJECT	LESSONS	REMARKS
1.	2 JUL	HQ Coy	Coy Area	Specialist trg-sport	No.1 Pl Morse Code-message passing-panel code 2 Pl obstacle course-weapon trg-booby traps 3 pl weapon trg-sand table ranging 4 pl Gun drill,mechanism	SAT Vol I Pam 7 less 8,9,45,46  SAT Vol I Pam 9 less 6-13, Pam 4 less 4
		A Coy	Trg Area	Sec trg-sports	Sec battle drill & sec formations	2 Aust Corps Tac & Adm Doctrine Tac 5 Tropical Warfare Pam 2 Chap 8.
		B Coy	Jungle Range	Scout trg-sports	OSMG & Grenade-quick action	
		C Coy	Trg Area	Sec trg-sport	Advanced observation trg	I.T. part 8 Sec 18.
2.	3 JUL	HQ Coy	Coy Area	Specialist trg-sport	1 Pl Morse code-switch board operating 2 Pl Gun drill-range finder trg	SAT Vol I Pam 7 less 50,51, 52, 55
			Mortar Range Jungle Range		3 Pl Mortar Shoot practice for air co-op. 4 Pl Scout trg-OSMG range	
		A Coy	Trg Area	Sec Trg-sport	Recce & Security patrols	2 Aust Corps Tac & Adm Doctrine Tac 3 Tropical Warfare Pam 2 Chap 10.
		B Coy	Trg Area	Sec trg-sport	Ambushes and patrols	Tropical Warfare Pam 2 Chaps 10 & 12.
C Coy	TOROKINA R 200 <sup>x</sup> Range	Range practice-sport	Rifle classification shoot	Armourers to attend		

S E R	DATE	SUB-UNIT	AREA	SUBJECT	LESSONS	REMARKS
3.	4 JUL	HQ Coy	Coy Area	Specialist trg-sport	1 Pl - cypher trg 2 Pl - Gun drill 3 Pl - Gun drill-night trg occupation by night	SAT Vol I Pam 7 less 10,12,60 SAT Vol I Pam 9 less 24,26 Pam 12 less 1,2.
		A Coy	Jungle Range	Scout trg-sport	4 Pl Mechanism, gundrill PITA CSMG & Grenade-quick action	
		B Coy	Trg Area	Sec trg-sport	Sec Group tactics-CAB discussion	Tropical Warfare Pam 2 Chap 8
		C Coy	Coy Area	Sec trg lectures-summary of events assault course-sport	Recce & Security patrols	Tropical Warfare Pam 2 Chap 10 Int Summaries
4.	5 JUL	HQ Coy	Coy Area) Mortar Range ) 30 <sup>x</sup> Range	Specialist trg-sport	1 Pl Morse Code-208 Sets 2 Pl Range practice 3 Pl Gun drill-sandtable ranging 4 Pl Sub Calibre shoot	R/T W/T procedure SAT Vol I Pam 9
		A Coy	Coy Area	Sec trg-sport	Assault Course-bayonet- CAB discussion	SAT Vol I Pam 12 Less 2, 3
		B Coy	TOROKINA R 200 <sup>x</sup> Range	Range practice-sport	Rifle classification shoot	Armourers to attend
		C Coy	Trg Area	Sec Trg-sport	Sec Battle drill for adv & action first contact	IT pt 8 Sec 26 Jungle Warfare Pam 2 Chap 8
5.	6 JUL	HQ Coy	Coy Area	Specialist trg-sport	1 Pl Maintenance of eqpt education discussion 2 Pl Weapon trg-education discussion 3 Pl Selection of posns, adv handling-educ discuss- ion	SAT Vol I Pam 7 less 7, 85 SAT Vol I Pam 9 less 36,37



SER	DATE	SUT. UNIT	AREA	SUBJECT	LESSONS	REMARKS
B	6 JUL 45	HQ Coy	Coy Area	Specialist trg-sport	4 pl - Assault Course PITA-education discussion	2 Aust Corps Tac & Adm Doctrine Tac 3 Tropical Warfare Pam 2 I.T. pt 8 sec 8 Tropical Warfare Pam 2 Chap 10  ALL 2 in MORTAR CREWS & RIFLE BOMBERS CARRY OUT PRACTICE ON MORTAR RANGE
		A Coy	Trg Area	Sec trg-sport	Observation trg	
		B Coy	Trg Area	Sec trg-education lec- ture-sport	Sec recee, fighting, standing patrols	
		C Coy	Jungle Range	Scout trg-sport	OSMG, Grenade trg	
		ALL COYS	MORTAR RANGE			
6.	7 JUL	HQ Coy	Coy Area	Skin Inspection-Kit Inspection - Maintenance Weapons - Sport		
		A Coy	TOROKINA R 200 <sup>x</sup> Range	Range Practice-sport	Rifle Classification Shoot	
		B Coy) C Coy)	Coy Area) " "	Skin Inspection - Kit Inspection - Maintenance Weapons		

*Reward*  
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ADJT 61 AUST INF BN

28/6/45

# SPORTS

# REVIEW

Appx 2

Jul 45

ISSUED WEEKLY BY AUST ARMY AMENITIES SERVICE - 7 AUST INF BDE

No. 5

## Competition Results - Week ending 7 Jul 45

CRICKET - Bde HQ 239 (Mahlook 64 Hayes (Retired) 36, Hymus 35, Tyas 3/24 Newley 2/18) d 25 Bn 189 (G Young 48, McDonald 46, Bates 6/57, Hayes 3/52).

SOFTBALL - Bde HQ forfeited to 25 Bn. Fd Amb 19 d 9 Bn 5

VOLLEY BALL - Bde HQ (1) d Bde HQ (2) 2 - 1 25 Bn (2) d 25 Bn (2) 2 - 1

Results from 9 Bn and 61 Bn NOT received.

The following matches will be played during the week ending 14 Jul 45 -

Cricket - 9 Bn v 11 Fd Amb

Rugby League - 25 Bn v 9 Bn

Hockey - 9 Bn v 25 Bn

61 Bn v 11 Fd Amb

Date and time of play will be arranged with Bde Amenities Officer. Rugby League match to be played when Gloucester Park is available. Unit Amenities Offrs will notify Bde by first SDR results of all matches played.

## Fixtures for Week ending 14 Jul 45

CRICKET - 11 Jul 45 0830 - 1600

61 Bn v 11 Fd Amb Memorial Park

25 Bn v 9 Bn Shelleys Oval

SOFTBALL - 11 Jul : 61 Bn v 11 Fd Amb

Stewarts Oval 0830 hrs, 25 Bn v 9 Bn

Stewarts Oval 1000 hrs, Bde HQ Bye.

VOLLEY BALL } 11 Jul : Bde HQ (1) v 9 Bn (1)

Bde HQ 1000, Bde HQ (2) v 9 Bn (2) Memorial

Park 1000, 25 Bn (1) v 61 Bn (1) 61 Bn 0900,

25 Bn (2) v 11 Fd Amb 25 Bn 0900. 61 Bn (2)

Bye.

12 Jul : 61 Bn (2) v 9 Bn (2) 9 Bn 1430,

9 Bn (1) v 11 Fd Amb 9 Bn 1330, Bde HQ (1)

v 25 Bn (2) Bde HQ 1400, Bde HQ (2) v

25 Bn (1) Memorial Park 1400, 61 Bn (1) Bye.

RUGBY LEAGUE : 9 Bn v 61 Bn Gloucester

Park 1330. (to be played when Fd is available)

HOCKEY - 14 Jul : 25 Bn v 11 Fd Amb Stewarts

Oval, 61 Bn v 9 Bn Stewarts Oval. First game

to commence 1300 hrs.

## Competition Table as at 7 Jul 45

	Cricket	Softball	Hockey	Rugby League	Volley Ball
HQ 7 Aust Inf Bde	9	-			(1) 12 (2) 18
9 Aust Inf Bn	3	12	10	-	(1) (2)
25 Aust Inf Bn	9	20	8	8	(1) 27 (2) 18
61 Aust Inf Bn	1	-	2	8	(1) (2)
11 Aust Fd Amb	10	12	16		9

## Results 7 Aust Inf Bde Athletic Sports Carnival - 7 Jul 45

Points : 1st 61 Bn 49, 2nd 9 Bn 43, 3rd 25 Bn and 11 Fd Amb 14.

Event Winners. 100<sup>x</sup> Championship : Capt Rudder (61 Bn) 1, Pte Abbott (9 Bn) 2, Pte Quinlivan (25 Bn) 3 ; Time 11 1/5 secs.

220<sup>x</sup> Championship : Pte Voight (9 Bn) 1, Pte Knight (9 Bn) 2, Pte Keating (11 Fd Amb) 3 ; Time 24 4/5 secs.

440<sup>x</sup> Championship : Pte Napper (61 Bn) 1, Pte Voight (9 Bn) 2, L/Cpl Haase (61 Bn) 3 ; Time 60 2/5 secs.

880<sup>x</sup> Championship : Pte Rayner (61 Bn) 1, Pte Murray (9 Bn) 3 ; Time 2 min 21 1/5 secs.

100<sup>x</sup> Sjts Championship : Sjt Lake (11 Fd Amb) 1, Sjt Geddes (9 Bn) 2, Sjt Brennan (61 Bn) 3 ; Time 11 secs.

100<sup>x</sup> Offrs Championship : Lt Hammond (Bde HQ) 1, Lt Stenlake (11 Fd Amb) 2, Lt McKellar (61 Bn) 3 ; Time 11 1/5 secs.

440<sup>x</sup> Relay : 61 Bn 1, 9 Bn 2, 11 Fd Amb 3, Time ; 51 secs  
 440<sup>x</sup> Offrs Relay : 61 Bn 1, 9 Bn 2, Bde HQ 3, Time : 53 1/5 secs.  
 Medley Relay : 61 Bn 1, 9 Bn 2, 25 Bn 3, Time : 4 min 19 3/5 secs.  
 High Jump : Pte O'Connor (61 Bn) 5' 2" and Lt Pilley (9 Bn) 5' 2" 1st  
 Lt Bartlett (25 Bn) 5' 1" 2nd.  
 Broad Jump : Pte Egan (25 Bn) 18' 1, Pte Johnson (9 Bn) 17' 8" and Pte Fox (61 Bn)  
 17' 8" 2nd.  
 Hop Step and Jump : Pte Fox (61 Bn) 38' 11" 1, Pte Mechesney (61 Bn) 38' 2" 2,  
 K Hunter (25 Bn) 36' 10" 3.  
 Tug-O-War : 25 Bn 1, 61 Bn 2.  
 1/4 Mile Walk : Sjt Moore (9 Bn) 1, Cpl Stevens (11 Fd Amb) 2, Pte Godena (9 Bn) 3 :  
 Time 1 min 40 4/5 secs.

Novelty Events

Wheelbarrow Race : Ptes O'Riordan & Hale (61 Bn) 1, Ptes Haynes & Hargraves (9 Bn) 2,  
 Sjt McGrath & Pte Jobson (61 Bn) 3.  
 Chariot Race : 25 Bn 1, 61 Bn 2, 61 Bn 3.  
 Throwing The Cricket Ball : Pte Rayner (61 Bn) 93<sup>x</sup> 1' 6" 1, L Castles (25 Bn)  
 90<sup>x</sup> 1' 5" 2, Sig Whitton (Bde HQ) 89<sup>x</sup> 1' 9" 3.  
 Kicking the Football : Sjt Saul (9 Bn) 54<sup>x</sup> 1, Pte Cowling (61 Bn) 45<sup>x</sup> 5" 2,  
 Sig Hayes (Bde HQ) 42<sup>x</sup> 6" 3;

RACING RESULTS for 7 Jul 45

BRISBANE	SYDNEY	MELBOURNE
<u>6th Division</u>	<u>2 Year Old Handicap</u>	<u>1st Race</u>
1 Forever England 3/1	1 Young Veilmond 16/1	1. Silgara 33/1
2 Pirate Miss 10/1	2. Strauss 6/1	2. Night Life 10/1
3 Betty's Pride 8/1	3. King Leo 33/1	3. High Flash 16/1
<u>6th Division</u>	<u>2 Year Old Handicap</u>	<u>2nd Race</u>
1. Brave Legion 5/1	1. Civic Pride (Fav) 9/4	1. Solray 50/1
2. Wauken Lad 3/1	2. Even Time 6/1	2. Hereward 20/1
3. Night Owl 5/1	3. Stefanova 8/1	3. Solitas 14/1
<u>5th Division</u>	<u>Flying Handicap</u>	<u>GN Hurdle</u>
1. Brisbane Damsel 4/6	1. Cragman 7/2	1. Bay David 9/2
2. Opinion 4/1	2. Brazier 12/1	2. Isambard 5/1
3. Irish Fort 12/1	3. Lunar ) Dead 7/2	3. Gay Invader 10/1
	Bruce Wood) Heat 12/1	
<u>4th Division</u>	<u>July Handicap</u>	<u>4th Race</u>
1. Master Mintie 8/1	1. Goose Boy) Dead 6/1	1. Oatcake 2/1
2. Cora 10/1	Yarras ) Heat 6/1	2. Codical 9/2
3. John Silver 5/2	2 Gauntlet (61 Bn) 5/1	3. Field Balloon 8/1
<u>3rd Division</u>	<u>3 Year Old Handicap</u>	<u>5th Race</u>
1. Sprinkle 8/1	1. Murray Stream 4/1	1. Heresay 5/2
2. John Apple 9/4	2. Laudes 4/1	2. Victory May 5/2
3. Influence 8/1	3. Twice Royal 15/1	3. Tente 3/1
<u>Plate</u>	<u>Encourage</u>	<u>6th Race</u>
1. Bravmond 4/1	1. Marquis 20/1	1. Gayness 6/1
2. St Elmo 6/1	2. Flash Flash 20/1	2. Orthordux
3. High Rank 5/4	3. Vaulcluse 12/1	3. Logical 4/1
<u>Purse</u>	<u>Last Race</u>	
1. Scotch Trace 7/4	1. Man O War 8/1	
2. Invisible 6/1	2. Sunfel 20/1	
3. All Steel 8/1	3. Cordale 20/1	

RUGBY LEAGUE

SYDNEY  
 Balmain v Newton 12 - 12, North 24 d St George 13, Canterbury 29 d  
 West 14, North 24 d South 15.

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# FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

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**27/45** (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 7 / 7 / 1945 61 Bn (Unit)  
W.E. 11 12 3 OFFRS. 33 O.R.'s. 769 + OFFRS. 1 O.R.'s. 32 ATT. BY W.E.

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

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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.																											
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1	1	-	2	Lieut.-Colonels																																			
4	4	-	4	Majors																																			
2	2	-	18	Captains				A.A.M.C.	1	-	-	-																											
-	-	-	1	Lieutenants																																			
				Quarter-masters																																			
				A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.																																			
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DETAIL	A.A.	A.I.E.	C.M.F.	A.V.A.S.	A.A.N.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL.	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	**	TOTAL.
A.	27	-	-	-							27
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.
QX57794	Lt	WILSON J D	NG TRG SCH M2-2 Flamethrower course ser. 6	1 Jul 45	RTU - completion of course
QX55054	Lt	WATTS A A	2/1 A.G.H.	1 Jul 45	att ceases
QX53203	Lt	WHITTAKER J N	109 Aust t C.C.S	2 Jul 45	att ceases
QX48862	Capt	GOWLAND R E	2/1 A.G.H.	2 Jul 45	X list Hospital (rejoined) unit)
QX40906	Capt	MUTCHINSON T C	LTD Brisbane	3 Jul 45	RTU on completion 24 days ARL)

### OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit To.	Date.	CAUSE.
QX51720	Lt	CLARKSON A G	LTD Brisbane	30 Jun 45	proceeding on 24 days ARL
QX57794	Lt	WILSON J D	7 Aust Inf Bde	3 Jul 45	det 7 Bde Flamethrower Pl

## PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO 61 Bn (Unit) IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED. 7 / 7 / 1945.

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

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Unit

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## PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

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

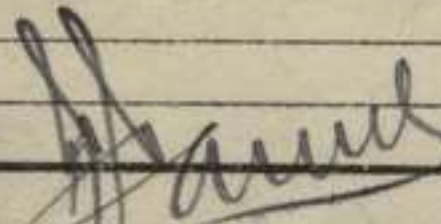
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Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held.	Army Number.	Surname.	Initials.	Posting.	Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No)	If not present with Unit, state how employed.	Date of Detachment.
Lt-Col	NX130833	FARRELL	T. J.	CO	yes		
Maj	QX36035	TWENLOW	E. McK.	2IC	no	on leave	21May45
Maj	QX36031	LAWSON	A. N.	OC HQ	yes		
Capt	QX40906	HUTCHINSON	T. C.	OC B	yes		
Capt	QX36029	RUDDER	W. L.	OC A	yes		
Capt	QX36365	PATERSON	J. S.	QM	yes		
Capt	QX48862	GOWLAND	R. E.	2IC B	yes		
Capt	SX381	FORWARD	G. O.	Adjt	yes		
Lt	QX36030	EMMETT	H. E.		no	on leave	21May45
Lt	QX19174	FORD	R. L.	HQcoy	yes		
Lt	NX141459	CUMMINS	R. P.	TO	yes		
Lt	QX51719	BRINKLEY	F. R.	A coy	yes		
Lt	QX53203	WHITTAKER	J. N.	A coy	yes		
Lt	QX51720	CLARKSON	A. G.		no	on leave	30 Jun45
Lt	QX55054	WATTS	A. A.	B coy	yes		
Lt	QX61121	WHITE	J. J.	SO	no	on leave	18Jun45
Lt	QX60395	JAMES	W. C.	HQcoy	yes		
Lt	NX115828	PLUMMER	R. T. V.	OC C	yes		
Lt	NX116117	McKELLAR	D. H.	C coy	yes		
Lt	QX59984	HOOK	D. W.	A/Adjt	yes		
Lt	QX62058	WHYBIRD	J. G.		no	on leave	28Apr45
Lt	SX21749	RUSSACK	H. W.	A/IO	yes		
Lt	VX28129	GIBSON	J. M.	B coy	yes		
Lt	SX22866	SCOTT-TOMS	W. H.		no	on leave	30Apr45
Lt	QX36054	BALDWIN	N. E.	C coy	yes		
Lt	QX57794	WILSON	J. D.		no	Det 7 Bde Flamethrower Platoon	3Jul45
Capt	NX200122	CLIFTON-SMITH	G.	RMO	yes		

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

Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held.	Army Number.	Name and Initials.	Unit.	Date of Attachment.	Nature of Attachment.
Chap	NX161549	PRIOR A.C.	7 Bde	31May 45	Padre
Capt	NX149733	McCABE C.J.	D Sec 63 Aust Dental Unit	11May45	Dental Officer

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 Lt-Col  
 Command 61 Aust Inf Bn  
 Signature of Commander

Unit

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**X LIST OFFICERS**

(Total to agree with Columns 4 and 7 of Part A)

No	Rank	Name	Particulars	Army Number	Substantive Rank and Higher
VX29956	Capt	CAIRNS N.	M/out 5 Jun 45 to LHQ Tactical School Course 18 B wing Beenleigh.		
QX48864	Capt	HOBBS J.J.S.	M/out ex leave to attend LHQ School of MI A wing Southport 25 Jun 45 - 4 Aug 45		
QX38891	Lt	DAWES C.W.	Patient 2/7 A.G.H.		
VX15997	Lt	FINN C.V.	On leave from secondment to New Guinea Trg School May 45		
QX35527	Lt	LOWNDES D.S.	OCTU No 18 Course Seymour 11 May 45		
QX59799	Lt	McDONALD A.L.	OCTU No 18 Course Seymour 11 May 45		
QX35526	Lt	HENDERSON P.W.	From recreational leave to attend Staff School (Aust) Grade III wing Course No 5. 19 Jun 45 - 21 Aug 45.		
QX56380	Lt	IRVINE W.G.	From recreational leave to attend LHQ School of MI Southport Course No 23 B wing 25 Jun - 4 Aug 45		

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

Name and Initials	Unit	Date of Attachment	Nature of Attachment	Army Number	Substantive Rank and Higher
PRIOR A.O.	7 Bde	21 May 45	Tempo		Capt
MCCABE G.J.	D Sec				Capt
	63 Aust				
	Dental		Dental Officer		

*[Signature]*  
Signature of Commander

Date of Despatch  
7 Jul 45

## FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 7/7/1945 61 Bn (Unit)

W.E. 11 12c/3 OFFRS. 33 O.R.'s 769 + OFFRS. 1 O.R.'s 32 ATT. BY W.E.

### Part A. Posted Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements Required.

1 W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				2 ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.									
Reinf'ts. Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.	DETAIL.					Arm of Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Reinf'ts. Required.
-	-	-	1	W.Os. Class I.									
2	2	-	4	W.Os. Class II.					1	1	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	Squadron or Company Quartermaster Egts.									
-	-	-	5	Staff Sergeants									
-	-	1	33	Sergeants					1 2 1 5	9	-	-	-
-	-	2	69	Corporals					1 1 - 5	7	-	1	1
134	134	12	536	Troopers, Privates, etc.					1 13	14	-	-	-
				Civilians counting as O.R.									
136	136	15	648	Totals of cols. marked * should agree with details shown in Part E on Page 2					AACG AAPC AAMG AAPS AACC	31	-	1	1

Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in para. 7 of instructions for compilation of this return will complete analysis of Part B(1) and B(2).	Detail	C.M.F.			A.W.A.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	..	TOTAL
		A.I.F. 'A'	Under 19 Year.	19 Year and over.							
* * 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.	A	243	-	436	-						679
	B(1)										
	B(2)										

### Part B. Other Ranks Attached from Other Units.

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

Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached
3	D Sec 63 Aust Dental Unit			160	Leave		
1	LHQ Pool Amenities			11	Schools		
2	241 L.A.D.			1	Records		
2	9 Aust Inf Bn			1	NCO NG Sch of Sigs		
1	25 Aust Inf Bn			1	2 Aust Corps NG Mobile Trg Team Junior Wing (Batman)		
1	7 Aust Inf Bde (AIF)			3	7 Aust Inf Bde (AIF)		
				1	7 Aust Inf Bde Flamethrower Pl (Batman)		
				5	7 Aust Inf Bde Flamethrower Pl		
				1	NCO Instr 3 Aust Pd Pun Centre.		

### Part D. Description of Other Ranks Whose Return To 61 Bn (Unit) is Particularly Requested. 7/7/1945

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

61 Aust Inf Bn Unit

Army Form W.3009  
(Adapted) (Page 2)  
(Revised Jan., 1943)  
27/45  
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**PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 7 / 7 / 1945.**

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.
Ammunition Examiners				Surveyors, Engineering				Operating Room Assis.				G.P.O. Assistants			
Armament Artificer Fitter				Surveyors, B.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				Engravers	4	3	1
Armament Artificer Signab				Welders				Painters				Eivettiers			
Armament Artificer Wireless				Ba tmen	35	35	-	Panel Beaters				Roughriders			
Artificer, Artillery				Gen duty	3	3	-	Photographer, Dry Plate				Saddlers			
Artificer, Engine				Hyg duty	4	4	-	Predictor Numbers				Saddletree makers			
Blacksmiths	1	1	-	LMG RIFLES	97	279	118	Printers				Shoemaker and Boot Repairer			
Bricklayers		2	-	Mortar Nos	73	68	5	Radiographers				Stevadores			
Computers				MMG Nos	22	20	2	Riggers				Storemen, Technical	3	4	-
Cooks, Hospital				GROUP II.				Sawyers				Tailors	2	2	-
Coppersmiths				Armourers				Signallers (incl 3 Cpls)	26	27	-	Textile Refters (incl 1 Sgt)	1	1	-
Dispensers				Axemen				Signwriters				Tinsmiths	1	1	-
Draughtsmen				Bakers				Telescope Identfn. Numbers				Vulcanizers			
Draughtsmen (Architectural)				By. Comd's Asst.				Well Boress				Wagon Erectors			
Draughtsmen (Engineering)				Bellermakers				Wheelers				Whitesmiths (incl 4 Cpl)			
Draughtsmen (Mechanical)				Carpenters	6	4	2	Winchman				Tk A Nos	11	11	-
Draughtsmen (Topographical)				Carpenters and Joiners				Wireman				Water Duty	2	2	-
Electricians				Cooks				Woodturners				R.s.M.	1	1	-
Electricians (M.V.)				Dental Mechanics				Orderlies	32	32	-	RQMS	1	1	-
Electricians (Signals)				Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Med.)				Pnrs	32	29	3	CSM	5	3	2
Fitters				Driver-Operator				Pro Sgt	1	1	-	C.Q.M.S.	5	5	-
Fitters (Cycle)				Drainers				Storemen	6	6	-	Sgts	25	27	-
Fitters (Electrical)				Electricians				S.Bearers	21	20	1	Regt Police	6	6	-
Fitters (Gun)				Electricians (Engineers)				GROUP III.				DETAILS OF NON-TRADESMEN.			
Fitters (Instrument)				Fire Control Operators				Battery Surveyors				Chiropodist	1	1	-
Fitters (M.V.)				Gun Operator				Butchers	1	-	1	Hyg Insp.	1	1	-
Fitters, Railway Signal				Hatchman				Clerks	12	13		Med Ord.	2	2	-
Fitters, Signals				Height Taker				Clerks, Supply				AAOC			
Grinder, Precision				Helio Operator				Clerks, Technical				Shoemaker	1	-	1
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator				Coach Trimmers				Postal Sgt	1	1	-
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Intelligence Duties	10	9	1	Concretors				Pay Clerks	2	2	-
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Joiners (incl 1 Sgt)				Cooks				ATTACHED BY W.E.			
Mechanics, Radio				Lineman				Dental Clerk Orderlies							
Mechanics, Typewriter				Lineman, Signals				Despatch Riders (incl 1 Cpl)	1	1	-				
Mechanics, Wireless				Lithographers				Drivers, H.T. MT	11	11	-				
Millwrights				Machinists, Metal				Driver Mechanics		8	-	Caterer	1	1	-
Operators, Excavator				Machinists, Wood				Driver Tpin. Plant				Cooks	23	23	-
Pattern Maker				Masons				Engine Hands, I.C.					32	31	1
Pharmacist				Masseurs				Equipment Repairers	1	1	-				
Photographer, Wet Plate				Mechanics, M.T.				Farriers							
Photowriter				Miners				Fitters' Mates							
Plumber				Moulders				Gun Layers	8	8	-				
Saw Doctors				Nurses, Trained											
Surveyors				Observation Post Assis.											
CARRIED FORWARD	1	3	-	CARRIED FORWARD	551425128			CARRIED FORWARD	709588133			Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively.	801679	*137	

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.

