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62 Infantry Battalion

September - October 1943

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WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

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Army Form C. 21
(adapted.)

Unit..... 62 AUST INF BN AIF..... Date and Time.—From 1 Sep 43..... To 6 Sep 43.....

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
MERAUKE	1 Sep 43		Lieut. Sullivan, P.J. detached as Instr. 11 Aust Inf Tng Bn. Lieut. Cheesman, R.S. evacuated by air to mainland on med. grounds and placed on X List. WOII West and WOII Ballard marched out detached to OCTU as Instrs.	
	2 Sep 43	0800	Postal Sgt. left to deliver mail to troops taking part in exercise. Met them at KOEMBE RIVER. Lieut. Shea, R.E. transferred to BHQ as I.O.	
	3 Sep 43	1700 1930	CO Lt.Col. Haupt and observers returned. A Coy (HATS) returned to lines having completed exercise.	
	4 Sep 43	0830	B Coy (HELMETS) and dets from BHQ and HQ Coy returned to lines having completed weeks exercise to ONGARRI. Coys had struck a lot of wet weather during weeks exercise. Field Returns W3008 and W3009 Daily average personnel in hospital for week ending 4 Sep - 35	Appx 1.
	5 Sep 43		Instructions for C and D Coys weeks tactical exercise issued.	Appx 2.
	6 Sep 43	0530 1400	C Coy as HATS FORCE and D Coy as HELMETS FORCE plus dets from BHQ and HQ Coy departed on 5½ days exercise. CO Lt.Col.Haupt and observers embarked at Jetty to join troops on exercise. Training Instr. 12-25 Sep 43 issued	Appx 3.

A.G. Haupt.

WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

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Army Form C. 215.
(adapted.)

Unit..... 62 AUST INF BN AIF Date and Time.—From 6 Sep 43 To 11 Sep 43.

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
MERAUKE	6 Sep 43	0800	Arty. shoot. Target area beach front in 62 Bn AIF area. incl. Lighthouse to incl. Lower 5 Ave. and excl. A Street. Personnel from OP5 evacuated during hours incl. 0800-1500 as OP5 is within target area.	
	7 Sep 43		Arty. shoot. Target area beach front in 62 Bn AIF area. incl. Lighthouse to incl. Lower 5 Ave, and excl. A Street. Personnel from OP5 evacuated during hours incl. 0800-1500 as OP5 is within target area.	
	9 Sep 43	0800	Postal Sgt. took mail for delivery to troops on exercise and expected to meet them at KOEMBE RIVER.	
		1045	Red Alert. 16 bombers in raid.	
		1130	All clear.	
		1140	Nil damage or casualties in Unit area.	
		1200	5 casualties to A Coy personnel working on strip area. 4 flesh wounds and 1 nervous collapse. Troops on exercise at KOEMBE village witnessed interception by RAAF and the destruction of 2 Jap planes. Search made for survivors or wreckage - only a belly tank found	APPX 4
	10 Sep 43	1730	1 OR marched in - transferred off X List. CO Lt.Col.Haupt and observers returned to Merauke from accompanying troops on exercise.	Belly tank sent to RAAF for inspection
		1930	C Coy (HATS) personnel returned to lines having completed exercise. Lieut. Stratton evacuated to ADS.	
	11 Sep 43	0730	D Coy (HELMETS) and dets from BHQ and HQ Coy returned to lines having completed exercise.	
		1430	Bn Parade on beach at JOBAR. CO Lt.Col.Haupt inspected troops and took salute at march past. 31/51 band was in attendance. 4 OR marched out evacuated to mainland - med downgraded. Daily average personnel in hospital week ending 11 Sep - 33	

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(adapted.)

Unit..... 62 AUST INF BN AIF..... Date and Time.—From 19 Sep 43 To 27 Sep 43.....

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
MERAUKE	19 Sep 43	0930	Parade of all NCOs - Cpl and higher rank. They were addressed by the CO Lt.Col.Haupt.	
		1100	Court of Inquiry into the death of QX24010 Pte.Stevenson,E.G.	
		1600	Senior Cadre Class ended. Notes on compliments to all ranks issued.	Appx. 6. (Not included.)
	20 Sep 43	0700	C and D Coys leftlines to commence weeks recce. patrol exercise crossing Merauke River by ALCV.	
	21 Sep 43	1200	New 10" beach area maps issued. Observations of depth of water on beach carried out by Int. Sec for plotting positions of beach wiring.	
	22 Sep 43		Diagrams of beach wiring prepared Work parties supplied to Force. Work continuing on Offrs.Mess.	Appx 7.
	24 Sep 43		Work proceeding on new Bn Parade ground. Aust notes and coinage called in. Personnel in future will be paid in Dutch money. Personnel of this Bn withdrawn from outposts.	
	25 Sep 43		C and D Coys arrive back from exercise. Bn concert held at night.	
	26 Sep 43		Church Parade conducted by Padre Beatty. Major Moray marched in as OC HQ Coy. Portions of crashed Zero brought to Int.Sec for examination Report from D Coy of another crashed Jap plane 22 miles NW Sarore.	RAAF informed. Force Int. informed
	27 Sep 43		3 offrs proceeded to Mobile MRand FS School held locally.	

A. J. Haupt

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES.

ROUTINE ORDERS PART I.

by
Lt. Col. A. G. K. Haupt.
Commanding 62 Aust Inf Bn A.I.F.

Formation: Merauke Force.
Date: 2 Sep 43.

245. ORDERLY DUTIES - Mounting Retreat 2 Sep 43 to Retreat
3 Sep 43.

<u>Orderly Offr.</u>	<u>Ord. N.C.O.</u>	<u>Orderly.</u>
Lieut. R.E. Shea.	Cpl. W.D. McAndrew.	Pte. P.C. Sorensen.
Lieut. H.J. Reid.	Cpl. J.T. Clark.	Pte. H.E. Smith.
Lieut. R.J. Wilson.	Cpl. W.R. Guttormsen.	Pte. F.E. Wilson.

<u>Bn Guard.</u>	Guard Comd:	Pte. H. Hansen.
	NFD :	Pte. R.W. Taylor.

S. J. Hancock Capt.
Adj. 62 Aust Inf Bn AIF.

PROMULGATION.

<u>No.</u>	<u>Rank.</u>	<u>Name.</u>	<u>Charge.</u>	<u>Finding.</u>	<u>Date.</u>
QX27092	Sgt.	McClelland, G.M.	Stealing Govt. property, viz one packet of cigarettes, part of a cargo consigned to ADCS AA.18(4)	NOT GUILTY.	FGCM 28.8.43. Confirmed 29.8.43. Promulgated 1.9.43.
QX27322	Pte.	Ward, C.F.	Stealing Govt. property, viz one tin tobacco part of a cargo consigned to ADCS. AA.18(4)	NOT GUILTY	FGCM 28.8.43 Confirmed 29.8.43 Promulgated 1.9.43.

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ROUTINE ORDERS PART I.

by
Lt.Col.A.G.K.Haupt.
Commanding 62 Aust Inf Bn A.I.F.

Formation: Mersauke Force.
Date: 3 Sep 43.

246. ORDERLY DUTIES - Mounting Retreat 3 Sep 43 to Retreat 4 Sep 43.

Orderly Offr.

Lieut.H.J.Reid.
Lieut.W.R.Pechey.
Lieut.R.J.Wilson.

Ord. NCO.

Cpl.J.T.Clark.
Cpl.W.R.Guttormsen.
Cpl.M.E.Nerd.

Orderly.

Pte.H.E.Smith.
Pte.F.E.Wilson.
Pte.A.H.A.Harper.

Bn Guard

Guard Cond.
NFD

Pte. R.M. Taylor.
L/Cpl.H.G. Mugridge.

247. ARMY PIGEONS. (Force RO A.149)

During training and "breaking in" of the Carrier Pigeons in this area, it is anticipated that a number of birds will fail to return to lofts and may possibly alight in unit areas. If pigeons are observed in this area BnQ is to be advised immediately so that arrangements may be made with Force signals to collect birds.

R. J. Haupt Capt.
Adj. 62 Aust Inf Bn AIF.

DUPLICATE

Wesley Deary

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ROUTINE ORDERS PART I.

by
Lt.Col.A.G.K.Haupt.
Commanding 62 Aust Inf Bn A.I.F.

Formation: Merauke Force.
Date: 4 Sep 43.

248. ORDERLY DUTIES - Mounting Retreat 4 Sep 43 to Retreat 5 Sep 43.

<u>Orderly Offr.</u>	<u>Ord. NCO.</u>	<u>Orderly.</u>
Lieut.H.G.Williamson.	Cpl.W.R.Guttormsen.	Pte.F.H.Wilson.
Lieut.R.J.Wilson.	Cpl.M.E.Ward.	Pte.A.H.Harper.
Lieut.J.R.Whalley.	Cpl.C.J.Paten.	Pte.E.G.Stevenson.

<u>Bn Guard.</u>	Guard Comd: L/Cpl.H.G.Mugridge.
	NFD : L/Cpl.E.Else.

[Signature] Lieut for
Capt.
Adj. 62 Aust Inf Bn AIF.

NOTICE.

CHURCH PARADE.

Bn Parade - 0830hrs. Concert Area.
R.C. As usual.

PUNISHMENT.

No.	Rank.	Name.	Charge.	Finding.	Date.
OX17629	Lieut	Sullivan,P.J.	AWL 1000hrs 3.5.43 - 1430hrs 19.5.43. AA.15(1)	Guilty: To forfeit Army seniority for 12 months and to take rank and precedence as if appoint- ment as Lieut bore date 9 Aug 43 (Auto forfeit 17 days pay and allowances)	FGCM 1 Sep 43 Confirmed 2 Sep 43 Promulgated 2 Sep 43.

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES.

VOUCHER

D.V.O. 2

Consent

Approved

I certify that the above order has been

This form may also be used by units when convenient to produce in which case it must be submitted by a reference to the head of parade. Correction of details in the paper may be made only by means of this form.

(Signature)

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ROUTINE ORDERS PART I

by
Lt.Col.A.G.T. Haupt.
Commanding 62 Aust Inf Bn A.I.F.

Formation: Mersuke Force.
Date: 5 Sep 43.

249. ORDERLY DUTIES - Mounting Retreat 5 Sep 43 to Retreat
6 Sep 43.

Orderly Offr.

Lieut.J.R. Whalley.
Lieut.C.W. Busby.
Lieut.W.F.G. Ross.

Bn Guard.

Ord. NCO.

Cpl.M.E. Ward.
Cpl.C.J. Paten.
Cpl.W.H. Byrne.

Guard Comd.
NFD

Orderly.

Pte.A.H. Harper.
Pte.E.G. Stevenson.
Pte.R.K. Clair.

L/Cpl. E. Else.
L/Cpl. C.M. Beresford.

Williamson
for Capt.
Adj. 62 Aust Inf Bn AIF.

CORRENDUM.

The promulgation of FOCM appearing in RO Serial No.150 of 4 Sep 43 is amended to read.

"To forfeit Army Seniority for 12 months and to take rank and precedence as if appointment as Lieut bore date 9 Aug 42"

and NOT 1943 as shown.

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ROUTINE ORDERS PART I.

by
Lt. Col. A. G. K. Haupt.
Commanding 62 Aust Inf Bn A.I.F.

Formation: Merauke Force.
Date: 6 Sep 43.

250. ORDERLY DUTIES - Mounting Retreat 6 Sep 43 to Retreat
7 Sep 43.

<u>Orderly Offr.</u>	<u>Ord. NCO.</u>	<u>Orderly.</u>
Lieut. G. W. Busby.	Cpl. C. J. Paten.	Pte. L. G. Stevenson.
Lieut. W. F. G. Ross.	Cpl. W. J. Byrne.	Pte. R. K. Clair.
Lieut. L. K. Hamilton.	Cpl. A. O. McCloskey.	Pte. N. F. Zeller.

<u>Bn Guard.</u>	Guard Comd. L/Cpl. C. M. Beresford.
	NFD L/Cpl. S. Ide.

A. O. D.
Adj. 62 Aust Inf Bn AIF.

NOTICES.

PRACTICE SHOOT.

Bofors gun from map ref. MERAUKE (SPECIAL) 42883001, will fire between hours of 1430 and 1700 on 6 Sep 43.

Danger area will be that within a radius of 11,000 yards, and bounded by grid bearing 330° on west, and 050° on east.

REGTL. TRUST FUND A/C.

Credit Balance 31 Jul 43 £580.2.10

Receipts.

ADCS profit for May	£83.9.3.	
" " " June	149.15.5.	
		233.4.8.
		<u>£813.7.6.</u>

Expenditure.

Prize Money - Bn Sports.
Not yet finally adjusted.
£132.10.0.

Drawn to purchase amenities - details not yet to hand.

300.0.0.

Credit Bal. 31 Aug.	432.10.0.
Unit Canteen Capital A/c	£280.17.6.
	200.0.0.
	<u>£480.17.6.</u>

Contingent Liability.

1 Aust Indep. Carrier Pl., per capita payment on strength transferred as at 9 Aug 43.

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES.

ROUTINE ORDERS PART I.

by
Lt. Col. A. G. K. Haupt.
Commanding 62 Aust Inf Bn A.I.F.

Formation: Merauke Force.
Date: 7 Sep 43.

251. ORDERLY DUTIES - Mounting Retreat 7 Sep 43 to Retreat 8 Sep 43.

Orderly Offr.

Lieut. W. F. G. Ross.
Lieut. L. K. Hamilton.
Lieut. P. McHugh.

Ord. NCO.

Cpl. W. J. Byrne.
Cpl. A. O. McCloskey.
Cpl. M. Hartigan.

Orderly.

Pte. R. K. Clair.
Pte. N. F. Zeller.
Pte. H. J. Dunlea.

Bn Guard.

Bn Guard Comd.
NFD

L/Cpl. S. Ide.
L/Cpl. G. B. Baird.

252. SIGNAL COMMUNICATIONS. (Force RO, G156)

Attention is drawn to this HQ RO, G17 of 27 May 43, breaches whereof are seriously impairing signal efficiency.

Cases have been reported of signal lines being cut and used for domestic purposes. All such wire will be returned immediately to the DCSO MERAUKE Force and disciplinary action taken in respect to any further breaches of this order.

Telephone operators will report at once to DCSO all cases of unit phones left unattended and DCSO will advise BM MERAUKE Force.

253. CANTEEN SUPPLIES - HOSPITAL PATIENTS, Force RO, Q163)

It is the responsibility of units to ensure that members evacuated to hospital are provided with rationed ADCS goods, such as cigarettes and tobacco, while absent from unit.

A. J. Langford
A/Adj. 62 Aust Inf Bn AIF. Lieut.

NOTICE.

FOUND. 1 wallet found in the vicinity of RADAR on 1 Sep 43, containing notebook, pencil and a number of snapshots. Enquiries to be made to Force HQ.

CORRIE GENDUM.

Reference BRO. No. 152 of 6 Sep 43. Regtl. Trust Fund A/c Credit Balance 31 Aug 43 to bead '£380.17.6' and NOT £280.17.6. as shown. Total of £480.17.6. to read '£580.17.6'

II. WAR OUTFIT OF UNIT

A.A.F. T.51
Sheet 2

In all cases where personnel accompany mechanical vehicles, guns, etc., to THE PORT, details of such vehicles, etc., will be entered on this part of the Return. Entries and amendments must be as accurate as for those in Part I.

Normally mechanical vehicles will be embarked in ships separate from personnel, and Part II of this form will be the official record of mechanical vehicles only as far as the Port of Embarkation, while Parts I and III of this Form will continue to be the official return for personnel as far as Port of Disembarkation. When mechanical vehicles are embarked separately as described above, the columns referring to these vehicles will be endorsed by the Embarkation Staff -- "Embarked separately in M.T. ships." If for tactical and other reasons, mechanical vehicles are carried in the same ship as the personnel, this Return will support both Personnel and Vehicles, to the Port of Disembarkation.

	H.D. Vehicles		Guns, Carriages Limbers etc (describe)	Ann. wagons & Limbers	Mechanical Vehicles (describe) & trailers										Bicycles		
	2- wheeled	4-wheel -ed															
Strength as entrained or Proceeding by Road to Port of Shipment																	
Casualties en route to Port of Shipment																	
Numbers actually handed over for loading																	

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SIX COPIES OF THIS FORM ARE TO BE HANDED TO EMBARKATION STAFF AT PORT OF EMBARKATION AND DISPOSED OF AS FOLLOWS :-

Three copies to be retained by Embarkation Staff Officer, Port of Embarkation, one of which will be forwarded to A.H.Q. as soon as the vessel has sailed, one retained on record, and one copy retained for immediate despatch to the Port to which the vessel was proceeding in the event of the vessel being lost at sea. Three copies after signature to be delivered to O.C. Troops on Board for custody. The officer who has custody of the documents during the voyage will be responsible for handing them - duly amended as regards casualties etc., - to the EMBARKATION STAFF OFFICER, at the Port of Disembarkation, who will retain one copy and forward one copy to the Commandant, Overseas Base, and return remaining copy to A.H.Q. Australia.

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES.

ROUTINE ORDERS PART I.

by

Lt. Col. A. G. K. Haupt.
Commanding 62 Aust Inf Bn A.I.F.

Formation: Morauke Force.
Date: 9 Sep 43.

254. ORDERLY DUTIES - Mounting Retreat 9 Sep 43 to Retreat 10 Sep 43.

Orderly Offr.

Lieut. P. McHugh.
Lieut. R. J. Whalley.
Lieut. R. J. Wilson.

Ord. NCO.

Cpl. M. Hartigan.
Cpl. C. J. Paten.
Cpl. M. E. Ward.

Orderly.

Pte. H. J. Dunlea.
Pte. J. Ryan.
Pte. P. E. Stein.

Bn Guard.

Guard Comd.

L/Cpl. G. G. Spooner,
L/Cpl. S. W. Williett.

Mr. [Signature]
Lieut.
A/Adjt. 62 Aust Inf Bn AIF.

NOTICE.

The following team has been selected to represent the unit against ALL BLUES on ALL BLUES ground to commence at 1600hrs Sunday 12 Sep

Ref : Capt. Hughes.

Half Back: M. Peakes. (HQ) Five Eight: J. A. Hill. (B)

3/4 Full Back : L. H. Abrahams. (B)
: E. J. Stevenson. (A) W. Burns. (A)
A. McGlynn. (A) W. Biggam. (C)

Forwards :

T. Case. (A)
W. Morris. (HQ) M. Farquharson. (C)
C. A. Burger. (A) G. Maxwell. (HQ)
H. D. Wilson. (B)

Reserves :

A Choy. (HQ)
L. Matthews. (A)

62 AUST INF BN AIF NEWS BULLETIN No.19. 16 June 43.

NORTH WESTERN AREA.

AROE IS. 12 June. In a successful attack on the JAP seaplane base at TABERPANE, 7 Beaufighters shot up float planes on the water and destroyed 7. 2 were damaged.

KAIMANA. 12 June. 2 merchant vessels and 1 escort vessel were sighted off shore. 1 B24 scored near misses on a 2,000ton ship.

KAI IS. 12 June. 2 merchant vessels were seen at DOELA.

NABARI. (DNG) Airfield, jetty and buildings bombed by 3 B21s.

ROEPANG. 12 June. 5 merchant vessels were in the harbor and were bombed by armed recce.

NORTH EASTERN AREA.

RABAUL. 12 June. In another heavy and prolonged raid 12 Fortresses and 4 Liberators concentrated on the VUNAKANAU strip. Many fires were started, and one enemy aircraft, which was on fire at 7,000ft, was seen to crash. On the trip home, 7 of the Fortresses dropped their remaining bombs on GASMATA, setting fire to 1 bomber on the ground, and causing one large explosion.

SOLOMONS.

"What's the latest news of the SOLOMONS?"

"Oh, They've just moved from Bondi to Potts Point!"

OVERSEAS.

GREAT BRITAIN. R.A.F. Bombers were again out in force over GERMANY. This time their targets were in the RHINELAND. Beaufighters attacked an enemy convoy off the DUTCH coast, sinking 1 vessel and damaging another. The BRITISH LABOUR party decided to carry on with it's policy of support for CHURCHILL.

MEDITERRANEAN. Another small island (ITALIAN) NANTIONI, N.W. of LAMPEDUSA, has surrendered to BRITISH NAVAL FORCES. GERMANY reports that long talks between the BRITISH and AMERICAN Ambassadors and the PRESIDENT OF PORTUGAL have taken place. An underground hangar, capable of holding 100 planes, has been discovered on PANTELLARIA. The island of SICILY is heavily fortified and has a garrison of 10 to 12 ITALIAN divisions.

RUSSIA. RUSSIAN forces have captured four more localities in the OREL sector. Following the successful SOVIET attacks on GERMAN dromes the SOVIET Air Force has complete mastery of the air on the Central Front. It is estimated that the GERMANS have lost over 1000 planes in the past few weeks.

CHINA. CHINESE forces have resumed the offensive on the CHEKIANG front, and the JAPS have suffered big casualties. Two earthquakes in JAPAN have been recorded in AMERICA.

W. J. Effen - Robert L/3jt.
for I.O. 62 Aust Inf Bn AIF.

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AUS. RALIAN MILITARY FORCES.

ROUTINE ORDERS PART I.

by
Lt. Col. A. G. K. Haupt.
Commanding 62 Aust Inf Bn A. I. F.

Formation: Merauke Force.
Date: 11 Sep 43.

255. ORDERLY DUTIES - Mounting Retreat 11 Sep 43 to Retreat 12 Sep 43.

<u>Orderly Offr.</u>	<u>Ord. NCO.</u>	<u>Orderly.</u>
Lieut. R. J. Wilson.	Cpl. A. O. McCloskey.	Pte. G. E. Carr.
Lieut. K. Tedford.		
Lieut. T. Rodham.		

Bn Guard. Guard Comd. L/Cpl. S. Ide.

256. NIGHT TRG. - USE OF FLARES.

As flares have significance to RAAF at night time, the employment of flares in course of night training will NOT be permitted until permission has been obtained from Force HQ.

L. K. Haupt
Adj. 62 Aust Inf Bn AIF.

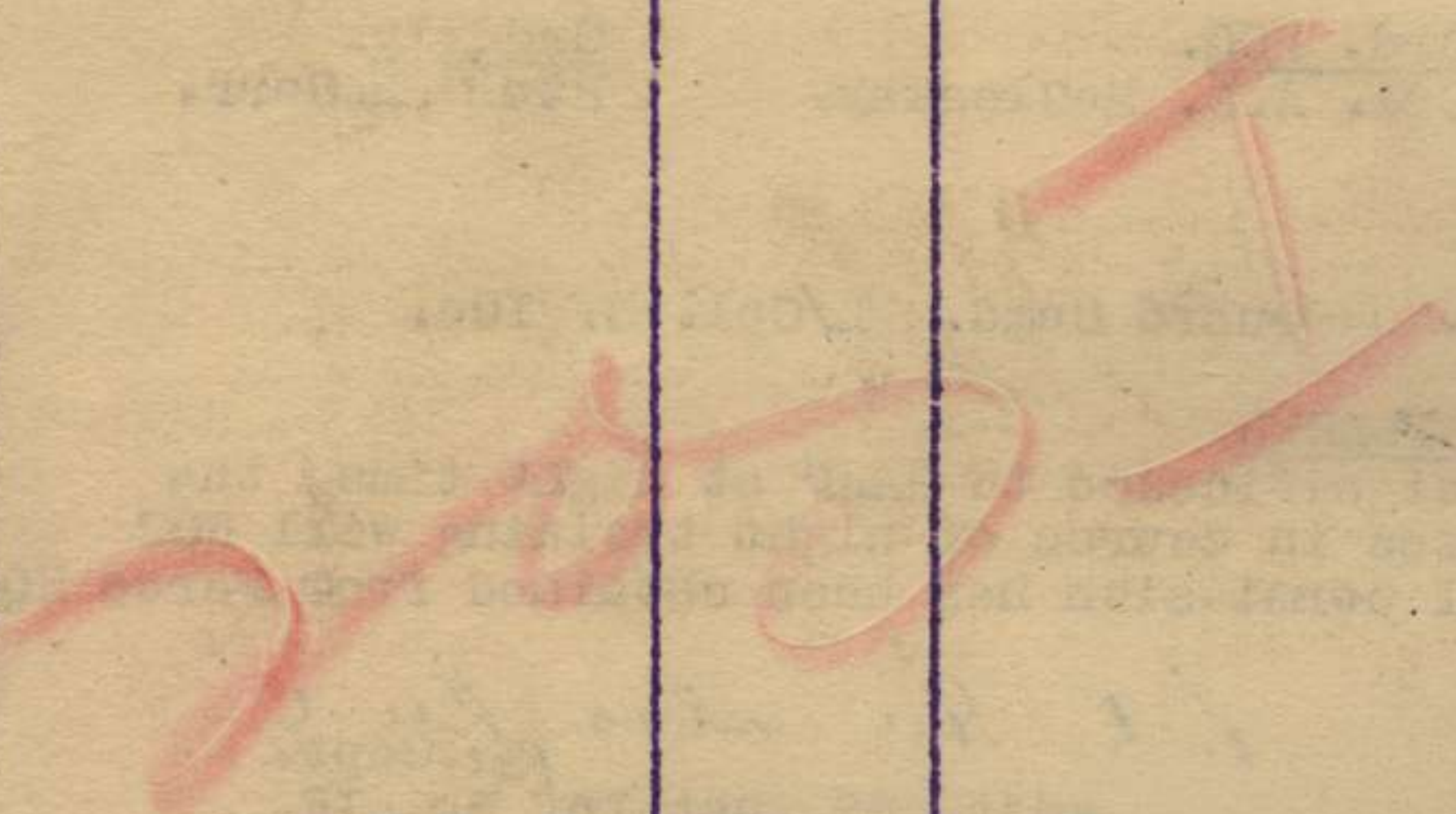
NOTICE.

Church Parade 12 Sep 43. 0830hrs. R.C. 0930hrs.

REMISSIONS.

<u>No.</u>	<u>Rank.</u>	<u>Name.</u>	<u>Sentence.</u>	<u>Remission.</u>
QX28375	Pte	Stein, A.G.	FGCM 31 Jul 43. 89 days Field punishment. Forfeiture of ordinary pay for 89 days.	49 days Field punishment and forfeiture of 49 days ordinary pay REMITTED. First Aust Army A.8176 of 5 Sep 43.
QX23164	Pte	McKenna, V.F.	FGCM 17 Aug 43. 28 days Field punishment. Forfeiture 28 days ordinary pay.	Finding and sentence QUASHED. First Aust Army A.8213 of 8 Sep 43.

To be continued if necessary, on A.A.F. A.206 (Embarkation Nominal Roll). The greatest care is to be observed in the compilation and amendment of this roll.

Personal or Army No. To be shown in following order: (a) Officers, (b) Warrant Officers (c) O/Rs (in order of Army Nos. by Squadron, Coy. Etc.	Rank	Names in Full Surname Other Names	If proceeding on transfer to another Unit or Corps, the facts should be stated and the designation of the unit given here. If not belonging to the unit rendering this form, the fact should be stated and the unit from which detached etc should be given here.
			

Dear Mary

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES.

ROUTINE ORDERS PART I

by
Lt. Col. A. G. K. Haupt
Commanding 62 Aust Inf Bn A.I.F.

Formation: Mersuke Force.
Date: 14 Sep 43.

