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2/1 Machine Gun Battalion
November - December 1942

WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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Army Form C.2118
(adapted.)

Unit 2/1 AUST M. G. Bn.

Date and Time.—From 1 st Nov 42 To 30 Nov 42.



Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
DECEPTION BAY	1 Nov 42		Interior Economy.	
" "	2 Nov 42		C.Coy and half of HQ Coy on 7 day Trek. D.Coy duty Coy for week	
" "	3 Nov 42		" " " " " " " " " " " "	
" "	4 Nov 42		" " " " " " " " " " " "	
" "	5 Nov 42		" " " " " " " " " " " "	
" "	6 Nov 42		" " " " " " " " " " " "	
" "	7 Nov 42		" " " " " " " " " " " "	
" "	8 Nov 42		Coys on Trek returned to Camp. C.Coy covered 130 miles HQ Coy 90 miles.	
" "	9 Nov 42		D.Coy and remaining half of HQ Coy on trek. C.Coy duty Coy for week.	
" "	10 Nov 42		" " " " " " " " " " " "	
" "	11 Nov 42		Padre K.C. Wood arrived to join unit.	
" "	12 Nov 42		Lieut McKerrow left to join staff of S.A.S. BONEGILLA.	
" "	13 Nov 42.			


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DECEPTION BAY.	14 Nov 42			
" "	15 Nov 42		Coys returned from Trek. Padre Wood to 5 days school at Ashgrove.	
" "	16 Nov 42		C.O. arrived back from O/Seas Op school and resumed Comd of HQ Indep Units. Normal Tng.	
" "	17 Nov 42		C.Coy on 2 days recce and patrolling exercises leaving 0400 hrs	
" "	18 Nov 42		Normal Training.	
" "	19 Nov 42		C.Coy left on 2 day exercise in beach defence at BEACHMERE.	
" "	20 Nov 42		Normal Training	
" "	21 Nov 42		Inspection of C.Coy W.E. by Adj. D.Coy by 2 i/c.	
" "	22 Nov 42		Church Parade at 0900 hrs.	
" "	23 Nov 42		Normal Training.	
" "	24 Nov 42		D.Coy on 2 day patrolling and recce exercise	
" "	25 Nov 42		Normal Training.	
" "	26 Nov 42		D.Coy on 2 day beach defence exercise.	


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WAR DIARY. "B" Coy, 2/1 Aust M.G.Bn.

- 16/11.
- 26 Oct '42. Reveille 0500 hrs. Tents struck. Breakfast 0630 hrs. Company Parade 0800 hrs with full kit. Major Haupt on behalf of C.O. wished Coy "good shooting". Company moved off at 0830 hrs on ten 3 ton trucks supplied by A.S.C. Coy stores carried on three 3 ton trucks supplied by Bn, tents & light gear transported on three Coy 3 tonners. Arrived Ascot Racecourse 1030 hrs. Troops were billeted in tents and no leave was granted. Coy stores were sent to wharf, unloaded from trucks and left in wharf shed as there was no ship. Trucks were sent back to the Unit. Coy Strength 6 Officers 138 O/Rs plus 3 drivers.
- 27 Oct '42. Waiting at Ascot for orders. Lieut Crandon detailed as messing Officer to X15. Coy stores were loaded at approx 2200 hrs. A/Sgt Lee J.P. Taken on Strength. Pte Mabin R.A. returned to Unit. Coy strength unchanged.
- 28 Oct '42. No 9 Platoon was sent to X15 to clean the ship. Remainder of the Coy waited at Ascot for orders. On No 9 Platoon returning for lunch 2 AWLs were reported - Ptes Silvey & Curry. Both returned to camp at approx 1430 hrs.
- 29 Oct '42. Reveille 0300 hrs. Coy left Ascot 0430 hrs & were transported to Dalgetys wharf and embarked on X15 (S.S.Both). Sailed approx 0800 hrs. One sub-sec from 7 & 8 platoons detailed to man two ships twin "Brownings". Coy Strength on embarkation 6 Officers 138 O/Rs. Three trucks & three drivers detailed for ship 227, remained at Ascot.
- 30 Oct '42. Sea rather choppy - several O/Rs sick. All A/A guns fired for practice. Coy mounted ships duties at 1800 hrs.
- 31 Oct '42. Troops were paid by Capt A.G.Earle. X12 left convoy after midday.
- 1 Nov '42. Church Prade was held on the Well deck at 1030 hrs by 2/2 A Tk Regt Padre. Anchored in Townsville Harbour at 1800 hrs.
2. Nov '42. Started training 3 hrs per day - 1030/1130 & 1400/1600hrs. Training Syllabus attached.
- 3 Nov '42. Normal Training carried out. Still in harbour. Pte Alfred F. admitted to ships hospital with infected foot.
- 4 Nov '42. Training carried out. Capt Earle went ashore for canteen stores. Captains Geoffrey Byrne & Russell Owen came on board to renew acquaintance with Coy. Capt Manson gave lecture to Officers on Machine Guns.
- 5 Nov '42. Training in morning. Afternoon washing & make and mend.
- 6 Nov '42. During night 5/6 Nov Diarrhoea epidemic in ship. 53 O/Rs reported affected & reported to M.O. Normal training carried out. Strength decreased - VX 354 Pte Tamme G., evacuated to hospital diagnosed dysentery - Coy Strength now 6/137.
- 7 Nov '42. Normal training in morning. Inspection of arms in afternoon. Strength unaltered.
- 8 Nov '42. Church Parade 1030 hrs. Strength unaltered.
- 9 Nov '42. As a result of investigation by shore & ship M.Os., into prevalence of dysentery all troops were put ashore at approx 1930 hrs to allow fumigation of ship. 15 O/Rs evacuated to hospital for observation ~~for-observation~~, remainder of Coy entrained for Oonoonba Staging Camp which was reached at approx 2230 hrs. Company strength still 6/137 (Observation) cases shown "hospital")
- 10 Nov '42. Coy Exercised with P.T., Bayonet Trg etc during morning & route march in afternoon. All troops were lectured on security by NCOs from F.S.S. Troops warned that no leave would be granted & that they were confined to the camp precincts. Strength unaltered.
- 11 Nov '42. After inspection morning devoted to washing. Route march in afternoon. 13 O/Rs returned from hospital cleared after observation, 2 remaining with other complaints.

M. Hanson

WAR DIARY (Cont'd).

~~Secret~~ - Secret. -
"B" Coy, 2/1 A.M.G.Bn.

- 12 Nov '42. Normal Training P.T. etc in morning. Route March in afternoon.
Pte Russell F.J. admitted to hospital.
18 Gals Beer procured for troops.
- 13 Nov '42. Normal Training. Four bags of mail were delivered to Coy.
Sgt Ennis T.O. evacuated to hospital.
- 14 Nov '42. Troops paid to 5 Nov '42. Left Staging Camp Oonoonba 1300 hrs. Moved to wharf by Railway trucks. Embarked approx 1500 hrs, ship pulled out at 2200 hrs & anchored in harbour. Embarkation strength 6 Officers 1 W.O.11, 132 O/Rs.
S.O.S. Sgt Ennis T.O.
Pte Vidler G.
" Russell F.J.
" Silvey L.T.
" Verdon H.J.
- 15 Nov '42. Church Parade 1030 hrs. Left Anchorage 1730 hrs & proceeded in convoy. 9 ships in convoy - escort 2 Corvettes 1 Destroyer.
- 16 Nov '42 Normal Training. Sea a little choppy. Strength unchanged.
- 17 Nov '42 No training owing to rough weather and many troops sick.
- 18 Nov '42 Training in the morning. Afternoon packed ready to disembark. Sighted New Guinea approx 1700 hrs and entered Port Moresby harbour and dropped anchor at 1940 hrs.
- 19 Nov '42 Still anchored in harbour. Weather wet. Mounted Ship's duties
- 20 Nov '42.

"B" Coy, 2/1 Aust M.G.Bn.
Syllabus Period 2/7 Nov '42.

Mon
Nov 2. 1030 - 1130 TSMG - Genl & Lessons 1 & 2,
SAT Vol 1 Pam 21.
1400 - 1500 Lecture - Tropical Diseases. M.O.
1500 - 1600 Spare Parts Instruction - Sec 5.

Tues
Nov 3. 1030 - 1130 Lecture - Security - FSPB Pam 3,
Sec 12,13,14-21, 25,26.
1400 - 1500 M.G.Stripping - Lesson 13-15.
1500 - 1600 TSMG - Lesson 3.

Wed
Nov 4. 1030 - 1130 Lecture - Demolitions - 18 Fd Coy.
1400 - 1500 Bren Stripping.
1500 - 1600 Machine Gun Quiz.

Thurs
Nov 5. 1030 - 1130 Characteristics & Effects of War
Gases. FSPB Pam 8.
1400 - 1500 Lecture - First Aid. M.O.
1500 - 1600 " Jap Army - Characteristics
& Armament.

Fri
Nov 6. 1030 - 1130 Bofors - Description &
Characteristics.
1400 - 1500 Orders & Message writing. Pam 2 FSPB.
1500 - 1600 Mechanism, Nomenclature of Rifle.

Sat
Nov 7. 1030 - 1130 Aircraft Recognition.
1400 - 1600 General Arms Inspection of all SA.

J.W. Hanson
.....Capt.
O/C "B" Company.

VX62 Capt. J. M. Mansson
B' Coy 2/1 Aust. M. G. Bn
Australia.

4 Nov. 42.

C.O.

2/1 Aust. M. G. Bn.

Dear Sir,

Just a note to let you know that everything is going alright. At present we are in port waiting to move on.

The troops are on the aft shelter deck, which is one of the best decks on the ship, and seem quite happy. Our strength is still the same 6 off 1380 R.

We are doing 3 hours training a day, this takes the form of lectures mainly, owing to the space available on the decks, also lectures at night for officers.

The ship is dry, in fact very dry and so are we.

All the officers wish to be remembered to you Sir and to the other officers with you.

Yours faithfully
J. M. Mansson

20.10

2/1 AUSTRALIAN MACHINE GUN BATTALION.

TRAINING INSTRUCTION No 20.

Period 16-29 Nov.

1. During the above period the following training will be adhered to:-

2. DAYS.

	<u>Duty Coy Week.</u>		<u>Training Week.</u>	
Church Pde & Make & Mend.	1 day.		Church Pde, make & mend.	1 day.
W.E. Inspection.	"		W.E. Inspection.	"
Rest Days.	"		Exercises.	"
Assault Course.	"		M.M.G.	1 1/2 "
M.M.G.	"			
Duties.	"			
Route March.	"			
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3. CHURCH PARADES AND MAKE AND MEND.
As laid down previously.

4. W.E. INSPECTION.
As laid down previously.

5. REST DAYS.
Coys to arrange that every man spends two days rest during week when duty Coy.
On these days leave may be granted from reveille to midnight either to BRISBANE or REDCLIFFE in accordance with Leave Instn No 7.

6. ASSAULT COURSE.
All ranks to go through during duty week.
O C HQ Coy to liaise and do likewise.

7. M.M.G.s.
One day when duty Coy and 1 1/2 days during tng week, to be devoted to occupation Pl areas. Particular attention to be paid to siting of command posts, HQ, OPs, and camouflage.

8. ROUTE MARCHES.
During Duty Coy week, O Cs Coys will organise a one days route march, this to be of 15-20 miles distance.
Personnel found to require further training in route marches, must take part in this march. Route to be on track as far as possible.

9. EXERCISES.
Two exercises each of two days, will be held during tng week.

A. Exercise 1.

Rece patrols, deep patrolling, movement across country in small groups.

1. Coy will be divided into two equal groups- own troops and enemy. The following general time table will be adhered to:-

1st Day.

- 0400 - 0630 hrs. Both parties march to separate destinations.
 - 0630-0730 " Morning meal.
 - 0730-1730 " (a) Own troops carry out continuous recee patrols in a limited area.
 - (b) Enemy carry out deep patrolling.
- These patrols to be of groups of

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5 men widely spread, in depth, and to be spread over whole period.
On passing through "own troops" area rendezvous for evening meal. Own troops to release any "prisoners" taken at 1730 hrs.

1730-1830 hrs. Evening meal.
1830-2230 " Own troops march to start line for "enemy".
Repeat exercise next day, returning to camp by march after evening meal.
Tactical details will be issued from Bn HQ later.

3. Exercise II.

A two days exercise in beach defence will be held.

The following general time table will be adhered to:-

0900-1100 hrs. First day. Move to area across country in small groups on a wide front.

1100-1400 " Recess by Coy Comd and Pl Comd.

1400-1500 " Hasty occupation.

1500 hrs 1st day to 1500 hrs 2nd day. Improvement of area. Exercise ceases.

1500-1730 hrs Fill in Fd works.

1730-1830 " Evening meal.

1900 " Return to Camp.

Tactical details issued later.

In connection with this exercise the following points are to be taken into consideration:-

- i. The beach defence is to be considered as opposed to a Jap possible landing therefore flanks, creeks etc, are important.
- ii. The only other troops in the area are to be considered as 1 Bty 2/4 Aust Fd Regt until 1200 hrs on second day when it can be assumed inf will arrive.
- iii. Stand to and stand down are to be held regularly.
- iv. Alarms are to be instituted by OC Coys at varying times.
- v. Respirators are to be worn for two periods each of one hour.
- vi. The defence is to be maintained continuously and will be continued to be improved.
- vii. No sandbags will be available for revetment.
- viii. Meals may be cooked but the concealment of smoke will be necessary.
- ix. Anti-mosquito measures are to be maintained at all times, as this WILL be necessary because of dengue fever.
- x. The Coy may be raided at any time during the exercise by commandos.
- xi. Q.M. will endeavour to obtain loan of directors.
- xii. Transport will be 1-3ton 4x4 per Pl or equivalent may be used.
- xiii. One blanket and one ground sheet per man allowed.

HQ COY.

A. No 1 Pl.

- i. OC No 1 Pl will arrange for Fd exercises on a Coy basis during the next tng period.
- ii. Details to be submitted to Bn HQ.
- iii. OC No 1 Pl will liase with OCs C and D Coys re communication for beach defence scheme.
- iv. Such exercises to include moves on foot of at least 2 hrs to and from areas chosen.

B. Balance of HQ Coy and Bn HQ.

- i. One route march of one afternoon and one evening, return from 2000 to 2300 hrs, and two of one day, will be arranged for all personnel of Bn HQ and HQ Coy.
- ii. O C HQ Coy will arrange with Bn HQ in the forming of commandos to raid at times selected by him, C and D Coys area while on beach defence.

L. G. Hawker

Major.
Adm Comd 2/1 Aust Machine Gun Bn.

13 Nov 42.

W.L.

2/1 AUSTRALIAN MACHINE GUN BATTALION.

TRAINING INSTRUCTION No 19. PERIOD 2 - 15 Nov 1942.

1. During the above period the following Tng. will be adhered to:-

2. DAYS.

Make and Mend.	1. Days
Inspection W.E.	1 1/2 "
Rest Days	2 "
Medical Inspection	1 "
Weapon Tng and Duties	2 1/2 "
Trek.	7 days.

3. MAKE AND MEND.

One Sunday only in next training period will be devoted to above. Coy Comds will be responsible that this day is spent on a complete overhaul of equipment and clothing.

4. INSPECTION OF W.E.

One Saturday morning only in next training period. The inspection missed due to Trek will be made up for on the first Mon morning of the next training period.

5. REST DAYS.

Coys to arrange that every man spends two days rest during week when not on trek.

On these days leave may be granted from reveille to midnight either to BRISBANE or REDCLIFFE in accordance with Leave Instruction No 7.

6. MEDICAL INSPECTION.

During week when not on trek Coys will arrange that every man is medically inspected as for fitness for active service in the field. Inspection for V.D. will be included. Reports as follows will be submitted:-

Fit for immediate service.

Total number - no names required.

Unfit temporarily.

Names, cause, period likely to be unfit.

Permanently unfit due to age or physical incapacity.

Names, cause, remarks by OC Coy.

This report to be accurate and submitted by 15 Nov 42. O Cs will liase with R.M.O. re this para and will as far as possible be present during these examinations.

7. WEAPON TRAINING AND DUTIES.

When troops are not on duties, trek, rest or medical inspection, they will be employed in weapon training.

This training to be at discretion of Coy Comds but will be designed to assist the more recent members of the unit in such lessons on weapon training as they most require.

8. TREKS.

i. These will be of 7 days duration.

ii. "C" Coy 7 days 2 Nov to 8 Nov incl, "D" Coy 7 days 9 Nov to 15 Nov incl.

iii. Coys will ensure that maximum number of troops participate in this trek.

iv. Where a man has light duties for portion of the seven days, Coy will arrange his delivery per ration truck for remainder of period, providing R.M.O. states that he is fit to march.

v. Three days of the period will be spent on hard rations and on such days rations will be carried on the man.

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8. Cont.

- vi. Two periods from 1800 hrs to 0100 hrs will be spent in practice in moving by night across unknown country. When these periods are undertaken Coys will rest the following day for the same period.
- vii. Actual moves, routes etc will be issued as for operations by Bn HQ. These will be covered in administration and movement orders and will be varied from day to day. These details later.
- viii. The above trek is designed in basic training for jungle operations and must be undertaken from this point of view. Losses in some units in this type of engagement have been exceptionally high due to unfitness, lack of experience in hard living, and "taking things for granted".

9. Headquarter Coy and Bn HQ.

O C HQ Coy and Adjt will co-ordinate the sending of half strength out on trek the first week and half on second week. Bn HQ and essential organisation to be maintained. March to be of approx. 70 miles distance.

R. Y. Haupt

Adm Comd 2/1 Aust M G Bn.

Major.

31 Oct 42.

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AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.
ROUTINE ORDERS
BY
LT COL C.H. FIDOCK.
COMMANDING 2/1 AUSTRALIAN MACHINE GUN BATTALION.

PART 1.

No B77

30 Nov 42.

1. DUTIES. As detailed in BROs No B30, B44, B48 & B50.

Bn Orderly Off Lieut P.M. McMAHON Next for duty Lieut S.F. PIERCE.
Duty Coy "D" Coy " " " "D" Coy.

*R.H. Day Lieut for Capt.
Adjutant 2/1 Aust M. G. Bn.*

N O T I C E S.

NOTICE.

Applications are called for vacancy with HQ 2 Aust Corps
as Cpl Clerk (Typist)
Applicants will forward details of qualifications.
After trial promotion to rank of Sgt will be automatic.
Applications to reach Bn HQ by 1200 hrs Tues 1 Dec 42.

STRUCK OFF STRENGTH.

NX 56055	Pte QUINN C.H. declared illegal absentee	29.11.42	D.Coy
NX 14082	Pte CROSS L.K. Evac Hosp	9 .11.42	C.Coy
VX 4926	Pte BENSON F.A. Transferred out & SOS	1.12.42	C.Coy

DETACHED

NX 18741	Pte WRIGHT H.F. To Fld Punish. Centre	30/11/42	D. Coy
SX 203	L/Sgt ANDREW. W.J. To school	30/11/42	C. Coy

TRADE GROUPINGS

NX 57108	Pte BUSHE A.R. graded Gp III Driver M/T.	11.11.42	C.Coy.
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TRANSFERS

NX 53835	Pte JEFFERS C.L. from HQ to D.Coy.	30.11.42.
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COMMANDING 2/1 AUSTRALIAN MACHINE GUN BATTALION.

PART 1.

No B76

28 Nov 42.

1. DUTIES As detailed in BROs No B30 , B44, B48 & B50.

Bn Orderly Officer Lieut E.B. GARVEY Next for Duty Lieut J. WARREN.
Duty Coy "C" Coy " " " "C" Coy

Duties fir 29.11.42.

Bn Orderly Officer Lieut J. WARREN Next for duty Lieut P.M. McMAHON.
Duty Coy "C" Coy " " " "D" Coy.

2. DOGS IN CAMP AREA.

The prevalence of fleas in the Camp are largely due to the number of dogs living in or around tents.
All dogs will be disposed of by 1200 hrs Monday, when steps will be taken for the removal of any remaining.

Adjt

[Signature]
Capt.
2/1 Aust M. G. Bn.

N O T I C E S.

CHURCH PARADE.

Bn and R.C. Parades as usual.

TAKEN ON STRENGTH.

QX 404 Pte HARNESS

J.R. From G.D.D.

29.11.42 HQ Coy.

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PART 1.

No B75.

27 Nov 42.

1. DUTIES. As detailed in BROs B30, B44, B48, B50.

En Orderly Offr. Lieut. C.D. Scott. Next for Duty. Lieut E.B. Garvey.
Duty Coy. "C" Coy. " " " "C" Coy.

2. COURTS OF INQUIRY.

Ref BRO B74 of 26 Nov 42 para 2
Delete NX 18743 Pte Wright. H.F.

3. M.T. INSPECTIONS.

Ref Tng Instrns No 21 para 4 :
All unit M.T. will be assembled on M.T. lines under direction of
T.O. each Sat morning by 1000 hrs.
Use of M.T. on SAT mornings will be restricted to the minimum
and duty requiring a vehicle to be absent from this parade
will be first referred to the Adjt.

L.B. Pears Capt.

Adjt 2/1 Aust Machine Gun Bn.

N O T I C E S.

TAKEN ON STRENGTH.