7 Jul 45

Date of Despatch

Signature of Commandant Lt-Col  
61 Aust Inf Bn





*Working*

*App. 4*

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES  
ROUTINE ORDERS PART I  
by  
Lt-Col T. J. FARRELL  
COMD 61 AUST INF BN

Copy No. 16.  
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Nos 89 - 91

HQ 61 Aust Inf Bn  
7 Jul 45

89. MALARIA PRECAUTIONS

1. Records show that over the last three week the number of malaria cases in the BOUGAINVILLE area is increasing.
2. This increase is directly related to failure of discipline and laxity in precautionary measures.
3. All Coys will immediately survey the implementation of the malaria code and correct any faults appearing.

90. MEDICAL AND DENTAL TREATMENT

Note - This is merely a summary of GRO 155/1945. All members are responsible for acquainting themselves with the full provisions of that GRO.

1. (a) Subject to certain conditions and exceptions set out in GRO 155/1945, a member is entitled to receive medical treatment and to be supplied with medical requisites necessary to render and maintain him fit for military service and to restore him to normal health. A copy of GRO 155/1945 is available for inspection in the unit orderly room.

(b) Members on occupational LWOP are entitled to medical treatment in accordance with the provisions of LHQ Memo 168085 of 4th December, 1944.

Medical treatment -

2. Except as provided in para 3 below or in GRO 155/1945 or in LHQ Memo 168085 of 4th December, 1944 (dealing with medical treatment of members on occupational LWOP), a member requiring medical treatment at army expense will obtain it from an army medical unit, and will not obtain or attempt to obtain medical treatment at army expense from an area medical officer, or a civilian doctor or a public, intermediate or private hospital.

Application for medical treatment-

3. (a) A member requiring medical treatment at army expense will apply for it to -
- (i) the unit by which he is being administered; or
  - (ii) if that is not practicable, to the nearest army medical unit; or
  - (iii) if that is not practicable, to the nearest RAN or RAAF medical unit; or
  - (iv) if that is not practicable, to the nearest area medical officer; or
  - (v) if that is not practicable, to a repatriation hospital; or
  - (vi) if that is not practicable, to a public hospital; or
  - (vii) if that is not practicable, to a civilian doctor.

(b) A claim for expense incurred in obtaining medical treatment from a civilian doctor will be rejected unless it is established to the satisfaction of the DDMS or ADMS of the relevant command or L of C area that it was impracticable for the member to obtain such treatment from any of the above-mentioned service units, from an area medical officer, or from a repatriation or public hospital.

Admission to hospital -

4. A member requiring to be admitted to hospital will be admitted-
- (a) to an army hospital;
  - (b) if that is not practicable, to a RAN or RAAF hospital; or
  - (c) if that is not practicable, to a repatriation hospital; or
  - (d) if that is not practicable, to a public hospital.

5. Under special circumstances, a member may be admitted to a private or intermediate hospital.

6. Medical treatment and hospitalization obtained in accordance with para 3(a) or in the proper hospital is free. All other treatment is not free and must be paid for by the member.

Medical certificates -

7. A member unable, because of sickness or injury, to return from leave on the due date will send a medical certificate to the unit which released him on leave. The certificate should reach the latter unit before the expiry of the leave.

8. The certificate, signed and dated by the doctor, must include -  
(a) the diagnosis of the member's condition;  
(b) the treatment given and/or prescribed;  
(c) the time during which it is estimated by the doctor that the member will be unable to travel.

9. A member unable to travel on the estimated date will forward a further medical certificate on or prior to that date to the unit which released him on leave.

10. Failure to forward the certificates, in accordance with paras 7 and 9, may result in the member being posted AWL and payment of allotment and dependant's allowance being suspended.

11. A member on leave who obtains treatment from a civilian doctor who is not an area medical officer will send to his unit on the conclusion of the treatment a medical certificate containing the following particulars

- (a) the diagnosis of the member's condition;
- (b) the treatment given to and/or prescribed for the member.

Medicines and dressing -

12. Medicines and dressing prescribed by a service medical officer, an area medical officer and a civilian doctor may be obtained free from -

- (a) an army dispensary; or
- (b) a civilian chemist, if the medical officer or doctor endorses an authority on the prescription for purchase from a civilian chemist. Otherwise, the member will have to pay for them.

Spectacles -

13. Spectacles prescribed by an army medical officer or optometrist are supplied free.

14. Spectacles, whether supplied by the Army or not, worn by a member may be repaired without charge by an army optical unit.

Artificial limbs and surgical aids -

15. Artificial limbs and surgical aids are supplied free, if prescribed by a medical officer.

16. Repairs of and adjustments to surgical aids and artificial limbs used by a member will be made without charge by the Army if authorized by a medical officer.

Dental treatment -

17. Subject to certain exceptions and conditions in certain cases, a member is entitled to dental treatment necessary to render or maintain him fit for military service.

18. Dental treatment cannot be obtained free from civilian dentists, except on the authority of a CO.

19. Under certain conditions, a member may be reimbursed for dental expenses incurred on leave, but only in accordance with the following scale:

<u>Nature of treatment</u>	<u>Maximum fee</u>
Extractions (limited to 2 teeth on each period of leave) (including the use of local anaesthetic).....	5/- each tooth
Temporary sedative fillings (limited to 2 fillings on each period of leave).....	5/- each filling
Simple repairs to dentures (fracture of denture or replacement of tooth).....	10/- maximum charge.

Ownership of spectacles, etc -

20. Artificial limbs; surgical aids, spectacles and dentures, supplied by the Army, belong to it until the member is discharged or finalized, when they become the property of the member.

Forfeiture of pay -

21. If a member is absent from duty owing to illness, injury or wounds due to an action or conduct constituting an offence of which he is convicted, his CO may authorize the forfeiture of pay for the period of his absence )

22. If the CO authorizes such forfeiture, the cost for medical (WFR 27)) and hospital attention will also be debited to the pay account of the member at the following rates -

Officers in hospital . . . . .	14/- per day
Soldiers in hospital . . . . .	12/- per day
Members in convalescent depots and convalescent homes . . . . .	6/- per day
Members not in hospitals, convalescent depots or convalescent homes . . . . .	2/9 per day

91. UNIT CANTEEN ACCOUNT - TRADING TRANSACTIONS

Period from 1 Jun 45 to 30 Jun 45

<u>Debit</u>	<u>Credit</u>
Stock at beginning of period 220-12- 9	Sales for period as per Cash
Purchases for period as per	Trading Book 987- 5- 7
Cash Trading Book	876- 1- 6
Profit for period	57- 4-11
	Stock on hand at end of period as per Stock Book
	166-13- 7
	<u>£1153-19- 2</u>

Statement of Assets and Liabilities as at 30 Jun 45

<u>Liabilities</u>	<u>Assets</u>
Excess of Assets over Liabilities	Cash on hand as per Cash
Bal e/fwd from last period 670- 0- 0	Trading Book 391- 1- 4
Plus profit for period 57- 4-11	Stock at end of period as per Stock Book
	166-13- 7
Less amount transferred to Unit Trust A/c 150- 0- 0	
Less amount expended in Sup Rations 19-10- 0	
	169-10- 0
	<u>£557-14-11</u>

Certified that there are no outstanding debits. That receipted vouchers for all purchases are held, and that all purchases and cash sales have been brought to account in the Cash Trading Book.

sgd. J.W.Gibson Lt, Unit Canteen Officer; M.B.J.Pilbeam Sgt Unit Canteen NCO.

Certified that all Accounting Records and vouchers of the unit Canteen have been audited for the Month of Jun 45 and the above Trading Transactions and statement of Assets and Liabilities reveal the true and accurate financial position of the Canteen as at 30 Jun 45.

sgd. A.A.Watts Lt, Unit Audit Board; W. Baldwin Lt, Unit Audit Board.

*Rusua* CAPT  
ADPT 61 AUST INF BN

DISTRIBUTION

List 'A'

NOTICES

RESULTS OF BN SWIMMING CARNIVAL 6 Jul 45

- 50X FREESTYLE: Cpl Nicholls (C Coy) Sgt Mills (C Coy) Cpl MacKenzie (A Coy) Time 29 Secs )
- 50X BACKSTROKE: Pte Stanley (HQ Coy) Pte Duncan (HQ Coy) Time 35½ Secs.
- UNDERWATER SWIM: Pte Bromley (A Coy) Pte Duncan (HQ Coy) Pte Mattison (A Coy)
- 100X FREESTYLE: WOII Elliott (C Coy) Pte Stanley (HQ Coy) WOI Newcomb (BnHQ) Time; 1 min. 13 2/5 secs.
- DIVING: (Total 70 points) Pte Warner (C Coy) 55 Pts Capt Clifton-Smith (BnHQ) 49 pts Pte Evans (BnHQ) 40 pts.
- 200X MEDLEY RELAY: 1st HQ Coy, 2nd BnHQ, 3rd B Coy. Time; 2 mins 28 2/5 secs
- 50X BREASTSTROKE: Pte Brandenburg (BnHQ) Pte Warner (C Coy) Capt Clifton-Smith (BnHQ) Time; 44 2/5 secs.
- CIGARETTE RACE: Lt Plummer (C Coy) Pte Carey (C Coy) Cpl MacKenzie (A Coy)

FINAL POINTS:

1st	C Coy	18	Points
2nd	HQ Coy	14	"
3rd	BnHQ	11	"
4th	A Coy	6	"
5th	B Coy	2	"

AIR MAIL RECEIPTS WEEK ENDING 3 Jul 45.

During the week 6 air mails were received. These receipts were very light and incomplete. The present unsatisfactory mail situation is due to restricted A/C loadings on A/C routes within and from AUSTRALIA and is affecting deliveries to all areas.

Action has been taken by higher authority to adjust the matter.



**61 AUST INF BN TRAINING SYLLABUS**  
**PERIOD 9 - 14 JUL 45**

*War Diary*  
*App. 5*

NO	DATE	SUB UNIT	AREA	SUBJECT	LESSONS	REMARKS
1	9 Jul	HQ Coy	Coy Area	Specialist trg-sport	1 pl - morse code-switch board operations 2 pl - obstacle course-gun drill 3 pl - gun drill-battle procedure 4 pl - gun drill-mechanism-laying practice	SAT Vol I Pam 7 less 8,9,10  Ref Trg Film - 'Locating the Enemy'  IT pt 8/44 Sec 5.  RIFLE BOMBERS AND 2 in MORTARMEN RANGE PRACTICE - DIRECTION CAPT R.E. GOWLAND
		A "	Jungle Range	Scout trg-sport	OSMG and Rifle shoots-quick action	
		B "	Trg Area	Sec trg-sport	Location of Enemy-selection fire posns for Bren	
		C "	Trg Area	Sec trg-sport	Sec forms-drill for crossing obstacles	
		ALL COYS	Mortar Range			
2	10 Jul	HQ Coy	Coy Area Mortar Range	Specialist trg-sport	1 pl - R/T & W/T procedure-Sig clerk duties 2 pl - Range practice-MMG shoot 3 pl - Gun drill-bayonet-Bren recapitulation sand table ranging 4 pl - Gun drill-laying practice	SAT Vol I Pam 9 less 24,25, Pam 4 less 234  Tropical Warfare Pam 2 Chap 10 2 Aust Corps Tac & Adm Doctrine Tac 3 & 4  Tropical Warfare Pam 2 Chap 10
		A Coy	Trg Area	Sec trg-sport	Patrols and aids to navigation	
		B "	Jungle Range	Scout trg-sport	OSMG, rifle and grenade trg	
		C "	Trg Area	Sec trg-sport	Sec patrols	

SER	DATE	SUB UNIT	AREA	SUBJECT	LESSONS	REMARKS
5	11 Jul	HQ Coy	Coy Area Mortar Range	Specialist trg-sport	1 pl - Fullerphone operation 2 pl - Gun drill-CAB discussion 3 pl - Gun drill-CAB discussion 4 pl - Range Practice	SAT Vol I Pam 7 less 60 SAT Vol I Pam 9 less 26
		A Coy	Coy Area	Sec trg-sport	Assault Course-CAB discussion	F & BD Sec 25  Tropical Warfare Pam 2 Chap 13
		B Coy	Trg Area	Sec trg-sport	Sec Battle drill	
		C Coy	Coy Area	Sec trg-sport	Jungle Craft-Int Sec Lecture- Security	
4	12 Jul	HQ Coy	Coy Area	Specialist trg-sport	1 pl - cypher trg-encoding & decoding 2 pl - Gun drill-stoppages 3 pl - Gun drill 4 pl - Gun drill-preparation posns night occupation	SAT Vol I Pam 7 less 21,50, 52,55 SAT Vol I Pam 9 less 43,56,57 Night trg-occupation posns by night
		A Coy	Trg Area	Sec trg-sport	Advance and first contact	) 2 Aust Corps Tac & Adm Doctrine ) Tac 5 Tropical Warfare Pam 2 Chap 3  Tropical Warfare Pam 2 chap XII and XV
		B Coy	Trg Area	Sec trg-sport	Advance and first contact	
		C Coy	Trg Area	Sec trg-sport	Ambush and Booby traps	

SER	DATE	SUB. UNIT	AREA	SUBJECT	LESSON	REMARKS
5	13 Jul	HQ Coy	TOROKINA R 200 <sup>x</sup> Range	Range Practice-sport	Rifle classification shoot	2 Aust Corps Tac & Adm Doctrine Tac 5 & 6 Tropical Warfare Pam 2 Chap 9 - 11 2 Aust Corps Tac & Adm Doctrine Tac 5
		A Coy	TRG Area	Sec trg-sport	Sec in attack and defence	
		B Coy	TRG Area	Sec trg-sport	Sec in attack	
		C Coy	TRG Area	Sec trg-sport	Sec in attack and quick decision exercises	
6	14 Jul	ALL COYS		COY COYDS	DISCRETION	
7	9-14 Jul	MORTAR PL		TRG IN ARTY METHODS OF REGISTRATION ETC		
8	9-14 Jul	ALL COYS		TRG CADRE - INDIVIDUAL TRG OF PERSONNEL EX LEAVE AS PER 61 AUST INF BN TRG INSTR 1/45 AND 2/45.		

*Rowan* CAPT  
ADJT 61 AUST INF BN

5 Jul 45



Subject:

BRILLIANT MARKSMANSHIP COMPETITION - 19 Jul 45

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HQ 61 Aust Inf Bn  
17 Jul 45All Coys

1. Herewith results of 7 Aust Inf Bde Rifle Shooting Competition.

2. CO extends his hearty congratulations to all ranks competing, on an excellent performance.

OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP:

1.	( Lt	WATTS	A A	61 Aust Inf Bn	180
	(sgt	SPINAKS	S V	61 Aust Inf Bn	180
3.	Pte	CROSSLEY	W	61 Aust Inf Bn	176
4.	WO II	GWYNNE	F	25 Aust Inf Bn	174
5.	Pte	ROBINSON	R	61 Aust Inf Bn	173
6.	Pte	LEHMAN	R	25 Aust Inf Bn	170
7.	(L cpl	O'CONNOR		61 Aust Inf Bn	169
	( Lt	FUDEN	A B	25 Aust Inf Bn	169

HIGHEST SCORES IN EACH PRACTICE:FIRST APPLICATION:

1.	Pte	CROSSLEY	W	61 Aust Inf Bn	48
2.	Lt	McKILLAN	D B	61 Aust Inf Bn	47
3.	Lt	FUDEN	A B	25 Aust Inf Bn	46

SECOND APPLICATION:

1.	Pte	ATA'S	D L	25 Aust Inf Bn	48
2.	(Cpl	CROSSLEY	C	61 Aust Inf Bn	46
	(Pte	CROSSLEY	W	61 Aust Inf Bn	46
	(L cpl	O'CONNOR		61 Aust Inf Bn	46
	( Lt	WATTS	A A	61 Aust Inf Bn	46
	(Pte	DIU	L B	61 Aust Inf Bn	46

SNAPSHOOTING:

1.	Lt	WATTS	A A	61 Aust Inf Bn	47
2.	(Pte	ROBINSON	R	61 Aust Inf Bn	46
	(sgt	SPINAKS	S V	61 Aust Inf Bn	46

RAPID:

1.	sgt	SPINAKS	S V	61 Aust Inf Bn	49
2.	Pte	LEHMAN	R	25 Aust Inf Bn	47
3.	(Pte	CROSSLEY	W	61 Aust Inf Bn	44
	(Cpl	FRIGHT	L	61 Aust Inf Bn	44
	(Pte	CLARKE	A C	61 Aust Inf Bn	44

INTER-UNIT TEAMS COMPETITION

1.	61 Aust Inf Bn	858
2.	25 Aust Inf Bn	841
3.	9 Aust Inf Bn	778
4.	7 Aust Inf Bde sig Sec	721
5.	11 Aust Inf Bde	712
6.	20 Pl B Coy 2/1 Aust Cd Regt	650
7.	HQ 7 Aust Inf Bde	633

OFFICER'S CHAMPIONSHIP:

1.	Lt	WATTS	A A	61 Aust Inf Bn	180
2.	Lt	FUDEN	A B	25 Aust Inf Bn	169
3.	Lt	HARRISON	R B	HQ 7 Aust Inf Bde	152

OFFICERS' TEAMS CHAMPIONSHIP:

1.	61 Aust Inf Bn	846
2.	HQ 7 Aust Inf Bde	778
3.	25 Aust Inf Bn	722
4.	9 Aust Inf Bn	678

*Powers* Capt  
Adjt 61 Aust Inf Bn

Appx 7

subject: MESSAGE FROM HIS ROYAL HIGHNESS  
THE DUKE OF GLOUCESTER  
GOVERNOR GENERAL OF AUSTRALIA

HQ 61 Aust Inf Bn  
17 Jul 45

All Coys

His Royal Highness the Duke of Gloucester, Governor General of Australia, whose visit to Bougainville was unavoidably curtailed owing to the death of the Rt Hon J Curtin, Prime Minister of Australia, desires that all personnel of 11 Aust Inf Bde Gp, RNZAF, RAAF, Air Maint Sec, HMAS "DIAMANTINA" and others of the Australian and Allied Nations whom it was his intention to meet should be informed of His Royal Highness' great disappointment that he was unable to adhere to his programme.

His Royal Highness expressed the deepest regret that the tragic death of his valued personal adviser and Australia's Prime Minister, the Rt Hon John Curtin, should be the occasion demanding his return to CAMBERRA and thereby losing the opportunity of meeting you.

His Royal Highness' last request to the Corps Commander prior to departing was that these, his sentiments, be conveyed to you all.

*Rowan Capr*

*Aust Inf Bn*

# SPORTS REVIEW

15 Jul 45

ISSUED WEEKLY BY AUST ARMY AMENITIES SERVICE - 7 AUST INF BDE No 6

## Results of Swimming Carnival held 9 Jul 45 -

- 50<sup>x</sup> Freestyle : 1. Capt Cochrane (Bde) 2. Lt Temple (9 Bn) 3. Pte Brandenburg (61 Bn)  
Time - 27 secs.
- 50<sup>x</sup> Breaststroke : 1. Pte Brandenburg (61 Bn) 2. Pte Hungerford (9 Bn) 3. Pte Warner (61 Bn)  
Time - 36 2/5 secs.
- 50<sup>x</sup> Backstroke : 1. Pte Stanley (61 Bn) 2. Frakes (25 Bn) 3. Pte Samson (9 Bn)  
Time - 36 3/5 secs.
- 100<sup>x</sup> Freestyle : 1. WO II Elliott (61 Bn) 2. Cpl McKenzie (61 Bn) 3. Pte Stickley (9 Bn)  
Time 1 min 9 secs.
- 200<sup>x</sup> Freestyle : 1. WO II Elliott (61 Bn) 2. Cpl Scott (9 Bn) 3. WO I Newcombe (61 Bn)  
Time - 2 min 43 secs.
- 50<sup>x</sup> Sjts Freestyle : 1. Sjt Mills (61 Bn) 2. Sjt Cox (25 Bn) 3. Sjt Britten (9 Bn)  
Time - 30 2/5 secs.
- 4 x 50<sup>x</sup> Freestyle Relay : 1. 61 Bn 2. 9 Bn 3. Bde HQ.
- Medley Relay : 1. 9 Bn 2. 61 Bn 3. Bde HQ
- Offrs Relay (4 x 50<sup>x</sup>) : 1. 9 Bn 2. 61 Bn 3. 25 Bn
- Diving : 1. Pte Warner (61 Bn) 2. Lt Grahame (9 Bn) 3. Pte Bratby (9 Bn)
- Novelty Events -
  - Cigarette Swim : 1. Lt Plumber
  - Underwater Swim : 1. Lehman (25 Bn) 2. Lt Bartlett (25 Bn) 3. Cfn Hills (Bde HQ)

## Competition Results Week ending 14 Jul 45

CRICKET - 61 Bn 1st 231 (Carroll 44, Mechesney 38 O'Donnell 6/57 Talbot 2/37) d 11 Fd Amb 1st 57, 2nd 67 (Harmer 29, O'Donnell 29 Gilbert 4/12, Wilson 3/11 & 4/4)  
11 Fd Amb 1st 76 (O'Donnell 19 Conlan 4/10 Lever 3/19) 2nd 3/113 (O'Donnell Not Out 81 Conlan 2/13) d 9 Bn 1st 65 (Reynolds 20 O'Donnell 4/18 Glover 3/7) 2nd Innings 6/102 (declaired) (Boaler not out 39 Love 19 Glover 2/18)

SOFTBALL - 11 Fd Amb 15 d 61 Bn 9  
25 Bn 9 d 9 Bn 5

HOCKEY - 61 Bn forfeited to 11 Fd Amb, 25 Bn forfeited to 11 Fd Amb

VOLLEY BALL - 11 Jul  
9 Bn (1) d Bde HQ (1) 9 Bn (2) d Bde HQ (2) 25 Bn (2) d 11 Fd Amb Forfeit.  
61 Bn (1) d 25 Bn  
14 Jul - 9 Bn (2) v 61 Bn (2) Forfeit by 61 Bn 11 Fd Amb forfeited to 9 Bn (1)  
25 Bn (2) d Bde HQ (1) 25 Bn (1) d Bde HQ (2)

## Fixtures for Week ending 21 Jul 45

CRICKET - 19 Jul 0830 - 1600 hrs  
61 Bn v 9 Bn Shelleys Oval  
Bde HQ v 11 Fd Amb Memorial Park  
25 Bn Bye

SOFTBALL - 19 Jul 0830 hrs  
61 Bn v 9 Bn Stewarts Oval  
Bde HQ v 11 Fd Amb Gloucester Park  
25 Bn Bye

HOCKEY -  
25 Bn v 9 Bn Stewarts Oval 1300

VOLLEY BALL - 19 Jul  
Bde HQ (1) v 61 Bn (1) 61 Bn 0900  
Bde HQ (2) v 61 Bn (2) 61 Bn 1030  
25 Bn (1) v 9 Bn (1) 9 Bn 0830  
Fd Amb v 9 Bn (2) 9 Bn 1000  
25 Bn (2) Bye

- 21 Jul  
Bde HQ (1) v 11 Fd Amb Bde HQ 1400  
25 Bn (1) v 61 Bn (2) 61 Bn 1400  
25 Bn (2) v 9 Bn (1) 9 Bn 1330  
61 Bn (1) v 9 Bn (2) 9 Bn 1430  
Bde HQ (2) Bye

RUGBY LEAGUE - 21 Jul : 1330 hrs  
25 Bn v 61 Bn Gloucester Park  
(Referee supplied by 9 Bn)

NOTE : Units unable to field teams for future matches will notify Bde Amenities Offr and Unit Sports Officer without fail

For the following three weeks, Competition matches will be played Thursday and Saturday

Competition Table as at 14 Jul 45

	Cricket	Softball	Hockey	Rugby League	Volley Ball
HQ 7 Aust Inf Bde	9	-			(1) 12 (2) 18
9 Aust Inf Bn	3	12	13	-	(1) 24 (2) 18
25 Aust Inf Bn	9	24	12	8	(1) 30 (2) 24
61 Aust Inf Bn	6	4	2	8	(1) 21 (2) 12
11 Aust Fd Amb	15	16	24		9