258. ORDERLY DUTIES - Mounting Retreat 14 Sep 43 to Retreat 15 Sep 43.

<u>Orderly Offr.</u>	<u>Ord. NCO.</u>	<u>Orderly.</u>
Lieut. H. J. Reid.	Cpl. J. Long.	Pte. J. F. Ruddy.
L/Sgt. F. I. Crofts.	Cpl. R. Munn.	Pte. M. Kelleher.
Lieut. L. K. Hamilton.	Cpm. J. C. Cormack.	Pte. L. Hair.

<u>Bn Guard.</u>	Guard Comd.	L/Cpl. A. P. Neilsen.
	NFD	L/Cpl. H. C. Brayshaw.

259. ILLEGAL USE OF ARMY CLOTHING. (Force RO.A.159)

The sale and/or exchange of army clothing to/with civilians is strictly prohibited.

This is an offence against both Dutch Civil Law and Australian Military Law. Civilian police are taking action to enforce the discontinuation of the wearing of Army clothing by civilians and all units will ensure that this regulation is rigidly enforced.

Disciplinary action will immediately be taken against offenders.

260. CENSORSHIP.

LHQ Field Censorship Instn. No.4 supercedes A.F.C.1 No.22 and is taken into use. Copies have been forwarded to all Coys for promulgation and record.

In addition the following will NOT be mentioned in private letters:

Malaria.
Atebrin.

Natives (including reference to local language, habits and religion)

Plants and animals not common to Australian mainland e.g.

Birds of Paradise, Zebu, crocodiles, palm trees, etc.

Reference to extremely swampy nature of ground, absence of hills.

The greater precautions necessary in this area for protection against mosquitos.

Also, the practice of sending coconuts out of this area will cease forthwith.

If the abovementioned subjects do not actually disclose exact location, they certainly establish that the unit is in a tropical zone.

A. G. K. Haupt Capt.
Adj. 62 Aust Inf Bn A.I.F.

NOTICES.

Recreation Hut. Between MG and B Coys has been completed and is now open to troops.

Lost. A set of chessmen (the private property of Mr. Peacock, Y.M.C. representative) has been removed from Rec. Hut in A Street. Will person responsible return same immediately.

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES.

ROUTINE ORDERS PART I

by
Lt. Col. A. G. K. Haupt.
Commanding 62 Aust Inf Bn A.I.F.

Formation: Merauke Force.
Date: 15 Sep 43.

261. ORDERLY DUTIES - Mounting Retreat 15 Sep 43 to Retreat 16 Sep 43.

<u>Orderly Offr.</u>	<u>Ord. NCO.</u>	<u>Orderly.</u>
L/Sgt. F. I. Crofts.	Cpl. R. Mann.	Pte. M. Kelleher.
Lieut. L. K. Hamilton.	Cpl. J. Cormack.	Pte. L. Hair.
Lieut. W. F. G. Ross.	Cpl. J. S. Robinson.	Pte. J. W. Campbell.
<u>Bn Guard.</u>	Guard Comd.	L/Cpl. H. C. Brayshaw.
	NFD	L/Cpl. E. Ebrington.
	"	L/Cpl. O. H. Pocock.

262. BOMB DISPOSAL. (Force RO. G165)

Following the air raid on 9 Sep 43, the following points are to be brought before the notice of all ranks;

- (a) Troops must NOT interfere with craters and surrounds of exploded and unexploded bombs. The portions of bombs found in craters, the shape and size of craters are most valuable in determining the type of bomb used, thus greatly assisting the disposal of UXBs.
- (b) The practice of troops souveniring generally portions of nose caps, fuses, tail pins etc which are also of value in determining type of bomb and fuse must be strictly forbidden.
- (c) Troops who dig or poke about in small craters which may be doubtful UXB are exposing themselves to danger.
- (d) Many cases of dermatitis have been known to be contracted by men handling pieces of Japanese bombs recently exploded.

263. MALARIA CONTROL. (Force RO. A167)

Fine weather following the recent heavy rains has given rise to ideal conditions for the outbreak of an epidemic of malaria.

Mosquito surveys have shown a sharp and serious rise in the number of malaria carrying mosquitos.

All malaria control measures will be rigidly enforced and strict disciplinary action taken in case of breaches of dress regulations.

264. EXCHANGE ALLOWANCE. (Force RO. A169)

Where deleted, exchange allowance will be re-inserted in pay books by next payday covering whole period of deletion

265. ROYAL MILITARY COLLEGE OF AUST - VACANCIES FOR STAFF CADETS. (Force RO. A171)

Applications are invited for admission by way of Normal Entry to the Royal Military College Duntroon (25 vacancies) Successful candidates will enter the college early in 1944 and, on graduation, will be appointed to the Australian Staff Corps.

266. IDENTITY DISCS, FIELD DRESSINGS. (Force RO.A173)

Personnel are reminded that these must be carried at all times. Certain recent casualties were not in possession of the above, but were fortunate in being attended by others who used their own dressings. The absence of Field Dressings might have very serious consequences in many wound cases.

267. MOSQUITO NETS.

Inspection of nets reveals the necessity of airing same. Coys will arrange for the airing of nets etc in suitable weather at least once a week.

R. A. King
Capt.
Adj. 62 Aust Inf Bn AIF.

File

Orderly Officer
Lt. Col. J. G. Hamilton
Lt. Col. W. G. Ross
Lt. Col. J. G. Hamilton
Lt. Col. W. G. Ross
Lt. Col. J. G. Hamilton
Lt. Col. W. G. Ross
Lt. Col. J. G. Hamilton
Lt. Col. W. G. Ross

263. MALARIA CONTROL (Force RO.A157)
The weather following the recent heavy rains has given rise to ideal conditions for the outbreak of an epidemic of malaria.
Malaria surveys have shown a sharp and serious rise in the number of malaria carrying mosquitoes.
All malaria control measures will be rigidly enforced and strict disciplinary action taken in case of breaches of these regulations.

264. EXCHANGE ALLOWANCE (Force RO.A159)
Where dated, exchange allowance will be re-issued in pay books by next payday covering whole period of detention.

265. ROYAL MILITARY COLLEGE OF AUSTRALIA - VACANCIES FOR STAFF CAPTAINS (Force RO.A161)
Applications are invited for admission by way of Normal Entry to the Royal Military College of Australia (22 vacancies) successful candidates will enter the college early in 1944 and on graduation will be appointed to the Australian Staff Corps.

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ROUTINE ORDERS PART I.

by
Lt. Col. A.G.K. Haupt.
Commanding 62 Aust Inf Bn A.I.F.

Formation: Merauke Force.
Date: 17 Sep 43.

268. ORDERLY DUTIES - Mounting Retreat 17 Sep 43 to Retreat
18 Sep 43.

Orderly Offr.

Lieut. W.F.G. Ross.
Lieut. K. Tedford.
Lieut. B.C.P. Douglas.

Ord. NCO.

Cpl. J.S. Robinson.
Cpl. D.C. Ferguson.
Cpl. W.G. Fernie.

Orderly.

Pte. J.W. Campbell.
Pte. J. Hemsley.
Pte. R.T.H. Jones.

Bn Guard. Guard Comd. L/Cpl. O.H. Pocock.
NFD L/Cpl. H.E. Coates.
NFD L/Cpl. V. Robb.

P. J. Langford Capt.
Adj. 62 Aust Inf Bn AIF.

NOTICE.

Church Services.

0830 Bn Parade.

0900 R.C. Parade.

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by
Lt. Col. A. G. K. Haupt
Commanding 62 Aust Inf Bn A. I. F.

Formation: Merauke Force.
Date: 18 Sep 43.

269. ORDERLY DUTIES - Mounting Retreat 18 Sep 43 to Retreat 19 Sep 43.

<u>Orderly Offr.</u>	<u>Ord. NCO.</u>	<u>Orderly.</u>
Lieut. K. Tedford.	Cpl. D. C. Ferguson.	Pte. J. Hemsley.
Lieut. B. C. P. Douglas.	Cpl. M. C. Dingwall.	Pte. R. T. H. Jones.
Lieut. J. R. Whalley.	L/Cpl. A. R. McLeod-Ferrie.	Pte. C. K. Goodworth.
<u>En Guard.</u>	Guard Comd.	L/Cpl. H. E. Coates.
	NFD	Cpl. W. G. Fernir.
	NFD	Cpl. H. E. Ohl.

270. COURT OF INQUIRY.

Consisting of the undermentioned officers is convened for the purpose of enquiring into the circumstances surrounding the recovery of pistol 3/914 (stolen on 14 Sep 43) and the discovery of certain items of equipment and ordnance stores reasonably suspected of having been stolen.

The Court will enquire carefully into all the circumstances surrounding the above and as to whether there was any misconduct, neglect of duty, or other offence on the part of any person and, if so, by whom and to what extent.

President : VX104549 Capt. E. W. Turner.
 Members : VX102621 Lieut. H. G. Williamson.
 : QX15560 Lieut. W. F. G. Ross.

P. J. G. G. G.
 Adj. 62 Aust Inf Bn AIF.

NOTICE.

CINEMA.

Merauke Cinema is now sited on Main St near football field. Open 1930hrs nightly except Sundays. Programs change every fourth night.

Personnel of this unit will move in parties under the following :

- 7 - 30 : Sgt. or Cpl.
- 30 - 50 : WO or Sgt.
- 50 upwards : an officer.

Attendance by this unit is limited to Mon. Tues. Thurs. and Sat nights.

PUNISHMENT.

<u>No.</u>	<u>Rank.</u>	<u>Name.</u>	<u>Offence.</u>	<u>Punishment.</u>	<u>Date.</u>
QX26202	Pte	Preston, A. T.	Conduct to prejudice; Unsoldierly behavior in presence of senior officer. AA.40	Fined £3	18 Sep 43.

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by

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Commanding 62 Aust Inf Bn A.I.F.

Formation: Mereuke Force.

Date. 19 Sep 43.

271. ORDERLY DUTIES - Mounting Retreat 19 Sep 43 to Retreat 20 Sep 43.

Orderly Offr.

Lieut.B.C.P.Douglas.

Lieut.J.R.Whalley.

Sgt.C.J.Wavaye.

Ord. NCO.

Cpl.M.C.Dingwall.

L/Cpl.A.R.McLeod-Ferrie.

Cpl.L.J.Ballard.

Orderly.

Pte.R.T.H.Jones.

Pte.C.K.Goodworth.

Pte.A.G.Cornish.

Bn Guard.

Guard Comd.

Cpl.W.G.Fernie.

NFD

Cpl.H.E.Ohl.

NFD

Cpl.G.B.Cooke.

Retained Capt.
Adj. 62 Aust Inf Bn A.I.F.

PROMOTIONS, APPOINTMENTS, ETC.

No.	Rank.	Name.	To be.	Date.
QX25307	Sgt.	Alcorn, W.R.G.	A/WOII	15.9.43.
QX24803	A/Sgt.	Moyse, F.M.	Sgt	"
QX13908	"	Lamb, J.H.	"	"
QX15816	S/Cpl	Ross, R.R.	Cpl	"
"	Cpl	" "	A/Sgt	"
QX25783	A/Cpl	Pearce, W.	Cpl	"
"	Cpl	" "	A/Sgt	"
QX25556	A/Cpl	Cheyne, J.R.	Cpl	"
QX28555	"	Ardrey, E.J.	"	"
QX23058	L/Cpl	Stevenson, T.A.	A/Cpl	"
QX23170	Pte	Hickson, B.R.	"	"
QX30042	"	Guilk, E.R.	Cook TGII	"
QX26506	"	Gollan, H.N.	" "	"
QX28251	"	Graham, A.W.	" "	"
QX28721	A/S/Sgt.	Whitford, F.C.	S/Sgt.	19.9.43
QX25222	A/Cpl	Whyte, G.	A/Sgt	15.9.43
QX25097	A/Cpl	Long, J.W.	Cpl	"
QX26036	"	McAndrew, W.D.	"	19.9.43
QX29496	L/Cpl	Harris, J.A.	A/Cpl	15.9.43
QX27147	"	Brummell, R.C.	"	"
QX27309	"	McFadzen, E.B.	"	"
QX26719	Pte	Norris, R.R.	"	"
QX25216	"	Taylor, R.W.	"	"
QX29465	"	Rein, B.G.	L/Cpl	17.9.43
QX25577	"	Chapman, C.J.	A/Cpl	15.9.43
QX25509	"	Hensen, H.	L/Cpl	"
QX24594	"	Mahoney, L.W.	"	"
QX24854	"	Jones, K.D.	Relinquished TGIII (clerk) at own request.	"

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by
Lt. Col. G. K. Haupt
Commanding 62 Aust Inf Bn A.I.F.

Formation; Merauke Force.
Date: 20 Sep 43.

272. ORDERLY DUTIES - Mounting Retreat 20 Sep 43 to Retreat 21 Sep 43.

<u>Orderly Offr.</u>	<u>Ord. NCO.</u>	<u>Orderly.</u>
Lieut. J. R. Whalley.	L/Cpl. A. R. McLeod-Ferrie.	Pte. C. K. Goodworth.
Sgt. C. J. Cavaye.	Cpl. L. J. Ballard.	Pte. G. Cornish.
Lieut. P. McHugh.	Cpl. E. R. G. Florence.	Pte. F. F. Craig.

<u>Bn Guard.</u>	<u>Guard Comd.</u>	Cpl. H. E. Ohl.
	NFD	Cpl. G. B. Cooke.
	NFD	L/Sgt. R. J. Barlow.

G. K. Haupt
Capt.
Adj. 62 Aust Inf Bn A.I.F.

PROMOTION.

<u>No.</u>	<u>Rank.</u>	<u>Name.</u>	<u>To be.</u>	<u>Date.</u>
QX25731	A/Cpl.	Fernie, W. G.	Cpl	20.9.43.

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Commanding 62 Aust Inf Bn A.I.F.

Formation: Merauke Force.
Date: 21 Sep 43.

273. ORDERLY DUTIES - Mounting Retreat 21 Sep 43 to Retreat 22 Sep 43.

Orderly Offr.

Sgt. C. J. Cavaye.
Lieut. P. McHugh.
Lieut. T. Rodham.

Ord. NCO.

Cpl. L. J. Ballard.
Cpl. E. R. G. Florence.
Cpl. W. G. Fernie.

Orderly.

Pte. H. G. Cornish.
Pte. F. F. Craig.
Pte. A. P. Reilly.

Bn Guard.

Guard Comd:

NFD
NFD

Cpl. G. B. Cooke.
L/Sgt. Berlow.
Cpl. M. G. Dingwall.

274. TRANSPORT.

MT drivers visiting wharf area will NOT permit men of the Mercantile Marine or civilians to travel on their vehicles. Merchant seamen are not permitted beyond MERAUKE town area.

A. G. K. Haupt Cent.
Adj. 62 Aust Inf Bn AIF.

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by
Lt. Col. A. G. K. Haupt.
Commanding 62 Aust Inf Bn A. I. F.

Formation: Merauke Force.
Date: 22 Sep 43.

275. ORDERLY DUTIES - Mounting Retreat 22 Sep 43 to Retreat
23 Sep 43.

Orderly Offr.

Lieut. P. McHugh.
Lieut. T. Rodham.
Lieut. W. F. G. Ross.

Ord. NCO.

Cpl. E. R. G. Florence.
Cpl. V. G. Fernie.
L/Cpl. E. B. McPadzen.

Orderly.

Pte. F. F. Craig.
Pte. A. P. Reilly.
Pte. W. S. McDonald.

Bn Guard.

Guard Comd.

NFD
NFD

L/Sgt. R. J. Berlow.
Cpl. M. C. Dingwall.
Cpl. H. E. Ohi.

Pastorius Capt.
Adj. 62 Aust Inf Bn AIF.

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by
Lt. Col. A. G. K. Haupt
Commanding 62 Aust Inf Bn A. I. F.

Formation: Mersuke Force.
Date: 23 Sep 43.

276. ORDERLY DUTIES - Mounting Retreat 23 Sep 43 to Retreat
24 Sep 43.

Orderly Offr.

Lieut. T. Rodham.
Lieut. W. F. G. Ross.
Lieut. C. W. Busby.

Ord. NCC

Cpl. W. G. Fernie.
L/Cpl. E. B. McFadzen.
Cpl. A. H. Tucker.

Orderly.

Pte. A. P. Reilly.
Pte. W. S. McDonald.
Pte. V. J. Usher.

Bn Guard.

Guard Comd.

Cpl. M. C. Dingwall.

NFD

Cpl. H. B. Ohl.

NFD

Cpl. L. J. Ballard.

A. G. K. Haupt Capt.
Adj. 62 Aust Inf Bn AIF.

NOTICES.

APPRECIATION.

Lieut. McRoberts RAN wishes to convey his appreciation of the work and assistance rendered by the party erecting the beacon and the manner in which the work was carried out.

FOOTBALL.

The following players have been selected to represent "Harimaus" next Sunday 26 Sep 43.

Full Back: A. H. Dolby. Half Back: A. P. Reilly. 5/8: J. A. Hill.

3/4: D. Stone. Capt. McCallum. W. Burns. J. Taber.

Forwards: S. Ford. W. Norris. G. Townsend. C. E. Burger.
J. Maxwell. T. Case.

Reserves: A. G. Stein. A. L. Clothier.

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Commanding 62 Aust Inf Bn A.I.F.

Formation; Merauke Force.
Date: 24 Sep 43.

277. ORDERLY DUTIES - Mounting Retreat 24 Sep 43 to Retreat 25 Sep 43.

<u>Orderly Offr.</u>	<u>Ord. NCO.</u>	<u>Orderly.</u>
Lieut.W.F.G.Ross.	L/Cpl.E.B.McFadzen.	Pte.W.S.McDonald.
Lieut.C.W.Busby.	Cpl.A.H.Tucker.	Pte.V.J.Usher.
Lieut.T.Tedford.	Cpl.C.J.Chapman.	Pte.B.H.Betteridge.

Bn Guard.	Guard Comd.	Cpl.H.E.Ohl.
	NFD	Cpl.L.J.Ballard.
	NFD	Cpl.C.R.Hockings.

J. McHenry
for Capt.
Adj. 62 Aust Inf Bn AIF.

NOTICES.

CHURCH PARADES.

0830hrs Bn Parade.

0900hrs R.C. Parade.

BN CONCERT.

A concert will be held at the Bn Concert area on Sat 25 Sep 43 commencing 0930hrs.

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by

Lt. Col. A. G. K. Haupt
Commanding 62 Aust Inf Bn A.I.F.

Formation: Merauke Force.
Date: 25 Sep 43.

273. ORDERLY DUTIES - Mounting Retreat 25 Sep 43 to Retreat
26 Sep 43.

Orderly Offr.

Lieut. C. W. Busby.
Lieut. T. Tedford.
Lieut. G. A. Clarke.

Ord. NCO.

Cpl. H. Tucker.
Cpl. C. J. Chapman.
Cpl. R. R. Norris.

Orderly.

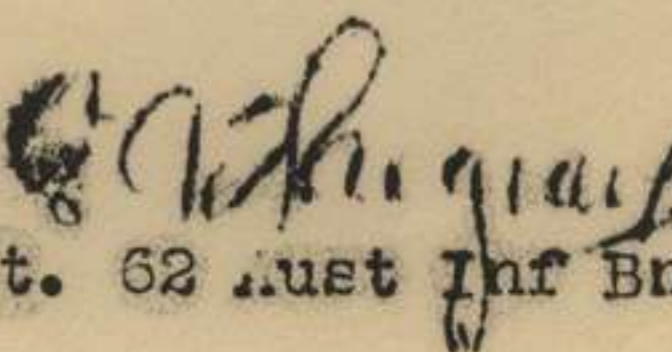
Pte. V. J. Usher.
Pte. B. H. Betteridge.
Pte. A. B. Masterton.

Bn Guard.

Guard Comd.

NFD
NFD

Cpl. C. J. Ballard.
Cpl. C. R. Hockings.
Cpl. W. D. McAndrew.

 Capt.
Adjt. 62 Aust Inf Bn A.I.F.

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Commanding 62 Aust Inf Bn A.I.F.

Formation: Merauke Force.
Date: 26 Sep 43.

279. ORDERLY DUTIES - Mounting Retreat 26 Sep 43 to Retreat 27 Sep 43.

<u>Orderly Offr.</u>	<u>Ord. NCO.</u>	<u>Orderly.</u>
Lieut. K. Tedford.	Cpl. C. J. Chapman.	Pte. B. H. Betteridge.
Lieut. G. A. Clarke.	Cpl. R. R. Norris.	Pte. A. B. Masterton.
Sgt. C. J. Cavaye.	Cpl. W. E. S. Abell.	Pte. L. J. Steels.
<u>Bn Guard.</u>	<u>Guard Comd.</u>	Cpl. C. R. Hockings.
	NFD	Cpl. A. D. McAndrew.
	NFD	Cpl. C. R. Hockings.

280. WORKING PARTIES.

Every Officer or NCO i/c of working parties will submit to BHQ at conclusion of shift, a report on party. Pro formas are available at Coy HQ.

Salt tablets will be issued by o/c working party on basis of one tablet per man per shift per day. Tablets should be taken preferably at beginning of shift.

A. G. K. Haupt
Capt.
Adj. 62 Aust Inf Bn AIF.

NOTICES.

PRACTICE SHOOT.

A field practice shoot will be carried out by 1 Aust Indep Carrier Pl on 27 Sep 43 in beach area at the south end. Danger areas will be :- Ref. MERAUKE Sheet 1:250,000 Segment of a circle with centre at map ref TE4625 bounded by true bearings of 140° East and 230° West Range 3000x.

1 NEI Fus Coy will hold practice shoots on the undermentioned days:-

- (1) Mortars. From 0830hrs to 1130hrs and from 1300hrs to 1500hrs on 27 Sep 43. Danger area will be that enclosed in a segment of a circle with centre at map ref MERAUKE (SPECIAL) 40303370 and bounded by grid bearings of 240° and 300° with a radius of 1000 yards.
- (2) MFG. From 0830hrs to 1130hrs on 30 Sep 43 and 1 Oct 43. Danger area will be that enclosed in a segment of a circle with centre at map ref MERAUKE (SPECIAL) 40283365 and bounded by grid bearings of 240° and 300° with a radius of 1000 yards.
- (3) Tk.A. From 0830 hrs to 1700 hrs 2 Oct 43. Danger area will be that enclosed in a segment of a circle with centre at map ref MERAUKE (SPECIAL) 40103320 and bounded by bearings of 240° and 330°

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EYE TESTING.

Facilities will be available shortly. Any personnel
requiring attention, and who have not already done so,
should report to RAP in person as soon as convenient.

True

W. J. ...
Capt. ...

... (1) ...
... (2) ...
... (3) ...

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by
Lt. Col. A. G. E. Haupt
Commanding 62 Aust Inf Bn A.I.F.

Formation: Merauke Force.
Date: 27 Sep 43.

281. ORDERLY DUTIES - Mounting Retreat 27 Sep 43 to Retreat 28 Sep 43.

<u>Orderly Offr.</u>	<u>Ord. NCO.</u>	<u>Orderly.</u>
Lieut. G. A. Clarke.	Cpl. R. R. Norris.	Pte. A. B. Masterton.
Sgt. C. J. Cavaye.	Cpl. W. E. S. Abell.	Pte. L. J. Steele.
Lieut. R. J. Wilson.	Cpl. W. D. McAndrew.	Pte. A. E. Conway.

<u>Bn Guard.</u>	Guard Comd.	Cpl. W. D. McAndrew.
	NFD	Cpl. C. R. Hockings.
	NFD	Cpl. R. R. Taylor.

282. CARRYING OF ARMS AND EQUIPMENT.

The following is a copy of BRO 20/6 of 10 Feb 43 and is to be enforced. This order covers troops proceeding to pictures, sports etc:

- A. Officers will at all times carry personal weapon and following equipment;
 - I. Belt, Shoulder Braces, Ammunition Pouch and Pistol Ammunition, Prismatic Compass (if available) and Compass Pouch.
 - II. Full equipment consisting of Water Bottle, Haversack etc, will be carried on Patrol, Battle or Tactical Exercises.
- B. Other Ranks.
 - I. By day arms, equipment and ammunition will be carried by ORs when over a distance of 150 yards from their quarters. This instruction applies to Mess Parades if over 150 yards from quarters. Respirators will not be carried unless by instruction. Working parties will at all times have arms and equipment in a handy position and under observation.
 - II. By night - all ranks will carry arms, ammunition and equipment when proceeding outside of their quarters, except when proceeding to lavatory or urinal.

BA Haupt. Capt.
Adj. 62 Aust Inf Bn AIF.

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by
Lt.Col.A.G.K.Haupt.
Commanding 62 Aust Inf Bn A.I.F.

Formation: Merauke Force.
Date: 28 Sep 43.

282. ORDERLY DUTIES - Mounting Retreat 28 Sep 43 to Retreat
29 Sep 43.

<u>Orderly Offr.</u>	<u>Ord. NCO.</u>	<u>Orderly.</u>
Sgt.C.J.Cavaye.	Cpl.W.E.S.Abell.	Pte.L.J.Steele.
Lieut.R.J.Wilson.	Cpl.W.D.McAndrew.	Pte.A.E.Conway.
Lieut.H.G.Williamson.	Cpl.A.Biggam.	Pte.H.O.Brooks.

<u>Bn Guard.</u>	Guard Comd.	Cpl.C.R.Hockings.
	NFD	Cpl.R.R.Taylor.
	NFD	Cpl.C.J.Chapman.

W.A. Hancock Capt.
Adj. 62 Aust Inf Bn AIF.

NOTICES.

The following is an extract of memo received from Intelligence (RAAF) -

'I would like to express appreciation of the co-operation given by Merauke Force in locating one of the crashed Japanese fighters shot down on 9 Sep 43, and to 62 Aust Inf Bn AIF for the way they made recovered parts of the plane available to RAAF.

Parts have been sent to the Technical Intelligence Unit and much information should be gathered from them'.

PROMOTIONS.

<u>No.</u>	<u>Rank.</u>	<u>Name.</u>	<u>To be.</u>	<u>Date.</u>
OX8839	Cpl	Murphy, L.P.F.	A/Sgt.	27 Sep 43.

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES.

ROUTINE ORDERS PART I

by
Lt.Col.A.G.K.Haupt
Commanding 62 Aust Inf Bn A.I.F.

Formation: Mersuke Force.
Date: 29 Sep 43.

203. ORDERLY DUTIES - Mounting Retreat 29 Sep 43 to Retreat 30 Sep 43.

<u>Orderly Offr.</u>	<u>Ord. NCO.</u>	<u>Orderly.</u>
Lieut.R.J. Wilson.	Cpl.W.D.McAndrew.	Pte.A.L.Conway.
Lieut.L.K.Hamilton.	Cpl.A.Biggam.	Pte.H.O.Brooks.
Lieut.H.J.Reid.	Cpl.C.R.Hockings.	Pte.R.B.Robson.
<u>Bn Guard.</u>	<u>Guard Comd.</u>	Cpl.R.R.Taylor.
	NFD	Cpl.C.J.Chapman.
	NFD	Cpl.W.L.S.Abell.

204. CARRYING OF ARMS AND EQUIPMENT.

Ref. BRO 20/6 of 10 Feb 43 - republished 27 Sep 43 as BRO 168/202. This order has now been published by Force HQ Ref. G130 of 27 Sep 43.

205. AIR RAID PRECAUTIONS AT PICTURES. (Force RO.G131)

The following procedure will be observed should an air raid warning red be received during a picture show -

- (a) LDH will notify 96 US Engr. Regt and Pl.15 Aust Imp. Coy through signals who will advise Provost personnel at pictures by runner.
- (b) Provost will order the pictures to stop and the audience to embuss and move back to unit areas.
- (c) Officers present will remain until area is clear and ensure that the dispersal is orderly.

206. POWERS OF GUARDS AND SENTRIES. (GRO.A648/43.Force RO.A182)

1. Regulation 6. of the National Security (General) Regulations (Statutory Rules 1942, No.374) provides that, without derogating from or restricting the existing powers or rights of sentries and guards, a military sentry or guard stationed or posted at, on, in, or in the neighbourhood or vicinity of, any prohibited place, protected area, controlled area, or any premises used by the Commonwealth, or used for defence purposes or for essential services, or any vehicle, vessel or aircraft used by the Commonwealth, or any enclosed wharf or picking-up place, or any merchant vessel lying in port, or any road, pathway or waterway, specified in an order by the Minister, which passes through or near a prohibited place or work of defence, may be armed, and may -

- (i) use his weapon against, or otherwise attack, any person who, in disregard of a warning given by a sentry or guard, approaches, enters, leaves, or passes over or in the vicinity or neighbourhood of, or attempts to approach, enter, leave, or pass over or in the vicinity or neighbourhood of, that place, area, premises, vehicle, vessel, aircraft, wharf, picking-up place, road, pathway,

or waterway, or who, after being arrested for so doing, escapes; and

- (ii) use his weapons against, or otherwise attack, any person attacking him or who is reasonably suspected of being about to attack him.

2. There are, however, certain principles which must guide all sentries and guards in the execution of their duty as such, and in the exercise of the right to resort to arms.

3. These principles are -

- (a) Sentries and guards will be ordered to take any action required to ensure the safety of their posts or to defeat the activities of enemy, or suspected enemy, agents.
- (b) If necessary, they will fire upon or otherwise attack any persons threatening the safety of their posts or engaging in hostile actions.
- (c) Before firing upon any person, the sentry or guard, will, except in an urgent case of self-defence, challenge that person to "HALT". If that person does not halt, the sentry should challenge him again with "HALT OR I FIRE". If he does not halt, and no other means are available for stopping him - as for example, by calling on the rest of the guard - it is the duty of the sentry to shoot.
- (d) The sentry will use his intelligence and sense of responsibility in choosing whether he will shoot or not, and he must be careful not to allow any suspected person to approach so close that he can be rushed and over-powered.
- (e) Guards of enemy prisoners of war. An enemy prisoner of war attempting to escape may be fired upon, but a previous summons to surrender will be given if possible.
- (f) Guards of members of the forces in custody.
 - (i) An escort or guard is not justified in using his weapons merely for the purpose of preventing another member from escaping from custody and if he so uses his weapons he may render himself, as well as any officer or NCO under whose orders he acted, liable to be charged with murder, manslaughter or incitement to murder.
 - (ii) If a member in custody attempts to escape, the escort or sentry will immediately raise the alarm and give chase. He may call upon any passer-by to assist him in apprehending the escapee.
 - (iii) An escort or guard may be justified in using his weapons when a member in custody resorts to violence. In such circumstances an escort or guard may meet force with force, but care must be taken to use no more force that is necessary to overcome the violence offered. Hence, even when violence is offered to an escort or guard, it will only be as a last resort that the use of weapons will be justified.

4. Orders for guards and sentries will be framed in conformity with the above and guards and sentries will be suitably instructed as to their powers and duties.

287. TRADING WITH NATIVES. (Force RO. 186)

The practice of using Army Rations or any form of Government property as a medium of exchange with or payment of natives will cease forthwith.

Payment for services rendered will be in cash only.

288. REMOVAL OF DRUMS 44 GALL. FROM GUN EMPLACEMENTS. (Force RO. Q. 189)

Drums 44 gall. and sandbags will NOT be removed from disused gun emplacements, which are required to remain intact as alternative positions for Bofors guns.

289. TIMBER - PRESERVATION OF. (Force RO. Q190)

In future, coconut trees will NOT be felled by units owing to the expansion of the copra industry by Dutch authorities.

Mangrove wood, which is stronger and more durable for protective work, will be used in all revetting.

W. A. S. S. S.
W. A. S. S. S. Capt.
Adj. 62 Aust. Inf Bn AIF.

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by
Lt.Col.A.G.F.Haupt
Commanding 62 Aust Inf Bn A.I.F.

Formation: Merauke Force.
Date: 30 Sep 43.

290. ORDERLY DUTIES - Mounting Retreat 30 Sep 43 to Retreat
31 Sep 43.

Orderly Offr.

Lieut.L.K.Hamilton.
Lieut.H.J.Reid.
Lieut.R.J.Whalley.

Ord. NCO.

Cpl.A.Biggam.
Cpl.C.R.Hockings.
Cpl.R.R.Norris.

Orderly.

Pte.H.O.Brooks.
Pte.R.B.Robson.
Pte.E.J.Marshall.

Bn Guard.

Guard Comd. Cpl.C.J.Chapman.
NFD Cpl.W.E.S.Abell.
NFD Cpl.W.D.McAndrew.

P.A. Higgins Capt.
Adj. 62 Aust Inf Bn AIF.

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ROUTINE ORDERS PART I

by
Lt. Col. A. G. K. Haupt
Commanding, 62 Aust Inf Bn A.I.F.

Formation: Mersauke Force.
Date: 1 Oct 43.

291. ORDERLY DUTIES -- Mounting Retreat 1 Oct 43 to Retreat 2 Oct 43.

<u>Orderly Offr.</u>	<u>Ord. NCO.</u>	<u>Orderly.</u>
Lieut. H. J. Reid.	Cpl. C. R. Hockings.	Pte. R. B. Robson.
Lieut. R. J. Whalley.	Cpl. R. R. Norris.	Pte. E. J. Marshall.
Lieut. P. McHugh.	Cpl. E. F. Thiele.	Pte. F. J. Smith.

Bn Guard.	Guard Comd.	Cpl. W. E. S. Abell.
	NFD	Cpl. W. D. McAndrew.
	NFD	L/Cpl. A. K. Beer.

292. CHURCH PARADES.

<u>Bn Parade.</u>	0630hrs -- Recreation area.
<u>R.C.</u>	0645hrs -- Cadre Parade ground.

Dress. (both parades)
Hats turned up, chin straps on chin, gaiters, belts and sidearms.

R.C. Personnel.

Will be marched to Cadre Parade ground by senior NCO from each Coy and handed over to WOII. T. Case (or next senior NCO, who will act in capacity of RSM) together with Coy parade states. Major. McCoy will be OC Parade.

R.C. Padre will be in attendance at BHQ 1900hrs Friday 1 Oct 43, and every second Friday thereafter.

293. BOUNDS.

The following are out of bounds to all troops not on duty;

- (a) Officer's Mess and quarters.
- (b) Sgts. " " "
- (c) Quartermaster's and Ration stores.
- (d) Technical stores, supply dumps of petrol, oil, amm., rations and water.
- (e) All MT and IT perks.
- (f) Welfare huts and tents during training and/or duty periods.
- (g) All cookhouses.

A. G. K. Haupt Capt.
Adj. 62 Aust Inf Bn AIF.

(see back)

The following are the teams selected for play on Sunday 3 Oct 43.
 In the event of any player being unable to appear CSM A Coy will
 be advised. Transport has been arranged to call at each Coy at
 1300hrs.

1400hrs.

Full Back: Ellison.(A)
 Biggan.(C) Burns.(A) Choy.(Sigs) McLenzie.(A)
 J.Hill $\frac{5}{8}$ (B)
 Reilly $\frac{1}{2}$ (B)
 Ford.(A) Norris.(HQ) Townsend. (B)
 Maxwell.(HQ) Burger.(A)
 Stein.(A)

Reserves: Peakes - Bagley.

1515hrs.

Full Back: Guymore.(B)
 Taber.(C) Chapman.(D) Munn.(C) Hartigen.(A)
 Petersen.(C)
 Duffy.(C)
 Farquhason.(C) Pechey.(B) Matthews.(A)
 Lum Van.(B) Draisey.(A)
 Paten.(A)

Reserves: Bennett.(B) Morris.(B)

REGIMENTAL TRUST FUND A/C. Month of September 1943.

Disbursements.

17.9.43.	Units share of cost of newsheet	5.0.0.
17.9.43.	Distribution of amenities on Sports Day	37.17.2.
28.9.43.	Milk and sugar for Rec. Hut	2.10.0.

Credits.

Balance on 1 Sep 43	380.17.6.
17.9.43.	74.9.4.
30.9.43. Refund of unexpended portion of £300 drawn on 15.8.43 for purchase of amenities	137.1.4.
30.9.43. Credit balance in A/c Book	547.1.0.
30.9.43. Cash held in Unit Canteen Trading Fund	253.5.5.
TOTAL	£800.6.5.

Credit balance subject to a Contingent liability not yet ascertained, consequent on the transfer of the Carrier Pl. to 1 Aust Ind. Carrier Pl. Valuations of stock held by Unit Canteen on 30.9.43 - £106.4.2.

(Handwritten signature)
 Capt. J. H. ...
 1515hrs.

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by
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Formation: Merauke Force.
Date: 2 Oct 43.

294. ORDERLY DUTIES - Mounting Retreat 2 Oct 43 to Retreat
3 Oct 43.

<u>Orderly Offr.</u>	<u>Ord. NCO</u>	<u>Orderly.</u>
Lieut.R.J.Whalley.	Cpl.R.R.Norris.	Pte.E.J.Marshall.
Lieut.P.McHugh.	Cpl.E.F.Thiele.	Pte.F.J.Smith.
Lieut.K.Tedford.	Cpl.R.Munn.	Pte.J.V.Griffiths.
<u>Bn. Guard.</u>	Guard Comd.	Cpl.W.D.McAndrew.
	NED	L/Cpl.A.K.Beer.
	NED	L/Cpl.H.E.Coates.

S.A. Haupt Capt.
Adj. 62 Aust Inf Bn AIF.

NOTICE.

Hockey. The following players will represent 62 Aust Inf Bn AIF at NLI Grounds at 0930hrs Sunday 3 Oct 43 --

Lieut.P.McHugh	B Coy.	Pte. Voysey	D Coy.
Sgt. Barlow	" "	Pte. White	" "
Pte. Brindley	" "	Pte. Kelleher	C Coy.
Lieut.R.J.Wilson	D Coy.	Pte. Murphy	HQ Coy.
Pte. Leeson	" "	Pte. Martin	" "
Pte. Langford.	" "	Sgt. Shaw	BHQ.

PUNISHMENTS.

No.	Rank.	Name.	Offence.	Punishment.	Date.
QX26679	Pte	Price, S.R.	Breaking out of close arrest. AA 22	28 Days field punishment forfeits 28 days pay & allowances.	2 Oct 43.
do	do	do	Drunkenness AA 19	28 days field punishment forfeits 28 days pay & allowances. (concurrent with sentence under AA22)	2 Oct 43
QX26640	Pte	Soxsmith,E	Losing by neglect paybook AA 24(2)	Admonished	2 Oct 43.

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES.

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Commanding 62 Aust Inf Bn A.I.F.

Formation: Merauke Force.
Date: 3 Oct 43.

295. ORDERLY DUTIES - Mounting Retreat 3 Oct 43 to Retreat
4 Oct 43.

Orderly Offr.

Lieut. P. McHugh.
Lieut. K. Tedford.
Lieut. G. A. Clerke.

Ord. NCO.

Cpl. B. F. Thiele.
Cpl. R. Munn.
Cpl. J. W. Long.

Orderly.

Pte. F. J. Smith.
Pte. J. W. Griffiths.
Pte. H. Burke.

Bn Guard.

Guard Comd.

NFD
NFD

L/Cpl. A. K. Beer.
L/Cpl. H. M. Coates.
L/Cpl. W. Biggem.

Richard Haupt
for. Adj. 62 Aust Inf Bn AIF. Capt.

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Formation: MERAUKE FORCE.
Date: 4 Oct 43.

296. ORDERLY DUTIES - Mounting Retreat 4 Oct 43 to Retreat
5 Oct 43.

Orderly Offr.

Lieut.K.Tedford.
Lieut.G.A.Clarke.
Lieut.T.Rodham.

Ord. NCO.

Cpl.R.Munn.
Cpl.J.W.Long.
Cpl.J.Cormack.

Orderly.

Pte.J.W.Griffiths.
Pte.H.Burke.
Pte.W.O'Connor.

Bn Guard.

Guard Comd.
NFD
NFD

L/Cpl.H.N.Coates.
L/Cpl.W.Biggam.
L/Cpl.A.Neilsen.

A.G.K. Haupt Capt.
Adj. 62 Aust Inf Bn AIF.

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by
Lt.Col.A.G.K.Haupt
Commanding 62 Aust Inf Bn A.I.F.

Formation: Merauke Force.
Date: 5 Oct 43.

297. ORDERLY DUTIES - Mounting Retreat 5 Oct 43 to Retreat
6 Oct 43.

<u>Orderly Offr.</u>	<u>Ord. NCO.</u>	<u>Orderly.</u>
Lieut.G.A.Clarke.	Cpl.J.W.Long.	Pte.H.Burke.
Lieut.T.Rodham.	Cpl.J.Cormack.	Pte.W.O'Connor.
Lieut.W.F.G.Ross.	Cpl.J.F.Robinson.	Pte.L.Gregg.
<u>Bn Guard.</u>	<u>Guard Comd.</u>	L/Cpl.W.Biggam.
	NFD	L/Cpl.A.Neilsen.
	NFD	Cpl.E.F.Thiele.

298. INCREASE OF PAY - LANCE CORPORAL AND LANCE BOMBARDIER. (GRO.F659)
(Not Classed as Tradesmen or Specialists)

The following is a copy of GRO.F659 of 10 Sep 43.

1. Approval has been given for an increase of sixpence per day in the daily rate of pay of male members holding the appointment of lance corporal or lance bombardier who are not in receipt of pay prescribed for a tradesman or specialist.

2. The increased rates of pay, as set out hereunder, will operate as on and from 1 July 1943 -

Member not entitled to deferred pay -

Total rate of pay 7/- per day.

Member entitled to deferred pay -

Active pay	7/-	"	"
Deferred pay	2/-	"	"

299. PROFICIENCY PAY. (GRO.F660)

The following is a copy of GRO.F660 of 10 Sep 43 -

Preliminary.

1. Approval has been given for the payment of proficiency pay of sixpence per day to every male member of the AMF who holds either the appointment of lance corporal or lance bombardier, or the rank of private or its equivalent, and who is not in receipt of pay prescribed for a qualified parachutist or a tradesman or specialist, subject to the conditions set out hereunder.

Interpretation.

2. For the purpose of this order, the following interpretations shall apply -

"Six months service" - Only continuous full time war service will be taken into account when calculating the period of six months service. Periods of leave with pay will be accepted

as service. Periods of leave without pay will not contribute towards the requisite period, but service rendered prior to such leave will not thereby be cancelled but will be accepted as part of the period of six months.

"Good conduct" - A soldier's conduct will be deemed good unless he commits a 'breach of good conduct' as interpreted hereunder.

"Breach of good conduct" will occur -

(a) when an award has been made by a military authority imposing upon the soldier a penalty higher in the scale set out in AR&O 414(b) than confinement to barracks for seven days, provided that no fine of less than \$1 shall be deemed to be a breach of good conduct;

(b) when the soldier has been convicted by a civil court and fined \$5 or more or sentenced to imprisonment, whether or not such sentence is suspended upon the soldier entering into a bond.

The contraction of venereal disease will not be considered a breach of good conduct.

"Prescribed examination" - The examination conducted for the purpose of enabling a soldier to demonstrate his proficiency in the arm or branch to which he belongs.

Entitlement.

3. Proficiency pay will be paid as on and from 1 July 1943, to a soldier who -

(a) at that date had completed at least six months service;

(b) for six months immediately prior to that date had been of good conduct; and

(c) on the first occasion subsequent to that date on which he is examined, passes the prescribed examination.

4. A soldier who complies with sub-para (a) and (b) of para 3 of this order but who fails to pass the prescribed examination on the first occasion will be entitled to proficiency pay on and from the day upon which he passes such examination, provided he has been of good conduct for a period of six months immediately prior to passing that examination.

5. A soldier who completes six months service on a date subsequent to 1 July 1943, will be entitled to proficiency pay on and from the day upon which he passes the prescribed examination, provided that he had been of good conduct during the period of six months immediately prior to the date of such examination. A soldier who passes the prescribed examination before he has completed six months service will be entitled to proficiency pay on completion of six months service with good conduct.

6. A soldier who is debarred from qualifying for proficiency pay by reason of a breach of good conduct will, providing he has passed the prescribed examination, become entitled to proficiency pay on and from the day following the date upon which he completes six months service with good conduct. If such a soldier had not previously passed the prescribed examination, he will be entitled to proficiency pay on and from the day upon which he passes the prescribed examination, provided he has been of good conduct for the period of six months immediately prior to passing the examination.

Forfeiture of Proficiency Pay.

7. If a soldier who is in receipt of proficiency pay commits a breach of good conduct, he shall automatically forfeit his proficiency pay on and from date of his conviction of the award against him.

8. Subject to para 9 of this order, a soldier who has forfeited his proficiency pay by reason of a breach of good conduct will, on completion of six months service with good conduct, be again entitled to proficiency pay without the necessity of further examination. Any period spent in detention, civil goal or undergoing field punishment, as a result of circumstances constituting a breach of good conduct, will not be taken into account when calculating the required period of six months, which period will commence from the date on which the sentence was completed or any unexpired portion was remitted or suspended.

9. Proficiency pay may, at any time, be withdrawn by the CO if he considers that there has been a falling off in the efficiency of a soldier, and such soldier will be required to again qualify by examination before proficiency pay can be restored.

Promotion and Reversion.

10. A lance corporal or lance bombardier or private or equivalent who is in receipt of proficiency pay will cease to be entitled to proficiency pay on his promotion to substantive or acting NCO rank (corporal or bombardier or higher) as on and from the day of such promotion.

11. A member who holds NCO rank and who is reverted to a lance corporal or lance bombardier or private or equivalent will -

- (a) if, prior to his promotion, he was in receipt of proficiency pay, again be entitled to proficiency pay on and from the date of his reversion, unless such reversion was the result of a breach of good conduct, in which event the member must complete the qualifying period of six months service with good conduct;
- (b) if, prior to his promotion, he was not in receipt of proficiency pay, be required to pass the required examination and to complete the qualifying period of six months service with good conduct. Unless the reversion was the result of a breach of good conduct, service rendered prior to his reversion will contribute to the qualifying period of six months service with good conduct.

Transfers.

12. When a soldier who is in receipt of proficiency pay is transferred from one arm or branch of the service to a unit of a different arm or branch, he will, subject to the provisions of para 7 of this order, continue to be entitled to proficiency pay for a period of three months after such transfer, but, unless within that period he passes the prescribed examination for the arm or branch to which he has been transferred, he will, on and from the day following the date upon which such period expires, cease to be entitled to proficiency pay.

Casualties.

13. A soldier will not forfeit his proficiency pay by reason only of his -

- (a) admission to hospital.
- (b) becoming a prisoner of war.
- (c) being posted as missing.
- (d) medical reclassification.
- (e) transfer to another unit (except as stated in para 12)

Casualty Returns.

Casualty returns will be submitted by the CO showing the names and regimental particulars of soldiers who have -

- (a) been classified proficient; or
- (b) ceased to be entitled to proficiency pay by reason of -
 - (i) promotion;

- (ii) breach of good conduct;
- (iii) inefficiency;
- (iv) failure to pass a prescribed examination within three months after transfer to another arm or branch.

All relevant dates and, in the case of (b), the reasons for the variation, are to be stated.

Pay book entries.

15. No entry will be made in the soldier's pay book entitling him to proficiency pay until receipt by the unit of the relevant routine orders, Part II, showing his classification as proficient, which will be quoted as the authority.

16. In cases where a soldier ceases to be entitled to proficiency pay through a breach of good conduct or by inefficiency, the necessary entry showing the reduction in rate of pay will be made in the pay book by the CO on the authority of the casualty return and the reference to the routine order, Part II, will be inserted upon receipt of such order.

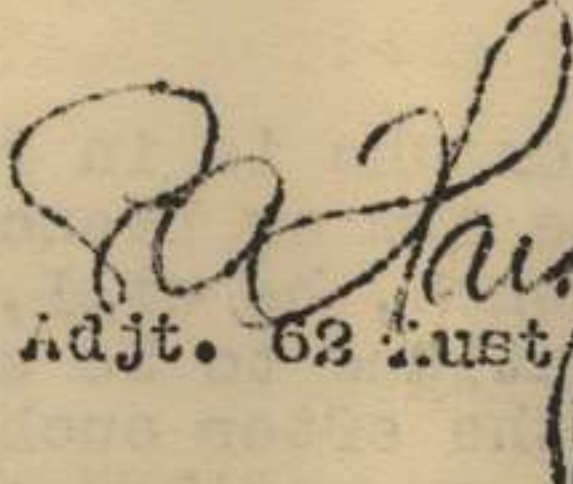
Lance Corporals and Lance Bombardiers.

17. Proficiency pay provided by this order is in addition to the increased rate of pay notified in GRO F.659/1943.

Prescribed examination.

18. Details of the prescribed examination will be published separately.

300. Pay increases referred to in above two orders will NOT be put into operation until receipt of details of "prescribed examination" referred to in GRO.F660 para 18. (Force RO.A134)


 Capt.
 Adj. 62 Aust Inf Bn AIF.

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Commanding 62 Aust Inf Bn A.I.F.

Formation: Merauke Force.
Date: 6 Oct 43.

301. ORDERLY DUTIES - Mounting Retreat 6 Oct 43 to Retreat
7 Oct 43.

Orderly Offr.

Lieut.T. Rodham.
Lieut.W.F.G.Ross.
Lieut.T.Rodham.

Ord. NCO.

Cpl.J.Cormack.
Cpl.J.F.Robinson.
Cpl.D.C.Ferguson.

Orderly.

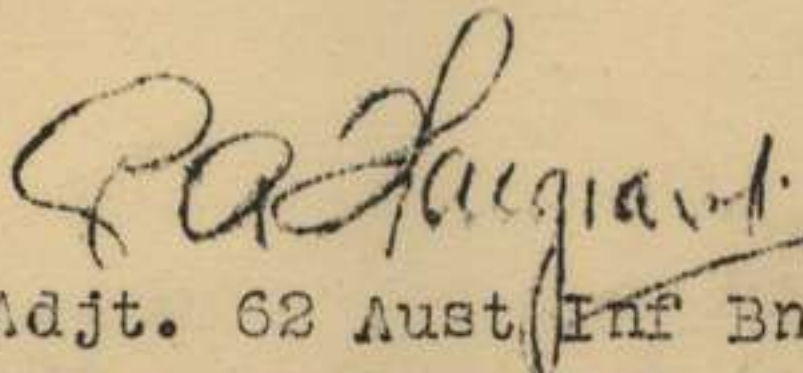
Pte.W.O'Connor.
Pte.L.Gregg.
Pte.W.J.Carter.

Bn Guard.

Guard Comd.

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L/Cpl.A.Neilsen.
Cpl.B.F.Thiele.
L/Cpl.H.C.Brayshaw.


Capt.
Adj. 62 Aust Inf Bn AIF.

NOTICE.

MAIL CLOSING TIMES.

Mail closes at I Section daily at 1200hrs except Sundays when clearance is made at 1100hrs.

PROMOTION.

No.	Rank.	Name.	To be.	Date.
QX23741	Sgt	Cavaye, C.J.	A/NOII	2 Oct 43.

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ROUTINE ORDERS PART I

by

Lt.Col.A.G.K.Haupt
Commanding 62 Aust Inf Bn A.I.F.

Formation: Merauke Force.

Date: 7 Oct 43.

302. ORDERLY DUTIES - Mounting Retreat 7 Oct 43 to Retreat
8 Oct 43.

Orderly Offr.

Lieut.W.F.G.Ross.
Lieut.C.W.Busby.
Lieut.L.K.Hamilton.

Ord. NCO.

Cpl.J.F.Robinson.
Cpl.D.C.Ferguson.
Cpl.W.W.Hastie.

Orderly.

Pte.L.Gress.
Pte.W.J.Garter.
Pte.H.C.Lenz.

Bn Guard.

Guard Comd.

NFD

NFD

L/Cpl.H.F.Thiele.

L/Cpl.H.C.Brayshew.

L/Cpl.E.Ebrington.

A.G.K. Haupt Capt.
Adjt. 62 Aust Inf Bn AIF.

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

ROUTINE ORDERS PART I

by
Lt.Col.A.G.K.Haupt
Commanding 62 Aust Inf Bn AIF.

Formation: Merauke Force.
Date: 8 Oct 43.

303. ORDERLY DUTIES - Mounting Retreat 8 Oct 43 to Retreat
9 Oct 43.

<u>Orderly Offr.</u>	<u>Ord. NCO.</u>	<u>Orderly.</u>
Lieut.C.W.Busby.	Cpl.D.C.Ferguson.	Pte.W.J.Carter.
Lieut.L.K.Hamilton.	Cpl.W.W.Hastie.	Pte.N.C.Lenz.
Lieut.R.J.Wilson.	Cpl.A.O.McCloskey.	Pte.A.H.W.Harper.

<u>Bn Guard.</u>	Guard Comd.	L/Cpl.H.C.Brayshaw.
	NFD	L/Cpl.E.Ebrington.
	NFD	L/Cpl.S.V.Willett.

P.C. Haig Capt.
Adj. 62 Aust Inf Bn AIF.

Church Parades.

Bn Parade - 0830hrs Recreation area.
R.C. - 0845hrs Cadre Parade ground.

No.	Rank.	Name.	<u>PUNISHMENT.</u> Offence.	Punishment.	Date.
OX27609	Pte	Booth, K.A.	AWL 1600hrs 9 July 43 1800hrs 9 Aug 43. AA.15(1)	Fined \$5 21 days det.Auto forfeits 31 days pay & allowances	7 Oct 43.
"	"	"	AWL 0900hrs 14 Aug 43 1000hrs 31 Aug 43 AA.15(1)	Fined \$5 21 days det concurrent auto forfeits 18 days pay & allowances	7 Oct 43.

FOOTBALL.

"A" Team to play Bulldogs on Zebu ground at 1700hrs.

Full Back: Ellison. (A)
 3/4: Biggan (C) Choy (HQ) McKenzie (A) Tauber (C)
 5/8: McGlynn (A) (Capt)
 Half Back: Hill (B)
 Forwards: Stein (A) Townsend (HQ) Maxwell (HQ) Bagley (B)
 Norris (HQ) Ford (A)

"B" Team to play Wanderers at Wharfies ground at 1500hrs.

Full Back: Guymore (D)
 3/4: Deen (C) Chapman (D) Cooke (B) Herdigan (A)
 5/8: Carter (C)
 Half Back: Duffy (C)
 Forwards: Lister(C) Lt.McHugh(B) Bennett(B) Farquharsen(C)
 Fairburn(C) Taylor(C) Reserves. Young (C) Horn(C)
 Burger (A) Hancox (D)
 See back.

"C" Team to play Mudlarks at Lebu ground at 1430hrs.

Full Back: Tully (HQ)
3/4: Kunn (C) Schofield (HQ) McGrath (HQ)
Threadingham (HQ)
5/8: Dunlop (HQ)
Half Back: Peakes (HQ)
Forwards: Dreisey (A) Ardrey (B) Hockings (D) McKenna (D)
Conway (D) Kohler (B)

Soccer team to play against Civillians at NET ground.