NX 11870	Pte	Larde. N.	From 2 Aust CCS.	26.11.42.	C Coy.
NX 11760	Pte	Simpkins. R.V.	" GDD BRISBANE.	26.11.42.	C Coy.
NX 4227	Pte	Humphries. H.J.	Rec Camp. Landsbor.	27.11.42.	D Coy.

REVERSIONS.

SX 2368	A/Sgt	Roberts. E.W.	Reverts to rank of Cpl.	27.11.42.	C Coy.
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CEASED TO BE DETACHED.

NX 5529	Sgt	Barker. T.J.	From HQ IU 7 Aust Div.	27.11.42.	HQ Coy.
SX 2368	A/Sgt	Roberts. E.W.	" " " " "	27.11.42.	C Coy.
QX 2559	Pte	Jay. A.L.F.	" " " " "	27.11.42.	D Coy.
NX 33122	Pte	Turner. J.	" " " " "	27.11.42.	HQ Coy.

TRANSFERS.

NX 66129	Pte	Harvey. H.	From "C" to "D" Coy.	27.11.42.	
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COMMANDING 2/1 AUSTRALIAN MACHINE GUN BATTALION.

PART 1.

No. 274.

26 Nov 42.

1. DUTIES. As detailed in BROs B30, B44, B48 and B50.

Bn Orderly Officer. Lieut. J. Warren. Next for Duty, Lieut. C.D. Scott
 Duty Coy. "C" Coy. " " " "C" Coy.

2. COURT OF INQUIRY.

i. The following officers will constitute a Court of Inquiry to inquire into and issue declaration concerning the absence without leave of the undermentioned soldiers:-

ii. President. Capt. G.W. Austin.
 Member. Lieut. J.T. Warren.

iii. Subjects of the Court:-

NX 56055. Pte Quinn. C.H. "D" Coy.
 NX 18743 Pte Wright. H.F. "D" Coy.

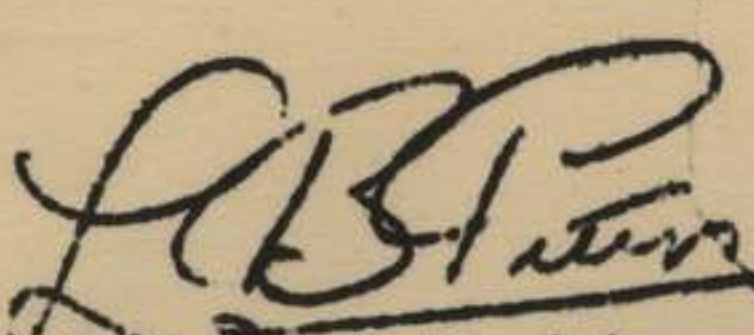
iv. Court to assemble on 27 Nov 42. Completed proceedings to reach Bn HQ by 1200 hrs 28 Nov 42.

3. LEAVE.

To avoid repetition and possible confusion regarding recreational leave it is reminded that the instructions contained in GRO A309 (reproduced and issued to unit and then to Coys as 25 Aust Inf Bde Leave Circular A1/27/5 of 27 Aug 42) still apply. A Copy of this circular and unit leave instruction No 5 is in each Coy Orderly room where it may be seen.

4. CAPTURED NAVAL WEAPONS - DISPOSAL OF.

The department of the Navy has requested that when possible all enemy naval weapons recovered be handed intact to the nearest Naval Offr -in - Charge for examination by naval weapon experts. In the event of recovery of such weapons by personnel of First Aust Army the request of the Department of the Navy must be complied with. Attempts will NOT be made to strip weapons for examination before delivery to naval experts.


 Capt.
 Adj't 2/1 Aust Machine Gun Bn.

N O T I C E S.PROMOTIONS, APPOINTMENTS ETC.

VX 4046	L/Sgt McQueen. A.T.C.	To be L/Sgt.	20.11.42.	"D" Coy.
VX 3861	Cpl Indian. H.	To be L/Sgt.	20.11.42.	"B" Coy.
VX 15419	L/Cpl Rowlands. L.G.	To be L/Cpl.	20.11.42.	"D" Coy.

CONFIRMATION OF RANK.

SX 1655 L/WO II. Tippett. A.N. Rank of WO II confirmed. 6.11.42. HQ Coy.

STRUCK OFF STRENGTH.

VX 3508	Pte Vidler. G.	Evac Hospital.	9.11.42.	D Coy.
VX 3867	Pte Silvey. L.T.	" "	9.11.42.	B Coy.
VX 4027	Pte Verdon. H.J.	" "	9.11.42.	D Coy.
NX 21935	Pte Russell. F.J.	" "	12.11.42.	D Coy.
VX 5316	Sgt Ennis. T.O.	" "	13.11.42.	B Coy.
NX 11592	Pte Hain. C.E.	Declared Illegal absentee.	21.11.42.	D Coy.

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PART 1.

No. B73.

25 Nov 42.

1. DUTIES. Is detailed in BROs B30, B44, B48 and B50.

Bn Orderly Officer. Lieut. E.C. White. Next for Duty. Lieut. C.D. Scott.
Duty Coy. "C" Coy. " " " "C" Coy.

2. ANKLETS - WEB.

It is noticed that anklets web are being boiled, this practice destroys the basil binding, and must be discontinued.

C.H. Fidock Capt.

Lt Col 2/1 Aust Machine Gun Bn.

N O T I C E S.

TAKEN ON STRENGTH.

Service No.	Name	From	To	Unit	Date	Location
VX 7177	Sgt Taylor J.H.	From 2	Aust M G Tng Bn.	24.11.42.	C Coy.	
SX 351	Pte Morgan R.D.	"	"	24.11.42.	C Coy.	
NX 47994	Pte Ambrey J.	"	"	24.11.42.	D Coy.	
NX 47203	Pte Lacey J.V.	"	"	24.11.42.	HQ Coy.	
NX 50436	Pte Innis A.J.	"	"	24.11.42.	C Coy.	
NX 5777	Pte Smith H.G.	"	"	24.11.42.	D Coy.	
NX 53835	Pte Jeffers C.L.	"	"	24.11.42.	HQ Coy.	
NX 439	Pte Pyle E.J.	"	"	24.11.42.	D Coy.	

STRUCK OFF STRENGTH.

NX 11870 Pte Larden N.S. Evac Hospital and S.O.S. 25.11.42. C Coy.

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PART 1.

No B72

24 NOV 42.

1. DUTIES. As detailed in BROs B30, B44, B48, and B50.

Bn Orderly Officer. Lieut E.B. GARVEY Next for duty Lieut E.C. WHITE.
Duty Coy "C" Coy " " " "C" Coy.

2. COURTS OF INQUIRY.

I. The undermentioned Officers will constitute Courts of Inquiry to enquire into and report on the following matters:-

II a. President Capt L.A.J. WILCOX.
Member Capt S.C. BARRETT AAMC.

b. Subject of the Court - Injuries to TX 1226 Pte GLOVER C.O. on 21.11.42.

IIIa President L.A.J. WILCOX
Member E.B. GARVEY.

b. Subject of the Court - Accident involving MC No C4318026 on 21.11.42.

IV a. President Capt L.A.J. WILCOX.
Member Lieut E.C. WHITE.

b. Subject of the Court - damage sustained by MC No 4347/89 on 13 Nov 42.

V. Courts to assemble on 24.11.42. Completed proceedings to reach BHQ by 1200 hrs 25.11.42.

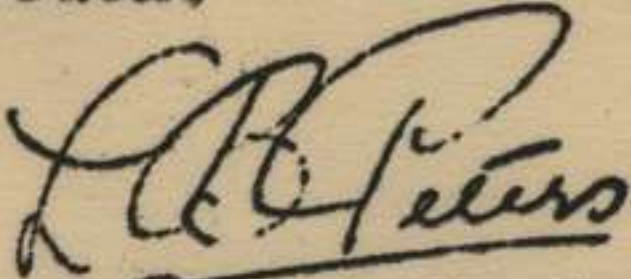
3. POSTING OF OFFICERS.

Capt G.W. AUSTIN is transferred from D. Coy to C. Coy as C.C. from 0800 hrs 23.11.42

4. CLEANING OF WEB EQUIPMENT.

Khaki Blanco is available at Coy Q. Stores. C.Q.M.C. will issue Blanco to Platoon Sgts who will supervise the painting of web equipment.

The following equipment will not be painted:- Packs, Straps web Supp, Haversacks, Straps shoulder haversack.


Adjnt 2/1 Aust M. G. Bn. Capt.

N O T I C E S.

STRUCK OFF STRENGTH.

NX 2425 Pte PICKERING	G.R. Trans. 2/48 LAD.	24.11.42.	C. Coy.
SX 1398 Sgt WILLIAMS	G.D. " G.D.D. Bris	24.11.42	C. Coy.
NX 27042 Pte BODEL	D.F. " " "	24.11.42	C. Coy.
VX 5005 " LINDSAY	H.R. To Detention.	24.11.42	D. Coy

DETACHED FOR DUTY.

NX 52430 Pte HARLOR	G.C. To 2/3 Aust Army W/Shops	24.11.42	D. Coy.
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SECONDMENT.

Capt W.B. BOLTON	To 1 Aust M. G. Tng Bn.	23.11.42	C. Coy.
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TAKEN ON STRENGTH.

NX 2425 Pte PICKERING	G.R. From 2/1 Aust M.G. Bn.	24.11.42	48 LAD.
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PUNISHMENTS, AWARDS ETC.

A DCM convened by Maj-Gen S.G. Savige, G.O. Adm Comd 2 Aust Corps was held at H/Q. 2 Aust Corps on 6 Nov 42 for the trial of VX 5005 Pte Lindsay H.R., 2/1 Aust M.G. Bn.

The accused was charged with:- Whilst on active service absenting himself without leave, in that he, at Deception Bay absented himself without leave from 0630 hrs 19 Aug 42 to 1800 hrs 16 Oct 42, being a total of 58 days 11 hrs 30 mins.

The Court found the accused guilty.

Sentence: To suffer Field Punishment for a period of forty days and to forfeit all ordinary pay for a period of forty days.

The accused was twenty-one days in close arrest awaiting trial

The findings and sentence were duly confirmed on 18 Nov 42 and promulgated to the accused at Deception Bay on 24 Nov 42.

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PART I.

No B71

23 Nov 42.

I. DUTIES. As detailed in BROs B30, B44, B48, and B50

Bn Orderly Officer. Lieut E.C. White. Next for Duty. Lieut. E.B. Garvey.
Duty Coy. "C" Coy. " " " "C" Coy.

2. REGIMENTAL INSTITUTES.

List attached.

Training instruction No 42 para 3 is cancelled.

3. CHURCH PARADES.

i. Dress:

Summer dress (walking out) may be worn on Church parade. Attention is directed to the instructions re dress in BRO B30 and B39.

ii. Noise:

During the hours of Church Parade (0930 - 1015) all persons NOT on Church parade will refrain from making noises likely to interfere with the parade.

M.Cs and M.T. using the road past Bn HQ will not exceed 5 m.p.h. and will be throttled down to the minimum.

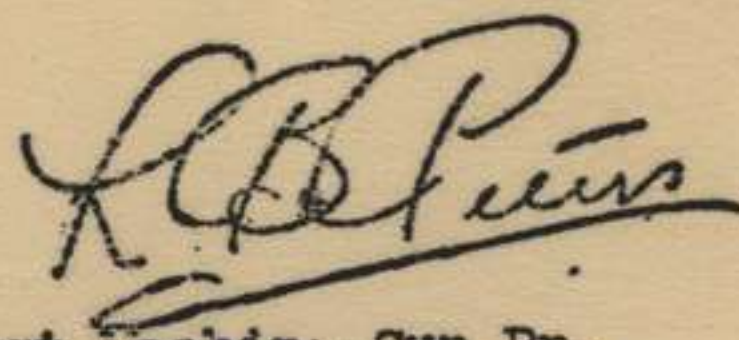
4. ACCIDENT REPORT.

At 2330 hrs on 13 Nov 42 a motor vehicle knocked down a small boy in Stanley Street WOOLLOONGABBA.

The boy has since died of injuries.

As the driver of the vehicle did not stop any information from eyewitnesses regarding this accident would be appreciated.

Reports are to be forwarded to Bn HQ.



Capt.

Adjnt 2/I Aust Machine Gun Bn.

N O T I C E S.

STRUCK OFF: STRENGTH.

TX 1226	Pte Glover, C.O.	Evac. Hospital.	21.II.42.	"D" Coy.
NK 23128	A/Cpl Garrard, S.M.	Transferred to I Aust Movement Control Gp.	23.II.42.	"C" Coy.
VX 3717	Cpl Cunningham, E.V.	Evac Hospital.	3.II.42.	"D" Coy.

GRASED TO HQ DETACHED.

TX 1226	Pte Glover, C.O.	From HQ, IU 7 Aust Div.	21.II.42.	"D" Coy.
NK 23128	A/Cpl Garrard, S.M.	" " " " "	23.II.42.	"C" Coy.

REGIMENTAL INSTITUTIONS.

The following responsibilities are allocated from this date.
In the event of any member being absent from the unit either on duty or otherwise, for a period of more than 14 days, he will contact the 2 i/c re temporary replacement.

OFFICERS' MESS.

President.	Major.	A.G.K.	Enapt.
Secretary.	Lieut.	B.H.	Hay.
Treasurer.	Lieut.	S.F.	Pierce.

SGTS' MESS.

President.	L/NO I	H.W.	Berry.) Temporary until) election of) officers.
Treasurer & Secretary.	L/NO II	A.L.	Tippett.	

UNIT CANTEN.

Capt	T.C.	Thornton.
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WELFARE COMMITTEE.

President.	Capt.	T.C.	Thornton. (vice Major A.L. Vincent)
	Chap.	K.C.	Wood.
	Lieut.	E.B.	Garvey.

SPORTS COMMITTEE.

Major	A.L.	Vincent.
Lieut	P.L.	McMahon.
Lieut	S.F.	Pierce.

AUDIT BOARD.

Capt.	A.G.	Harle.
Capt.	L.A.J.	Wilecz.
Lieut.	R.D.J.	Nicholson.
Lieut.	S.F.	Pierce.

EDUCATIONAL.

Lieut.	R.D.J.	Nicholson.
Lieut.	B.H.	Hay.

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PART I.

No E70.

21 Nov 42.

DUTIES. As detailed in BROs B30, B44, B48, and B50.

Bn Orderly Officer Lieut C.B. RIXON Next For duty Lieut S.F. PIERCE.
Duty Coy "D" Coy " " " "D" Coy.

Duties for 22 Nov 42

Bn Orderly Officer Lieut S.F. PIERCE Next for duty Lieut B.C. WHITE.
Duty Coy "D" Coy " " " "C" Coy.

*for B Rixon Lieut
Adj 2/1 Aust M. G. Bn.*

N O T I C E S.

CHURCH PARADE.

Bn Church Parade - 0930 hrs on HQ Coy Parade Ground.
R.C. Church Parade as usual.

CEASED TO BE DETACHED.

VX 90160	Chap WOOD K.C.	From School	20.11.42	HQ Coy.
NX 126	Capt T.C. THORNTON	From Ascot Transit Camp	20.11.42	HQ Coy.
NX 55944	Pte O'SULLIVAN F.J.	" " "	" 20.11.42	D Coy
VX 6112	Sgt O'NEILL W.J.	" " "	" 20.11.42	D Coy
NX 58979	Pte ANDERSON W.A.	" " "	" 20.11.42	HQ Coy
NX 46125	Pte COLLIER H.	" " "	" 20.11.42	HQ Coy
NX 22086	Pte BATSTONE W.J.	" " "	" 20.11.42	C Coy
NGX 17	L/Cp PROCTOR E.E.	" " "	" 20.11.42	HQ Coy.

PROMOTIONS - APPOINTMENTS ETC.

VX 7439	Cpl JUBB E.V.	To be Lance Sgt.	14.11.42	B Coy
VX 13488	L/Cp CURRELL W.G.	To be A/Cpl.	14.11.42	B Coy
VX 7424	" KEMPTON J.H.	" " "	14.11.42	B Coy
NX 6508	" McDONALD R.	" " "	14.11.42	B Coy
VX 6277	Pte CARLOW	To be L/Cpl	14.11.42	B Coy
VX 13400	" HALLIDAY T.K.	" " "	14.11.42	B Coy
NX 31830	" ENRIGHT J.	" " "	14.11.42	B Coy
VX 26456	" PIDOTC J.E.	" " "	14.11.42	B Coy

B. Rixon Lieut.

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Part 1

No. B 59

20 Nov 42.

1. DUTIES.

As detailed in BROs B30, B44, B48, and B50.

Bn Orderly Officer - Lieut McMahon. Next for Duty - Lieut Rixon.
Duty Coy - D Coy. Next for Duty - D Coy.

2. COURT OF INQUIRY.

i. The following Officers will constitute a C of I to inquire into and issue a declaration concerning the illegal absence of the u/m soldiers.

ii. President - Capt W.B. Bolton.
Member - Lieut J.T. Warren.

iii. Subject of the Court :-
NX 11592 Pte HAIN C.E. of C Coy.

iv. Court to assemble on 20 Nov 42. Completed proceedings to reach BHQ by 1200 hrs 21 Nov 42.

3. MEDICAL - CAMP HYGEINE.

i. Coys will arrange to have all tents lifted at least 12 inches off the ground to allow more space inside.

ii. At least once weekly (weather permitting) EVERYTHING will be removed from tents and the canvas lifted to allow sunshine to dry the floors of the tent. This airing should continue for an hour.

iii. The instructions in para 2 of BRO B58 still apply.

iv. This instruction will be implemented as soon as possible.

R. McMahon Lieut
Capt.
To: Adjt 2/1 Aust MG Bn.

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Part 1.

No B 68

19 Nov 42.

1. DUTIES As detailed in BROs B30, B44, B48, and B50.

Bn Orderly Officer - Lieut Pierce. Next for Duty- Lieut McMahon.
Duty Coy - D Coy. Next for Duty- D Coy.

2. CARE OF MAPS.

It is noticed that local maps on issue to Coys are suffering considerable distortion due to careless handling, jamming into glove boxes of trucks, etc. These maps are scarce and difficult to acquire. More care is necessary in their handling.

George J. Smith
Adj't 2/1 Aust M G Bn. Capt.

NOTICES

STRENGTH INCREASE.

QX 1383 Cpl ROOKS J.G. From 9 Camp Hosp. C Coy. 18.11.42.

TRADE GROUPINGS, RELINQUISHMENTS, ETC.

NX 11234	Pte McCallum D	Relinquishes Tr Gpg Gp II, Mech MT	1st Cl
		HQ Coy	18.11.42.
VX 6460	Pte Wilson B.A.	do Ep III Driver MT	do
NX 3547	Pte Thomas L.	do do	do
NX 3547	Pte Thomas L.	Trade Grouping III, Butcher	do
NX 46125	Pte Collier H.	do III Driver MT	do
NX 4783	Pte Brooks G.	do III do	do
VX 6460	Pte Wilson B.A.	do II Mechanic MT	do

INTER-COY TRANSFER

VX 6460 Pte Wilson B.A. From HQ Coy to C Coy 18.11.42.

LOST.

A black "SHEAFER" fountain pen. Finder please return to BHQ.

W.D.

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PART 1.

No B67

18 Nov 42.

1. DUTIES. As detailed in DROs B30 , B44, B48, and B50.

Bn Orderly Officer Lieut S.C. RIXON Next for duty Lieut S.F. PIERCE
Duty Coy "D" Coy " " " "D" Coy.

2. POSTING OF OFFICERS

Lieuts S.C. RIXON and S.F. PIERCE are attached temporarily to
"D" Coy until further notice as from 1200 hrs 18 Nov 42.

Adjnt 2/1 Aust M. G. Bn. Capt.

N O T I C E S.

TAKEN ON STRENGTH.

NX 81151 Pte VERITY G.S. From Hosp 17.11.42 2/2 Aust Dental Unit.

TRANSFERRED OUT and STRUCK OFF STRENGTH.

NX 46105 Pte PEEL R.T. To G.D.D. Dris. 18.11.42 HQ Coy.
SX 2248 Pte REGAN C.M.B. " " 18.11.42 HQ Coy.

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PART 1.