Non Competitive Matches -

HOCKEY 11 Aust Fd Amb 3 (Burke, Keily, Horton) d R.N.Z.A.F. 2  
2 Aust Corps 2 d 25 Bn 1 (Olford)

CRICKET 25 Bn Offrs 107, 5/73 d 9 Bn Offrs 73, 67.  
Bde HQ Offrs d 61 Bn Offrs

25 Bn 113 (Young 30 Crossley 28) d 2/2 Forestry Coy 106 (Newley 3/7)  
9 Bn 71 d 104 Wksp 66 (Dosetto 3/7)

WEEK END RACING -

BRISBANE

2 Year Old (7 Fur)

1. The Diver 5/4  
2. Wattle Boy 7/1  
3. Sol Rose 6/1

Maiden (1 ml)

1. Broken Doll 2/1  
2. Tobermony 10/1  
3. Princess Merlin 8/1

Trial

1. Middle Ages 14/1  
2. John Apple 4/6  
3. Caban Boy 10/1

Newmarket

Port Raider 1. 14/1  
Repshot 2. 7/2  
Maaleach 3. 6/4

Welter

1. Eudorsong 5/1  
2. Antagonist 15/1  
3. Australian 3/1

Trial

1. Sprinkle 7/2  
2. Second Fomest 10/1  
3. Chantilly 5/2

SYDNEY

2 Year Old (6 Fur)

1. Even Time 7/1  
2. Stefanova 11/2  
3. Bright Company 2/1

2 Year Old (7 Fur)

1. Melos 7/2  
2. Bob Nick 10/1  
3. New Cashmere 33/1

Encourage

1. Polar Star 14/1  
2. Regal Step 33/1  
3. Packston 33/1

Peter Moore Handicap

1. Petulence 7/4  
2. Kingsdale 5/1  
3. Divinia 7/1

July Handicap

1. Tambeth 7/1  
2. Salivant 7/1  
3. Turn Again 7/2

6th Race

1. Mintage 7/1  
2. Gigli 10/1  
3. Sir Francis 7/1

7th Race

1. Kimball 4/1  
2. Vanity Lady 20/1  
3. Goya 6/1

MELBOURNE

Lawn Handicap (6 Fur)

1. Reperio 7/2  
2. Oxford St. 10/1  
3. Port Of Call 33/1

Doutta Hurdle

1. Hiatus 9/2  
2. Isambard 7/2  
3. Ellipsis 9/2

2 Year Old Handicap

1. Solway 5/1  
2. Keep Smiling 7/1  
3. Lady Antog 8/1

G.N. Steple

1. Quixotic 12/1  
2. Parentena 3/1

Footscray Steeple

1. Gay Shepherd 50/1  
2. Yentilini 12/1  
3. Koorool 7/1

2 Year Old (1 ml)

1. Euxine 8/1  
2. Navarro 12/1  
3. El Banko 8/1

Winter Handicap

1. Philander 7/1  
2. Fungi 7/1  
3. Gayness 7/2

## 61 AUST INF BN TRAINING SYLLABUS

PERIOD 16-21 JUL 45

War Diary  
App. 9

S e r.	DATE	SUB- UNIT	AREA	SUBJECT.	LESSONS	REMARKS
1	16 Jul	HQ Coy	Coy Area	Specialist trg - sport	1 Pl - Phonetics - abbreviations - switch-board ops 2 Pl - Gun drill - stoppages - setting & BZ 3 Pl - Gun drill - bayonet 4 Pl - Gun drill - mechanism	SAT vol 1 Pam 7 less 21,22,96 SAT vol 1 Pam 9 less 6-10,56) 57)
		A Coy B Coy C Coy	30x range Trg Area Trg Area	Range practice - sport Sec trg - sport Sec trg - sport	re-zeroing of rifles - assault course Section in adv and first contact Sec exercises - attack and def	Tropical warfare Pt 2 Chap 8
2	17 Jul	HQ Coy	Coy Area	Specialist trg - sport	1 Pl - Morse code - R/T & W/T procedure 2 Pl - Gun drill - CAB discussion 3 Pl - Gun drill - Sand table ranging 4 Pl - PITA - 2 inch mortar - bayonet	SAT vol 1 Pam 7 less 23,57,58 SAT vol 1 Pam 9 less 24,25
		A Coy B Coy C Coy	Trg Area Trg Area Trg Area	Sec trg - sport Sec trg - sport Sec trg - sport	Section in ambush Section in attack Section in ambush	2 Aust Corps Tac & Adm Doctrine Tac 7 Tropical warfare Pam 2 Chap 12 F & B D sec 26 2 Aust Corps Tac & Adm Doctrine Tac 5
3	18 Jul	HQ Coy	Coy Area	Sport - specialist trg	1 Pl - Adjusting & setting up Fullerphone 2 Pl - Traversing & tapping 3 Pl - Panorama drawing - sandtable ranging 4 Pl - Gun drill and mechanism	SAT vol 1 Pam 7 less 52,53,54
		A Coy B Coy C Coy All Coys	Coy Area Trg Area Trg Area Unit theatre	Sport - Sec trg Sport - Sec & Pl trg Sport - Sec trg Trg films - 1900	Lecture and Practical - laying of boobytraps Patrols and formations Setting of booby traps & concealment of posns. SHOOT TO KILL JUNGLE PATROL	2 Aust Corps Tac & Adm doctrine - Tac 6(c) 7(b) Tropical warfare Pam 2 Chap 14 2 Aust Corps Tac & Adm doctrine Tac 3.

S e r.	DATE	SUB- UNIT	AREA	SUBJECT	LESSONS	REMARKS
4	19Jul	1Q Coy	Coy Area 30x range Coy Area	Specialist trg - sport	1 Pl - Cypher trg encoding & decoding 2 Pl - 30x Range practice 3 Pl - Gun drill - booby traps 4 Pl - Gun drill - laying practice	SAT vol 1 Pam 9 less 25
		A Coy	Trg Area	Section trg - sport	Section patrols incl location and disarming booby traps	2 Aust Corps Tac & Adm doctrine Tac 7
		B Coy	Trg Area	Section trg - sport	Section patrols and ambushes	Tropical warfare Pam 2 Chap 10
		C Coy	Trg Area	Section trg - sport	Section patrols incl location and disarming booby traps	
5	20Jul	Allcoys	Coy Areas	Amphibious trg - sport	Trg loading and unloading, stores etc Lectures - amphibious trg	Dry shed practice
				Trg films - 1900	COMBINED OPERATIONS SHIP to SHORE MOVEMENT - Individual trg	
6	21Jul	Allcoys	Coy Areas	Amphibious trg - sport	Trg as Coy groups Lectures - Amphibious trg	Dry shed practice

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 Capt  
 Adjt 61 Aust Inf Bn

Ref Maps: TOROKINA 1 in to 1 mile  
CAPE MOLTKE " "

GENERAL.

1. During this period amphibious training will be carried out by coys, operating as coy gps. The first part of trg will consist in practice embarkation and disembarkation, loading and unloading stores etc. The second part of trg will be a coy gp landing exercise, carried out by coys in turn.

OBJECT.

2. The object of this trg is to give coys and specialist tps an understanding of the problems involved in amphibious warfare, and to train personnel up to the standard required for the conduct of a coy shore to shore exercise.

INSTRUCTIONS.

3. Capt GABEL, 25 Aust Inf Bn, is responsible for coordination of trg.
4. Capt HUTCHINSON, 61 Aust Inf Bn, is unit instr, and will liase with Capt GABEL on all aspects of trg.

SCOPE OF TRG.

5. Trg of each coy will conclude with a coy gp exercise, and the syllabus is designed accordingly.
6. Throughout the preliminary trg, the following will be att to each coy:-

2 dets 3" mortars  
one sec MMGs  
one tk/A gun crew (without gun)  
Coy S.Bs  
4 sigs  
one member int sec  
one sec pms (NCO and 9 Ors)  
wireless det 7 Aust Inf Bde Sig Sec.

NIGHT TRG

7. This will be carried out by all coys on night of Wed 25Jul45
8. As the number of ldg craft is limited, B and C coys will be moved by MT from camp area to rifle range at 526936, thence by foot along beach to trg beach.
9. A Coy will be carrying out day trg on that day, and will remain on trg beach for evening meal.
10. All personnel will return to B.L.P.4 by ldg craft at conclusion of night trg if sufficient craft are available.

ADM DETAILS FOR 25 Jul 45

11. A Coy gp - day trg on beach. Remain trg beach for evening meal and night trg. WO Caterer will arrange for meal to be delivered to B.L.P.4 by 251630L for tpt to trg beach.

B Coy gp)

C Coy gp)- evening meal 1600 hrs.  
embark.- bn parade ground 1630 hrs and move to rifle range at 526936. Debus and move per foot to trg beach. To be at trg beach by 251830L

TRG FILMS.

12. Following films on combined ops will be shown at unit theatre at 201900L Jul 45:-

Combined Ops  
Ship to shore mov - Individual  
trg.

COY EXERCISE.

13. Details will be issued later

TRG PERIOD.

14. 'Dry shod' trg will be carried out by coy gps, commencing 20 Jul 45.
15. 'Mock ups' have been constructed on bn parade ground for trg purposes, and are allotted as follows:-
  - C Coy gp - 21 Jul 45
  - B Coy gp - 23 Jul 45
  - A Coy gp - 24 Jul 45
16. One Coy gp will be trained daily in following order:-
  - C Coy gp - 23 Jul 45
  - B Coy gp - 24 Jul 45
  - A Coy gp - 25 Jul 45
17. Coy gps will embark at B.L.P.4 at 0830 hrs, returning at 1600 hrs)
18. Time taken to move from B.L.P.4 to trg beach is approx one hour)

TRG BEACH.

19. Ref map CAPE MOLTKE 1 in to 1 mile - LARUMA PT beach from 488964 to 494982.
20. Ldg craft can run right in to beach, which is sheltered by head land. Beach is steeply shelving.

CONFERENCE.

21. Bde Comds Conference will be held in Offrs Mess at 300830L Jul 45. All offrs will attend.

SAFETY PRECAUTIONS.

22. Coys will detail selected personnel in each ldg craft as life savers in case of mishaps. These members will remain stripped for emergency action during period of trg.

TRANSPORT.

23. Tpt will report to bn parade ground each morning of 23 to 25 Jul 45 at 0745 hrs to move personnel to B.L.P.4, and will be at B.L.P.4 at 1600 hrs on both 23 and 24 Jul 45 for return.

COY STORES.

24. Token stores only will be used. These will approximate normal stores in size and weight.
25. Ball amn will NOT be taken on trg by any member.
26. Trg stores will be left at trg beach, to be used in turn by each coy. They will incl 4 days rations, amn and water.

MEALS.

27. Coys will arrange for cut lunch to be consumed at midday on day of trg.

DRESS.

28. Battle Order substituting haversack for pack.

SYLLABUS.

29. Syllabus is att as Appx 'A'

*Rowana* Capt  
Adj: 61 Aust Inf Bn



61 AUST INF BN TRAINING SYLLABUS - AMPHIBIOUS TRAINING

Appendix 'A'

(issued with 61 Aust Inf Bn Trg Instr No 5/45 of 18 Jul 45)

19 Jul 45 - 29 Jul 45.

Ser.	DATE	SUB-UNIT	TIME	AREA	SUBJECT	REMARKS
1.	Thursday 19 Jul 45	Offrs	1 hour	Offrs mess	Lecture : in form of discussion with officers - general aspects of amphibious warfare	All training to be carried out with view to coy group exercises.
2.	Friday 20 Jul 45	All coys	$\frac{1}{2}$ hour $\frac{1}{2}$ hour	Bn area "	Lecture to tps : on aspects - Navy, Air, Intelligence, Beach and general information Lecture to tps : unit planning on coy groups Diagrammatic layout of beach head	By coy officers
3.		C Coy B Coy A Coy	0930-1100 1100-1230 1330-1500	" " "	Loading and unloading of personnel in "Mock-up AIC 20. Tactical arrangement of personnel " " " " " " " " " "	Guide to Coy group: 1 Coy Infantry 2 dets mortars 3" 1 sec MMGs 1 sec pns R.A.P. Sigs 1 personnel Fd Amb sec Tk A crew
4.	Saturday 21 Jul 45	C Coy	0830-1200	"	Loading and unloading stores, stacking above dune line in dumps; food, amn, tools, etc	Repeated by: B Coy 23 Jul 45. A Coy 24 Jul 45

61 AUST INF BN TRAINING SYLLABUS - AMPHIBIOUS TRAINING (continued)

Ser.	DATE	STR-UNIT	TIME	AREA	SUBJECT	REMARKS			
5.	Monday 23 Jul 45	C Coy	0800-0830	Trg Beach	Move to B.L.P.4	Repeated by: B Coy 24 Jul 45. A Coy 25 Jul 45.			
6.			0830-0930		Move to LARUMA PT				
7.			0930-0945		Talk by OC 42 L.C. Coy on embarking, disembarking, general matter relating to ALC itself				
8.			0945-1000		Embarking and disembarking				
9.			1000-1030		Loading of stores as per landing craft table and tactical loading of personnel				
10.			1030-1130		Disembarking from ALC, moving up beach and forming Coy perimeter (without stores)				
11.			1130-1200		As serial 10 - but with stores. Set up of dumps, etc.				
12.			1200-1300		Lunch				
13.			1300-1400		Disembarking - assault tps move into perimeter - working party and 'Q' personnel unload and dump stores				
14.			1400-1500		Disembarking across water gap.				
15.			1500-1515		Discussion				
16.			1515-1615		Return to B.L.P.4 and camp				
17.			Wednesday 25 Jul 45		A Coy B Coy C Coy		1900-2000 2000-2100 2100-2200	Trg Beach	Disembarking by night and forming perimeter " " " " " " " " " "
18.			Thursday 27 Jul 45		All coys				Rest day
19.			Friday 27 Jul 45		C Coy		0200-0800	Trg Beach	Night exercise landing
			Saturday 28 Jul 45		B Coy		0200-0800	"	" "
	Sunday 29 Jul 45	A Coy	0200-0800	"	" "				

61 AUST INF BN TRC INSTR 6/45  
COMPANY AMPHIBIOUS EXERCISE

Copy No 19

App 1)

HQ 61 Aust Inf Bn  
26 Jul 45

Ref Maps: TOROKINA ) 1 in to 1 mile  
CAPE MOLTKE)

OBJECT.

1. To practice all ranks in the conduct of a Company Amphibious operation by night.

LESSONS.

- 2. The success of an amphibious operation is dependant on:-
  - (i) detailed planning in all stages
  - (ii) adherence to plan once force is committed
  - (iii) correct appreciation of all available Intelligence information
  - (iv) sound training

AERIAL PHOTOGRAPHS.

3. One set of tactical photographs of AT SINIMA BAY is available from IO.

TROOPS TAKING PART.

4. As set out in Training Instruction No 5/45

ARTILLERY.

5. In landing tables allowance is made for inclusion of an Artillery FCO party ( 1 offr 3 ORs 400 lbs stores ). This party will NOT take part in actual exercise.

STORES, WEAPONS AND EQUIPMENT.

6. Taken stores only will be used. These will be stacked at B.L.P.4, clear of all normal barge and motor transport, at conclusion of night exercise on 25 Jul 45. C Coy will be responsible for stacking, under direction of Capt T.C.HUTCHINSON

7. All normal coy and sp weapons will be carried.

TRAFFIC CONTROL.

8. Coys will ensure that normal barge and transport traffic is not impeded by the exercise.

NARRATIVE.

9. 7 Aust Inf Bde Gp has been attempting to advance NORTH along the coast from TOROKINA, but is held up along the line of LARUMA R by an estimated 200 enemy.

Owing to the swampy nature of the country, all attempts to outflank have been unsuccessful.

OPENING SITUATION.

10. At 1800 hrs 26 Jul 45 the position was as follows:-

- One Aust Inf Bn - SOUTH bank LARUMA R
- One Aust Inf Bn - Rifle Range Area (527935)
- One Aust Inf Bn - Area 6493

11. During the afternoon of 26 Jul 45, 61 Aust Inf Bn, located at 6493, received an Operation Instr from Bde HQ, detailing one coy gp to capture and hold a beach head in AT SINIMA BAY.

12. An Op Instr was issued to X Coy and the following op order resulted.

X COY 61 AUST INF BN 00 19

Ref Maps: CAPE MOLTKE ) 1 in to 1 mile  
TOROKINA )

INFM:1. Enemy

- (a) Str and disposns - see trace P
- (b) L of C runs NORTH along coast from LARUMA PT to CAPE MOLTKE - foot pad only.
- (c) it is considered that enemy could mount a major counter attack against a ldg in AT SINIMA BAY only with tps from NORTH of AT SINIMA R. There has been no indication of enemy tps in that area.

2. Own tps

- (a) locations - see trace P
- (b) 9 AUST INF BN is to attack the enemy on the NORTH bank LARUMA R during night 26/27 Jul with a view to continuing adv NORTH.

3. Additional tps

Under Comd X Coy from 261500L  
Det 7 Aust Inf Bde Sig Sec  
Det 11 Aust Fd Amb

In sp X Coy from 261500L  
One Bty Y Fd Regt  
Det 42 Aust Ldg Craft Coy

4. Craft available

four ALC20  
one LCP (R)

5. Topographical and Met

Att as Appx A

INTENTION:

- 6. X Coy will capture and hold a beach head in AT SINIMA BAY.

METHOD:

- 7. Ldg beach, perimeter locality shown Trace P.

8. Allotment of tps

Aslt flt - X Coy Battle HQ  
A Pl  
one det 3 pl  
OC det 42 Ldg Craft Coy

Second flt - X Coy Main HQ  
B and C pls  
one sec 2 pl  
FOO and party

Third flt - one det 3 pl  
one sec 5 pl  
det 7 Aust Inf Bde Sig Sec  
det 11 Aust Fd Amb

9. Task

- (a) Hold beach head across enemy L of C
- (b) Patrol aggressively inland to depth of 2000 yds to prevent enemy escape from LARUMA R area.

10. Arty

FOO will register D tasks etc at first lt.

11. Mortars

- (a) Register D tasks at first lt
- (b) Be prepared to engage opportunity targets outside arc of perimeter

12. M.M.G.

- (a) one sub sec under comd each flank pl - cover approaches along beach.
- (b) prepare to fire on counter penetration tasks.

13. Pnrs

- (a) advise and assist in booby trap plan
- (b) assist in beach maintenance etc
- (c) prepare to serve as mob res for local counter attack

14. Idg Craft Sp

During ldg MG from craft will engage opportunity targets on shore.

15. Idg Table

Att as Appx B

16. Priority of wks

- (a) Force will be dug in by first lt
- (b) wiring etc commence at first lt

17. H Hr

2100L

ADM

18. Sup

- (a) on man - 1 day's ration  
1 emergency ration
- (b) res - 4 day's rations
- (c) all water bottles filled
- (d) res water - 40 x 2 gal cans - 2 x 44 gal drums

19. Arm

	<u>on man or with gun</u>	<u>coy res</u>
Rifle	100 rds	12 cases
LMC	500 rds	9 cases
OSMG	240 rds	10 cases
MMG	8 belts	48 belts
Mortar 3 in	24 rds	252 rds
Grenades 4 sec	3	30 cases
Grenades 7 sec	4 per sec	5 cases

19A. Dress. Battle order as per Bn Standing Orders

20. Stores

- (a) 50 coils wire                    3 hurricane lamps
- 6 shovels G.S.                    8 bundles pickets (large)
- 6 picks                              3 bundles pickets (small)
- 4 axes felling                    1 case bn med stores
- 2 tent flys                        200 lbs fd amb stores
- 1 case booby traps                4 Air/ground strips

4 tapes	1 blue light
3 beach lights	Hydra burner
1 red light	1 x 44 fuel

- (b) details of loading - see Appx B
- (c) all stores will be loaded by 1930L for flts 1 and 2  
1945L for flt 3

22. Dumps and Installations

First Key Plan att as Trace Q

23. Ldg Offr and Beach Coy

2IC X Coy responsible

24. Labour

- (a) stores loading and unloading parties sup by 4 and 6 pls
- (b) OC HQ Coy will make allotment in accordance with ldg table as Appx B.
- (c) working parties will carry stores to coy dumps, then return with ldg craft.

25. Tpt

7 x 3 ton vehs will report coy area 1830L

26. Embarkation

B.L.P.4 at 1945L.

27. MLO

Lt. R. P. CUMMINS

28. Med

C.A.P. vicinity Coy HQ  
det 7 Aust Fd Amb - see Trace Q

INTERCOMN

29. HQ

Coy HQ - see trace Q  
BnHQ - present location

30. Marking of Beach

- (a) Flanks of beach will be marked with YELLOW lts
- (b) Centre of beach marked with WHITE lt
- (c) Amn dumps RED lt
- (d) Stores dumps - BLUE lt

31. Wireless

- (a) 7 Aust Inf Bde Sig Sec will provide No 11 set and est comn between beach hd and Bn HQ.
- (b) Spare No 11 set will be carried for emergency
- (c) 1 x 108 MkII set in each of barges one and two

32. Air Ground Recognition

WHITE cross 12 ft x 6 ft on beach

33. ALDIS lamp

will be carried by sigs in aslt flt to sig to other barges if on wrong beach

34. Success sig

code by R/T BULLSH

ACK:

*Powara* Capt  
OC X Coy 61 Aust Inf Bn

Method of issue - Sigs  
Signed at *X60810L*

DISTRIBUTION:

	<u>OO</u>	<u>Appx A</u>	<u>Copy</u> <u>Appx B</u>	<u>Trace P</u>	<u>Trace Q</u>
A pl	1	1	1	1	1
B pl	2	2	2	2	2
C pl	3	3	3	3	3
HQ Coy	4	4	4	4	4
7 Aust Inf Bde Sig Sec	5	5	5	5	5
11 Aust Fd Amb	6	6	6	6	6
Y Aust Fd Regt	7	7	7	7	7
42 Aust Ldg Craft Coy	8	8	8	8	8
61 Aust Inf Bn	9	9	9	9	9
9 Aust Inf Bn	10	10	10	10	10
25 Aust Inf Bn	11	11	11	11	11
Sig O	12	12	12	12	12
T O	13	13	13	13	13
Q M	14	14	14	14	14
R S M	15	15	15	15	15
HQ 7 Aust Inf Bde	16	16	16	16	16
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TOPOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION

(issued with X Coy 61 Aust Inf Bn 00 19)

BEACH INFO1. Nature of beach

ABLE BEACH extends from lagoon at 494974 NORTH for 500 yards to the commencement of a belt of high jungle. The beach is steep to, composed of black sand, probably firm, with an average width of 10 yards from low water to high water mark and 30 yards from high water mark to timber line. Above high water mark the beach is level and covered with rough grass and vine.

2. Obstacles

Between low water and high water marks there are several partly buried logs.

3. Surf

The beach is sheltered from the normal SE swell and surf is approx 2 ft, suitable for landing from ALC20.

4. Seaward Approach

Natives state that there are no offshore obstacles and depth of water is ample for a dry shod landing from ALC20.

5. Winterland

The beach is bounded on the southern flank by a deep lagoon with a sand bar across the mouth. A line of casuarina trees extends NORTH for 200 yds merging into low swamp forest. At the extreme northern end of the beach there is a belt of high jungle. Inland the timber is low swamp forest.

SUN & MOON TABLE

6.	<u>date</u>	<u>Sun</u>		<u>Moon</u>	
		<u>Rises</u>	<u>Sets</u>	<u>Rises</u>	<u>Sets</u>
	26 Jul 45	0648	1846	1951	0736
	27 Jul 45	0648	1846	2046	0830
	28 Jul 45	0648	1846	2140	0921
	29 Jul 45	0648	1846	2234	1010

TIDES

7.	<u>date</u>	<u>High water</u>			<u>Low water</u>		
		<u>Time</u>	<u>ft</u>	<u>ins</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>ft</u>	<u>ins</u>
	26 Jul 45	0239	2	6	1225	0	3
	27 Jul 45	0307	2	5	1256	0	1
	28 Jul 45	0336	2	3	1325	0	0
	29 Jul 45	0358	2	0	1350	0	2

Note HEIGHT of water is based on Admiralty charts showing fathoms. Without such a chart, it's use is to obtain the difference in height at high water and low water.

CURRENT

8. The prevailing current along the WEST coast of BOUGAINVILLE is constantly a northerly one. Rate of flow varies from one to two knots.