Goals: Guilk (C)
Full Backs: Blake (HQ) Horne (C)
Helves: Gillen (B) Gorman (B) Petterson (A)
Forwards: Dolby (C) Morgan (B) Clark (D) Richards (HQ)
Burke (A)
Reserves: Cain (BHQ) Smith (BHQ)

No.	Rank.	Name	Position
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"A" Team to play ... at ...

Full Back: ...

3/4: ...

5/8: ...

Half Back: ...

Forwards: ...

Reserves: ...

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

ROUTINE ORDERS PART I

by

Lt.Col.A.G.K.Haupt
Commanding 62 Aust Inf Bn AIF.

Formation: Mervuke Force.
Date: 9 Oct 43.

304. ORDERLY DUTIES - Mounting Retreat 9 Oct 43 to Retreat 10 Oct 43.

Orderly Offr.

Lieut.L.K.Hamilton.
Lieut.R.J.Wilson.
Lieut.W.P.Stratton.

Ord. NCO.

Cpl.W.W.Hastie.
Cpl.A.O.McCloskey.
Cpl.C.J.Paten.

Orderly.

Pte.N.C.Lenz.
Pte.A.H.W.Harper.
Pte.J.Ryan.

Bn Guard.

Guard Comd. L/Cpl.E.Ebrington.
NFD L/Cpl.S.W.Willett.
NFD L/Cpl.G.G.Spooner.

J. Ryan Capt.
Adj. 62 Aust Inf Bn AIF.

REVERSION.

No.	Rank.	Name.	To be	Date.
QX20501	L/Cpl	Howard,S.C.	Pte (own request)	7 Oct 43.

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ROUTINE ORDERS PART I

by
Lt.Col.A.G.K.Haupt.
Commanding 62 Aust Inf Bn AIF.

Formation: Merauke Force.
Date: 10 Oct 43.


305. ORDERLY DUTIES - Mounting Retreat 10 Oct 43 to Retreat 11 Oct 43.

<u>Orderly Offr.</u>	<u>Ord. NCO.</u>	<u>Orderly.</u>
Lieut.R.J.Wilson.	Cpl.A.O.McCloskey.	Pte.A.H.W.Harper.
Lieut.W.P.Stratton.	Cpl.C.J.Paten.	Pte.J.Ryan.
Lieut.W.F.G.Ross.	Cpl.H.Hartigan.	Pte.R.G.Slater.

<u>Bn Guard.</u>	Guard Comd.	L/Cpl.S.W.Willett.
	NFD	L/Cpl.G.G.Spooner.
	NFD	L/Cpl.S.Ide.

306. WEARING OF CAPS.

Caps on issue to personnel, other than drivers in charge of vehicles, will be withdrawn into store and Hats K.F. issued in lieu thereof. The wearing of caps, at any time, by ranks other than officers, WOs and drivers on duty is prohibited.


Capt.
Adjt. 62 Aust Inf Bn AIF.

NOTICE.

MMG Firing.

B Coy 2/3 Aust MG Bn will be firing .303 MMG from map ref. MERAUKE (SPECIAL) 452273 on a bearing of 125° from 0930 to 1600 hours on 11, 12, 13 Oct.

Sentries will be placed at either end of Lower 5 Ave, on beach and on A Street, by B Coy 2/3 Aust MG Bn.

Civil Administrator MERAUKE has been requested to advise civilians that while there is no necessity to evacuate houses on beach, it will be dangerous to enter scrub and swamp between beach and A Street.

War Diary

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ROUTINE ORDERS PART I

by

Lt. Col. A. G. Haupt.
Commanding 62 Aust Inf Bn AIF.

Formation: Heralde Force.

Date: 11 Oct 43.

307. ORDERLY DUTIES - Mounting Retreat 11 Oct 43 to Retreat
12 Oct 43.

Orderly Offr/

Lieut. W. P. Stratton.

Lieut. W. F. G. Ross.

Lieut. B. C. P. Douglas.

Ord. NCO.

Cpl. C. J. Paten.

Cpl. M. Hartigan.

Cpl. S. W. L. Ford.

Orderly.

Pte. J. Ryan.

Pte. R. G. Slater.

Pte. R. W. Torazzi.

Bn Guard.

Guard Comd.

L/Cpl. G. G. Spooner.

NFD

L/Cpl. S. Ide.

NFD

L/Cpl. E. Blise.

308. FOURTH LIBERTY LOAN. (GRO. F699)

1. The Fourth Liberty War Loan of £125,000,000 is now open for subscription.

2. Arrangements have been made for paymasters to accept applications for Commonwealth Government Inscribed Stock or Treasury Bonds for members of the forces serving in Australia or New Guinea who may be desirous of investing their savings in the loan.

Particulars of Loan -

3. Loan applications may be made for an amount of £10, or higher amount being a multiple of £10.

4. Stock will be inscribed at par for amounts of £100 or multiples of £10 above £100 as required.

5. Treasury Bonds are payable to bearer and are issued at par for £10, £50, £100, £500 and £1,000.

6. Interest is payable at $2\frac{1}{2}\%$ per annum if invested for five years and at $3\frac{1}{4}\%$ per annum if invested for sixteen years and will be credited half-yearly to the member's savings bank account or current account if desired.

7. Interest will be subject to Commonwealth taxation, but will not be subject to any income tax under the law of a State. During the period of uniform taxation, a rebate of 2/- in the pound on interest will be allowed to cover freedom from State taxation.

8. Any bank nominated by the member will hold the bonds in safe custody for the member if such is desired.

Procedure for lodging applications -

9. Application forms will be available from paymasters or may be obtained through unit pay sergeants, and are required to be completed in duplicate. The applicant's signature will be witnessed by an officer of the same unit.

10. Sufficient credit must be available in the member's pay book to cover the amount it is desired to invest in the loan. The amount subscribed will be debited in the pay book.

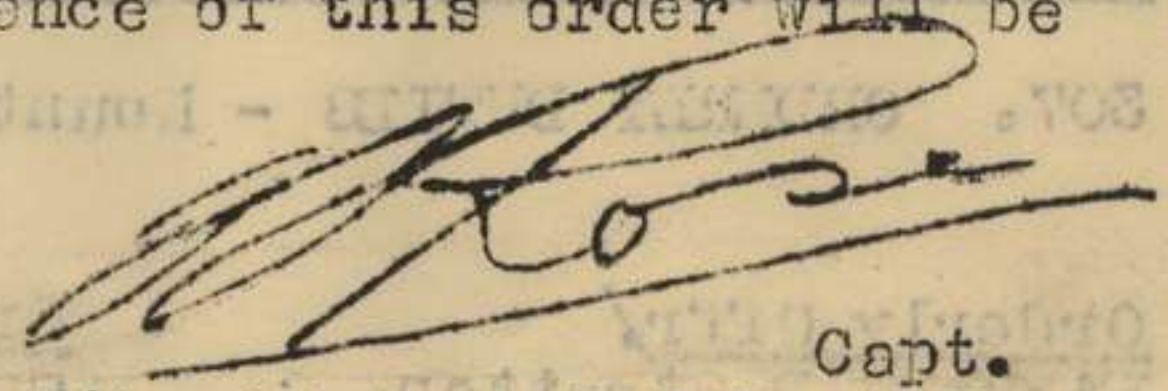
11. Paymasters may accept cash in payment of a loan subscription in which case the amount tendered will be entered in the paybook to establish the necessary credit and an official receipt issued and pasted in the pay book.

12. The Commonwealth Bank will forward to members an interim receipt for the amount subscribed.

General -

13. Both Treasury Bonds and Inscribed Stock are readily realisable and may be sold at any time. Any bank will arrange this for the member if desired.

14. Where practicable, the substance of this order will be explained to personnel on parade.



Capt.
Adjt. Gen. Aust Inf Bn AIF.

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1. The fourth Liberty Loan of £125,000,000 is now open for subscription.

2. A special issue of Government Inscribed Stock or Treasury Bonds for members of the Forces serving in Australia or New Guinea who may be desirous of investing their savings in the loan.

Particulars of Loan -

3. Each application may be made for an amount of £10, or higher amount being a multiple of £10.

4. £100 will be loaned at par for amounts of £100 or multiples of £10 above £100 as required.

5. Treasury Bonds are payable to bearer and are loaned at par for £10, £50, £100, £250 and £500.

6. Interest is payable at 4 1/2 per annum if loaned for five years and at 4 per annum if loaned for fifteen years and will be credited half-yearly to the member's savings bank account or current account if desired.

7. Interest will be subject to Commonwealth taxation, but will not be subject to any income tax under the law of a State. During the period of uniform taxation, a rebate of 3/- in the pound on interest will be allowed to cover freedom from State taxation.

8. Any bank nominated by the member will hold the bonds in safe custody for the member if such is desired.

Procedure for the application -

9. Application forms will be available from paymasters or may be obtained through unit pay arrangements, and are required to be completed in duplicate. The applicant's signature will be witnessed by an officer of the same unit.

10. Sufficient credit must be available in the member's pay book to cover the amount if it is desired to invest in the loan. The amount subscribed will be debited in the pay book.

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ROUTINE ORDERS PART I

by
Lt.Col.A.G.K.Haupt.
Commanding 62 Aust Inf Bn AIF.

Formation: Merauke Force.
Date: 12 Oct 43.

309. ORDERLY DUTIES - Mounting Retreat 12 Oct 43 to Retreat
13 Oct 43.

<u>Orderly Offr.</u>	<u>Ord.NCO.</u>	<u>Orderly.</u>
Lieut.W.F.G.Ross.	Cpl.M.Hartigan.	Pte.R.G.Slater.
Lieut.B.C.P.Douglas.	Cpl.S.W.L.Ford.	Pte.R.W.Torazzi.
Lieut.H.G.Williamson.	Cpl.C.J.Paten.	Pte.A.Matthews.

<u>Bn Guard.</u>	Guard Comd.	L/Cpl.S.Ide.
	NFD	L/Cpl.E.Else.
	NFD	L/Cpl.G.G.Spooner.

310. PERSONNEL IN CREWS QUARTERS. (Force RO.A200)

Instances have been reported of unauthorized personnel entering the quarters of ships crews while vessels are berthed at MERAUKE. Under NO circumstances will personnel enter crews quarters unless authority in writing has been granted by this HQ.

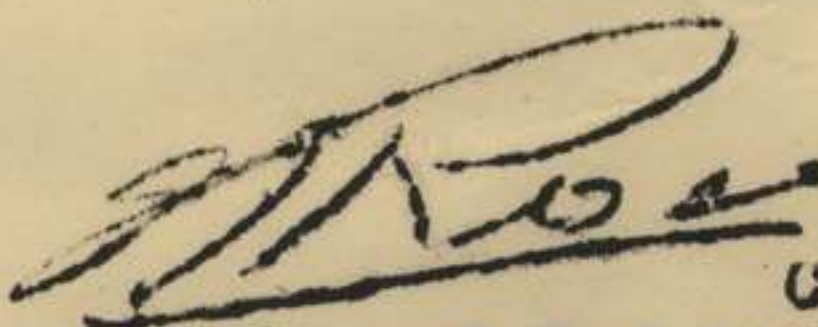
311. SMOKING IN POL DUMPS. (Force RO.A203)

All personnel are to be warned against smoking in POL dump areas. The practice is highly dangerous and will cease forthwith.

Attention is directed to relevant para of S & T Instr. No.5.

312. CUTTING DOWN OF GAITERS AMERICAN. (Force RO.Q204)

The practice of cutting down gaiters American will cease forthwith. Personnel concerned will be charged for any further contravention of this order.


Capt.
Adj. 62 Aust Inf Bn AIF.

NOTICE.

WALLET LOST.

Between 72 Wing and 5 Avenue - containing valuable personal papers. Owner: 117427 LAC SHANNAN. Finder please inform RAAF switch.

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

ROUTINE ORDERS PART I

by
Major. P. McCoy
Adm. Comd. 62 Aust Inf Bn AIF.

Formation; Mersuke Force.
Date: 13 Oct 43.

313. ORDERLY DUTIES - Mounting Retreat 13 Oct 43 to Retreat
14 Oct 43.

Orderly Offr.

Lieut. B. G. P. Douglas.
Lieut. H. G. Williamson.
Lieut. A. G. T. Cameron.

Ord. NCO.

Cpl. S. W. L. Ford.
Cpl. C. J. Paten.
Cpl. C. J. Paten.

Orderly.

Pte. R. W. Torazzi.
Pte. A. Matthews.
Pte. J. Ryan.

Bn Guard.

Guard Comd.

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L/Cpl. E. Else.

L/Cpl. G. G. Spooner.

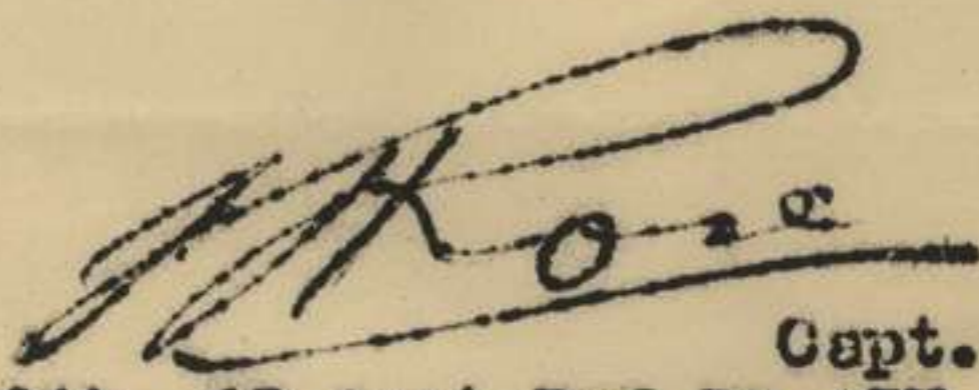
L/Cpl. G. G. Spooner.

314. FIRST AID TRAINING.

Coys will notify RMO, in ample time, when First Aid Training periods are due so that satisfactory demonstrations can be arranged.

315. CENSORSHIP.

Attention is drawn to Fd. Censorship Instr. No. 4. para 5. sec G(1) which provides that the number, name and rank only of the sender and NOT the unit, etc, may be placed on the outside of parcels.


Capt.
Adj. 62 Aust Inf Bn AIF.

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ROUTINE ORDERS PART I

by
Major. P. McCoy.
Adm. Comd. 62 Aust Inf Bn AIF.

Formation: Mervake Force.
Date: 14 Oct 43.

316. ORDERLY DUTIES - Mounting Retreat 14 Oct 43 to Retreat 15 Oct 43.

<u>Orderly Cffr.</u>	<u>Ord. NCO.</u>	<u>Orderly.</u>
Lieut. H. G. Williamson.	Cpl. C. J. Paten.	Pte. L. R. Matthews.
Lieut. A. C. T. Cameron.	Cpl. C. J. Paten.	Pte. J. Ryan.
Lieut. H. J. Reid.	Cpl. C. J. Paten.	Pte. J. Ryan.

Bn Guard. Guard Comd. L/Cpl. G. G. Spooner.

INF L/Cpl. G. G. Spooner.

INF L/Cpl. G. G. Spooner.

317. IDENTITY DISCS. (GRC. 4700. Part IX)

49. Identity discs are frequently the only means of identification of the body of a soldier who has died, and it is therefore of the utmost importance that the following paragraphs be understood and observed by all members of the AIF.

50. All ranks will be supplied with two identity discs which will be worn as shown below -

- (a) The No. 1 (hexagonal) disc will be suspended round the neck beneath the uniform by 32 inches of cord, and the No. 2 (round) disc will hang below the No. 1 by the two being joined by 6 inches of cord.
- (b) The following particulars will be stamped clearly and effectively on the discs as under -

Front side:

- (i) Army number.
- (ii) Initials and name.
- (iii) Index letter(s) of religion.

Reverse side: Blood group number (as shown inside back cover of pay book)

(c) The index letters of the various religious denominations are -

Church of England	X.E.	Congregational	C.
Presbyterian	P.	Roman Catholic	R.C.
Methodist	M.	Jewish	J.
Baptist	B.	Salvation Army	S.A.
Lutheran	L.	Church of Christ	C.C.
Christien Scientist	C.S.	Greek Orthodox	G.O.

51. Discs which have been stamped with incorrect details will be destroyed under supervision and any necessary replacements effected without delay

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54. Neglect to wear identity discs will be treated as a breach of discipline.

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Capt.
Adj. 62 Aust Inf Bn AIF.

REVERSIONS.

No.	Rank.	Name.	To be	Date.
QX26830	L/Cpl	Biggan, W.	Pte	12 Oct 43.
QX25554	Pte	Lugarde, S. I.	From TGIII to pay as Pte.	14 Oct 43.

NOTICE.

RACE MEETING.

A race meeting will be held at Mersuke on 13 Nov 43. Nominations, accompanied by a fee of 10/-, should be forwarded to the Secretary, Sports Committee (located at Education Hut) by 6 Nov 43.

Minimum weight: 9 st.
A programme of events will be available by 8 Nov 43.
Bookmakers will be present on the field.
Members of this unit requiring further details should apply to Sgt. McMahon (HQ Coy)

50. All ranks will be supplied with two identity discs which will be worn as shown below -

- (a) The disc (shown) will be suspended round the neck by a cord 2 1/2 inches in diameter and the disc will hang below the level of the cord.
- (b) The following particulars will be stamped clearly and effectively on the disc as under -

- Front side:
- (i) Army number.
 - (ii) Initials and rank.
 - (iii) Index letter(s) or religion.
- Reverse side: (shown as shown inside back cover of pay book)
- (c) The index letters of the various religious denominations are -

C.	Anglican	X.M.	Church of England
R.C.	Roman Catholic	P.	Presbyterian
J.	Jewish	M.	Methodist
S.A.	Salvation Army	B.	Baptist
O.C.	Church of Christ	L.	Lutheran
G.O.	Greek Orthodox	C.S.	Christian Scientist

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by
Major. P. McCoy
Adm. Comd. 62 Aust Inf Bn AIF.

Formation: Merauke Force.
Date: 15 Oct 43.

318. ORDERLY DUTIES - Mounting Retreat 15 Oct 43 to Retreat 16 Oct 43.

<u>Orderly Offr.</u>	<u>Ord. NCO.</u>	<u>Orderly.</u>
Lieut. A. G. T. Cameron.	Cpl. C. J. Paten.	Pte. J. Ryan.
Lieut. H. J. Reid.	Cpl. C. J. Paten.	Pte. J. Ryan.
Lieut. R. E. Shea.	Cpl. J. T. Clark.	Pte. S. T. Cox.

<u>Bn Guard.</u>	<u>Guard Comd.</u>	L/Cpl. G. G. Spooner.
	NFD	L/Cpl. G. G. Spooner.
	NFD	L/Cpl. H. Hansen.

319. REQUISITIONS FOR TRANSPORT.

All requisitions for transport will be made to BnHQ, where priorities will be allocated.

320. REQUISITIONS FOR HQ COY SPECIALISTS SERVICES.

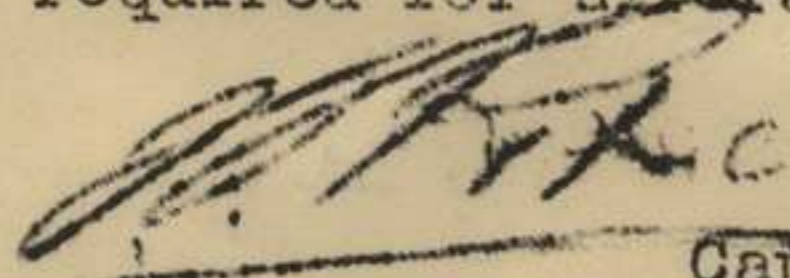
All requisitions for services of specialists such as Pioneers etc, will be made to BnHQ, where priorities will be allocated.

321. SUPPLY OF ATLEBRIN.

Coy Comds will ensure that troops returning to Australia on leave from this area will be given sufficient Atlebrin tablets to carry out suppressive treatment throughout leave and the period of return to unit.

322. AVIATION PETROL UNLEADED. (GRO. 9707)

No indents will be placed on RAAF or US Army Air Force for 73 octane aviation gasoline (containing no tetra-ethyl lead) unless specifically required for use in aircraft engines. Any such indents will be endorsed by the officer commanding the indenting unit "required for aircraft engines".


Capt.
Adj. 62 Aust Inf Bn AIF.

NOTICES.

FOOTBALL TEAMS FOR SUNDAY 17 Oct 43.

"A" Team to play NORTHS on NORTHS GROUND at 1600hrs.
Fullback: Ellison (A); Three-quarters: McGlynn (BHQ) McKenzie (A)
Choy (HQ) Biggan (C); Five/8: Hill (B); Half: Duffy (C);
Forwards: Maxwell (HQ) Townsend (HQ) Farquharson (C) Ford (A)
Stein (A) Bagley (B)

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"B" Team to play KANGAROOS on ALL BLUES GROUND at 1500hrs.
 Fullback: Shaw (HQ) Three-quarters: Deen (C) Paton (A)
 Chapman (D) Threadingham (HQ); Five/8: McGrath (HQ); Half: Peakes (HQ)
 Forwards: Ticho (B) Bennett (B) McHugh (B) Taylor (C) Pechey (B)
 Donpen (A)

Reserves: Lister (C) Young (C) Burke (C) Cooke (B)

"C" Team to play M. GIPPS on ALL BLUES GROUND at 1500hrs.
 Fullback: Dolby (C); Three-quarters: Munn (C) Linnehan (D)
 Syrett (HQ) Wood (HQ); Five/8: Carter (C); Half: Masterton (D)
 Forwards: Lillis (HQ) Kings (B) Hencox (D) Hockings (D) Ardrey (B)
 Keates (D)

Reserves: Poole (D) Harris (B) Gibbards (C) Tully (D)

ROUTINE ORDERING TABLE I

Major P. McCoy
 Adj. Comd. 63 Area Int Br Air.

Formation: Hercules Force.
 Date: 18 Oct 43.

818. ORDINARY DUTIES - Mountain Regiment 18 Oct 43 to Retreat 18 Oct 43.

Orderly Officer Platoon M. J. Reid Platoon R. A. Shea	Orderly Officer Cpl. G. J. Paton Cpl. G. J. Paton Cpl. J. T. Clark	Orderly Officer Platoon M. J. Reid Platoon R. A. Shea
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Br Guard	Guard Comd.	Platoon M. J. Reid	Platoon R. A. Shea
MP	MP	Platoon M. J. Reid	Platoon R. A. Shea

819. REGULATIONS FOR THE REPORT.
 All regulations for transport will be made to BMSG where priorities will be allocated.

820. REGULATIONS FOR THE GOV SPECIALISTS SERVICES.
 All regulations for services of specialists such as Platoon etc, will be made to BMSG, where priorities will be allocated.

821. SUPPLY OF TANKS.
 Coy Comd will ensure that troops returning to Australia on leave from this area will be given sufficient petrol tickets to carry out appropriate treatment throughout leave and the period of return to unit.

822. AVIATION CONTROL UNMANNED (GRO. GVOV)
 No indents will be placed on RAMP or US Army Air Force for VS engine aviation gasoline (containing no tetra-ethyl lead) unless specifically required for use in aircraft engines. Any such indents will be entered by the officer commanding the indenting unit "required for aircraft engines".

Adj. Comd. 63 Area Int Br Air.

NOTICES.

FOOTBALL TEAMS FOR SUNDAY 19 Oct 43.

"A" Team to play HORTLES on HORTLES GROUND at 1300hrs.
 Fullback: Hillson (A); Three-quarters: McEwan (HQ) McEwan (A)
 Gray (HQ) Miller (B); Five/8: Hill (B); Half: Dally (C)
 Forwards: Maxwell (HQ) Townend (HQ) Ferguson (C) Ford (A)
 Stein (A) Bailey (B)

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ROUTINE ORDERS PART I

by
Major. P. McCoy
Adm. Cond. 62 Aust Inf Bn AIF.

Formation: Morauke Force.
Date: 16 Oct 43.

323. ORDERLY DUTIES - Mounting Retreat 16 Oct 43 to Retreat 17 Oct 43.


<u>Orderly Offr.</u>	<u>Ord. NCO.</u>	<u>Orderly.</u>
Lieut. H. J. Reid.	Cpl. C. J. Paten.	Pte. J. Ryan.
Lieut. R. E. Shea.	Cpl. J. T. Clark.	Pte. S. T. Cox.
Lieut. P. McHugh.	Cpl. C. R. Hockings.	Pte. H. E. Soxsmith.
<u>Bn Guard.</u>	Guard Comd.	L/Cpl. G. G. Spooner.
	NFD	L/Cpl. H. Hansen.
	NFD	L/Cpl. R. A. Groth.

324. TRAFFIC CONTROL.

As from this date 5 AVENUE will be out of bounds to all unit transport.

325. FIGHTS.

Promiscuous brawling is to be deplored. All ranks must constantly bear in mind that all efforts must be directed towards one object, namely to defeat the enemy. Quarrels and fights between troops create bad feeling and reduce the efficiency of a unit. Fortunately the record of this unit in regard to quarrels is good, and it is desired to keep it so. In the future should any two soldiers have a quarrel and are determined to settle it by a personal encounter, the following procedure will operate. All disputants will appear at the Stadium on sports afternoons. Each dispute will be settled with the gloves under supervision. Each contest will be limited to three rounds. Officers and NCOs will not REPEAT WILL NOT permit disputes to be settled in any other manner.


Capt.
Adj. 62 Aust Inf Bn AIF.

CHURCH PARADES.

Bn Parade. - 0830hrs Recreation area.
R.C. - 0845hrs Cadre Parade ground.

PROMOTIONS, APPOINTMENTS ETC.

No.	Rank.	Name.	To be.	Date.
QX25606	A/Cpl.	Stewart, D. W.	Cpl.	12.10.43.
QX27611	L/Cpl.	Regan, R. J.	A/Cpl.	16.10.43.
QX30475	"	Chapman, A.	"	" " "
QX25800	Pte	Syrett, J. D.	TGI. (Blacksmith)	" " "

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

ROUTINE ORDERS PART I

by

Major. P. McCoy
Adm. Comd. 62 Aust Inf Bn AIF.

Formation: Merauke Force.
Date: 17 Oct 43.

326. ORDERLY DUTIES - Mounting Retreat 17 Oct 43 to Retreat
18 Oct 43.

Orderly Offr.

Lieut. R. E. Sheo.
Lieut. F. McHugh.
Lieut. K. Tedford.

Ord. NCO.

Cpl. J. T. Clark.
Cpl. C. R. Hockings.
L/Cpl. H. G. Mugridge.

Orderly.


Pte. S. T. Cox.
Pte. H. E. Soxsmith.
Pte. S. G. Murison.

Bn Guard.

Guard Comd.

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NFD

L/Cpl. H. Hansen.
L/Cpl. R. A. Groth.
Cpl. R. R. Norris.


Capt.
Adj. 62 Aust Inf Bn AIF.

PROMOTIONS, APPOINTMENTS ETC.

<u>No.</u>	<u>Rank.</u>	<u>Name.</u>	<u>To be.</u>	<u>Date.</u>
QX27154	L/Cpl.	Baird, G. R.	L/Cpl.	16.10.43.

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES


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by
Major. P. McCoy
Adm. Comd. 62 Aust Inf Bn AIF.

Formation: Mervoke Force.
Date: 18 Oct 43.

327. ORDERLY DUTIES - Mounting Retreat 18 Oct 43 to Retreat 19 Oct 43.

<u>Orderly Offr.</u> Lieut. P. McHugh. Lieut. R. Tedford. Lieut. G. A. Clarke.	<u>Ord. NCO.</u> Cpl. C. R. Hockings. L/Cpl. H. G. Mugridge. Cpl. J. T. Clark.	<u>Orderly.</u> Pte. H. L. Soxsmith. Pte. S. G. Murison. Pte. H. E. Smith.
<u>Bn Guard.</u>	Guard Comd. NFD NFD	L/Cpl. R. A. Groth. Cpl. R. R. Norris. Cpl. A. Biggam.