B66

17 Nov 42.

1. In Orderly Officer Lieut R.D.J. Nicholson Next for duty Lt S.C. RIXON.
Duty Coy "D" Coy " " " "B" Coy.
2. CAMPING OF TENTS.
(1) It has been noted that where tent guys are crossed the bituminous emulsion has been rubbed off tents, leaving a light cross.
(2) This practice will be discontinued, and tents will be secured in the correct manner.
3. PURCHASE OF ALCOHOLIC LIQUOR.
2 Aust Corps R.O. 204 is repeated for information of all ranks.
" Alcoholic liquor will not be sold to Military personell in Hotels in 2 Aust Corps area except between 1800 hrs and 2000 hrs.
It will be an offence for any member of 2 Aust Corps units to purchase or attempt to purchase alcoholic liquor except within the authorised hours
4. INDISCRIMINATE FIRING OF WEAPONS.
It is an offence for any person to discharge a firearm in any populated locality or in any area removed from a theatre of war without authority.
This authority will include musketry courses, testing and zeroing of weapons by unit armourers etc. Individuals will NOT conduct zeroing or testing of their own weapons or carry out practice without permission.
5. CASUALTIES - PRIVATE COMMUNICATIONS CONCERNING.
 1. Private cables and telegrams reporting Battle or other casualties are prohibited. In letters, no reference is to be made of any such casualty until after a period of one month from the date of its occurrence.
 2. The prohibition and restriction imposed by para 1. thereof are not applicable to communications sent by a member relative to a casualty sustained by himself.
 3. This order has been dictated by motives of consideration for the feelings of the relatives of members of the Forces who, in many instances, have been caused unnecessary suffering and suspense through information contained in private correspondence from operational areas and which, in some cases, has been proved to be inaccurate.
6. MEDICAL ATTENTION FOR TROOPS ON LEAVE.
First Aust Army Order No 4 347 is repeated for information of all ranks.
 1. It must be impressed on every soldier that it is necessary to inform the Military Authorities at once should he become sick while on leave. It must be made clear to him that this responsibility rests with him in order that he may not be regarded as being "Absent without leave".
 2. Instructions must be issued to all troops that if they become ill while on leave they will :-
 - (a) Report at once to the nearest Area Medical Officer or Military Hospital or
 - (b) Report at once to the nearest Public Hospital if an area Medical Officer or Military Hospital be not available, or
 - (c) If unable to report at once to the hospital personally communicate with the DDMS of the Comd. who will if practicable make the necessary arrangements to send for and bring him to hospital or.

(1) If unable to attend or to be taken to a Military Hospital (or Public Hospital if a Military Hospital is not available) provide any necessary medical attention at his own expense, and at once forward a certificate from the medical attendant to the DDMS Comd.

3. All invalids must report to the nearest Military Hospital as soon as they are fit to travel.

Nicholson
for Adjnt 2/1 Aust H. G. Co.

N O T I C E S.

DETACHED TO SCHOOL

Capt WOOD K.C. attending 1 Aust Army Jar Ldrs Wing 15.11.42 HQ Coy.

CEASED TO BE DETACHED.

Lt Col C.H. FIDOCK From Overseas Op School 16.11.42 HQ Coy
WX 2062 Pte MCKIE H.C. " " " " 16.11.42 HQ Coy

STRUCK OFF STRENGTH.

NX 6595 Pte FRENCH A. To Grovely Detnet. Lk. 14.11.42 D Coy
TS 433 Pte HARPER L.T.L. To 2/4 Coy ASC. 16.11.42 D. Coy

TAKEN ON STRENGTH

NX 50598 Pte WALTON G.A. From Det. 14.11.42 D. Coy

APPOINTMENTS - PROMOTIONS - TRADE GROUPING ETC.

SX 1257 L/Sgt VEITCH C.A. Confirmed Sgt 15.11.42 HQ Coy
SX 2368 L/Sgt ROBERTS E.V. Confirmed rank of Cpl 15.11.42 C. Coy
NX 11234 Pte McCALLUM D. Trade Sp.1. Fitter M/T. 15.11.42 HQ Coy
QX 2598 Pte BARRICK A.W. " " 11 Cook. 11.11.42 C. Coy
QX 20420 " HANSON W.J. " " " " 11.11.42 C. Coy
NE 11909 " MAXWELL H.W. " " 111 Teck S/man 27.10.42 HQ Coy

TRANSFER.

NX11234 Pte McCALLUM D. From "C" Coy to "HQ" Coy 15.11.42

NOTICE.

The rubber seat which was removed from the Adjutant's Office between 8/15 Nov will be returned forthwith.

RIFLES - LOST AND FOUND.

Will the personnel issued with the following rifles report to the R.O.M.S. 87643. X 2059.

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PART 1.

No B 65

14 Nov 42.

1. DUTIES As detailed in BROs B30, B44, B48, and B50.

Bn Orderly Officer Lieut E.C. WHITE Next for Duty Lieut E.D. GARVEY.
Duty Coy "C" Coy " " " "C" Coy.

DUTIES 15.11.42.

Bn Orderly Officer Lieut E.D. GARVEY Next for Duty Lieut P.M. McMAHON.
Duty Coy "C" Coy " " " "D" Coy.

B.G. Haupt
for Capt.
Adjnt 2/1 Aust M. G. Bn.

N O T I C E S.

CHURCH PARADE.

Bn Church parade will be held at 0930 hrs 15 Nov 42.
R.C. Parade as usual.

MARCHED IN TAKEN ON STRENGTH.

SX 2075 Pte RICHMOND W.H. From G.D.D. Brisbane 13.11.42

TRANSFERRED OUT STRUCK OFF STRENGTH.

SX 2075 Pte RICHMOND W.H. To No3 C.O.D. SA L.ofC. Area 14.11.42

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PART I.

No B62

10 Nov 42.

1. DUTIES. As detailed in BROS B30, B44, B48, B50.

En Orderly Officer Lieut E.C. GARVEY Next for Duty Lieut C.S. RIXON.
Duty Coy "C" Coy " " " "C" Coy.

E. Garvey
Lieut
for Capt.
Adjnt 2/1 Aust M. G. Bn.

N O T I C E S

STRUCK OFF STRENGTH.

NX 47891	Pte K. UTER A.	To Grovely Detention Barracks	10.11.42.	"D" Coy
VX 3405	Pte CLARK R.A.	" " " "	10.11.42	HQ Coy.

CEASED TO BE DETACHED

NX 47803	Lieut L.C. McKNIGHT	From HQ I.U. 7 Aust Div	10.11.42.	"D" Coy.
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ADM COLD 2/1 AUSTRALIAN MACHINE GUN BATTALION.

PART 1.

No. D61.

9 Nov 42.

1. **DUTIES.** As detailed in DROs D30, D44, D48 and D50.

Bn Orderly Officer. Lieut. J.T. Warren. Next for Duty. Lieut E.B. Garvey.
Duty Coy. "C" Coy. " " " "C" Coy.

2. **COURT OF INQUIRY.**

The following officers will constitute a Court of Inquiry to inquire into and report upon loss of money from Unit canteen on the 5 Nov 42:-

President. Capt. W.B. Bolton.
Member. Lieut R.D.J. Nicholson.
Member. Lieut. E.C. Rite.

Completed proceedings to reach Bn HQ by 0900 hrs 12 Nov 42.

Adjutant 2/1 Aust Machine Gun Bn.

N O T I C E S.

ENTRY TO ROYAL MILITARY COLLEGE.

Applications are called for by 1200 hrs 11 Nov 42 for entry to above.

Conditions:

Age limit : 20 years.

Candidates must be medically fit - be unmarried - British subject.

Educational qualifications.

- a. Leaving or senior certificate in English, Maths, Physics or Chemistry, one foreign language, and either geography or book-keeping.
- b. Junior or Intermediate certificate in above.

Candidates possessing (a) will have preference.

STRUCK OFF STRENGTH.

VX 26280	Pte Muller. A.L.K.	To GDD Brisbane.	7.11.42.	D Coy.
NX 4673	Pte Hoy. L.F.	To " "	7.11.42.	D Coy.
NX 50589	Pte Walton. E.A.	To Hospital.	6.11.42.	D Coy
NX 43341	Pte Moon. R.F.	To Hospital.	9.11.42.	C Coy
NX 12876	Pte Garn. R.T.	To Hospital.	9.11.42.	HQ "
SX 510	Pte Hendrie. E.D.	To Hospital.	9.11.42.	C "

TAKEN ON STRENGTH.

VX 1976	Pte Vines. W.C.	From Hospital.	6.11.42.	D "
NX 52365	Pte Power. J.E.P.	From Hospital.	6.11.42.	D "
VX 7475	Pte Hore. C.F.	From X List. Illegal Absentee.	8.11.42.	D "
VX 11827	Pte Franklin. A.G.	From X List. " "	8.11.42.	D "

APPOINTMENTS, PROMOTIONS ETC.

TX 242	A/Sgt Stephens. P.A.	Confirmed Sgt.	5.11.42.	D "
VX 25040A	Cpl Edwards. B.M.	" Cpl.	5.11.42.	D "
QX 3013	A/Cpl Arrowsmith. W.E.	" Cpl.	5.11.42.	HQ "
SX 1175	A/Cpl Matters. C.J.	" Cpl.	5.11.42.	HQ "
NX 5529	A/Sgt Barker. T.J.	" Sgt.	5.11.42.	HQ "

REVERSIONS, RELINQUISHMENTS ETC.

NX 11760L	Cpl Simpkins. R.V.	Reverts to rank of Pte.	10.11.42.	C Coy.
NX 11760	Pte Simpkins. R.V.	Relinquishes Trade Gp II Cook.	10.11.42.	" "
QX 290	Pte Maskell. A.E.	" " " "	10.11.42.	" "

TRANSFERS.

NX 52565 Pte POWER. J.E.P. Transferred from "D" to "HQ" Coy. 9.11.42.

P.T.O.

MINUTEBOOKS, AWARDS ETC.

NX 47891 Pte Kauter.A.

A DCM convened by the General Officer Adm Cond 2 Aust Corps was held at HQ 2/1 Aust M G Bn on 22 Oct 42 for the trial of NX 47891 Pte Kauter.A. 2/1 Aust M G Bn.

The accused was charged with AA 15 (1) When on Active Service absenting himself without leave in that he at PEACHESTER was absent without leave from 0905 hrs 3 Aug 42 till 0905 hrs 18 Sep 42.

The Court found the accused guilty.

Sentence. To undergo detention for sixty days.

Confirmed by Major General.G.S. Savage. Adm Cond 2 Aust Corps.

VX 3405 Pte Clark.R.A.

A DCM convened by the General Officer Adm Cond, 2 Aust Corps, was held at HQ 2/1 Aust M G Bn on 22 Oct 42 for the trial of VX 3405 Pte Clark.R.A. 2/1 Aust M G Bn.

The accused was charged with : AA 15 (1) When on Active Service absenting himself without leave in that he at WATSONIA was absent without leave from 2359 hrs 28 Apr 42 until 1715 hrs on 27 Aug 42.

The Court found the accused guilty.

Sentence: To undergo detention for one hundred days.

Confirmed by Major General G.S. Savage. Adm Cond 2 Aust Corps.

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BY

MAJOR A.G.K. HAUPT - ADMIN COMMAND

2/1 AUST MACHINE GUN BN

B 60.

6 Nov 42.

Part 1.

1. DUTIES.

As detailed in BROs B30, B44, B48 and B50.

Dn Orderly Officer - Lieut McKerrow. Next for Duty - Lieut Scott.

2. DETENTION PERSONNEL.

When necessary, the Gd Sgt will render sick report to RAP (for any detention personnel) in DUPLICATE. Second copy will be handed to Pro Sgt.

R. H. Hargrave Capt.
Adj. 2/1 Aust MG Bn.

NOTICES.

STRENGTH DECREASE.

QX 1383 Cpl Rooks J.G.

Evac Hospital.

C Coy. 6.11.42.

INTER-COY TRANSFER.

NX 46105 Pte Peel R.T.

From D to HQ Coy.

6.11.42.

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AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE
ROUTINE ORDERS

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ADMIN COMD 2/1 AUST MACHINE GUN BN.

Part 1.

No. B 59

5 Nov 42.

1. DUTIES.

As detailed in BROs B30, B 44, B 48 and B 50.
Bn Orderly Officer- Lieut McMahon. Next for duty- Lieut McKerrow

R.P. Peters
Adjnt 2/1 Aust M G Bn. Capt.

NOTICES.

RESULT OF UNIT SCHOOL.

The undermentioned N C Os attended and qualified
at a Unit Fire Control and Field Duties Course 19 - 31 Oct 42.

No.	Rank.	Name.	Practical ability.	Company.
QX 3081	Cpl.	MILLIKIN S.T.	Very Good	C
QX 4869	Cpl.	SAMPSON J.C.	Very Good	C
SX 286	Cpl.	SIMS D.C.	Very Good	C
QX 384	Cpl.	DAY F.G.	Very Good	C
SX 1047	Cpl.	MANNING G.H.	Good	C
NX 11379	Cpl.	BRYANT E.C.	Good	C
NX 68164	L/Cpl.	LODER F.E.	Good	D
TX 905	L/Cpl.	COLLINS G.T.	Fair	D
TX 96	L/Cpl.	BENSON L.B.	Fair	D
NX 50554	L/Cpl.	LEED H.C.	Good	D
NX 36608	L/Cpl.	TULLY H.E.	Good	D
VX 6558	L/Cpl.	TAYLOR H.	Good	D

STRENGTH DECREASE.

VX 11568 Pte. Gill D.M. Declared Illegal Absentee "C" Coy 5 Nov 42.
VX 13091 Pte. Moody J.E. Declared Illegal Absentee HQ Coy 5 Nov 42.

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No. B 58

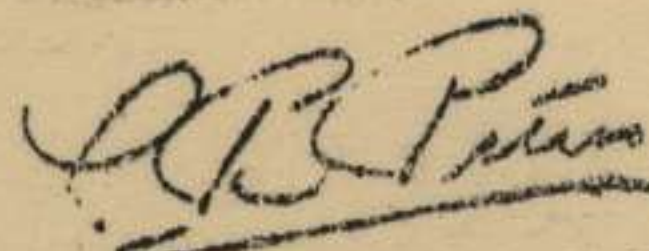
4 Nov 42.

1. DUTIES.

As detailed in BROs B 30, B 44, B 48 and B 50.
Bn Orderly Officer - Lieut Scott. Next for Duty - Lieut McMahon.

2. MEDICAL.

Owing to the prevalence of flu lately, Coys will arrange for their personnel in tents, etc., to sleep alternately head to foot. This instruction to be carried out as soon as possible.
Tent flaps will be left open at night time as far as weather permits.



Adjnt 2/1 Aust M G Bn.

Capt.

NOTICES.

STRENGTH DECREASE.

VX 4528 L/Sgt Hill R.T.

To GDD Brisbane for Med. Bd. D Coy. 4.11.42.

CEASED TO BE DETACHED.

NX 10055 A/Sgt Kuschert H.C.

From Hygiene & San. School. HQ Coy. 3.11.42.

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Part 1.

No B 57.

3 Nov 42.

I. DUTIES.

As detailed in BROs B30, B44, B48 and B50.

Bn Orderly Officer - Lieut I. McKerrow. Next for Duty - Lieut Scott.

NOTE.

The Caboolture MT Gd is cancelled until further notice.

I. McKerrow Lieut
Adjt 2/1 Aust M G Bn. Capt

NOTICES.

STRENGTH DECREASE.

SX 1056	Capt	L.A.J. Wilcox	Evacuated 2 Aust CCS	C Coy. 3.11.42.
NX 10708	Pte	W.J. Pymble	Transferred to Q. L of C Sigs.	HQ Coy. 3.11.42.

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Part 1.

No B56

2 Nov 42.

1. DUTIES.

As detailed in BROs B30, B44, B48 and B50.
Bn Orderly Officer - Lieut McMahon. Next for Duty - Lieut McKerrow.

2. SPEED LIMITS - MT.

It is noticeable that the instns previously issued regarding speed limits are being disregarded.
All ranks are reminded that these instructions issued in BROs previously, apply.

3. COURTS OF INQUIRY.

i. The following officers will constitute a C of I to inquire into and issue a declaration concerning the illegal absence of the undermentioned soldiers :-

ii. President - Capt G.W. Austin.
Member - Lieut P.M. McMahon.


iii. Subjects of the Court:-

NX 11568 Pte Gill D.M. C Coy.
NX 13091 Pte Moody J.B. HQ Coy.

iv. Court will assemble on 2 Nov 42. Completed proceedings to reach Bn HQ by 2000 hrs 3 Nov 42.

4. LOSS OF TELESCOPE.

On 15 Oct a notice appeared in BROs concerning the loss of a telescope used by Mr Wallin for plane spotting. This telescope besides having considerable sentimental value, was used as an important aid in anti-aircraft defence. Any person having knowledge of the matter is asked to communicate with Bn HQ.


Capt.
Adjt 2/1 Aust MG Bn.

STRENGTH INCREASE.

SX 1056	Capt. L.A.J. Wilcox	From GDD Brisbane	2.11.42.	C Coy.
NX 47410	L/Cpl Wratten J.L.	do	2.11.42.	C Coy.
NX 30488	Pte Moran D.	do	2.11.42.	D Coy.
VX 25519	Pte Davies P.C.	do	2.11.42.	D Coy.

DETACHED TO SCHOOL.

NX 7962	Lieut H.A.A. Tourle	To First Aust Army WTS	do	D Coy.
TX 683	Sgt Billett J.R.	do	do	D Coy.
QX 384	Cpl Day F.G.	do	do	C Coy.

CEASED TO BE DETACHED.

NX 70545 Lieut Hay B.H. From LHQ Intell. Course. do HQ Coy.

INTER-COY TRANSFER.

SX 1565 Pte Shegog W.J. From C Coy to D Coy. 1.11.42.

11 JAN. 1943

WAR DIARY ~~or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY~~

Army Form C. 2118
(adapted.)

(Erase heading not required).

H. 100M

Unit *A Coy 21 Aust In 4 Bn (Lilliput)* Date and Time.—From *1. 11. 42* To *30. 11. 42*

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
<i>Anchored at sea off Townsville</i>	<i>1. 11. 42</i>		<i>Kit inspection for lost pistol, medical examination of all personnel. WO Foster ships Sgt Mjz vice WO Turkington evacuated.</i>	
<i>" "</i>	<i>6. 11. 42</i>		<i>Pte Bushell W evacuated to hospital with appendicitis, Pte Cross A.F. evacuated to hospital suspected V.D.</i>	
<i>Townsville</i>	<i>12. 11. 42</i>		<i>Docked at Townsville 0845 hrs, Troops ashore on routemarch 28 charges AWL. Mail received.</i>	
<i>"</i>	<i>13. 11. 42</i>		<i>Route march, Promotions; H/cpl Spice to A/cpl, H/cpl Thompson to A/cpl, Appointments; Pte McGregor J.B., Pte Stanley W.M., Pte Williams R.J. to H/cpl all promotions and appointments to be dated from 25 Oct 42.</i>	
<i>"</i>	<i>14. 11. 42</i>		<i>Route march in morning, no personnel allowed ashore during afternoon. Ship leaving wharf at midnight anchored in bays.</i>	
<i>At sea</i>	<i>15. 11. 42</i>		<i>Ship sailed 1720 hrs,</i>	
<i>"</i>	<i>18. 11. 42</i>		<i>Anchored ^{in port} at sea at approx 1830 hrs, off Port Moresby N.G.</i>	

WAR DIARY ~~or~~ INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

Army Form C. 2118
(adapted.)

(Erase heading not required).

H. 100M

Unit *A Coy. 2/11 Aust M G Bn (Lithpout)* Date and Time.—From *1.11.42* To *30.11.42*

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
<i>Anchored Pt Moresby.</i>	<i>21.11.42</i>		<i>Troops taken ashore in lighters for route march,</i>	
<i>"</i>	<i>22.11.42</i>		<i>supplies taken on board.</i>	
<i>"</i>	<i>23.11.42</i>		<i>Berthed. Pt Moresby approx 1730 hrs, troops ashore all day on route march, CPL Barmichael, Pte Elliott admitted ships hospital,</i>	
<i>"</i>	<i>24.11.42</i>		<i>Ship left wharf anchored in bay, firing practice at wreck on way to anchorage, Two Air Raid Alarms during night,</i>	
<i>"</i>	<i>25.11.42</i>		<i>CPL Bongdon admitted to ships hospital,</i>	
<i>"</i>	<i>28.11.42</i>		<i>Troops disembarked 1000 hrs, proceeding to "B" camp area Pari Village, Pte Garm JR evacuated to hospital,</i>	
<i>"B" Camp, Pari</i>	<i>29.11.42</i>		<i>Pte Mulligan RS evacuated to hospital,</i>	
<i>"</i>	<i>30.11.42</i>		<i>Lecture to Officers and Senior NCOs by Maj Gen Allan</i>	
			<i>A. Vincent Maj.</i>	

Road Working Parties.

Pari Camp HQ,
30 Nov 42.

O.C. Troops A Camp (2/2 Aust A Tk Regt)
B Camp (2/1 Aust M.G. Bn)
C Camp (2/16 A Fd Coy Sig OR 34 ack)

7 Bty 2/2 Aust A Tk Regt
B Coy 2/1 Aust M.G. Bn
2/106 Gen Tpt Coy
2/4 Aust Fd Regt
162 Bty Lt A.A. Regt.

1. Road Working parties are to be provided as under:-

30 Nov 42. p.m. A Camp 1300hrs - 1700 hrs.
31 Nov 42 a.m. B Camp 0800hrs - 1230 hrs.
p.m. A Camp 1230hrs - 1700 hrs.

and thereafter in above order until further notice.

2. Two parties as under will be provided both a.m. and p.m.:-

No. 1 50 personnel with 30 shovels & 16 picks & helves.
Offr i/c Lieut Roseman 2/16 Aust A Fd Coy.

No. 2 100 personnel with 77 shovels. Picks will be supplied
by R.A.E.
Offr i/c Lieut Dunne 2/16 Aust A Fd Coy.

3. Shovels and picks, except picks for No. 2 Party, will be drawn from A Camp Q.M.

4. Tpt will be provided.

5. Units A Camp will provide personnel as under:- each afternoon - at 1300 hrs on 30 Nov & at 1230 hrs each succeeding day:-

2/2 Aust A Tk Regt	-	50
2/1 Aust M.G. Bn	-	45
2/4 Aust Fd Regt	-	5
2/106 Gen Tpt Coy	-	20
162 Lt A.A. Bty	-	29
		150

One Offr from Duty Unit will accompany both No. 1 & No. 2 Party and act under instns of R.A.E. Offr i/c.

Camp Ord Offr will supervise embussing of parties.

6. O.C. Troops B Camp will detail personnel from Units under his Comd.

Levan J. Red
Camp Adjnt.

Capt

MOST SECRET

Port Sub Area
New Guinea Force
27 Nov.42

INSTRUCTIONS FOR STAGING OF "LILLIPUT" TROOPS
AT PORT MORESBY ON 28 NOV.

(ref. Map Moresby 1" to 1 mile)

General

1. All Australian troops in "Lilliput" convoy will disembark on 28 Nov. and will be staged at camp in PARI area (3093).

Disembarkation

2. Disembarkation will be carried out from ship to wharf in four flights :-

(a)	Troops from "Both"	at 0830
(b)	" " "Maetsuyker"	at 1000
(c)	" " "Bontikoe"	at 1300
(d)	" " "Cremer"	at 1500

3. On receiving order to disembark troops will proceed without delay to shore end of wharf, where they will form up in readiness for march to camp area.

Route

4. ELA BEACH - top road to CALAMITY CORNER - KILA aerodrome - PARI village. Guides will be provided for each flight by 1 Aust. Corps Provost Coy.

Camp Areas

5. The camp site will be divided into three main areas and allotted as follows :-

"A" area - Troops from "Both"
On both sides of PARI village Rd., from village to track approx. 350 yds. N E of village.

"B" area - Troops from "Maetsuyker"
On NORTH side of PARI Village Rd., from "A" area to KILA aerodrome petrol dump.

"C" area - Troops from "Bontikoe" and "Cremer"
On SOUTH side of PARI Village Rd., from "A" area to track approx. 350 yds. N E.

Dress

6. Full marching order; steel helmets; mosquito nets; 50 rds. amm. per man.

Administration

7. Tentage and cooking gear will be available at camp areas.

8. Rations will be delivered daily. Meals will be provided on board ship up to time of disembarkation.

9. One 1,000 gal. water tank will be provided for each of Camps A and B; one 200 gal. tank will be provided for Camp C. A water cart will fill and maintain these tanks daily.

10. Supplies of quinine and anti-mosquito ointment will be provided with rations on 28 Nov.

11. Mobile canteen will visit camp area daily.

12. Two three ton trucks will be at shore end of wharf for transporting medical and other necessary equipment for each of the first two flights and one truck for each of the other flights.

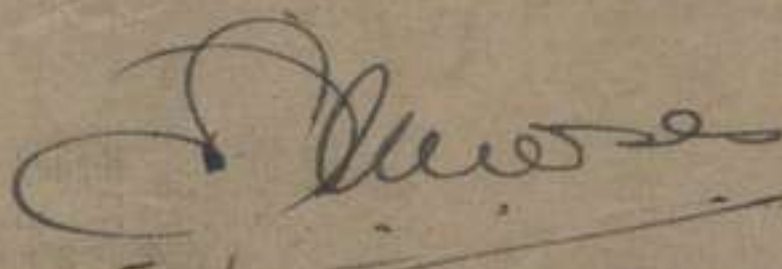
13. Picks and shovels will be available at each area for the ~~XXXXXXXX~~ construction of latrines.

Anti-mosquito precautions

14. All ranks will wear trousers with gaiters and shirts with sleeves rolled down after sundown, and will sleep under mosquito nets.

Re-embarkation

15. All troops will be at four hours notice for re-embarkation.



. Lt. Col.
Comd., Port Sub Area

Distribution	M C O	Town Major
	Provost	N O I C
	C O S C	Lt. Col. Synott
	Lt. Col. Nelson	
	O. C. Troops "Both", "Bontikoe", "Cremer", "Maetsuyker" ✓	
	Canteen Services	File

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Part 1.

No 31.

30 Nov 42.

1. DUTIES. Duty Unit: 2/2 Aust A Tk Regt.
Camp Orderly Officer: Lieut Shanahan.
" " NCO: Sgt Wright.

Next for duty: 2/1 Aust M G Bn.

Duty Unit will supply the following duties:

Kitchen piequet. A kitchen piequet of ~~XXXXX~~ 1 NCO & 3 ORs will mount at 1800 hrs daily.

Kitchen fatigue. A wood cutting fatigue ~~XXXX~~ of 4 ORs will report to Sgt H.D.J Jackson at kitchen at 0850 hrs daily.

2. KEROSENE.

Kerosine may be drawn from R.Q.M.S. at Ord Rm at 1800 hrs.

3. HOOK WORM.

Owing to the danger of hook worm, troops will NOT walk barefoot.

4. MEAL HOURS. *from 1 Dec*

Meal times are altered as follows:-

Breakfast 0715 hrs.

Lunch 1300 "

Tea 1730 "

5. ROAD WORKING PARTIES.

Road working parties will be supplied as follows;

2/1 Aust M G Bn. 44 9 = 53

2/2 Aust A Tk Regt. 51 9 = 60

2/3 Aust DID AASC. 13 3 = 16

2/4 Aust Fd Regt. 11 2 = 13

113 Lt A A regt. 31 7 = 38

Parties to includ at least 1 NCO per 15 men.

3 Officers will be detailed to accompany the parties and act under the instructions of RAE Officer i/c.

Camp Ord Officer will supervise embussing of parties.

Transport will be provided.

Two parties as under will be provided;

No 1. 50 personnel with 30 shovels and 16 picks and helves.

Off i/c Lieut Roseman. 2/16 Aust A Fd Coy.

No 2. 100 personnel with 77 shovels. Picks will be supplied by RAE.

Off i/c Lieut Dume. 2/16 Aust A Fd Coy.

Picks and shovels except picks for No 2 party, will be drawn from

"A" Camp QM. Parties report to R.S.M. outside Ord Rm at 0820

Times, from 0830 to 1230 hrs.

All personnel NOT on road work will go on route march of at least four hours daily.

Road work to commence 1 Dec 42, and every second day after.

M. L. ...
Adjutant.

NOTICES.

FOUND. Respirator, and money belt, apply at Ord Rm.

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ROUTINE ORDERS

MAJOR A.L. VINCENT R/1 AUST INF.
OFFICER COMMANDING TROOP.

PART 1.

To 30.

29 Nov 42.

1. DUTY: Duty Unit: 2/4 Aust Inf Regt and 2/3 Aust Div AAGO.
Ord Officer: Lieut PICKING.
Ord NCO: Mr. GANTER.
Text for Duty: 2/3 Aust A Inf Regt.
2. GARTOON HOURS:
The Gartoon hours will be from 1800- 1900 hrs daily.
3. OUT OF BOUNDS:
No troops will be permitted to go past road picquet which is posted approximately one mile from camp.
Native village and native boats OUT OF BOUNDS to all ranks.
4. FIRING OF WEAPONS:
No promiscuous shooting will be tolerated in the camp area.
5. SWIMMING:
No swimming will be allowed after 1900 hrs.
6. MALARIAL PRECAUTIONS:
All ranks are to wear slacks and sleeves turned down after 1900 hrs each evening.
7. MEAL HOURS:
The following hours will be observed for mess:-
- | | |
|------------|-----------|
| Breakfast- | 0730 hrs. |
| Lunch- | 1200 hrs. |
| Tea- | 1700 hrs. |
8. REVEILLE:
Reveille will be 0630 hrs.
9. WATER:
Tark will be set up at the kitchen and Units will be advised times for drawing water as soon as possible.
10. TENTS:
Tents were issued on the basis of one tent for two men but four additional tents are required for administrative purposes and Unit Comds are asked to make a check on all tents personnel to ensure that the minimum number is in use.
11. HYGIENE:
All ranks are warned against throwing scraps etc around the kitchen area as every precaution must be taken to try to prevent dysentery and other diseases.
12. PAY:
Units may draw pay from Ord Room at 0630 hrs to-morrow, 30 Nov 42, and acquittances will be completed by 1500 hrs.
13. MAIL:
All franked outward mail will be accepted at 0900 hrs daily.

M. L. Inema
.....Lieut.
Adjutant X 12.

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OFFICER COMMANDING TROOPS.

No 29.

27 Nov 42.

Part 1.

1. DUTIES.

Duty Unit: 2/1 Aust M G Bn.
Ships Orderly Officer: Lieut S. Mc. Thomas.
Ships Orderly NCO: Cpl Spice, C.R.
Next for duty: 10 Aust Fd Amb.

A. L. Vincent
Lieut.
Adjt. X12.

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Part 1.

No 23.

26 Nov 42.

1. DUTIES.

~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~

Duty Unit: 2/2 Aust A Tk Regt.

Ships Orderly Officer: ~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~ Lieut McComb.

Ships Orderly NCO: ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~ Sgt Rogers.

Next for duty: 2/1 Aust M G Bn.

2. CLEANLINESS OF MESS TABLES.

The practice of troops lying, sitting or standing on mess tables will cease immediately. Ships Orderly Sergeant will ensure that this order is complied with.

3. MAIL.

The address on troops mail will be:

Regimental Number. ~~XXXX~~ Rank. Name.
Unit.

AUSTRALIA.

until further orders, no mention of New Guinea will be made.

A. L. Vincigre
Lieut.
for Adjt. Ship X12.

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SHIP'S ROUTINE ORD RS

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OFFICER COMMANDING TROOPS.

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Fort 1.

No 17.

25 Nov 42.

1. DUTY.

Duty Unit: 113 Lt A A Regt, 2/3 Aust DID AASC, 2/4 Aust Pd Regt.

Ship's Orderly Officer: Lieut Duffield, 113 Lt A A Regt.

Ship's Orderly NCO: Cpl Wilkinson, 2/3 Aust DID AASC.

Next for duty: 2/2 Aust A/ik Regt.

2. ACT ON STATIONS.

On sounding of ACTION STATIONS ALL RANKS will immediately go to their positions.

3. WATER.

Although there is a definite shortage of fresh water, Basins are NOT to be used for bathing purposes. Salt water showers are available for bathing purposes. Troops will NOT allow the taps to run whilst shaving.


Lieut.
TOP ADJUT, SHIP'S OFF.

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OFFICER COMMANDING TROOP.

Part 1.

No 26.

24 Nov 42.

1. DUTY.

Duty Unit: 10 Aust Fd Amb.

Ships Ord Officer: Capt Opland.

Ships Ord NCO: Cpl Clemens.

Next for duty: 118 Lt A A Regt & 2/16 Aust Fd Coy.

M. L. L. L.
Lieut.
Adj. K12.

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PART I.

NO 25.

23 NOV 42.

I. DUTIES.

Duty Unit : 2/I Aust M G Bn.
Ships Ord Officer; Lieut FISHER.
Ships Ord NCO: Cpl GREEN.
Next for Duty: IO Aust Fd Amb.

H. C. C. C.
.....Lieut.
Adjut Ship X 12.

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Part 1.

No 24.

22 Nov 42.

DUTIES.

Duty Unit: 2/2 Aust A Tk Regt.
Ships Ord Officer: Lieut Evans.
Ships Ord NCO: Sgt Bowman.
Next for duty: 2/1 Aust M G Bn.

2. A/A DUTIES.

All Bren and Vickers Guns will be manned for 24 hours daily and one man on each gun will be on duty at all times.

3. CHURCH PARADE.

Dress for church parade. Troops will wear shirts and shorts or K.Ds.

A L Vincent
Lieut.
Adjt X12.

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MAJOR A L VINCENT, 2/1 AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BN.
OFFICER COMMANDING TROOPS.

No 23.

20 Nov 42.

1. DUTY.

Duty Unit: 1st Lt A A Regt. & 2/ 16 Aust A Pa Coy.
Ship's Off Officer: Lieut Holdsworth, A.M.
Ship's Ord ICN: Cpl Culhane, I.F.
Host for duty: 2/3 BID AASS & 2/4 Aust Pa Regt.

2. SMOKING.

Smoking will be permitted on deck after dark while the ship is in port, but all matches and lights must be screened. Normal black-out will apply immediately ship leaves port.

W L Inemas
Lieut.
Adj. Ship K12.

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Part 1.

No 22.

19 Nov 42.

1. DUTIES.

Duty Unit: 10 Aust Fd Amb.
Ships Ord Officer: Capt Copland.
Ships Ord NCO: Cpl McHattie.
Next for duty: 113 lt A A Regt & 2/16 Aust A Fd Coy.

A. B. Cuber Lieut.
for Adj. Ship X12.

NOTICES.

LOST.

Leather writing case (owners name on pad) and bundle of letters,
tied with shoe lace. Reward; £1-0-0. Pte. W. Allen. 10 Aust Fd Amb.

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Part 1.

No 21.

18 Nov 42.

1. DUTIES:

Duty Unit; 2/1 Aust M G Bn.
Ships Ord Officer: Lieut Thomas, S.No.
Ships Ord NCO: Cpl Keys, H.S.
Rest For duty: 19 Aust Fd Amb.

2. SMOKING.

It is stressed that smoking on deck after dark is prohibited the strictest disciplinary action will be taken to ensure that this order is obeyed.

3. A.A. STAND TO.

All gun crews will stand-to at 15 minutes before dawn daily.

A. L. Vincent Lieut.

for Adjutant ship X12.

NOTICES.

LOST. Pay-book Q128364 Gnr Thorne J D. 113 Lt A A Regt. Finder please return to ships orderly room.

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Part 1.

No 10

17 Nov 42.

1. DUTIES. Duty Unit: 2/2 Aust A Tk Regt.
Ships Ord Officers: Lieut Shea, J.W.
Ships Ord NCO: Sgt Birnie, P.S.
Next for duty: 2/1 Aust H G Bn.

2. COURT OF INQUIRY.

A Court of Inquiry consisting of the und mentioned officers will be convened for the purpose of inquiring into and reporting upon the circumstances surrounding the loss of ~~ISSUE~~ No 8220, Butt No 7711, on issue to NX 22407 A/Sgt Messiale R H. on ship X12 from hold No 5, between the hours of 1950 and 2359 On the night of 9 Nov 42:-

VX14109	Capt Longworth,	L.E.	President.
GX1515	Lieut Thomas,	S.Mc.	Member.
GX6191	Lieut. Shenshan,	H.S.	Member.

In its report on the evidence the Court will state definitely its reasons, whether or not, in its opinion, the evidence is sufficient to relieve the Commanding Officer of his personal liability in accordance with AMR and O 693 and whether the loss or damage was due to neglect of duty or other offence on the part of any person.

W. Luemas
Lieut.
Adjt. ship X12.

NOTICES.

FOUND. purse, apply ships ord room.

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Part 1.

No 19.

16 Nov 42.

1. DUTIES:

Duty Unit: 2/3 Aust DID AASC. & 2/4 Aust Pd Coy. ^{Legh}
Ships Ord Off: Lieut Fisher. 2/1 A M G Bn.
Ships Ord NCO: Cpl Gladstone. " "
Unit next for duty: 2/2 Aust A Tk Regt.

W L Inemas
Lieut.
Adj. X12.

COMMUNICA TO SHIPS ROUTINE ORDERS NO 18 of 15 Nov 42.

Part 1. DUTIES: Ships Orderly Officer.

For Lieut McClymont 113 Lt A A Regt road,

Lieut Smith B.F. 2/16 Aust A Fd Coy.

for. *H. B. Leach*
Adj. X12.

Lieut.

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Part 1.

No 18.

15 Nov 42.

1. INITIALS:

Duty Unit: 113 Lt A A Regt. & 2/16 Aust A Fd Coy.
Ships Ord Officer: Lieut HoGlymont.
Ships Ord NCO: Sgt Houghton.
Unit Next for duty: 2/3 Aust DLD AASC. & 2/4 Aust Fd

A. L. Vincent
Lieut.
Adj. Ship 112.

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Part 1.

No 17.

14 Nov 42.

1. DUTIES.

Duty Unit: 10 Aust Fd Amb.
Ships Ord Officer: Capt. Barber.
Ships Ord NCO: Cpl. Blake.
Next for duty: 113 Lt A A Regt & Aust Army Fd Coy

2. REFUSE.

NO boxes or refuse will be thrown overboard as this is a seaplane base and it is liable to cause serious damage.

3. FIRE HOSES.

Fire hoses are to be used in case of fire ONLY. Hoses will not be used by troops for washing decks. only ships personnel will be allowed to use same.

A. L. Vincent
Lieut.
Adj. Ship X12.

NOTICES.

FOUND. Tobacco pouch, apply ships Ord Rm.

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Part 1.

No 15.

12 Nov 42.

1. DUTIES:

Duty Unit. 2/2 Aust A/Tk Regt.
Ships Ord Off: Lieut McComb.
Ships Ord Sgt: Sgt Brown, W.A.

Next for duty: ~~10 Aust Fd Amb.~~

H. Amb B

V.L. Thomas. Lieut.
Adjt X12.

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Part 1

No 14.

11 Nov 42.

1. DUTIES.

Duty Unit: 2/3 Aust DID, AASC, & 2/4 Aust Fd Regt.
Ships Ord Officer: Lieut Virtue.
Ships Ord NKO: L/Sgt Ireland, A A C.
Next for duty: 2/2 Aust A/Tk Regt.

W. L. Vincent
Lieut.
Adj. Ship X12.

NOTICES.

FOUND. Tobacco pouch. apply Ships Ord Rm.

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Part 1.

No 13.

10 Nov 42.

1. DUTIES:

Duty Unit: 113 Lt A A Regt & 18 Aust Army Fd Coy.

Ships Ord Officer: Lieut McClymont.

Ships Ord NCO: Sgt ~~XXXXXXXX~~ Houghton.

Unit next for duty: 2/3 Aust, DID, AASC. & 2/4 Aust Fd Rgt.

2. HYGEINE.

Complaints have been received from certain Units that members of the native crew are urinating indiscriminately in parts of the shelter deck. It is stressed that it is very difficult for the Ships Officers to stop such practices unless the actual offenders are brought to book.

Personnel ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ making these complaints should hold the offenders and report the matter to the Ships Ord Room.

W. Luenias
Lieut.
Adjt. Ship X12.

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No 12.

9 Nov 42.

1. DUTIES:

Duty Unit: 10 Aust Fd Amb. 9/11/42.
Ships Ord Officer: ~~KIXXX~~. Capt. Copland.
Ships Ord NCO: Cpl McHattie.

Unit Next for duty: 113 Lt A/A Regt. & 18 Aust Army Fd Coy.

2. POUNDS.

The only personnel allowed on the main for'd deck, on portion above crews quarters, after 2000 hrs are those personnel on A/A duty. Ships Orderly Officer and the NCO in Command of For'd A/A gun stations will see that this is enforced.

3. SHIPS WASHING BASINS.

Complaints have been received from the Chief Officer that valves are being removed from taps and that wooden tops are being removed to permit bathing in the trough. These practices will cease immediately disciplinary action will be taken against offenders.

M. Luoma
Lieut.
Adj. Ship X12.

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Part 1.

No 11.

8 Nov 42.

1. DUTIES:

Duty Unit: 2/1 Aust M G Bn. 8/11/42.

Ships Ord Officer: Lieut Fisher.

Ships Ord NCO: Cpl Thompson P F.

Next for duty: 10 Aust Fd Amb

2. UNAUTHORISED USE OF ARMS.

NO indiscriminate firing will be permitted from the ship, in the event of any further firing disciplinary action will be taken.

3. WASHING.

Washing of clothes will be permitted between the hours of 0900-1000, to-day.

W L Vincent
Lieut.
Adj. Ship X12.

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Part 1.

No 10.

7 Nov 42.

1. DUTIES:

Duty Unit: 2/2 Aust A/Tk Regt. 7/11/42.
Ships Ord Officer: Lieut V K Evans.
Ships Ord NCO: L/Sgt Blowes G W.

Next for duty: 2/1 Aust M G Bn.

Duty Unit to ensure that pioneer fatigue of 6 ORs reports to Cpl Leac
10 Aust Fd Amb, at 0845 hrs on main deck aft, port side.

W. L. Lucas
Lieut.
Adj. X12.

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Part 1.

No 9.

6 Nov 42.

1. DUTIES.

Duty Unit: 2/3 Aust D.I.D. AASC. & 2/4 Aust Fd Regt. 6/11/42
Ships Ord Officer: Lieut. S Mc Thomas, 2/1 Aust M G Bn.
Ships Ord NCO: Spl Speer J J. " "

Unit Next for duty: 2/2 Aust A/Tk Regt.

2. MESS PARADES.

Units are advised to make quite certain that all tickets are being issued to their personnel.

During the last few days considerable shortages have occurred between the number issued to Units and the number returned to the Orderly Room after each meal. Please ensure that personnel are not retaining any mess tickets on their person.

Units will also ensure that all duties are relieved in time for mess parades.

M. Thomas
Lieut.
Adj. X12.

NOTICES.

LOST. 1 watch, SX 14055 Pte Gurnow, 2/3 Aust D.I.D. AASC.

CORRIGENDUM. SICK PARADES.

The afternoon sick parade will be at 1615 hrs daily.

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Part 1.

No 8.

5 Nov 42.

1. DUTY:

Duty Units: 113 Lt A A Regt & 18 Aust PA Coy. 2/11/42.
Next for duty: 2/3 AASC Detachment, & 2/4 FA Regt. 6/11/42.
(2/1 Aust H Q Bn to supply 6th off & HQ.)
Ships Ord Officer: Lt Col. A H Duffield.
Ships Ord NCO: Sgt. Herbert. J. B.

2. OFFICERS P.T.

ALL Officers will attend P.T. class at 1030 hrs daily on promenade deck port side.

3. BOUNDS.

It is repeated from Ships Standing Orders that the port side passage is out of bounds to ALL ranks except mess orderlies on duty, except during mess parades when troops may proceed through this passage from aft only.

The practice of troops ignoring sentries will cease immediately. ~~in day~~
In case of an unauthorized person passing a sentry, his name will be taken and he will be charged.

4. MAIL AND TELEGRAMS.

Mail and telegrams will be accepted up to the time of the ship berthing. All telegrams will be stamped and mail and telegrams handed into Unit Ord Room and sent to Ships Ord Room in bulk. Charge for telegrams, 6d for 14 words, every 2 words over 1d extra.

5. HQS.

Units under W/H for HQS, may make recommendation up to W/H for additional HQS, to G.O. Troops.

6. SHORTHAND WRITER.

Applications are called for a shorthand writer to take ships news for remainder of voyage.

7. HOUSING OFFICER.

Lieut Brancher 2/2 Aust A Tk Regt will replace Lieut Vintur 2/2 Aust A Tk Regt as Housing Officer.

8. LIFEBELTS.

Units will render a return of lifebelts missing immediately. This return must be accurate.

9. SICK PARADES.

All personnel must be on a Sick Report (A45) before proceeding to RAP.

10. WASHING.

No washing will be hung out to dry in hold.

11. PORTHOLE.

Portholes will be opened while ship is in port, on shelter deck and in hold, but will be closed immediately the ship sails.

M. Lucena
Lieut.
A.I.F.

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Port 1. No 7. A Coy 49.

1. DUTIES.

Duty Unit:	30 Aust Fd Amb.	4/11/48
Next for duty:	113 Lt A.A. Regt & 18 Fd Coy.	
	(KIRKMAN)	
Ships Ord Officer:	Capt. Barber.	
Ships Ord HQ:	Cpl. Clemens.	

2. HOUSE QUESTIONS.

All HQs will wear the chevrons of their rank. NO W.O. or Sgt will be permitted on the Promenade deck unless wearing the badges of their rank.

W. L. L. L.
Lieut.
Adj. Ship 112.

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Part 1.

No 6.

3 Nov 42.

1. DUTIES.

Duty Unit:	2/1 Aust M G Bn.
Next for duty:	10 Aust Fd Amb.
Ships Ord Officer:	Lieut. Fisher.
Ships Ord NCO:	Cpl Congdon, R.F.

W. L. Llewellyn
Lieut.
Adj. Ship X12.

CORRIGENDUM TO SHIPS STANDING ORDERS.

Para (c) Ships Guard. to read "1 Sgt and 18 men".
add para (4) "One man on boat deck starbd side, one man on boat deck port side, at stairway near Officers quarters."

NOTICES.

PAY. Pay will be available on a basis of £4-0-0 to Officers and £2-10-0 to ORs, at the ships Orderly Room at 1330 hrs on 4 Nov 42.

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PART 1.

No 5.

2 Nov 42.

1. DUTIES.

Duty Unit: 2/2 Aust A/T Regt. 2/11/42,
Next for duty: 2/1 Aust M G Bn.
Ships Ord Officer: Lieut. J F McComb.
Ships Ord NCO: ~~SGT.~~ Marsden J.

2. BOUNDS.

The promenade deck, port side, is out of bounds to all ORs at all times. NO ORs will use this deck for sleeping.

The aft gun deck (raised portion) is out of bounds to all ORs except gun crews at all times.

Sitting in life-boats is prohibited.

3. MESSING.

All preference to duty personnel on mess parades is cancelled.

Joseph A. Vincent
Lieut.
Adjt. Ship X12.

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PART 1.

No 4.

1 NOV 42.

1. DUTIES.

Duty Unit: AASC Details & 2/4 Field Regt. 1/11/42
Next for duty: 2/2 A.T. Regt.

Ships Orderly Officer:
Ships Ord rly NCO:

Lieut Shea, J. W.
Bdr Carnegie.

W. L. M. A. S.
Lieut.
Adj. Ship X12.



WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

Army Form C.2118
(adapted.)

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Unit 2/1 AUST M. G. Bn.

Date and Time.—From 1 Dec 42 To 31 Dec 42.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
DECEPTION BAY	Dec 1.		C.Coy on March - Normal Training	
" "	2.		C.Coy on March - Normal Training	
" "	3.		C.Coy arrived MAROOCHYDORE for 2 days exercise in watermanship	Achieved its objective in training personnel in the handling of small craft etc.
" "	4.		Normal Training	
" "	5.		Inspection of W.E. HQ.Coy-Adj., C.Coy-2 i/c., D Coy C.O..	
" "	6.		Church Parade 0930	
" "	7.		Bn Parade at 0830. D.Coy left to march to CALOUNDRA -1530hrs plus half of HQ Coy.	
" "	8.		D.Coy arrived CALOUNDRA at 1030 hrs.	
" "	9.		Normal Training	
" "	10.		D.Coy on Fire Control and Beach Recce	More fire control with live ammo necessary owing to continuous turning over of gun numbers and N.C.Os
" "	11.		D.Coy on Beach Defence.	Single guns at short range i.e. 400x proved very effective in defending a beach. Exercise very successful
" "	12.		W.E. Inspection by Coy Comds.	
" "	13.		Interior economy	
" "	14.		C.O. Left on Leave.	

Alton
Comd. 2/1 Aust. Machine Gun. Bn.

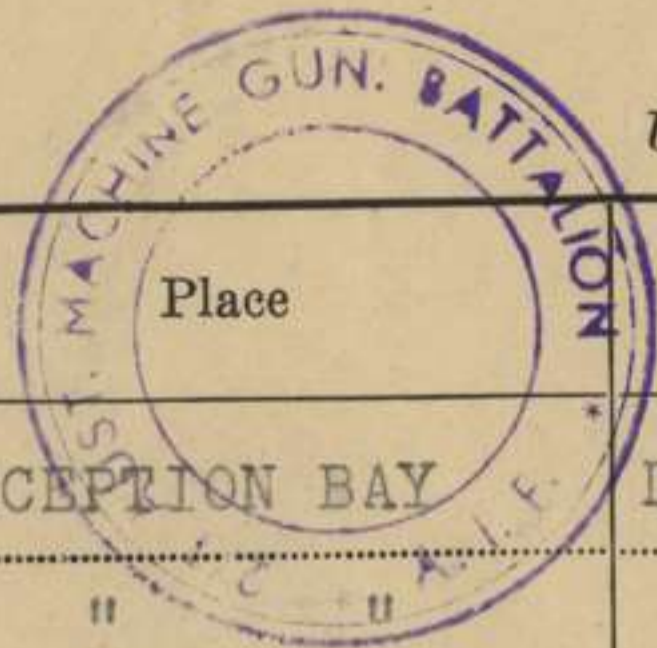
WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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Unit 2/1 Aust M. G. Bn.

Date and Time.—From 15 Dec 42 To 31. Dec 42.



Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
DECEPTION BAY	Dec 15		C.Coy on Fire Control exercise at CALOUNDRA.	More fire control with live amm necessary
"	16		C.Coy on Beach Defence exercise at CALOUNDRA.	Exercise successful. Signal communications need special attention. Were not very satisfactory.
"	17		Normal Tng. Education address by Mr Dyne at night.	
"	18		Normal Training	
"	19		Offrs and Selected NCOs attended a lecture and demo by Dr Herbert on "Edible Wild Plants" at Mt NEBO	Instruction of Unit on "Edible Plants" made possible and successfully carried out by this interesting lecture and demo.
"	20		Church Parade.	
"	21		Normal Tng	
"	22		Normal Tng.	
"	23		Normal Tng.	
"	24		Normal Tng.	
"	25		Church Pde. Leave for remainder of day	
"	26		Normal Tng. Inspection of W.E. C.Coy Maj Plummer D.Coy I.O. HQ Coy Capt McArthur.	
"	27		Church Pde 0930	
"	28		Normal Tng	
"	29		Normal Tng. HQ Coy moved to new site	
"	30		Normal Tng. D.Coy on Jungle March	Troops ability to move and carry out exercise and keep communications in Jungle improving rapidly.
"	31		Normal Tng.	

W. E. Plummer
Comd. 2/1 Aust. Machine Gun Bn.

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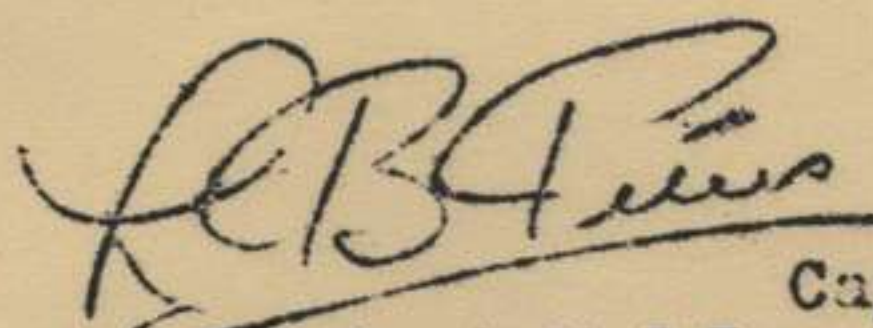
No B 78

1 Dec 42.

1. DUTIES.

As detailed in BROs B 30, B 44, B 48, and B 50.

Bn Orderly Officer - Lieut Pierce. Next for Duty - Lieut Rixon.
Duty Coy - D Coy. Next for Duty - D Coy.


Capt.
Adjt 2/1 Aust M G Bn.

NOTICES

There will be a lecture on N G and films by Education Officer at 1900 hrs
THU 3 Dec 42. Parade on A Coy Pde Gd at rear of canteen. ALL ranks will
attend.

INTER-UNIT TRANSFERS.

OX 6761 Cpl ASHTON R.H. From AAMC (ATT) and posted to D Coy. 1.12.42.
NX 2312 Cpl COATES E.L. do do do do to HQ Coy. 1.12.42.

INTER COY TRANSFER.

SX 609 L/Sgt Bruce F.W. From HQ to C Coy 1.12.42

APPOINTMENTS, RELINQUISHINGS, ETC

SX 609 L/Sgt BRUCE F.W. Relinquishes posting of S/Bearer Cpl 1.12.42.
NX 2312 Cpl COATES E.L. Posted to HQ as S/Bearer Cpl. 1.12.42.

ATTACHMENT.

OX 2559 Pte JAY A.L.F. Attached to Bn HQ from D Coy 1.12.42.

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PART 1.

No B79.

4 DEC 42.

1. DUTIES.

As detailed in BROs B30, B44 B48 and B50.

Bn Orderly Officer Lieut McMahon Next for duty Lieut Pierce.
Duty Coy "D" Coy " " " "D" Coy.

2. RETURN OF EXPIRED LEAVE/RAIL PASSES (HL 1 & 2.)

All combined Rail/Leave passes will be handed in to BHQ on return from leave.
Coys will make collections and return in bulk for Rec Leave personnel.

C.H. Fidock
Capt.
Adjt 2/1 Aust M. G.Bn.

N O T I C E S.

APPOINTMENTS - REVERSIONS ETC.

QX 2559 Pte Jay A.L.F. Relinquishes Gp III Spec R/T. 2.12.42 HQ Coy
QX 2559 Pte Jay A.L.F. Appointed Gp III Spec. Clerk. 2.12.42 HQ Coy.
NX 5777 Pte Smith M.G. Relinquishes Gp II Spec Cook. 1.12.42 D. Coy.
QX 4657 L/CpBradford A.C. Reverts to Pte own request 1.12.42 C.Coy.

STRUCK OFF STRENGTH.

NX 70140 Pte Hartley G.M. Transferred to X List 4.12.42 C.Coy.
QX 4657 Pte BRADFORD A.C. " to 2/48 Aust L&D 1.12.42 C.Coy
QX 26408 Pte Herbert H.G. Evac Hosp SOS 1.12.42 D.Coy

TAKEN ON STRENGTH.

NX 12876 Pte Garn R.T. From 102 Aust Com Depot. 2.12.42 HQ Cc

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PART 1.

No B/C

5 Dec 42

1. DUTIES. As detailed in BROS B3C, B44, B48, and B50.

Bn Orderly Officer. Lieut. S.F. Pierce. Next for Duty. WO II J. Forbes.
Duty Coy. "D" Coy. " " " "D" Coy.

DUTIES FOR 6.12.42.

Bn Orderly Officer. WO II. J. Forbes. " " " Lieut. E.B. Garvey.
Duty Coy. "D" Coy. " " " "C" Coy.

2. EDUCATIONAL TRAINING.

A lecture by Lieut Stewart will be held at the Recreation Hut at
0930 hrs MON 7 Dec 42.
All OFFrs and NCOs (of and above rank of Cpl to attend).
Subject - New Guinea.

James Lee

Capt.
Adjnt 2/1 Aust Machine Gun Bn.

NOTICES.

Church Parades as usual.

CEASED TO BE DETACHED.

NK 4135 A/WO II Rigby, J. From School.
QX 2568 Sgt Lee, H.R. " "

5.12.42. D Coy.
5.12.42.

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COMMANDING 2/1 AUSTRALIAN MACHINE GUN BATTALION.

1. DUTIES . As detailed in BROs B30, B44, B48, and B50.
 Bn Orderly Officer Lieut SCOTT Next for duty WOII FORBES J.
 Duty Coy "C" Coy " " " "C" Coy.

2. EDUCATIONAL SERVICES.

Literature dealing with courses available from Army Education Service and enrollment forms are obtainable from BHQ. It will be notified later on what date representative of the AES will be present to answer any particular questions.

Adjnt *R. H. Lunn* ^{for} Capt. M. G. Bn.

N O T I C E S.PROMOTIONS - REVERSIONS ETC.

VX 1420 L/Sgt HOSKING F.G.	To be Sgt.	26.11.42	HQ Coy
NE 3990 Pte GIBSON N.A.	relinquishes GpIII Shoemaker	26.11.42	HQ Coy
NX 3990 Pte GIBSON N.A.	To be A/Cpl.	26.11.42	HQ Coy
NX 4783 Pte BROOKS G.	relinquishes GpIII Dvr M/T.	8.12.42	HQ Coy
SX 2127 Pte LITCHFIELD CA	appointed GpIII DvrM/T.	8.12.42	HQ Coy

STRUCK OFF STRENGTH.

TX 107 Pte BEATTIE W.J.	Evac Hosp S.O.S.	9.12.42	D. Coy
NX 50589 " WALTON G.A.	" " "	9.12.42	D. Coy

TAKEN ON STRENGTH.

NX 6965 Pte COWAN R.H.	Marched in from 3 Div Rest Camp	9.12.42	C. Coy.
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PART 1.

B 82

12 DEC 42.

1. DUTIES. As detailed in BROs No B30, B44, B48, and B50.
Bn Orderly Officer Lieut R.D.J. NICHOLSON Next for Duty Lt C.D. SCOTT.
Duty Coy "C" Coy " " " "C" Coy.

Duties for 13 Dec 42.

Bn Orderly Officer Lt. C.D. SCOTT Next for duty WOLL RIGBY J.
Duty Coy "C" Coy " " " "D" Coy.

2. COURT OF INQUIRY.

i. The following Officers will constitute a C. of I. to inquire into and report on injuries sustained by QX 4657 Pte BRADFORD A.C. on 5 Dec 42.

ii. President Capt L.A.J. WILCOX.
Member Lieut R.D.J. NICHOLSON.

iii. Court to assemble on 13 Dec 42. Completed proceedings to reach Bn HQ. by 1200 hrs 14 Dec 42.

3. USE OF .45" T.S.M.G. AMMUNITION WITH .455" Mk VI REVOLVER.

1. Cases have been reported in which .455" Pistols revolver Mk VI have been damaged through the use of .45" T.S.M.G. Amn which is a rimless type.
2. American manufactured .45" Smith & Wesson revolvers have been issued to the Service and the use of .45" T.S.M.G. Amn is permissible under certain circumstances, namely, in the conjunction with two small clips that are issued to retain the amn in the cylinder.
3. The .455" pistol revolver, which is a standard service issue revolver, can only be used in conjunction with .455" Mk VI amn. Its use with .45" amn T.S.M.G. is expressly forbidden.

4. SECURITY OF INFORMATION.

1. The attention of all ranks should be directed to the fact that the communication to any person, otherwise than in the course of official duty, of any naval, military or air force information is an offence under the Defence Act punishable by fine or imprisonment or both.
2. Any infringement of Army Field Censorship instructions is an act of disloyalty which may incalculably harm the Allied cause. This fact will be impressed upon all ranks. Rigorous steps will be taken to punish any detected offender, irrespective of rank.
3. An Officer is responsible if a letter, after being franked by him, contains military information. By aiding and abetting the commission of an offence, the offr himself commits an offence and is liable to punishment accordingly. This will not, however, absolve the writer of the letter from responsibility for the breach.
4. Penalties imposed for breaches of security will be notified in formation etc. Para I R.O.s and, where practicable, such notification will be read out on parade to troops within the formation etc.
5. Contravention of this order, if committed by an officer, will be reported to LHQ so that, if thought necessary, the individual concerned may be called upon to show cause why his commission should not be cancelled.

5. CHURCH PARADES.

The wearing of walking out dress on Church Pde is no longer permitted.

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6. DRESS.

All ranks will wear head gear at all times in public night and day.

A. Titchener Capt.
Adjnt 2/1 Aust Machine Gun Battalion.

N O T I C E S.

ENTERTAINMENTS.

The Girls Entertainment Group of the W.V.N.R. cordially invite all ranks to a Christmas Entertainment which will be held at VIZERS CAFE MARGATE on WED evening 16 Dec 42.

TAKEN ON STRENGTH.

NX 45602	Pte Smith.A.H.	From 1 Aust M G Tng Bn.	9.12.42.	D Coy.
VX 13292	Pte Cameron.J.E.	" " " " " "	9.12.42.	D Coy.
NX 50589	Pte Walton.G.A.	" Hospital.	10.12.42.	D Coy.

STRUCK OFF STRENGTH.

NX 43065	Pte Cotmore.J.	To Hospital.	8.12.42.	C Coy.
NX 9944	Cpl Maltman.V.	To GDD- BRISBANE.	12.12.42.	D Coy.

CEASED TO BE DETACHED.

NX 51041	Pte O'Sullivan.F.G.	From 1st Aust Army Junior Tactical School.	10.12.42.	D Coy.
VX 109	Major.H.S. Plummer.	" " " " " "	10.12.42.	D Coy.

DETACHED TO SCHOOL.

NX 5956	Cpl Black.G.L.	To First Aust Army Gas School, Course No 6.	11.12.42.	D Coy.
SX 609	L/Sgt Bruce.F.W.	To LMQ School of P & RT.	12.12.42.	C Coy.

PROMOTIONS, APPOINTMENTS ETC.

NX 2509	L/Cpl Spice.C.R.	To be A/Cpl	3.12.42.	A Coy.
VX 2057	L/Cpl Thompson.P.F.	" " "	3.12.42.	A Coy.
NX 1814	Pte McGregor.J.B.	Appointed L/Cpl.	3.12.42.	A Coy.
NX 11008	Pte Stanley.W.N.	" "	3.12.42.	A Coy.
NX 25361	Pte Williams.R.J.	" "	3.12.42.	A Coy.
NX 11689	Pte Williams.E.F.	" "	3.12.42.	A Coy.
NX 46665	Pte Storck.K.J.	Promoted to A/Cpl.	26.11.42.	C Coy.
NX 60644	Pte Nolan.V.	Graded Gp II Spec. Signaller.	3.12.42.	

(HQ Coy. attached "A" Coy)

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ADM COMD 2/1 AUSTRALIAN MACHINE GUN BATTALION.

PART 1.

No B83.

14 Dec 42.

1. DUTIES. As detailed in BROs No B30, B44, B48 and B50.

Bn Orderly Officer Woll Rigby Next for duty Lieut S.F. PIERCE.
Duty Coy "D" Coy " " " "D" Coy.

PROCEDURE LOST, DAMAGED, OR STOLEN EQUIPMENT.

Further to previous instructions on the matter the following is advised:-


" VII. Kits of persons declared "Illegal Absentees" by a C. of I. will be handed in to the R.C.M.S.. R.C.M.S. will despatch these kits to Kit Store at the end of each month. Coys will retain an inventory of the articles deposited. (GRO 0636) "

The attention of all persons concerned with store accounting is directed to the instructions under this heading issued in BROs A 69, A 77, A 100, B 10. and B83. The appropriate paras of these BROs will be extracted and condensed for reference and necessary action.

3. DEPOSIT OF ARMS ETC. AT RAILWAY CLOAK ROOMS ETC.

A cloak Room has been opened at 664 Bourke Street MELBOURNE, near Spencer Street Railway Station where personnel may, on production of a leave pass, leave kits, equipment, parcels and other articles free of charge whilst on leave. Information useful to soldiers on leave will also be available at the Cloak Room especially with regard to concessions to places of entertainment, hostels and accommodation. (LAO 225)

The practice of leaving arms equipment etc at ordinary Cloak Rooms is forbidden and all ranks are cautioned against carelessness in leaving their articles at Hotels, Cafes etc. All articles recovered from these sources will be returned to Ordnance and the person concerned will incur disciplinary action as well as be liable for cost of articles lost.


Adjnt 2/1 Aust M. G. Bn. Capt.

N O T I C E S.

TAKEN ON STRENGTH.

VX 4044 WO 1. KELLY R.G. From O.T.S. Bonegilla. 13.12.42 D. Coy.
NX 43065 Pte COTMORE J. " Hospital 13.12.42 C. Coy.

STRUCK OFF STRENGTH.

NX 1437 Pte MARKVICK C. Evac Hosp. 13.12.42 D. Coy
VX 13292 " CAMERON J.E. " " 14.12.42 D. Coy
NX 4540 Sgt MacDOUGAL I.J. " " 13.12.42 AEME.
NX 5529 " BARKER T.J. Detached to school - X List 14.12.42 HQ Coy
VX 4049 Pte SHEAN A.G. Evac Hosp 14.12.42 D. Coy.

ADMINISTERING COMMAND

Major A.G.K. HAUPT has been appointed to Administer Command of this unit as from 14 Dec 42.

PROMOTIONS - APPOINTMENTS ETC.

NX 8096 Pte FAY P.A. To be A/Sgt 14.12.42. HQ Coy.

TRANSFERS.

NX 8096 Pte FAY P.A. Transferred out S.O.S. 14.12.42 HQ Coy.
(Transferred to 6 Aust Div Postal Services.)
NX 66129 Pte HARVEY H.M. From "D" Coy to "C" Coy 14.12.42.

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PART I.

No B84.

17 Dec 42

1. DUTIES, As detailed in BROs No. B30, B44, B48, and B50.
Bn Orderly Officer Lieut S.F. PIERCE Next for duty Lieut J.T. WARREN.
Duty Coy "D" Coy " " " "C" Coy.

R.B. Haupt

Capt.,
Adjt 2/1 Aust M. G. Bn.

N O T I C E S.

STRENGTH INCREASE.

VX 5005 Pte LINDSAY H.R.	From Fld Punish Centre.	15.12.42.	D.Coy
NX 5749 Pte MURRAY R.	From X. List	15.12.42.	D.Coy
QX 4657 Pte BRADFORD A.C.	From X. List	16.12.42.	48 LAD.

STRENGTH DECREASE.

VX 1420 Sgt HOSKING F.G.	Transferred out S.O.S.	14.12.42.	HQ.Coy
VX 6317 Pte CUNNINGHAM J.	Transferred to G.D.D.Melb.	15.12.42.	D.Coy.
NX 32776 " THOMPSON D.	Evac Hosp.	16.12.42.	C.Coy.
NX 4610 " RYAN G.S.	Discharged while on leave		
QX 4657 " BRADFORD A.C.	without pay. Evac Hosp	14.12.42.	48 LAD.

DETACHED TO SCHOOL.

NX 155 Capt G.W. AUSTIN.	1 Aust Army Jnr. Tactical School	17.12.42	C.Coy.
NX 8735 Capt W. HALL	1 Aust Army Weapon Tng Sch	16.12.42	D.Coy.
NX 70593 Lieut R.D.J. NICHOLSON	" " " "	16.12.42	HQ.Coy.
SX 756 Sgt SCHEDLICK H.M.	" " " "	15.12.42	C.Coy.
QX 1383 Cpl ROOKS J.G.	" " " "	15.12.42	C.Coy.
VX 25040 " EDWARDS B.M.	" " " "	15.12.42	D.Coy.
VX 6691 Sgt RIDLEY E.L.	" " " "	15.12.42	D.Coy.
NX 30478 Pte HITCHMAN S.C.	1 Aust Armt Jnr Tact, School	16.12.42	C.Coy.

PROMOTIONS - APPOINTMENTS ETC.

TX 683 A/Sgt BILLET J.R.	Rank of Sgt Confirmed.	6.12.42	D. Coy.
VX 6326L/Cpl KENLEY A.J.	To be Acting Cpl	14.12.42	D. Coy.
NX 65131A/Cpl HALLOWS W.M.	Rank of Cpl confirmed	6.12.42	D. Coy.

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PART 1.

No B33.

18 Dec 42.

1. DUTIES, As detailed in BROs Nos B30, B44, B48 and B50.
Bn Orderly Officer Lieut J.T. WARREN Next for duty WO1 KELLY R.G.
Duty Coy "C" Coy " " " "D" Coy.

2. DRESS.

Complaints have been received that troops (not necessarily members of this unit) have been travelling on trains minus shirts and otherwise incompletely dressed.

Troops are reminded that fellow passengers are entitled to consideration in addition to the fact that the Army demands that the uniform will be worn correctly at all times in public.

3. TRAFFIC CONTROL.

(1) Ref Map - CABOOLTURE 1" to 1 ml.

(2) The following roads are under Military control from 1200 7 Dec 42.

(a) Rd Junc. DELANEYS CK. 945468 - Mt MEE incl Eastern and Western roads - BOCTAWA - Mt PLEASANT - DAYBORO.

(b) Mt MEE - WAMURAN.

(3) The only military traffic allowed on these roads will be that proceeding on duty to and from units in the vicinity of these roads.

(4) Road (b) will remain closed to all military traffic until further notice.

(5) The following arrangements on road (a) are to come into operation at 1200 hrs 7 Dec 42.

Speed Limits.

(a) Rd. (a) Whole length - 15 MPH for all MVs except Cars DS and Cars UT. 25 MPH, except where otherwise specified, for Cars DS and Cars UT.

From point 933445 to point 910370 incl Eastern and Western branches of road and point 967303 to 977262 - 15 MPH for all MVs.

(b) From point 933445 to point 923414 traffic must not pass, and will be timed by traffic posts at each post to ensure it does not meet traffic from opposite direction. This will be ensured by est of traffic control posts, manned by Provost at each of the above mentioned points and connected by telephone.

(6) No person shall or permit to be driven any Motor cycle contrary to the provisions of paras 3 and 5 hereof. The speed limits therein set out are to be rigidly enforced. Drivers offending against this order will be immediately grounded, placed under arrest and charged.

4. ACCIDENTS TO M/T.

In every case where a unit vehicle is involved in an accident with a non Army vehicle, the Driver of the Army vehicle will ascertain

a. If the non Army vehicle is insured and with which Company

b. If the non Army vehicle is owned by any State Dept, Local Govt authority or Public utility and obtain particulars of the Dept etc concerned.

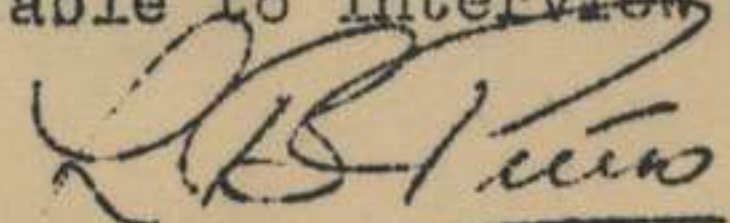
5. BRISBANE LEAVE.

All persons proceeding to BRISBANE on leave must be in possession of a leave pass. The practice of going to REDCLIFFE on local leave and then going on to BRISBANE will not constitute an excuse for being in BRISBANE without a Leave Pass.

EDUCATIONAL SERVICE.

Anyone having enquiries dealing with Education Correspondence Courses will parade to I.O. at 0930 hrs MONDAY 21 Dec 42.

The D.A.D. (Educ) 2 Aust Corps will be present at 1030 hrs and those members with particular questions will be able to interview him.


Adjnt 2/1 Aust M. G. Bn. Capt.,

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PART 1.

No B 86

21 Dec 42.

1. DUTIES, As detailed in BROs Nos B 30, B 44, B 48 and B 50.
Bn Orderly Officer Lieut P.M. McMAHON Next for duty Lieut C.S. RIXON.
Duty Coy "D" Coy " " " "C" Coy.

R.B. Peers Capt.
Adj't 2/1 Aust M. G. Bn.

N O T I C E S.

TAKEN ON STRENGTH.

VX 3504 Pte CLARK R.A. From X List 16.12.42. HQ Coy.
NX 32776 " THOMPSON D. From 2 Aust C.C.S. 18.12.42 C. Coy.

CEASED TO BE DETACHED.

NX 52430 Pte HARLOR G.C. From 2/3 Aust Army Ord W/Shops 18.12.42 D. Coy
TX 683 Sgt BILLET J.R. From School 20.12.42 D. Coy
QX 384 Cpl DAY F.G. " " 20.12.42 C. Coy
NX 7962 Lieut H.A.A. TOURLE " " 20.12.42 D. Coy

DETACHED.

NX 76265 Capt S.C. BARRETT For Duty 8.12.42 HQ Coy
TX 116 Pte HICKEY R.S. To School 20.12.42 D. Coy

PROMOTIONS APPOINTMENTS ETC.

VX 13134 L/Cpl CLEMENTS W. To be A/Cpl 26.11.42 E. Coy
NX 10055 A/Sgt KUSCHERT H.G. Confirmed Sgt 15.12.42 HQ Coy

STRUCK OFF STRENGTH.

NX 11391 Pte CONNORS F.J. Evac Hosp 21.12.42. C. Coy.

CONFIRMATION OF RANK.

NX 3820 A/WOLL FOSTER C.A. Rank of WO II confirmed 12.12.42. A. Coy.

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ADM COMMANDER 2/1 AUSTRALIAN MACHINE GUN BATTALION.

PART 1.

No B87.

22 Dec 42.

1. DUTIES. As detailed in BROs B30, B44, B48 and B50.

Bn Orderly Offr. Lieut C.S.B. Rixon. Next for Duty Lieut H. Tourle.
Duty Coy. "C" Coy. " " " "D" Coy.

2. COURTS OF INQUIRY.

A. The following offr. will constitute a Court of Inquiry to inquire
i. into and report upon damage sustained by vehicle V15862 on 17
Dec 42.

ii. President. Capt. L.A.J. Wilcox.
Member. Lieut. E.B. Garvey.

iii. Court will assemble on 22 Dec 42. Completed proceedings to
reach Bn HQ by 1200 hrs 23 Dec 42.

B. Para 2 of BRO No B82 is cancelled.

3. WEARING OF IDENTITY DISCS.

All ranks are reminded that the wearing of discs identity at all
times is compulsory.

Coys will check periodically that all ranks are wearing discs
and in the correct manner.

4. CLEANING OF WEB EQPT AND GAITERS.

The practice of scrubbing web eqpt and gaiters to make them white
is to cease. When washing is necessary it should be done in warm
soapy water. Normally brushing with a strong brush will suffice.

5. USE OF 9m.m. AMN IN .38 PISTOLS.

The use of 9 mm amn in .38 pistols is forbidden also any
modification of .38 pistols to enable 9 mm amn to be used therein.

6. OBSOLETE TEXTBOOKS.


SAT I par 6 (AA) 1937 print is obsolete and will not be referred to
in connection with Anti Aircraft work.

The correct textbook for current use is 6A 1942 print.

7. DRESS.

All ranks are reminded of the unit regulations regarding dress as
previously promulgated in BROs B30 and B39.

In addition offr. below Fd rank will not wear shoes or caps (except
with walking out dress) between the hours of reveille and retreat.


Capt.
Adj. 2/1 Aust Machine Gun Bn.

N O T I C E S.

TAKEN ON STRENGTH.

NX 43341 Pte Moon. R.F.

From 3 Aust Div Reception Camp.

21.12.42. "C" Coy.

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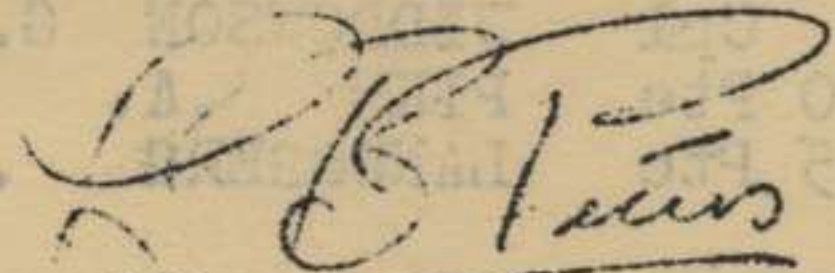
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PART 1.

No B. 88

28 Dec 42.

1. DUTIES, As detailed in BROs B30, B44, B 48 and B50.
Bn Orderly Offr. Lieut E.B. GARVEY Next for duty Lieut H.A. TOURLE.
Duty Coy. "C" Coy " " " "D" Coy.
"C" Coy duties will be relieved at 1800 hrs 28.12.42 by D. Coy as
Tng Instruction No 22.
2. EDUCATION SERVICE.
Application Forms for Unit Educational Courses are now available
from the I.O. at Bn HQ.
3. PAY 30.12.42.
Next Pay Day will be Wednesday 30.12.42. Coy Reps may draw money
at BHQ after 1100 hrs on that day.
Unexpended money and acquittances must be returned to Pay Sgt
before 2000 hrs.
Pay Sgt will remain on duty until 2350 hrs on 30.12.42 to pay
personnel absent from Coy Pay Pde on duty or leave. Under NO
circumstances will any payment be made on Thursday 31 Dec 42.
4. COURTS OF INQUIRY.
The following Offrs will constitute Courts Of Inquiry as under:-
A. To enquire into and issue declaration concerning illegal absence
of NX 6021 Pte Thompson R.J.
ii President Capt L.A.J. WILCOX.
Member Lieut H.A.A. TOURLE.
iii Court will assemble on 29.12.42. Completed proceedings to reach
BHQ by 1200 hrs 30.12.42.
B. To enquire into and report on the loss of S & W Pistol No 945744 on
charge to VX 11831 Pte Nelson W.A. on 25/26 Dec 42.
ii. President Maj H.S. PLUMMER.
Member Lieut B.H. HAY.
iii Court to assemble on 29.12.42. Completed proceedings to reach
BHQ by 2000. 31.12.42.



Capt.,
Adjt 2/1 Aust M. G. Bn.

N O T I C E S.

XMAS GREETINGS.

The following telegrams have been received:-

" G.O. Adm Command and Staff 2 Aust Corps desires to wish C.O.
and troops 2/1 Aust M.G.Bn., MERRY XMAS and VICTORIOUS NEW YEAR."

" Merry Xmas to all ranks - Col Fidock."

" Happy Xmas to all Ranks - Padre McPhail "

TAKEN ON STRENGTH.

NX 1734 Pte MARKWICK C. From 2 Aust CCS 24.12.42 D. Coy.

STRUCK OFF STRENGTH

NX 2120 Pte JENNINGS R.A.F. Transferred out to
2/109 Aust G.T. Coy 24.12.42 D. Coy.
NX 11870 Pte LARDEN N.S. To G.D.D. Sydney 25.12.42 C. Coy.
NX 4227 L/Cpl HUMPHREYS H.J. Evac Hosp S.O.S. 20.12.42 D. Coy.
NX 70593 Lieut R.D.J. NICHOLSON Transferred out 23.12.42 HQ Coy.

P.T.O.

DETACHED FOR DUTY - SCHOOLS.

SX 1670	Lieut	J.T. WARREN	To LHQ Tng Centre.	23.12.42	C. Coy
NX 76226	Lieut	C.D. SCOTT	1 Aust Army Weapon Tng Sch.	28.12.42	HQ. Coy
NX 56489	Lieut	S.F. PIERCE	To F.A.A. Jun Tact. Sch.	28.12.42	C. Coy
NX 71702	Lieut	P.M. McMAHON	" " " MR and FS Sch.	28.12.42	D. Coy
NX 7835	Capt	W. HALL	" " " Weapon Tng Sch.	28.12.42	D. Coy
TX 905	A/Cpl	COLLINS G.W.	To LHQ Tng Centre	23.12.42	D. Coy
SX 5868	Pte	OLIVER W.B.	" " " "	23.12.42	C. Coy
SX 483	Sgt	YEOMANS G.H.	To O.T.S. Bonegilla	25.12.42	C. Coy
EX 895	Sgt	LONG T.G.	" " " "	26.12.42	D. Coy
QX 1064	L/Cpl	LLOYD V.H.	F.A.A. Weapon Tng Sch.	27.12.42	C. Coy
TX 775	A/Sgt	HENRY F.H.	" " " "	27.12.42	D. Coy
NX 55903	Pte	HALL H.J.	" " " "	28.12.42	HQ Coy.
VX 6691	Sgt	RIDLEY E.K.	" " " "	28.12.42	D. Coy.
NX 46390	Pte	HAWKER L.J.	F.A.A. MR and FS Sch	28.12.42	D. Coy.
NX 44285	Pte	SHEPHERD J.	F.A.A. Jun Tact Sch	28.12.42	C. Coy.

CEASED TO BE DETACHED.

SX 756	Sgt	SCHEDLICH H.M.	From F.A.A. Weapon Tng Sch.	23.12.42	C. Coy
QX 1383	Cpl	ROOKS J.G.	" " " "	23.12.42	C. Coy.
VX 6691	Sgt	RIDLEY E.L.	" " " "	23.12.42	D. Coy.
VX 25040	Cpl	EDWARDS B.M.	" " " "	23.12.42	D. Coy.
TX 895	Sgt	LONG T.G	S.A.S. Bonegilla	19.12.42	D. Coy.
VX 5889	Cpl	BAXTER C.F.	" " " "	19.12.42	D. Coy.
SX 1047	Cpl	MANNING G.H.	" " " "	19.12.42	C. Coy.
TX 180	Cpl	WIDDOWSON G.W.	" " " "	19.12.42	D. Coy
SX 286	Cpl	SIMS D.C.	" " " "	19.11.42	C. Coy
QX 4869	Cpl	SAMPSON H.C.	" " " "	19.12.42	C. Coy.
NX 7962	Lieut	H.A.A. TOURLE	F.A.A. Weapon Tng Sch	20.12.42	D. Coy.
NX 8735	Capt	W.HALL	" " " "	23.12.42	D Coy
NX 70593	Lieut	R.D.J. NICHOLSON	" " " "	22/12.42	HQ Coy.
NX 47803	Lieut	L.C. McKNIGHT	S.A.S. Bonegilla	19.12.42	D. Coy.
SX 794	Lieut	C.W. McMILLAN	" " " "	19.12.42	HQ Coy.

APPOINTMENTS = PROMOTIONS - CONFIRMATION OF RANK ETC.

NX 5565	A/WOL	BERRY N.W.	Confirmed WOL	15.12.42	HQ Coy.
TX 905	A/Cpl	COLLINS G.W.	Confirmed cpl	26.12.42	D. Coy.
VX 465	L/Sgt	PARSONS W.A.	To be Acting Sgt	26.12.42	C. Coy.
TX 775	L/Sgt	HENRY F.H.	" " " "	26.12.42	D. Coy.
TX 180	Cpl	WIDDOWSON G.W.	" " L/Sgt	26.12.42	D. Coy.
NX 5870	Pte	PIKE D.A.	" " A/Cpl	26.12.42	D. Coy
QE 2645	Pte	LANDBERG .H.	" " L/Cpl	26.12.42	C. Coy.

ADDENDUM.

CONTROL OF PHOTOGRAPHY.

Members of the unit may now hold Cameras subject to the usual Censorship regulations.

In the event of withdrawal of permission cameras must be returned to members Homes or to someone who will be responsible for them.

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PART 1.

No B 89.

29 Dec 42.

1. DUTIES, As detailed in DROs Nos B 30, B 44, B48 and B50.

Bn Orderly Offr. Lieut H.A.A. TOURLE Next for duty WOii FORBES J.
Duty Coy "D" Coy " " " "C" Coy.

2. APPLICATIONS FOR LEAVE.

All applications for special leave MUST, except in very urgent cases, be submitted 48 hours prior to the time the leave is required to commence.

3. SECURITY OF ARMS.

The continuous loss of pistols and other valuable stores by theft is cause for concern. It appears that there is not sufficient effort made to safeguard these articles while persons to whom they are issued are not actually wearing them, ie., on night leave etc. In future companies will institute an arrangement by which pistols, compasses, etc may be deposited for safe-keeping in a lock-up box in the Coy Q Store when safe custody is required. In future, loss of pistols, etc, due to owner's failure to deposit these articles for safe keeping when on leave, etc., will constitute negligence.

R. H. Haupt Capt.
Adjnt 2/1 Aust M G Bn.

NOTICES.

SECURITY OF INFORMATION (Extract from Adv LHQ Int Sum No 20).

An object lesson in Security-mindedness is revealed in the recent release of news of the landing of British and American tps in N. Africa.

Many ships were required to transport this Force, many thousands of workers were engaged for months in preparations, and yet the enemy were NOT aware of the proposed objective.

Apparently English and Americans, unlike us realise the danger of loose talk. In Australia, it is almost impossible to shift a Battalion without someone writing or talking of the move.

Every person who wants to write or talk about news which could be of value to the enemy should stop for an instant and think of the multitude whose silence and self control made possible the success of the North African landings.

STRENGTH DECREASE.

SX 12414 Pte Whiting S.R.	To SA L of C Area.	C Coy. 28.12.42.
NX 32466 Pte Garner J.H.	Evac Hospital	D Coy. 28.12.42.

TRADE GROUPING.

VX 2018 Pte Fox T.	Group III Rangetaker.	B Coy. 14.11.42.
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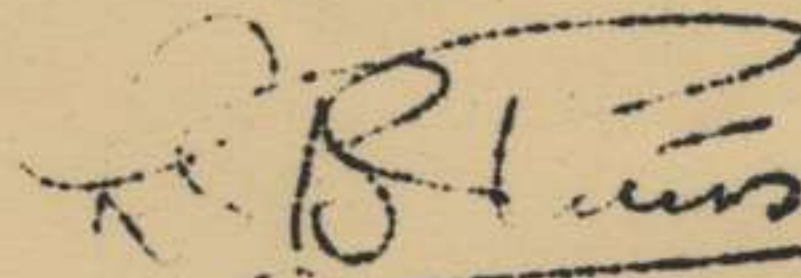
No B 90

30 Dec 42.

1. DUTIES, As detailed in BRGs No B30, B44, B48, and B 50.
Bn Orderly Offr. WOLL FORBES J. Next for duty WOL KELLY R.G.
Duty Coy "C" Coy " " " "D" Coy.

2. OUT OF BOUNDS.

All ranks are reminded that the town of CABOOLTURE is out of bounds to this unit, for the purpose of local leave.
Only persons "on Duty" will visit CABOOLTURE



Adjnt 2/1 Aust M.G. Bn. Capt.

N O T I C E S.

COMFORTS.

The following goods from South Aust Comforts Fund have been distributed to Coys on 29.12.42.

Handkerchiefs	84	Pairs of stockings	6.
WASHERS	84	Tins of Milk	6.
Tins of herbs	9	Gun Cleaners	26. bundles
Pairs of socks	80		

LOST.

Tail light and number plate (Q 157311) between turn off into camp and Camp. Finder please return to Bn HQ.

STRENGTH DECREASE.

VX 6324	Pte Thomas C.A.	Evac Hosp	30.12.42 D.Coy.
NX 5342	" Thompson R.J.	Declared Illegal Absentee	29.12.42 D. Coy.

TRANSFER.

NX 47203	Pte LACEY J.W.	From HQ Coy to D. Coy	30.12/42.
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2/1 AUSTRALIAN MACHINE GUN BATTALION.

TRAINING INSTRUCTION No 21.

Period 30 Nov 42 - 12 Dec 42.

1. During the above period the following training will be adhered to:-

2. DUTY COY WEEK.

Church Pde- Make and Mend	1	Day
W.E. Inspection	1	"
Rest Day	1	"
Assault Course	1	"
M.M.G.	1	"
Route March	1	"
Duties	1	"
Bn Parade & Educational	1	"

TRAINING WEEK.

Church Pde, Make & Mend	1	Day
W.E. Inspection	1	"
Bn Pde Educational	2	"
Coy Trek and		
Field Firing	5	"
	<u>7</u>	

7 Days

3. CHURCH PARADE = MAKE AND MEND.

Church Pde at 0930 each Sunday.
As Bn Pdes will be held on each Monday morning Coy Comdrs will see that make and mend in preparation for such is carried out.

4. W.E. INSPECTION

First parade Saturday mornings at 1100 hrs when inspection of W.E., Vehicles, lines etc will be carried out on the following lines :-
C.O., S.I.C., and Adjts will inspect W.E.
Bn Ordnance Officer & M.M.G. will inspect lines, tents, kitchens etc.
O.C. 48 LAD and Transport Officer will inspect Vehicles and cycles. Commencing at 1000 hrs on each Saturday.

5. REST DAY

Coy Comdrs will arrange "Rest Day" over the week as is convenient. This day will follow the Route March see para 8, and personnel may be granted leave on this day from reveille to 2359 hrs

6. ASSAULT COURSE

As laid down previously.

7. M.M.G.

During this period which is at the Coy Comdrs discretion, one hour of advanced handling and one hour of stoppages will be included.

8. ROUTE MARCHES.

The day preceding that which personnel take as REST day will be occupied as follows:-
0900 hrs to 1630 hrs. Route march to Hostel at REDCLIFFE.
Beach games, swimming Artificial Respiration etc. Evening free night spent at Hostel.
Coy Comdrs arrange with QM re No of rations to be delivered at the Hostel. Cooks to be supplied by Coy concerned. O.C. HQ Coy will co-operate with C. and D. Coy Comdrs re HQ Coy Route March and Rest Days. Coy Comdrs will ensure that during the period all personnel spend two days away from Camp. It will be necessary to "Stagger" these two days over the time available ensuring that the Hostel is occupied at all times.

9. DUTIES.

One day during duty week to allow of essential duties being carried out, Coy Comdrs will ensure that personnel who may not be required for 24 hrs duty during the duty week will be employed on tng at Coy Comdrs discretion.

10. BN PDE. and EDUCATIONAL PERIOD.

(a) Bn Pde. each Monday morning at 0830 hrs which will be considered a Muster Pde. an absolute minimum being allowed off. Markers to R.S.M. at 0820 on Bn Pde ground.

Dn Pde and educational Period Contd.

DRESS.- Shorts, shirts, boots, Gaiters or short puttees, drill order-hats (turned down).

(b) EDUCATIONAL PERIOD.

See separate instructions issued by 2 i/c/-after Dn Pde- 0930 hrs to 1200 hrs - Unit lectures will be held.

Details will be advised Coys re this period.

11. COY TREK.

On MON of Tng week Gun Coy concerned plus half of HQ Coy and Dn HQ will move out in Pl groups, on routes as decided by Pl or Gp Comds. Final objective Dicky Beach CALOUNDRA which will be reached not later than 2359 hrs on the WED.

(a) Transport.

T.O. will make transport available to each Gun Coy as follows:-

3- 3 ton 4x4 - 1-1 tonner - 1-15 cwt - 1 water cart.

Dn HQ and HQ Coy.

3 tonners - 1-15 cwt - 1 water cart.

As many M/Cs as possible will accompany vehicles.

(b) ARMS.

Gun Coy complete M.M.G. eqpt and Brens, rifles.

HQ Coy :- Brens, rifles.

(c) Ammunition.

R.S.M. will issue instructions re this.

(d) Blankets and clothing.

Blankets, groundsheet, mosquito nets, pack, change of clothing socks etc, toilet gear, messing gear, Pack and blankets carried in vehicles. Water bottles carried full.

(e) Meals.

During the trek part of this exercise Coy Comds may decide regarding meals whether to establish cook-houses each evening with haversack lunches, or to be supplied from camp per hot boxes at selected R.Vs. Cook-houses will be established at Dickey Beach CALOUNDRA in time for breakfast to be cooked on that area on the Thursday morning. R.Q.M.S. will arrange delivery of rations to Dickey Beach for Thu and Fri.

(f) Bivouac Area.

On Pd Firing Range CALOUNDRA as occupied before.

12. FIELD FIRING.

(a) Commencing 0830 hrs on the Thu the following Pd Firing will be carried out:-

0830-1200 hrs.	Fire Control
1200-1300 "	Mid-day meal on range.
1300-1500 "	Fire Control.
1500-1700 "	Pl & Sec Comds recce for night occupation.
1700-1900 "	Rest and evening meal.
1900	Commence night occupation, Beach defence. Sleep on Gun positions. Be prepared for S.D.F. (details later as to place from which fired)
0400-0500 "	Stand to.
0700 "	Breakfast.
0900-1200 "	Demonstration- fire on fixed lines as per S.D.F. and engagement of targets seaward.
Afternoon.	Free.
1700 "	Evening meal, return to camp using Tpt.

(b) Ammunition.

4 Belts in Fire Control - 6 belts in Beach Defence to include 1 belt S.D.F. signal, 2 belts S.D.F. demonstration, 3 belts seaward targets.

(c) Brens.

All Brens will come under command A.A. Pl and will be organised on the beach for A.A. defence. During the night Wed and Thu Brens will be placed on fixed lines and will act on S.D.F., same procedure as for S.D.F. demonstration.

A.A. Pl will arrange for kites or other A.A. targets.

P.T.O.

(3)

12. Cont.

Bren targets to be used on the Thursdays.

10,000 rds will be available for Brens.

(d) Fire Control.

One Sec per Pl to be used in this exercise and Adjt will arrange with Gun Coy Comds that each Sec will be in charge of an officer. Officers particularly in this F.C. Tng will be instructed by the Adjt in the correct procedure of conducting these practices, full value must be obtained from the criticism after each target has been engaged.

(e) Safety.

In Beach Defence scheme with ball aim the normal safety angle of 3° plus allowances will be increased to 6° plus allowances. NCOs in charge of guns, which will mostly be sited singly, will ensure that their lines of fire will not endanger other sub-sections and if necessary will increase safety angle beyond 6° .

13. HQ Coy.

To conform where applicable otherwise specialists training.

Signal offr to ensure the maximum number of 108 sets for Beach Defence scheme in Coy Tng week.

14. DETAILED SYLLABUS.

To be furnished Bn HQ by 1200 hrs SAT 28 Nov 42.

Lt Col.

Comd 2/1 Aust M G Bn.

25 Nov 42.

W.D.

2/1 AUSTRALIAN MACHINE GUN BATTALION.

AMENDMENT TO TNG INSTRUCTION No 21. 30 Nov - 12 Dec 42

Para II.

Owing to failure to procure use of Field Firing Range CALONNDRA on week 30 Nov/6 Dec "C" Coy will vary the arrangements ~~for~~ Coy Trek and Field Firing as laid down. This Coys Fd Firing ~~will~~ be carried out at a later date when the range is available.

The following is the programme for "C" Coy for week 30 Nov/6 Dec.

MONDAY.	1600 hrs	Evening Meal
	1700 "	March Out
	1700-0500 hrs	Route March
(TUE)	0500-1600 "	Bivouac & Rest.
TUESDAY.	do	do
WEDNESDAY	do	(Arrive MAROOCHYDORE. daybreak Thursday)
THURSDAY	0500-1200 hrs	Bivouac & Rest
	1300-1700	Practice rowing, embarking and disembarking from small boats on Maroochy River.
FRIDAY	0800-1700	Practice rowing. embarking and disembarking from small boats, in Maroochy River.
SAT.& SUN	- As per para 3 and 4.	

L.P. Peters. Capt.
Adjt 2/1 Aust M.G. Bn.

WD

2/1 AUSTRALIAN MACHINE GUN BATTALION.

TRAINING INSTRUCTION No 22. Period 14 Dec - 3 Jan 43.

1. The above period covers three (3) weeks and includes Xmas and New Year. The following training and Recreation will be adhered to during this period:-

2. DAYS.

Church Parades - Make and mend.	3 $\frac{1}{2}$	Days.
W.E. Inspection	3	"
Rest Days	4 $\frac{1}{2}$	"
M.M.G.	4	"
Night Route Marches	3	"
Map Reading & Compass	1	"
Jungle Tng.	2	"
Duties		
C.Coy Field Firing etc.		
Educational		
Leave.		
	<u>21</u>	<u>Days.</u>

3. CHURCH PDES - MAKE AND MEND.

On the following Sundays Tng will be as advised previously:-
20 Dec. - 27 Dec. - 3 Jan 1943.

On Xmas Day 25 Dec - Church Pde will be held at 0930 hrs.

4. W.E. INSPECTION.

As advised previously - each Saturday morning. Greater attention must be paid to lines etc. Inspections will be carried out as per para 4. Tng Instn No 21. W.O. Manson (48 LAD) will take the place of O.C. 48 LAD on vehicle and M/C inspection.

5. REST DAYS.

Conditions as previously advised - One day in week end 19 Dec - $\frac{1}{2}$ day from Mid-day 24 Dec. $\frac{1}{2}$ day after Church Parade 25 Dec - $\frac{1}{2}$ day after Mid-day 31 Dec - Full day 1 Jan.
Coy Comds may grant local leave to 2359 hrs on any of the rest days.

Details regarding Xmas Day will be advised later - Xmas Dinner Etc.

6. M.M.G.

C.Coy and half HQ Coy. (who did not participate in D. Coy Field Firing) will reserve two (2) days of MMG Tng to carry out Field Firing at CALONNDRA on days as advised. D. Coy will take over duties during these two days. Personnel taking part in Field Firing will be transported to and from Caloundra, bivouacing for the night on Caloundra Beach.

MMG TRAINING.

Advanced Handling	4	Hours	Sec 14.
Stoppages	2	"	Sec 6.
Flanking & Overhead fire	4	"	Sec 31.
(Special Reference Less 130/2)			
Sec Drill - Night Firing	3	"	Sec 17.
Indication & Recognition	3	"	Less 62/64.
Field Signals	2	"	MMG - AA - Inf.
Instrument Tests	2	"	Less 42. 44.
Examination & Tests & adjustments	3	"	Less 8/9.
Spare Parts	3	"	Sec 5.
	<u>26</u>	<u>"</u>	

7. NIGHT ROUTE MARCHES.

One night and one day devoted to night marching, leaving Camp at Mid-night - march until daybreak, rest until mid-day - return to Camp. Coy Comds to select routes to cover not less than 10 miles during the hours of darkness.

8. MAP READING AND COMPASS.

Two afternoons to be devoted to instruction in Map reading and Compass work. These afternoons to be immediately prior to one (1) day of Jungle Tng (see para 9.)

9. JUNGLE TRAINING.

Training in movement by day in close country. Areas advised by BHQ. Coys to be transported to such areas and back to camp. Haversack lunches and filled water bottles. Section groups with map and compass set down at a designated spot and given routes

approx 8 miles to where Tpt will be waiting for return to Camp. The attention of Officers and NCOs is directed to "Water Discipline" Exercises recently held have shown that several men have been incapacitated due to frequent indulgence in water. This discipline will be strictly enforced during this exercise, and personnel will be instructed when to drink.

One day of this Tng to follow the Map reading and Compass Tng held on the previous afternoon.

10. DUTIES.

When necessary due to Tng and rest days over Xmas and New Year as advised by BHQ. Coys will provide duties on a daily basis.

11. C.Coy FIELD FIRING & D.Coy BOAT TNG.

Two (2) days of MMG Tng will be reserved by C.Coy for Field Firing at Caloundra. Details will be advised later.

After the Xmas period in early Jan D. Coy will carry out Boat Tng at MAROOCHYDORE, details later.

12. EDUCATIONAL.

In future Thursday evenings will be devoted to Educational Tng. (24. & 31 Dec excluded) Local leave will not be granted on nights of Educational Tng.

Educational Officer will be responsible for all arrangements regarding this Tng.- Unit Loud Speaker Equipment to be available for Lectures, and power for Movies to be arranged by 48 LAD.

13. HQ COY.

HQ Coy to conform where applicable otherwise separate syllabus as arranged by OC HQ Coy.

14. DETAILED SYLLABUS.

Detailed syllabus to be furnished this HQ by 1200 hrs SAT 12 Dec 42

15. LEAVE.

Outside of the Tng hours Coys may grant local leave until 2359 hrs. Recreational Leave will continue and Coys will be asked to supply nominal rolls as required. This leave is on the basis of 4 Offrs and 40 ORs.

Officers leave will be arranged by Bn HQ, ORs on the following basis:- HQ Coy 10 - C and D Coys 15 each.

Coys will endeavour to keep applications for special or compassionate leave to a minimum, and such personnel wherever possible, will be included in the Recreational Leave quoted.

Recently there has been a number of applications for special leave to enable personnel to be married, such is not considered grounds for any preferential treatment unless circumstances warrant special leave, and in future personnel desirous of marrying will make their arrangements coincident with normal Recreational Leave.

16. ALLOTMENT OF DAYS.

Date.	Day.	Rest Day.	Duties.	Fd Firing.	Night March.	Jungle Tng.	Remarks.
Dec 14.	Mon.	-	D(a)	-	-	-	
Dec 15.	Tue.	-	D	C-HQ	-	-	
Dec 16.	Wed.	-	D	C-HQ	-	-	
Dec 17.	Thu. (k)	C	D(b)	-	-	-	Educ. Lecture 1930 hrs.
Dec 18.	Fri.	D	C(c)	-	-	-	
Dec 19.	Sat.	-	D	-	-	-	Inspev. W.E. 1100 hrs.
Dec 20.	Sun.	-	C	-	-	-	Church Pde Make & Mend.
Dec 21.	Mon.	-	D	-	-	C	
Dec 22.	Tue.	-	C(d)	-	D(e)	-	
Dec 23.	Wed.	-	D	-	-	C	
Dec 24.	Thu.	ALL(g)	C	-	-	-	
Dec 25.	Fri.	ALL(h)	D	-	-	-	Ch. Pde 0930 hrs.
Dec 26.	Sat.	-	C	-	-	-	Inspev. W.E. 1100 hrs.
Dec 27.	Sun.	-	D	-	-	-	Ch. Pde 0900 hrs. Make & Mend.
Dec 28.	Mon.	-	C	-	-	D	
Dec 29.	Tue.	-	D	-	C(f)	-	
Dec 30.	Wed.	-	C	-	-	D	
Dec 31.	Thu.	ALL(i)	D	-	-	-	
Jan 1.	Fri.	ALL(j)	C	-	-	-	
Jan 2.	Sat.	-	D	-	-	-	Inspev. W.E. 1100 hrs.
Jan 3.	Sun.	-	C	-	-	-	Ch. Pde 0900 hrs. Make & Mend.

NOTES.

- a, b, c, d, - On these days remainder of Coy will be given compass Tng in that ALL Coy will have had this Tng prior to Jungle Tng on 21 and 28.
- e, f. Night March to commence 2400 hrs Monday night. (Duties changed at 1800 hrs day prior.)
- g, h, i, j. See Para 5.
- k. No night leave until after lecture.

W. Liddell

Lt Col.

Comd 2/1 Aust M G Bn.

8 Dec 42.

Wyle

2/1 Aust. M.G. Bn.
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A Coy, 2/1 Aust M G Bn.
5 Dec 42.

Commanding Officer.
2/1 Aust M G Bn.

PARADE STATE. - PERIOD 28/11/42 to 5/12/42.

Embarkation strength. 6 Offrs. 141 ORs.

<u>Date.</u>		<u>Offrs.</u>	<u>ORs.</u>	<u>Total.</u>
28-11-42	Posted stren gth.	6	136	142
"	Evacuated to hospital.		4	4
29-11-42	Posted strength.	6	132	138
"	Evacuated to hospital.		1	1
30-11-42	Posted strength.	6	131	137
1-12-42	Posted strength.	6	131	137
2-12-42	Posted strength.	6	131	137
"	Returned from hospital.		1	1
3-12-42	Posted strength.	6	132	138
"	Returned from hospital.		1	1
4-12-42	Posted strength.	6	133	139
5-12-42	Posted strength.	6	133	139
<u>Detached for duty with transport.</u>			3	3
<u>XXXXXXXXXXXX TOTAL POSTED STRENGTH.</u>		6	136	142.

J. Bradley C apt.
A/O.C. A Coy, 2/1 Aust M G Bn.

Vsk SECRET.

A Coy. 2/1 Aust M G Bn.

SUMMARY, WAR DIARY. DECEMBER 1942.

- Dec 1. Working parties on road, (53 ORs). Issue of tobacco.
" 2. do do Cpl Carmichael returned from hospital.
" 3. Working parties on rd. Pte Garn J R returned from hospital.
" 4. Parade state 6 Orr 133 ORs, troops on road making (1-53). Big mail arrived in afternoon.
" 5. Parade state 6-133. road making party 1-27, canteen unloading party at wharf 21 ORs. NX11771 Pte Elliott R H returned from hospital. Pte Abbott J charged.
" 6. Parade state 6-134. troops on road making 1-45. Charge & SX2015 Pte Duncan R. fine 10/-. NX11689 Pte Williams appointed L/Cpl as from 1/12/42. VX 5578 Pte Featherstone BAJ. NX60644 Pte Nolan V appointed Gp II signaller as from 2 Dec 42.
" 7. Parade state 6-134. Road making party 1-45. Ordnance working party 7 ORs. Loading party at wharf 15 ORs. Canteen party 21 ORs. these are supplied each day until further notice.
" 8. Parade state 6-134. Road party 1-45. charges. NX6168 Pte Law C A NX13202 Pte Chaiker J. NX27873 Pte Wilkinson H R. A A Sec 15(2) fined 10/- each.
" 9. Parade state 6-134. Ordnance party 31 ORs. Mail arrived in afternoon. Order to unload H.T. "Maetsuycker" at 1800 hrs night 9/10 Gun stores and ammunition to be dumped in unit lines. NX 4231 BX Cpl Congdon R H returned from hospital.
" 10. Change in W E. Promotions NX2315 Pte Clarke R J to be A/Cpl cook. NX7814 L/Cpl Baird-Handyside W C reverts to Pte. NX60479 Pte Woods T R relinquishes Gp II clerk. NX1238 Cpl WEIR W M S transfers to 5 Platoon. NX58296 Pte Hide relinquishes Gp II cook.
" 11. NX11003 Sgt Rennie J evacuated to hospital. Lecture by A D M S at 1400 hrs.
" 12. NX20080 Pte Ryan A L evacuated to hospital. Weekly returns to D R L O 6 Aust Div.
" 13. Church parade at 0900 hrs near Pari village. Communion at 0700 R C personnel taken by truck to Port Moresby at 0730 hrs.
" 14. Strength 6-133 Training as per syllabus. Air raid at 0020 hrs Alarm at 0415, Air raid at 2045.
" 15. Training as per syllabus. air raid at 2200 hrs.
" 16. Strength 6-133. Training as per syllabus. Range taking school under Sgt Jackson. Openair cinema at 2000 hrs.
" 17. Strength. 6-134. Training as per syllabus. Heavy rain during night, warm day. Troops preparing for shoot during week end. NX20080 Pte Ryan A L returned from hospital.
" 18. Strength 6-132. NX4364 Pte McSwan A E evacuated to hospital VX 4021 Pte Morse J A evacuated to C C S. Range practice with rifle
" 19. Range practice with V M M Gs Troops marched approx 6 miles each way. Very hot and humid making marching very trying. 7 charges.
" 20. 6-133 strength. Church parades as for 13th. VX4021 Pte Morse J A returned from hospital.
" 21. Strength 6-133. Normal training. Canteen fatigue parties supplied at 0800, 1600 and 2400 hrs. Inspection of W E in afternoon. Issue of gaiters U SA type to all troops. 12 TSMGs and all stores short of W E. NX4240 Pte McLaren H J graded Gp II cook. as from 10 Dec 42.
" 22. Training as per syllabus.

A Coy still being in camp at PARI about 6 miles from Pt Moresby.

J. Audley Capt
A Coy.

REPORT ON ACTIVITIES. (26 Oct - 3 Nov 42.)

- 26.10.42. Left DECEPTION BAY at 0830 hrs approx. with a strength of 6 Officers and 141 ORs. Arrived at ASCOT staging Camp BRISBANE at 0930 hrs approx. "B" Coy with us.
- 27.10.42 Still at ASCOT.
- 28.10.42 Still at ASCOT.
- 29.10.42 Reveille at 0300 hrs. Left ASCOT at 0430 hrs, transported to Hamilton Wharf. Embarked 0600 hrs approx. with full strength. Ship left wharf at 0810 hrs approx. All ranks in good spirits. Parted from "B" Coy at ASCOT.
- 30.10.42 At sea. some personnel suffering sea sickness.
- 31.10.42 At sea.
- 1.11.42 Medical examination all passed. Arrived Townsville.
- 2.11.42
to
11.11.42 Anchored at sea off TOWNSVILLE. On 6.11.42 QX 11149 Pte Bushell and NX 67360 Pte Cross evacuated to Hospital.
- 12.11.42 Docked at TOWNSVILLE at 0845 hrs. Troops ashore on route march . Mail received . 28 charges.
- 13.11.42 Troops ashore on all day route march.
- 14.11.42 Troops ashore during morning for route march. No personnel allowed ashore during afternoon.
- 15.11.42 Ship left Dock during night. Headed for open sea at 1720hrs approx.
- 16.11.42
to
17.11.42 At Sea.
- 18.11.42 Anchored off PORT MORESBY at 1830 hrs approx.
- 19.11.42
to
20.11.42 Anchored off PORT MORESBY.
- 21.11.42 Anchored off PORT MORESBY. Troops taken ashore on lighters for all day route march.
- 22.11.42 Anchored off PORT MORESBY.
- 23.11.42 Berthed MORESBY at 1730 hrs. Troops ashore all day route march.
- 24.11.42 Anchored out off PORT MORESBY. NX 2308 Cpl Carmichael H.W. admitted ships hospital. NX 11771 Pte Elliott R.H. admitted ships hospital. Two air raid alarms during night,
- 25.11.42 Anchored off PORT MORESBY. Troops ashore on route march.
- 26.11.42 Anchored off PORT MORESBY. NX 4231 CPL CONGDON R.H. admitted ships hospital.
- 27.11.42 Anchored off PORT MORESBY.

- 28.11.42 Disembarked at PORT MORESBY at 1000 hrs approx. Proceeded to camping area. NX 22909 Pte Garn J.R. evacuated to Hospital.
- 29.11.42 "B" Camp PORT MORESBY. NX 34359 Pte Mulligan R.S. evacuated to Hospital.
- 30.11.42 "B" Camp PORT MORESBY. Lecture to Officers and NCOs by Major General Allen.
- 1.12.42 "B" Camp PORT MORESBY. working parties on road, issue of 1 oz. tobacco.
- 2.12.42 "B" Camp PORT MORESBY. WORKING PARTIES ON ROAD. NX 2308 Cpl Carmichael H.W. returned to unit.
- 3.12.42 "B" Camp PORT MORESBY working parties on road. NX 22909 Pte Garn J.R. returned to unit.

(Sgd) F. ARDLEY Capt.
for O.C. "A" Coy. 2/1 Aust MG Bn.

- 12 Nov '42. Normal Training P.T. etc in morning. Route March in afternoon.
Pte Russell F.J. admitted to hospital.
18 Gals Beer procured for troops.
- 13 Nov '42. Normal Training. Four bags of mail were delivered to Coy.
Sgt Ennis T.O. evacuated to hospital.
- 14 Nov '42. Troops paid to 5 Nov '42. Left Staging Camp Oonoonba 1300 hrs. Moved to wharf by Railway trucks. Embarked approx 1500 hrs, ship pulled out at 2200 hrs & anchored in harbour. Embarkation strength 6 Officers 1 W.O.11, 132 O/Rs.
S.O.S. Sgt Ennis T.O.
Pte Vidler G.
" Russell F.J.
" Silvey L.T.
" Verdon H.J.
- 15 Nov '42. Church Parade 1030 hrs. Left Anchorage 1730 hrs & proceeded in convoy. 9 ships in convoy - escort 2 Corvettes 1 Destroyer.
- 16 Nov '42 Normal Training. Sea a little choppy. Strength unchanged.
- 17 Nov '42 No training owing to rough weather and many troops sick.
- 18 Nov '42 Training in the morning. Afternoon packed ready to disembark. Sighted New Guinea approx 1700 hrs and entered Port Moresby harbour and dropped ^{at 1940 hrs.} anchor
- 19 Nov '42 Still anchored in harbour. Weather wet. Mounted Ship's duties
- 20 Nov '42.

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- 20 Nov '42. Still anchored in harbour. Strength unaltered (6/133).
- 21 Nov '42. 0800 hrs Coy taken by Tug to shore & went on 10 mile Route March. Route - Jetty, Calamity Corner, Kila Kila Aerodrome, Murray Barracks, Calamity Corner, Jetty. The march showed that the troops had lost condition on the voyage and were not acclimatised. A Canteen was made available on the wharf to troops. Returned to ship 1530 hrs. Comfort Fund issue of 2 ozs tobacco & p pkt papers per man.
- 22 Nov '42. Church Parade 1400 hrs.
- 23 Nov '42. 0800 hrs Coy taken ashore by Tug. Route March to Vabakori Beach where we lunched & swam. On return to Moresby Salvation Army provided Cocoa for troops. Padre Kirk renewed acquaintances, with personnel of Coy. The march showed that troops were regaining their condition.
- 24 Nov ,42 Normal Training and Inspection. Air Raid Alert at 0100 - 0130 hr
- 25 Nov ,42 Coy taken ashore by tugs at 1100 hrs and marched to Beach. Returned to Ship 1730 hrs.
- 26 Nov ,42 Pay Parade in morning. W.E. inspection of all arms in afternoon. Air Raid Alert at 0300 hrs. Three planes sighted over Moresby. Shore A.A. opened fire but no planes hit.
- 27 Nov,42. Lecture by Major Johnson on Organisation and Function of Field Ambulance. Received warning order for disembarkation.
- 28 Nov,42. Disembarked at 0900 hrs - Dress - Full marching order - Marched 7 miles to Staging Camp at Pari Beach. Six O/Rs overcome by heat during march and one sent to Hospital with Heat Exhaustion. (Pte Horsely). Two-man tents issued to Coy. Set up Coy Cook-house. NCO and 3 men left on board as Guard on stores. Estimated period on shore only a few days.
- 29 Nov,42. Church Parade at 0900 hrs. Lecture by 3 Offrs of NGF HQ on Japanese Organisation etc. In afternoon lecture by Maj-Gen Allen on Jap tactics and our counter-tactics. He impressed on us that we should learn to hate and kill our enemy. Air Raid Alert 0300 hrs - no planes sighted.
- 30 Nov,42. Lecture to Offrs and Pl Sgts on NG Air Force by liaison Offr. 33 O/Rs sent out on road-making work - remainder on Route March.
- 1 Dec ,42. 40 O/Rs sent to Ordnance Store as loading Party, 59 O/Rs sent on road making work in afternoon.
- 2 Dec ,42. Washing Parade - $\frac{1}{2}$ gal water per man - Road party 41 O/Rs. Comforts Issue to troops - 1 Oz Tobacco 1 Pkt Papers. Sunlight soap and Toilet Soap.
- 3 Dec ,42. Road Party 59 O/Rs. Padre Kirk took Offrs in truck 36 miles N to Base Area.
- 4 Dec ,42. Training in morning. No tpt arrived for Road Party. 1 NCO and 20 O/Rs sent as unloading party to bulk Canteen. 3 shifts of 8 hrs each.
- 5 Dec ,42. Working party sent out to road. USA swing band came to Camp area and gave Concert. Cpl Rowlands L. entered in Port Moresby Boxing Comp. but was beaten on points.
- 6 Dec ,42. Church Parade 0900 hrs Road Party as usual. Issue of salt and quinine tablets. S.S. Both left harbour without unloading our gun gear and stores. Thought to be back in several days. as she required re-coaling.

M.A. Hanson Capt.
O.C. Biboy.

- 7 Dec '42. Route March in morning. Road Party in afternoon. Pte Cooper and Pte Peut sent to Hospital with ear trouble. Strength in Camp now 6 Offrs 127 O/Rs. (4 O/Rs still on ship.) Ship 227 with our Tpt on board left Harbour some days ago and is now known to be at Milne Bay.
- 8 Dec '42. Road Party as usual. Working Party to Canteen.
- 9 Dec '42. Route March. Washing Parade in afternoon. Started Coy Canteen.
- 10 Dec '42. Platoon Route Marches. Milliput Force comes under Comd of 6 Aust Div HQ. M.GS grouped under Major Vincent for Admin.
- 11 Dec '42. Pl Route Marches. Col. Fisher D.D.M.S. lectured Camp area on Malaria and Dysentery. Ptes Gould and Wood evac to Hosp. Strength now 6/125.
- 12 Dec '42. Coy Route March. Ptes Verdon and Silvey marched in from Hosp in Townsville. Pte McKay evac to Hospital. Strength 6/126.
- 13 Dec '42. Church Parade. Pte Atkins sent to 6 Div Reception Camp for onward routing to Milbase MELBOURNE for discharge to industry as Sleeper Cutter. as per 6 Aust Div Order of 10 Dec 42. (Atkins is Window Dresser by trade.) L/Cpl Pidoto evac to Hospital. Ptes Gould and McKay marched in from Hospital. Strength 6/126.
- 14 Dec '42. Lt Col Baker visited Coy. Concert by YMCA. Air Raid Alert Several bombs dropped in vicinity of Ward's Drome. Pte Peut marched in from Hospital. Strength 6/127.
- 15 Dec '42. Route March and Map-reading. Air Raid Alert. Pte Gould evac Hospital and Pte Wood marched in from Hosp. Strength unchanged.
- 16 Dec '42. Made recce of Rifle Range. Visited G2 6 Div (Major McLean Smith in reference to Range. Mobile Cinema visited area. Pte Walton evac Hospital. Strength 6/126.
- 17 Dec '42. Reveille 0500 hrs. Marched 6 miles to Rifle Range. Each man fired 30 rds. Owing to poor targets scoring was very difficult and rain during afternoon made conditions bad. Pte McGaffin evac to Hospital. Strength 6/125.
- 18 Dec '42. Fighting and Recce patrols practice in close country. American Swing Band came to Camp Area. Pte Walton marched in. Strength 6/126.
- 19 Dec '42. Burnt off dead grass round Coy area as mosquitoes and flies were becoming very prevalent.
- 20 Dec '42. Church Parade at 0900 hrs. Make and Mend. Pte Keirven evac to Hospital. Strength 6/125.
- 21 Dec '42. Pl Route Marches. Small party of 8 Platoon marched to US Camp to sharpen bayonets on grind-stone. Ptes Tamme and Silvey evac to Hospital. Strength now 6/123.

W. Mansour Maj.
28/12/42.

W. Mansour Capt.
"B" Coy.

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WAR DIARY OF ~~INTELLIGENCE~~ SUMMARY

Army Form C 11
(adapted.)

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Unit *A Coy. 2/1 Aust M G Bn (Lollipop)* Date and Time.—From *1 Dec 42* To *31 Dec 42*

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
<i>Pari, N.G.</i>	<i>1.12.42</i>		<i>Party of 53 ORs on road work, Issue of 1oz of tobacco per man.</i>	
"	<i>2.12.42</i>		<i>Working party on road, NX 2308 Cpl Barmichael returned from hospital.</i>	
"	<i>3.12.42</i>		<i>Working party on road, NX 22909 Pte Gann returned from hospital.</i>	
"	<i>4.12.42</i>		<i>Working party on road, Big mail arrived,</i>	
"	<i>5.12.42</i>		<i>Road party reduced to 28 ORs, Working party unloading canton goods at wharf (21 ORs) NX 11771 Pte Elliott returned from hospital,</i>	
"	<i>6.12.42</i>		<i>Road party increased to 46 ORs, 5X 2015 Pte Duncan R fined 10/- for breach of censorship instructions, NX 11689 Pte Williams E F appointed Cpl V X 5578 Pte Featherstone B Ag, NX 60644 Pte Nolan V appointed Sp II signaller as from 2 Dec 42,</i>	
"	<i>7.12.42</i>		<i>Working parties; road 1-45, Ordnance 7, ASC loading 15, Canton 21 to be supplied each day until further notice,</i>	
"	<i>8.12.42</i>		<i>Three charges A.P. Sec (15, 2) fined 10/- each,</i>	

WAR DIARY ~~OF~~ INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

Army Form C 2119
(adapted,)

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H. 100M

Unit *A Coy, 2^d Aust M G Bn (Lilliput)* Date and Time.—From *1 Dec 42* To *31 Dec 42*

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
<i>Pari NB</i>	<i>9. 12. 42</i>		<i>Ordnance working party increased to 31 ORs, Mail arrived, NX4231 Cpl Bongdon returned from hospital, H.J. "Mastrycki" unloaded at 1800 hrs, gun stores and ammunition dumped in unit lines.</i>	
"	<i>10. 12. 42</i>		<i>Change in W.O received, NX2315 Pte Clarke promoted to A/Cpl cook, NX7814 S/Cpl Baird-Handyside reverts to Pte, NX60479 Pte Woods J R relinquishes Sp III clerk, NX58296 Pte Hide relinquishes Sp II cook, NX1238 Cpl Weir transferred from Coy Orderly Room Cpl to No 5 Platoon.</i>	
"	<i>11. 12. 42</i>		<i>NX11003 Sgt Rennie (AAME attached) evacuated to hospital, Lecture by A.D.M.S at 1400 hrs on "Hygiene and prevention of Malaria",</i>	
"	<i>12. 12. 42</i>		<i>NX20080 Pte Ryan A L evacuated to hospital, weekly reports ^{rendered} returned,</i>	
"	<i>13. 12. 42</i>		<i>Church Parade at Pari village, make and mend in afternoon,</i>	
"	<i>14. 12. 42</i>		<i>Normal training, no working parties, Air Raid 0020 hrs, alarm at 0415 hrs, Air Raid 2045 hrs,</i>	
"	<i>15. 12. 42</i>		<i>Normal training, Air raid at 2200 hrs,</i>	

WAR DIARY ~~OF INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY~~

Army Form C 211E
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H. 100M

Unit *A Coy, 2/1 Aust MG Bn (Lilliput)* Date and Time.—From *1 Dec 42* To *31 Dec 42.*

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
<i>Pari NG</i>	<i>16. 12. 42</i>		<i>Normal training, Range taking school started, Instructor Sgt Jackson, Open air cinema in evening,</i>	
<i>"</i>	<i>17. 12. 42</i>		<i>Normal training, Heavy rain during night, Preparations for shoot during week end N^x20080 Pte Ryan A.I. returned from hospital,</i>	
<i>"</i>	<i>18. 12. 42</i>		<i>N^x4364 Pte McSwan and N^x4021 Pte Morse evacuated to hospital. Range practice with rifles, marched approx 6 miles each way,</i>	
<i>"</i>	<i>19. 12. 42</i>		<i>V.M.G practice marched 6 miles each way, weather very hot and humid making march very trying. Weekly returns sent,</i>	
<i>"</i>	<i>20. 12. 42</i>		<i>Church parade near Pari Village, N^x4021 Pte Morse returned from hospital,</i>	
<i>"</i>	<i>21. 12. 42</i>		<i>Normal training, bantam fatigue parties supplied at 0800, 1600, 2400 hrs, Inspection of W.E. in afternoon, Issue of Gaiter's "U.S.A." type, 12 Thompson Sub Machine Guns and all stores short of W.E, N^x4240 Pte McLaren graded Sp.I cook as from 10. 12. 42.</i>	

WAR DIARY ~~or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY~~

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H. 100M

Unit *A Coy, 2nd Aust In Gen (Lilliput)* Date and Time.—From *1 Dec 42* To *31 Dec 42*

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
<i>Pari, N.G.</i>	<i>22.12.42</i>		<i>Normal training.</i>	
<i>"</i>	<i>23.12.42</i>		<i>Normal training, several misdirected letters and parcels arrived, stores left on ship 227 replaced from Ordnance. Pt Murosky, heavy rain at night, NX 4581 Pte Hooper, NX 2315 a/cpl Clarke evacuated to hospital, NX 7814 Pte Baird Handyside promoted a/cpl cook, NX 20243 Pte Richardson H graded Sp II cook.</i>	
<i>"</i>	<i>24.12.42</i>		<i>Normal training, many Xmas parcels arrived and ACF hampers, NX 10708 Pte Symbly taken on strength. The unit canteen which was inaugurated on 19.12.42 functioning well, R-b Midnight Mass,</i>	
<i>"</i>	<i>25.12.42</i>		<i>Christmas Day. Church parade near Pari village, Message from General Blamey read to troops, Excellent Xmas fare provided pork and fruit salad for lunch, Turkey Xmas pudding and fruit for dinner, NX 4581 Pte Hooper being evacuated to Australia on medical grounds.</i>	

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Army Form C 2119
(adapted.)

H. 100M

Unit A Coy. 2/1 Aust Inf Bn (Lilliput) Date and Time.—From 1 Dec 42 To 31 Dec 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Pari NG	26. 12. 42		Normal training, NX 3907 afcpl Keys confirmation of rank, all greatcoats, spare blankets and pullovers returned to ordnance, trial pack of stous,	
"	27. 12. 42		Received 2 3-ton Ford trucks, all stous packed in preparation for move expected, NX 2315 afcpl Clarke returned from hospital, afcpl Baird-Handyside reports to Pte, spec Sgt cook, Pte Richardson relinquishes spec. Sgt cook, Mobile cinema visited camp at night, "B" Coy embarked leaving camp approx 2130 hrs,	
"	28. 12. 42		Normal training, Three local natives conducted party from bog on inspection of local vegetation, pointing out edible plants, fruits, berries, bog canteen flourishing, shortage of note paper, Trucks convey party to "Kila" for cinema show,	
"	29. 12. 42		Normal training, showery. Quiz competition by Capt Ardley in afternoon.	

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ROUTINE ORDERS

BY

MAJOR A L VINCENT. 2/1 AUST M G BN
OFFICER COMMANDING TROOPS

PART I

No 43

12 DEC 42

1. DUTIES

Duty Unit: 2/2 Aust A Tk Regt.

Camp Ord Offr: Lieut Virtue A.

Camp Ord Sgt: *to be detailed*

to mount at 1700 hrs to-day 12 Dec 42.

Next for duty: 2/1 Aust M G Bn.

2. MESS ORDERLIES

Additional mess orderlies as under will be supplied as from 1700 hrs to-day.

2/2 Aust A Tk Regt = 2

2/1 Aust M G Bn = 1

3. MIDDAY MEAL

The midday meal hour has been altered from 1300 to 1230 hrs commencing 13 Dec 42.

4. CHURCH PARADES! 13 Dec 42.

C of E Communion 0700 hrs Y M C A.

C of E Church parade 0800 " Camp B.

R C Mass 1000 " Pari mission.

Joseph A. Vincent
Lieut.
A/Adj. Camp B.

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MAJOR A L VINCIGER, R/1 ADJUTANT GEN. IN CH.
OFFICER COMMANDING TROOPS.

FORM 1. No 40. 9 Dec 42.

1. DUTY UNITS:
DUTY UNITS.

Duty Units: 2/3 Aust A Tk Bgt.
Camp Ord Ofcr: Lieut Shea.
Camp Ord HCO: Sgt Wright.
Next for duty: 2/1 Aust 2 & 3 Bn.

2. MAIL.

Telegrams will be accepted until further notice.

J. W. Shea
L. