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28 Infantry Battalion
September - December 1944

WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

Army Form 2118
(adapted.)

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28 AUST INF BN (AIF)

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Date and Time.—From..... 1 Sep 44..... To..... 30 Sep 44.....

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
49½ mile Camp NT Force Area	1		Bn HQ, A, C, and D Coy returned to camp from 2 day Exercise at HEATHER LAGOON	
	2		The morning was spent on Adm and the afternoon to sport. Bn HQ defeated HQ Coy 9 - 2 and an innings at Baseball.	
	3		Church parade. Day of rest. Bn Football team were successful in a match played at DARWIN between Fortress Area Dks Op Coy.	
	4		1 Offrs 84 ORs from HQ Coy marched out on 2 days exercise to ACACIA GAP Advance Party personnel received Cholera injections and Vaccinations.	
	5		Mortar Pl conducted 3" mortar shoot, West Track approx 6 miles W of STUART HIGHWAY.	
	6		A, B and C Coys plus MMG pl moved to HEATHER LAGOON for three days. Coy Exercises.	
	7		Training as per Syllabus	
	8		Training as per Syllabus	
	9		Adm and sports afternoon	
	10		Church parade. Day of rest. Bn Soccer team drew with 16 Bn in Grand Final	

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	11		Bn commenced a fortnights period NORFORCE DUTIES. C Coy 3 Offrs, 99 ORs plus 1 Offr, 22 ORs from HQ Coy moved to MANTON POOL and D Coy 3 Offrs, 93 ORs to HEATHER LAGOON. Both Coys out for 2 days. Moved out as per attached appendix.	See Appendix
	12		In conjunction with the projected Bde move to a new operational area the Bn Adv Party joined with Bde Adv Party in preliminary move to BERRY SPRINGS 28 Bn Party was under Comd of Maj BURNETT with Capt Todd, Lts Andrews and Herd, and 54 ORs.	
	13		Training as per Syllabus	
	14		TkA and MMG pls marched out on 2 day exercise to DAVY'S GAP.	
	15		Training as per Syllabus	
	16		Adm and sports afternoon.	
	17		Church parade. Day of rest.	
	18		Training as per Syllabus. Preparations in connection with the Bde move are now well advanced.	
	19		Trg as per Syllabus.	

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	20		^C 4 Offrs, 137 ORs from Bn HQ and M Coy moved to MANTON POOL on 2 day route march	
	21		4 Offrs, 61 ORs from HQ Coy moved to HEATHER LAGOON on 2 day route march.	
	22		Training as per Syllabus.	
	23		Adm and sports afternoon. Bn Soccer team were defeated by an RAF team by 1 goal.	
	24		Church parade. Day of rest. A Coy, 2 Offrs, 65 ORs returned to camp ex Bde duties. B Coy - 4 Offrs, 101 ORs and D Coy - 2 Offrs, 65 ORs moved out on duties to LARRAKEYAH.	
	25		A Coy - 1 Offr, 36 ORs returned to camp ex Bde Duties.	
	26		Training as per Syllabus	
	27		Do	The weather became warmer a
	28		Do	and muggier this month as
	29		Do	the wet season approached.
	30		Lecture to all Offrs and NCOs, 13 Bde by Brig Lloyd on his experience in BURMA and INDIA	Trg therefore became more difficult

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28 AUST INF BN (AIF) - TRG SYLLABUS WEEK ENDING 2 SEP 44.

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DAY	HQ COY	A COY	B COY	C COY	D COY
MON 28	10 hrs Cross Country track full weight 2 stages 6 hrs Open Range available WED. 1 hr First Aid Lect RMO 2 hrs Map Reading 6 hrs specialist Trg	Duty Coy. Remainder Miniature Range, Bren Range, Hip Range 1 hr Bayonet Assault Cse 2 hrs night training	Coy out for 2 days to complete 10 hrs cross country, full weight to practice fms, Sec feeding, fmn carrying of wpns, biv conditions 2 Hrs will be spent as night patrols 2 hrs tropical lecture Malaria Scrub Typhus ALL malaria precautions to be taken in field.	6 hrs open rifle range & Bren Zeroing of Rifle 2 hrs night training 1/2 hr PT & Showers	1 hr bayonet Trg 2 hrs weapon trg 3 hrs trial pack, zero 1500 hrs 2 hrs night training
TUE 29	2 hrs Malaria Lect, Pl Offr 6 1/2 hrs Fd Trg 2 1/2 hrs Shower Fde & IT 4 hrs Night Trg 20 hrs. 6 1/2 hrs Fd Firing. Respective Gp Comd to prepare small exercise to cover battle drill procedure. Supplying Signals.	Duty Coy, remainder Sec & Pl attack Jungle Formations etc.		3 1/2 hrs Trial move. Tps to assemble Coy Pde ground Zero 1530 hrs 1 hr Bayonet Assault Cse 2 hrs Weapon Trg	6 Hrs Open Range Rifle & Bren Zeroing of rifles 1/2 hr P T & Shower.
WED 30		Coy out for 3 days to complete 10 hrs cross country full weight, to practice formations, Sec feeding, carrying of weapons, Bivouac conditions 2 Hrs on night patrol 2 hrs on Tropical Lecture Malaria & Scrub Typhus All malaria precautions to be taken in the field 6 Hrs Jungle tactics Sec and Pl in attack.	Duty Coy remainder Miniature Range Bren & Hip Ranges 1 hr Bayonet Assault Cse.	See A Coy	See A Coy
THU 31	Open Range under Bull Ring principles to commence at 0800 hrs. All personnel in HQ Coy to complete range practice. Capt Butler will assist 2 days on range. Pnr Pl Gas Training		Duty Coy Coy arrangements	See A Coy	See A Coy
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				Duty Coy	
SAT 2	3 1/2 hrs trial pack, zero 1000 hrs. Tps assemble 2 areas on Pde ground. Stores to be assembled and stacked.				

AIM AND SPORT. PAY

Band, Batmen, Intell Sec & RPs.

2 days cross country Route March at least 10 hrs full weight. Sec cookin Bivouac conditions, carrying of weapons and gear. 2 hrs lecture, Malaria and Scrub Typhus.

10 1/2 hrs band practice and specialist training. RPs to include 3 hrs hand of prisoners of war under IO.

6 hrs stretcher bearing and First Aid under RMO. Band practice.

6 hrs Intell Sec, RPs, Batmen open range (Thursday)

Cooks & Q Staff.

All cooks within the Bn will complete 2 periods each of 3 hrs a Countr carrying full weight. Cooks Q Staff will be co-ordinated under QM.

Coy Cooks will move out with Coys and complete the above. QM to arrange all Bn & HQ Coy cooks to fire Miniature Range Course.

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28 AUST INF BN (AIF) - TRG SYLLABUS FOR WEEK ENDING 9 SEP 44

DATE	HQ COY	A COY	B COY	C COY	D COY
MON 4	2 days Field RM, full weight 6 hrs Range Practice 6 " Specialist Trg 6 " Map Reading, Message Writing, Compass, Morse	6(Zeroing of Rifle H(Miniature Range r(Hip Range s(Owen Gun, Grenades 1 hr Shower & New Bayonet Ass Course. Training Films	Fd Formations 1 hr Pl in Attack, Enemy to be used. Scheme to be prep- ared & exercise to be umpir- ed. 1/2 hr PT & Shower Training Films	Duty Coy, Coy arrangements Message writing, Map Reading Compass and any Trg which Coy Comd desires. Training Films	5 hrs RM Cross Country, full weight 1 1/2 hrs Message Writing 1/2 hr PT & Shower parade Training Films
TUE 5	4 hrs Night Training 6 1/2 hrs Coy Adm etc., Sport Open Range available Tues and Wednesday	Coy out for 3 days, full weight to be carried. To cover two 6 hr marches with full weight. One day to be spent in drill, Night attack and portion one night actual attack. At least 3 hrs night Training as above to be included. March to be by Compass Bearings.	Coy out for 3 days SEE A COY	Zeroing of Rifles Miniature Range Hip Range, Owen Gun Grenade 1 hr New Bayonet Assault Cse } 6 hrs	Duty Coy, Compass Morse, Message writing } 6 New Bayonet assault Cse } hrs
WED 6				Coy out for 3 days	Duty Coy, 6 hrs Zeroing Rifles, Miniature Range Hip Range, Owen Gun, Grenades. 1/2 hr PT & Shower
THU 7				SEE A COY	Duty Coy, Zeroing of Rifles together with Bn HQ personnel. Remainder of time under Coy arran- gement. Open Range Rifle and Bren
FRI 8	DUTY COY Hot Showers	6 hrs Open Range, Rifle & Bren commence 0800 hrs, Bull ring Message writing, Compass, Map Reading. 1/2 hr Hot shower	Zeroing Rifles Min Range Hip Range, Owen Gun Grenades. 1/2 hr new Bayonet Assault Cse. 1/2 hr Hot Showers	1/2 hr hot shower	6 hrs, day, Map Reading in the field. Coy to be broken into small groups, Intell Sec will assist if necessary. 1/2 hr Hot Shower
SAT 9	Duty Coy	SPORT, ADM AND PAY.			

Bn Batmen.

Zeroing of Rifles Thursday.
5 hrs RM Cross Country full weight.
1 hr First Aid under RMO.
1 hr Message Writing under Sig Personnel.
1 hr Compass.

Band

5 hr RM full weight Cross country.
2 hrs Map Reading under Intell Section.
4 hrs Stretcher Bearing under RMO.
2 hrs Compass and message writing. Sig personnel will assist.
12 hrs Banding.

Cooks. Q Staff.

All cooks within Bn will complete 2 periods each of 3 hrs RM Cross country, full weight. HQ Coy Cooks and Q Staff co-ordinated under QM.

Coy Cooks will move out with Coys and complete the above.
Coys will also arrange firing practice for cook personnel.

Innoculations : Cholera and Vaccination

Depending on Medical Supplies it may be necessary to alter syllabus to fit in innoculations in which case Bn will advise Coys change of syllabus.

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28 AUST INF BN (AIF) - TRAINING SYLLABUS FOR WEEK ENDING 11/16 SEP. '44.

DATE	HQ	A	B	C	D	DUTY COY.
MON 11	Each group to spend 2 days out - 15 miles Light River Crossings TOETs, Swimming. 1 day Zeroing Rifles, MMG Miniature Range. Hi. Range. Sniper's Rifle.	Duty Coy. Remainder as enemy Coy Exercise. Preparation of positions. 2 hrs night training Serial 1.	Open Range, Rifle & Bren, Morse. Compass } Map Reading } Bull Ring Message Writ. } ing.) to commence 0800 hrs. 2 hrs night trg.	Coy out for 2 days. TOETs Swimming. Light River Crossings to include night patrol exercise. Compass legs, orders, formations, signals etc. Coy to move from camp 0700 hrs return 1700 hrs following day.	Coy out for 2 days. See C Coy.	A
TUES 12	1 day Open Range Tuesday and Bull Ring to include Serial 2, 4, 9.	Duty Coy. Remainder as enemy Coy Exercise.	Coy Exercise to be umpired by Bn. Offrs.			A
WED 13	1 day 5 hrs cross country. 1 hr Serial 5 1 " " 1	Duty Coy. Remainder as enemy Coy Exercise.	Coy to spend 2 days on bull ring method to cover the following:- Serial 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10	Coy Exercise to be umpired by Bn. Offrs.	Open Range, Rifle, to start 0800 hrs. Bull Ring to include :- Serial 2. " 7. " 9.	A
THU 14	Hot Showers.	Coy as Enemy Coy Exercise. Hot Showers.	Hot Showers. Duty Coy.	Open Range Rifle & Bren Serial 2. Serial 4 (if reqd) } Bull Serial 5 } Ring. Range Firing to commence 0800 hrs. 2 hrs. Night Trg Ser. 1. Hot Showers.	Coy Exercise to be umpired by Bn. Offrs. Hot Showers.	B
FRI 15		Zeroing of Rifles. Open Range to commence 0800 hrs. to include Bull Ring. Serial 5. " 7. " 9.	R.M. 14 miles. Swimming TOETs. Light River Crossing. Coy to leave 0500 hrs. and return 2100 hrs. Duty Coy.	5 hrs. Cross Country Route March. 1 hr Tropical Lecture. 1 " Map Reading.	5 hrs. Cross country RM. Sec Formations, Fd signals etc. Full weight. 1 hr. Serial 1. 1 " " 5.	B
Duty Coy. ADM & SPORT.						B

- SERIAL 1.** Patrolling. ATM No 30. Para 6.
- 2. Booby Traps. ATM No 33. Pages 8 - 14.
 - 3. Observation Training. See ATM No 29. Pages 14 - 17.
 - 4. Organization of Sec. See ATM No Page 4 - 5.
 - 5. Range Cards. ATM No. 32. Page 18.
 - 6. Machine Gun. ATM No 25 pages 24 - 25.
 - 7. A small attack exercise whereby troops advance firing from the hip. Points-control of movement and firing. Remember some continuity of firing to neutralize enemy's post.
 - 8. Q.D.E. Course prepared by Pioneer Pl. Coy to allow 1 hr. for each section. Sec. weapons will be carried.
 - 9. Small exercise (more as a drill) to teach fire and movement. Targets to be placed out. Points - control of men, fire orders, use of weapons.
 - 10. Weapon Competition. 2 teams or more. Gun stripped, on signal, assemble gun, load magazines, fire gun at target. Check time, number of hits, correct procedure and other faults. Stoppages may also be introduced.

28 AUST INF BN (AIF) - TRAINING SYLLABUS FOR WEEK ENDING 23 SEP 44

DATE	HQ COY	A COY	B COY	C COY	D COY
MON 18	<p>Each group to spend 2 days HI at least 5 hrs each time, full weight Cross Country and 2 hrs Lect Map Reading 1 day open range, Rifle Bren, grenade, pistol available Mon, Tue, Thu.</p> <p>2 days Field Exercises attack, defence etc. Tigs to arrange Helio & Lucas lamp exercise plus laying of cable, drill and procedure</p> <p>Duty Coy Wednesday, Thursday, Friday.</p>	<p>Working parties</p> <p>McMins Lagoon</p> <p>Bde Security</p> <p>Guard</p>	<p>Coy to spend 2 days on bull ring to cover the following shown last weeks syllabus Serials 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10.</p>	6 hrs demonstration and practice Pl in attack. Lessons of last weeks exercise to be brought out. 1/2 hr shower	6 hrs Demonstration & practice Pl in attack. Lessons of last weeks exercise to be brought out. Duty Coy
TUE 19				5 hr Coy Exercise, D Coy to be enemy. 1 hr Map Reading 1/2 hr shower and PT	Coy become enemy for C Coy, attack exercise. Duty Coy
WED 20			<p>Coy out for 2 days to cover at least 20 miles. Swimming instructions, light river crossings and general aquatic training</p>	<p>Open Range, Rifle and Bren and Grenades</p>	<p>Coy to spend 2 days as bull ring to cover the following shown last weeks syllabus Serials 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10.</p>
THU 21					
FRI 22			Open Range, Rifle, Bren Grenade	Serial 2, 3, 5 & 1, 8, 9.	Coy leave 0500 hrs, RM at least 6 hrs full weight cross country.
SAT 23			Coy Adm and sport	Duty Coy Coy Adm and Sport	Coy Adm and Sport

Intell Section. 2 days Route March, 1 day Fd Training, Battle Boards, Reports etc. 2 days own syllabus to cover any work which IO considers Section requires. Syllabus to be supplied to Bn.

Band 2 days Route March, 6 hrs Stretcher bearing, 2 hrs Map Reading, 12 hrs banding, remainder of time under own arrangement.

Latmen 2 days Route March, 2 hrs Map Reading under Intell Sec, 1 days Range, remainder of time batting.

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28 AUST INF BN (AIF) - TRAINING SYLLABUS FOR WEEK ENDING 30 SEP 44

DATE	HQ COY	A COY	B COY	C COY	D COY	DUTY COY
MON 25	1 days RM, Duration 6 hrs, full weight, cross country	Coy arrangement as detailed by OC		3 days full ring Refresher 5 hrs sniping exercise Ser 15. 1 hr explanation night exercise 2 hrs Sand table. Serial 12 2 hrs night trg. Enemy placed Patrol to contact and report positions etc. See ATM No 30 para 6. 3 hrs Ambush Exercise. See note back. 2 hrs message writing under Lt SKIDMORE and staff, Ser 16 1 hr New Bayonet Assault Cse 1 hr QDE Course. 3 hrs Weapon pits, 1 hr Bayonet Assault Course		C
TUE 26	Coy to be divided into Inf Sections and do period of Inf work Bull Ring principle to cover the following refresher course Serials 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10.	Coy to spend 2 days on Bull Ring to cover following serials:- 1 Sand Table, 2 Exercise, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10. 2 hrs night training	FORCE			A
WED 27	Loading Jeep with MMG stores Lt IICHELL 2 hr Sand Table Exercise Serial 12		DUTIES		FORCE	A
THU 28	2 hr Message Writing, all personnel excl Sigs, Ser 16 1 hr New Bayonet Assault Cse. 3 hr Sniping Exercise see Serial 15	5 hr RM to cover Cross Country, full weight etc. 1 hr Lect Fd Tactics 1 hr Map Reading		6 hr RM, full weight, Cross Country		A
FRI 29		Coy in attack exercise C Coy to be enemy Afternoon - Message writing under Lt SKIDMORE and staff. See notes back 2 hrs Hot Shower		Coy to act as enemy to A Coy exercise. Afternoon - 1 hr Map Reading, 1 hr Weapon Training. Hot showers		HQ
SAT 30	DUTY COY	SPORT		COY ADM etc		HQ

<u>Bn HQ</u>	1 day	QDE Course Booby Traps under WO Byrne. See ATM No 33 Pages 8 - 14 Organisation of Sec Serial 4 Range Cards, Serial 5 Weapon Competition, Serial 9
	1 day	PM, 6 hrs Cross Country, full weight.
	$\frac{1}{2}$ day	2 hr Message Writing, Serial 16.
<u>Intell Sec</u>		See ATM No 1 - 9, pages 43 - 46 incl.
<u>Serial 12</u> <u>Sand Table</u>		Under Capt LODER, to show defensive positions. Coy area, Pl location, fixed lines. Counter penetration roles MMG. Duties of Sec Leader. Range Cards, priorities etc. Covering of wire etc. Duties of Intell Sec. Co-ordination of defence with flank Coys. Battle Boards. Fire Support, Arty, Mortar, Tk A, defence etc.
<u>Serial 13</u> <u>Sniping</u>		See Engineer Headquarters USAS of supply, SW Pacific Area, Appendix B. See ATM No 26, pages 11 - 15 plus page 7 Small exercise to be carried out bringing out lessons as above.
<u>Serial 14</u> <u>Organisation of Sec</u>		See ATM No 29, Pages 4 - 5.
<u>Serial 15</u> <u>Rifle Coys</u>		ATM No 53, pages 4 - 6. <u>Mortars</u> See ATM No 23, page 15.
<u>Serial 16</u> <u>Message Writing</u>		See ATM No 23, page 22 (to include operations of Phones and 25, pages 27 - 108 Sets) 29. 28, pages 28 - 39
<u>Serial 17</u> <u>New Fields</u>		See ATM No 25, pages 13 - 18 and Appendix B, pages 36 - 40
<u>Ambush</u>		See ATM No 28, pages 22 - 23.
<u>Zeroing of Brens</u>		Armourer will arrange with each Coy the Zeroing of Brens.