X COY LANDING CRAFT TABLE  
(issued with X Coy 61 Aust Inf Bn 00 19)

CRAFT 4 ALC20

Serial (a)	Idg Craft		Personnel		Load		Stores (h)	Embark		Dis-embark		Remarks (n)	
	Craft No (b)	Type (c)	Sub-unit (d)	Number (e)	Guns (f)	Veh (g)		Place (j)	Time (k)	Place (l)	Time (m)		
1.	W	ALC20	One pl One det mortars 3"	1 - 6			1 case 9 cases 3 cases 3 cases 1 case 3 cases 6 cases 10/2 gal 10 coils No 11 set 20 lbs	7 sec Grenades 36M 3" mortar bombs .303 carton .303 charger 9 mm OSMG 2" mortar 4 sec Grenades 36M water cans rations - 4 days per man wire 350 lbs Coy med stores					
2.	X	ALC20	One pl One sub sec MMGs 2IC Batman C.O.R.C. Int personnel S.B. Working party FOO party	1 - 5 1 - 1 1 1 1 6 1 - 3			1 case 12 belts 3 cases 3 cases 3 cases 3 cases 6 cases 10/2 gal 10 coils 400 lbs	7 sec Grenades 36M MMG .303 carton .303 charger 9 mm OSMG 2" mortar 4 sec Grenades 36M water cans rations - 4 days per man wire Arty stores					

**X COY LANDING CRAFT TABLE**  
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Serial (a)	Ldg Craft		Personnel		Load		Stores (h)	Embark		Dis-embark		Remarks (n)
	Craft No (b)	Type (c)	Sub-unit (d)	Number (e)	Guns (f)	Veh (g)		Place (j)	Time (k)	Place (l)	Time (m)	
3.	Y	ALC20	One pl	1 -			1 case	7 sec Grenades 36M				
			One sub sec MMGs	5			12 belts	MMG				
			C.S.M.	1			3 cases	.303 carton				
			Sigs .x	2			3 cases	.303 charger				
			S.B.	1			3 cases	9 mm OSMG				
			Working party	6			3 cases	2" mortar				
							6 cases	4 sec Grenades 36M				
							10/2 gal	water cans				
								rations - 4 days per man				
							10 coils	wire				x res man- handle dupli- cate Noll set
4.	Z	ALC20	Pnr det	10			33 cases	3" mortar bombs				
			C.Q.M.S.	1			3 cases	.303 charger				
			Storeman	1			1 case	9 mm OSMG				
			Cools	4			12 cases	4 sec Grenades 36M				
			S.B.	1			2 cases	7 sec Grenades 36M				
			Det Bde Sigs	4			1 case	Verrey flares (assorted)				
			Det Mortar 3"	6			1 case	Booby traps (if available)				
			Fd Amb	1 - 6			10/2 gal	water cans				
			Tk A crew	5			2	tent flys				
							No ll set	350 lbs				
							20 coils	barbed wire				
							8 bundles	pickets (small)				
							4 bundles	pickets (large)				
							3	hurricane lamps				
								rations - 4 days per man				
							6	picks				
							6	shovels				
							4	axes				
							200 lbs	Fd Amb stores				
							4 strips	ground to air sig				
							24 belts	MMG				
							2/44 gal	drums water				
							1/44 gal	drum range fuel				
							1/44 gal	drum hydra burner complete				

EXERCISE ONLY

SECRET

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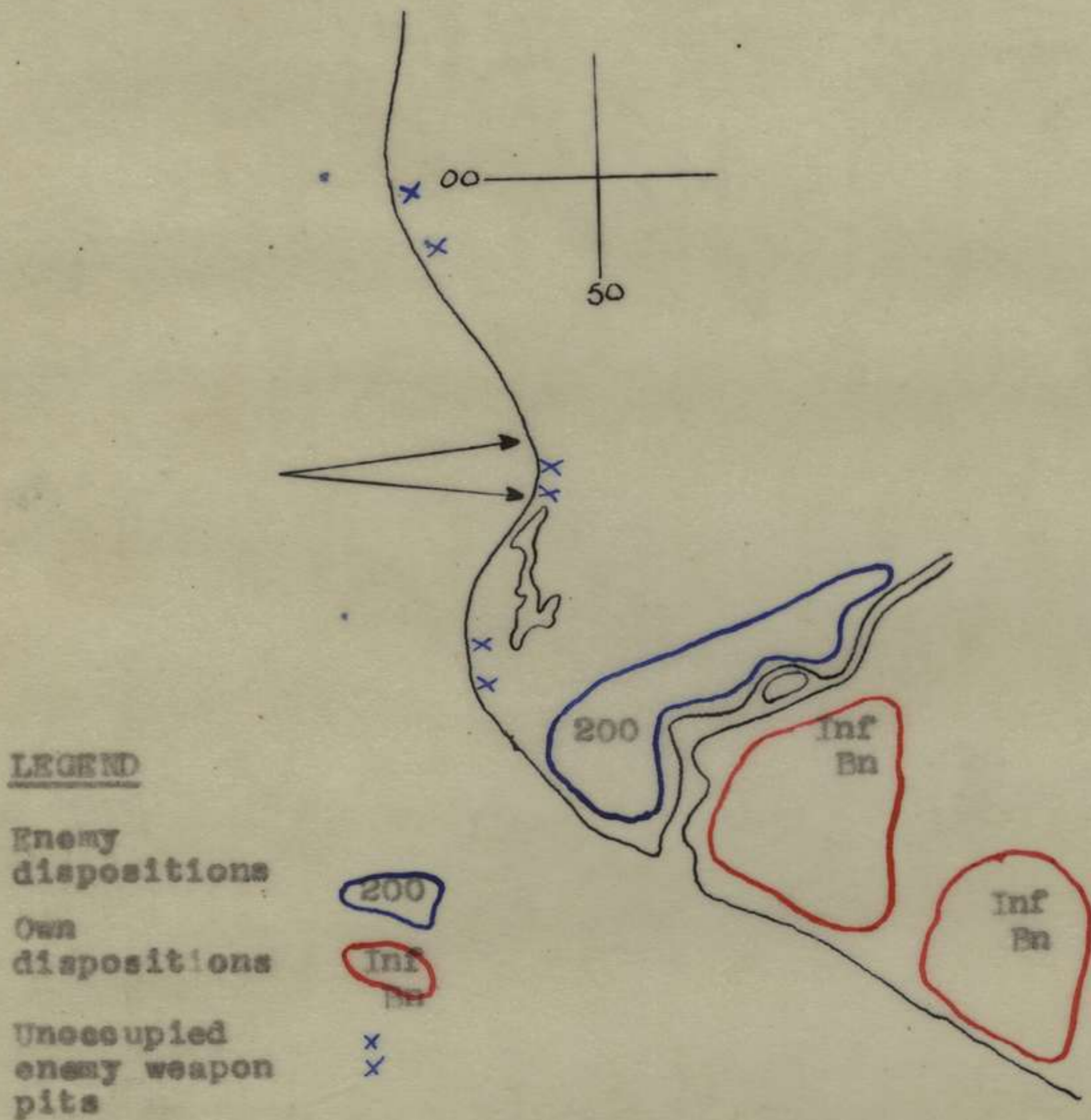
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DISPOSITIONS OWN TROOPS, STRENGTHS AND DISPOSITIONS

ENEMY - ABLE BEACH

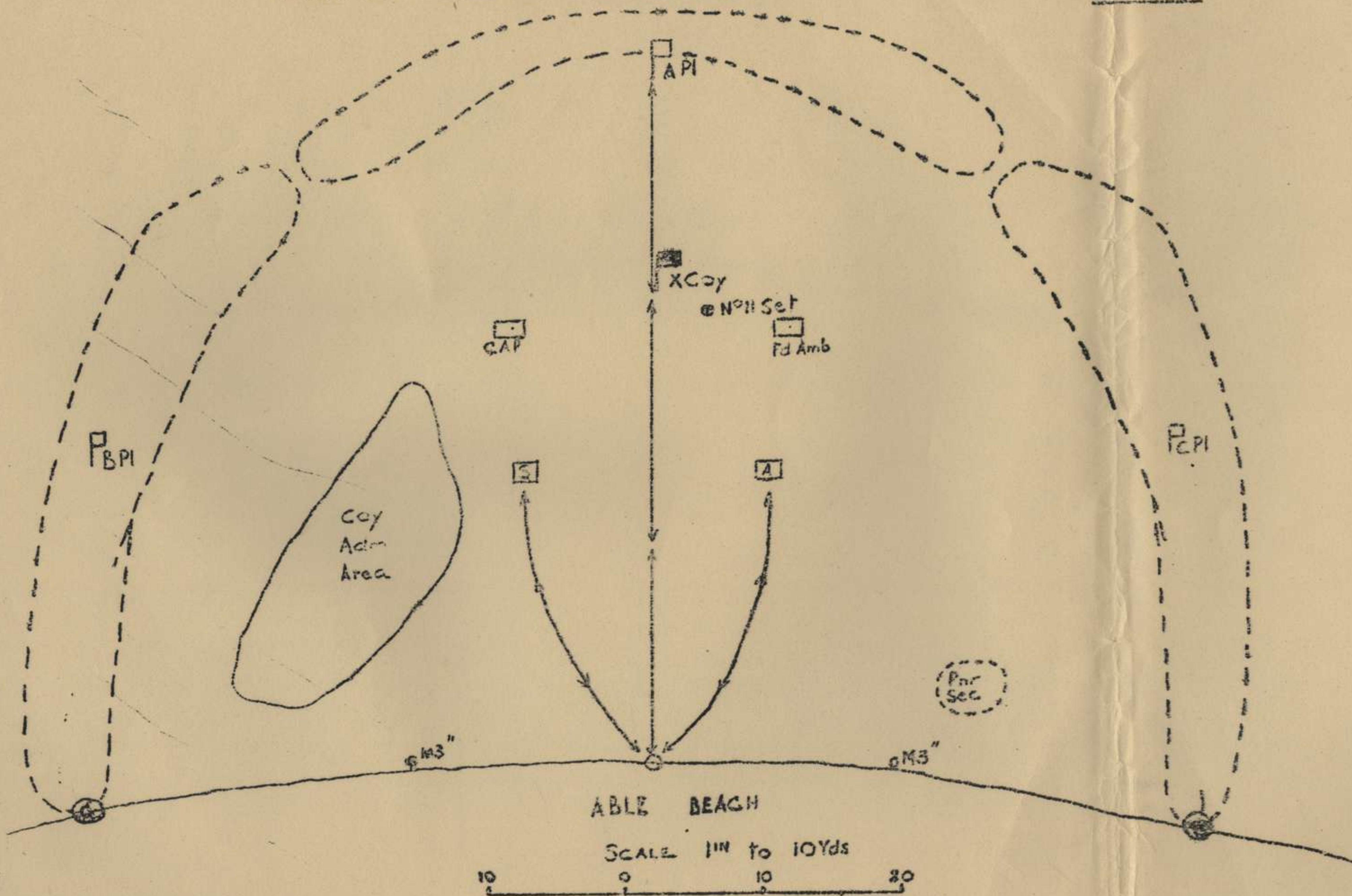
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Ref Map CAPE MOLTKE 1:63360



FIRST KEY PLAN  
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- LEGEND
- ⊙ - Beach Markers
  - ⊠ - Dry dump
  - ⊠ - Amb dump
  - > Traffic circuits
  - PI Bdys.

## 61 AUST INF BN TRAINING SYLLABUS

PERIOD 30 Jul - 4 Aug 45

Wa Diary

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S e r	DATE	SUB- UNIT	AREA	SUBJECT	LESSONS	REMARKS
1	30 Jul	HQ Coy	Coy Area	Specialist trg - sport	1 Pl - Morse Code R/T W/T procedure Lecture on Pigeon Service 2 Pl - Gun drill - Quiz 3 Pl - Bayonet - Gun drill Lecture Apex Angles 4 Pl - Gun drill - Sight testing - Mechanism	SAT Vol 1 Pam 7 less 52 & 58 SAT Vol 1 Pam 9 less 6 - 10 less 56 - 57
		A Coy	Trg Area 30x range	Sec trg - sport	Assault course - Bayonet Zeroing rifles	Pam 2 less 1 - 2
		B Coy	Trg Area	Sec trg - sport	Sec in Advance and first contact	2 Aust Corps Tac & Adm Doc- trine Tac 5 Tropical Warfare Pam 2 Chap 8
		C Coy All Coys	Trg Area Unit theatre	Sec trg - sport Trg films - 1900 hrs	Sec Battle drill Pl in Defence Jungle Warfare	M. & B. D. Sec 25
2	31 Jul	HQ Coy	Coy Area 30x range	Specialist trg - sport	1 Pl - Morse Code - Sig clerk duties 2 Pl - Range practice - MMG shoot 3 Pl - Rifle - Mortar - Sandtable ranging	SAT Vol 1 Pam 3 less 13 - 15 Pam 9 less 24 - 25 Pam 4 less 9
		A Coy	Trg Area	Sec trg - sport	4 Pl - Bren - Gun drill - Maintenance Sec in Ambush	2 Aust Corps Tac & Adm Doc- trine 7 Tropical Warfare Pam 2 Chap 12
		B Coy	TOROKINA R. 200x range	Range practice - sport	Rifle classification shoot	2 Aust Corps Tac & Adm Doc- trine Tac 3 Tropical Warfare Pam 2 Chap 10.
		C Coy	Trg Area	Sec trg - sport	Recce patrols	
3	1 Aug	HQ Coy	Coy Area	Specialist trg - sport	1 Pl - Switchoverboard operations Lecture Signal security 2 Pl - Gun drill - stoppages 3 Pl - Grenade - Panorama drawings 4 Pl - Bayonet - Gun drill	SAT Vol 1 Pam 7 less 12 & 17 SAT Vol 1 Pam 12 less 3 Pam 9 less 2
		A Coy	Trg Area	Sec trg - sport	Lecture and practical - Laying of booby traps - CAB discussion	2 Aust Corps Tac & Adm Doc- trine - Tac 6(c) 7(b) 8(b) Tropical Warfare Pam 2 Chap 14

Serial	DATE	SUB-UNIT	AREA	SUBJECT	LESSONS	REMARKS
		B Coy	Trg Area	Sec trg - sport	Patrols and formations	2 Aust Corps Tac & Adm Doctrine - Tac 3 2 Aust Corps Tac & Adm Doctrine - Tac 6(c) 7(b)
		C Coy	Trg Area	Sec trg - sport	Sec in defence - setting of booby traps	
4	2 Aug	HQ Coy	Coy Area	Specialist trg - sport	1 Pl - cypher trg - encoding & decoding 2 Pl - Obstacle course - bayonet booby traps  3 Pl - Gun drill - setting of booby traps Lecture - Map spotting and recording targets 4 Pl - Sub calibre shoot Section patrols - location of and disarming booby traps	Pam 9 less 2 2 Aust Corps Tac & Adm Doctrine Tac 6(c) 7(b) Pam 9 less 26 2 Aust Corps Tac & Adm Doctrine Tac 6(c) 7(b)
		A Coy	30x range Trg Area	Sec trg - sport	Sec in defence	2 Aust Corps Tac & Adm Doctrine Tac 3 Tropical warfare Pam 2 Cahp 10 F. & B.D. Sec 25 Chap 3
		B Coy	Trg Area	Sec trg - sport	Assault course - Map reading - Jungle Navigation - CAB discussion	2 Aust Corps Tac & Adm Doctrine Tac 4
		C Coy	Trg Area	Sec trg - sport		
5	3 Aug	HQ Coy	Coy Area	Specialist trg - sport	1 Pl - Phonetics - abbreviations Sig clerk duties 2 Pl - Gun drill - stoppages Sand table MMG Posns 3 Pl - Assault course - OSMG - Map Reading - Fire orders 4 Pl - Pita Recapitulation - OSMG INT lecture Sec in Attack and Defence	SAT Vol 1 Pam 18 less 90-98  Pam 15 less 1 - 3
		A Coy	Trg Area	Sec trg - sport	Sec in Ambush	2 Aust Corps Tac & Adm Doctrine - Tac 3 Tropical Warfare Pam 2 Chap 10
		B Coy	Trg Area	Sec trg - sport		2 Aust Corps Tac & Adm Doctrine - Tac 7 Tropical Warfare Pam 2 Chap 12
		C Coy	Trg Area	Sec trg - sport	Sec in Attack - location and disarming of booby traps	2 Aust Corps Tac & Adm Doctrine Tac 3.

S e r	DATE	SUB- UNIT	AREA	SUBJECT	LESSONS	REMARKS
6	4 Aug	HQ Coy	Coy Area	Specialist trg - sport	1 Pl - Morse - maintenance of signal equipment 2 Pl - INT lecture - maintenance of weapons and stores 3 Pl - INT lecture - maintenance of weapons and stores 4 Pl - MMG - Mortar Instruction Maintenance of weapons Rifle classification shoot	
		A Coy	TOROKINA	200yd range Range practice - sport		
		B Coy		Coy Comds discretion		
		C Coy				
7	31 Jul -2 Aug	HQ COY	30x range	Re-Zeroing of Rifles		
8	30 Jul -4 Aug	All Coys		Trg (adre - Individual Trg of Personnel Ex Leave (as per 61 Aust Inf Bn Trg Instr 1/45 and 2/45)		

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Unit 61 AUST INF BN

Date and Time.—From 1 AUG 45

To 4 AUG 45

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
TOROKINA	1 Aug 45.		HQ Specialist trg and duties. A and C Coys weapon training. B Coy Section Trg. Capt Corbolt (Adj 25 Bn) visited this HQ. Leave draft of 3 Offrs 37 ORs warned for to prepare for onward mov.	
"	2 Aug 45.	1530L		
"		1045L	HQ Coy Specialist trg and duties. A Coy Section Training B Coy pl drill and section trg. C Coy section training. Leave draft of 3 Offrs (Capts Forward, Paterson and Rudder) and 37 ORs departed for NGDD for onward movement.	
"		1415L	Capt Brown (LOI) and Capt McKew (Bde TO) visited this HQ. Routine Orders serial 16/45 issued as per appx 1.	Appx 1.
"	3 Aug 45		HQ Coy specialist trg and duties. A Coy section trg. B Coy adm and lectures. C Coy maintenance of weapons and lectures. Capt Prentice (SC Bde) Lt Coulter (Bde B00) and Lbt Volger (ex B00) visited this HQ.	
"		0945L		
"		1130L	Int lecture to B and C Coys.	
"		1400L	Lt Col Hale (PPCM) 2 Aust Corps visited this HQ and lectured offrs on GCMS and DCMs.	
"		1405L	Capt Brown (LOI) visited this HQ.	
"		1605L	23 personnel marched in ex leave.	
"	4 Aug 45		HQ Coy specialist trg and duties. A Coy range practice. B Coy section trg. C Coy drill weapon and sec training. Coy Comds conference.	
"		0830L		
"		1205L	Brig Field (Adm Comd 3 Aust Div) visited this HQ.	
"		1340L	Maj Blanch (Adm Comd 9 Aust Inf Bn) visited this HQ. Coy competition for week ending 3 Aug resulted as follows:- Lines A Coy 89 points - HQ Coy 84 points. <span style="float: right;">91</span> Guard B Coy 93 points - C Coy 92 points - HQ Coy <del>81</del> points.	
"			Field Return of Offrs Serial 31/45 att as appx 2.	Appx 2.
"			Field Return of ORs Serial 31/45 att as appx 3.	Appx 3.
"			Amendments to X Coy 00 19 issued and att as appx 4.	Appx 4.

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Unit 61 AUST INF BN Date and Time.—From 5 AUG 45 To 8 Aug 45.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
TOROKINA	5 Aug 45		Rest Day for Bn - CPD Church Parade held at 0900 hrs.	
"	6 Aug 45.		HQ Coy specialist trg and duties. A Coy amphibious trg. B and C Coys working parties.	
		0920L	Maj Butler (BM) visited this HQ.	
		0950L	Capt Prentice (SC Bde) visited this HQ.	
		1300L	Lt J.D. Wilson (7 Bde Flamethrower Pl) visited this HQ and lectured Offrs and NCOs Pl Comds on Employment and characteristics of flamethrowers.	
		1300L	Maj McTAGGART (IHQ AEME) visited this HQ.	
			Bn Trg syllabus period 6-11 Aug 45 issued and attached as	Appx 5.
"	7 Aug 45		Capt Kelly (BML) visited this HQ.	
		1345L	Capt Rogers (241 LAD) visited this HQ.	
		1500L	Maj WATTS (Q Branch 2 Corps) Maj Hayward (First Army) and Lt Rohen (Corps Engrs) visited this HQ.	
			Verbal warning order received 2100 hrs from Bde for Bn to prepare to move to fwd area.	
		2115L	CO and IO visited Bde HQ.	
		2200L	CO held conference with all senior offrs of Bn.	
"	8 Aug 45		Capt Timson (Bde IO) visited this HQ.	
		0900L	WARNING ORDER for Bn to move fwd area, role protect L of C from MCKINNA BRIDGE to HARI RIVER (both incl) received from Bde and attached as appx 6	Appx 6.
		1030L	CO, IO and Adjt departed this HQ for fwd area.	
			MOVEMENT ORDER received from Bde and att as appx 7.	Appx 7.
			3 Aust Div Op Instr No 38 received and att as appx 8.	Appx 8.
			Bn engaged in preparing for movement to fwd area.	
			CO resumed comd Bn as from 0600 hrs.	

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Unit 61 Aust Inf Bn Date and Time.—From 9 Aug 45. To 10 Aug 45.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
TOROKINA	9 Aug 45	0130L	BnHQ closed down at 646941 TOROKINA 1" and moved out en route to fwd area - arrived MOTUPENA PT per barge at 0700L, and	Appx 9.
		1200L 1715L	moved by MT to 991387 ref Map MONOITU 1/25000 arriving at 1200L CO departed this HQ for TOROKINA Bn Op Instr No 1 issued and att as appx 9 Location of sub-units as at 1800 hrs. Ref Map MONOITU 1/25000 BnHQ and B Ech 991387 ; B Coy less 11 Pl 968400 ; 11 Pl 955418 ; C Coy less 14 Pl 003382. Ref Map BARARA 1/25000 A Coy less 7 Pl and 9 Pls 872487 ; 9 Pl 838478 ; Ref Map HIRU HIRU 1/25000 7 Pl 938430. Ref Map MAMAGOTA 1/25000 14 Pl 973339. Bn now under direct comd of 3 Aust Div.	
MONOITU	10 Aug	1200L	All Coys carried out security patrols as per OP Instr - NMS. B Coy recce patrol 1 NCO and 10 ORs to investigate garden area 964427 then SOUTH to 963424 and WEST across POROEI River to BUIN RD - NMS. C Coy patrol from 973329 (MAMAGOTA) SOUTH and along coast to 993301 observed 1 enemy at 990304 and 4 sets footprints at 993301 <del>XXXXXXXXXXXX</del> from this point 2 more enemy were observed on beach at 003293. This patrol erected FELO Signs at 975313, 982308, 990304 and 993301. Bn assumed responsibility from 57/60 Bn of guarding Lof C	<i>Map for patrol overlay showing dispositions - Appx A.</i>

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Unit 61. Aust Inf Bn Date and Time.—From 11 Aug 45. To 12 Aug 45

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
MONOITU	11 Aug 45	1215L	CO returned this HQ from TOROKINA. All coys carried out security patrols as per Op Instr - NMS. B Coy patrol 1 Offr and 12 ORs from 955415 NORTH along EAST bank of POROEI River to 962435 thence along URURUR River to HAMMER RD at 974430 NMS. C Coy patrol from 973329 SOUTH and along Coast to 993301 - NMS.	
		2100L	Relieved RMO, Capt V.J. Bennett and 1 Offr Lt J.J. White and 10 ORs marched in to LOB Area TOROKINA 646941 ex Leave. Message received from 3 Div stating that every effort will be made to avoid Aust casualties owing to probability of early cessation of hostilities attached as appx 10. Precis on Protection of L of C issued and att as appx 11 Precis on Tropical Hygiene issued and att as appx 12 Precis on Various methods employed for the detection of mines and booby traps during an advance issued and att as appx 13 Routine Orders Part 1 (2 Aust Corps) received and att as appx 14 2 x 1000 lb Unexploded bomb located A Coy area 871482 BARARA 1 Jap mine (live) located B Coy area 967400 - MONOITU	Appx 10. Appx 11. Appx 12.  Appx 13. Appx 14.
MONOITU	12 Aug 45	1700L	CO departed this HQ to visit 14 Pl at MAMAGOTA -returned 1700L All Coys carried out security patrols as per Op Instr - NMS. B Coy patrol 1 NCO and 6 ORs from 967400 SOUTH along BUIN RD to 973359 WEST to track junc 944391 then NE to BUIN RD 964406 NMS. Patrol 1 NCO 6 ORs from 955418 SOUTH along BUIN RD to 963411 SW to 959408 NW to track junc 945416 NE to BUIN RD - NMS. C Coy patrol from 003382 via TAITAI junc to rd junc 010414 returned via MAMAGOTA junc to 003382 - NMS.  Routine Orders Part 1 Serial No 17/45 issued and attached as per	Appx 15.