Capt.
Adj. 62 Aust Inf Bn AIF.

PUNISHMENTS.

<u>No.</u>	<u>Rank.</u>	<u>Name.</u>	<u>Offence.</u>	<u>Punishment.</u>	<u>Date.</u>
QX14525	Pte	Conway, A. E.	Disobeyed a lawful command. A.9(2)	Fined £5	13.10.43.
QX25723	Pte	Curtis, E.	do	do	do
QX26953	pte	Risley, R. C.	do	do	do.
"	"	"	Failed to attend a Pl parade. A.15(2)	Admonished.	do

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

ROUTINE ORDERS PART I

by

Major. P. McCoy
Adm. Comd. 62 Aust Inf Bn AIF.

Formation: Merauke Force.
Date: 19 Oct 43.

328. ORDERLY DUTIES - Mounting Retreat 19 Oct 43 to Retreat 20 Oct 43.

Orderly Offr.

Lieut. K. Redford.
Lieut. G. J. Clarke.
Lieut. T. Rodham.

Ord. NCO.

Pte. C. A. Goodworth.
Pte. B. A. Knudsen.
L/Cpl. B. R. Mann.

Orderly.

Pte. V. Tighe.
Pte. F. A. Smith.
Pte. A. P. Reilly.

Bn Guard.

Guard Comd.

Cpl. L. B. McFadzen.
L/Sgt. R. J. Barlow.
Cpl. D. North.

329. TRAFFIC - VICINITY OF AIR STRIP. (Force RO. A208)

(a) All traffic proceeding from the Northern portion of MERAUKE Area to 31/51 Aust Inf Bn or any unit in that vicinity will proceed as follows -

Along 12 Avenue and along D Street to map ref MERAUKE Special 443313 - 452314 - 453310 - 457312 thence directly South through RSU to unit.

(b) All traffic proceeding from the Southern portion of MERAUKE Area to MDS or other units in that area will proceed along Main Street to map ref 456290 thence North East to unit areas.

(c) Under no circumstances will traffic, except where employed on work concerned with repair to air strip, dispersal bays etc, proceed along roads or tracks which constitute any portion of landing strip, emergency landing strip or dispersal bays. (NB. Above map refs are taken from the latest Intelligence traverse.)

330. AREA OUT OF BOUNDS. (Force RO. A209)

The following area is declared out of bounds to J.J. personnel -

That portion of the North bank of the MERAUKE RIVER south of a line map reference MERAUKE Special 450370 (WINDOE Plantation) directly East to ROEPERICK Jetty. Disciplinary action will be taken against personnel found in that area without permission from this HQ.

331. LOSS OF ARMS AND EQUIPMENT. (Force RO. A210)

Attention is drawn to GRO A28/43. All cases of losses of Arms and Equipment will be investigated immediately and this HQ advised on completion.

332. GUARD - WEARING OF EQUIPMENT.

Personnel on guard will NOT remove any portion of their equipment during the tour of duty.

333. PERSONNEL RETURNING FROM HOSPITAL AND CON DEPOTS.
Personnel returning from hospital and Con Depots must report for medical examination on the first sick parade after their return.

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Capt.
Adj. 62 Aust Inf Bn AIF.

NOTICES.

LOST. Lost between YMCA Hut and 4 Avenue, Rain cape marked Gnr. K. LEECH. Finder please return to 159 Aust Hy AA Bty.

LOSS OF TOOLS. A complete set of M/C tools, as per subdetailed list, was lost from M/C9499 on the morning of 5 Oct 43, between 154 BHQ and 52 Aust Comp AA Regt workshop.

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| 1 Injectors lubricant. | 1 Spanner magnets. |
| 1 Rolls tool M/C. | 1 Screwdriver 6" |
| 1 Cores Schrader valve. | 1 Bulb head spare. |
| 1 Outfit type repair | 1 Container bulb spare. |
| 1 Spanner adjustable. | 1 Hub bearing front adjustable. |
| 1 Bulb tail spare. | 1 Cylinder base nut. |
| 1 Spark plug spanner. | 2 Tappet adjustable spanners. |
| 1 3/4 DL spanner. | 1 Pliers. |
| 1 Detachable wheel spanner. | 1 Tommy bar. |
| 1 Hub spindle nut. | 2 spare chain links. |
| 1 Chain rivet extractor. | |
| 1 Tyre valve tool. | |
| 1 Can oil M/C. | |
| 3 Levers tyre M/C/ | |

Finder please return to 52 Aust Comp AA Regt.

RIFLES LOST AND FOUND. Lost. Rifle No. Li586. Apparently taken in error from ALCV AB275 while transporting trucks 4 ton 4x4 and party to Leads.

Found. Rifle No. 93017.

FOUND. Kit bag addressed Pte. DIMNIS, R.J. Forwarded from Aust. through MFC is held at HQ Movement Control MIRAUFEL awaiting claimant.

LOSS OF PAYBOOK. Paybook belonging to OX18998 Pte. THREADINGHAM, A.A.W. has been lost. Finder please return to BHQ.

CONCERT. RAAF Concert party will stage a concert at the Bn Concert Area on Wednesday 20 Oct 43 commencing at 2100hrs.

REVERSION.

No.	Rank.	Name.	To be	Date.
OX26939	A/Cpl.	Smith, H.G.	Revert to Pte. (at own request)	19.10.43.

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

ROUTINE ORDERS PART I

by

Major. P. McCoy
Adm. Comd. 62 Aust Inf Bn AIF.

Formation: MIRAKUL FORCE.
Date: 20 Oct 43.

334. ORDERLY DUTIES - Mounting Retreat 20 Oct 43 to Retreat
21 Oct 43.

Orderly Offr.

Lieut. T. Rodham.
Lieut. R. J. Whalley.
Lieut. C. W. Busby.

Ord. NCO.


Pte. D. A. Hawker.
Pte. D. A. Hawker.
Pte. D. A. Hawker.

Orderly.

Pte. W. I. Gillam.
Pte. W. I. Gillam.
Pte. W. I. Gillam.

Bn Guard.

Guard Comd. Cpl. E. B. McFadzen.
NFD L/Sgt. R. J. Barlow.
NFD Cpl. H. E. Ohl.


Capt.
Adj. 62 Aust Inf Bn AIF.

REVERSION.

<u>No.</u>	<u>Rank.</u>	<u>Name.</u>	<u>To be</u>	<u>Date.</u>
QX28546	L/Cpl	Turpin, H. N.	Revert to rank of Pte at own request.	18.10.43.

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by

Major. P. McCoy
Adm. Comd. 62 Aust Inf Bn AIF.

Formation: Merauke Force.
Date: 21 Oct 43.

335. ORDERLY DUTIES -- Mounting Retreat 21 Oct 43 to Retreat
22 Oct 43.

Orderly Offr.

Lieut. C. W. Busby.
Lieut. W. P. Stratton.
Lieut. W. F. G. Ross.

Ord. NCO.

Pte. D. A. Hawker.
Pte. D. A. Hawker.
Pte. D. A. Hawker.

Orderly.


Pte. W. I. Gillam.
Pte. W. I. Gillam.
Pte. W. I. Gillam.

Bn Guard.

Guard Comd.

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Cpl. E. B. McFadzen.
L/Sgt. R. J. Barlow.
Cpl. H. E. Ohl.


Capt.
Adj. 62 Aust Inf Bn AIF.

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ROUTINE ORDERS PART I

by
Major. P. McCoy
Adm. Comd. 68 Aust Inf Bn AIF.

Formation: Merauke Force.
Date: 22 Oct 43.

336. **ORDERLY DUTIES** - Mounting Retreat 22 Oct 43 to Retreat 23 Oct 43.

<u>Orderly Offr.</u>	<u>Ord. NCO.</u>	<u>Orderly.</u>
Lieut. W. P. Stratton.	Pte. D. A. Hawker.	Pte. W. I. Gilliam.
Lieut. W. F. G. Ross.	Pte. D. A. Hawker.	Pte. W. I. Gilliam.
Lieut. B. C. P. Douglas.	Pte. K. J. Singleton.	Pte. F. W. Thompson.
<u>Bn Guard.</u>	Guard Comd.	L/Sgt. R. J. Barlow.
	NFD	Cpl. H. E. Ohl.
	NFD	L/Cpl. G. G. Spooner.

337. **UNLAWFUL DISPOSAL OF EQUIPMENT.** (GRO A.716)

1. Attention has been directed to the unauthorized disposal of AMF equipment to members of the Allied Forces and civilians and the unauthorized receipt of Allied equipment by barter and otherwise by members of the AMF.

2. Members are forbidden to part with, dispose of, or exchange by barter or otherwise, any item of AMF equipment or to receive by barter or otherwise any item of Allied equipment without the consent of the commanding officers of their units. Such consent will only be given on the direction of superior authority or when the exigencies of the service render it necessary and reference to superior authority is impracticable.

3. Disciplinary action will be taken against members unlawfully disposing of AMF equipment or unlawfully in possession of Allied equipment, charges being laid under AA 17, AA 18(4) or AA 40, whichever is appropriate.

P. A. ...
Adj. 62 Aust Inf Bn AIF.

NOTICES.

PROMOTIONS, APPOINTMENTS ETC.

No.	Rank.	Name.	To be	Date.
QX47257	L/Cpl	Watts, M. E. (AMC)	A/Cpl	20 Oct 43.
QX8647	A/Sgt	Nunn, F. J.	Sgt	21 Oct 43.
QX776	"	Kingston, P. J.	"	" " "
QX16423	A/Cpl	Cook, C. E.	Cpl	" " "
QX28519	"	MacManus, P. F.	"	" " "

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GIFT PARCELS FOR UNITED KINGDOM ADDRESSEES:

DUTY FREE CONCESSION.

GRO. 3 Sep 43.

1. A concession has been sanctioned by the United Kingdom authorities which permits members of the AMF and the British Army, serving in Australia, to send to their relatives and friends in the United Kingdom four (4) gift parcels a year, duty free. The usual postage rates are payable.

2. Such parcels must not weigh more than 5 lbs. each nor exceed 30/- in value, and contents may not include -

- (a) any drinkable spirits;
- (b) more than 1/2 lb total weight of tobacco, including cigars and cigarettes (200 cigarettes or 50 cigars = 1/2 lb.), or any tobacco goods marked "H.M. Ships only";
- (c) more than 1/4 pint of scent;
- (d) more than 2 lbs of any one foodstuff.

3. Special Customs Declarations (Armt Form W5129) will be affixed to the parcels; these will be secured through normal stationery channels for issue, under unit arrangements, on a basis of a maximum of four (4) a year to any one sender. A comparatively few forms should suffice for needs of any one unit, and each form issued therein will have entered upon it the recipient's number and name and be signed by the issuing officer in the space provided.

4. It is stressed that full duty will be charged on the contents of parcels which infringe restrictions expressed in para. 2.

FOOTBALL TEAMS.

"A" Team.

Fullback: Ellison (A) 3/4; Biggam (C) MacKenzie (A) Choy (HQ)
 Taber (C) 5/8; Hill (C) 1/2; Duffy (C) Forwards: Lister (C)
 Townsend (B) Maxwell (HQ) Ford (A) Stein (A) Farquhanson (C)

"B" Team.

Fullback: Guymore (D) 3/4; Woods (HQ) Paten (A) Tully (HQ)
 Munn (C) 5/8; Carter (C) 1/2; Reilly (B) Forwards: Clark (D)
 Peehey (B) Taylor (C) Draper (A) Bennett (B) Thompson (B)
 Reserves: Donpon (A) Brindley (B) Threddingham (HQ)
 Kohler (B)

"C" Team.

Fullback: Tighe (B) 3/4; Deon (C) Chapman (D) Horne (C)
 Harris (B) 5/8; Petersen (C) 1/2; Peakes (HQ) Forwards:
 Elford (B) Fairbairne (C) Ardrey (B) Webb (HQ) Kennedy (HQ)
 Gorman (B) Res: Burke (C) Ohl (B) Pullen (B)

Date	To be	Name	Rank	No.
20 Oct 43	100	Watts, A. (A)	100	78840
20 Oct 43	100	Hughes, J. (A)	100	78840
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by
Major. P. McGoy
Adm. Comd. 62 Aust Inf Bn AIF.

Formation: Merauke Force.
Date: 23 Oct 43.

330. ORDERLY DUTIES - Mounting Retreat 23 Oct 43 to Retreat
24 Oct 43.

Orderly Offr.

Lieut. W. F. G. Ross.
Lieut. B. C. P. Douglas.
Lieut. H. G. Williamson.

Ord. NCO.

Pte. D. A. Hawker.
Pte. K. J. Singleton.
Pte. C. P. Maloney.

Orderly.

Pte. W. I. Gillen.
Pte. F. W. Thompson.
Pte. A. H. W. Harper.

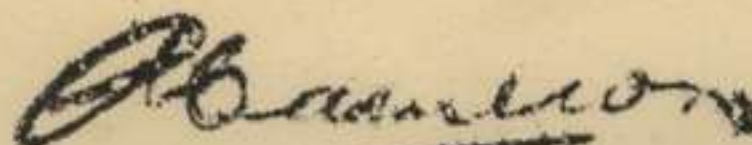
Bn Guard.

Guard Comd.

NFD
NFD

Cpl. H. E. Ohl.

L/Cpl. G. G. Spooner.
L/Cpl. S. Ide.

 Lieut for Capt
Adj. 62 Aust Inf Bn AIF.

NOTICE.

Lieut. Koshitsky, Army Education Officer, will deliver a lecture on RUSSIA at the Main Recreation Hut (near canteen) at 2000hrs on Monday 25 Oct 43.

(The lecturer was in Russia during the Revolution and his family lost all its possessions.)

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

ROUTINE ORDERS PART I

by
Major. P. McCoy
Adm. Comd. 62 Aust Inf Bn AIF.

Formation: Meroke Force.
Date: 24 Oct 43.

339. ORDERLY DUTIES - Mounting Retreat 24 Oct 43 to Retreat
25 Oct 43.

Orderly Offr.

Lieut. B. C. P. Douglas.
Lieut. H. G. Williamson.
~~Lieut. A. G. T. Cameron~~
Lieut. A. G. T. Cameron
Bn Guard.

Ord. NCO.

Pte. K. J. Singleton.
Pte. C. P. Maloney.
Pte. L. G. MacKenzie.

Orderly.


Pte. F. W. Thompson.
Pte. A. H. W. Harper.
Pte. D. MacKenzie.

Guard Comd.

NFD
NFD

L/Cpl. G. G. Spooner.

L/Cpl. S. Ide.
L/Cpl. E. Else.


Capt.
Adjt. 62 Aust Inf Bn AIF.

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ROUTINE ORDERS PART I

Adm. Comd. 62 Aust Inf Bn AIF.

Formation: Merauke Force.

Date: 25 Oct 43.

340. ORDERLY DUTIES - Mounting Retreat 25 Oct 43 to Retreat 26 Oct 43.

<u>Orderly Offr.</u>	<u>Ord. NCO.</u>	<u>Orderly</u>
Lieut. H. G. Williamson.	Cpl. A. Biggam.	Pte. J. J. Linnehan.
Lieut. A. G. T. Cameron.	L/Cpl. H. Hansen.	Pte. H. F. Voysey.
Lieut. G. J. Gaveye.	Cpl. C. J. Chapman.	Pte. W. H. M. Conroy.

<u>Bn Guard.</u>	<u>Guard Comd.</u>	L/Cpl. R. A. Groth.
	NFD	L/Cpl. H. G. Mugridge.
	NFD	L/Cpl. L. W. Mahoney.

341. APPLICATIONS FOR CIPER OPERATIONS.

Applications are invited from personnel desirous of transferring as Ciper Operators. Personnel who are accepted will have good prospects of promotion. Personnel carrying rank will be acceptable if suitable, but should NOT be above the rank of Corporal.

Coys will forward applications, together with OOs concurrence to Bn HQ by 1300hrs 26 Oct 43. Bn HQ personnel will lodge applications with Adjt.


Adjt. 62 Aust Inf Bn AIF.

PROMOTIONS ETC.

No.	Rank.	Name.	To be	Date.
QX40247	Sgt.	Chalmers, D. A.	A/VOII	23.10.43.
QX27424	L/Cpl	Brayshaw, H. C.	A/Cpl	23.10.43.
QX19797	Pte.	Hodgson, J.	TGII (Cook)	23.10.43.

NOTICES.

TYPEWRITED MECHANICS.

Coys will advise BHQ by 1200hrs 28 Oct particulars of any experienced typewriter mechanics. Such personnel are NOT required for transfer, but for repair work of urgent necessity which may arise from time to time.

ABC COMPETITION - AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL SONG.

1. The Australian Broadcasting Commission is conducting a competition in the hope of discovering a song with the qualities that will cause it to become eventually "National".

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2. Prizes totalling £105 will be awarded for the best songs written by Australian composers. First prize is £60; second £30; third £15. The merits and appropriateness of the lyrics will be taken into consideration.

3. There will also be special prizes of £20, £10, and £5 for the lyrics of the winning songs, if written expressly for the competition. The verses, new or old, must be by an Australian author.

4. The closing date of the competition is 31 Dec 43 and if the adjudication can be completed in time it is hoped to broadcast a performance of the winning songs on the National relay of the Australia Day programme on 26 Jan 44.

5. The competition is open to Australian born citizens and to British subjects and to naturalised Australians domiciled in Australia. There are no entry fees.

6. Coys will notify BHQ by 2100hrs 25 Oct 43 of the number of entry forms and copies of the rules of the competition required. BHQ personnel desiring to enter will notify the Adjutant.

PUNISHMENT.

No.	Rank.	Name.	Offence.	Punishment.	Date.
QX15933	Pte	Lorimer, R.H.	AWL from 0745hrs to 2345hrs 19.10.43. AA. 15(1)	Fined £1 Forfeit one days pay and allowances.	25.10.43.

Will lodge applications with Adj. Coys will forward applications together with OGA correspondence to BHQ by 1300hrs 20 Oct 43. BHQ personnel will forward applications to the Adjutant.

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Adj. Coys
25 Oct 43

No.	Rank.	Name.	To be	Date.
QX15933	Pte	Lorimer, R.H.	AWL	25.10.43.
QX15934	Pte	Hodgson, J.	AWL	25.10.43.
QX15935	Pte	Hayward, R.C.	AWL	25.10.43.
QX15936	Pte	Chapman, D.A.	AWL	25.10.43.

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by
Major. P. McCoy
Adm. Comd. 62 Aust Inf Bn AIF.

Formation: Morauke Force.
Date: 26 Oct 43.

342. ORDERLY DUTIES - Mounting Retreat 26 Oct 43 to Retreat
27 Oct 43.

Orderly Offr.

Lieut. A. G. T. Cameron.
Lieut. C. J. Cavaye.
Lieut. H. J. Reid.

Ord. NCO.

L/Cpl. H. Hansen.
Cpl. C. J. Chapman.
L/Cpl. R. A. Groth.

Orderly.

Pte. H. F. Voysey.
Pte. W. H. M. Conroy.
Pte. N. A. Throughood.

Bn Guard.

Guard Comd.
NFD
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L/Cpl. H. G. Mugridge.
L/Cpl. L. W. Mahoney.
Cpl. A. Biggam.

343. WEARING OF SHIRTS.

Shirts will be worn by all ranks at all times. They will not be removed on the beach or elsewhere. After sunset sleeves will be rolled down.

344. RAZOR BLADES.

It is noticed that scarcity of razor blades is being given as an excuse for not shaving. This excuse will definitely NOT be accepted. Every soldier should have from 20 to 30 old blades saved up. If oiled with rifle oil and put away these blades can be used again. It is the duty of every soldier to keep his razor blades in order.


Capt.
Adj. 62 Aust Inf Bn AIF.

APPOINTMENTS, PROMOTIONS ETC.

<u>No.</u>	<u>Rank.</u>	<u>Name.</u>	<u>To be</u>	<u>Date.</u>
QX21413	Sgt	Cain, J. H.	AVOII	27 Sep 43.

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by
Major. P. McCoy
Adm. Comd. 62 Aust Inf Bn AIF.

Formation: Merauke Force.
Date: 27 Oct 43.

345. ORDERLY DUTIES - Mounting Retreat 27 Oct 43 to Retreat
28 Oct 43.

Orderly Offr.

Lieut. C. J. Cavaye.
Lieut. H. J. Reid.
Lieut. R. E. Shea.

Ord. NCO.

Cpl. C. J. Chapman.
L/Cpl. R. A. Groth.
L/Cpl. H. G. Mugridge.

Orderly.

Pte. W. H. M. Conroy.
Pte. N. A. Throughgood.
Pte. K. H. Brown.

Bn Guard.

Guard Comd.

NFD
NFD

L/Cpl. L. W. Mahoney.
Cpl. A. Biggam.
Cpl. R. W. Taylor.

Capt.
Adjt. 62 Aust Inf Bn AIF.

NOTICE.

LOST.

Respirator with identity disc attached belonging to QX27427
Pte. HODGSON, T.O. If found, to be returned to Bn Orderly Room.

PUNISHMENTS.

No.	Rank.	Name.	Offence.	Punishment.	Date.
QX26115	Pte	Morish, C	AWL from 0730hrs 21 Oct 43 till 1630hrs 21 Oct 43 (A.A. 15(1))	21 days Fd. punishment. Forfeit 14 days pay. Automatic forfeiture 1 days pay and allowances.	27.10.43.
QX22865	Pte	Smith, F.A.	do	do	27.10.43.

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES.

ROUTINE ORDERS PART I

by
Major. P. McCoy
Adm. Comd. 62 Aust Inf Bn AIF.

Formation: Merauke Force.
Date: 28 Oct 43.

346. ORDERLY DUTIES - Mounting Retreat 28 Oct 43 to Retreat 29 Oct 43.

Orderly Offr.
Lieut. H. J. Reid.
Lieut. R. E. Shea.
Lieut. P. McHugh.

Ord. NCO.
L/Cpl. R. A. Groth.
L/Cpl. H. G. Mugridge.
L/Cpl. L. W. Mahoney.

Orderly.
Pte. N. A. Throughgood.
Pte. K. H. Brown.
Pte. N. J. Johnson.

Bn Guard.

Guard Comd. Cpl. A. Biggam.
NFD Cpl. R. W. Taylor.
NFD Cpl. C. J. Chapman.

347. OFFICER FOR VISUAL TRAINING.

A Lieut. is required for visual training for N.T. Force. Qualifications required are;

- (a) Sound military background with service in operational area,
- (b) Aptitude for Staff duties,
- (c) Interest in training films and cinema equipment.

Extensive technical knowledge is not required. Medical classification may be "B, fit for tropical service".

Nominations, or nil returns, will be submitted by Coys to reach this HQ by 1100hrs 29 Oct 43.


Capt.
Adj. 62 Aust Inf Bn AIF.

NOTICE.

BOXING GLOVES.

A return is required by 1 Nov 43 of privately owned boxing gloves whose owners are willing to lend for the purpose of organising boxing tournaments.

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

ROUTINE ORDERS PART I

by
Major. P. McCoy.
Adm. Comd. 62 Aust Inf Bn AIF.

Formation: Mersuke Force.
Date: 29 Oct 43.

348. ORDERLY DUTIES - Mounting Retreat 29 Oct 43 to Retreat 30 Oct 43.

Orderly Offr.
Lieut. R. E. Shea.
Lieut. P. McHugh.
Lieut. K. Tedford.


Ord. NCO.
L/Cpl. H. G. Mugridge.
L/Cpl. L. V. Mahoney.

Orderly.
Pte. K. H. Brown.
Pte. N. J. Johnson.

Bn Guard. Guard Comd. Cpl. R. W. Taylor.
NFD Cpl. C. J. Chapman.

349. AIR LIAISON SECTIONS - PERSONNEL FOR.

A return is requested by 1300hrs 30 Oct 43 of particulars of any ORs trained in Air Liaison duties.


Capt.
Adjt. 62 Aust Inf Bn AIF.

PROMOTIONS, ETC.

No.	Rank.	Name.	To be.	Date.
QX26507	Pte	Buchanan, I.	L/Cpl	23.10.43.

NOTICE.

Lieut. Koshnitsky will continue his lecture on Russia at the Main Recreation Hut on Monday night at 2000hrs. The period covered will be from 1936 to the present time with reference to the course of the war.

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

ROUTINE ORDERS PART I

by
Major. P. McCoy
Adm. Comd. 62 Aust Inf Bn AIF.

Formation: Merauke Force.
Date: 30 Oct 43.

350. ORDERLY DUTIES - Mounting Retreat 30 Oct 43 to Retreat 31 Oct 43.

Orderly Offr.
Lieut. P. McHugh.
Lieut. K. Tedford.
Lieut. G. A. Clarke.

Ord. NCO.
L/Cpl. L. W. Mahoney.
L/Cpl. O. H. Pocock.
L/Cpl. A. P. Neilsen.

Orderly.
Pte. N. J. Johnson.
Pte. D. K. Miller.
Pte. W. E. Powell.

Bn Guard.

Guard Comd. Cpl. C. J. Chapman.
NFD Cpl. E. Thiele.
NFD L/Sgt. D. D. Walker.

351. UNIT AUDITORS.

The following officers are appointed Unit Auditors:-

- QX2974 Lieut. T. RODHAM.
- QX40248 Lieut. J. R. WHALLEY.
- QX23741 Lieut. G. J. CAVAYE.

This order cancels any previous appointments of auditors.


Capt.
Adj. 62 Aust Inf Bn AIF.

NOTICES.

LECTURE. The lecture by Lieut. KASHNITSKY previously arranged for Monday night is cancelled.

CHURCH PARADES. Bn Parade. 0930hrs Recreation area.
R.C. 0945hrs Cadre Parade ground.

ARTS AND CRAFTS EXHIBITION.

1. An Exhibition of locally made articles of artistic value will be held at the Education Hut from 15 to 22 Nov 43. Competition will be held in the following classes:

ARTS.

- Class I Oil Painting.
- Class II Water Color.
- Class III Block and White Drawing.
- Class IV Caricature.
- Class V Wall Newspaper.
- Class VI Map.
- Class VII Anti-waste poster.

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

ROUTINE ORDERS PART I

by
Major. P. McCoy.
Adm. Comd. 62 Aust Inf Bn AIF.

Formation: Merauke Force.
Date: 31 Oct 43.

352. ORDERLY DUTIES - Mounting Retreat 31 Oct 43 to Retreat
1 Nov 43.

Orderly Offr.
Lieut. I. Tedford.
Lieut. G. A. Clarke.
Lieut. T. Rodham.

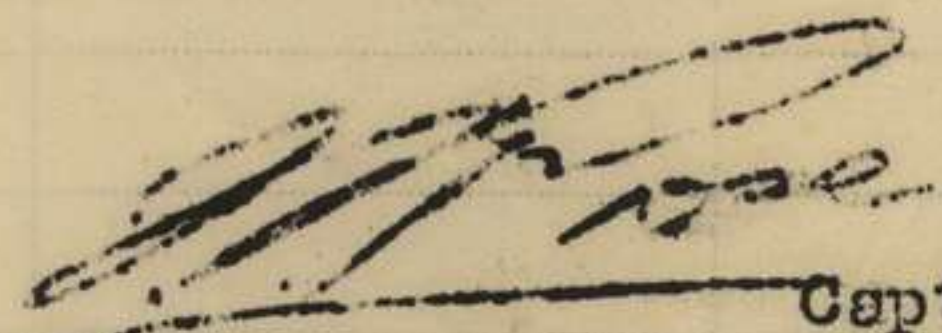
Ord. NCO.
L/Cpl. O. H. Pocock.
L/Cpl. A. P. Neilson.
L/Cpl. A. Rein.

Orderly.
Pte. K. D. Miller.
Pte. W. E. Powell.
Pte. V. J. Clitheroe.

BN Guard.

Guard Comd.
NFD
NFD

Cpl. E. Thiele.
L/Sgt. D. D. Walker.
Cpl. J. S. Robinson.


Capt.
Adj. 62 Aust Inf Bn AIF.

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

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

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 4/7/1943 62 Aust Inf Bn AIF. (Unit)

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W.E. 11 100 8 OFFRS. 33 O.R's. 739 OFFRS. 1 O.R's. 33 ATT. BY W.E.

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

1				2				3				4				5				6				7				8				9				10			
W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.				ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.																															
Rein'ts Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.					Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein'ts Required.																											
-	-	-	1	Lieut.-Colonels				AAGC (RMO)																															
-	2	-	1	Majors																																			
-	3	-	6	Captains																																			
-	1	-	18	Lieutenants						1	-	-	-																										
				Quarter-masters A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs. Civilians Counting as Offrs.																																			
-	6	-	26						1	-	-	-																											
				DETAIL	A.I.F.	C.M.F.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.N.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL.	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	**	TOTAL.																									
Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in para. 19 of instructions for compilation of form will complete Part E(1) & E(2).				A.	27									27																									
				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.
GX38300	Lieut	Busby, G.W.	51/51 Aust Inf Bn Pool	30.8.43	Transfer.

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit To.	Date.	CAUSE.
GX12170	Capt	Hull, R.D.	2/1 Aust Inf Bn	31.8.43	Transfer.
GX17629	Lieut	Sullivan, P.J.	11 Aust Inf Tpg Bn	1.9.43	Det as Instr.
GX18335	"	Cheesman, R.S.	K List	"	Evacuated on Med. grounds

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

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

Appx 1

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 1/8/194. (Total to agree with Columns 4 and 7 of Part A.)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held.	Army Number.	Surname.	Initials.	Posting.	Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No)	If not present with Unit, state how employed.	Date of Detachment.
T./Lt. Col	OX14875	Haupt	A.S.K.	CO	Yes		
Lt. T./Maj	OX44506	McCoy	P.	S 1/c	No	Absent on duty	23 Aug 43
Lt. T./Capt	OX104337	Buttsworth	K.W.	CG A Coy	Yes		
"	OX104349	Turner	E.W.	" B	"		
"	OX102612	Stewart	A.D.	" D	"		
"	OX47025	McCensie	A.A.	21/ed	"		
"	OX102605	Margrave	P.A.	Adjt	"		
"	OX44602	Taylor	E.A.S.	Ill	"		
Lieut.	OX19051	Shea	H.E.	Tr. A Pl	"		
"	OX102621	Williamson	H.G.	21/ed Coy	"		
"	OX16120	Peahy	W.R.	C Coy	"		
"	OX16128	Turbayne	F.G.	CG C Coy	"		
"	OX14256	Cameron	A.S.T.	21/ed	"		
"	OX17252	Stratton	W.P.	MSG Pl	"		
"	OX16876	Bradshaw	A.J.	D Coy	No	At school	11 Aug 43
"	OX2974	Rodden	T.	21/ed Pl	Yes		
"	OX11302	Reid	H.J.	Tr. Pl	"		
"	OX15360	Ross	H.F.G.	A Coy	"		
"	OX16841	Douglas	B.C.P.	"	"		
"	OX21849	Tedford	K.	"	"		
"	OX11600	Hollugh	P.	"	"		
"	OX1876	Clarke	G.A.	"	"		
"	OX19657	Hamilton	L.K.	Att HQ	"		
"	OX40348	Halley,	J.R.	A Coy	"		
"	OX35767	Wilson	R.J.	"	"		
"	OX38305	Busby	G.W.	"	"		

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.
Against R.F.					
Capt.	OX47022	Townsend, A.R.	AMC	9 Jul 43	RMC.
Not on R.F.					
Chaplain & Class	OX149002	Beatty, G.A.	AMCD	25 Aug 43	Chaplain

4 Sep 43
Date of Despatch

H. Haupt
Signature of Commander

PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 4 / 9 / 194 .

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.
				Forward	1	1		Forward	17	17		Forward	57	62	
Ammunition Examiners				Surveyors, Engineering				Operating Room Assts.				G.P.O. Assistants			
Armament Artificer Fitter				Surveyors, R.A.A.				Operator, Keyboard				Hammermen			
Armament Artificer Fitter (Electrical)				Surveyors, Topographical				Operator, Line				Leather Stitchers			
Armament Artificer Fitter (M.V.)				Surveyors, Trigonometrical				Operator, Signal				Orderlies, Nursing			
Armament Artificer Fitter (A.F.V.)				Toolmakers				Operator, Switchboard				Orderlies, Nursing Mental			
Armament Artificer Instrument				Turners				Operator, Wireless				Plate Layers			
Armament Artificer Radio				Watchmakers				Opticians				Rangetakers	4	5	
Armament Artificer Signals				Welders				Painters				Riveters			
Armament Artificer Wireless								Panel Beaters				Roughriders			
Artificer, Artillery								Photographer, Dry Plate				Saddlers			
Artificer, Engine								Predictor Numbers				Saddletree makers			
Blacksmiths	1	1						Printers				Shoemaker and Boot Repairer			
Bricklayers								Radlographers				Stevadores			
Computers								Riggers				Stokers, Staty. Engine			
Cooks, Hospital				GROUP II.				Sawyers				Storemen, Technical	4	4	
Coppersmiths				Armourers				Signallers	27	27		Tailors	2	2	
Dispensers				Axemen				Signwriters				Textile Refitters			
Draughtsmen				Bakers				Telescope Identfn. Numbers				Tinsmiths			
Draughtsmen (Architectural)				Bty. Comd's Asst.				Well Borers				Vulcanizers			
Draughtsmen (Engineering)				Boilermakers				Wheelers				Wagon Erectors			
Draughtsmen (Mechanical)				Carpenters	6	6		Winchman				Whitesmiths			
Draughtsmen (Topographical)				Carpenters and Joiners				Wireman							
Electricians				Cooks				Woodturners							
Electricians (M.V.)				Dental Mechanics								TKA Gun Nos	22	22	
Electricians (Signals)				Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Med.)								Botmen	54	54	
Fitters				Driver-Operator								Gen Duties	3	3	
Fitters (Cycle)				Drainers								Hyg Duties	4	4	
Fitters (Electrical)				Electricians								IME/Rfmm	409351	58	
Fitters (Gun)				Electricians (Engineers)								IME Nos	25	25	
Fitters (Instrument)				Fire Control Operators								Mortar Nos	62	62	
Fitters (M.V.)				Gun Operator				GROUP III.				DETAILS OF NON-TRADESMEN.			
Fitters, Railway Signal				Hatchman				Battery Surveyors				Orderlies	32	32	
Fitters, Signals				Height Taker				Butchers	1	1		Pioneers	53	53	
Grinder, Precision				Hello Operator				Clerks	11	11		Regtl. Pole	7	7	
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator				Clerks, Supply				Storemen	6	6	
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Intelligence Duties	10	10		Clerks, Technical				S. Bearers	21	21	
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Joiners				Coach Trimmers				Water Duty	2	2	
Mechanics, Radio				Lineman				Concretors				RSM & CBMs	6	6	
Mechanics, Typewriter				Lineman, Signals				Cooks				RQMS & CQMS	6	6	
Mechanics, Wireless				Lithographers				Dental Clerk Orderlies							
Millwrights				Machinists, Metal				Despatch Riders				ATTACHED BY W.E.			
Operators, Excavator				Machinists, Wood				Draughtsmen, Signals				AANG	4	3	N.R.
Pattern Maker				Masons				Drivers, H.T.				AACC	1	1	
Pharmacist				Masseurs				Driver Mechanics	-	4		ABME	2	2	
Photographer, Wet Plate				Mechanics, M.T.				Driver Tptn. Plant				AACC	23	23	
Photewriter				Miners				Engine Hands, I.C.				AAPC	2	2	
Plumber				Moulders				Equipment Repairers	1	1		AA Post C	1	1	
Saw Doctors				Nurses, Trained				Farriers							
Surveyors				Observation Post Assts.				Fitters' Mates							
								Gun Layers	-	1					
CARRIED FORWARD	1	1		CARRIED FORWARD	17	17		CARRIED FORWARD	57	62		Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively.	772713	58	*

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 Sep 43
Date of Despatch

N.H. Samp Lt. Col.
Signature of Commander

FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS

NOTE:

Particulars of ATTACHED allowed under W.E.

		Posted Strength	Surplus to WE	Deficit WE	Reinfts Req'd.
WOII :	AACO (Caterer)	-	-	1	-
Sergeants :	AACC	5			
	AAMC	1			
	" (Hygiene)	1			
	AA Post C	1			
	AAPC	1			
	Arm'r AEME	1	7	3	-
Corporals :	AACC Shoemaker	1			
	AAMC Chiropractist	1			
	AACC	5			
	AAPC	1	7	1	-
Privates :	AACC	12			
	AAMC	1			
	AEME (FittersGun)	1	18	4	-
		32	4	5	-

Reinfts. Required.

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N.R.

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62 AUST INF BN (AIF)

TACTICAL EXERCISE WITH TROOPS

Ref Map : MERAUKE SPECIAL 4" to 1 mile. Enlargement MERAUKE-ONGGARI 1" to 1 mile.

1. TROOPS TAKING PART.

Comd: *Lt Turbayne*
C Coy.
Det S.Bs. 3 O.R.
"I" Sec. 1 O.R.
Water duties 1 O.R.
Observer. Pl: *Lt Williamson*
Pl: *Sgt Lago*
Pl:

2. ADMINISTRATION.

Coy. and att personnel will be known as HATS. Normal Jungle equipment will be taken with the following amendments:

Arm : The following arm only will be carried ;
Rifle : 50 rds - to be carried in haversack.
SMG : 120 rds.
Blank : 50 rds - to be carried in basic pouches.

3. MOVEMENT.

HATS Force will R.V. at JETTY area *0615* hrs
Embarkation will commence in ALCVs at JETTY *0630* hrs. Disembark area WEST of LEADS approx. 384364, cross to WENDOE TRACK, organise column and move off.

4. GENERAL IDEA.

OWN TROOPS:

"X" Inf Bn, HATS, less two Coys occupies area KOEMBE in 2040.
A Coy Gp. occupies area WENDOE in 2030 in outpost.

ENEMY:

The enemy (HELMETS) has established a bridge-head on NW bank of R. MERAUKE in area 384364, strength est. at one Coy. Group. MAIN BODY estimated at two Inf Bn Groups is in area SOUTH of MERAUKE, and activities in mouth of R. MERAUKE indicate the intention to cross in force.

So far the enemy has confined his activities to protective patrols in bridgehead area.

ROLE:

C Coy. "X" Inf Bn HATS will carry out delaying action to cover withdrawal of A Coy Group from WENDOE at 1500 hrs until *1100* hrs *7 Sep*
You will also delay the enemy at all costs at R. KOEMBE *1600*

6 SEP 1943
7 SEP 1943

W. J. ... Lt-Col
CO 62 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)

DISTRIBUTION:

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62 AUSTRALIAN INF BN (AIF)

TACTICAL EXERCISE WITH 3 TROOPS

Ref Map : MERAUKE (Special) 4" to 1 mile.
Enlargement MERAUKE-ONGGARI 1" to 1 mile.

TROOPS TAKING PART :

1. Coy Group:
 - Comdg : *Capt Stewart*
 - Coy. (less 1 Cpl cook and 1 cook)
 - "I" Sec. 2 O.R.
 - Det Sigs 3 O.R.
 - Hygiene and water dutyman : 1 O.R.
 - Observers : 16 Pl. *Major Ralston* *Coordinating*
 - 7 Pl. *Calman*
 - 18 Pl. *Lieut Prentice*

2. BHQ (representative)
 - Adjut (Actg) : *Capt Langiane*
 - Batman.
 - "I" Sec : 1 Sgt and 2 O.R. • *A/IO* (2 bicycles)
 - RSM (Actg)
 - Clerk.
 - OP/O Sp 2, 50 Aust Ed Bty (representative)
 - 1 Officer.
 - Det K Sec. Sigs : 2 O.R.
 - Det No. 1 Sig Pl : 3 O.R.
 - Chief Observer and controller of exercise : **C.O.**

3. B REBELION.
 - OC : *Capt Taylor*
 - Batman.
 - No. 1 Sig Pl : 1 Sgt, 7 O.R. → *2 of mmg*
 - No. 3 Pl (M) : 1 Jungle Det.
 - No. 4 Tk A Pl : 1 Sec. (1 gun)
 - No. 5 Pnr Pl : 1 Sgt, 1 NCO, 6 O.R. *Lo Reis*
 - No. 6 Adm Pl : Cooks : 2 cooks HQ Coy.
 - 1 Cpl cook Coy, 1 cook Coy.
 - 2 Hygiene duties.
 - Sto/oman; Clerk. (2)
 - RAF : 1 NCO and 4 O.R.; 2 ORs AASC.
 - Reserve Amn Party ($\frac{1}{2}$ strength).
 - 1 Officer, 1 NCO, 15 O.R. (HQ Coy).

The above will also constitute order of march.

ADMINISTRATION.

4. Force will be known as **HELMETS.**
5. Amn. (a) Riflemen etc. Normal except as follows :
 - 100 rds rifle amn only (Rifle amn will be carried in haversack); 50 rds blank.
 - Det No. 3 (M) Pl (12 O.Bs) - 6 bombs .
 - Sec. No. 4 Tk A Pl. - Full W.E.
 (b) Bn Reserve : 1 Box blank amn (to be used as required)
 1 Box S.A.A. ; 15 3" Mortar bombs;
 3 2 boxes 36 (HE) Grenades.
6. P.O.L. : Reserve sufficient for 100 miles running for 4 Jeeps will be taken.
7. Pioneer stores : In addition to normal Pnr equipment :
 - (a) Rope, wire etc. sufficient for emergency crossing R. KOEMBE
 - (b) Sufficient steel mesh and paper to land Jeeps on NW bank of R. MERAUKE.
 - (c) Decking for hasty bridge.
8. One tent fly will be taken to establish bivouac for drivers with Coy 31/51 Bn in area OEROMBIE.
9. Supplies : 3 days rations will be carried by B Ech for **HELMETS**, and all attached personnel.

10. Transport : 3 Jeeps allocated as follows :
- 1 Jeep : CO (flying signal flag)
 - 1 Jeep : At discretion OC "B" Echelon.
 - 1 Jeep : No. 5 Ek A Pl (may be used, when not towing gun, by OC "B" Echelon).
 - 1 Jeep: (attached) - K Sec. Sigs.
- 5 bicycles allocated as follows; 2 "I" Sec; 3 "B" Ech.

11. Cooking Stores: Small quantity cooking stores will be taken, sufficient to supply 1 hot meal per day to HELMETS FORCE.

INTERCOMMUNICATION.

12. Signal stores as follows :
- Det " " Coy : 1 D.V 1/3 mile D.III, 1 Walkie Talkie.
 - Det BHQ : 1 D.V 1/3 mile D.III, 1 Walkie Talkie.
 - Det B Ech : 1 D.V 2 miles D.III.

13. Rear W/T link to Bde will be open as follows ;
0900-0930, 1200-1230, 1600-1630 hrs daily.

14. Code names will be allocated by "I" Sec. on commencement of exercise.

MOVEMENT.

15. Movement will be in accordance with staff table issued separately, and will be supervised by Actg Adjt for exercise.

16. HELMETS column will assemble with head at road bend 536363, and exercise will not commence until this is complete.

GENERAL IDEA.

17. Own Troops.
"A" Inf Bn Group HELMETS is at present in area MOPAH.
"B" Inf Bn Group HELMETS less one Coy. holds area MERAUKE VILLAGE.
One Coy. "B" Inf Bn holds bridgehead on NW bank R. MERAUKE in area 384364 with local patrolling only.

18. Enemy.
A Force estimated at 1 Inf Bn Group occupies KOEMBE village in 2040.
A small force occupies WENDOE in 2030.
No enemy patrols have been encountered in BRIDGEHEAD area.
Air recon has been considerable.

19. OUTLINE PLAN

- (a) "A" Inf Bn Group will cross R. MERAUKE during a.m. _____
- and will continue the advance.
- (b) Order of move : D Coy, BHQ, ABC Coys, B Ech.
- (c) Start point : Road bend 336363.
- (d) Start time : Not before 1200 hrs 6 SEP 1943

- 6 SEP 1943

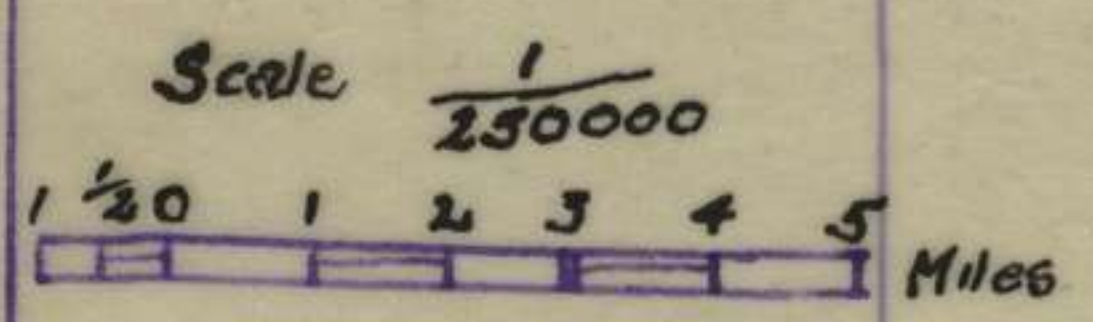
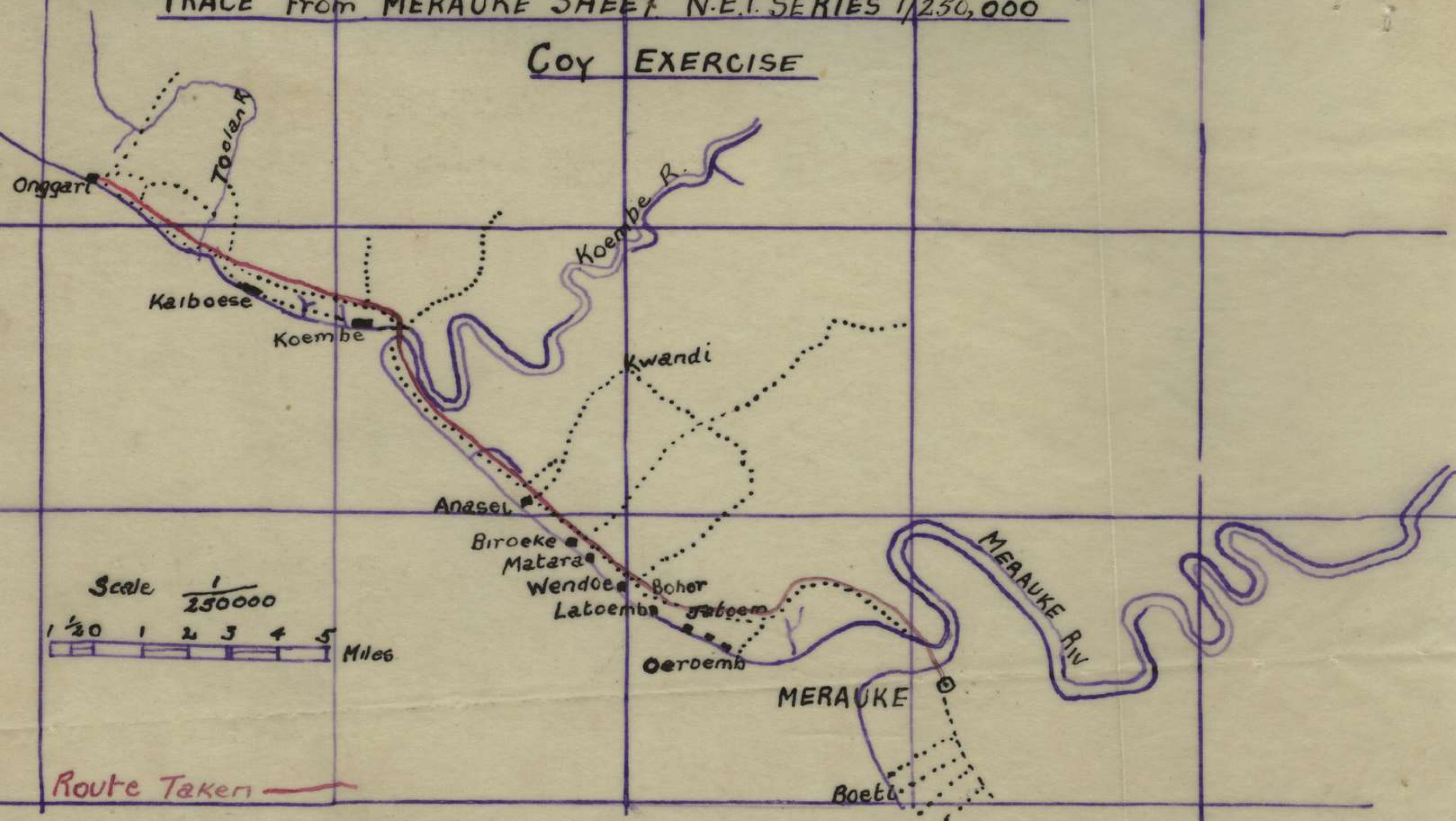
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Lt-Col
CO 62 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)

DISTRIBUTION:

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HQ Coy	5-8
A/Adjt	9
RMO	10
RSM	11
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Force HQ	13
2 i/c	14
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TRACE From MERAUKE SHEET N.E.I. SERIES 1/250,000

Coy EXERCISE



Route Taken —

TRAINING INSTRUCTION.

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War Diary
APPX 3

Day 57 - 70 incl. - period 12 - 25 Sept.

1. Outline Syllabus.

- Day 57. } 5 day recce patrol exercise.
- 58 } Pls. on separate routes layed down by CO
- 59 } Full jungle warfare equipment to be carried.
- 60 } HQ personnel to be attached to Pls.
- 61 } 3 days hard rations, 2 lbs rice to be carried.
- 62 AM - complete overhaul WE & equipment. PM Bn parade and sports.
- 63 Church parade and make and mend.
- 64 } Complete all defence works including beach wiring.
- 65 } Full plans later.
- 66 }
- 67 }
- 68 Messages and reports. Gas Trg. T.O.R.T.s
- 69 AM Complete WE inspection. PM Bn parade and sports.
- 70 Church parade make and mend.

II. Summary of Events.

- 12 - 18 Sept. A & B Coys Day 57 - 63
C & D Coys Day 64 - 70
HQ Coy - specialists trg - details later.
- 19 - 25 Sept. A & B Coys Day 64 - 70
C & D Coys Day 57 - 63
HQ Coy - specialists trg - details later.

III. Tactical Exercises without Troops.

1. During the above period all officers and Actg. Pl.Comds, other than those on recce. patrol exercises, will attend a series of T.E.W.T.S. and lectures conducted by CO.
2. D.S. Staff CO, Adjt, IO, 1 officer Force HQ,
3. Object. To teach Appreciations (briefly), Issue of orders, Messages and reports, Admn. in the field, Battle drill, R/T codes.
4. Coy Comds. will attend both weeks.
5. Syndicates.

<u>No.1.</u>	<u>No.2.</u>	<u>No.4.</u>	<u>No.5.</u>
Capt. Butterworth.	Capt. Turner.	Lt. Turbayne.	Capt. Stewart.
Lieut. Cameron.	Lieut. Douglas.	" Williamson.	" McKenzie.
" Ross.	" McHugh.	" Pechey.	Lt. Clark.
" Whalley.	" Busby.	" Tedford.	" Wilson.
" Rodham.	" Stratton.	" Reid.	Capt. Taylor.

Lt.Col.
CO 62 Aust Inf Bn AIF.

Distribution.

- Coys. 1-5
- CO 6
- 2 i.c. 7
- Adjt 8
- Force 9
- War Diary 10-11
- File 12
- Spare

Appx 4

War Diary

Subject : REPORT ON ENEMY AIR ATTACK - 9 SEP 43.


HQ 62 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)
11 Sep 43

CO 62 Aust Inf Bn (AIF).

Ref Map WERAUKE 1/250,000 (Dutch series).

All bearings MAG.

1. At 1105 hrs 9 Sep 43 "D" Coy 62 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) plus deta was at village KOEMBE. Enemy planes were heard, then seen overhead.
2. Direction of approach was down coast.
3. After crossing river KOEMBE, the sound of the planes appeared to move inland, suggesting a possible turn. This is deduced from sound only and is NOT reliable.
4. Aircraft were observed to fall after our planes attacked the formation.
5. A patrol, consisting of Maj. Callinan, Lieut. Clarke and 11 O.R. was sent in the direction ^{of} one crash. Patrol departed 1400 hrs 9 Sep 43 and returned 1030 hrs 10 Sep 43.
6. Attached are patrol report (Lieut. Clarke) and information re air activity collated at 1230 hrs 9 Sep 43 from information supplied by all troops in the KOEMBE area.


Lieut.
A/IO 62 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)

In the Field
11 Sep 43

PATROL REPORT : GROUND SEARCH area NNE of KOEMBE 9/10 Sep 43
Ref Map MERAUKE 1/250,000.

1. **OBJECT:** To search ground NNE to NORTH of KOEMBE village to a depth of five miles for crashed aircraft and parachuted aircrews.
2. **ROUTE:** KOEMBE village to ORAMBAKE village MR TE204505 by EAST track to point MR TE207503 and across country to village.
Returned ORAMBAKE to KOEMBE by WEST track.
Start time 1400 hrs 9 Sep 43. Bivouaced one mile EAST of ORAMBAKE at 1900 hrs. Moved from bivouac at 0715 hrs 10 Sep 43 and reached KOEMBE 1030 hrs.
3. **FINDINGS:** One Jap belly tank 20 yds WEST of outward track, 1200 yds from KOEMBE. Native reported at ORAMBAKE : Nil sightings.
4. **TERRAIN:** Thick jungle alternating with swamp, containing heavy growth of high reeds. Two miles SE of ORAMBAKE there is a large open swamp. A large proportion of the ground covered was under water. Native reports that ground to EAST of outward route is not trafficable owing to depth of water. Ground between the outward and inward routes could not be searched in the time available. Outward track was generally overgrown or under water, and a way had to be forced.
5. **AIR DIRECTION:** Owing to the terrain/ difficulties, I consider that aerial direction would be necessary for any ground patrol to find crashed aircraft in this area.

Glenn

Lieut .

Collation of Reports from all Pls.

Coy or Pl.	No. of HMY planes		No. of OH planes	Shot down	Bearing.	Type.	Est. distance.
5 Coy (1st)	3 16	7 7	7 11	1 flames 1 flat 1 spin 1 parachute	100° 140° — —	U/1 — — —	3 miles — 4 miles.
16 Pl.	16	5	5	1 flames 1 parachute	— 150°	U/1 —	3 miles
17 Pl.	17	5	4	1 flames	300° 130° 150°	U/1 U/1 U/1	
18 Pl.	17	6	6		300-450	U/1	
19 Pl.	16	6	13		150° 25°	U/1 U/1	
Horters.	16	4	—	1 flames 1 parachute	40° 15°	U/1	3 miles
Wigs.	16	4	4	1 1	40° 15°	U/1 U/1	3 miles 3 miles
Par.	16	3	—	1	300	det?	
TR/A.	16	6	4	1 flames 1 turn over 1	35° 40° —	U/1 U/1 U/1 U/1	— 15 miles — —
Int. Sec.	16 only	3 U/1	4 Pittsburgh	1 flames 1 parachute	61° 41° 40°	only U/1 —	3 miles
B. Sch.	13	6	3	1	75°	U/1	3-12 miles

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APPX 5

12 Sep 43.

Pl. Recce Patrol Exercises.

OBJECT.

1. To practice recce. of terrain and furnishing of reports.

METHOD.

1. Pls. will move out under Pl. Comds. in following order:-

(a) Week 13-19 Sep. 7,8,9,10,11,12 Pls.

(b) Week 20-25 Sep. 13,14,15,16,17,18 Pls.

2. Start Point - MAIN ST. Jetty area.

3. Start Time - 0730 hrs 13 Sep 43.

4. Pls. will be moved by MT in rotation to Jetty area.

5. Pls. will cross to LEADS/WENDOE JETTY by Water Tpt.

6. Pls. will re-embark LEADS/WENDOE JETTY am. 18/24 Sep.

7. Routes.

A. WENDOE, KOEMBE, KAIBOESE, ONGARI, DOLMANDE and return.

B. WENDOE, KOEMBE, KAIBOESE, ONGARI, JOWIEMKE, 148556, WILIANOKE 168686, track junct. ARAKE 206699, MANDINGGO 218770, ARAKE, BOSSEHIR 170570, thence TOLAN BRIDGE and return.

C. WENDOE, KOEMBE, ORAMBAKE 234550, NERMATE 253654, KANIESKE 264744, thence SARORE 392571 thence track generally WEST and SOUTH to KOEMBE and return.

D. WENDOE, KOEMBE, track bend 266540, SARORE 392571, NOGDIEK 404640 thence APAR cross KOEMBE RIVER, APAR 440662, KARPOE 474590, DJAMBOE 418526, DOETNE 378492 thence ANASEI and return.

E. WENDOE, ANASEI 267409, BAKOP 295470, DOETNE 378492, DJAMBOE 418526, KARPOE 474590, DJAMBOE 418526 track junct. 396500, MAJO 400468, KAPIO 350445, WENDOE and return.

F. WENDOE, BAHOR 300372, DERAMAT 339425, KAPIO 350445, DJAMBOE 418526, track junct. 538524, PEPESORER 570418, track junct. 507424, WENDOE 444380, SIRAPOE 389411 and return.

8. Information Required.

- (a) Details of tracks and terrain traversed in form of notes and field sketches.
- (b) Location of villeges.
- (c) Indication of population and types.
- (d) Number of praus.
- (e) Any information of crashed enemy planes.

ADMINISTRATION.


9. Medical. 1s/B with emergency medical kit, reserve supply atebirin, chlorinating powder, detasting tablets, etc.
10. Native food. All precautions will be observed in eating native food. Any food obtained from natives must be paid for in kind or by money.
11. Amn. Full jungle scale amn. will be carried. 50rds. rifle amn. will be allocated to Pl. Comd. for shooting game. NO, repeat NO, other ammunition will be fired.
12. Rations. 3 days hard rations, 2lbs. rice, ½lb sundries, 2 days dehydrated.

13. Praus. Pls. crossing KOLMBE will only use double praus lashed together. Pl. Comds. will exercise every care in selecting praus.

14. INTERCOMMUNICATION.

In emergency signals may be sent through B Coy 31/51 Bn to 62 Aust Inf Bn AIF.

Pigeons - as per separate instruction.



I.O. for Adjnt. 62 Aust Inf Bn AIF. Lieut.

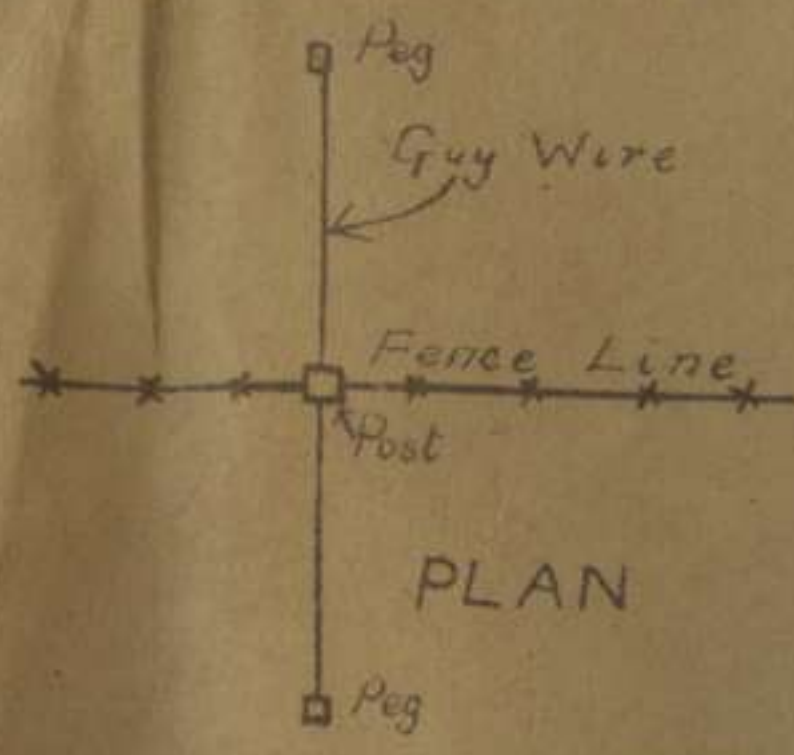
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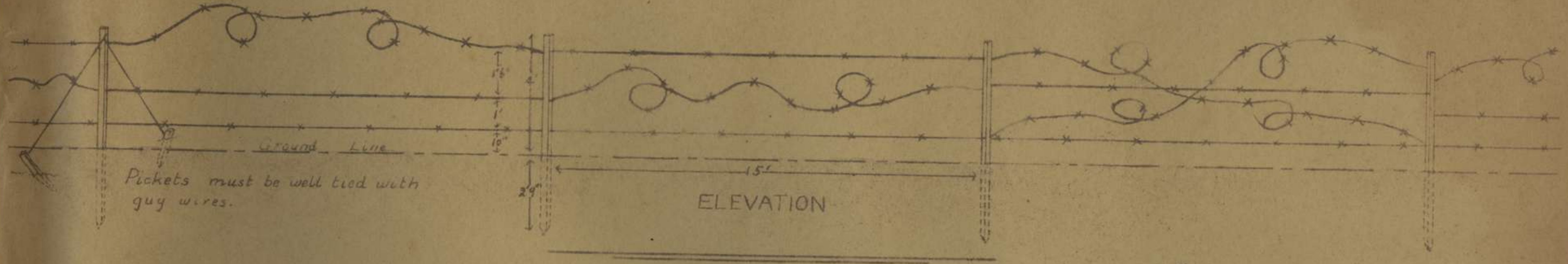
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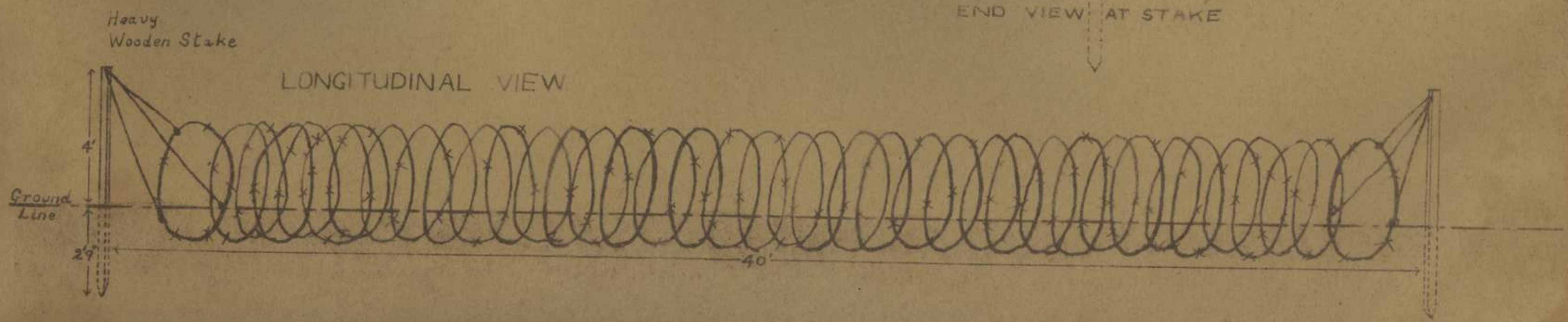
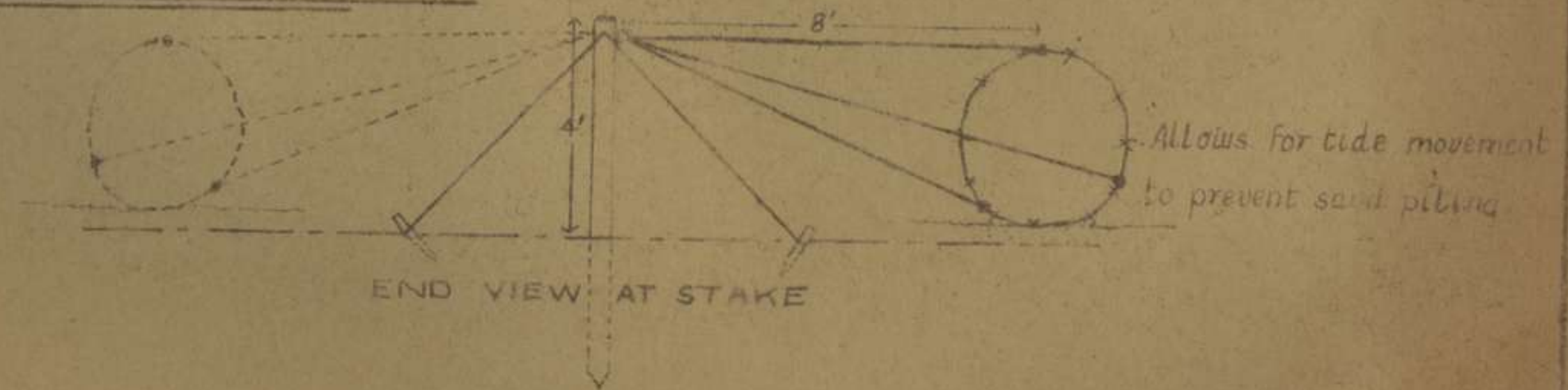
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1. BARBED WIRE. COW FENCE TYPE. Designed to present obstacle at low water, to entangle propellers of ALCV's, or harass troops in water. WOODEN stakes only.



2. CONCERTINA TYPE.



1. 5. 1945

HOME GARDEN and HOBBIES PROJECT

It is desired to improve the units diet by growing our own fresh vegetables, and breeding of fowls etc.

To this end, a supply of seeds of various kinds, packed in sub-tropical areas, has been obtained.

This effort will be organised on a competitive basis, resulting in an improvised exhibition to take place approx. 27 Nov, combined with a hobbies competition.

Outline of Conditions.

A. PLANTS.

1. Each Pl. will prepare own garden in suitable area in camp lines surrounded by bamboo fence proof against dogs, pigs, etc.
2. Designs and layout is a matter for Pls.
3. BHQ will take part as two Pls. - one composed of S/Bs, and the balance of personnel, the other.
4. The growing of local foods such as sweet potatoes, corn, paw-paws etc is permissible.
5. A prize of £10 for first and £5 for second will be awarded to the best Pl. garden.
6. A schedule of prizes at the concluding exhibition will be published later, and committee capable of judging product appointed.
7. 2 i/c will distribute seeds on 1/2 Oct.

B. POULTRY RUNS.

1. A sum of £5 per Rifle Coy and £10 for BHQ and HQ will be allocated from Regimental Funds for the purchase of local hens and cock birds in order to establish Coy fowl runs.
2. This may be implemented by 2 i/c if necessary to double the original allocation at his discretion.
3. The object in the first place is to produce fresh eggs to improve cooking, and secondarily, the production of cockerels for consumption.
4. 2 i/c will form committee of judges with knowledge to judge egg production, breeding etc, and details will be issued later.
5. The original allocation of money may be drawn forthwith, but must be accounted correctly by OC Coys to 2 i/c.

C. HOBBIES.

1. Prize money will be allocated to be awarded at the exhibition for various hobbies, and a list published later.
2. Suggestions in this respect should be handed direct to 2 i/c.
3. Some of those in mind are pencil sketches, color sketches, reproduction of maps by hand, models, souvenirs, verse, tables, chairs etc produced from local materials only etc.

D. SKILL AT ARMS.

A skill-at-arms competition will take place in conjunction with the exhibition on 27 Nov.

A. H. Houghton
Lt. Col.
CO 62 Aust Inf Bn AIF.

Distribution.

A Coy	1-4	RMO	26
B Coy	5-8	Padre	27
C Coy	9-12	Force	28
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HQ Coy	17-23	File	31
CO	24	Spare	32-35.
2 i/c	25		

WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

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Unit 62 Aust Inf Bn AIF Date and Time.—From 1 Oct 43 To 9 Oct 43.

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
MERAUKE	1 Oct		Posting of Bn Officers. Coys unloading boat and loading vehicles. Wiring of beach continuing. Met. tables compiled and sent to Coys.	Appx. No.1.
	2 Oct		Gardens started by Coys. Field Returns of Offrs and Other Ranks.	Appx. 2.
	3 Oct	0830	Church Parade held at Bn Parade Ground by Padre. Beatty. Night 3/4 Oct all watches advanced one hour to synchronise with EASSTime. Personnel from No.2 Outpost arrived back in Coy lines.	
	4 Oct		Sept War Diary passed to Adjt. for signature and despatch. Capt. MacKenzie took over as temporary I.O.	
	5 Oct		O.O. No.3 issued Trg. Instns. No.7 issued Conditions for Proficiency Pay issued in BROs	Appx. 3. Appx. 4.
	6 Oct		Location Statement sent to Merauke Force.	
	7 Oct		Nominations called for Mobile MR & FS School. Lt.Col.Haupt departed for LHQ School. Personnel with bad eyesight tested by specialist at MRS. 3 and 5 Avenues closed to all traffic, except Jeeps, owing to damage caused by torrential rains. Repairs being carried out. Swamps are now highest since 62 Bn arrived in area.	
	8 Oct		MET infrm. distributed.	
	9 Oct		Capt. ROSE marched in. Took over duties as Adjt.	

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Unit 62 Aust Inf Bn AIF Date and Time.—From 10 Oct 43 To 21 Oct 43

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
MERAUKE	10 Oct		Church Parade held at Bn Parade Ground by Padre. Beatty.	
	11 Oct		Stand down except for special work parties at gravel pits. Sit. Maps altered to meet new Arty. target area.	
	12 Oct		Lieut. Cameron took over duties as I.O. Capt. Hargrave left by a/c for Junior Staff School, Ashgrove. 6 personnel left by plane for W.T. School. Security posters received from F.S.W. and sent out to Coys.	
	13 Oct		Maj. Moray and Capt. MacKenzie presiding at Court Martial in 31/51 Bn area.	
	14 Oct		Trg. and corduery on A Street and 3 Ave. continuing.	
	15 Oct		" " " " " " " " " "	
	16 Oct		Kit inspection held in all Coy areas.	
	18 Oct		Maj. McCoy, 2 i/c Bn, Majs. Harris and Callanan, with Int. Sec personnel departed on recce. for Coy exercise. Met. Infrm. No.10 distributed to Coys.	
	19 Oct		Maj. McCoy and party on recce. Capt. MacKenzie on leave.	
	20 Oct		Maj. McCoy and party returned from recce. Concert given in Bn area by RAAF Concert Party.	
	21 Oct		Lieut. Cavaye - 1st appointment and attached from general reinfsts.	

Albanon Lieut.

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Unit 62 Aust Inf Bn AIF Date and Time.—From 22 Oct 43 To 30 Oct 43.

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
MERAUKE	22 Oct	0600L	D Coy and 1 Pl. B Coy plus attached personnel left for exercises. Object of exercise - to test out Coy in Battle procedure and exercise all Comds. in control in action. Maj. McCoy was Director. Majs. Harris and Callanan, Lieuts. Prentice and Whitworth went as Observers. During the absence of Bn 2 i/c and Adj. (Capt. Rose) Maj. Moray took over as Offr. Adm. Comd. and Lieut. Cameron, I.O., was A/Adj.	
	23 Oct	1554L	Maj. McCoy and Capt. Rose returned from Coy exercise. Capt. Stable RMO marched out. Capt. McCullum RMO marched in. D Coy exercise completed.	
	24 Oct	0915 1200	Church Parade held at Bn Parade Ground by Padre. Beatty. Coy Comds. Conference held and BHQ. Pioneer Pl. moved to Merauke Force FOD lines.	
	25 Oct		3 Int. Sec. personnel departed for recce. of JAGGANDOER - SAMANITAKE area with view to suitability for Coy exercise.	
	26 Oct		Maj.Gen. Murry visited BHQ.	
	27 Oct		Lieut. Stratton evacuated to 6 MRS.	
	29 Oct	1105	Lt.Gen. Sir John Laverack and Brig. Stevenson visited Bn area. Lieut. Bradshaw returned from FAA Gas School. Cabala.	
	30 Oct		Int. personnel arrived back from recce. JAGGANDOER - SAMANITAKE area. Reports submitted to CO.	
			1500 Security conference for I.O.s held at Force EDH.	

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Albanon Lieut.

POSTING OF OFFICERS.

The following postings list and duties will take effect as from
0900 hrs 1 Oct 45.

<u>R.H.Q.</u>	O.C. 2 i/c Adj't I.O. R.H.Q. Pedre	SX. 1475 Lt-Col A.G. HAUPT GX. 44586 Major P. McGOY VX.102605 Capt P.A. HARGRAVE GX. 14256 Lieut A.G.T. CAMERON VX. 19975 Capt I.O. STAHLER (A.A.M.C) HX.149802 Chap G.A. BRATTY
<u>H.Q. COY</u>	O.C. No.1 Pl (Sigs) No.2 " (MMG.) No.3 " (M.3") No.4 " (Tk/A) No.5 " (Pnr) No.6 " (Adm) Q.H. T.O.	NX. 71066 Major M.H. MORAY GX. 2974 Lieut T. RODHAM GX. 17832 " W.P. STRATTON GX. 11309 Lieut H.J. REID GX. 44602 Capt E.A.S. TAYLOR
<u>A COY</u>	O.C. 2 i/c No.7 Pl No.8 " No.9 "	VX.104337 Capt K.W. BUTTERWORTH GX. 19051 Lieut R.E. SHEA GX. 15360 " W.P.G. ROSS GX. 40248 " J.R. SHALLEY
<u>B COY</u>	O.C. 2 i/c No.10 Pl No.11 " No.12 "	VX.104349 Capt E.W. TURNER GX. 11600 Lieut P. McHUON GX. 33509 " A.S. HOLDEN (on joining) GX. 15360 " B.C.P. DOUGLAS GX. 38305 " G.W. BUSBY (attached for trg)
<u>C COY</u>	O.C. 2 i/c No.13 Pl No.14 " No.15 "	GX. 19051 Lieut K.G. TURBAYNE VX.102621 " H.G. WILLIAMSON GX.18657 " L.K. HAMILTON GX. 21849 Lieut K. TEDFORD.
<u>D COY</u>	O.C. 2 i/c No.16 Pl No.17 " No.18 "	HX. 20 Maj. G.E. RAYMOND. VX.102612 Capt A.D. STEWART HX. 76 Lieut G.A. CLARKE GX. 35767 Lieut R.J. WILSON GX. 16876 Lieut A.J. BRADSHAW
	Security Gas Camouflage Education Canteen supervision) and purchasing Offr) Sports Offr Regtl Trust Funds	Maj. P. McGOY Lieut A.J. BRADSHAW " R.E. SHEA " L.K. HAMILTON. Capt A.A. MACKENZIE, then Lieut A.S. HOLDEN " K.G. TURBAYNE Maj. P. McGOY.

Distribution.

A Coy, copy	1.
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FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

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

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 7 / 12 / 1943. 62 Aust Inf (Unit)

37 43 (Serial No.)

W.E. 11 / 194 OFFRS. 52 O.R.'s. 720 + OFFRS. 1 O.R.'s. ATT. BY W.E.

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

W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.											
1	2	3	4		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	-	2	*												
-	3	-	6	Lieut.-Colonels												
-	2	-	17	Majors	AMC (RMO)	1	-	-	-							
				Captains												
				Lieutenants												
				Quarter-masters												
				A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.												
				Civilians Counting as Offrs.												
-	6	-	26			1										
				DETAIL	A.I.F.	C.M.F.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.N.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL.	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	**	TOTAL.		
Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in para. 10 of instructions for compilation of form will complete Part E(1) & E(2).				A.		27								27		
				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.
HX71966	Major	Morcy, H.H.	HQ Hercules Force	26.9.43	Transfer.
HX80	Capt	Reynold, C.E.	2/4 Aust Inf Bn	29.9.43	Transfer
V114903	Capt	Stahle, I.O.	5 Aust Inf Bn (att)	"	Att as RMO <i>vice</i> HX63514 Capt McCallum, I.

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit To.	Date.	CAUSE.
VX104337	Capt	Butterworth, K.W.	X list	27.9.43	Sick - evoc to MRS
VX63514	Capt	McCallum, I.	19 Aust Inf Bn	28.9.43	Att as RMO terminated.

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

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

62 AUST INF BN AIF Unit

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PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 2/10/194. (Total to agree with Columns 4 and 7 of Part A.)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held.	Army Number.	Surname.	Initials.	Posting.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No)	If not present with Unit, state how employed.	Date of Detachment.
T/lt. Col	5X1475	Haupt	A.G.K.	CO	Yes		
lt. T/lt. Col	5X44586	McCoy	P	2 i.c.	"		
"	5X70166	Moray	H.H.	CO HQ Coy	"		
Capt	5X29	Raymond	C.E.	CO D Coy	"		
lt. T/lt. Col	5X104349	Turner	E.E.	CO B	"		
"	5X102612	Stewart	A.D.	Sic D	"		
"	5X47028	MacKenzie	A.A.	Att HQ	"		
"	5X102606	Bergrove	P.A.	Adj	"		
"	5X44602	Taylor	H.A.B.	"	"		
Lieut	5X19051	Shee	E.E.	Sic A Coy	"		
"	5X102621	Williamson	H.G.	Sic C	"		
"	5X16128	Turbayne	K.S.	CO C	"		
"	5X14256	Cameron	A.G.T.	IO	"		
"	5X17229	Stretton	H.P.	MSG Pl	"		
"	5X16276	Bredshaw	A.J.	D Coy	No	At school	11 Aug 43
"	5X2974	Radham	T.	Sig Pl	Yes		
"	5X11309	Reid	H.J.	Par Pl.	"		
"	5X15360	Ross	H.P.G.	A Coy	"		
"	5X16241	Douglas	H.C.P.	B	"		
"	5X21249	Pedford	K.	C	"		
"	5X11600	McHugh	P.	B	"		
"	5X75	Clarke	G.A.	D	"		
"	5X10657	Hamilton	L.K.	Att HQ	"		
"	5X40248	Shalley	J.R.	A Coy	"		
"	5X35767	Wilson	B.J.	D	"		
"	5X28305	Bueby	C.H.	B	"		
<u>Attached against</u>							
Capt	5X114205	Stehle	L.O.	RMO			

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 A/Class	5X149802	Beatty G.A.	1ACBD	25 Aug 43	Chaplain

2 Oct 43
Date of Despatch

A. Haupt
Signature of Commander Lt. Col.

**PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in
Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 2 / 10 / 1943 .**

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.
				Forward	17	23	-	Forward	57	83	-	Forward	773	709	63
Ammunition Examiners				Surveyors, Engineering				Operating Room Assts.				G.P.O. Assistants			
Armament Artificer Fitter				Surveyors, R.A.A.				Operator, Keyboard				Hammermen			
Armament Artificer Fitter (Electrical)				Surveyors, Topographical				Operator, Line				Leather Stitchers			
Armament Artificer Fitter (M.V.)				Surveyors, Trigonometrical				Operator, Signal				Orderlies, Nursing			
Armament Artificer Fitter (A.F.V.)				Toolmakers				Operator, Switchboard				Orderlies, Nursing Mental			
Armament Artificer Instrument				Turners				Operator, Wireless				Plate Layers			
Armament Artificer Radio				Watchmakers				Opticians				Rangetakers	4	5	-
Armament Artificer Signals				Welders				Painters				Riveters			
Armament Artificer Wireless								Panel Beaters				Roughriders			
Artificer, Artillery								Photographer, Dry Plate				Saddlers			
Artificer, Engine								Predictor Numbers				Saddletree makers			
Blacksmiths	1	1	-					Printers				Shoemaker and Boot Repairer			
Bricklayers								Radiographers				Stevadores			
Computors								Riggers				Stokers, Staty. Engine			
Cooks, Hospital				GROUP II.				Sawyers				Storemen, Technical	4	4	-
Coppersmiths				Armourers				Signallers	27	27	-	Tailors	2	2	-
Dispensers				Axemen				Signwriters				Textile Refitters			
Draughtsmen				Bakers				Telescope Identfn. Numbers				Tinsmiths			
Draughtsmen (Architectural)				Bty. Comd's. Asst.				Well Borers				Vulcanizers			
Draughtsmen (Engineering)				Boilermakers				Wheelers				Wagon Erectors			
Draughtsmen (Mechanical)				Carpenters	6	6	-	Winchman				Whitesmiths			
Draughtsmen (Topographical)				Carpenters and Joiners				Wireman							
Electricians				Cooks				Woodturners							
Electricians (M.V.)				Dental Mechanics											
Electricians (Signals)				Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Med.)											
Fitters				Driver-Operator											
Fitters (Cycle)				Drainers											
Fitters (Electrical)				Electricians											
Fitters (Gun)	-	4	-	Electricians (Engineers)											
Fitters (Instrument)				Fire Control Operators											
Fitters (M.V.)	-	2	-	Gun Operator											
Fitters, Railway Signal				Hatchman											
Fitters, Signals				Height Taker											
Grinder, Precision				Helio Operator											
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator											
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Intelligence Duties	10	10	-								
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Joiners											
Mechanics, Radio				Lineman											
Mechanics, Typewriter				Lineman, Signals											
Mechanics, Wireless				Lithographers											
Millwrights				Machinists, Metal											
Operators, Excavator				Machinists, Wood											
Pattern Maker				Masons											
Pharmacist				Masseurs											
Photographer, Wet Plate				Mechanics, M.T.											
Photowriter				Miners											
Plumber				Moulders											
Saw Doctors				Nurses, Trained											
Surveyors				Observation Post Assts.											
CARRIED FORWARD	1	7	-	CARRIED FORWARD	17	23	-	CARRIED FORWARD	57	83	-	Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively.	773	709	63

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

2 Oct 43

Date of Despatch

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Signature of Commander

Lt-Col

62 AUST INF BN (AIF)

OPERATION ORDER NO. 3.

Ref Maps : MERAUKE (SPECIAL) 1/25,000.
ENLARGEMENT BEACH AREA 10" to 1 mile.

INFORMATION.

1. Enemy: (a) Enemy land and air forces are operating in the area north west of Australia, principally in TIMOR (20,000), about CELEBES (7,000), AMBON (5,000), and KIAMMNA (4,000). It is within the enemy's power to launch an attack on the TORRES STRAIT area incl the southern part of DUTCH NEW GUINEA.
(b) The enemy at present hold KAUKENAU area with a reported strength of approximately 1,000. An airfield has been completed and is now ready for use by fighters, and possibly bombers.
(c) An unconfirmed report states enemy occupied a village in the vicinity of the mouth of the EILANDEN R. and has subsequently withdrawn.
2. Own Troops : (a) Right Flank :
 - i. 1 NEI FUSILIER COY hold defensive positions along line of 1st Ave to excl LIGHTHOUSE 40303217.
 - ii. 31 Aust Docks Operating Det hold defensive positions along line of 2 Ave from Rd junc 42103405 excl to rd junc 40053305 excl.
 (b) Left Flank :
 - i. 1 Bn 96 US Engr GS Regt hold defensive positions in area junc A Street and 5 AVE 46302775 excl - junc 5 AVE and MAIN STREET 46352835 - KINGS CROSS 45953010 incl.

INTENTION.

3. 62 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) will hold area BEACH from incl LIGHTHOUSE 40303217 to incl LOWER 5 AVE 45222710.

METHOD.

4. Rear Limit. Line of swamp immediately to rear of A STREET from 40583257 to 45502770.
5. Coy. Areas :
 - (a) "A" Coy area incl LIGHTHOUSE to incl rd A STREET - BOETI, and to include defence of RDF station 40633161.
 - (b) No. 5 Pl area SL station 41463059.
 - (c) "B" Coy. area incl SOUTH branch 4 Ave 42073039 to excl. SEPADIM LOWE CREEK 43902823.
 - (d) "C" Coy. area incl. SEPADIM LOWE CREEK, LOWER 5 AVE 45222710, to incl junc A STREET and 5 AVE 45352769.
 - (e) No. 6 Pl - close defence Bn HQ.
6. Support.
 - (a) Artillery.
 - i. 2/59 Aust Fd Bty will provide supporting fire from RIVER ENTRANCE to junc A STREET and 5 AVE.
 - ii. 4 BEACH DEFENCE guns (18-pr) will provide immediate beach support.
 - iii. Requests for supporting fire will be made to Bn HQ, who will decide priority of requests to Force HQ.
 - iv. Schedule of registered ref points in Coy. areas attached as Appendix "A".
 - (b) MMG :
 - i. "B" Coy, 2/3 Aust MG Bn, less one Pl, plus No. 2 (MMG) Pl 62 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) will provide supporting fire along BEACH by day and night.
 - ii. No. 2 (MMG) Pl - "A" Coy area; 1 Pl "B" Coy. 2/3 Aust MG Bn - "B" Coy. area; 1 Pl "B" Coy 2/3 Aust MG Bn "C" Coy. area.
 - iii. Fire plan attached as Appendix "B".
 - (c) 2-pr Tk A.
 - i. One Sec (mobile) :

Primary : Anti-ALG area BEACH end of rd BOETI 41283079.

Secondary: Right flank protection and mobile patrol from junc A STREET and rd RDF 41203142, to SOUTH branch 4 AVE 42073039.

ii. One Sec (mobile) :

Primary : Anti-ALG and left flank protection.

1 gun BEACH end LOWER 5 AVE 45222710.

1 gun junc 5 AVE and A STREET.

Secondary: Mobile patrol junc 5 AVE and A STREET to track SEPADIM LOWE 43992862.

(d) Mortars (3") :

i. 2 dets close support "B" Coy;

ii. 2 dets close support "C" Coy;

iii. 2 dets : Primary Reserve area BHQ;

Secondary Close support area BOETI and SL station 41463059.

7. Reserve : "D" Coy. area incl. 43002950 to incl 43142935 in depth between A STREET and SWAMP.

Task : A. To be prepared to counter-attack to restore any Coy. area.

B. Provide recce or fighting patrols as directed.

8. Field Works:

(a) Redoubts:

i. Each section area will contain one bomb-proof shelter, capable of resisting as an isolated post.

ii. BHQ, CHQs, Pl HQs will be protected as above.

(b) Wiring :

i. Each Pl area will be wired to constitute self-contained all round defensive area.

ii. Coys. will be responsible for protective wiring of BEACH GUNS, SL, and RDF installations in own areas.

iii. Beach wiring plan and instructions will be issued as Appx. "C".

(c) Tk A mine fields :

i. No. 6 Pl will prepare MINE FIELDS in area junc 3 AVE and A STREET and area junc 5 AVE and A STREET.

ii. Light minefields will be prepared by Coys in own areas as follows :

WEST of LIGHTHOUSE, WEST of RDF, along sea front BOETI, and approach to lower 5 AVE.

(d) Road blocks :

Material for road blocks will be assembled by Coys in own areas where occurring at areas indicated.

i. Rd 200 yds NORTH from LIGHTHOUSE, road RDF area, junc track and rd RDF, road BOETI, area junc 3 AVE and A STREET (1 each rd), area junc 5 AVE and A STREET, 500 yds SW from junc 5 AVE and A STREET.

ii. Movable road blocks approximately each 400 yds along A STREET.

iii. All blocks to be covered by fire and thickened by use of concertina (link) wire.

9. Patrols :

(i) Standing patrols and listening posts only will be maintained. Special orders will be issued regarding fighting and recce patrols.

(ii) Coys. will be responsible for standing patrols on all usable tracks leading into own areas.

ADMINISTRATION :

10. Medical : RAP - area BHQ.
WWCPs - i. junc rd BOETI and A STREET 41553100;
ii. junc track and A STREET 44572823.

11. Ann : SAA R area BHQ.

12. Supplies : All positions will contain 7 days reserve rations and water on occupation.

13. Transports : On general alarm all transport, less Tk A portees, will report to vehicle park area BHQ.

INTERCOMMUNICATION:

14. Location HQs: Force HQ area MOETI 43353172.
 BHQ 42223026.
 "A" Coy : 40833144.
 "B" Coy : 42692932.
 "C" Coy : 44862801
 "D" Coy : 43102939.
 HQ Coy and CHQ "B" Coy. 2/3 Aust MG Bn - area BHQ.
15. General Alarm: Series of short and long blasts on sirens, repeated on whistles, telephones etc.
16. Sig. Plan attached as Appendix "D".

ACKNOWLEDGE.

Method of Issue: Safe hand.

Time of Issue: _____

P. J. Hayward Capt.
 Adjt 62 Aust Inf Bn (AIF).

DISTRIBUTION:

Coy.	Copy No.	1 - 5
CO	"	6
2 i/c	"	7
Adjt	"	8
IO	"	9
RMO	"	10
HQ Coy	"	11 - 15
B Coy 2/3 Aust MG Bn	"	16
Merauke Force	"	17 - 18
War Diary	"	19 - 20
File	"	21
Spare	"	22 - 23

This order amends the order issued on 26 May 43, all copies of which will be destroyed.

62 AUSTRALIAN INF BN (AIF)

Appendix B to Operation Order No. 3

MMG POSITIONS (BEACH DEFENCE)

(Ref Map MERAUKE Special
1/25,000).

1. MMGs will occupy single gun posns just above high water level mark excl RDF to 446276.
2. These posts will have overhead cover proof against mortar fire, and a communication trench to a Sec HQ.
3. MMGs will be confined to a fixed line by means of a tunnel enclosing the muzzle.
4. Each gun will be laid 30° from its neighbouring post and range fixed at 300 yds.
5. 2 Pl 62 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) will take up posns in "A" Coy area with posts as under :

No. 1 Gun	407313	Fl.	157°	T.B.
No. 2 Gun	408312	Fl.	303°	T.B.
No. 3 Gun	412308	Fl.	160°	T.B.
No. 4 Gun	413307	Fl.	300°	T.B.

- 9 Pl 2/3 Aust MG Bn will take up posns in "B" Coy area as under :

No. 1 Gun	421299	Fl.	155°	T.B.
No. 2 Gun	422298	Fl.	295°	T.B.
No. 3 Gun	428292	Fl.	153°	T.B.
No. 4 Gun	429291	Fl.	289°	T.B.

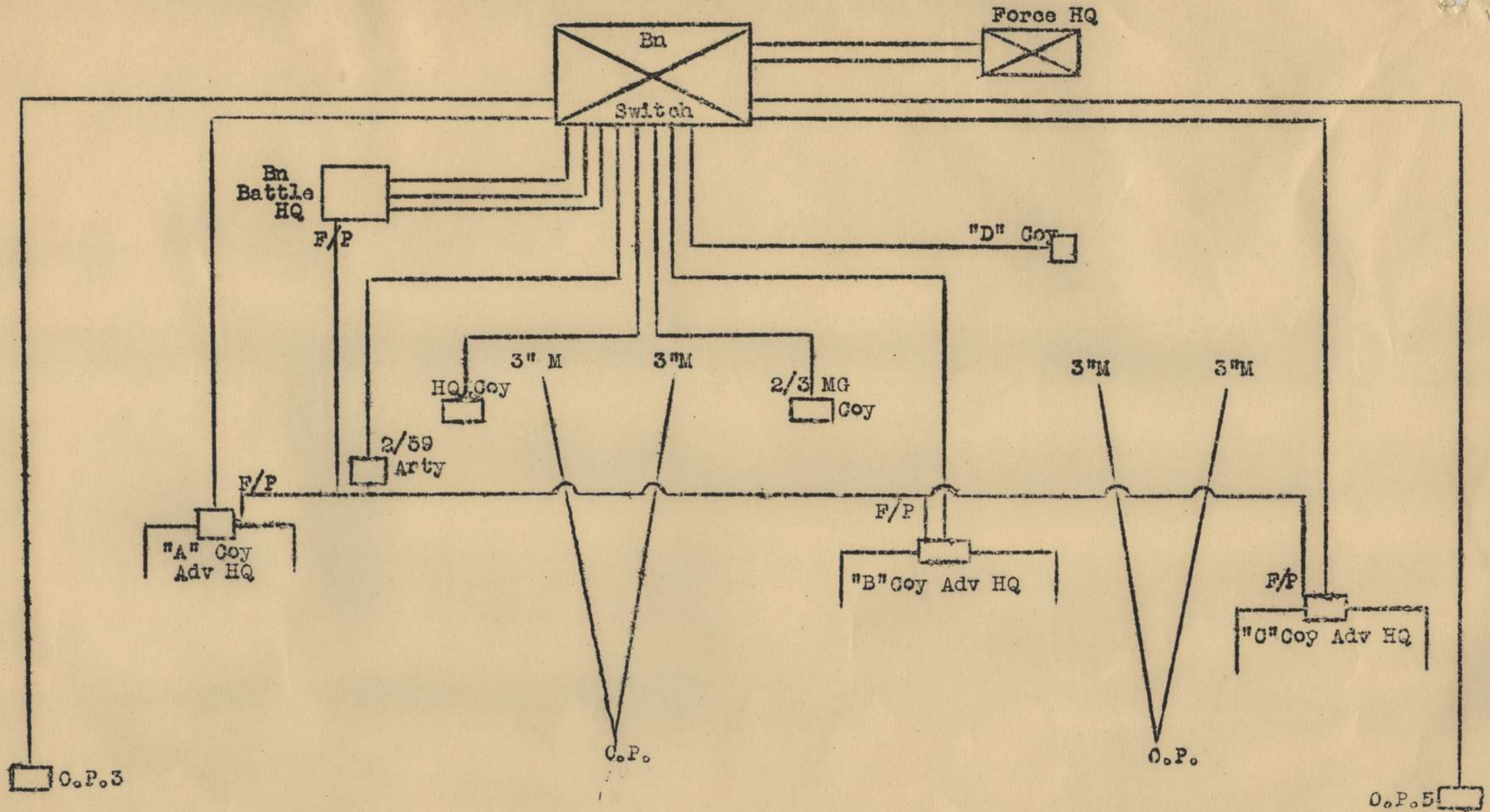
- 7 Pl 2/3 Aust MG Bn will take up posns in "C" Coy area as under :

No. 1 Gun	439282	Fl.	152°	T.B.
No. 2 Gun	441280	Fl.	293°	T.B.
No. 3 Gun	445277	Fl.	151°	T.B.
No. 4 Gun	446276	Fl.	295°	T.B.

6. If four more guns are made available for B Coy 2/3 Aust MG Bn, 7 Pl and 9 Pl will each consist of six guns, extra positions to be as under :

<u>9 Pl.</u>	415304	Fl.	161°	T.B.
	416303	Fl.	301°	T.B.
<u>7 Pl.</u>	452289	Fl.	153°	T.B.
	433288	Fl.	290°	T.B.

7. Each section will be in direct line communication with MMG Battle HQ at 423303.
8. Rate of fire on SDF will be 2 min. rapid, 3 min. normal.



TRAINING INSTRUCTION No.7

62 Aust. Inf. Bn. (AIF)

GENERAL.

1. Cancel outline syllabus for period day 64-70 period 11-25 Sep.
2. The allocation of training days may be varied by authority of 2 i/c to allow for local exigencies, but as far as possible the training laid down will be kept in sequence.
3. In the event of Bde Comd laying down tactical exercises as higher training, 2 i/c will collate observers reports and lessons learnt, but the attached syllabus will in due course be completed as detailed training.
4. O.C. H.Q. Coy while conforming to the general policy of training, will be responsible that the lessons on schedule attached are covered by Pls of H.Q. Coy.

PREPARATION OF LESSONS IN TRG.

5. It is obvious that in past trg in some cases, insufficient attention was given to preparation of stores, improvised methods of stressing lessons, particularly battle drill, lack of imagination and interest. Live wire trg will not be achieved without previous preparation. In future Coy Comds will hold daily trg conferences with Pl Comds who will in turn, carry out the same procedure with Sec Comds. In the past, much valuable trg has been wasted, strongly evidenced in exercises.

INDIVIDUAL TRG IN FIRST AID.

6. This trg is designed to avoid unnecessary suffering through ignorance. R.M.O. will be responsible for organising instructors.

INSTRUCTION C.A.B.

7. The purpose of the above bulletins is :-
 - (a) To make all ranks familiar with general war situation, outside, as well as within their particular sphere and to draw their attention to the political and economic implications of the war on all fronts.
 - (b) To encourage discussions between all ranks, thus enabling them to think out problems for themselves

Education Officer will liaise with Education Officer Force H.Q.

GAS TRG.

8. Read A.T.M. 23, para 20. Complete sub-units will pass Gas Chamber test with D.M. under qualified gas instructors (Officers) only. NO repeat NO man will pass through until T.O.E.T. Gas have been completed.

JUNGLE WARFARE.

9. All Officers and junior leaders will render themselves familiar with The "Instructors Handbook on Fieldcraft and Battle Drill" M.T.F.23 XX Jungle Warfare, notes on Jungle Warfare ATM's 19-23. To this end Coy Comds will hold lectures two nights per week during period beach wiring, road repairs etc are being completed.

AMENITIES, ENTERTAINMENT ETC.

10. Amenities for entertainment recently purchased by 2 i/c will arrive shortly, and it is hoped to improve sporting equipment etc in the near future. However, little is being done by individuals to assist themselves except in a few cases. In this regard, leaders MUST set the example and can organise means of entertainment in Pls etc. if they use their imagination. Active participation in games is an excellent example, and "quoit tennis" is simple to improvise. Men will follow if lead in this as in all things.

OFFICERS SHOOTS.

11. These will be re-introduced between 0930-1300 hrs in the following priority ; Rifle, S.M.G., L.M.G., Grenade, Tk/A rifle, 60 mm M, 3" M, M.M.G., 2 Pdr Tk/A. O.C H.Q. Coy will supervise.

TRNG INSTRUCTION No.7 (contd)

OFFICERS STUDY.

12. 2 i/c will produce detailed syllabus of 12 days refresher course for all Officers from individual "suggestion" syllabuses submitted by Officers. This will be implemented when the situation allows on the lines of unit cadre classes recently completed. In the mean time, Friday night lectures will be reintroduced as previously.
2 i/c will set a written task to be completed by the following Friday night at each lecture.

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Distribution.

HQ Coy	Copy No.1-7
A	" 8
B	" 9
C	" 10
D	" 11
C.O.	" 12
2 i/c	" 13
Adjt	" 14
Force	" 15
War Diary	" 16-17
File	" 18
Spare	" 19-21

SPECIALIST TRG TO BE CARRIED OUT DURING PERIOD DAY 64-84 INCL.

The following general subjects will be covered :-

No.1 Pl (Sigs)

Maintenance of instruments and testing.
Recapit messages and reports,
V/T recapit, morse, semaphore, daylight lamp and LUCAS W/T.
Practical encoding and decoding.
Skeleton intercomm exercise.
Recapit - musketry.

No.2 Pl (M.M.G)

E.G.D.
Advanced handling.
I.A. and T.O.E.T.
Fire control D.F.
Section drill D.F & N.F.
Range practice; Table M. Pt.1.

No.3 Pl (M 3")

Recapit E.G.D. and adv handling.
Practise - supporting role JUNGLE WARFARE, using fwd O.P. with
L/T to Mortar position.
Practice - rapid occupation of position for supporting fire on
difficult targets indicated by smoke grenades.
Range practice - annual shoot.

No.4 Pl (Tk/A)

Recapit - Methods of coming into action.
Recapit - Swamp crossings - drag rope and improvised.
Improvise drill - Close support Tk/A in jungle warfare, reintroduction
of cannister and H.E.
T.O.E.T. Complete.
Sub-calibre range practices.
Full charge - annual practice.

No.5 Pl (PNR)

Revetting - methods using local materials.
Improvised bridging small rivers and creeks - use trees to
represent streams of varying width.
Laying, fusing and neutralising Tk/A and LAND MINEFIELDS.
Use of explosives - demolition.
Booby traps.
Recapit musketry.

No.6 Pl (ADM)

Recapit weapon trg.
Section trg to sect in adv, attack, etc..
T.O.E.T. - all weapons.
Skeleton admin exercise.

Column	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J
Timing	0745-0815	0930-1015	1015-1100	1115-1215	1215-1300	1430-1515	1515-1600	1615-1700	1700-1730	2030-2300
Day 64	Obstacle Course and P.T.	Gas trg recapit. Care and cleaning, fitting & adjustment	SMG (Owen) Introd and load & unload. Pam 15, page 4-6 & Pt. II Less I.	The sect in advance, contact & attack. XX JUNGLE WARFARE, M.T.P. No. 23, Sec 12, paras 19 & 20. Pl Comdr to umpire		MR & FS Map refs Methods and practice	L.M.G. Recapit. Care and cleaning	Messages & reports. Written A.T.M. 23, para 18.	Lecture :- Maintaining direction by stars	Maintaining direction by stars.
Day 65	Obstacle course and unarmed combat	Gas trg Recapit Drill All secs.	SMG (Owen) Holding & firing. Pam. 15, part II, Less 2	The Sect in defence. XX JUNGLE WARFARE. M.T.P. No. 23, Sec 12, Para 21.		MR & FS Recognition of points on ground from map.	First aid, use of 1st Fd. Dressing and shell dressing	Messages & reports by L/T	C.A.B. Lecture and discussion	
Day 66	Obstacle course and P.T.	Gas trg Recapit recognition & first aid to gas cas.	SMG (OWEN) stripping & cleaning Pam. 15 Pt. II, less 3	The Sect in attack. XX JUNGLE WARFARE. Repeat as above.		<u>INTER COY SPORTS.</u> Rugby, soccer, hockey, volley ball; scratch matches unit teams. N.B. Troops not taking part, or if ordered recapit at Coy Comds discretion.				
Day 67	Obstacle course and unarmed combat.	Gas trg personal decontam.	SMG (Owen) Recapit & instinctive pointing	The Sect in withdrawal. XX JUNGLE WARFARE. M.T.P. No. 23. Sec 12, para 22.		MR & FS description prismatic liquid compass	First aid simple treatment Haemorrhage	Field recognition. Friendly fruits and vegetables. Collection of samples. Hand book.		Test rapid move and pack by night.
Day 68	Obstacle course and P.T.	Gas trg T.O.E.T & Oral test	SMG (Owen) T.O.E.T & Oral test.	The Sect. Recce patrols & ambush XX JUNGLE WARFARE. M.T.P. No. 23, Sec 17 and appx H.		MR & FS Reading N. Bearing & converting bearing.	L.M.G. Recapit Holding, aiming & firing	Messages & reports; verbal practice	C.A.B. lecture & discussion	
Day 69	Obstacle Course & unarmed Combat.	SHORT SECTION EXERCISES AS POINT SECTION. XX JUNGLE WARFARE. Action of scouts; scout group, Bren group. Support groups and orderly. M.T.P. 23 a.				<u>RANGE PRACTICE. X.M.G. (OWEN)</u> 5 Rds deliberate repetition 25 yds 5 " hip do do 15 secs 10 " " automatic " 15 " 5 " deliberate repetition 50 yds 10 " hip do do 30 " 15 " " automatic do 30 "				
Day 70	CHURCH PARADE & MAKE AND MEND.									

62 AUST INF BN (AIF)

STANDARD TRAINING SYLLABUS

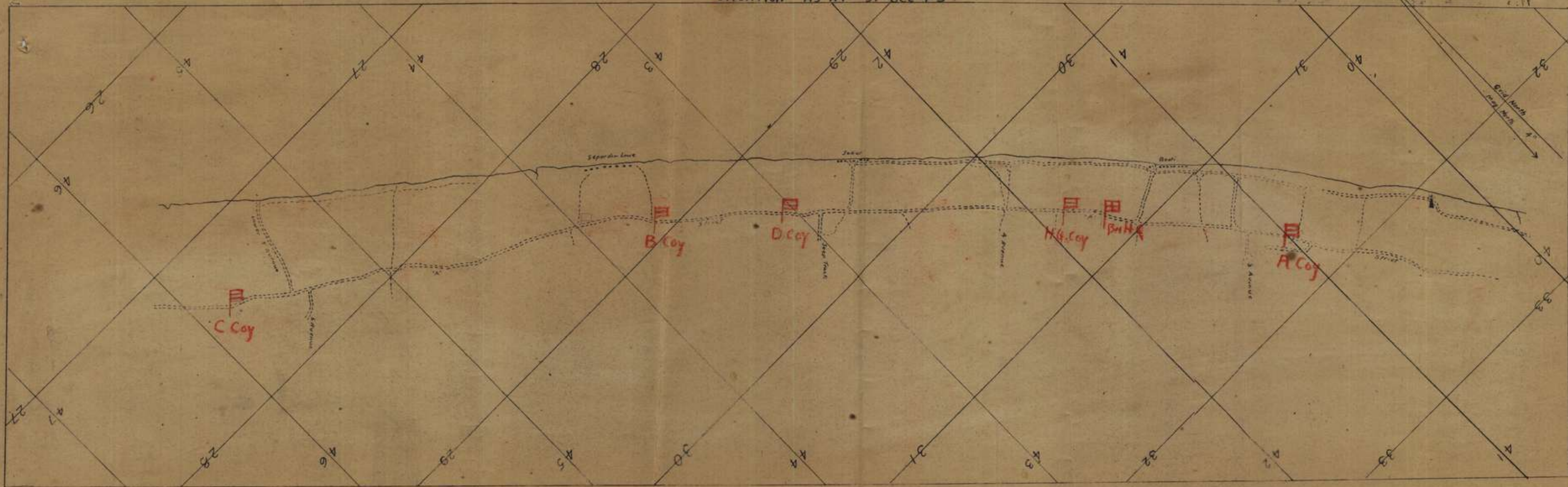
Column	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J
Timing	0745-0815	0930-1015	1015-1100	1115-1215	1215-1300	1430-1515	1515-1600	1615-1700	1700-1730	2030-2300
Day 71	Obstacle Course & P.T.	Grenade 36 HE, 68 Tk/A, 69 AP Recapit	Lecture & demo, followed by practice :- Pl in advance & attack Emphasis on battle procedure. M.T.P.23, sec 13 & 14, paras 25-31.			Gas chamber test. D.M. Capsules. Supervised by qualified gas Offr only		Demo: laying & setting. Tk/A Mines	Practice laying Tk/A mines	Maintaining direction by night.
Day 72	P.T. and unarmed combat.	E.Y. Rifle & Grenade discharger; Methods of Firing	Lecture - demo, followed by practice :- Pl in Defence. Battle procedure M.T.P. 23, Sec 14, paras 32-35			First Aid; Simple treatment fractures	Description 60 m.m Mortar	Demo - use of explosives. Simple demol & booby traps	C.A.B. lecture and discussion	
Day 73	Obstacle Course and P.T.	L.M.G. Recapit mechanism	Lecture, demo, followed by practice - Pl standing patrol & w/drawal M.T.P.23, Sec 14, para 36.			INTER COY SPORTS AS PREVIOUSLY				
Day 74	P.T. and unarmed combat.	L.M.G. T.O.E.T. (complete)	<u>PL IN ATTACK.</u> "WAR INNOCULATION" exercise			First Aid, simple treatment snake, insect leach bites	E.G.D. 60 m.m Mortar.	Demo - use of jungle material. Intercom & "Tell Tales"	C.A.B. Lecture and Discussions	
Day 75		ONE DAY PL EXERCISE - APPROACH MARCH, FIRST CONTACT ETC. Observers from Bn. Controlled by Coy. Evening meal in field, followed by compass march to camp. M.T.P.23 XX JUNGLE WARFARE.								Compass march.
Day 76		L.M.G. RANGE PRACTICE - 300 ^x 10 rds ranging 5 " repetition application 15 " automatic 20 " distribution.								
		CHURCH PARADE & MAKE AND MEND.								

Column	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J
Timing	0745-0915	0930-1015	1015-1100	1115-1215	1215-1300	1430-1515	1515-1600	1615-1700	1700-1750	2030-2300
Day 78	Obstacle Course and P.T.	Spare period	M.R. & F.S. Recapit Conventional signs	60 m.m. Mortar. Care and cleaning	Indication and recognition Recapit	First Aid Improvised splints. Stretchers practice	Sighting & use of snipers ground	Messages & reports, Written ATM.23 Para 18	C.A.B. talk and discussion	Maintaining direction by night.
Day 79	Unarmed combat and P.T.	Spare period	M.R & F.S. Use of compass in maintaining direction	60 m.m. Mortar. Laying for direction and elevation	Visual trg J.D. recapit	Cam & concealment. Recapit Individual	Sighting & use of sniper trees	Messages & reports. Verbal practice	Lecture. Measures against Malaria Scrub typhus dysentery	
Day 80	Obstacle Course & P.T.	Spare period	M.R & F.S. Recapit Conventional signs	60 m.m. Mortar E.G.D.	First Aid Oral Test	INTER COY SPORTS AS PREVIOUSLY				
Day 81	Unarmed Combat and P.T.	Spare period	M.R & F.S. Oral Test	60 m.m. Mortar Fire Control	J.D. Test complete	DAY & NIGHT COY EXERCISE. AREA - WASSAU				Night Occupation
Day 82		To consist of approach march, attack, Coy perimeter by night. OBJECT -- To emphasise and check battle drill and procedure. Use skeleton enemy. OBSERVERS. FORCE HQ & BN if possible.								
Day 83		DEMONSTRATION. Fire power of section and Pl. Battle practice. All weapons W.E.T.				DEMONSTRATION. Fire power of supporting arms within Bn. Functions of Pnr Pl.				
Day 84	CHURCH PARADE & MAKE AND MEND.									

MERAUKE BEACH AREA

SITUATION AS AT 31 Oct 43

Appx 5



Metre Grid Ref Map
MERAUKE SPECIAL 1/25000



RF 1:15 840

Scale: 4 inches to 1 Mile

Reduced from "Beach Area" 10 inch to 1 Mile
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