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES.

ROUTINE ORDER PT 1 No 65.

by

Lt-col J.G. BRENNAN.

COMD 28 AUST INF BN (AIF)
4 Sep 44

1. ALLOTMENTS -- COMMONWEALTH WAR LOANS.

i. Approval has been given for members of the AMF to subscribe to Commonwealth Loans by making an allotment of portion of their pay to the Commonwealth Bank.

ii. Amounts received by the Bank under the allotment will be credited to a special account in the member's name and interest will be allowed thereon at the rate borne by the bonds selected for purchase by the member. As often as funds in the account accumulate to the extent of £10 the Bank will purchase a £10 Commonwealth Treasury Bond on behalf of the member.

iii. Bonds will be held by the Commonwealth Bank at the capital city of the members State of enlistment for safe custody on behalf of the member. In the case of members enlisted in Northern Territory or New Guinea, Bonds will be held by Commonwealth Bank of Australia at Adelaide and Brisbane respectively.

iv. Where a member is discharged or cancels his allotment, the special account will be closed and any balance remaining therein will be credited to the members bank account or paid to him, whichever he desires.

v. For all enquiries see Unit Pay Sergeant.

2. REGIMENTAL CANTEN.

Ref 28 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) RO No 54A of 18 Feb 44, para 5.

WX27289 Sjt WATSON J.L. is appointed as NCO in charge of Regimental Canteen.

3. HYGIENE AND CLEANLINESS IN PICNIC AREAS

i. Areas used by picnic parties are frequently left in a dirty and unhygienic condition. Recent inspections have revealed considerable quantities of partly consumed tinned foods, broken bottles, newspapers and other rubbish left scattered about in the vicinity of swimming pools etc. There is also evidence of stooling in the surrounding bush.

ii. Carelessness in the disposal of rubbish is rapidly causing attractive picnic areas to be despoiled and is also creating potential fly-breeding areas.

iii. All tins, bottles, foodstuffs, newspapers and other rubbish will, in future, be burnt or buried or taken away and properly disposed of before a picnic area is vacated by any party.

iv. Action is being taken to provide latrines in the more frequented areas.

v. Disregard of the instruction contained in para 3 hereof will be followed by disciplinary action and, if necessary, by affected areas being placed out of bounds.

4. DCM - SX10592 Pte (L/Cpl) PALMER J. E.

Following is a promulgation published under instructions from NE Force dated 22 Aug 44.

A DCM convened by the Officer performing the duties of Comd NE Force was held in the field on 11 Aug 44 for the trial of SX10592 Pte (L/Cpl) PALMER J. E., 10/48 Aust Inf Bn.

The accused was charged with -

AA 25(1) W0A3 IN A CERTIFICATE SIGNED BY HIM KNOWINGLY MAKING A FALSE STATEMENT

in that he

in the field on or about 3 May 44 in a certificate signed by him as a claimant for award of the Africa Star falsely stated that he was entitled to the said award by virtue of service with the 2/10 Aust Inf Bn at AMIRYA, LIBYA from May 1941 to Jul 1941, well knowing that he had not served with the said unit during the said period.

The accused pleaded guilty and the Court found him guilty.

The Court sentenced the accused on 11 Aug 44 to be fined the sum of ten pounds (£10).

The accused performed normal military duties while in open arrest awaiting trial.

The finding and sentence were duly confirmed on 18 Aug 44 by Comd NE Force.

The result of the trial was promulgated to the accused on 2 Sep 44.

5. HOSPITAL AND MEDICAL TREATMENT FOR PERSONNEL ON LWOP FOR SEASONAL OR OCCUPATIONAL REASONS.

Ref GRC A550/42 para 5. Approval is given for admission to hospital and medical treatment of members on leave without pay for seasonal and occupational reasons provided injury or illness is due to military service. Pay will be granted only for periods during which the member is ordered to be taken on strength of a hospital, unit or depot.

E. D. H. Davey Lt
(E. D. H. DAVEY)
Adjt 28 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES.

Routine Order Pt.1. No 66

by

Lt. Col J. G. BRENNAN

COMD, 28 AUST INF BN. (AIF)

10 Sep 44.

UNIT CANTEEN. The following requirements will be observed in the conduct of Canteens operated and controlled by the Bn.

Conduct of Unit Canteen. The conduct of a unit canteen will be the responsibility of the 2 i/c. An N.C.O. will be appointed to conduct and operate the canteen in accordance with the provisions of this Order. Members appointed under this para will not be members of the Unit Audit Board.

Accounting Records. The following books of account at least will be kept:-

- (a) Stock Purchase Journal as per GRO 1 Sep 44.
- (b) Record of Sales Book
- (c) Cash Book
- (d) Stock book
- (e) Plant, Fixtures and Fittings Journal.

Trust Account. A separate unit canteen Trust Account will be opened forthwith by 2 i/c, and canteen transactions will be effected only through such Trust Account.

Financing Unit Canteen. In order to finance the unit canteen for the purchase of stock the C.O., on the recommendation of the Committee of Management of the unit Regimental Trust Fund may advance from a unit Regimental Trust Fund a sum sufficient for initial trading requirements.

It is estimated that each member of a unit spends approx 10/- per week at a canteen thus the initial stock required should be estimated on the spending power of the unit for a weeks trading, plus a slight margin if considered necessary. If arrangements can be made to draw canteen supplies more than one day per week less stock will be required. If it is not practicable to draw supplies weekly, then increased capital according to requirements will be necessary.

The amount advanced will be deposited to the credit of the unit Canteen Trust Account and treated as a loan from the unit Regimental Trust Fund.

When sufficient trading profits of the canteen have accumulated, such advance will be refunded to the unit Regimental Trust Fund. If desired, the amount advanced may be refunded by instalments as monies become available

The amount originally advanced to finance the canteen will be entered on the receipts side of the cash book and will be brought to account in the Statement of Assets and Liabilities as an outstanding liability until repaid.

Profits on hand after repayment of advances will be utilised as working capital. Profits in excess of capital requirements will be paid to the credit of the unit Regimental Trust Fund for the benefit of the members of the unit as a whole.

Change Fund. A change fund should be provided. Approx 2/- for each customer is necessary. At the close of business each night the amount of the change fund should be taken from the till and placed in safe custody with the cash takings.

Items to Stock. Care will be taken not to buy excessive stock of slow selling articles, for, if capital is expended on slow selling stock sufficient capital may not be available for the purchase of popular articles. New stock articles should be purchased with caution until it is ascertained what the demand is likely to be in the future. It must not be overlooked that many initial/of new articles are of an experimental nature only. sales

Orders for Supplies. The normal source for the purchase of goods for sale in unit canteens will be the A.A.C.S. Purchases from civil sources will be permitted only in areas where the A.A.C.S. does not operate or is inaccessible or cannot supply the commodities required.

Purchase of liquor will be made only from the A.A.C.S. The purchase and sale of liquor will be carried out as laid down by G.R.O. Q 66/44

All orders for goods from the AA Canteens Service will be completed on the form required by the AA Canteens Service. A similar rounded type of form will be used for civilian orders. Order forms will be completed in duplicate, consecutively numbered and signed by the person authorised to purchase such goods, and particulars will be entered in the Stock Purchase Journal (columns 1, 2 and 3).

The duplicate copy of the order will be filed in consecutive order number and, upon receipt of the goods, will be signed by the recipient. The cost of the goods received will be entered in column 4 of the Stock Purchase Journal. Cral orders will not be paid.

Payment from cash takings or purchase of goods will be avoided.

As payment is made for goods received, appropriate entries will be made in column 5 of the Stock Purchase Journal. The total cost of the goods actually received during each month, notwithstanding that they may not have been paid for, will be ascertained from the Stock Purchase Journal, and the amount included in the Trading Account. Cases may arise where, although payment has been made for certain goods, they have not actually been received by the unit canteen at the end of the month. In these instances, care will be taken to see that the cost of the undelivered articles is not included in purchases but is included as a separate item in the Statement of Assets and Liabilities under the heading "Lia Stock paid for but undelivered". The relevant amount will be included with other purchases in the subsequent period when the goods are actually received.

Petty expenses will be met by an advance from Petty Cash kept on the Imprest System.

No canteen attendant will discuss with a representative or agent of any supplier matters concerning the stock of goods carried or the supply of, or demand for, any goods. All enquiries in this respect will be referred to the 2 i/c or Officer supervising the unit canteen.

Prices to be fixed. Goods purchased from the A.A.C.S. for resale will be sold at the prices listed by the A.A.C.S. Copies of the price list will be obtained from the A.A.C.S. and placed in a prominent place in the canteen.

Articles purchased from civilian sources should be procured in the cheapest market consistent with good quality and retailed at a profit not exceeding approx 5% of the cost price.

Sales. Sales will be effected only to members of a unit and to other service personnel attached. Only cash sales will be permitted. Under no circumstances will credit be allowed. Total takings will be entered daily in the Record of Sales Book and the Cash Book and all cash deposited to the credit of the Unit canteen Trust Account as soon as possible.

Prohibited Sales. No article other than the property of the unit canteen will be sold or dealt with in the canteen.

Goods which are specifically prohibited from sale in A.A.C.S. canteens by L.H.Q. will not be sold in unit canteens. Where the sale of a particular type of goods by the A.A.C.S. is prohibited by L.H.Q., in certain areas, unit canteens, if situated in an area covered by the prohibition, will not sell such goods.

Stocktaking. Complete physical stock taking will be taken at least weekly by the N.C.O. in charge of the canteen and particulars of stock on hand will be entered in the Stock Book. The rate to be shown in col. 3 will be the cost price. A member of the unit Audit Board will be appointed to make an independent stocktaking monthly. Where there is a loss of stock due to breakage deterioration or pillage, details of such loss will be entered for record purposes in the Stock Book but not added to the value of stock on hand. A member of the unit Audit Board will certify to the amount of such loss and will be responsible for the destruction of deteriorations and breakages. The amount of the loss will be separately shown as a sundry expense in the Trading Account.

The 2 i/c will ensure that no facilities available for safe custody and security of unit canteen stock, property and monies.

At the completion of business each day, the Orderly Officer will check the cash takings, initial the entry in the Record of Sales book and see that all precautions have been taken for the safe custody of monies.

As soon as possible thereafter, such monies will be deposited with the Paymaster for credit to the unit canteen Trust Account.

Audit and Publication of Accounts. The unit Audit Board will conduct a monthly audit of the canteen and will have the same responsibility as for other unit Trust Accounts. The Trading and Statement of Affairs of the unit canteen will be audited by the unit Audit Board and published in unit R/Os as least monthly.

Responsibility of N.C.O. in Charge. The N.C.O. in charge is responsible for the conduct and cleanliness of the unit canteen. His duties will include:-

- (a) The control of stock, furniture, plant, equipment and any other property in the unit canteen.

- (b) the supervision of all cash received and the proper accounting for same by daily entries in the Record of Sales book and the Cash Book;
- (c) properly accounting for all goods delivered to the unit canteen for sale;
- (d) supervision of the canteen staff and instruction of all attendants in their respective duties;
- (e) ensuring that all canteen attendants are familiar with the correct selling prices;
- (f) ensuring that all goods for sale are clearly marked with the correct retail selling prices;
- (g) posting and keeping posted in a prominent place in the canteen a price list supplied by the A.A.C.S. and making such alterations thereto as he may be advised of from time to time
- (h) reporting to his immediate superior officer any incident of insubordination, unsatisfactory conduct or lack of interest of any canteen attendant under his control.

Gratuities. A canteen attendant will not accept a present, payment, allowance or any other consideration whatsoever in connection with his position as an attendant other than the pay to which he is entitled under the terms of his enlistment.

Quality. No canteen attendant will intentionally sell to the prejudice of the customer any article which is not of the quality demanded by the customer.

Custody of goods. No canteen attendant will accept from a unit, mess, member of the Forces, employee or other person any cash, valuables or other goods or property for the purpose of safe custody in the canteen.

Payment of Personal Purchases. Under no circumstances will articles be taken from stock for the personal use of canteen attendants without payment having been duly made therefore through the N.C.O. in charge.

Canteen Purchases on Behalf of Individuals. Where there is no A.A.C.S. canteen available and it is considered by the C.O. that it is not practicable to operate a unit canteen and keep stocks on hand, Bn 2i/c may, if he deems it desirable, purchase in bulk for the requirements of the individual members of the unit. Orders for requirements will be collected from the members and the one completed order for the unit lodged with the A.A.C.S. issuing depot. In these instances, an amount representing a discount allowed by the A.A.C.S. will be paid to the credit of the unit Regimental Trust Fund for the benefit of the members of the unit as a whole. On no account is the discount to be refunded amongst the members purchasing the goods. A record of these transactions will be made in a suitable book.

Instructions for Handling Canteen Orders. (a) On presentation of the canteen order, the canteen attendant will satisfy himself that the order, is genuine and that it has not been defaced, cut or mutilated and that no erasure of alteration has been made to it and that :-

(i) it bears an impression of the date stamp of the issuing post office and is not more than 12 months old;

(ii) the name and regimental number of the presenter are shown in the allotted spaces in the order; and

(iii) the order is presented and signed by the person named in the order (by comparison with the presenter's pay book) in the prescribed space, and that the date of presentation is also endorsed thereon.

(b) After satisfying himself that the above requirements have been met, the canteen attendant will issue goods to the value of the order.

(c) Under no circumstances will cash be given in exchange for a canteen order.

(d) Where a canteen order is received by a member of the forces whose pay book has been lost, it will be necessary for him to produce a chit from a commissioned officer of his unit to the effect that he is the person whose name appears on the order. The chit will be endorsed with the usual signature of the member for verification purposes.

(e) When daily takings are being banked with a field cash office, the correct amount of cash from the change fund held will be substituted for canteen order on hand. The change fund will be reimbursed by such amount being substituted for the canteen orders when cash is next drawn from a field cash office, and such canteen orders will be used as part payment for purchases made from the A.A. Canteens Service.

[Signature] Lt'
ADJUTANT GENERAL, INFANTRY (A.I.F.)

War Diary

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

Routine Order Pt 1 No 67

by

Lt-col J. G. BRIDGMAN

COMD 28 AUST INF BN (AIF)
13 Sep 44

1. PROHIBITED AREA - ABATTOIRS, MT BUNDY

The area $\frac{1}{4}$ mile West Abattoirs, MT BUNDY, facing the MARAKAI ROAD to $\frac{1}{2}$ mile South, is out of bounds at all times to all ranks not in possession of a permit in writing, such permit to be authorised by either HQ MT Force or OC FD BUTCHERY DET MT BUNDY, to the effect that the personnel are on duty.

2. FIELD SECURITY WING - AUTHORITY AND IDENTITY PASS

(a) Field Security personnel, whilst engaged in security duties, and Field Security (Enemy Equipment) personnel carry special passes issued by the Director of Military Intelligence for and on behalf of the Commander-in-Chief, Australian Military Forces.

(b) These Field Security Wing authority and identity passes authorise the holders to be in any place at any time in the execution of their duty, and enjoin all persons subject to military law to give the holders every assistance in their power. Such Field Security Pass bears the description, photograph and signature of holder.

3. TRAFFIC CONTROL - UNAUTHORISED USE OF ROADS

Certain circuit roads in the HUMPTY DOO and HUMPTY DOO SOUTH Areas are being used by unauthorised vehicles.

Speeding is reported to be prevalent.

The roads referred to are out of bounds to all vehicles except those specifically authorised to use them in the course of their duty.

4. PROHIBITED AREA

Reference Map HUMPTY DOO 1 inch to 1 mile.

The area enclosed by the following co-ordinates has been reserved to the AWF for the logging of timber and is out of bounds to all Service personnel except on duty.

Map Ref 20E 00N; 20E 04N; 56E 00N; 26E 04N.

5. CONSERVATION OF RUBBER - SYNTHETIC TYRES

(a) The critical rubber situation and the necessity for obtaining the maximum service from tyres has been stressed from time to time. The further deterioration of the situation, necessitating the introduction of tyres of synthetic construction, renders it imperative that greater care than ever be exercised in the use and maintenance of all tyres, whether of synthetic or natural rubber construction.

(b) Synthetic tyres are far more susceptible to failure through abuse than tyres constructed from natural rubber.

All concerned will, therefore:-

- i. Exercise the utmost care to avoid -
 - underinflation
 - overloading
 - hard braking and fierce acceleration
 - high speeds
 - bumps and other causes of severe impact.

- ii. check wheel alignment frequently and correct irregularities promptly;
- iii. rotate tyres regularly;
- iv. remove stones and flint from tyres during unit maintenance;
- v. submit tyres for replacement at the correct stages for recapping; and
- vi. submit damaged tyres for repair without delay.

(c) Units will ensure that prompt disciplinary action is taken where breaches of this order occur.

6. CAMERAS AND CONTROL OF PHOTOGRAPHY

The following is a list of approved photographers for processing unofficial films:-

1. QUEENSLAND

BRISBANE	S.A. BEST Pty Ltd	Gipps St, VALLEY
	H. B. GREEN & Coy	130 Queen St, BRISBANE
	KODAK (Aust) Pty Ltd	250-252 Queen St.