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Unit 61 Aust Inf Bn Date and Time.—From 13 Aug 45. To 14 Aug 45.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
MONOITU	13 Aug 45		<p>All Coys carried out security patrols as per Op Instr NMS. B Coy patrol 1 Offr and 10 ORs from 967400 NORTH along WEST bank PINTAI River to 985415 then follow track to HAMMER RD and return to 967400 via BUIN RD -NMS. C Coy patrol 1 NCO 10 ORs from 003382 WEST Along BUIN RD to 983387 failed to locate track. patrol then wmoved NORTH along BUIN RD to RUNAI investigated garden area 965399 and area 600-800 yards SOUTH of BUIN RD to 976891 and returned to 003382 - NMS. 14 Pl patrol from 973329 SOUTH and along coast to Log Xing 993301 checked signposts previously erected and made alterations where necessary. FELO signposts in area now at 965320 969317 971316 974314 976311 981308 990300 993300. 2 old graves located 986304 NMS. BnHQ patrol 1 offr and 12 ORs searched area 992378 for sign of reported enemy - NMS.</p>	
MONOITU	14 Aug 45		<p>At 1430 hrs 2 Offrs Capt Bennett and Lt White and 10 ORs marched in this HQ ex LOB.</p> <p>All Coys carried out security patrols as per Op Instr - NMS. B Coy patrol 1 NCO 8 ORs from 955418 NORTH along EAST Bank of POROEI River to 962433 then followed TIGER RD and returned along HAMMER RD to 955418 - NMS. Patrol 1 Offr 10 ORs search squares 9739, 9740 - NMS. C Coy patrol 1 NCO 12 ORs searched square 9937 - NMS. HQ Gp patrol investigated area SOUTH of BUIN RD from 987384 to MAMAGOTA junc- NMS. Following a report of 5 Nips crossing road at 982398 fighting patrol searched 100 to 200 yards each side of rd between MAMAGOTA junc and RUNAI - NMS.</p>	

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Unit 61 Aust Inf Bn

Date and Time.—From 15 Aug 45

To 16 Aug 45

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
MONOITU	15 Aug 45		<p>All coys carried out security patrols as per Op instr - NMS. B Coy patrol 1 NCO and 10 ORs from 962411 SW to track junc 945417 thence followed track to BUIN RD - NMS. C Coy patrol 1 NCO 10 ORs from 003382 NORTH to TAI TAI junc via log xing 002398 then along track to 995406 - NMS. 14 Pl patrol 1 NCO 8 ORs from 973329 SOUTH and along coast to log xing 993301 - NMS. Following a report that enemy have attempted to blow PEPERU BR night 14/15 Aug a patrol from HQ Group located 2 x 81 mm mortar bombs used as a mine on BUIN RD 75 yds EAST of bridge. Patrol removed bombs and in a search of the area found another 81 mm mortar bomb 2 coils wire and several blocks picric explosive. 3 sets footprints at 997380 leading SE within last 12 hours. A patrol from C Coy followed tracks and searched area - NMS. One section 13 Pl now located at 995380 for protection bridge. 11 Pl B Coy report one enemy was disturbed at 2345 hrs while attempting to blow the POROEI BR 956418 Enemy fled when fired on and left behind a 50 mm mortar bomb and fuse. 23 personnel departed area 0900 hrs for TOROKINA Perimeter to attend GRACIE FIELDS Concert.</p>	<p><i>Patrol overflew prior 10-15 Aug 45 see Appx. B.</i></p>
MONOITU	16 Aug		<p>At 0145 hrs enemy blew girders of PEPERU BR 995380 - movement was heard and shots fired but enemy escaped. All coys carried out security patrols as per OP instr NMS. A Coy patrol 1 NCO 8 ORs from 938430 NORTH along EAST bank of HONGORAI RIVER to MARTINS XING 940445 and SOUTH along track to Coy ) NMS. B Coy patrol 1 NCO 6 ORs from 967400 SW along PINTAI RIVER to garden 949395 thence NORTH along track to BUID ROAD - NMS. HQ Group patrol first light patrol from 991387 along BUIN RD to RUNAI found one set footprints at approx 969399 made night 15/16 Aug no further signs found. C Coy Patrol 1 NCO 6 ORs from 003382 WEST along BUIN RD To MAMAGOTA junc and SOUTH to 993370 returning by same route.</p>	

*D. W. Skelton*  
Adj. 61 Aust Inf Bn

# WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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Unit 61 Aust Inf Bn

Date and Time.—From 16 Aug 45

To 18 Aug 45

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
MONOITU	16 Aug 45	1400 hrs	CO, IO and Sig Offr departed this HQ to visit all coys. Message received from 3 Div announcing the cessation of hostilities with Japan as from 15 Aug - att as per appx 16	Appx 16
		1400L	Personnel, who desired to, attended a Thanksgiving Service held at 3 Div Hq. Routine Orders serial 18/45 issued and att as appx 17 14 Pl and 1 sec 15 Pl now at PEPERU BRIDGE 996379 MONOITU/25000	Appx 17.
MONOITUR	17 Aug 45		All coys carried out security patrols as per Op Instr - NMS. B Coy patrol 1 NCO 8 ORs from 967400 to 912395 then EAST along track to TOMOI River followed river to creek junc 984404 returned to BUIN RD along EAST Bank of river found four sets footprints 3/4 days old at 979393 - no signs of further enemy movement. C Coy patrol 1 NCO 6 ORs from 003382 WEST along BUIN Rd to MAMAGOTA junc then SOUTH along Rd to 988362 returning along WEST bank of PEPERU RIVER to BUIN ROD - NMS. 14 Pl heard movement outside perimeter and two booby traps sprung NW of PEPERU BRIDGE.	
MONOITU	18 Aug 45		BnHQ and B Ech closed down 991387 0800 hrs and reopened 993306 same time. All coys carried out security patrols as per Op Instr - NMS. B Coy patrol 1 NCO 6 ORs from 967400 SW along PINTAI River to garden 949395 returned NORTH along track to BUIN RD NMS. 1 NCO 6 ORs from 955418 NORTH Along EAST bank of POROEI RIVER to 962433 followed TIGER RD to HAMMER RD and returned to 955418 NMS. C Coy patrol 1 NCO 6 ORs from 003382 to TAITAI junc then SOUTH along rd to 993370 returned to Coy via BUIN RD - NMS. Personnel who attended GRACE FIELDS Concert returned this area.	

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# WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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Unit 61 Aust Inf Bn

Date and Time.—From 19 Aug 45. To 21 Aug 45.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
MONOITU	19 Aug 45		<p>Special Order issued by Maj Gen BRIDGFORD GOC 3 Aust Div received and att as appx 18</p> <p>All Coys carried out security patrol as per Op Instr NMS. A Coy patrol 1 NCO 6 ORs from 7 pl 938430 NORTH along EAST bank of HONGORAI RIVER to MARTINS KING 940445 then along TIGER ROAD to track junc 945444 and SOUTH along track to Coy - NMS. Patrol 1 NCO 6 ORs from 967400 NORTH along WEST bank of PINTAI River to garden 985415 returned same route NMS. C Coy patrol 1 NCO 6 ORs from 003382 to TAITAI junc then SOUTH along rd to 993370 returned to Coy via BUIN RD - NMS.</p>	Appx 18.
MONOITU	20 Aug 45		<p>Bn LOB moved out from 646941 TOROKINA 1" and set up at 603959 TOROKINA as from 1115 hrs.</p> <p>All coys carried out security patrols as per Op Instr - NMS. B Coy patrol 1 NCO 6 ORs from 967400 SW along PINTAI River to BUIN RD → NMS. 1 NCO 6 ORs from 955418 NORTH along EAST bank POROEI River to 962433 followed TIGER Rd to HAMMER Road and returned along Rd to Coy - NMS. C Coy patrol 1 NCO 8 ORs from 003382 to TAITAI Junc then south along road garden area 993370 returned to Coy via BUIN RD - NMS.</p>	<i>Patrol overlay period 16-20 Aug 45 as in Appx C</i>
MONOITU	21 Aug 45.		<p>All Coys carried out security patrols as per Op Instr - NMS B Coy patrol 1 NCO 6 ORs from 967400 to 972396 EAST along track to TOMOI River to creek junc 984403 and returned along EAST bank to BUIN RD to Coy - NMS. C Coy patrol 1 NCO 6 ORs from 003382 to TAITAI junc then SOUTH along Rd to MAMAGOTA junc 992381 and return to coy along BUIN RD NMS. 1 NCO 6 ORs from 003382 WEST Along BUIN RD to MAMAGOTA junc then SOUTH to garden area 985355 found 12 sets footprints 2/3 days old at approx 991374 and followed footprints as far as MAMAGOTA where the tracks were lost in the scrub. These footprints were going in both directions along track. The sig line used by our troops had been cut in several places and a number of surrender leaflets left in the area four days previously had been removed.</p>	

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Adjt 61 Aust Inf Bn

# WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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Unit 61 Aust Inf Bn

Date and Time.—From 22 Aug 45.

To 24 Aug 45.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
MONOITU	22 Aug 45		<p>All coys carried out security patrols as per Op Instr - NMS. B Coy patrol 1 NCO 6 ORs from 955418 NORTH along EAST bank of POROEI river to 962433 followed TIGER Rd to HAMMER Rd and returned to 955418 - NMS. C Coy patrol 1 NCO 6 ORs from 003382 to TAITAI junc then SOUTH along Rd to MAMAGOTA junc 992381 returned same route - NMS (.) 1 NCO 6 ORs from 003382 WEST along BUIN RD to MAMAGOTA returned same route NMS.</p> <p>All tps in fwd area received one free bottle of Beer for VP day Mobile cinema screened in this area at night - show "Here comes the Co-Eds."</p>	
	23 Aug 45.		<p>All Coys carried out security patrols as per Op Instr - NMS. B Coy 1 NCO 6 ORs from 967400 SW along PINTAIN RIVER to garden 949395 and returned along track to B UIN RD - NMS. 1 NC 0 6 ORs from 955418 NORTH along EAST bank of POROEI River to 962433 followed TIGER RD to HAMMER Rd and returned along Road to 955418 (.) C Coy 1 NCO 6 ORs from 003382 WEST along BUIN RD to MAMAGOTA junc then SOUTH along Rd to garden area 985355 return same route - NMS.</p>	
	24 Aug 45.		<p>All Coys carried out security patrols as per Op Instr - NMS. A Coy 1 NCO 6 ORs from 938430 NORTH along EAST bank of HONGORAI to MARTINS XING 940445 returned along TIGER Rd to track junc 945444 and SOUTH along track to 938430 NMS. B Coy 1 NCO 6 ORs from 967400 NORTH along WEST bank of PINTAI River to 985415 returned same route NMS. C Coy 1 NCO 6 ORs from 003382 to TAITAI junc then SOUTH along Rd to 993370 returned to Coy via BUIN RD NMS.</p>	<p><i>Patrol overlap period 21-24 Aug 45 as in Appx D</i></p>

*D. W. Black Lt*  
Adjt 61 Aust Inf Bn



# WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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Unit 61 Aust Inf Bn Date and Time.—From 25 Aug 45 To 27 Aug 45.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
MONOITU	25 Aug 45	1000L	<p>Maj Gen BRIDGEFORD (GOC 3 Aust Div) visited this HQ and gave informal talk to troops.</p> <p>All Coys carried out security patrols as per OP Instr - NMS. B Coy - 1 NCO 6 ORs from 967400 SW along PINTAIN R to garden 949395 then NE along track to BUIN RD - NMS. 1 NCO 6 ORs from 955418 NE along HAMMER RD to garden 978433 returned same route NMS. C Coy 1 NCO 6 ORs from 003382 to TAITAI junc then SOUTH along rd to MAMAGOTA junc 992381 returned along BUIN RD NMS.</p>	
	26 Aug 45.		<p>All Coys carried out security patrols as per Op Instr - NMS. A Coy 1 NCO 6 ORs from 938430 NORTH along east bank of HONGORAI RIVER to MARTINS XING returned along TIGER TRACK to track junc 945444 and south along track to BUIN RD NMS. B Coy 1 NCO 6 ORs from 967400 to 972396 EAST along track to TOMOI RIVER followed river to creek junc 984403 and returned along east bank to BUIN RD NMS. C Coy 1 NCO 6 ORs from 003382 west along BUIN RD to MAMAGOTA JUNC then south along road to 979346 - returned same route NMS.</p>	
		1000L	<p>CO departed this HQ for TOROKINA.</p>	
	27 Aug 45		<p>As from today a number of personnel will be conveyed by MT to TOKO each morning excl Sundays for surfing.</p> <p>All coys carried out security pabbols as per Op Instr - NMS. B Coy 1 NCO 6 ORs from 955418 NORTH along HAMMER RD to 968427 then NW to 961433 returned along EAST Bank of POROEI RIVER to ABUIN ROAD NMS. 1 NCO 6 ORs from 967400 SW along PINTAI RIVER to garden 959395 returned NE along track to BUIN ROAD NMS. C Coy 1 NCO 6 ORs from 003382 to TAITAI junc then SOUTH along rd to M 993370 returned via BUIN ROAD NMS.</p> <p>Mobile cinema screened in BnHQ Area.</p>	

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Adjt of Aust Inf Bn

# WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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Unit 61 Aust Inf Bn Date and Time.—From 28 Aug 45. To 30 Aug 45.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
MONOITU	28 Aug 45		All Coys carried out security patrols as per Op Instr - NMS. A Coy patrol 1 NCO 6 ORs from 938430 along EAST bank of HONGORAI to MARTINS XING 2940445 returned along TIGER RD to track junc 945444 then SOUTH along track to BUIN RD + NMS. B Coy 1 NCO 6 ORs from 967400 to track 972396 then EAST to TOMOI RIVER followed river to creek junc 984403 returned along EAST bank to BUIN RD NMS. C Coy 1 NCO 6 ORs from 003382 WEST along BUIN RD to MAMAGOTA Junc then SOUTH to 985355 returned same route NMS.	
	29 Aug 45		Leave draft of 50 ORs in readiness for onward movement to Aust departed for TOROKINA 0930 hrs. B Coy 1 NCO 6 ORs from 967400 NORTH along PINTAI River to garden area 985415 returned same route NMS. 1 NCO 6 ORs from 955418 North along HAMMER RD to garden 973433 returned same route NMS. C Coy 1 NCO 6 ORs from 003382 to TAITAI junc then SOUTH along road to 993370 returned via BUIN RD - NMS. Lt James marched out to LOB from this HQ to go to Bde as Bde Amenities Officer.	<i>Patrol overlay period 25/26 Aug 45 See Appx E</i>
	30 Aug 45		All coys carried out security patrols as per OP Instr - NMS. B Coy 1 NCO 6 ORs from 967400 SW along PINTAI RIVER to garden 949395 returned along track to BUIN ROAD NMS. 1 NCO 6 ORs from 955418 NORTH along Hammer Rd to 968427 followed TIGER RD -Q to POROEI RIVER returned to BUIN RD along East Bank of river NMS. C Coy 1 NCO 6 ORs from 003382 WEST along BUIN RD to MAMAGOTA junc then SOUTH along road to 979346 returned same route NMS.	

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Date and Time.—From 31 Aug 45. To .....

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
MONOITU	31 Aug 45	0830L	<p>Leave draft of 39 ORs departed this area 1030 hrs for TOROKINA in readiness for onward movement to Australia.</p> <p>Maj Gen BRIDGEMAN (GOC 3 AUST DIV) visited this HQ.</p> <p><del>All coys carried out security patrols as per Op Instr - NMS.</del></p> <p>B Coy 1 NCO 6 ORs from 967400 to 972396 EAST along track to TOMOI River followed river to creek junc 984403 returned along EAST bank to BUIN RD - NMS. 1 NCO 6 ORs from 955418 NORTH along HAMMER RD to garden area 978433 returned same route NMS.</p> <p>C Coy 1 NCO 6 ORs from 003382 to TAITAI Junc then SOUTH along rd to 993370 returned via BUIN RD - NMS.</p> <p>Message received from Bde <del>that</del> notifying cancellation of last two leave drafts. Frank Coglen concert party gave concert in BnHQ Area.</p>	<p><i>Patrol overday 30-31 Aug 45 as per Appx F</i></p> <p><i>[Signature]</i> Lt-Col Comd 61 Aust Inf Bn</p> <p><i>[Signature]</i> Adj 61 Aust Inf Bn</p>

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES  
ROUTINE ORDERS PART I  
 by  
MAJ E. McK. TWEMLOW  
ADM COMD 61 AUST INF BN

Copy No ..13...  
 Serial No 16/45  
 Nos 92 - 96.

HQ 61 Aust Inf Bn  
 2 AUG 45

92. CONSERVATION OF CURRENCY.

Difficulty is being experienced in maintaining stocks of currency at a level sufficient to carry out normal pay service. This is apparently caused by personnel holding or carrying out on leave etc large sums in cash. This is unnecessary and personnel will be instructed to pass to paybook credit any surplus cash held or acquired by them.

93. POSSESSION OF PAYBOOKS.

Coys will ensure that when personnel are evacuated from the unit they are in possession of paybooks.

94. IDENTITY DISCS.

Identity discs will be worn at all times and will be produced for checking purposes when so requested by airport staffs.

95. REGIMENTAL TRUST FUND.

<u>On hand commencement of month</u>		£266.11. 9.
<u>Received during Month</u>		
Bn Canteen Profits	£100. - 0 -	
Canteen Profit Distribution (May)	47.11. 8.	
From Sundry Expenses	2. 1. -	147.13. 9.
<u>Expenditure during month</u>		
Prizes Bn Sports Carnival	12.17. 6.	
ROTHWELLS - RIBBON BARS	5.12. 6.	
Sundry Expenses	5. - 0 -	
A.A.A.S.	33.15. -	57. 5. -.
<u>Balance on hand</u>		£357.-. 6.

We certify that we have examined the Cash Book, Unit Trust Book and Vouchers relating to 61 Aust Inf Bn Regt Trust Account, and that in our opinion this statement correctly sets out the position of the fund as at 27 JUL 45.

Signed. J. S. PATERSON Capt  
 Signed. ARTHUR A. WATTS Lt

96 UNIT CANTEEN ACCOUNT

		<u>Trading Transactions</u>	
Period from 1 Jul 45 to 31 Jul 45.			
	<u>Debit</u>		<u>Credit</u>
Stock at beginning of period	166.13.7.	Sales for period as per Cash Trading Book	838.11. 9.
Purchases for period as per Cash Trading Book	761. 7.5.	Credit Sales for period as per Schedule	5. 7.11.
Profit for period	6. 5.1.	Stock on hand at end of period as per Stock Book	92. 6. 5.
	£934. 6. 1.		£934. 6. 1.
<b>Total Profit for Month</b>	45. 2.11.	Profit for period c/d	6/ 5. 1.
		Discount earned during month as per Purchases Book.	38.17.10.
	£45. 2.11.		£45. 2.11.

UNIT CANTEEN ACCOUNT

Statement of Assets and Liabilities  
as at 31 Jul 45

<u>Liabilities</u>		<u>Assets</u>
Excess of Assets over liabilities:		Cash in Bank as per Bank Pass Book
Bal c/fwd from last period	557. 14. 11.	150. - . -.
Plus profit for period	45. 2. 11.	Cash on Hand as per Cash Trading Book
	<u>£602. 17. 10.</u>	240. 13. 6.
Less Amount Transferred to Unit Trust Fund	100. - . -.	Small items due by personnel
Less Amount expended in Supplementary Rations	16. 10. -.	3. 7. 11.
	<u>£116. 10. -.</u>	Stock at end of Period as per Stock Book
	486. 7. 10	92. 6. 5.
	<u>£486. 7. 10</u>	<u>£486. 7. 10.</u>

Certified that there are no outstanding debits (with exception of £3.7.11. due by personnel) and that receipted vouchers for all purchases are held, and that all Purchases and Sales have been brought to A/c in the Cash Trading Book.

Signed. J.N. WHITTAKER LT Unit Canteen Officer  
Signed. R.B.J. PILBEAM S/SGT Unit Canteen NCO.

Certified that all accounting records and vouchers of the Unit Canteen have been audited for the month of JULY 45 and the above Trading Transactions and Statement of Assets and Liabilities reveal the true and accurate position of the Canteen as at 31 JULY 45.

Signed. J.S. PATERSON Capt Unit Audit Board  
Signed. D.M. McKELLAR Capt " " "

*D.W. Hook Lt*  
Asst Adjt 61 Aust Inf Bn

DISTRIBUTION : LIST 'A'

NOTICES

GCM - FAILURE TO SUPERVISE MALARIA PRECAUTIONS

NX52067 Lt G.A. CURBY 42 Aust Inf Bn was on 27 Jun 45 charged with neglecting personally to supervise the taking of atebirin and the carrying out of other malarial precautions by personnel under his command. He was convicted and ordered to suffer a reprimand.

ACF HAMPERS. Receipt is acknowledged of ACF Hampers for JUNE.

3 AUST DIV LITERARY AND ART COMPETITION

Many entries have been received but there is room for many more. Subjects chosen should if possible deal with life as we find it on this island. The Competition will close on 30 Sep 45.

COMMONWEALTH FORESTRY SCHOLARSHIPS

Applications are invited from members of the Australian Defence Forces for Forestry Scholarships established by the Commonwealth Government. At least ten such Scholarships are now available and are open to application from -

1. a. Holders of a degree of an Australian university (inclusive of approved natural science subjects).
- b. Holders of a certificate of satisfactory completion of the special two-years' pre-requisite course, leading to the diploma course at the Australian Forestry School, at one of the universities.

2. Students attending an Australian University but not holding a degree certificate as indicated in 1 a. and b. above.
3. Matriculated students prepared to enter upon the special two-years' pre-requisite Forestry course at an Australian university leading to the diploma course at the Australian Forestry School.

The scholarships are tenable at an Australian university for the whole, or part, of the pre-requisite two years' course leading to the diploma course at the Australian Forestry School and/or the two years' diploma course at the Australian Forestry School.

The period of currency of the scholarships will be the time normally required to enable the scholarship holder to fulfil the pre-requisite course at the university and the diploma course at the Australian Forestry School.

The Scholarship holder will receive a scholarship allowance of £150 per annum during the currency of his scholarship and the Commonwealth Government will pay the student's university fees as they become due. No fees are payable in respect of attendance at the Australian Forestry School. During vacation periods between university and school terms, and as opportunity offers, scholarship holders will be required to engage in practical forestry work for which they will be paid at prevailing award rates.

Other financial provisions and the conditions under which the scholarship holder will carry out his course are set out in a statement, a copy of which may be had on application to the Inspector-General of Forests.

Applicants will be required to show that they are desirous of gaining academic qualifications to embark upon a professional forestry career and to submit any evidence indicating their suitability for such a calling.

Successful applicants possessing qualifications for entry upon the diploma course at the Australian Forestry School will be required to present themselves at the commencement of the school year on or about Monday, 4th March 1946.

Preference will be given to applicants who have completed, or taken part of, the two-years' pre-requisite university courses.

Applications addressed to the Inspector-General of Forests, Commonwealth Forestry Bureau, Canberra, A.C.T., are receivable up to and including Saturday, 1st September, 1945.

Favourable consideration will be given to the release from the AMF of successful candidates, but no guarantee can be given in this connection.

# FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

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

31 / 45 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 4 / 8 / 1945 61 AUST INF BN (Unit)

W.E. II/12c 3 OFFRS. 38 O.R's. 769 + OFFRS. 1 O.R's. 32 ATT. BY W.E.

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

W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.				
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Rein'fts Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.	Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein'fts Required.	
-	-	-	1	*					
				*					
1	1	-	2	Lieut.-Colonels					
2	2	-	6	Majors					
5	5	-	15	Captains	AAMC	1	-	-	
-	-	-	1	Lieutenants					
				Quarter-masters					
				A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.					
				Civilians Counting as Offrs.					
8	8	-	25			1	-	-	

	DETAIL	A	A.F.	C.M.F.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.N.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL.	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	* *	TOTAL.
Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in para. 10 of instructions for compilation of form will complete Part E(1) & E(2).	A.	26	-	-	-							26
	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.
			N I L		

### OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit To.	Date.	CAUSE.
VX28129	Lt	GIBSON J.M.	Second Aust Army Junior Leaders School	30/7/45	To attend Second Aust Army Junior Leaders School, conclusion 12 days ARL
NX115828	Capt	PLUMMER R.T.V.	LTD SYDNEY	31/7/45	Proceeding on 24 days ARL
QX36029	Capt	RUDDER W.L.	LTD BRISBANE	2/8/45	" " " "
QX36365	Capt	PATERSON J.S.	LTD BRISBANE	2/8/45	" " " "
SX381	Capt	FORWARD G.O.	LTD ADELAIDE	2/8/45	" " " "
QX19174	Lt	FORD R.L.	2/1 AUST GEN HOSP	3/8/45	Det for Guard Duties

## PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO 61 Aust Inf Bn (Unit) IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED. 4 / 8 / 1945

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

## PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 4 / 8 / 1945 (Total to agree with Columns 4 and 7 of Part A.)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held.	Army Number.	Surname.	Initials.	Posting.	Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No)	If not present with Unit, state how employed.	Date of Detachment.
Lt-Col	NX130833	FARRELL	T. J.	CO	Yes		
Maj	QX36035	TWEMLOW	E. McK.	2IC	Yes		
Maj	QX36031	LAWSON	A. N.	OC HQ	Yes		
Capt	QX40906	HUTCHINSON	C. N.	OC B	Yes		
Capt	QX36029	RUDDER	W. L.		No	On leave	2 Aug 45
Capt	QX36365	PATERSON	J. S.		No	On leave	2 Aug 45
Capt	QX48862	GOWLAND	R. E.	OC A	Yes		
Capt	SX381	FORWARD	G. O.	ADJT	No	On leave	2 Aug 45
Capt	NX115828	PLUMMER	R. T. V.		No	On leave	31 Jul 45
Capt	NX116117	McKELLAR	D. H.	OC C	Yes		
Lt	QX36030	EMMETT	H. E.	Pnr O	Yes		
Lt	QX19174	FORD	R. L.	HQ Coy	No	Det 2/1 AGH for Duty	3 Aug 45
Lt	NX141459	CUMMINS	R. P.	TO	Yes		
Lt	QX51719	BRINKLEY	F. R.	A Coy	Yes		
Lt	QX53203	WHITTAKER	J. N.	A Coy	Yes		
Lt	QX51720	CLARKSON	A. G.		No	On leave	30 Jun 45
Lt	QX55054	WATTS	A. A.	B Coy	Yes		
Lt	QX61121	WHITE	J. J.	SO	No	On leave	18 Jun 45
Lt	QX60395	JAMES	W. C.	HQ Coy	Yes		
Lt	QX59984	HOOK	D. W.	A/Adjt	Yes		
Lt	QX62058	WHYBIRD	J. G.	B Coy	Yes		
Lt	SX21749	RUSSACK	H. W.	A/IO	Yes		
Lt	SX22866	SCOTT-TOMS	W. H.	C Coy	Yes		
Lt	QX36054	BALDWIN	N. E.		No	On leave	16 Jul 45
Lt	QX57794	WILSON	J. D.		No	Det 7 Bde Flame-thrower Platoon	3 Jul 45
Capt	NX200122	CLIFTON-SMITH G.		RMO	Yes		

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

Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank, if Held.	Army Number.	Name and Initials.	Unit.	Date of Attachment.	Nature of Attachment.
Chaplain	NX149802	BEATTY G. A.	61 Bn	21/7/45	Padre.
Capt	NX149733	McCABE C. J.	D Sec 63 Aust Dental Unit	11/5/45	

4/8/45

Date of Despatch

*John Twemlow* Maj

Adjutant General 61 Aust Inf Bn



PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 4 / 8 / 45 (Total to agree with Columns 4 and 7 of Part A.)

**SPECIAL LIST X OFFICERS**

8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
No	Rank	Name	Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No)	Position	Initials	Particulars.	Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held
VX29956	Capt	CAIRNS N.	Yes	CO		Marched out vic LTD 24 days ARI on 20/7/45	
QX48864	Capt	HOBBS S.T.	Yes	CO		Marched out ex leave to attend HQ school course 18/5-4 Aug 45.	
QX38891	Lt	DAVIS W.C.	Yes	CO		On leave from 2/7 Aust 16/7/45.	
VX15997	Lt	FINN C.	Yes	CO		On leave from secondment to New Guinea trg school 15 May 45	
QX59799	Lt	McDONALD A.	Yes	CO		OCTO No 18 Course SKYMOUR 11 May 45.	
QX56380	Lt	IRVING S.I.	Yes	CO		From recreational leave to attend HQ school course No 23 25 Jun 45 - 4 Aug 45.	
QX35526	Lt	HELD R.W.	Yes	CO		From recreational leave to attend staff course No 5 (Aust) Grade III 19 Jun 45 - 21 Aug 45.	
VX28129	Lt	GIBSON J.	Yes	CO		Marched 30/7/45 for start of recruit and trg Bns under command Second Aust Army Report to Second Army Leaders School 12	
QX35527	Lt	LOWNDES D.S.	No	CO		OCTO No 18 Course SKYMOUR 11 May 45. - Medical Classification assessed as "B2" (Fest) 11.6.45 R/O 8/45.	
						.....	
			Yes	RMO		CLIFTON-SMITH G.	Capt

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

Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held	Army Number	Name and Initials	Unit	Date of Attachment	Nature of Attachment
Chaplain	WX148802	BETTY G.A.	61 Bn	21/7/45	Padre.
Capt	WX149733	McCABE C.J.	D Sec 63 Aust Dental Unit	11/5/45	

Date of Despatch 4/8/45  
 Addressing Officer 61 Aust Inf Bn  
 Masj

**FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS**

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 4 / 8 / 1945 61AUST INF BN (Unit) *Page 3*

W.E. II 12c 3 OFFRS. 33 O.R.'s 769 + OFFRS. 1 O.R.'s 32 ATT. BY W.E.

**Part A. Posted Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements Required.**

W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.				
Reinfts. Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Reinfts. Required.
-	-	1	2	W.Os. Class I.					
2	2	-	4	W.Os. Class II.		1	-	-	-
				Squadron or Company Quartermaster Sgts.					
-	-	-	5	Staff Sergeants					
-	-	-	33	Sergeants	2 1 1 5	9	-	-	-
3	3	-	64	Corporals	1 1 4	6	-	2	2
134	134	11	534	Troopers, Privates, etc.		13	-	1	1
				Civilians counting as O.R.					
139 *	139	12	642 *	Totals of cols. marked * should agree with details shown in Part E on Page 2.	AAOC AAVC AAPC AAPB AAOC	29 *	-	3	3 *

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

Detail	A.I.F.		C.M.F.		A.W.A.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	**	TOTAL
	A	B	Under 19 Years.	19 Years and over.							
A	244		427								671
B(1)											
B(2)											

**Part B. Other Ranks Attached from Other Units.**

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

Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.
3	D Sec 63 Aust Dental Unit			174	Leave		
2	241 Aust LAD			2	Schools		
1	7 Aust Inf Bde (AIF)			1	Records Office		
1	IHQ Pool Amenities			3	7 Aust Inf Bde (AIF)		
				4	" " " " " Flamethrower Pl		
				1	" " " " " " (Batman)		
				1	NCO Instr 3 Aust Fd Pun Centre		
				15	25 Aust Inf Bn		
				31	Det to 2/1 Aust Gen Hosp Guard Duties		

**61 AUST INF BN**

**Part D. Description of Other Ranks Whose Return To..... (Unit) is Particularly Requested. 8 / 8 / 1945**

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

**PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 4 / 8 / 1945 .**

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.
Ammunition Examiners				Surveyors, Engineering				Operating Room 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	4	6	-
Armament Artificer Signals				Welders				Painters				Riveters			
Armament Artificer Wireless				Batmen	35	35		Panel Beaters				Roughriders			
Artificer, Artillery				Gen Duty	3	3		Photographer, Dry Plate				Saddlers			
Artificer, Engine				Hyg Duty	4	4		Predictor Numbers				Saddletree makers			
Blacksmiths	1	1		LMG Rifle	397	277	120	Printers				Shoemaker and Boot Repairer			
Bricklayers	-	2	-	Mortar Nos	73	66	7	Radiographers				Stevadores			
Computers				MMG Nos	22	21	1	Riggers				Submers. State Engine	1	1	-
Cooks, Hospital				GROUP II.				Sawyers				Tech Sgt	3	3	-
Coppersmiths				Armourers				Signallers	26	26		Storemen, Technical	2	2	-
Dispensers				Axemen				Signwriters	incl	2	cpls	Tailors	1	1	-
Draughtsmen				Bakers				Telescope Identfn. Numbers				Textile Refitters	incl	1	Sgt 15/Cpl 103
Draughtsmen (Architectural)				Ety. Comd's. Asst.				Well Borers				Tinsmiths			
Draughtsmen (Engineering)				Boilermakers				Wheelers				Vulcanizers			
Draughtsmen (Mechanical)				Carpenters	6	4	2	Winchman				Wagon Erectors			
Draughtsmen (Topographical)				Carpenters and Joiners				Wireman				Whitesmiths	incl	4	Cp
Electricians				Cooks				Woodturners				Tk A Nos	11	10	1
Electricians (M.V.)				Dental Mechanics				Orderlies	32	32		Water Duty	2	2	
Electricians (Signals)				Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Med.)				Pnrs	32	29	3	RSM	1	2	
Fitters				Driver-Operator				Pro Sgt	1	1		RQMS	5	3	2
Fitters (Cycle)				Drainers				Storeman	6	6		CSM	5	5	
Fitters (Electrical)				Electricians				S. Bearers	21	21		CQMS	25	25	
Fitters (Gun)				Electricians (Engineers)				R. Police	6	7		Sgts	76	64	139
Fitters (Instrument)				Fire Control Operators				GROUP III.				DETAILS OF NON-TRADESMEN.			
Fitters (M.V.)				Gun Operator				Battery Surveyors				Chiropodist	-	1	1
Fitters, Railway Signal				Hatchman				Butchers	1	-	1	Hyg Inspr	1	1	
Fitters, Signals				Height Taker				Clerks	12	12		Med Ord	2	1	1 N/
Grinder, Precision				Helio Operator				Clerks, Supply				AAOC Shoe-maker	1	1	-
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator				Clerks, Technical				Postal Sgt	1	1	-
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Intelligence Duties	10	8	2	Coach Trimmers				Pay Clerks	2	2	
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Joiners	incl	1	Sgt	Concretors							
Mechanics, Radio				Lineman				Cooks							
Mechanics, Typewriter				Lineman, Signals				Dental Clerk Orderlies							
Mechanics, Wireless				Lithographers				Despatch Riders				ATTACHED BY W.E.			
Millwrights				Machinists, Metal				Draughtsmen, Signals				Caterer	1	1	-
Operators, Excavator				Machinists, Wood				Drivers, M.T.	11	13		Cooks	23	22	1
Pattern Maker				Masons				Driver Mechanics		4					
Pharmacist				Masseurs				Driver Tptn. Plant							
Photographer, Wet Plate				Mechanics, M.T.				Engine Hands, I.C.							
Photowriter				Miners				Equipment Repairers	1	1					
Plumber				Moulders				Farriers							
Saw Doctors				Nurses, Trained				Fitters' Mates							
Surveyors				Observation Post Assts.				Gun Layers	8	8					
CARRIED FORWARD	1	3	-	CARRIED FORWARD	551	421	132	CARRIED FORWARD	209	582	136	Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively.	801	671	142

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.

4/8/45  
Date of Despatch

*J. L. Swenson*  
Signature of Commander  
Adm Comd 61 Aust Inf Bn  
Maj

**PART I Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3002 at 0600 Hours Saturday**

CPLS S/SGTS WO1				CPLS S/SGTS WO1			
Category	WO1	S/SGT	CPL	WO1	S/SGT	CPL	Category
TPT CPL	1			1			TPT CPL
INT DUTY	1			1			INT DUTY
SIGNALLERS	1			1			SIGNALLERS
CLERKS	2			2			CLERKS
TAILOR	1			1			TAILOR
TECH STOREMAN	1			1			TECH STOREMAN
LMG RIFLE NOS				36			LMG RIFLE NOS
MMG NOS				2			MMG NOS
MORTAR NOS				5			MORTAR NOS
PNRS				4			PNRS
PRO SGT	1						PRO SGT
S. HEARERS	1			2			S. HEARERS
TK A NOS				4			TK A NOS
CANTEN SGT	1						CANTEN SGT
RSM	1						RSM
RQMS		1					RQMS
CSM			5				CSM
CQMS							CQMS
SGTS			25				SGTS
Total of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7 and 1 and 10 of Part A respectively.				Total of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7 and 1 and 10 of Part A respectively.			
CARRIED FORWARD 251 451 133				CARRIED FORWARD 251 451 133			

**Attached:**

- AAMC - Med Ord
- Chiroprapist
- Hyg Inspr
- Water Duty
- AAOC - Shoemaker
- AAAS - Postal Sgt
- AAPC - Pay Clerks
- AACC - Caterer
- Cooks
- Med Ord
- AAOC Shoe-maker

**N161164 Pte MARTIN S.R. (TG3 Rangemaker) Posted in accordance with ORO A117/44**

**NX119242 WO1 CALLACHAN T.W.P. - Supernumerary.**

NOTE:—(a) If rank other than private is involved give details on back.  
(b) Authorized trades or specialties not included in list will be added in special printed.  
(c) Where A.W.A.B. and/or A.A.M.W.E. personnel are detailed show details on back.  
(d) Where replacement not detailed note accordingly on return by location of N.R. in col. "Reinforce Required."  
(e) Where any request or rotation is made on back of form, the words "See Back" should be written in one of the blank spaces on this page.

Date of Report: 4/8/45  
Signature of Commander: [Signature]  
Name and Rank of Reporting Officer: [Signature]

*War Diary*

*App #*

EXERCISE ONLY

SECRET

AMENDMENTS TO X COY, 61 AUST INF BN 00 19  
OF 26 JUL 45

1. Coy Exercises will be conducted on 7 and 8 AUG 45, amended times as under.

(a)		<u>7 AUG</u>	<u>8 AUG</u>
	Para 17	0430L	0430L
	" 20(c).	0315L	0315L
		0315L	0315L
	" 25	0200L	0200L
	" 26	0315L	0315L
	" 31 (a)	from 0430 hrs.	
	" 33	Aldis lamp will be carried by Sigs on first ldg craft.	

(b) Barges will report BLP 4 NOT later than 0230L on 7 and 8 AUG 45.

ACK

*D.W. Hook* Capt  
for Adjt 61 Aust Inf Bn

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61 AUST INF BN TRAINING SYLLABUS

PERIOD 6 Aug - 11 Aug 45

app 5

S e r	DATE	SUB- UNIT	AREA	SUBJECT	LESSONS	REMARKS
1	6 AUG	HQ Coy	Coy Area 30yd Range	Specialist Trg - sport	1 Pl: Morse Code R/T W/T procedure Wireless Set tuning 108 Mx 3 2 Pl: Range practice - MMG shoot 3 Pl: Grenade - Gun drill - Quiz 4 Pl: PITA - MMG Instr - Bayonet recap Lecture: Matilda Tanks Advance and First Contact	SAT Vol 1 Pam 13 less 2 SAT Vol 1 Pam 9 less 21
		A Coy	Trg Area	Pl Trg - sport	Advance and First Contact	2 Aust Corps Tac & Adm Doc- trine Tac 5 Tropical Warfare Pam 2 Chap 9. FSR Vol 2 Chap 5
		B Coy	Trg Area	Pl Trg - sport	Advance and First Contact	2 Aust Corps Tac & Adm Doc- trine Tac 5 Tropical Warfare Pam 2 Chap 9.
		C Coy	Trg Area	Pl Trg - sport	Pl in approach march. Less. Disposns of tps - formation of Sees- Rate of advance - Observation	F & BD Chap 2 Sec 22 - 23 2 Aust Corps Tac & Adm Doc- trine Tac 5 Tropical Warfare Pam 2 Inf Trg Sec 25
2	7 Aug	HQ Coy	Coy Area	Specialist Trg - sport	1 Pl: Morse Code - Sig clerk duties - Messages 2 Pl: Gun drill - Sandtable discussion of shoot - Bayonet 3 Pl: Bayonet - Gun drill - Map reading 4 Pl: Gun drill - Mechanism - Maintenance Pl in Attack	SAT Vol 1 Pam 12 less 1 - 2 SAT Vol 1 Pam 12 less 1 SAT Vol 1 Pam 9 less 24-25 56-57
		A Coy	Trg Area	Pl Trg - sport	Pl in Attack	2 Aust Corps Tac & Adm Doc- trine Tac 5 Tropical Warfare Pam 2 Chap 9. FSR Vol 2 Chap 6 F & BD Chap 2
		B Coy	Trg Area	Pl Trg - sport	Pl in Attack	2 Aust Corps Tac & Adm Doc- trine Tac 5 Tropical Warfare Chap 9. F & BD Chap 2
		C Coy	Trg Area	Pl Trg - sport	Advance and First Contact Less. Reorganisation - continuation of adv	Inf Trg Part 8 2 Aust Corps Tac & Adm Doc- trine Tac 5

S e r	DATE	SUB- UNIT	AREA	SUBJECT	LESSONS	REMARKS
3	8 Aug	HQ Coy	Coy Area	Specialist Trg - sport	1 Pl: Morse Code - W/T procedure - Superposing Series and phantom connections 2 Pl: Gun drill - stoppages 3 Pl: Booby traps - Bren - Arty method ranging - Map reading  4 Pl: OSMG - Grenade - Bren	SAT Vol 1 Pam 7 less 59 2 Aust Corps Tac & Adm Doc- trine Tac 6(c) 7(b) SAT Vol 1 Pam 4 less 1 SAT Vol 1 Pam 15 less 1 - 3 SAT Vol 1 Pam 13 less 2 SAT Vol 1 Pam 4 less 8 - 9 SAT Vol 1 Pam 18 less 62 - 73 2 Aust Corps Tac & Adm Doc- trine Tac 5 Tropical Warfare Pam 2 Chap 9 F & ED Sec 27 2 Aust Corps Tac & Adm Doc- trine Tac 5 Tropical Warfare Pam 2 Chap 9 F & ED Sec 27 Inf Trg Secs 20- 26
		A Coy	Coy Area	Pl Trg - sport	Drill - INT lecture - CAB discussion	
		B Coy	Trg Area	Pl Trg - sport	Pl in attack	
		C Coy	Trg Area	Pl Trg - sport	Pl in attack	
4	9 Aug	HQ Coy	Coy Area	Specialist Trg - sport	1 Pl: Morse Code - R/T procedure - Switchboard operating - Educ lecture 2 Pl: Gun drill - CAB discussion Educ lecture 3 Pl: Gun drill - Map reading - Educ lecture 4 Pl: Sub-calibre shoot - Educ lecture Pl in defence	SAT Vol 1 Pam 7 less 60  SAT Vol 1 Pam 9 less 26
		A Coy	30yd Range Trg Area	Pl Trg - sport	Patrol Formations - Educ lecture	2 Aust Corps Tac & Adm Doc- trine Tac 6 Tropical Warfare Pam 2 Chap 11. FSR Vol 2 Chap 7 2 Aust Corps Tac & Adm Doc- trine Tropical Warfare Pam 2 IMP Chap 15 2 Aust Corps Tac & Adm Doc- trine Tac 5 Tropical Warfare Pam 2 Chap 9. Inf Trg Secs 20 - 23- 26.
		B Coy	Trg Area	Pl Trg - sport		
		C Coy	Trg Area	Pl Trg - sport	Pl in Attack	

S e r	DATE	SUB- UNIT	AREA	SUBJECT	LESSONS	REMARKS
5	10 Aug	HQ Coy	Coy Area	Specialist Trg - sport	1 Pl: Cypher trg - encoding and decoding W/T procedure 2 Pl: Gun drill - INT lecture 3 Pl: Sandtable indication of targets - Ranging - Communication - INT lecture 4 Pl: Gun drill - Int lecture Pl in Ambush	2 Aust Corps Tac & Adm Doc- trine Tac 7 Tropical Warfare Pam 2 Chap 12 2 Aust Corps Tac & Adm Doc- trine Tac 6 Tropical Warfare Pam 2 Chap 11. F & BD Sec47-48 2 Aust Corps Tac & Adm Doc- trine Tac 5 Tropical Warfare Pam 2 Chap 9. Inf Trg Secs 20 - 26
		A Coy	Trg Area	Pl Trg - sport		
		B Coy	Trg Area	Pl Trg - sport	Pl in Defence	
		C Coy	Trg Area	Pl Trg - sport	Pl in Attack Less. Consolidation and exploitation	
6	11 Aug	All Coys		COY COMDS DISCRETION		
7	6 - 11 Aug	All Coys		Trg Cadre - Personnel ex Leave	(as per 61 Aust Inf Bn Trg Instr 3/45 and 4/45)	

*D W Hook* Lt  
 Asst Adjt 61 Aust Inf Bn



# MESSAGE FORM

Register No.

Call

Ser. No.

Priority

Transmission Instructions

ABOVE THIS LINE FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY

FROM (A)	Originator	Date—Time of Origin	Office Date Stamp
	1 Inf Bde	080830L	
TO	(w) For Action		Message Instructions
	61 Inf Bn		
			63

ORIGINATOR'S No.

60526 secret O WARNING ORDER O  
61 Inf Bn will move to fwd area  
beginning 9 aug O on arrival will come  
under direct comd 3 div O C.O adjt  
and J.O. will report HQ 3 div PM 8 aug  
prepared remain fwd area O Initial  
role on arrival protection L of C. from  
M<sup>e</sup>KINNA bridge and to HARI river both  
incl O details of mov follow ack  
all enfnct

This message may be sent AS WRITTEN by any means { except } Wireless	If liable to be intercepted or fall into enemy hands, this message must be sent IN CIPHER.	Originator's Instructions Degree of Priority	Time	System	Op
			THI or TOR 0900	L	ST
Signed	Signed		Time Cleared		

# MESSAGE FORM

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Call	Ser. No.	Priority	Transmission Instructions
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<b>FROM</b> (A) 7 inf Bde	Originator	Date—Time of Origin 081530L	Office Date Stamp
For Action			Office 7
<b>TO</b> 61 inf Bn	(w) For Information (INFO.)	Message Instructions	
Bde T-O			157

**ORIGINATOR'S No.** QG 428 instructed @ movement order no change verbal orders @ 61 inf Bn will move TOROKINA MOTUPENA 9 ang @ see 63 ADU will be incl for mine @ move with vehs guns tactical tentage unit stores incl first line about 3 days duration @ 463 personnel 4 th/17 guns 15 tons DW stores move by rd and sea as follows @ 13x3 ton T lorries reporting unit lines 082400L load stores 2x3 ton lorries reporting 090130L load personnel @ stores and th/17 guns and loading party will be loaded 3 FLC 20s personnel 5 FLC 20s outside fence beach 4 commencing 0100L and 0200L respectively @ 6 trucks 1x3 ton and trailers will move by rd gang arriving MOTUPENA 090630L @ OCT rd ~~to~~ convoy will carry

This message may be sent AS WRITTEN by any means { except } Wireless	If liable to be intercepted or fall into enemy hands, this message must be sent IN CIPHER	Originator's Instructions Degree of Priority	Time	System	Op
			THI or TOR		
Signed	Signed		Time Cleared		

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Call

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Priority

Transmission Instructions

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**FROM**  
(A)

Originator

Date—Time of Origin

Office Date Stamp

For Action

**TO**

(w) For Information (INFO.)

Message Instructions

GR

ORIGINATOR'S No.

copy this order as recd pass 3 div  
authority R M 2041 and on arrival  
report area comd MOTUPENA  
await disembarkation barge party  
3 man crew from MOTUPENA  
3 div arrangements @ 61 mpx Bn  
supply all necessary loading  
details @ ack

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

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

Originator's Instructions  
Degree of Priority

Time	System	Op
THI or TOR 1655	L	[Signature]
Time Cleared 1700		[Signature]

Signed

Signed

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Time	Date	
1918	11/11	
Time	Date	

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Office of the Director of Communications

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 File  
 11/11/18

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OFFICIAL USE

TO: (a) For Information (INFO)

FROM: (b) For Action

Date—Time of Origin

Office Date Stamp

Message Instructions

(c) For Information (INFO)      (d) For Action  
 (e) For Information (INFO)      (f) For Action

TRANSMISSION INSTRUCTIONS      REGISTER NO.

**MESSAGE FORM**

3 AUST DIV OP INSTR 38

SECRET

Copy No ....

Ref Maps : BOUGAINVILLE SOUTH  
1/25000 Series

Aug 45

(Issued as Appx "A" to 3 Aust  
Div Op Order 20 of 8 Aug 45)

To : Lt.Col T J FARRELL  
Comd 61 Aust Inf Bn

INFM

1. During mid Jul 13 Inf Regt, approx str 190 moved to HARI - TAITAI area with a view to harassing our L of C.
2. Since this date *guerrilla* activity in rear areas has increased considerably, the main centre of activity being the BUIN RD between MAMAGOTA JUNC 992381 and HAMMER RD JUNC 958417. In addition the enemy has attempted to destroy the HONGORAI BR.
3. It is considered that 50 to 190 enemy are located in the area bounded by COMMANDO RD - TAITAI RD - BUIN RD - HAMMER RD. No fwd base has been located and patrols have NOT contacted enemy parties.
4. It is believed that the enemy could be sustained in the local garden areas, but that sup of amm may limit the duration of 13 Inf Regt's activities.

TASKS IN GENERAL

5. You will be responsible for the protection of the L of C from incl MCKINNA BR 829475 to incl river HARI 0038.

TASKS IN PARTICULAR

6. Your tasks in particular will be :
  - (a) protect the following VPs with/sub-units of the str detailed:
    - ( i ) OXLEY FIELD with one coy less two pls
    - ( ii ) MCKINNA BR one pl
    - ( iii ) HONGORAI BR one pl
    - ( iv ) HARI BR area one coy
    - ( v ) POROREI BR one pl
    - ( vi ) RUNAI one coy less one pl
  - (b) provide protective escorts for all engr and sig parties working on the BUIN RD between rivers POROREI and HARI.
  - (c) Patrol at first light, mid-afternoon and at irregular intervals throughout the day on both sides of the BUIN RD from river POROREI to MAMAGOTA JUNC.
  - (d) maintain a pl from coy detailed in para 6 (a) (iv) above in a defended locality in the vicinity of MAMAGOTA 9632 to maintain an alert watch for any enemy approaching to surrender. It will be necessary to :-
    - ( i ) Accommodate and gd any enemy who may surrender until they are collected by pro personnel. Offrs will be segregated from OR. Security instrs will be forwarded to you by GSO 3 Int HQ 3 Aust Div.
    - ( ii ) Post such standing patrols, and despatch such security patrols which you think necessary.
    - ( iii ) Be prepared to combat treachery by taking advantage of the escape route to pass raiding parties.

- (iv) Convey any infm in ref to prisoners surrendering, to both G 3 (Int) and DAPM at HQ 3 Aust Div.
- Disputed patrol into rd*
- (e) Patrol daily area bounded by rivers HARI and PURIATA both NORTH and SOUTH of BUIN RD.

7. Details of the engr tasks in para 6 (b) above will be arranged direct with OC 7 Aust Fd Coy.

ADM

8. Sups PCL Amn

- (a) from DID POROREI
- (b) Unit Res - 1st line amn  
Rations 3 days.

9. Med

Evacuation to ADS POROREI or MDS TOKO as expedient.

10. Ord

- (a) until 15 Aug - ADOS dump TOKO
- (b) after 15 Aug - Ord dump 035363

11. Repair and Recovery

202 Aust LAD att HQ 3 Aust Div

12. Engr Stores

On demand to HQ 3 Aust Div

13. Sal

Evac to Sal Depot TOKO

14. Postal

FPO 084 at HQ 3 Aust Div

15. Canteens

- (a) until 15 Aug - CIP 6 TOKO
- (b) after 15 Aug - CIP 7 035363

16. PW

Cage HQ 3 Aust Div

INTERCOMN

17. Line to coys and det pls less pl at MAMAGOTA under arrangements Sigs 3 Aust Div.

ACKNOWLEDGE

Lt-Col  
GS 3 Aust Div (AIF)

Issued through

Signed at

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9 AUG 45.

Ref maps : BOUGAINVILLE SOUTH 1/25000

INFM

1. During mid July, 13 Inf Regt, approx str 190, moved to HARI - TAITAI area with a view to harrassing our L of C.
2. Since that date guerilla activity in rear areas has increased considerably, the main centre of activity being the BUIN RD between MAMAGOTA JUNC 992381 and HAMMER RD JUNC 958417. In addition the enemy has attempted to destroy the HONGORAI BR.
3. It is considered that 50 to 190 enemy are located in the area bounded by COMMANDO RD - TAITAI RD - BUIN RD - HAMMER RD. No fwd base has been located and patrols have NOT contacted enemy parties.
4. It is believed that the enemy could be sustained in the local garden areas, but that sup of amm may limit the duration of 13 Inf Regt's activities.

TASKS IN GENERAL

5. A Coy Gp will be responsible for the protection of the L of C incl MCKINNA BR to excl POROREI 956418.
6. B Coy Gp will be responsible for that area of the L of C incl POROREI 956418 to excl MAMAGOTA JUNC 992381.
7. C Coy Gp will be responsible for area incl MAMAGOTA JUNC 992381 to incl HARI RIVER BR 003382.

TASKS IN PARTICULAR

8. A Coy Gp tasks in particular will be to protect the following VPs:
  - (i) MCKINNA BR with one pl plus 1 det mortars
  - (ii) OXLEY FIELD with one coy less two pls.
  - (iii) HONGORAI BR with one pl.
9. B Coy Gp tasks in particular will be:
  - (a) protect the following VPs.
    - (i) POROREI BR with one pl
    - (ii) RUNAI 968400 with one coy less one pl. Two dets mortars and one sec MAGs to be employed as necessary by OC Gp.
  - (b) provide protective escorts for all sig and engr parties working on BUIN RD between POROREI RIVER to MAMAGOTA JUNC.
  - (c) patrol at first light, mid afternoon and at irregular intervals throughout the day on both sides of BUIN RD from POROREI RIVER to incl RUNAI 968400.
10. C Coy Gp tasks in particular
  - (a) protect the following VPs:
    - (i) HARI BR
    - (ii) Standing patrol one section TAITAI JUNC 998392
    - (iii) Maintain one outpost pl in a defended locality in the vicinity of MAMAGOTA 9632 to maintain an alert watch for any enemy approaching to surrender.

11. Additional protective tasks - B Coy Gp Area.

- (a) Under arrangements OC HQ Coy Nos 4<sup>3</sup> and 5 pls will provide patrols between MAMAGOTA JUNG 992381 to RUNAI 968400 at first light, mid afternoon and at irregular intervals throughout the day.

OUTPOSTS

12. C Coy Gp outpost pl at MAMAGOTA will -

- (i) Accommodate and guard any enemy who may surrender until they are collected by pro personnel. Offrs will be segregated from OR.  
(ii) Be prepared to combat any treachery by any enemy making pretence of surrendering in order to attack the outpost.  
(iii) Convey any infm in ref to prisoners surrendering to this HQ immediately by quickest possible means.

PATROL POLICY

13. Recce and fighting patrols as ordered by this HQ will be despatched in accordance with patrol schedule issued by 1800 hrs daily.  
14. Local security and contact patrols will be under coy arrangements. Security patrols outside VP perimeters will be carried out at first light and late afternoon.  
15. Contact patrols as required between VPs.

LIAISON

16. Liaison where necessary will be made direct with subunits in coy gp areas of responsibility.

TIME OF OCCUPATION

17. Coy Gps will occupy areas specified above and be prepared to perform tasks by 1200 hrs 10 Aug 45,

ADM

18. SVPS POL AMN

- (a) A Coy Gp less one pl on HONGORAI BR will draw direct from DID TOKO.  
(b) Other coy Gps will be supplied under Bn arrangements from DID POROREI.  
(c) 3 days reserve rations will be carried by coy Gps.  
(d) SAA reserve - Bn HQ 1st line carried by coy Gps.

19. MED

- (a) RAP 991387  
(b) CAP will arrange medical orderlies and sups for detached Pls.

20. ENGR STORES - on demand to Bn HQ.

21. B Echelon Location 991387

22. PW Cage HQ 3 Aust Div.

INTERCOMN

23. Bn HQ 991387

24. Line to coys and det pls incl outpost pl MAMAGOTA.



25. ACK

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Signed at *1130 hr*

*D W Hook Lt.*  
Adjnt 61 Aust Inf Bn

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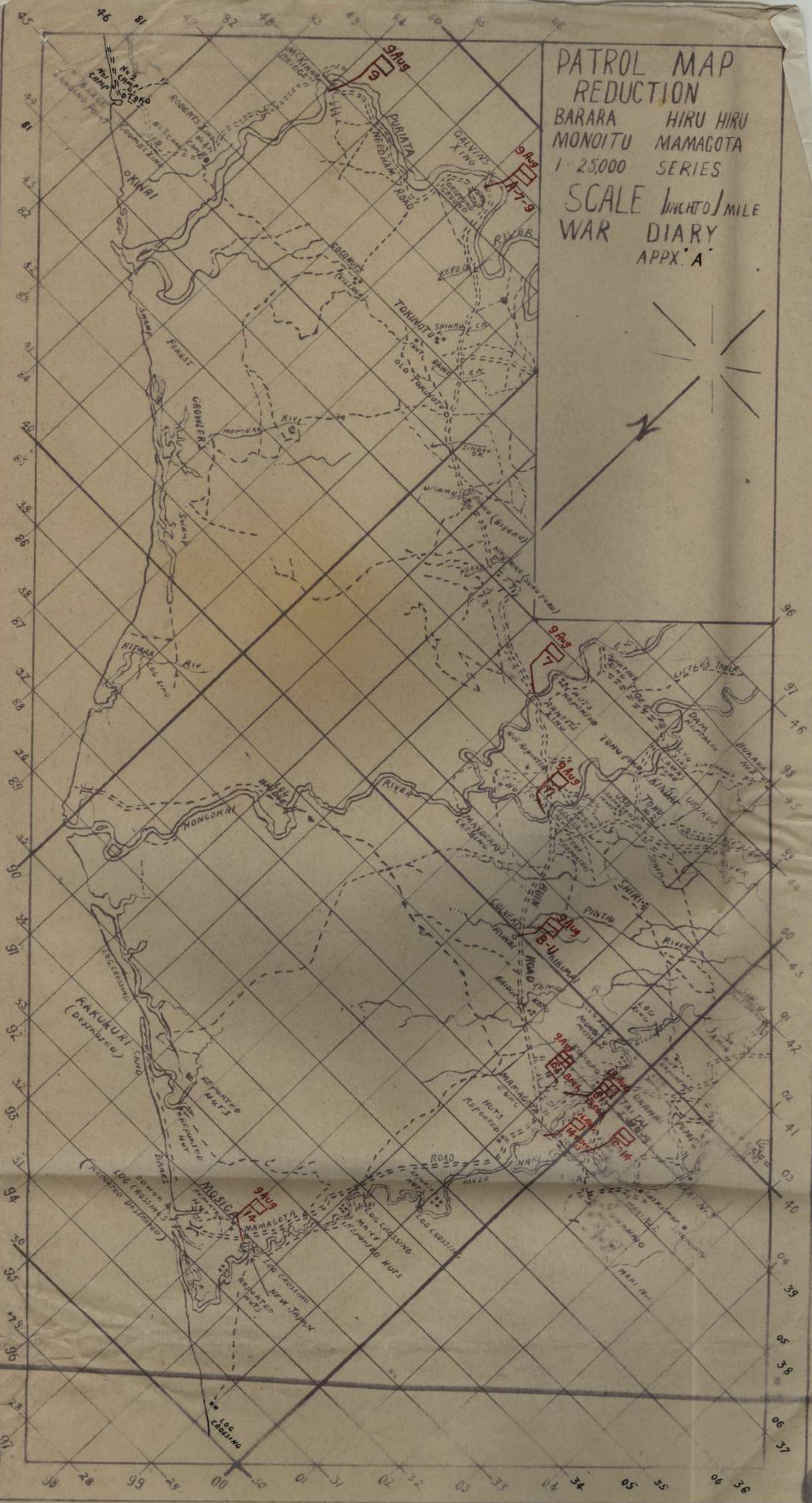
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PATROL MAP  
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MESSAGE FORM

*App-10*



FROM : 3 DIV

TOO 111450 L

TO : 7 BDE 15 BDE 29 BDE 2/4 ARMD REGT RAA 3 DIV

RAE 3 DIV SIGS 3 DIV 61 BN D COY 2/1 GD REGT

AASC 3 DIV

GO 7121 SECRET (.) in view probability early cessation hostilities  
ops in 2 corps area until further notice will be confined to those  
necessary for maint of present posn reached (.) every effort will  
be made to avoid further AUST gas (.) all air strikes suspended  
pending further notice ACK all info

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

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Subject : PROTECTION OF L OF C

Appx 11.

HQ 61 Aust Inf Bn  
11 AUG 45.To All Coys .

1. The enemy has recently shown considerable and successful activity in raiding the Divisional L of C. The success he has achieved may inspire him to further efforts in that direction. Accordingly it is necessary to ensure that every possible safeguard is adopted and to reduce the nuisance to a minimum.
2. It is the duty of the forward Brigade to provide protection of its L of C from its designated rear boundary. The supporting Brigade must also include in its task the protection of the L of C in its own area and of such points as are designated by Div HQ from time to time. The gradual extension of the L of C throws an increasing burden on the forces at present available in the area.
3. Amongst the protective duties entailed and points to be noted are :
  - (a) Protection of Vehicles in Rear Areas.
    - (i) In rear areas these must proceed in convoy of no fewer than five vehicles. Examination of vehicles involved in recent ambushes indicate that the attack in many cases has been made from a flank as the vehicle is passing. For this reason all vehicles including jeeps, in addition to an escort facing the front will carry on the back of the vehicle an armed guard who will ride facing the rear.
    - (ii) Drivers must be educated to maintain a proper distance between vehicles and the tendency to bunch up at checks and gradients on the road must be corrected.
    - (iii) Action will be taken to warn all drivers that if an ambushed vehicle is abandoned both driver and passengers must take their weapons with them. It should be stressed that, by abandoning his weapons, a soldier not only provides valuable equipment for the enemy, but also loses a means of protection on which his life may depend.
    - (iv) In regard to the L of C between HONGORAI RIVER and MAMAGOTA Junction, it is advised that arrangements have been made for the patrolling of this section at first light and at irregular intervals during the day. In addition the jungle on each side of the road is being cut back to a distance of 50 yards. These precautions however, are only deterrents and in no way lessens the need for convoy movement and adequate and alert escorts for each vehicle.
  - (b) Protection of Engineer Working Parties.
    - (i) In areas where no local bivouacs or company positions afford protection, sappers must be released from protective duties to fulfill their primary function to the greatest extent possible. The provision of inf escort for engineer parties is the responsibility of the sub-unit in whose area the engineer parties are operating.
  - (c) Protection of Bridges.

The heavy class bridging equipment has all to be brought from AUSTRALIA, and its loss at the hands of enemy demolition parties cannot be risked. Such structures cannot be protected at night by detachments located in a perimeter on the banks. Sentries must be dug in at posts sited at each end of the bridge and the length of the structure patrolled during the hours

of darkness. Warning trip wires must be placed on likely approaches and illuminating flares employed as an alarm.

(d) Patrolling of the Verges of the Main Road.

Will be carried out at first light and late afternoon, with particular attention to the high ground at cuttings and other road depressions.

(e) Enemy Mines.

Where sneak mine-laying activity has been current on corduroy jeep tracks patrols must be accompanied by mine detection and disposal detachments in order to clear the road before traffic proceeds. Protective detachments on bridges must carry out security patrols in the vicinity at first light and in the late afternoon. Particular attention must be given to the cuttings and high ground on approaches.

(f) Dispersion of Personnel in Convoys.

Where a group of trucks in proceeding to and from working localities and personnel are moving in these trucks they must be distributed throughout the column and not loaded on one truck.

4. Commanders will ensure that these instructions are effectively implemented, where applicable, and that every effort is made to discourage the enemy from these nuisance raids, by vigilance and offensive action.



Lt Col  
Comd 61 Aust Inf Bn

Subject : TROPICAL HYGIENE

Appa 12  
HQ 61 Aust Inf Bn  
// Aug 45.

All Coys, RMO, WOII Caterer,  
Hyg Sgt.

MALARIA.

1. Attention of Offrs and other comds is drawn to Bn Standing Orders.
2. Unremitting attention will be given to the question of suppressive malarial treatment. Mosquito nets will be used at ALL times and kept in good repair.
3. In the case of Sgts in charge of Pls, authority is hereby given to administer atebirin.

SKIN.

4. Skin inspections will be carried out whenever practicable by RMO. In his absence Coy Stretcher bearers.
5. Return of daily skin treatments will be sent to RMO, who will collate reports.  
Necessity for care of skin is again stressed.

SCRUB TYPHUS.

6. Normal precautions in this matter will be observed.
7. Bed sails will be given particular attention.  
Certificates required 14 and 29 each month of treatment of clothing and sleeping bunks.

HOOKWORM.

8. Attention is drawn to 3 Aust Div memo re this matter. In no case will personnel be permitted to move around without footwear and likely sources of hookworm infection will be avoided.
9. Troops will not sit on ground or logs unless some type of protection, such as groundsheet or pack is used.
10. Attention is drawn to 3 Aust Div memo in relation to bathing in streams.
11. Ears will be thoroughly dried after bathing and early attention given for any ear trouble.

HYGIENE

12. Particular attention to area hygiene in all respects.
13. DDT is available and WILL be used.
14. Attention is drawn to the necessity of chlorinating water. Regulations governing this should be more adequately policed.

DYSENTERY.

15. Careful check of all tinned foodstuffs will be kept by cooks, and any blown tins discarded.
16. Pl Comds at outpost posns must vigorously supervise their hygiene, sanitation and cooking arrangements.

HYGIENE REPORT.

17. Hygiene Sgt will render daily report and will accompany RMO on inspections of Coys.

Capt  
Adjt 61 Aust Inf Bn

Appx 13.

**Subject : VARIOUS METHODS EMPLOYED FOR THE DETECTION  
OF MINES AND BOOBY TRAPS DURING AN ADVANCE**

HQ 61 Aust Inf Bn  
17 AUG 45.

The following is a summary of the various methods employed in the detection and disposal of enemy mines and booby traps during an advance, and a suggested method for dealing with mines and booby traps designed to be operated with pull wire type 88 instantaneous fuze improved as pull mechanism.

- METHOD 1. :** Two pls of infantry preceded the leading tank by 50 yards, and moved 15-20 feet in from edge of track. Two bomb disposal personnel moved with each platoon close to the fwd scout.
- A senior bomb disposal operator with two Owen gunners for protection and with two attached engineer personnel with mine detectors moved ahead of the leading tank. Reserve Pl and HQ moved in rear of tanks.
- Action: On either of the two leading scouts locating a pull wire, they cut same and halted the whole company. If the trap was an anti-personnel one, the bomb disposal personnel dealt with it. If the wires led to the roadway, the wire was marked on the road, and the whole company moved fwd until the leading tank was within 15 feet of the trap, and the senior bomb disposal operator dealt with it. In the event of mines being located by personnel in front of the tank the whole company was halted while the mine was removed. This method proved most satisfactory, although the use of the mine detectors was discontinued when they proved ineffective against the Japanese munitions used, and detection of mines was by inspection only. Close liaison between patrol leaders on each side of the track was necessary to ensure uniform movement ahead of tanks. All troops went to ground on discovery of a trap in case of mishap during delousing. Only one casualty was incurred on the day this drill was carried out, this by an anti-personnel mine pulled by a Jap.
- METHOD 2. :** This was similar to Method 1, but with no personnel moving in front of the tank on roadway. Leading tank personnel were made responsible for the sighting of mines on the roadway and calling on bomb disposal officer, who was moving with tank commander behind the second tank, to investigate any suspected object that bomb disposal personnel with leading platoon had not found connected with pull wires. Some type 93 mines were missed and would have been exploded by tank treads had their fuzes not failed.
- METHOD 3. :** This method was put into practice against the advice of the tank commander and bomb disposal operator. Because of the known presence of the enemy in the vicinity, the coy commander would not allow any personnel forward of the second tank. This left the whole of the responsibility for the location of mines and traps to the observer in the leading tank, with the result that the majority were not seen and had to be dealt with by the bomb disposal squad as they came to them, in some cases uncovered by the treads of the tanks, but they fortunately were not exploded as they were pull type traps and were fairly well buried. Casualties resulting from this were one killed and one wounded, when a series of traps from one pull wire were exploded under the second tank by a Japanese. Four links were blown from the tank track and the advance was held up for 1½ hrs. Further damage to the tank would have resulted had a lead wire to another three mortar bombs under the belly of the tank had not been back by the tank tracks when the trap was pulled.

OBSERVATIONS. : Method 1 undoubtedly proved most satisfactory in dealing with the problem and allowed a far more speedy advance. It could be modified by the substitution of trained pioneer personnel for the 4 bomb disposal personnel with the forward pls reserving the bomb disposal personnel for any new trap encountered.

SUGGESTED METHOD FOR DEALING WITH TRAPS DESIGNED TO OPERATE BY PULL WIRES. : The following is a suggested method of dealing with traps designed to be operated by the enemy with pull wires to type 88 instantaneous fuze improvised as pull mechanism:

- (1) On location of any wire, cut same and halt coy.
- (2) Ensure that this is the main pull wire by following it a short distance away from the track. Cut any other wires leading from it.
- (3) Locate traps by carefully following wire making sure that no pull is exerted on them.
- (4) Clear earth from above traps until fuzes (usually three) are exposed.
- (5) Bend end of pin behind aluminium collars to prevent accidental withdrawal.
- (6) Cut connecting wires.
- (7) Remove fuzes.
- (8) Remove earth from around projectiles or mines and probe underneath from anti-lifting measures.
- (9) If clear, remove munition.
- (10) If not clear, (e.g. another projectile may be laid on its side with pull wire tied to top projectiles) remove earth carefully until fuze pin is located and bend to safe position.
- (11) Cut joining wire and lift top projectiles, and examine bottom projectiles for further anti-handling devices.
- (12) If in doubt call bomb disposal personnel.

LATE INFORMATION. : Type 88 instantaneous fuze has been further modified by the inclusion of a hole at right angles to, and slightly above the drill pin hole, and into which is fitted a small piece of ballistite, which takes the place of the draw pin and converts the fuze to a pressure type switch.

Three pieces of ballistite are tied to the draw pin when the fuze is issued.  
Fuze may safely be unscrewed with only ballistite in position as spring holds this tightly.

The above information will be promulgated to all Offrs and NCOs.

Capt  
Adjt 61 Aust Inf Bn

To All Coys, Pnr Offr.



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**Australian Military Forces**

# **Routine Orders, Part 1**

by

**Lieutenant-General S. G. SAVIGE,  
Commanding 2 Aust Corps (AIF)**

Headquarters  
2 Aust Corps (AIF)  
11 Aug 45

## **SPECIAL ISSUE**

### **Adjutant and Quartermaster-General's Staff**

#### **A.178 PERSONAL CONTACT WITH JAPANESE AFTER THE CESSATION OF HOSTILITIES.**

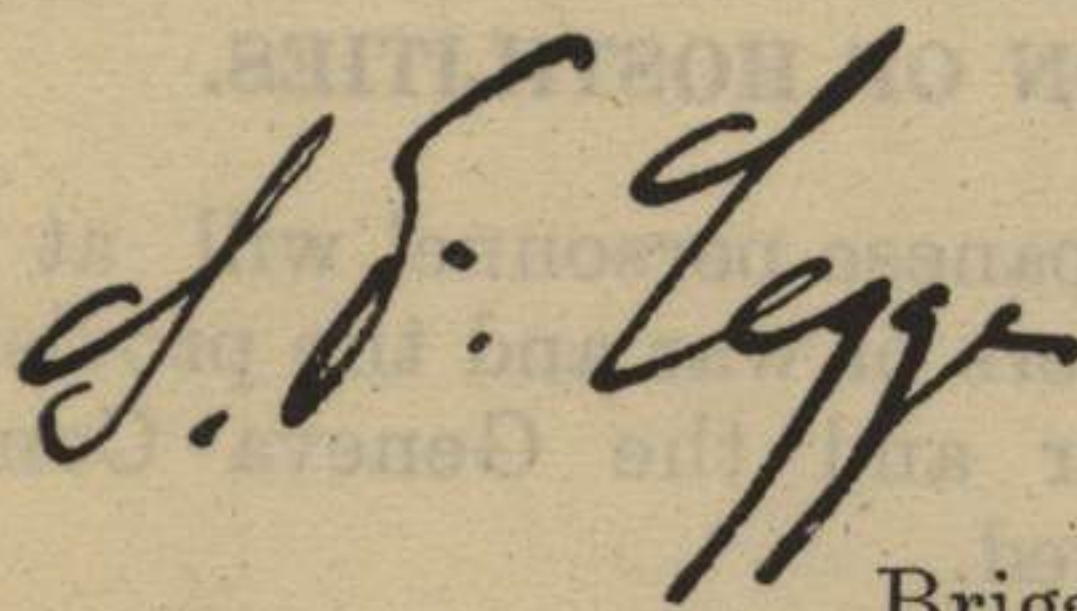
1. All Japanese personnel will at all times be treated as prisoners of war and the provisions of the laws and ways of war and the Geneva Convention will be strictly observed.
2. It must be remembered that the Japanese while entitled to receive treatment as prisoners of war have not in the past given such consideration to their enemies but have on many occasions acted with total disregard of the ordinary principles of humanity. Australian troops will remember the savage and ruthlessly brutal treatment given to personnel of the AMF captured at Singapore and in other places.

It is therefore appreciated that there will be no attempt at fraternisation by our own troops, and all friendly approaches made by Japanese of whatever rank will be declined with dignity but without offensiveness.

3. Australian troops of whatever rank will NOT salute any Japanese officers.
4. Officers and other ranks who are themselves saluted by Japanese on occasions when official business is being transacted will return salutes. On other occasions salutes will be ignored.
5. Australian troops will not engage in conversation with any Japanese except when discussing official matters in the course of their duty and any such conversation will be confined strictly to the business in hand.
6. Violence or threats will not be used except where necessary for personal protection.

All cases of undisciplined conduct on the part of Japanese will be reported at once to higher authority.

*To be Issued to all Ranks*



Brigadier  
DA & QMG  
2 Aust Corps (AIF)

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COMD 61 AUST INF BN

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HQ 61 Aust Inf Bn  
12 AUG 45.

97. CENSORSHIP.

1. Owing to recent relaxations in censorship, personnel may now disclose their locations in base and forward areas and mention topographical place names or features in the area provided that :-

- a. The unit of each member concerned has either been in the area for one month or has been in action.
- b. Local restrictions may be imposed by Formation Commanders.

98. RATION COUPON BOOKS.

NO restriction exists on the despatch of clothing ration books by members of the forces from this area.

99. SCRUB TYPHUS.

Coys are warned that the area in vicinity of the mouth of PURIATA RIVER (Square 8343) is a potential scrub typhus area and is out of bounds to all troops.

100. AIRGRAPH SERVICE.

The Airgraph service to all countries participating in the scheme will be discontinued as from 31 JUL 45. Airgraphs will not be accepted after that date.

This is in consequence of the falling off in the airgraph traffic, coupled with the increased aircraft accommodation now becoming available for the carriage of overseas mails.

101. DEPENDANTS ALLOWANCE FOR CHILDREN OVER 16 YEARS OF AGE RECEIVING FULL-TIME EDUCATION.

1. Approval has been given for continuing the payment of dependants allowance in respect of children dependent upon a member after they have reached the age of 16 until they are 18 years of age if they are receiving full-time education at a school or university.

2. The approval will take effect on and from 11th July 1945 and will apply to children who have reached the age of 16 years at that date or who subsequently attain that age. Payment will be subject to the conditions of War Financial Regulations.

3. As regards children who have not yet reached the age of 16 years the DFO paying the allotment will advise the allottee of the extension now notified some time prior to each child attaining the age of 16 years and the allottee will be invited to make application for payment if applicable.

4. Any member whose children have already attained the age of 16 years and who are entitled to receive dependants allowance in accordance with this approval should arrange for his allottee to make application to the DFO paying his allotment.

102. CORRECT CHANNEL OF COMPLAINTS AND COMMUNICATIONS ON SERVICE MATTERS.

1. The use of the correct channels of complaints, as prescribed in AMR & O 289, is to members' advantage, as those channels ensure that complaints are investigated, and are referred to the authority who has the power to grant any necessary redress, by the most direct means. Complaints through other than the prescribed channels, on the other hand, start at the "wrong end" of the correct channel, so that they have to be referred down to units for investigation and then back to the appropriate authority for consideration as to whether any remedial action on the complaint is necessary. The result is that, in addition to the use of incorrect channels being prejudicial to discipline, a member using those channels causes unnecessary correspondence and delay in the consideration of his complaint.

CORRECT CHANNELS OF COMPLAINTS AND COMMUNICATIONS ON SERVICE MATTERS  
(ctd)

2. Coy Comds will ensure that the provisions of AMR & O 289, together with the advantage of using the correct channels of complaints thereby prescribed, are explained to the members of all sub-units on parade at frequent intervals. The attention of members will be drawn at the same time to the provisions of AMR & O 293 and 307 (1) and they will be warned that any member failing to observe these provisions will be liable to disciplinary action.

3. Any communications on service matters made by a member through channels other than those prescribed and received at a HQ will be forwarded to the member's unit for appropriate action by the CO.

*D W Hook* Capt  
Adjt 61 Aust Inf Bn

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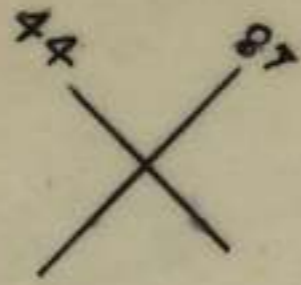
AA CANTEENS SERVICE OR's CLUB

On and from 30 JUL 45 the following trading hours will operate at 31 AA Canteens Service OR's Club :-

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SNACK BAR	1700-2200 hrs	1500-2200 hrs
DRINKS, ETC	1700-2200 hrs	1500-2200 hrs
DRY CANTEEN	1700-2030 hrs	1730-2030 hrs
HAIRDRESSER	1500-2130 hrs	1500-2130 hrs
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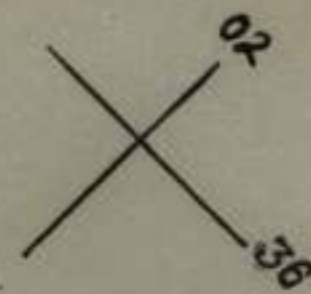
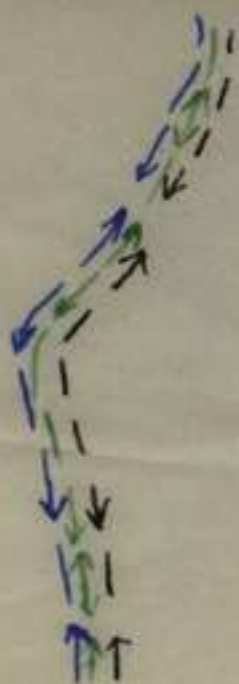
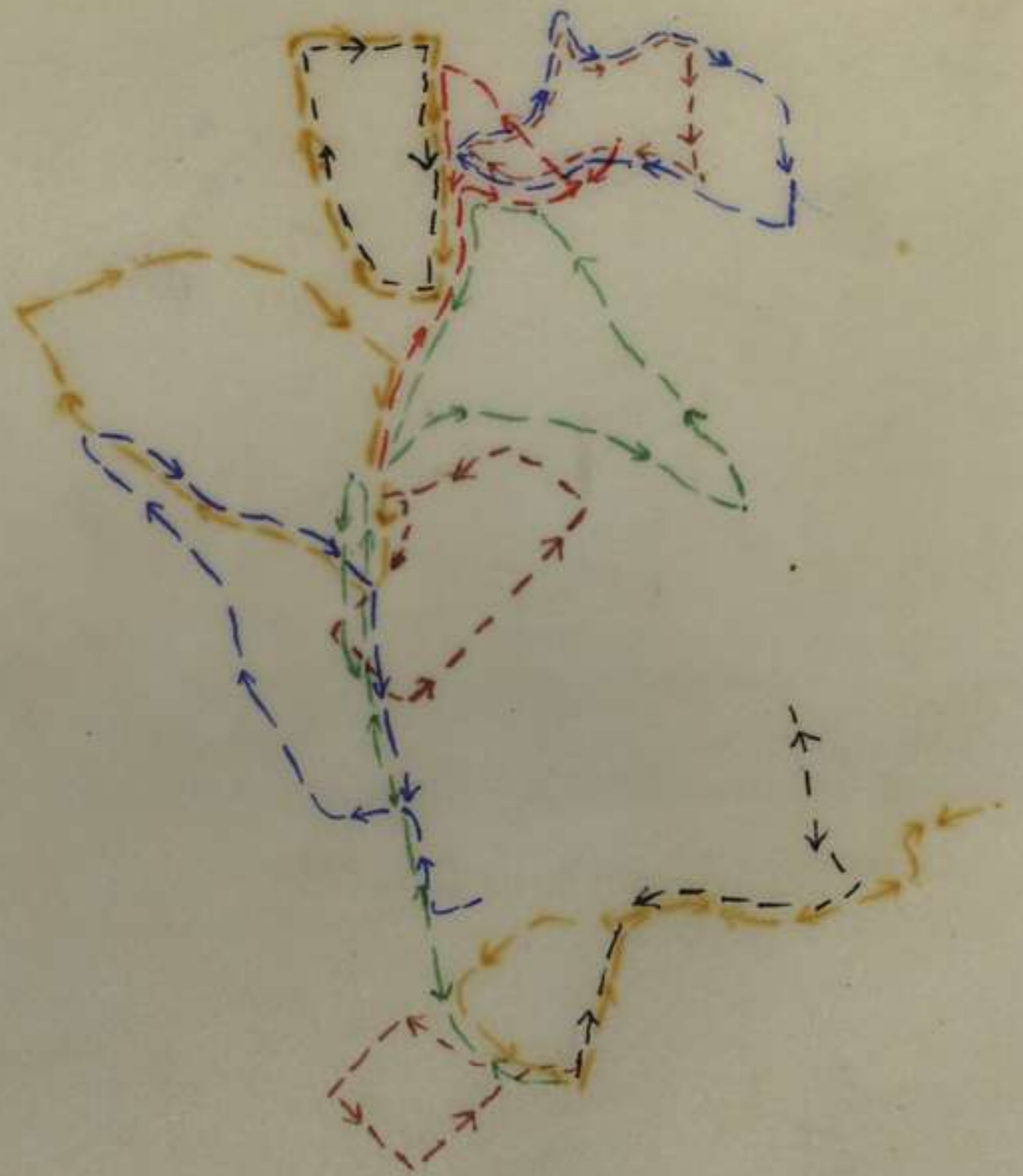
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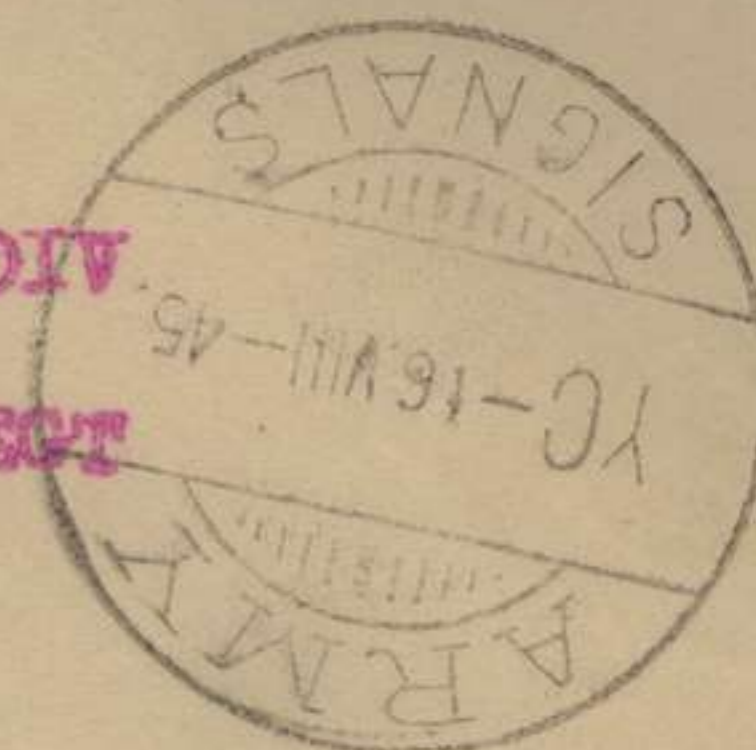
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MESSAGE FORM

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TO 7 BDE 15 BDE 29 BDE 2/4 ARMD REGT RAA 3 DIV  
RAE 3 DIV SIGS 3 DIV 61 BN ✓ D COY 2/1 GD REGT  
PIB AASC 3 DIV 3 DIV PRO COY



GO 7165 RESTRICTED (.) cessation of hostilities with JAPAN has  
been announced as from 15 aug (.) all aggressive action will  
cease forthwith (.) all patrols behind enemy lines will be  
withdrawn (.) arrival in 29 bde area of any envoy from  
JAPANESE COMD will be notified immediately by phone to this  
HQ and envoy conducted thereto (.) negotiations of any kind  
will NOT be conducted by any officer of this fmn ACK all info

This message may be sent  
as WRITTEN by any means  
(except)  
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Signed... *[Handwritten signature]*

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES  
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by  
Lt Col T. J. FARRELL  
COMD 61 AUST INF BN

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HQ 61 Aust Inf Bn  
16 AUG 45

103. CONTROL OF SKIN DISEASE

1. Skin disease in the tropics is the principal cause of personnel wastage both permanent and temporary.
2. All Officers and NCOs in charge of sub-units, however small, will ensure that regular daily inspection is made of the skin conditions of all men. The slightest abrasion or sign of skin complaint will be reported immediately to RMO and arrangements will then be made for the earliest possible diagnosis and treatment.
3. RMOs will make a regular inspection of all troops including officers. If this is not possible because of temporary absence of troops on patrols etc these troops will be inspected by RMO immediately they return.
4. OCs are responsible that all personnel are fully aware of the action to be taken to prevent skin disease and will, as far as lies in their power, implement arrangements for the washing, boiling and drying of clothes and the provision of adequate bathing facilities.
5. Disciplinary action will be taken against any officer or NCO who fails to obey this order.

104. CONTROL OF NATIVES

The basis of ANGAU control of natives is respect by the Native for the European. It has been found that, with personnel untrained in the handling of natives, the best method of engendering and maintaining this respect, is to refrain from any unnecessary conversations or contact with natives.

When it is necessary for Army personnel to supervise the work of natives, and when ANGAU personnel are not available for supervision, Coy Comds will ensure such personnel confine their activities to necessary supervision of the task in hand, and avoid any action liable to adversely effect the respect of the native for the European.

Cases have been observed recently of troops fraternizing to the extent of embracing, jesting and general skylarking with natives. This will cease immediately.

105. AWA RADIO SERVICE TO AUSTRALIA

A radio telegraphic service is now operating between LAE and the mainland and overseas. Members of the forces may avail themselves of this service; the rate for immediate traffic to AUST is 6d per word and to places within the British Empire 1/3d per word. Details of rates for messages in other categories and to places outside the British Empire is available at all FPOs.

Normal censorship requirements apply in respect of radiograms.

Messages originated in BOUGAINVILLE will be despatched by air to LAE for onward transmission by radio from that point. A special radio gift service whereby flowers and books may be delivered to addressees in Australian Capital Cities and CANBERRA is also provided for. Details of gifts and rates are available at all FPOs.

*D. W. Hook* Capt  
Adjnt 61 Aust Inf Bn

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NOTICES

AIRMAIL POSITION AT BOUGAINVILLE AS AT  
1700 HRS 9 AUG 45

Cleared from Aust Base PO BOUGAINVILLE - All States.

Carry over - NIL

INCOMING TO BOUGAINVILLE

<u>From</u>	<u>Received this day</u>	<u>Date of Desp of last mail read</u>	<u>Mails oustanding</u>
PERTH	18 lbs	6 Aug	Nil
ADELAIDE	Nil	6 Aug	Nil
MELBOURNE	221 lbs	7 Aug	1 bag 7 Aug
SYDNEY	144 lbs	7 Aug	Nil
BRISBANE	101 lbs	7 Aug	Nil
TOWNSVILLE	80 lbs	7 Aug	Nil



issued 19 Aug

61 Bn

War Diary

Apr. 18

of *19/8.*  
C. I.  
RSM  
Ord. Room Sgt.  
*War diary*

SPECIAL ORDER.

By

MAJ-GEN W BRIDGEFORD, CB, CBE MC - COMD 3 AUST DIV

On this day of Victory, I desire to extend to all members of Third Australian Division, my grateful and heartfelt thanks for all your efforts. Your contribution to the Victory has earned a name for this Division of which we may be justly proud.

You have fought and beaten a vicious and determined enemy in the jungles of New Guinea and the Solomons.

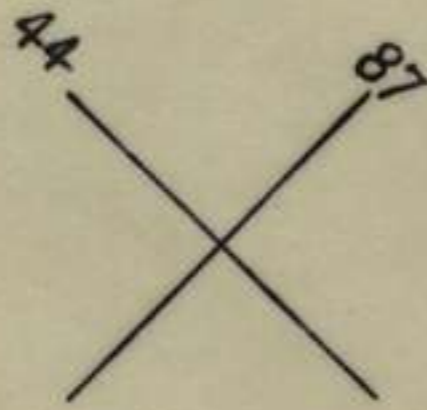
I am proud of the Division and of the way it has so worthily upheld the best traditions of the AIF.

I wish you all good luck in the future, and a safe return to your homes and loved ones.

*W Bridgeford*

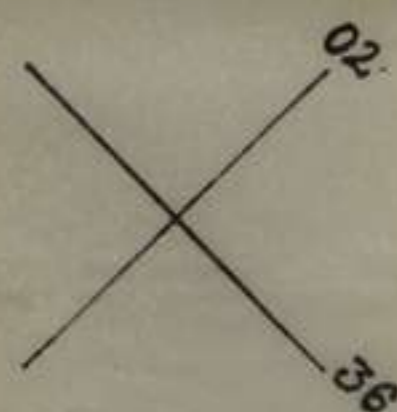
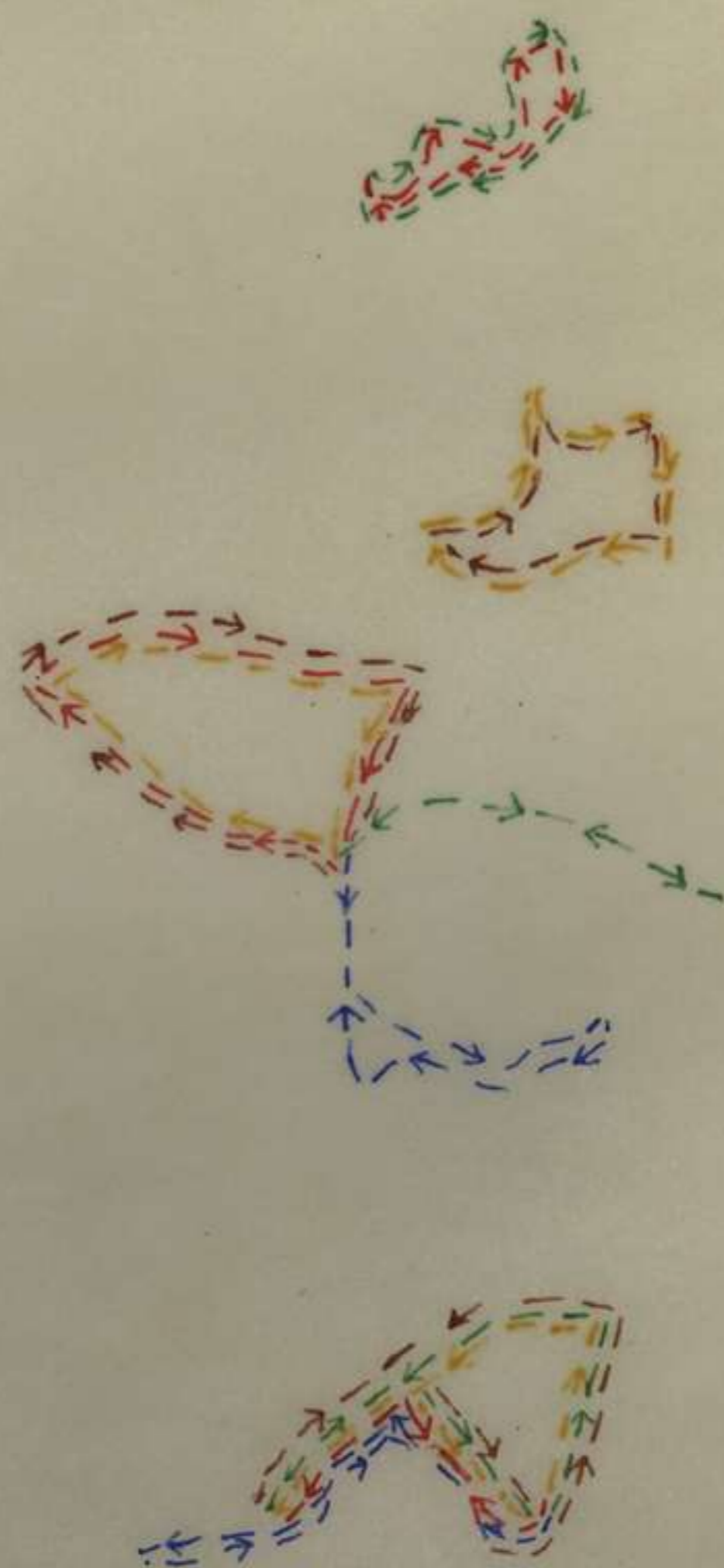
Maj-Gen.  
Comd 3 Aust Div

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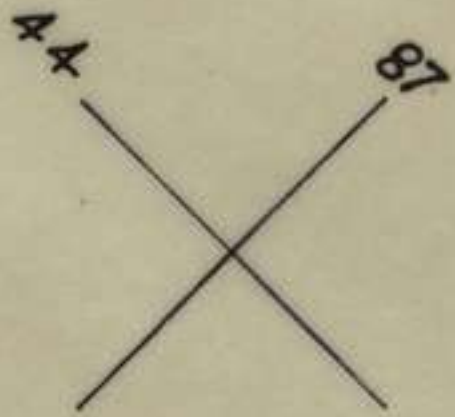


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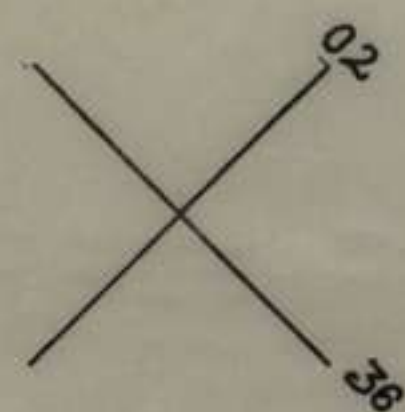
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- 17 "
- 18 "
- 19 "
- 20 "



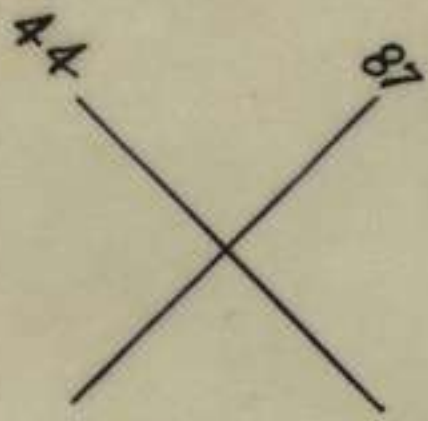
PATROL OVERLAY  
WAR DIARY  
APPX "D"



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--- 21 AUG  
--- 22 "  
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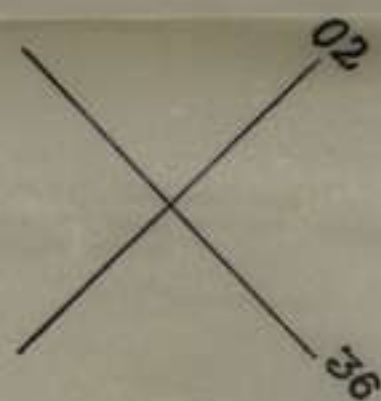
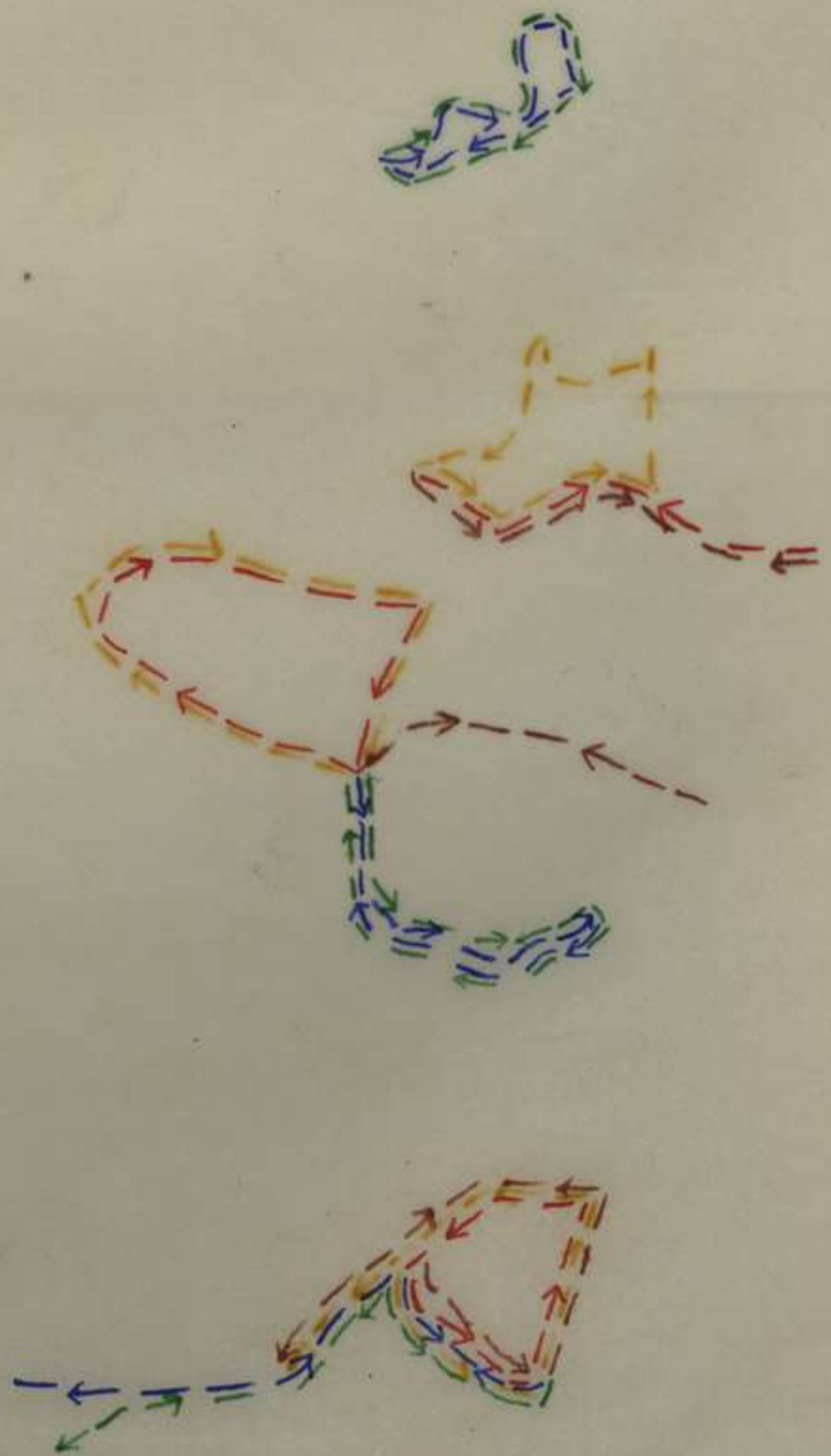


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APPX. E

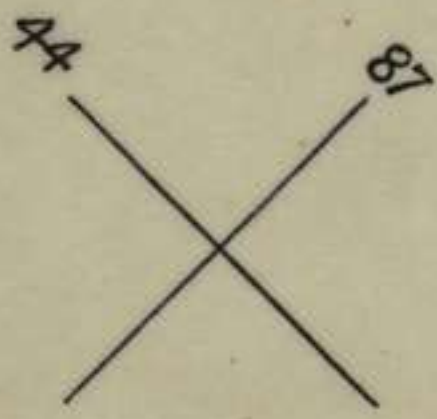


PATROL ROUTES FOR:-

- 25 AUG
- "
- "
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PATROL OVERLAY  
WAR DIARY  
APPX. F



PATROL ROUTES FOR:-

— — — — — 30 AUG  
— — — — — 31 AUG