NEW SOUTH WALES

SYDNEY	KODAK (Aust) Pty Ltd	379 George St
	HARRINGTONS Pty Ltd	386 George St
	EDWARD MATSSON	124 Pitt St

VICTORIA

MELBOURNE	KODAK (Aust) Pty Ltd	252 Collins St
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SOUTH AUSTRALIA

ADELAIDE	KODAK (Aust) Pty Ltd	37 Rundle St
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WESTERN AUSTRALIA

PERTH	KODAK (Aust) Pty Ltd	Hay St PERTH, and their agents
	TILLEY'S Ltd	Hay St PERTH, and their agents

7. DRESS -- WEARING OF SHIRTS

Attention is directed to NT Force Adm Instn No 106 of 27 Dec 43 which provides (inter alia) that drivers of vehicles will wear shirts when driving outside unit lines; that passengers in vehicles proceeding outside unit lines will like-wise wear shirts and that personnel generally when visiting or otherwise moving outside unit lines will wear shirts except when they are members of a working party actually engaged in work of a physical nature.

The provisions of this Instruction will be enforced and disciplinary action taken against offenders.

8. PROHIBITED AREA - DARWIN TOWNSHIP

Sections 411, 528 and 529 DARWIN TOWNSHIP is an RAN Prohibited Area and entry thereto will be permitted on presentation of a Pass obtainable ONLY from Naval Officer in Charge, DARWIN, and Torpedo Engineer Officer.

9. PROHIBITED AREA - SNAKE CREEK

Ref Map BATCHELOR 1 inch to 1 mile.

The area enclosed by the following co-ordinates excluding Sports Arena used by HQ 1 Aust BIPOD and located at 113167 is out of bounds to all ranks from 096183 SOUTH along the EAST bank of SNAKE CREEK to 098151, then EAST along the

NORTH bank of SNAKE CREEK to 106155, then NE to 118183; then WEST to 096183.

10. DRIED PRUNES - SUGAR EXUDATE

- (a) The Dried Prunes packed in drums now supplied to the Services, have a low moisture content and are liable, in tropical areas, to show a white powder-like coating on the outer surface of the skin.
- (b) This white coating is a sugar exudate and is known in the trade as "sugaring". It is a normal condition and quite harmless.
- (c) The coating is removed by immersing the prunes in hot water.

E. D. H. Davey Lt
(E. D. H. DAVEY)
Adjt 28 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

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ROUTINE ORDER Pt 1 No 68

Lt-col J.G. BRENNAN

by

COMD 28 AUST INF BN (AIF)
27 Sep 44

1. TRAFFIC CONTROL - YELLOW LINES ON STUART HIGHWAY.

- i. Yellow lines now define the centre of the pavement on lengths of road which carry heavy traffic.
- ii. Broken yellow lines are painted on straight lengths of road and single continuous lines are painted on easy curves. Such lines assist drivers to maintain their proper position on the pavement. Drivers must not drive on these lines, as the paint is thus soon worn off.
- iii. Double yellow lines are painted at sharp curves and crests where visibility of oncoming traffic is restricted. No vehicle will be driven on the wrong side of the road where double lines exist. This means that overtaking is strictly forbidden on sections covered by double lines. No vehicle or portion of a vehicle will be allowed to overhang the double yellow lines.

2. AIRGRAPH SERVICE.

As from 11 Sep 44 the charge for Airgraphs is reduced from 5d and 10d for service and civilian addressees respectively to a flat rate of 4d.

3. RABBITS IN NORTHERN TERRITORY

Information has been received of a proposal to introduce rabbits into the Northern Territory. The introduction of rabbits to parts at present free from these pests would create a serious menace to the cattle industry of the North. The following order is therefore made:

- (a) It is an offence for Army personnel to have a live rabbit in their possession.
- (b) The carriage of such an animal on any vehicle or conveyance of any kind by sea, land or air is prohibited.
- (c) The carcass of any such animal either frozen or prepared, is to be obtained only through DDST NT Force.

4. CAMERAS AND CONTROL OF PHOTOGRAPHY.

Unit RC Pt 1, para 6 of 13 Sep 44 is amended as follows:-


add BROKEN HILL JONES' PHOTO STORE Argent Street.
MIDDLESTON'S Argent Street.

5. 28 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) Regimental Canteen Accounts for Sep 44 are attached.

6. REGIMENTAL TRUST FUND.

Following Committee of Management is now appointed :-

WX52619 Maj J.F.H.M. ARMSTRONG
WX27287 WO11 CHIDLOW W.E.
WX18959 Cpl EAST W.L.


Lt
(E.D.H. DAVEY)
Adjt 28 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)

28 AUST INF BN (AIF)

REGIMENTAL CANTEEN A/CS.

Trading A/c for month ended 31 Aug 44.

<u>1944</u>			<u>1944</u>		
AUG 1	To Stock on hand	273 2 -	AUG 31	By Sales	2008 15 11
31	" Purchases	1868 16 9			
		<u>2141 18 9</u>			
	Less Stock on hand	226 13 10			
		<u>1915 4 11</u>			
	To Gross Profit	93 11 -			
		<u>£2008 15 11</u>			<u>£2008 15 11</u>

Profit & Loss A/c for month ended 31 Aug 44.

<u>1944</u>			<u>1944</u>		
AUG 31	To Wages	4 - -	AUG 31	By Gross Profit	93 11 -
	" Commission	10 1 2			
	" Net Profit	<u>79 9 10</u>			
		<u>£93 11 -</u>			<u>£93 11 -</u>

Balance Sheet as at 31 Aug 44.

LIABILITIES

ASSETS

<u>Accumulated Funds</u>					
Balance as at 1 Aug 44	417 3 6		Cash on hand	204 19 2	
Add Net Profit	<u>79 9 10</u>		Stock on hand	226 13 10	
		496 13 4			
Less Coy allowance	17 10 -				
" Persil to Coys	4 9 7				
" Prizes Swimming					
Carnival	10 6 6				
" Coy Prizes Swimming					
Carnival	10 - -				
" Coy Prizes Foot-					
ball & Guard Comp	17 - -				
" Sports Teams	4 - -				
" Refunds on burst					
Beer	12 3				
" Biscuits Reinfnts	8 9				
" Brasso, Band	<u>15 3</u>				
		<u>35 - 4</u>			
		431 13 -			
		<u>£431 13 -</u>			<u>£431 13 -</u>

We certify that we have examined the Cash Book, the unit Trust Book and vouchers relating to Regimental Canteen Accounts and that in our opinion, this statement correctly sets out the position of the funds as per the Accounts produced and explanations given.

AUDITOR _____ Lt

(J. R. McIVOR)

AUDITOR R. A. Newton Lt

(R. A. NEWTON)

WORKING PARTIES - 12 AUST DIV.

13 INFANTRY BATTALIONS
8 SEP 1944
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HQ 12 AUST DIV (AIF)
HQ 969/WP.
8 Sep, 44.

The following special working parties will be provided by 13 Aust Inf Bde Gp.

SERIAL.	DATE	Number of working personnel			Unit providing party.	RE DEZVOUS		NATURE OF WORK	TOOLS TO BE PROVIDED BY UNIT.	ESTIMATED TIME OF COMPLETION	OFFICER IN CHARGE OF WORK.	QUARTERED BY	REMARKS.
		OFFERS	O RS	TOTAL.		Place	Time.						
K 1	11 Sep 44	2	60	62	13 Aust Inf Bde Gp <i>28 Br</i>	MCMINNIS RAE SAWMILL.	0900	Sawmilling and forestry.	NIL	14 Oct 44	Capt EDWARDS 2/1 Aust Forestry Coy.	2/1 Aust Forestry Coy.	Cooks & adm personnel additional.
K 2.	11 Sep 44	4	150	154	13 Aust Inf Bde Gp. <i>11 Br</i>	PARAP STAGING CAMP	0900	Camp Constr	NIL	6 Oct 44	Lt Col CONNAN CRE 2 Aust Corps Tps.	In Parap Area as arranged by mutual liaison between 13 Aust Inf Bde Gp and Darwin Frt.	(a) Cooks and adm personnel additional. (b) Wifes cooker to be supplied by unit providing party.
K 3.	11 Sep 44	5	200	205	13 Aust Inf Bde Gp. <i>16 Br</i>	LARRAKIE -AH. HQ 9 Aust AA & FRT Coy.	0900	Barrack Constr & rehabilitation.	NIL	6 Oct 44	Capt HART 9 Aust AA & Frt Coy.	In LARRAKIE-AH area as arranged by mutual liaison between 13 Aust Inf Bde Gp and Darwin Frt.	(a) Cooks and adm personnel additional. (b) Wifes cooker to be supplied. (c) Cooking gear to be provided.

DISTRIBUTION: DARWIN FRT (2)
13 AUST INF BDE GP (4).

Copies to: GS,
Rear HQ NT Force,
CE NT Force. (4)

14 L of C Sub Area.
War Diary. (2)
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28 Br
For info
M. Lane
Colt 2/9

Am. Carland
J A A & Q M G.

WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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Unit 28 AUST INF BN (AIF)

Date and Time.—From 1 OCT '44

To 31 OCT '44.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
49½ MILE CAMP	1		Church parade - Day of Rest.	
N. T. FORCE.	2 - 6		4 offrs. 102 o/rs from HQ Coy with Int Sec attached moved out to HEATHER LAGOON for a period of 5 days rifle coy. trg.	
			5 offrs. 110 o/rs comprising A Coy plus 18 Pl. moved out to ref. MARRAKAI 366700 for 5 days on sec., pl., and Coy exercises.	
			5 offrs. 92 o/rs from C coy moved to HEATHER LAGOON for the same period and to do similar trg. as covered by A Coy.	
			B and D Coys. still being employed on NORFORCE DUTIES.	
			A and C and HQ Coys returned to camp 6 Oct '44.	
	7		Adm - sports afternoon. 28 Bn. cricket team defeated 13 Bde team by 47 runs.	
	8		Church Parade - Day of Rest.	
	9		Adm and preparation for move to DRIPSTONE CAVES.	
	10 - 20		Bn less small rear party and A and C Coys moved to DRIPSTONE CAVES AREA for a period of 10 days. A and C Coys moved to LARRAKAYAH to relieve	

8 DEC 1944

WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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Unit Date and Time.—From To

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
	10 - 20 (Cont)		B and D Coys on NORFORCE DUTIES.	
			During each morning of the ten days, comprehensive trg. was carried out	
			on the bull ring system. The afternoons being devoted to sport and recreation.	
			On 17 Oct a demonstration of cross fire by 2 secs. MMG and several Bren	
			guns was given. Firing across the beach, out to sea, the beaten zones	
			of both weapons were demonstrated. MMG's also demonstrated firing with	
			swinging traverse. All weapons were then fired using 40 gall. drums	
			as targets. These drums were filled with petrol and oil and were set	
			ablaze by incendiaries fired from small arms. Large areas of sea	
			quickly became sheets of flame and it is considered that drums placed	
			closely together and fired by this method would act as an effective	
			hindrance to a beach landing.	
			Conjointly with the firing, the explosive effect of several types of	
			land mines and also the 75 Gde was demonstrated.	

WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

Army Form C.2118
(adapted.)

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Unit Date and Time.—From To

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
	10 - 20 (cont)		At the conclusion of the 10 days trg. 7 offrs. 217 o/rs from HQ Coy relieved A and C Coys at LARRAKEYAH. The Bn less this working party returned to 49½ mile camp on 20 Oct.	
	21		Adm - Sports afternoon.	
	22		Church Parade - Day of Rest. 28 Bn cricket team was defeated by 13 Bde by 3 wickets.	
	23		Trg. as per syllabus.	
	24		-do-	
	25		A and C Coy - 9 offrs. and 189 o/rs - moved out to HEATHER LAGOON for a 6 days period of trg. and Coy exercises.	
	26		Trg. as per syllabus.	
	27		-do-	
	28		Adm - Sports afternoon - 28 Bn team defeated 13 Bde by 73 runs and 6 wickets.	

APPX
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28 AUST INF BN (AIF) - TRAINING SYLLABUS FOR WEEK ENDING 7 OCT 44.

DATE	HQ Coy	A Coy	B Coy	C Coy	D Coy
MON 2	Coy out for 5 days HEATHER LAGOON Area - Training:-	Coy out for 5 days, Area ref Map MARAKAI sheet 36670 Training :-		Coy out for 5 days HEATHER LAGOON area. Training :-	
TUE 3	Rifle Coy Training Sec & Pl in attack Coy in attack and defences	Monday move out by trucks Sec, Pl & Coy in Tuesday) attack, light river	NORFORCE	River Crossings Swimming	NORFORCE
WED 4	Night attack Light River Crossings Swimming	Wednesday) crossings, Night attack, Panel Code & Ground Signals	DUTIES	Life saving Bridge Heads Coy in attack Panel Code & Ground Signals	DUTIES
THU 5		Thursday) Route March back Friday) to camp			
FRI 6					
SAT 7		ARM,	PAY	AND	SPORT

En HQ, Band Etc

1 day stretcher bearing and First Aid under HQ. ½ hr PT instr, Sjt ORRELL.
2 days band practice
1 day Rifle Range, booby traps etc.
1 day Route March to cover 14 miles.

Intell Sec

Out for 5 days to link with HQ Coy.

IPs

½ day Panel Code and Ground Signals
1 day Rifle Range and Booby Traps
½ day Security search of camp area
1 day Route March to cover 14 miles
1½ days under arrangement Lt BAKER

29 AUG. INF. HQ (AIF) - TRAINING SYLLABUS FOR WEEK ENDING 28 OCT '44.

DATE	HQ COY	A COY	B COY	C COY	D COY
MON 23	Working parties. LARRIKEYAH BARRACKS. Sig Pl. Special Procedure Training.	Smartening Exercises. Training on Bull Ring Principle. Panel code system under sigs. Aerial photographs. Lt WEST. Tree Climbing. Lt NICHOLAS. E.Y. rifle. Sniper Crse. ½ hr. P.T. and shower.	Duty Coy. Bull Ring System of trg. Sniper Crse. New Bayonet Assault Crse. Weapon Trg. Hip Firing. Judging Distce. PT & Organized Sport.	Open Rifle Range. Rifle Bren & Competitive Shooting. PTA is available for instr. and firing under W.C. PALIN. ½ P.T. & Shower.	Whole day Map Reading. Fd. Sketching with I. Sec. Syndicates of No more than 3 men.
TUE 24		Open Rifle Range. Rifle Bren & Competitive Shooting. PTA is available for instr. under W.C. PALIN. ½ P.T. & Shower.	5 hrs. R.M. full weight over rugged country.	Smartening Exercises. Training on Bull Ring Principle Panel Code System under Sigs. Aerial Photographs. Sjt HILLARD. Tree Climbing. E.Y. Rifle. Sniper Crse. ½ P.T. & Shower.	Duty Coy. 5 hrs. R.M. Full Weight over Rugged Country.
WED 25		Coy out for 6 days. HEATHER LAGOON, as follows:- 2 days R.M. out & back. 2 days Bull Ring Principle of Training. 1 day Free for all tactical Exercise in conj. with C Coy. At least 4 hrs. Night Trg. to be done. Coy return Mon 30 Oct and complete store check that day.	Open Rifle Range. Rifle Bren & Competitive Shooting. MMG to be available for instr. 2 hrs. Night Trg.	Coy out for 6 days. HEATHER LAGOON area as fol- lows :- 2 days R.M. out and back. 2 days Bull Ring Principle of Training. 1 day Free for Tactical Exer- cise in conjunction A Coy. At least 4 hrs. Night Trg. to be done. Coy returns Mon 30 Oct and complete store check for that day.	Duty Coy. Bull Ring System of Trg. Sniper Crse. New Bayonet Crse. Weapon Trg. Hip Firing. Judging Distnce & 1 hr. P.T. & Organized Sport. 2 hrs. Night Trg.
THU 26			Whole day Map Reading Fd Sketching with I Sec. Syndicates to be not more than 3 men. Offrs, NCO's, & I Sec. to be instrs.		Duty Coy. Open Range, Rifle, Bren & Competitive Shooting. MMG to be available for Instr.
FRI 27			Duty Coy. 5 hrs. R.M. full weight over rugged country.		5 hrs. R.M. full weight over rugged country.
SAT 28			Duty Coy.		

28 AUGUST INF BN (AIF) TRAINING SYLLABUS FOR WEEK ENDING 4 NOV 44.

	H. Q. COY	A COY	B COY	C COY	D COY
30 Oct	Coy returns from Heather Lagoon - Afternoon Store check	5 Hr. Route march over hilly country full weight	Coy returns from Heather Lagoon - Afternoon store check		Competition team shooting on range - Remainder Building Ring
31 Oct	Sign Special Cadre Separate syllabus remained of Coy	Air Co-op Exercise. see separate notes Afternoon Coy arrangements	2 Hr Panel Code practice miniature strips & morse code 1 Hr. P. I. T. A. 1 Hr New Bayonet Assault Cse. 1 Hr Aerial photographs 1 Hr P. T. under SJs Nelli & Orrell	5 Hr Route march over hilly country full weight	Judging Rifle Coys Enemy for Air Coop exercise see separate notes Afternoon Coy arrangements Duty Coy.
1 Nov	Working Party Faxap Camp	Enemy for Air Coop Exercise Afternoon Coy arrangements 3 Hrs night trg in conjunction with B Coy Duty Coy	Air Coop Exercise see separate notes Afternoon Coy arrangements 3 Hrs night trg in conjunction with A Coy	1 days map reading with Int Section, Traverses Fd sketches, compass etc.	5 Hrs R.M. over hilly country - full weight
2 Nov		5 Hr Route march over hilly country - Full weight Duty Coy	Enemy for Air Coop Exercise afternoon Coy arrangements	Air Coop Exercise see separate notes Afternoon Coy arrangements 3 hrs night trg with D Coy	2 hrs panel code practice & morse. 1 hr P. I. T. A 1 hr new Bayonet Assault Cse 1 hr Aerial photographs 1 Hr P T under TC Burkhardt 3 Hrs night trg with C Coy
3 Nov		3 Hr Panel code practice miniature strips & morse code 1 hr P. I. T. A. 1 hr new bayonet assault Cse 1 Hr Aerial photographs 1 Hr PT under Sjt Orrell Duty Coy	Pl in attack exercise Bn. H.Q. to act as enemy Remainder of day weapon trg.	Enemy for Air coop exercise afternoon Coy arrangements	Air coop exercise see separate notes afternoon Coy arrangements

4 NOV PA Y SPCHT ADM STORE CHECK

MORSE CODE Buzzers phones & flags will be used. Coy comds will ensure that personnel are practiced in morse trg at every available opportunity

BAND. 1 day act as enemy B Coy exercise. 1 day Air coop demonstration. 1 day 5 Hr Route march. 2 mornings band practice. 2 afternoon under R.M. Q.

RIFLE COYS NIGHT TRG. 1 day Air coop exercise. 1 day 5 hr Route march. 2 days Int Trg (syllabus to be submitted Bn H.Q.) 1 day arranging patrol Exercise Rifle Coys

One coy occupy defensive posn. Communications as per ATN 35 Page 9 para 5. Other coy to patrol & pin point enemy posns
Brns firing into ground to bring realism to patrols. Defensive coy to put out L.P's & SOE signals to be called when fighting patrols
sufficiently close.

H. Q. COY PERSONNEL Lt. SKIDMORE will ensure that all personnel in H.Q. Coy participate in the Air Coop Exercise.

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ROUTINE ORDER Pt. 1. No. 69 2 Oct 1944.

Lt. Col J.G. BRENNAN by GOMD 28 AUST INF BN (A.I.)

1. REGIMENTAL CANTEEN A/cs.

28 Aust Inf Bn. (AIF)
Regimental Canteen Accounts.

Trading Account for month ended 30 Sep 44.

1944	Sep 1 To stock on hand	226.13.10	Sep 30 By Sales	1844.12.4
30	Purchases	1837 7 6		
		2064 1 4		
	Less stock on hand	305 1 -		
		1759 0 4		
	To Gross Profit	85 12 -		
		<u>£ 1844 12 4</u>		<u>1844.12.4</u>

Profit & Loss Account month ended 30 Sep 44.

1944	Sep 30 To wages August	1 - -	1944	Sep 30 By Gross profit	85.12. -
30	not profit	84.12. -			
		<u>£ 85.12. -</u>			<u>£ 85.12. -</u>

Balance Sheet as at 30 Sep 44.

Liabilities		Assets	
Accumulated Funds		Cash on hand	67.13.9
Balance at 1 Sep 44	431.13 -	Cash in Trust A/c	80 - -
Add net profit	84.12 -	Stock on hand	305 1 -
	<u>516. 5. -</u>		
Less Coy Allowance	14. - -		
" " (extra)	10 - -		
Persil to coys	2 13 9		
Coy Prizes			
Football	20 - -		
Canteen orders	2 17 6		
Sports teams	2 9 -		
Beer & Lolly			
breakages	14 - -		
Shaving Brushes			
stencilling	6 - -		
Refund to Bn H.Q.			
of loan to canteen			
Apl 44	<u>10.10. -</u>		
	<u>63.10. 3</u>		
	<u>£ 452.14. 9</u>		<u>£ 452.14. -</u>

We certify that we have examined the Cash Book, the Unit Trust Book and vouchers relating to Regimental Canteen Accounts and that in our opinion this statement correctly sets out the position of the funds as per the accounts produced and explanations given.

Auditor J.R. McIvor Lt
(J.R. McIvor)

Auditor R.A. Newton Lt
(R.A. Newton)

2. ILLEGAL USE OF VEHICLES

Attention is directed to Standing Orders for drivers of MT vehicles paragraph 16.

It is pointed out that the driver of a vehicle is not absolved from responsibility for the loss of his vehicle merely by the fact that he leaves it in a recognised parking place under the general supervision of Provost personnel. The onus is on the driver to take adequate steps to safeguard his vehicle.

3. PERMANENT DANGER WARNINGS - RAAF BOMBING AND GUNNERY RANGES

Regardless of permanent danger warnings issued by RAAF for bombing and gunnery ranges in NT, personnel are still persisting in entering these areas.

It is pointed out that these ranges are leased from landowners and are published through the Government Gazette. Therefore, if any person is injured or killed in these areas, the Government will not pay compensation or pensions.

If any Coy are in doubt of the location of existing ranges they may communicate with Intelligence Section.

4. SECOND VICTORY LOAN

i. The Second Victory Loan of £120,000,000 cash opened for subscription on 26 Sep 44, and closes not later than 31 Oct 44.

ii. Arrangements have been made for paymasters to accept applications for Commonwealth Government Inscribed Stock or Treasury Bonds from members of the forces serving in Australia or New Guinea who desire to invest their savings in the loan.

Particulars of loan -

iii. Loan applications may be made for an amount of £10 or a multiple of £10.

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

v. Inscribed Stock may be purchased at par for amounts of £100, or multiples of £10 above £100.

vi. Interest is payable at 2½% per annum if invested for five years and 3¼% per annum if invested for sixteen years, and will be credited half-yearly to a member's savings bank account or current account, if desired.

vii. Interest will be subject to Commonwealth taxation but not 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.

viii. Any bank nominated by a member will, if required, hold the bonds in safe custody.

Procedure for lodging applications

ix. Application forms will be available from paymasters and unit pay representatives and are required to be completed in duplicate. An applicant's signature will be witnessed by an officer.

x. Sufficient credit must be available in a member's pay book to cover the amount he or she desires to invest in the loan. The amount subscribed will be debited in the pay book.

xi. Cash may be accepted in payment of a loan subscription, in which case the amount tendered will be entered in the paybook to establish the necessary credit and a pay Sergeant's receipt issued and pasted in the pay book.

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES.

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ROUTINE ORDER Pt 1 No 70

by

Lt-col J. G. BRENNAN

COMD 28 AUSE INF BN (AIF)
27 Oct 44.

1. SECURITY AND CENSORSHIP

Part A - Introduction

1. Interpretation

- (a) For the purpose of this order -
 "Australia" means the Commonwealth of Australia, the Territory of Papua and the Mandated Territory of New Guinea;
 "communication" means any letter, registered letter, letter-card, field service postcard, green envelope, newspaper, parcel, packet or telegram;
 "member" means a member of the Australian Military Forces;
 "prohibited information" means any naval, military or air force information which has not been published and which may be directly or indirectly of use to the enemy if received by him.
- (b) The provisions of this order will not apply to any communication prepared or despatched by a member in the course of his duty.
- (c) Part B of this order deals with security and will be observed by all members at all times.

Part C sets out the type of information which must not be written and the type of article which must not be enclosed in communications and will be observed by all members at all times.

Part D contains the orders which will be followed when members are subject to unit censorship and only affects those members to whom the provisions of paras 7 and 8 apply.

Part B - Security

2. Security of information

A member will not communicate any prohibited information except for the purpose of carrying out his duty. A breach of this provision is also an offence under the Defence Act 1903-1941, punishable by a fine or imprisonment or both.

3. Diaries and notebooks

- (a) A member will not send through the post any diary or notebook.
- (b) The CO of each Coy. will ensure that all diaries and notebooks are collected by an officer appointed for the purpose -
 - (i) before any movement by sea or (except within the Commonwealth of Australia) by air;
 - (ii) whenever contact with the enemy is imminent;
 - (iii) on the 31 December in each year and at such other times as are notified in formation or L of C area routine orders.

(c) Diaries and notebooks will be sent by units to the nearest detachment of 1 Aust Fd Censorship Coy or to the nearest Base Censor. All such diaries and notebooks will be clearly marked as such and will show the regimental number, name, rank and unit of the owner.

After examination, they will be sent by Det 1 Aust Fd Censorship Coy or Base Censor to Echelon and Records of the L of C area of enlistment of the owner of the diary or notebook for storage and safe custody.

(d) A similar procedure will be followed for disposal of official notebooks kept by officers and other ranks containing technical notes or records of details connected with their duties, notes of army schools etc (except to the extent to which other official unit arrangements for the safe custody

of such notebooks are made with the approval of the formation concerned).

- (e) Diaries and notebooks may be returned to the owner on application to the Echelon and Records of the L of C area of the member's enlistment, after return to Australia, provided that such diaries and notebooks have been approved by the OC Det 1 Aust Fd Censorship Coy or Base Censor for release. If such diaries and notebooks are not approved for release they shall not be returned until after the termination of hostilities.
- (f) No member will carry with him when returning to the Commonwealth of Australia, or send, deal with or dispose of any diary or notebook except in accordance with the provisions of this order.

Part C - Censorship

4. Prohibited information

A member will not post or send any communication containing any prohibited information. In particular, reference shall not be made to any of the following matters :-

- (a) strength of any organisation of our own or allied forces (including navy and air forces) or reference to their members;
- (b) location of any naval, military or air force unit or detachment except -
 - (i) to the extent to which the official address of the unit includes the name of the location;
 - (ii) that, in a communication to an address in Australia, a member in the Commonwealth of Australia may, subject to any restriction imposed by a formation or L of C area, say that he is in a State of the Commonwealth or in the Northern Territory, but he may not give any indication of his actual location in that State or Territory;
 - (iii) that, in a communication to an address outside Australia, a member may, subject to any restriction imposed by a formation or L of C area, say that he is in Australia or a Pacific Island, but he may not give any indication of the State in Australia or which island in the Pacific;
 - (iv) that, in a communication to an address in Australia, a member in the Territory of Papua or the Mandated Territory of New Guinea or Dutch New Guinea may, subject to any restrictions imposed by a formation or L of C area, say that he is in such territory or country, but he may not give any indication of his actual location in such territory or country;
- (c) movements of any naval, military or air force units or detachments (including reference to reinforcements);
- (d) armament or equipment of any kind;
- (e) distinguishing signs used for the identification of formations, units and their transport;
- (f) plans or forecasts of orders for current, future or cancelled operations or movements, whether known, rumoured or surmised;
- (g) communications, such as the use, condition or probable extensions of roads, railways or other transportation facilities, bridging operations, etc;
- (h) state of the Maintenance services (including any reference to reserves);
- (i) position or description of billets, bivouacs or camps;
- (j) casualty figures before official publication;
- (k) the effect of any action by the enemy. This includes any remark that may tend, if published, to encourage the enemy, to cause despondency in our own forces or people or to prejudice good relations between our own people and people of neutral or allied countries;
- (l) criticism and statements which may bring into disrepute our forces or those of our allies.

5. Prohibited articles

A member will not, save in the course of duty, include in a communication -

- (a) any document or equipment captured from the enemy or found in places occupied by the enemy, or any document containing information about the enemy, other than documents or equipment stamped with a War Souvenir Stamp, signed by an authorised officer certifying that the article is not required by Intelligence. In this regard, the attention of all members is directed to GRC G473/43;

- (b) official documents, including intelligence Summaries, orders, maps etc;
- (c) official documents belonging to the civil authorities in allied or enemy territory;
- (d) propaganda leaflets, whether issued by the enemy or by Australia or allied forces or authorities.

6. Codes and ciphers

A member will not post or send any communication containing -

- (a) any writing which bears any meaning other than that contained on the face of it;
- (b) any instruction or request to use any means of secretly conveying, receiving or recording any information or to use any form of code, cipher or shorthand;
- (c) any writing, mark, sign or thing secretly conveying or recording information;
- (d) any code, cipher, shorthand or any writing, mark or sign in any form of code, cipher or shorthand.

Part D - Unit Censorship

7. Areas where unit censorship applies -

All communications (other than green envelopes and field service post cards) from members in any area outside Australia and from members in the following areas within Australia are subject to unit censorship :-

- (a) that part of Western Australia north of 20 degrees south latitude;
- (b) the Northern Territory of Australia;
- (c) that part of Queensland north of the northern boundaries of the shires of Barkly Tableland, Cloncurry, McKinley, Wyangarie, Flinders, Dalrymple and Thuringowa;
- (d) the shires of Barkly Tableland, and the districts of Haslingden, Heywood and Mount Isa in the State of Queensland;
- (e) the territory of Papua and the Mandated Territory of New Guinea.

8. Special circumstances in which unit censorship applies

The following communications (other than green envelopes and field service post cards) from members outside the areas specified in para 7 of this order shall also be subject to unit censorship :-

- (a) communications from members of any formation or unit when so directed by HQ;
- (b) communications from a member who is rationed and quartered by the Army when his unit is under orders to move outside Australia or to any of the areas mentioned in para 7 of this order;
- (c) at the discretion of his unit commander, any communications from a member who has been guilty of a breach of security or censorship.

9. Attached personnel

Unit censorship extends to all accredited war correspondents, members of philanthropic organisations and naval, air force or allied personnel attached to a unit.

A commissioned naval, air force or allied officer, an accredited war correspondent or an accredited member of a philanthropic organisation with officer status and entitled to wear uniform may frank letters written by himself and censor or frank letters written by his assistants or other ranks who are not members.

10. Only officers to censor

No member other than a commissioned officer to whom a communication has been submitted in the course of unit censorship will censor or frank or purport to censor or frank a communication from any member of the forces.

11. Officer responsibility

The signature of an officer will imply a certificate by that officer that the communication does not contain any matter or article which would be a breach of this order. An officer who franks a communication containing any matter or things, the despatch of which is prohibited by this order, shall be guilty of an offence. The franking of a communication containing such matter will not in any way absolve the member who wrote, made or sent the communication from being proceeded against for his breach.

12. Secrecy of censorship

An officer will not disclose to, or discuss with, any person whatever the contents of a communication submitted to him for franking or censoring or permit any other person to examine such a communication, provided, however, that :-

(a) in any case of doubt, an officer may refer a communication to another officer of his unit for franking or may send the same to a Base Censor or to a Det 1 Aust Fd Censorship Coy; and

(b) an officer may refer a communication or make an official report disclosing the contents of a communication, if, in his opinion, such communication contains any prohibited matter or article.

13. Official address

All communications from a member subject to unit censorship shall contain the full name of the sender and his full official address. This shall be written, in the case of a telegram, on the back, in the case of a letter or letter-card, on the top right-hand corner of the first page, and, in the case of a packet, parcel or newspaper, on a slip of paper enclosed therein. A member shall not use any address other than his official address or receive any communication except through that address or request any person to send to him any communication except to that address. Provided, however, that in writing to a prisoner of war or neutral country, the addresses as provided by Appendix E to LHQ Field Censorship Instruction No 4 shall be used.

14. Despatch of communications

A communication, other than a telegram from a member who is rationed and quartered by the Army, will not be despatched until it bears a unit censor stamp or a Department of the Army concession stamp. Every communication from a member whose communications are subject to unit censorship will bear, in addition to the unit censor stamp, the signature of a franking officer.

15. When civil posting prohibited

A member, whose communications are subject to unit censorship, will submit to unit censorship all communications made subject thereto by this order. He will not despatch or attempt to despatch any communication through civil postal channels.

16. Carrying communications for others

A member will not carry, convey, send or post any communication from a member whose communications are subject to unit censorship.

17. Green envelopes

A member may use a green envelope to send letters which contain private or family matters.

Green envelopes will be issued on the scale of one per ten days for each member whose communications are subject to unit censorship.

A member who is guilty of a breach of security may have the privilege of using green envelopes withdrawn by his CO.

As a disciplinary or security measure, LHQ may direct that the issue of green envelopes to formations or units be stopped.

18. Newspapers

A member in any of the areas specified in para 7 of this order will not post or send any newspaper unless authority so to do has been given by the GOC fmn. Other members whose communications are subject to unit censorship arrangements, subject to any restrictions imposed by the formation or L of C Area. No unit newspapers will be sent by post unless the issue of such newspaper has been passed for publication by an Assistant or Deputy Assistant Director of Public Relations.

3. ISSUES OF POL - PETROL POINT DARWIN

A Vehicle Petrol Point has been established in McMLINN ST, DARWIN. It is open for issue of petrol between 0700 and 1900 hrs daily.

It is desired that the Petrol Point be used to the fullest extent by all units in the area in order to reduce drum issues to a minimum.

3. PROVISION OF TOBACCO AND CIGARETTES FOR PERSONNEL IN TRANSIT AND ON LEAVE.

The following system will be adopted for the provision of tobacco and cigarettes for personnel in transit or on leave in MF :-

- (a) Before departing from unit the current weekly ration may be drawn.
- (b) At LARRIMAH ration will be issued daily until date of departure is certain, and troops will then be issued with 4 days supply, which is sufficient to cover the journey to ALICE SPRINGS or MF ISA.
- (c) At ALICE SPRINGS troops in transit will be issued with a daily ration and on departure will be issued with 3 days supply for the journey to ADELAIDE LTD.
- (d) At MF ISA troops in transit will be issued with a daily ration and on departure will be issued with 7 days supply for the journey to BRISBANE LTD.
- (e) Each LTD, through which troops stage en route to their home States, will make available sufficient rations to cover the travelling time to the next LTD.
- (f) The final LTD or other unit, which releases troops on leave, will make available sufficient tobacco and cigarettes, in accordance with the current ration, to cover the full period of leave.
- (g) For the return journey a similar procedure will be followed.

4. REGIMENTAL TRUST FUND

Following personnel are now appointed as Committee of management :-

WX32619	Major F. H. M. ARMSTRONG	President
WX27459	Sgt JAMES E. R.	HQ Coy
WX27404	Cpl JOHNS L. H.	D Coy

5. BN SPORTS TEAMS

The following prizes have been awarded and Canteen Orders valued at 7/6 each have been issued :-

<u>FOOTBALL</u>	Best and fairest	Pte Southcott C.	A Coy
	Most consistent	Do	
	Best Utility	Pte Doherty K.	A Coy
	Best placed	Cpl Pugh	C Coy
	Most improved	Pte Reddick C.	B Coy
<u>HOCKEY</u>	Special Trophy	Sgt Regan K.	HQ Coy
	Most improved	Pte Handley	A Coy
	Best all-rounder	Pte Caby	A Coy
	Best attack	Sgt Newman	HQ Coy
	Best defence	Pte Edwards	HQ Coy
<u>BASKETBALL</u>	Best players	Sig Harris K.	"
		" Forsyth J.	"
		" Colgan R.	"

6. REGIMENTAL CANTENEN

Ref 28 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) RC No 66 of 10 Sep 44 and GRC F619/44.

MF Force memo 11249 of 21 Oct 44 instructs following procedure with reference to cash :-

- (a) Unit bank takings daily. All cash takings MUST be banked.
- (b) A lump sum of cash estimated to cover anticipated purchases is withdrawn by unit from Trust Account on buying day.
- (c) After purchases have been made any balance may be retained in cash on hand but must be banked with the takings for buying day when they are banked next day.
- (d) This procedure will be strictly adhered to and may only be varied by authority of MF Force when unit is in a remote location and carrying out of procedure is impracticable.
- (e) A grave view will be taken of any loss of funds caused by neglect of this instruction.

7. NIGHT DISCIPLINE

It is apparent that "lights out" is NOT being observed in the Bn.

It is realised that owing to picture shows and other amenities, personnel are often away from their lines after the time laid down for "lights out" and these

orders are desired to allow for this contingency.


- (a) Lights out - 2230 hrs
- (b) After "lights out" absolute quiet will be maintained. Troops returning from pictures or other amenities will return to huts in a quiet and orderly manner.
- (c) Certain adm offices will require lighting after this hour - this matter is left to the discretion of CO.
- (d) If personnel are desirous of extending the time for parties or celebrations beyond 2230 hrs permission must be first obtained from CO. CO will state the time at which such function will cease.

It is NOT intended that this form of relaxation and pleasure be discouraged but to ensure that discipline and control is maintained.

Any breach of these orders is to be regarded seriously and disciplinary action will be taken against offenders.

f. AAF F204 - PERSONAL EQUIPMENT CARD

1. Personal equipment cards (AAF's F204) are being introduced as records of personal equipment on issue to all members of the AMF on full time duty and will be issued whether personal equipment is on issue to them or not.
2. Members will carry AAF F204 at all times, subject to the same conditions as if it were part of AAB 83. AAF F204 will be carried in the cover provided for AAB 83.
3. Members will be required to sign in the column provided on unit's "Statement of Clothing and Necessaries" or "Statement of Personal Equipment", respectively, for all issues of clothing or personal equipment made to them, except where issues are made in exchange for articles withdrawn, i.e. on a one for one basis. Before the member signs for the articles, he will ensure that the blank squares on the appropriate line of the statement are ruled through.
4. Whenever an article which has been entered in a member's AAB 83 or AAF F204 is withdrawn from him, and no article is being issued in replacement, it is the duty of the unit QM to issue and the duty of the member to obtain a receipt on AAF F25A for the article handed over. Members are required to keep these receipts and to produce them when called upon to do so.
5. Members will take reasonable care to prevent loss, destruction or undue wear of personal and unit equipment and clothing on issue to them. Failure to take such care will be regarded as an offence. Disciplinary action will be taken in accordance with GRC A727/43 in all cases where loss, destruction or unfair wear of an article appears to be due to culpable neglect on the part of the member.


 Lt
 (E. D. H. DAVEY)
 A/Adjt 28 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)

NIGHT DISCIPLINE

28 AUST INF BN (AIF)TRAINING DRIPSTONE CAVES AREA 10 - 20 OCT 44Ref Map DARWIN 1 : 63360

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1. OBJECT

To maintain the physical fitness and fighting efficiency of the Bn.

2. TPS TAKING PART

Bn HQ, HQ, B, D Coys (less rear guard)

3. SUB-DIVISION OF COYS

Tps taking part will be divided into the following groups:-

Bn HQ	1 Group	designation R1
HQ Coy	5 Groups	do. H1 - H5
B Coy	3 "	do B1 - E3
D Coy	3 "	D1 - D3

4. SEQUENCE OF TRAINING

The programme for the training is set out in Appendix A. Training will be carried out on the bull ring principle. List of stands and instructors, see Appendix B.

5. GENERAL TRAINING

Bearing in mind the object of this instruction, Coy Comds will give consideration to the following :-

- (a) PT & UC
- (b) Swimming, beach training, organised Beach games, life saving.
- (c) Weapon training
- (d) Panel Code Signals
- (e) Aerial Photography
- (f) Specialist training.

6. WORKING PARTY RELIEFS

B & D Coys will be relieved at ^{Larrakeyah} by A & C Coys, Wed 11 Oct 44.

7. TRANSPORTATION

Coys will move by MT to beach location as follows:-

- (a) From Camp area - Bn HQ, HQ Coy, D Coy (less working parties)
Tue 10 Oct 44
- (b) From Larrakeyah area B & D Coys (less party attached Camp Area)
Wed 11 Oct 44.

8. ALLOCATION OF TRANSPORT

The following transport will be arranged by Lt DAVEY

- (a) Bn HQ from AASC 4 x 3 tonners, 1 x 15 cwt.
HQ Coy " " 15 x 3 tonners, 1 x 15 cwt. Hq Kitchen truck
to proceed 12/50 Bn independently and collect Wiles Cooker after
0900 hrs.
D Coy less working party 3 x 3 tonners
Dental Section 1 x 3 "
- Above transport will report to respective Coy Areas at 0815 hrs
10 Oct 44.
- (b) A Coy 6 x 3 tonners, 1 x 15 cwt
C Coy 6 x 3 " 1 x 15 cwt
Above transport will report to respective Coy Areas at 0715 hrs
11 Oct 44.

9. MOVEMENT

As per attached movement table.

10. ADVANCE PARTY AND COMPOSITION

The following will move as an adv party on Mon 9 Oct 44 at 0900 hrs:-

OC	Maj ARMSTRONG
	Batman
HQ Coy	4 guides
Rifle Coys 2	" per Coy

11. REAR CAMP PARTY

The following will remain in Camp as a rear party:-

CO	Lt STOREY and Batman	2
<u>Bn HQ</u>	1 Clerk, 1 R&P, 1 Intell Sec, 1 Mosquito Squad	4
<u>HQ Coy</u>	7 Sigs, 1 Offrs Mess, 1 Cook 2 Hygiene, 4 Q Staff, 1 Asst Cook 6 Coy piquet, 3 drivers, 1 DR 3 Bootmakers	29
<u>Each Rifle Coy</u>	3 Coy piquets and Hygiene, 1 Boot- maker, 2 Guard duty personnel	24
	Total	<u>59</u>

12. WEAPONS

- (a) All weapons will be taken to new area less 6 Mortars
- (b) No weapons will be immersed in sea water.
- (c) Daily inspections will be carried out.

13. DRESS

- (a) Movement - Shorts, shirts, Hats felt, boots, puttees, equipment.
- (b) Training - Morning parades. Shorts, shirts, hats felt, boots puttees, equipment.
All afternoon parades. Shorts, bare feet (unless shirt required medically)
- (c) Evening - Long trousers, shirts, boots, gaiters.

14. ROUTINE

0615	Reveille
0630	Early morning run
6 ⁰⁰	Sick parade
0715	Breakfast
0820	Coy parade
0830	Groups at Stands
1230	Fd Training finishes
1245	Lunch
1350	Coy parade
1400	Beach training
1600	Beach Training finishes
1700	Sick parade
1800	Evening meal
1000	Lights out.

15. AMMUNITION

All training amm will be taken to new area.

16. WATER CONSERVATION

- (a) Owing to the limitations on the Manton Pipe line and the lack of water carrying vehicle, tps will conserve as much as possible.
- (b) Coys will ensure that necessary storage water drums are taken to area.

17. ANTI MALARIAL PRECAUTIONS

Bn standing orders will be strictly adhered to.

18. CANTEEN

Mobile Canteen will operate in area under direction from Bn 2 ic.

19. MAIL

Censored outward mail will be lodged at Bn HQ at 0930 hrs daily. Inward mail will be distributed to Coys.

20. SIGNS

Bn and Coy Signs will be erected.

21. SUPPLY PT

QM will arrange catering through DID DARWIN Area.

22. POL

QM will arrange drawing of POL DARWIN Area.

23. MAINTENANCE OF VEHICLES

Stric attention will be paid to maintenance. Cpl Leslie will arrange roster of vehicles to be grounded for maintenance.

24. BLANKETS

Two blankets per man will be taken.

25. SHOOTING

Indiscriminate shooting is prohibited anywhere in the vicinity of the area.

26. DANGER AREAS

Beach area NE of DRIPSTONE is an RAAF danger area. Troops are warned not to trespass.

27. CLEANLINESS

All troops will shave daily, Coy Comds will ensure that areas are kept maintained in a clean and tidy state.

2 ic and RMO will inspect Cookhouses and latrine sites daily.

28. MEDICAL

Daily body inspections will be carried out by Pl Comds.

29. INTER-COMMUNICATION

Lt Skidmore will arrange line communication, Bn HQ to Coys.

DISTRIBUTION

Bn HQ	3 Copies
Officers	1 Copy each
NCO Instructors	1 " "
Hq 13 Aust Inf Bde (AIF)	1 Copy

E. D. H. Davey Lt
(E. D. H. DAVEY)
Adjt 28 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)

Appendix A

STANDS		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
12	0830	H1	H2	H3	H4	H5	R1	B1	B2	B3	D1	D2	D3
	0930	D3	H1	H2	H3	H4	H5	R1	B1	B2	B3	D1	D2
	1030	D2	D3	H1	H2	H3	H4	H5	R1	B1	B2	B3	D1
	1130	D1	D2	D3	H1	H2	H3	H4	H5	R1	B1	B2	B3
13	0830	B3	D1	D2	D3	H1	H2	H3	H4	H5	R1	B1	B2
	0930	B2	B3	D1	D2	D3	H1	H2	H3	H4	H5	R1	B1
	1030	B1	B2	B3	D1	D2	D3	H1	H2	H3	H4	H5	R1
	1130	R1	B1	B2	B3	D1	D2	D3	H1	H2	H3	H4	H5
14	Bn. Coy to complete 3 1/2 miles route march at 3 1/2 miles per hour. Dress Trousers, Boots, Puttees, Stripped to waist. Afternoon - Organ. Sport.												
15	Voluntary Church Parade. Day of Rest.												
16	0830	H5	R1	B1	B2	B3	D1	D2	D3	H1	H2	H3	H4
	0930	H4	H5	R1	B1	B2	B3	D1	D2	D3	H1	H2	H3
	1030	H3	H4	H5	R1	B1	B2	B3	D1	D2	D3	H1	H2
	1130	H2	H3	H4	H5	R1	B1	B2	B3	D1	D2	D3	H1

STANDS		13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24
17	0830	H1	H2	H3	H4	H5	R1	B1	B2	B3	D1	D2	D3
	0930	D3	H1	H2	H3	H4	H5	R1	B1	B2	B3	D1	D2
	1030	D2	D3	H1	H2	H3	H4	H5	R1	B1	B2	B3	D1
	1130	D1	D2	D3	H1	H2	H3	H4	H5	R1	B1	B2	B3
18	0830	B3	D1	D2	D3	H1	H2	H3	H4	H5	R1	B1	B2
	0930	B2	B3	D1	D2	D3	H1	H2	H3	H4	H5	R1	B1
	1030	B1	B2	B3	D1	D2	D3	H1	H2	H3	H4	H5	R1
	1130	R1	B1	B2	B3	D1	D2	D3	H1	H2	H3	H4	H5
19	0830	H5	R1	B1	B2	B3	D1	D2	D3	H1	H2	H3	H4
	0930	H4	H5	R1	B1	B2	B3	D1	D2	D3	H1	H2	H3
	1030	H3	H4	H5	R1	B1	B2	B3	D1	D2	D3	H1	H2
	1130	H2	H3	H4	H5	R1	B1	B2	B3	D1	D2	D3	H1
20	Bn to move back to Camp Area.												

AFTERNOON SYLLABUS. Ea. afternoon (Sundays excluded) Coys will arrange with their own instructors the following :-

1400 - 1500	Unarmed Combat, organized P.T.	References.	ATM No 28	Pages	58 - 64
	"	"	29	"	25 - 30
	"	"	32	"	25 - 30
	"	"	33	"	33 - 38
	"	"	34	"	19 - 22

1500 - 1600 Swimming Practice, TENTS. Swimming in equipment, organized sport. Basket Ball. Rope Games. Relay Teams. Life Saving Competition. Base Ball. Tableid Sports etc. Land Rowing Drill MTP No 15 Pages 34 - 37.

THURSDAY 17 & WED 18 AFTERNOONS. MMG & Mortar demonstration firing out to sea. Explanation of beaten zones. Continuity of fire, siting of guns etc. Mortars bracketing creeping target shoot. Drums to be placed out to sea. Time of start 1400 hrs.

STAND NO	DESCRIPTION	INSTRUCTORS
1	Unarmed Combat. Organised PT	WO11 BURKHARDT Sjt ORRELL Sjt LANE
2	Projector Inf Tank Attack PITA	Sjt MICKLE
3	Using M1 Rifle as AA defence with 36 Grenade from hip	WO11 PALIN
4	Panel Code System Hydrogen Balloon Vern. Pistols, Smoke Candles	Lt SKIDMORE Sjt NEWMAN 2 Sigs
5	Aerial Photograph	Lt WEST L/Sjt HILLARD
6	Bren Stoppages, live ammunition	WO11 BROWN Sjt BOWE
7	Hip Firing, Rifle	Lt DODDYMEADE
8	Tree climbing, use of saplings, spikes, Colombo Coon method & practice. Hauling up Rope etc.	Lt NICHOLAS
9	Sniper, booby trap and Sniper course	Capt BUTLER
10	Demolitions; Incendiary Bombs, blasting trees Bunker defence demolition	Sjt BRADLEY Cpl SMITH
11	Tactical Lecture & Blackboard	Cpts GORN, MATTHEWS, SELSMARK
12	Bren Hip Firing	WO11 NUTT
13	Bren weapon training	Sjt RYAN
14	Map Reading. Practical testing & Lecture	Lt MEATON
15	Compass. Practical testing. Instructor to obtain as many compasses as possible from Coys	Cpl WILSON
16	Recapitulation Beach signs. Amphibious Training	Capt DOUGLAS
17	Indication and Recognition of targets	Lt HANNELL
18	PT, unarmed combat, organised games	WO11 BURKHARDT, Sjt ORRELL Sjt LANE
19	Blackboard and sand table, Lecture Simple tactics applicable to Jungle	Cpts GORN, MATTHEWS, SELSMARK
20	Range practice, 100 yds 7 application, 10 rapid and 5 snap	Lt REG
21	Handling of PW, lecture and demonstration	Sjt HILLARD
22	Aerial Photographs, Lecture and interpretations	Lt WEST
23	2" Mortar	WO11 DUFF
24	3" Mortar	Sjt COLREAVEY

TRAINING SYLLABUS FOR WEEK ENDING 14 OCT 44 - 28 AUG 44 INF BN (AIF)

DAY	HQ COY	A COY	B COY	C COY	D COY
MON	2 hr smartening Rifle exercises 3 hrs Specialist Trg. 1 hr new Bayonet Assault Course. 1 hr Map Reading. 1 hr Coy Adm prior to move to include Emu stalk through area	Duty Coy 1 hr Emu stalk through Coy area. 3 hrs Rear Guard exercise. 1 hr Map reading	NT FORCE DUTIES	Open Range, Rifle and Bren, Hip Firing	NT FORCE DUTIES
TUE	Coy move to DRIPSTONE CAVE area as per separate instructions	Open Range, Rifle and Bren $\frac{1}{2}$ hr organised PT	NT FORCE DUTIES	$\frac{1}{2}$ hr smartening exercise 1 hr Emu stalk through whole area. 3 hrs Rear Gd exercise. 1 hr Coy adm prior to move.	NT FORCE DUTIES
WED	1 hr org PT, unarmed Combat 2 hr wpn trg. 2 hrs Sig procedure and Specialist Trg 1 hr organised sport	Coy move to LARRAKIA, relieve working parties B Coy, Dental Group to move with party	Coy relieved by A Coy Coy to move to DRIPSTONE CAVE AREA ref DARWIN Sheet 1 : 63360 843197	Coy to move to LARRAKIA relieve working parties D Coy	Coy relieved by C Coy Coy move to DRIPSTONE CAVE AREA ref DARWIN Sheet 1 : 63360 843197
THU	See separate Syllabus Bull Ring	NT FORCE DUTIES	See separate syllabus Bull ring	NT FORCE DUTIES	See separate syllabus Bull Ring
FRI	See separate Syllabus Bull Ring	NT FORCE DUTIES	See separate Syllabus Bull Ring	NT FORCE DUTIES	See separate syllabus Bull Ring
SAT	See Separate Syllabus Bull Ring	NT FORCE DUTIES	See separate Syllabus Bull Ring	NT FORCE DUTIES	See separate syllabus Bull Ring

28 AUSTRALIAN INF BN (AIF)

MOVEMENT AND RELIEF ORDER

Ref Map DARWIN 1, 63360.

1. INFORMATION

Own Troops -- 16 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) are taking over DRIPSTONE CAVES Area from 28 Aust Inf Bn (AIF).

2. INTENTION

28 Aust Inf Bn less HQ Coy will move back to 50 mile Camp Area.

3. WORKING PARTY RELIEFS

HQ Coy less 1 Pl will relieve A and C Coys at LARRAKEYAH.

4. TRANSPORTATION

AASC vehicles :-

Date	Coy	From Area	Destination	Approx time trucks arrive for loading	No of Vehs
Oct 19	1 Pl	Dripstone	Camp Area	1040 hrs	2
	Bn HQ	"	" "	1040 hrs	2
20	HQ & 17 Pl	"	Larrakeyah	1100 hrs	14
	A	Larrakeyah	Camp Area	1230 hrs	7
	C	"	" "	1230 hrs	7
	B	Dripstone	" "	1115 hrs	7
	D	"	" "	1130 hrs	5
	Bn HQ	"	" "	1135 hrs	1
	Q Store	"	" "	1140 hrs	3

5. ALLOCATION UNIT TPT

Bn 2 io	--	1 Utility	H
Bn HQ	--	1 "	QT2
B Coy	--	1 "	C1
D Coy	--	1 "	QR3
RMO	--	1 Jeep	
TC	--	1 "	
Adj't	--	1 "	

6. MOVEMENT

As per attached schedule.

7. ADVANCE PARTIES AND COMPOSITION

Advance Party from HQ Coy will move to LARRAKEYAH Area 19 Oct 44. Composition, 1 Officer 4 ORs.

8. WEAPONS

- (a) all weapons will be taken to respective Coy Areas.
- (b) daily inspections will be carried out

9. DRESS

- (a) Movement Shorts, shirts, hats felt, boots, puttees and equipment.
- (b) Evening Long trousers, shirts, boots and gaiters.

10. AMMUNITION

All ammunition will be taken to Camp area.

11. CANTEEN

(a) Mobile canteen will close DRIPSTONE CAVES Area 2000 hrs 19 Oct 44

12. PAY

(a) Bn 2 i/c will arrange pay for HQ Coy through Darwin Pay Office on 19 Oct 44.

(b) Remainder of Bn will be paid in 50 mile Camp Area. Bn 2 i/c to arrange pay through 12 Div Cash Office on Saturday 21 Oct 44.

13. DRUMS

Surplus water Drums to be dumped at Sig Office before 0800 hrs 20 Oct 44.

14. MEDICAL

Daily body inspections will be carried out by Pl Comds, for information HQ Coy.

15. LATRINES

Existing drum type latrine will be left in area for 16 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)

16. CANVAS

Existing canvas will be handed over to 16 Aust Inf Bn (AIF).

17. MEALS - 20 Oct 44

Under Coy arrangements, Out Lunches.

18. CLEANLINESS OF VACATED AREA.

Coy Comds will ensure that areas are left in a clean state. Emu stalk o personnel will be arranged.

19. STORE REPORTS

Store reports will be required at Camp HQ by 22 Oct 44.

20. INTERCOMMUNICATION

Coy line communication will cease at 0900 hrs 20 Oct 44. Sig Officer will arrange rolling of wire.

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MOVEMENT TABLE

Serial	Unit	CO serial	Vehs	From	To	Start Pt	Time past SP	Route	Speed	Density	Dispersal Pt	Veh markings
<u>Thursday</u>												
1	1 Pl & Bn HQ	Lt Skidmore	4	Dripstone	Camp	845197	1130	Route A	15 gravel 20 Fitumen	17	Camp Area	1, 2, 3, 4,
<u>Friday</u>												
2	HQ Coy	Capt Gorn	7	Dripstone	Larrakeyah	845197	1145	Route B	Do.	"	Larrakeyah	H1, - H7
3	HQ Coy & 17 Pl	Lt George	7	"	"	"	1150	"	"	"	"	H8 - H14
4	B Coy	Capt Mathews	8	"	Camp Area	"	1200	Route A	"	"	Camp Area	B1 - F7, Q1
5	D	Capt Selmark	6	"	"	"	1205	"	"	"	"	D1 - D5, QR3
6	A	Capt Loder	7	Larrakeyah	"	Barracks	1330	Route C	"	"	Dripstone	H1 - H7
7	C	Lt Michell	7	"	"	"	1335	"	"	"	"	H8 - H14
8	Bn HQ	PSM McIver	5	Dripstone	"	845197	1300	Route A	"	"	Camp Area	R1, Q2, 3 Jeeps
9	Q Store	Capt Osborne	5	"	"	"	1300	"	"	"	"	Q1 - Q3

Car DS and H independent running.

Route A Road, Dripstone, McMillans, Berrimah, Stuart Highway to Camp Area 50 mile peg.
 Route B Roads, Dripstone, McMillans, Bagot, Stuart Highway, Mitchell St to Larrakeyah Barracks.
 Route C Mitchell St, Stuart Highway, Camp area.

NOTE :- If AASC transport does not arrive on time Coys to advise Bn HQ when altered time past SP will be given.

Ref Maps MARRAKAI 1.63360

Secret
Copy No. 72
DATE28 AUST INF BN. (AIF)Instructions for Air Co-operation Exercise.

1.

OBJECT.

(A) To assist in Training A/C pilots in

- I. Methods of Tac/R.
- II. Ground observation
- III. Appearance of a coy tactically deployed
- IV. Contact recco
- V. Message dropping
- VI. Communication by panel code system
- VII. Supply Dropping.

(B) To assist training Army personnel in

- I. Use of ground recognition signal
- II. Ground Air communication
- III. Keeping direction by means of aircraft acting as guides
- IV. Supply dropping.

2. TROOPS TAKING PART

- A. A., B., C., D., coys in rotation.
- B. Enemy will be represented by a rifle coy in the following order D., A., B., C., coys.
- C. Each of the Coys will carry out the exercise in turn according to the following schedule

Tue	31 Oct	A Coy
Wed	1 Nov	B Coy
Thu	2 Nov	C Coy
Fri	3 Nov	D Coy

3. SEQUENCE OF EVENTS.

The programme for the exercise is set out in the appx attached hereto. It is noted that the first and second phases of the exercise are in the form of demonstrations whereas phase three (serials 29/38) is tactical.

4. LESSONS TO BE TAUGHT.A. Method of Tac/R.

In carrying out Tac/R it is essential that ground troops assist pilot by disclosing their positions. This is especially important where country is hilly and heavily wooded. Unless pilot is aware of position of our troops he must assume that he is flying over enemy territory and not fly lower than necessary in order to gain information.

B. Contact Recco. To make contact recco possible our troops must help the pilot. Troops must learn to recognise friendly aircraft and indicate their positions. By so doing they enable the pilot to assist them more effectively by directing them to their positions or by informing them of enemy positions, and movements.

C. Message Dropping. Pilots must exercise great care when dropping messages to avoid disclosing to the enemy the position of our H.Qs. Message dropping enables pilot to give information which must be kept secret.

D. Ground/Air Comms. Use of wireless is of utmost assistance but as messages have to be passed in clear care must be taken in regard to the text of these messages. As enemy can obtain frequency without difficulty it is necessary to arrange alternative frequencies to frustrate the enemy interference.

E. Ground Recognition signals. Ground strips can be used to indicate position of H.Qs and forward tps but where country is thick their uses are limited. Furthermore the use of very lights by our planes when calling for recognition is hazardous as very often enemy planes once they have been

advised of the colour of the day will use the same signals. This fact emphasises the need for our troops to be able to recognise our plans quickly and disclose their positions. It is realised that tps in close contact will be reluctant to do this.

5.

6. GENERAL.

In Sig Cofr will arrange ground/air comms for each exercise and provide ground indicators. For demonstrating he will set up amplifying apparatus.

Each C.C. will direct his own exercise in accordance with this instruction. Preliminary talk and explanation will be arranged by Dn. H.Q.

7. DRESS Ground troops. Battle order steel helmets.

8. MEALS. Coys participating eat lunches.

9. AIRCRAFT IDENTIFICATION ON TROOPS. 4 x 2 crossed on helmets
Display of towels on back of personnel

10. AIR FORCE WIRELESS TENDER will arrive in camp area at 0830 each day under comd F/L HUNTER I.G. (blue)

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WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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Unit 28 AUST INF BN (AIF).....

Date and Time.—From 1 Nov 44..... To 30 Nov 44.....

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
49½ MILE CAMP	1		Air co-operation exercise as mentioned in Oct Diary is to be discontinued	
N. T. FORCE AREA			Fri 3 Nov. The exercise is proving most instructive with tps taking a great interest.	
	2		3 offrs 81 O/rs from B Coy, 4 offrs 92 O/rs C Coy, moved out as working party to PARAPARAP changing over with 1 offr 42 O/rs from D Coy and 5 offrs 130 O/rs HQ Coy who returned to 49½ mile camp at 1200 hrs.	
	3		Camp Duties and Air Trg Exercise.	
	4		Adm - Sports afternoon.	
	5		Church Parade - Day of Rest. 13 Bde Comd's Conference at Bde HQ of Unit CO and Adj. 4 Offrs 96 O/rs from D Coy moved out to DRIPSTONE CAVES for a period of 8 days. Whilst there, re-capitulation trg on all weapons will be carried out.	
	6		4 offrs, 102 O/rs A Coy, 1 offr 17 O/rs Tk/A moved out to join the working party at PARAPARAP	

WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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Unit..... Date and Time.—From..... To.....

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
	7, 8, 9		All rifle coys together with a large proportion of HQ Coy were away from the main camp during the week ended 10 Nov. Personnel remaining in camp were engaged in preparations for the forth coming move.	
	10, 11.			
			A, B, & C Coys comprising 12 Offrs 297 O/rs together with 1 offr 25 O/rs HQ Coy returned to Camp ex working party PARAPARAP.	
			D Coy returned from DRIPSTONE CAVES. Over the week end the Bn Band travelled to DARWIN to entertain tps in that area.	
	12		Church Parade - Day of Rest.	
	13, 14		During the week ended 18 Nov trg was restricted, due to preparatory duties incl dyeing of clothes. 2 offrs 75 O/rs HQ Coy moved out on the 15th to PARAPARAP as working party. 1 Offr 29 O/Rs also from HQ Coy moved out on the 16th on Bde duties.	
	15, 16			
	17, 18			
	19		Church Parade - Day of Rest.	
	20		Offrs & O /rs Pioneer Pl who are to embark with the 16 Bn moved to	

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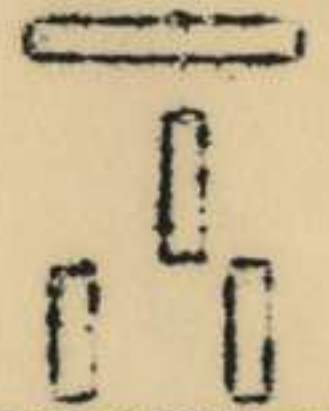
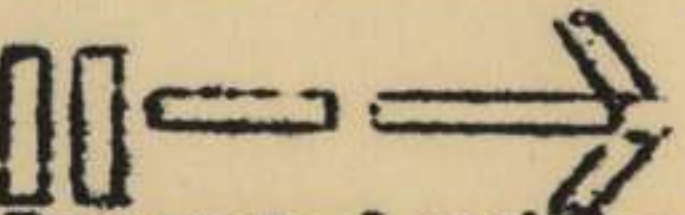
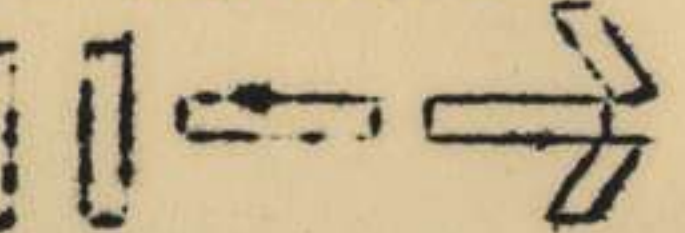
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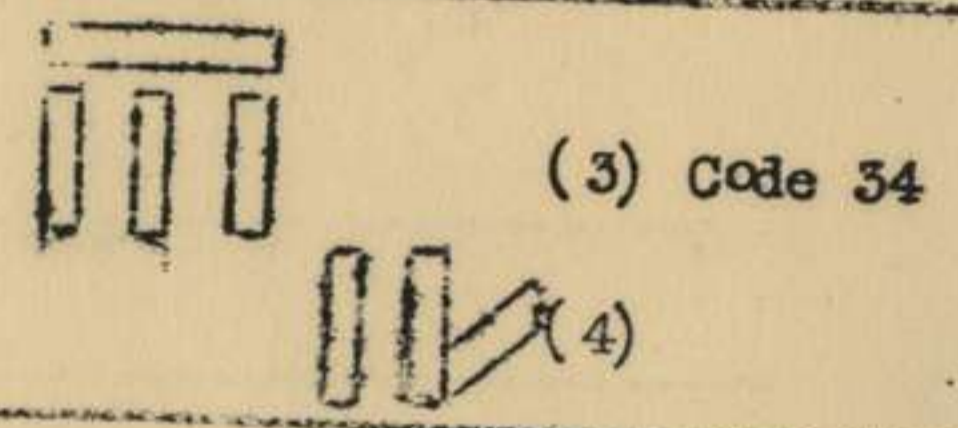
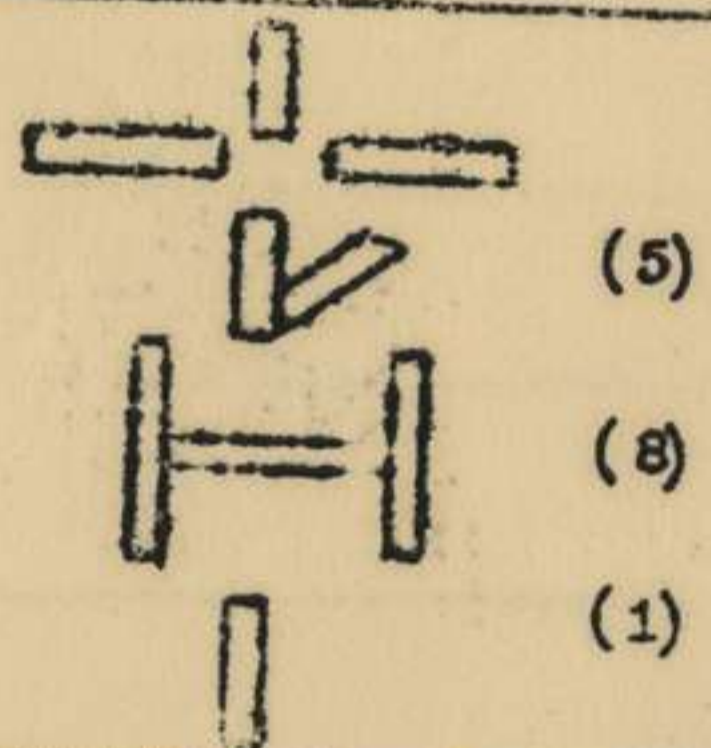
Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
			16 Bn area.	
	21, 22, 23		Trg is proving somewhat difficult now that the bulk of Bn stores have	
	24, 25.		been packed. However, it has provided the opportunity for certain	
			re-capitulation trg, special attention being paid to map reading.	
			HQ Coy moved to PARAPARAP on 23 Nov as working party and are to remain	
			there until embarkation.	
	26		Church Parade - Day of Rest.	
	27, 28		Trg under coy arrangements. Concentration again being made on map	
	29, 30		reading and compass traversing.	
			The prevailing spirit of the tps during recent weeks has been one of	
			impatience. Morale is high and tps generally are looking forward to	
			the move, but are anxious to get on with it. As a consequence it has	
			been difficult to keep them interested in the stop gap trg. In an	
			endeavour to overcome this, various innovations such as the air	

SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

APPENDIX A

Serial	Time	Ground Activity	Air Activity	Remarks
1	0900	Phase 1 : Two Coys assembled Range Area, vic 145523 (MARRAKAI Sheet) to watch demonstration		
2	0905	Object of Exercise and aspects of air co-op explained to tps by a B HQ Cofr		
3	0915	2" Mortar illum flare fired to attract attention of plane		Not necessarily used, but to assist speed in recognition of general area.
4	0917		One plane on Tac R arrives overhead and does 360° left turn requesting CP Identification	
5	0918	Ground indicator figures, eg, 581 will be displayed on ground to identify position of HQ and identify unit		<p>Display on ground Serial 5</p>  <p>Flash Index</p> <p>Figure 5</p> <p>" 8</p> <p>" 1</p>
6	0919		Plane ack by rocking wings.	
7	0921		Plane yaws R & L signifying, am going to drop message	

Serial	Time	Ground Activity	Air Activity	Remarks
8	0922	Display code 69. Drop message here		
9	0924		Plane rocks wings - Message understood. Plane drops message as follows :- Request direction and distance of enemy.	
10	0926	Ack message - Code 12 Message received		Display on ground, Serial 10  (1) (2)
11	0927	Display panel code. Special Sign A Direction of Enemy and distance		In this direction, Serial 11  Rearranged each bar represents 500 yds.
12	0928		Plane rocks wings ack message	
13	0929		Plane flies off to identify Enemy	
14	0935		Plane does sharp S turn indicating:- will support you, indicate target.	
15	0936	Ground display, same Serial 11		In this direction  Map reference could be given in lieu
16	0938		Plane flies off in direction and strafes target with live amm. Targets represented by 4 Canvas tents	

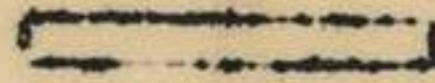
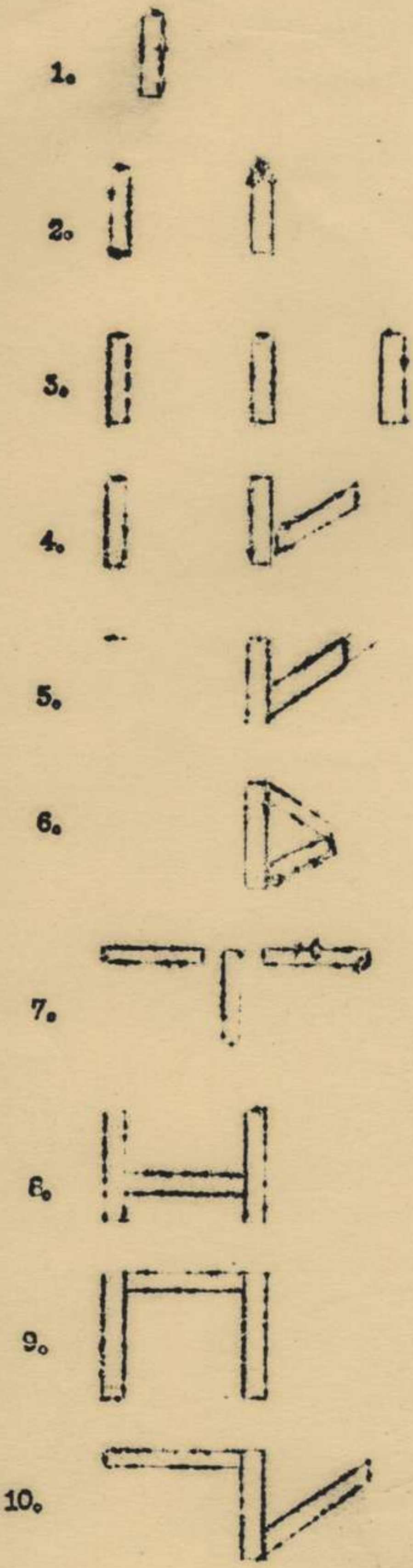
Serial	Time	Ground Activity	Air Activity	Remarks
17	0945		Mission completed - 360° right turn	
18	0947	Code 34, I have no further need of you.		
19	0956	Phase 11 : Explanation on loud speaker on supply dropping. Tactical situation - plane has been briefed to drop supplies to forward tps	<p><u>NOTE</u> : A surface as flat and as smooth as possible should be selected for this purpose, covering an area of 100 yds radius avoiding deep depressions, cuttings or river beds in vicinity. If such an area is not available the largest possible strip of ground in the direction of the prevailing wind should be selected having a breadth of 30 yds. If possible there should be no obstacle over 300 ft in length within a mile of the site. A danger area of 200 yds from the centre of the site should be observed.</p>	
20	1000		Second plane arrives - 360° left turn requesting CP identification.	
21	1001	Display unit identification panels 581		
22	1002		Plane rocks wings ack.	

Serial	Time	Ground Activity	Air Activity	Remarks
23	1004	<p>Appropriate panels displayed in centre of dropping site as follows :-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) OK to drop here. Code 9 (b) Direction of wind (c) Nature of supplies (in this case prearranged) <p>Attention of pilot may be directed to site by means of smoke candle.</p>		<p>Flash Index Code 9 direction of wind</p>
24	1006		Plane rocks wings ack.	
25	1008		Plane drops supplies	
26	1015	Tps collect supplies		
27	1018	2 Red very lights denoting - Dropping to be discontinued if temporary cessation of dropping 1 very light (red).		
28	1019		Plane does 360° right turn "Mission completed".	
29	1100	Phase 111 : Coy at ref 135528. Code already displayed on ground. (581)	Three planes arrive. Ground/air comm by RT identification.	
30	1105	OC Coy requests pilot to recon enemy positions previously indicated		
31	1110		Pilot acks and states he will fly over and search.	
32	1115	OC states he intends to continue adv along range track but would pilot guide to enemy.	Plane acks and flies off to do recon	
33	1116	OC issues orders to Coy. Orders state that enemy are in vicinity general area ref 115527. Exact position uncertain but plane will recon and indicate giving bearing and distance from advancing troops.		

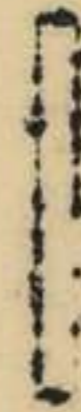
Serial	Time	Ground Activity	Air Activity	Remarks
54	1125		One plane locates enemy and simulates dive bombing and strafing attack. NO ACTUAL STRAFING	Demonstration only, otherwise surprise given away.
55	1130	Ask by RT ground troops. Display balloons above trees to identify position, and use 63 smoke grenades tied to string to go over trees and pull up.	Planes on Tac R appear and endeavour to locate our tps on Range Track approximate vic ref 135528. Plane locate our ground tps. Plane RT to ground tps giving alteration of advance and distance enemy from our tps. Plane at intervals guides our tps in direction of enemy and gives distance.	
56	1135	Coy commences advance		
57	1200	At approx 400 yds from enemy CC decides to destroy enemy and tells planes to strafe. 63 Grenades used to give line forward tps.		Plane should pick our tps by white crosses on helmets and balloons.
58	1205	Coy advances to enemy and destroy	Planes dive bomb and strafe enemy. No live ammunition. Real tps acting as enemy	

FIGURE - LETTER - CODE SYMBOLS - SPECIAL SIGNS

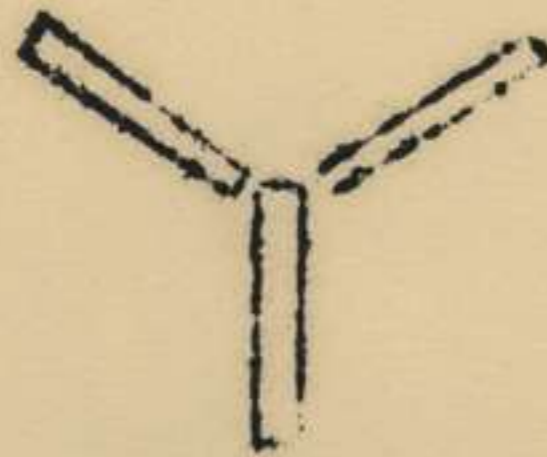
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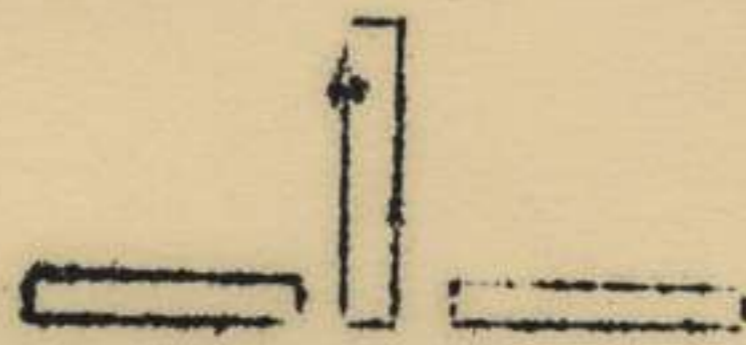
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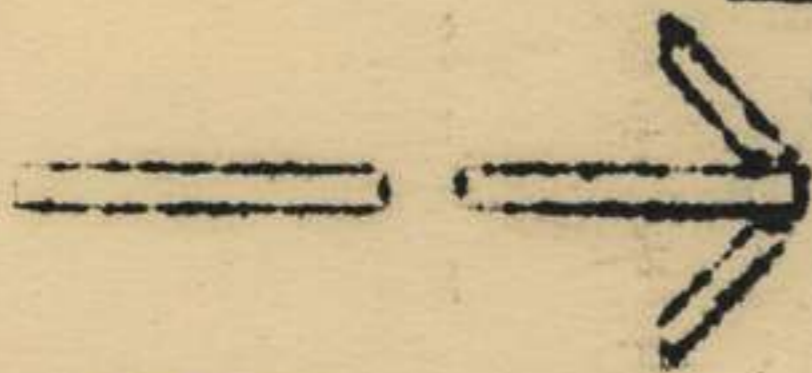


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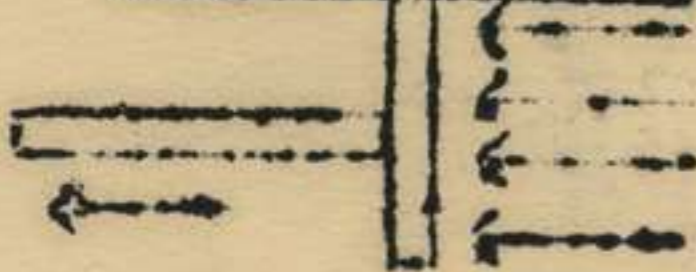


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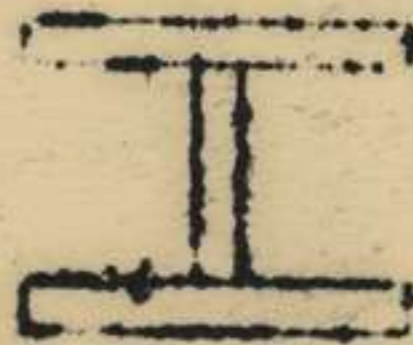
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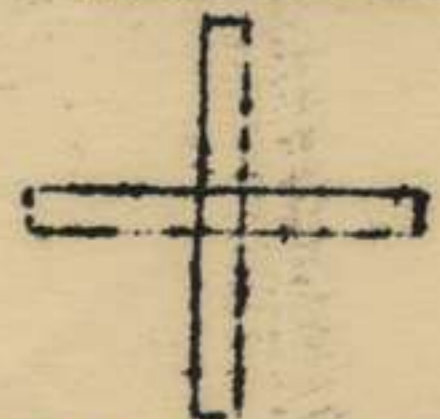
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ROUTINE ORDER Pt 1 No 71

Lt-col J.G. BRENNAN

by

COMD 28 AUST INF BN (AIF)
7 Nov 44

1. REGIMENTAL TRUST FUND ACCOUNTS

JUN 44

1 To Balance b/f 338 8 2

PAYMENTS

Jun 7	Amenities Service - Sporting Goods	20	8	6
10	By " " " "	13	19	6
12	" " " "	45	1	-
14	" " " "	7	-	6
19	" W. J. Lucas Ltd - Radio Parts	5	10	8
	" Walshes Ltd - Puggarees	35	-	-
	" Sjt Whitehouse - Music, Insurance, etc	4	4	-
	" Sporting Goods	12	2	-
30	" Balance	195	2	-
		<u>£338</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>2</u>

JUL 44

Jul 1 To Balance 1/2 195 2 -

RECEIPTS

3	To Canteen Profit - Apr 44	45	3	8
	" Pl Comds Note Books		7	6
	" Regt Canteen Profits	40	-	-
11	" Refund on overcharge on A/c £12 2 -		15	-
26	" Pl Comds Note Books		2	6
29	" " " "		5	-
	" Canteen Profits - May 44	52	16	5
		<u>£334</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>1</u>

PAYMENTS

Jul 3	By Special Amenities Fund - Sport Gear	12	6	6
	" " " " " "	3	10	-
10	" T. S. Nettelfold & Sons - Tilley Lamps	105	11	-
17	" Harris Sxxtin Ltd -	16	18	11
29	" T. S. Nettelfold & Sons	22	13	-
	" Special Amenities Fund - Sport Gear	10	2	-
	" Gordon & Gotch - Periodicals	15	-	-
31	" Balance	148	10	8
		<u>£334</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>1</u>

AUG 44

Aug 1	To	Balance b/f	148	10	8
		<u>RECEIPTS</u>			
3	"	Sale of Calceina	6	5	3
15	"	Distribution 38 Bn Regt Fund	127	-	-
28	"	" " " " " "	12	-	-
	"	" " 10/48 Bn Regt Fund	13	17	-
	"	Sale of Shorts	20	10	-
			<u>£328</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>11</u>

PAYMENTS

Aug 16	By	Lt Andrew - Tilley Lamp	3	18	-
	"	Special Amenities Fund - Footballs	4	7	6
29	"	" " " " - Sports Wear	10	8	-
31	"	Balance	309	9	5
			<u>£328</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>11</u>

SEP 44

Sep 1	To	Balance b/f	309	9	5
	"	Canteen Profits Jul 44	48	18	8
	"	Trans from Bde HQ	6	10	-
			<u>£364</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>1</u>

PAYMENT

Sep 15	By	Est Canteen in new Area	100	-	-
	"	Special Amenities Fund - Sport Gear	1	15	-
	"	Spare parts Tilley Lamps	25	11	-
	"	200 Pylons	35	-	-
29	"	Tilley Lamps and spare parts	36	11	3
30	"	Balance	176	-	10
			<u>£364</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>1</u>

2. BN SPORTS TEAM

Padry G. Crumby has submitted the following list of prize winners in Bn Soccer Team and Canteen orders for 7/8 have been distributed :-

Best and Fairest Player	Pte Siflect	D Coy
Most consistent	Opl Parkhouse	Bn HQ
Most Improved	Pte Anderson	"
Highest goal scorer	L/Opl Harvey	HQ Coy

3. INJURIES CAUSED BY ACCIDENTS WITH EXPLOSIVES AND LIVE AMMUNITION

1. Members of the public have been killed or seriously injured recently as the result of handling explosives and live ammunition which either -
 (a) have been taken or sent home by members of the forces as souvenirs; or
 (b) have been negligently left in places to which the public has access.

2. To prevent a recurrence of such accidents, the following instructions will be observed strictly.

3. (a) Unless acting in the course of his military duties or unless so authorised by or under the National Security (Firearms and Explosives) Regulations,

a member of the AMF will not have in his possession or deliver or transmit or attempt to deliver or transmit to any other person any bomb, shell or other explosive or live ammunition of any kind.

(b) All Corps will take vigorous action to ensure that members comply with the terms of this paragraph.

4. (a) When any member serving outside Australia and Tasmania is to return to Australia or Tasmania, his kit and baggage will be inspected thoroughly, prior to his embarkation or emplaning, to ensure that he is not in possession of any explosives or live ammunition of any kind other than such as may be necessary in the course of his military duties.

(b) His kit will again be inspected thoroughly at any LTD from which he is to be released on leave, prior to his being so released.

5. (a) Corps will ensure that all prescribed safety precautions for the handling and storing of explosives and live ammunition are carefully observed.

(b) Explosives and live ammunition used for training purposes will be carefully safeguarded.

(c) Under no circumstances will explosives or live ammunition of any kind be left unguarded in any place to which members of the public have access.

(d) In areas where training with explosives and live ammunition is carried out, the utmost care will be exercised to ensure that all blinds are searched for and destroyed in accordance with the prescribed safety regulations.

6. If a member is charged with an offence against this order, a summary of evidence will be taken and an application submitted to superior authority for trial by court-martial.

4. REVISED METHODS OF CONDUCTING MILITARY INVESTIGATIONS

Attention of all Officers is drawn to GRC A348/44 before conducting any investigation.

5. CARE AND MAINTENANCE OF TENTAGE.

1. A world wide shortage of cotton duck has resulted in a serious shortage of tentage in Australia. It is essential, therefore, that the useful life of every tent be prolonged to the utmost.

2. A system of regular weekly maintenance will be instituted immediately in all formations (including L of C Areas) and close supervision will be exercised to ensure its efficiency.

3. Weekly maintenance of tentage will cover the following points :-

- (i) correct pitching (vide MGC Equipment Memoranda Nos 9 and 10);
- (ii) immediate repair of any tears in seams or canvas;
- (iii) immediate striking of all tent bodies and flys requiring repairs which cannot be effected while tents are erected and their immediate despatch to an RSD;
- (iv) correct adjustment of bracing lines and pegs;
- (v) freeing of outer surfaces from foliage and other foreign matter;
- (vi) internal contents not to be in contact with canvas at any place and no unauthorized attachments to be pinned to walls or ropes;
- (vii) flys, well clear of tent bodies;
- (viii) drainage adequate;
- (ix) in tropical areas, poles of all accommodation tents to be raised to clear walls from ground. Improvised frames or saplings etc will be used wherever possible;
- (x) tentage held in store to be in well ventilated stacks and turned over fortnightly.

4. General points in the care and maintenance of tents include :-

- (i) Insistence on doorways being laced before pitching (whether raised or not) to ensure correct roof angle;

- (ii) instruction and supervision in the slackening of lines in wet weather and in the tightening of lines in dry weather;
- (iii) thorough drying of bodies, flies and cordage before folding for either storage or movement;
- (iv) camouflage paints and emulsions etc not to be applied except for operational purposes, and then as directed in GRC 0671/43.

6. TRAINING CONTROL AT AIR STRIPS

Drop arms have now been installed by RAAF at points approximately 400 yards outside both ends of air strips adjoining Stuart Highway. When used at night drop arms are equipped with a red light.

The drop arms will be operated by RAAF personnel whose instructions to traffic will be implicitly carried out.

7. REGIMENTAL CANTEN ACCOUNTS

Regimental Canteen accounts for month ending 31 Oct 44 attached.

E. D. H. Davey Lt
(E. D. H. DAVEY)
A/Adjt 28 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)

28 AUSTRALIAN BATTALION (AIF) REGIMENTAL CANTEN

Period 1 Oct '44.

TRADING TRANSACTIONS.

To 31 Oct. '44.

DEBIT.

CREDIT

1. Stock at beginning of period.	305 - 1 - 0	5. Sales for period as per Sales Book.	1506 - 1 - 5
2. Purchases for period as per Stock Purchase Journal.	1411 - 3 - 0	5A. Transfers of Stock.	6 - 17 - 5
3. Sundry Expenses as per Cash Book. Donations to Coy Funds.	22 - 10 - 0	6. Stock on hand at end of period as per Stock Book.	266 - 1 - 1
3A. Persil to Coys.	3 - 11 - 8		
Beer Packages.	19 - 3		
Canteen orders - sport.	1 - 17 - 6		
Water Bags - Guard & Bn HQ.	<u>9 - 0</u>		
Net Profit to Fund.	<u>33 - 8 - 4</u>		
	<u>£1778 - 19 - 9</u>		<u>£1778 - 19 - 9</u>

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES AS AT 31 OCT '44.

7. <u>Creditors</u> Advances from Regtl Fund since 1 Jan '43.	482 - 5 - 0	9. Cash on Hand.	79 - 18 - 6
Less Refunds to Regtl Fund since 1 Jan '43.	<u>255 - 11 - 3</u>	10. Balance as per Trust Book A/c No.	140 - 3 - 6
	26 - 13 - 9	11. Stock at end of period as per Stock Book.	266 - 1 - 1
8. Excess of Assets over Liabilities.		11A. Stock paid for but not delivered	-
Balance c/fwd from 1 Oct '44.	426 - 1 - 0	12. Plant, fixtures and fittings as per Journal.	-
Plus profit for period Oct '44.	<u>33 - 8 - 4</u>		
	<u>459 - 9 - 4</u>		
	<u>£486 - 3 - 1</u>		<u>£486 - 3 - 1</u>

We certify that we have examined the Cash Book, the Trust Book and vouchers relating to Regimental Canteen Accounts and that in our opinion this statement correctly sets out the position of the funds as per the Accounts produced and explanations given.

Auditor J. P. McIvor Lt.
(J. P. McIvor.)
" R. A. Newton Lt.
(R. A. Newton)

28 AUGUST 1944 (AIF) - TRAINING PROGRAMME ENDING 14 NOV 1944.

I Sec

DAY	HQ COY	A COY	B & C COYS.	D COY.
MON 6	<u>Sigs.</u> 1 day route march. 1 day W/T. 1 day R/T. 1 day Contour exercise with 1 day Specialist trg. I Sec 2 hrs. Night patrol exercise.	5 hrs. Route march across country.	<u>Area PARIP.</u> Duties. General working parties attached N.T. Forest.	Move at 0715 hrs Sunday 5 Nov. <u>Area BRISBANE GAVE</u> area Nov 5 - 12. 4 weapon training capitulation of all weapons. 2 P.T., unarmed combat, organized beach sport.
TUE 7	<u>MMGs</u> 1 day route march. 1 day map reading with I sec. 1 day range MMG, rifle & gde. 2 days specialist trg. 2 hrs. night patrol exercise.	6 hrs. map reading with I Sec personnel in syndicates. Morse code under sig. personnel. ½ PT & shower. 2 night exercise. (2 hrs)		4 fd sketching with coy officers NCO's, and Int personnel. 2 P.T., unarmed combat, organized sport - beach. 2 hrs. night exercise.
WED 8	<u>Mortars</u> 1 day route march. 1 day map reading with I sec. 1 day mortar shoot. 1 day range rifle bren gde. 1 day specialist trg defence exercise. 2 hrs. night patrol exercise.	6 hrs. track traverse carried out in syndicates under guidance of Int. Sec.		4 route march stripped to waist. 2 PT unarmed combat, beach organized sport.
THU 9	<u>Para.</u> 1 day route march. 1 day map reading with I Sec 1 day rifle, bren & gde (range) 2 days specialist trg. 2 hrs. night patrol exercise	6 hrs Bull ring. Navigation course. New bayonet assault course. Obstacle Course with explosives. Weap trg. ½ PT & shower.		4 sand models contours & map reading. 2 PT, unarmed combat, organized beach sport.
FRI 10	<u>S & Tpt.</u> 1 day route march. 1 day map reading with I sec. 1 day range rifle bren & gde. 2 days specialist training. 2 hrs night patrol exercise	6 hrs Fd sketching with Int Sec. Coy to be divided into syndicates.		6 tactical patrol exercise separate instructions.
SAT 11	Organized sport against A Coy. competition & stone check	Organized sport against HQ Coy. & stone check.		Organized sports carnival. Swimming, running, obstacle races, basket ball etc.

ARTY CADRE, The following officers will attend arty cadre at 11. Bn area from Fri 3 Nov to 10 Nov. Separate syllabus to be issued from Bn H.Q.
Capt. DOUGLAS, Capt. BUTLER, Lt. WHITFIELD.

BODY INSPECTIONS, From now onwards, daily body inspections will be carried out daily Pl Comds. RMC will inspect ea. coy. once per week.

BN GD, Bn guard will not be mounted but HQ Coy will mount ea night picket - 2 posts - (9 storem ammunition) 1 NCO & 6 ORs picket, 1 Bn runner.
HQ COY SMARTENING Ea morning OC HQ Coy will include in syllabus ½ hr smartening squad drill smartening, rifle exercises, marching etc.

HQ NIGHT PATROL EXERCISE, O C, HQ Coy will submit to Bn HQ, a night patrol exercise to be organized in conjunction with A Coy. Night to be mutually
BAND, 1 days route march, 3 mornings band practice. 1 day rifle range, rifle, bren & gde. 2 afternoons with I Sec map reading. arranged. y
One afternoon with RMC 1st. Aid or strip films.

SECRET

28 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)

Dec 44

Copy No

28 AUST INF BN (AIF)

MOVEMENT ORDER FROM HQ

1. INTENTION

28 Aust Inf Bn (AIF), less Mortar Pl, Pioneer Pl and Advance Party will embark on USAT on night / Dec 44, at hrs.

2. MOVE FROM CAMP AREA

Move will be carried out by 135 Aust Gen Tpt Coy as under :-

Serial	Formation	Vehicles	Markings	Time reporting	Time past	Wharf
				Coy Areas	SP	

H.Q. Coy Vehs, will report to Parap Camp Independent running.

- Route : Stuart Highway
- Density :
- Speed :
- Start Time :
- Halts :
- Start Point :
- Disposal pt Wharf Area
- Guides : 2 ic will arrange Coy guides to lead in transport.

3. ACTION ON ARRIVAL WHARF AREA

On arrival of Serials Coy Comds will assemble Coys in embarkation roll order. Lt Davey will contact Coy Comds on arrival and give necessary instruction.

4. WHARF MARKINGS

All tps will slide Embarkation No into Puggarees so that it is visible to Embarkation Staff.

5. DRESS

- Hats, fur felt, Green shirts, Trousers JG, Anklets Web, full marching order (Helmets on packs).
- Packs 1 blanket per man will be rolled in horseshoe fashion over and round packs
- Weapons All weapons, less MMGs 2" & 3" Mortars will be carried on board. Rifles, Brens, or revolvers will carry a tag showing Serial No, Soldiers No, Rank, name. Tags to be tied as follows :-
 - Rifle attached to upper sling swivel
 - Brens Biped
 - Revolvers attached to trigger guard

6. EMERGENCY RATIONS

Each man will carry 1 days emergency ration in haversack. 12 oz. tin meat 2 pkts, biscuits

Ward 204

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(SIA) HQ 2nd Div A 88 -2-

7. Particular Checkings.

Coy. Comds will ensure that the following are checked & carried on the man :-

- Mosquito Repellent
- 24 days Atebrin Supply
- Water sterilizing outfit
- Field Dressing
- First Aid Outfit

8. MEALS

Coy's will arrange hot drink at

9. COY AREAS

Coy Comds will ensure that areas are left clean and tidy, and that no papers documents, etc left to give away security.

10. BAND

Instruments will be carried on board and band will be ready to play ship out when called for by Adj..

11. BAGGAGE

Offrs baggage will be dumped outside Adjutants hut by 1100 hrs/ 22 Dec. This will be transported to ships side where officers will collect after embarkation. officers baggage party : Lt Anderson.

12. UNIT STORES

Transportation arrangements under Bn 2 ic. Stores will be carried to Wharf Bond Store under separate instructions.

13. LOADING SUPERVISION PARTY

- CC Maj COLLESS
- Lt REGAN
- Sjt JAMES

14. CAMP LEADING PARTIES

D Coy will supply 1 Offr and 16 OR to load stores on trucks. This party will be at call of QM. Report QM 0715 hrs 22 Dec.

15. SHIPS EMBARKING PARTY

Immediately on Embarkation Coys will be guided to respective areas either by USAT Staff or Unit personnel.

- Liaison Officers Maj COLLESS, Lt DAVEY.

16. CAMP SECURITY GUARD

Personnel will arrive in area at 1600 hrs on 20 Dec. Camp impressed stores will be handed over by Bn 2 ic and QM.

17. FOSTERING

Arrangements have been made with 12 Aust Inf Bde (AIF) to foster unit out. Party will arrive in area at 0700 hrs on 21 Dec. Arrangements as follows for Camp personnel:-

(a) cooks

Report 3 to A, 4 to B, 3 to C

Each man will carry 1 days emergency ration in his pack. Report 3 to A, 4 to B, 3 to C

- (b) Drivers 11 Drivers will report to Cpl Leslie and vehicles will be handed over under supervision of Lt Anderson.
 - (c) General Duties 3 General duties to each Rifle Coy
8 " " to QM.
 - (d) Latrines 2 drum type latrines will function in each Coy area after 1800 hrs on 22 Dec 44. These will be burnt out by Fostering party.
 - (e) Responsibility Bn 2 ic will supervise and liaise with 12 Aust Inf Bde personnel. All information re burning out of latrines, locations and other duties will be handed to officer in charge Security Party.
 - (f) Salvage Under direction of Bn 2 ic all 44 gal drums and washing containers will be dumped in salvage area HQ Coy.
18. CANTEEN

Unit canteen will close at 0900 hrs on 21 Dec 44.

19. MAIL

Unit Postal Office will close at 0900 hrs on 22 Dec 44.

20. SIGNS

Coy's will ensure that unit signs are removed and destroyed. Bn area under responsibility of Adj. Bn 2 ic will check.

21. RAP

Unit RAP will close at 0900 hrs^{22 Dec}. Emergency cases direct with RMC.

22. INTERCOMMUNICATION

- (a) Bn HQ line communications close at 1630 hrs on 21 Dec 44.
- (b) Control Darwin line will be handed over as arranged by Sig Offr.

Signals at Wharf

3 long Inf whistle blasts - "Coy Comds report to CC".

23. PAD WHILST EMBARKING

Troops embarked will go below deck and await orders. Troops on wharf will disperse under direction of Coy Comds.

E. D. H. Davey Lt
(E. D. H. DAVEY)
A/Adj. 28 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)

28 AUSF INF BN (AIF) - TRAINING SYLLABUS FOR WEEK ENDING 16 DEC 44

DATE	A COY	B COY	C COY	D COY
MON 11	Range - Hip Firing Miniature Range Competition shooting Fire and movement	15 mile Route March to MANTON DAM and back. Stripped to waist, water bottle etc.	DUTY COY	5 days Cadre - Artillery ½ march each way. Assembly gravel pit 47¼ to 47½ Mile Peg 0900 hrs. Finish 1600 hrs.
TUE 12	Rest during the day. Night patrol exercise. Coy HQ set up with Intell Sec. Patrols to locate enemy and bring back exact position, area 2 square miles. Time 2000 hrs to 0100 hrs.	Range - Hip firing Miniature Range Competition Shooting Fire and movement	15 mile Route March MANTON DAM and back. Stripped to waist, water bottle etc. DUTY COY	CADRE
WED 13	Breakfast 0630. No PT. Black board lessons on night before. 2 hr Map Reading. Afternoon Sport. DUTY COY	Bunker defences. Construction of one bunker defence per Pl. At least 3 separate firing positions to be linked with crawl trench and covered with camouflage.	Range - Hip Firing Miniature Range Competition Shooting Fire and Movement	CADRE
THU 14	DUTY COY	Coy ambush exercise. Morning - Map Reading & Message Writing Afternoon - Ambush exercise in conjunction with C Coy.	Coy ambush exercise. Coy to prepare ambush	CADRE
FRI 15	15 mile Route March, MANTON DAM and back. Stripped to waist, water bottle etc. DUTY COY	Coy arrangements	Bunker defences. Construction of one bunker defence per Pl. At least 5 separate firing positions to be linked with crawl trench and covered with camouflage	CADRE - Firing of 25 pr Guns
SAT 16	STORE CHECK, PAY AND ORGANISED SPORTS DUTY COY			

DATE

Bn HQ

- MON - Stretcher bearing with IFA, First Aid, TsOET etc.
- TUE - Morning rest.
Afternoon with Sjt HILLARD, from 1900 - 0100 hrs training defence in co-operation with A Coy.
- WED - Banding
- THU - Morning - Banding
Afternoon - Ambush Exercise with A Coy.
- FRI - 15 mile Route March to MANTON DAM, and back. Dress, stripped to waist, waterbottles etc.

HQ COY

- MON - Half personnel 15 mile route march to MANTON DAM and back under Comd Capt OSBORNE.
- TUE - Remainder of personnel 15 mile Route March to MANTON DAM and back under comd Lt SKIDMORE.

March 1900 hrs.
 dit 4 1/2 to 4 1/4 mile Feb 0800 hrs.
 1/2 march each way. Assembly Street
 2 days Coys - 1/2 mile

SUPPLEMENTARY

WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

Army Form 2118
(adapted.)

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Unit 28 AUST INF BN (AIF) (ADV PARTY) Date and Time.—From 12 Sep 44 To 31 Dec 44

Place.	Date. 1944	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
49½ MILE CAMP	12 Sep	1515	Adv party of Bn moved from camp area to 18 Aust Pers Staging Camp	
N T CAMP AREA			HERRY SPRINGS preparatory to embarkation. Arrived 1740 hrs.	
			Accommodation and messing facilities were very poor, no tentage whatsoever being available. Throughout the period spent there all tps slept in the open and on the ground.	
	13/14 "		The days were passed in carrying out P T, swimming and organised sport.	
	15	0400	Tps embussed for trip to DARWIN.	
		0630	Embarkation aboard HMAT "KATOOMBA" completed.	
		0815	KATOOMBA sailed. Tps were in excellent spirits and the party was	
			farewelled by GOC 12 AUST DIV, Maj-Gen A. S. ALLEN and CMD 13 AUST INF	
			BDE (AIF) Brig E. G. H MCKENZIE. Weather was fine and conditions for the	
			trip were excellent. Tps settled down quickly to shipboard life and	
			the six days spent on board passed without incident. P T and weapon	
			inspection and atebri n pdes were held daily but apart from these pdes	
			tps were left very much to themselves. Conditions aboard ship were	
			very good and the food was good. The weather remained fine and calm.	

WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

Army Form C. 2118
(adapted.)

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Unit..... Date and Time.—From.....⁻²/_{To}.....

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
	20 Sep	1400	Berthed at TOWNSVILLE. Tps were to be disembarked for several days whilst the ship reloaded and watered. Disembarkation moved very slowly and was not under way until 1740 hrs. Party entrained for 19 Aust Pers Staging Camp JULAGO, arriving there in darkness. Facilities here were very good and despite the darkness etc tps were well cared for and settled in very quickly. During the next three days 21-23 Sep 50% of the party were permitted leave in TOWNSVILLE. Remainder carried out P T etc in camp	
	24 "	0030	Ship sailed on final stage of trip. Life continued as before until arrival in LAE. Interest was created when the ship sailed through the CHINA STRAITS and tps were afforded their first real view of the nature of the country.	
	28 "		After another uneventful trip, the ship sailed into LAE anchoring ab out noon. Trouble was experienced in disembarking tps and no satisfaction could be obtained from shore authorities.	
	29 "		At 1400 hrs tps disembarked having had no midday meal. Disembarkation	

WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

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Unit..... Date and Time.—From..... To.....

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
			was carried out in DUKWs and LCM and proceeded smoothly. Tps were taken to NG DETAILS but had to be shifted again before arriving in the area they were to occupy. 6 AUST INF BDE co-operated very well and their efforts aided the party very much. Then commenced a period of settling in and collecting stores for the main body. During this period LAE BASE SUB AREA called upon Adv Party for working parties in the area. Jobs were varied ranging from unloading ships to sorting material at FOD, RSD, and BSD. Much material was obtained from Salvage and RSD. Admitted to hospital during this period was OC Party Maj BURNETT.	
	Dec 1		The period in LAE came to a finish when bulk of adv party embarked on SS J STIRLING MORTON for ultimate destination. Remainder except Lt and Sjt GREEN followed on SS FRANCIS PARKMAN. This portion of the trip did not improve tps opinions of Liberty Ships as conditions were far from pleasant.	
	2		Party arrived JACQUINOT BAY, NEW BRITAIN and then commenced a period of very hard work in clearing camp sites for main body. The work was	

WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

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Unit..... Date and Time.—From..... To.....

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
			extremely arduous and the tps took it well. During the period OC	
			Bde received a letter of commendation from 5 AUST DIV for unloading	
			SS JANE ADAMS in the record time of 6 days.	
	21 Dec		SS FRANCIS PARKMAN commenced unloading Bde stores and the way in which	
			they have been handled has caused concern. Many packages have been	
			forced open and pending checking it would seem that much material	
			has been lost.	
		1820	RED warning. 1840 hrs. All Clear.	
	22		Clearing of area	
	23	2310	RED warning. 2320 hrs. All Clear.	
	24	2225	Red warning. 2230 hrs. All clear.	
			Day of rest. Appropriate Christmas Eve, Church Services were held.	
			Some Xmas Eve celebration took place on extra beer ration of two bottles	
			per man.	
	25		Christmas Day. Working under difficulties cook provided excellent	
		2025	midday meal. RED warning. 2030 hrs. All Clear.	

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Unit..... Date and Time.—From..... To.....

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
	26 Dec		Pioneer Pl arrived with 16 Bn at JACQUINOT BAY. Clearing of the area for occupation by main body on arrival continued.	
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	28		A rather severe earth tremor shook the area at 0030, and another at 1007.	
	29		Further preparation of unit area.	
	30		Unit arrived JACQUINOT BAY.	
			<i>Col. Brennan</i> _____ (J. G. BRENNAN) CMD 28 AUST INF BN (AIF)	Lt-Col

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Unit 28 AUST INF BN (AIF)

Date and Time.—From 1 Dec 44 To 31 Dec 44

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
49½ MILE CAMP	1		Duties and trg.	
N. T. CAMP AREA	2		Adm - Sports afternoon.	
	3		Church Parade - Day of Rest.	
	4, 5, 6		A feature of this week's syllabus which was much appreciated by all	
	7, 8, 9		ranks was a visit by detachments from the 1 FD REGT and A.A. REGT.	
			Arty and A.A. procedure was explained and demonstrations given in the use of	
			25 pr and Bofors.	
			During the week all ranks received a first cholera injection.	
			Inter-section competitions were carried out on the Bn rifle range,	
			stimulating interest and producing some very good shooting. The big	
			event of the week was in inter-section compass navigation competition	
			carried out in rotation by coys. Literally, this achieved great strides.	
			Five bottles of beer received by the first to locate a certain point	
			proved a great incentive and sections were quickly on their way like	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
			hounds following a scent. The record time for the distance was made	
			by a section from Bn HQ. Whether this was due to superior knowledge and	
			stamina or to a greater resemblance to the canine species is still being	
			debated.	
	10		Church Parade - Day of Rest.	
	11, 12, 13		Under arrangements made with the 1 FD REGT, D Coy underwent a week arty	
	14, 15, 16		trg culminating in a fd firing shoot. This change from normal trg aroused	
			considerable enthusiasm, that is, in D Coy, other coys were frankly	
			envious. A, B & C Coys concentrated on ambush and night patrol	
			exercises. A good deal of time was also devoted to sport, the favourite	
			sport being basketball, which was played with much vim despite the heat	
			and humid conditions.	
	17		Church Parade - Day of Rest.	
	18, 19 20, 21		These five days were mainly devoted to the final stages of clearing and	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
			packing up prior to the move. Security talks were given by a member	
			of the F S S as well as interest lectures by unit offrs.	
	23		Adm	
		2345	Unit embussed for DARWIN.	
	24	0230	Bn comprising 33 Offrs 677 O/Rs embarked on S. S. "SWARTENHONDI".	
AT SEA		0600	Ship sailed bound for JACQUINOT BAY, NEW BRITAIN.	
	25, 26		Conditions on board were extremely crowded and uncomfortable, but despite	
	27, 28		this, the spirit of the tps was very high. At last after many months of	
	29, 30		waiting the journey had really commenced. That was the main thing and	
			everyone was prepared to accept philosophically any discomforts, even	
			to the point of the shipboard routine of two meals a day. However,	
			A C F Christmas hampers which were distributed on board met with even	
			more than their customary welcome. Christmas services conducted on	
			board by Capt KROENERI were well attended.	

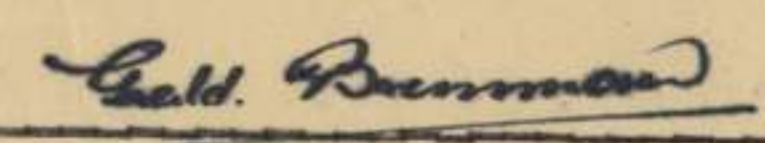
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			Every attempt was made to provide a suitable Christmas dinner and although it was not up to the standard of previous years it was nevertheless a creditable effort.	
			Discipline was excellent throughout. Although a submarine was reported in the vicinity, the journey passed without incident.	
JACQUINOT BAY	30	1230	Disembarked JACQUINOT BAY, everyone being favourably impressed with new location.	
NEW BRITAIN	31		Adm and settling in to new area.	
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				AS AT 31 DEC 44.
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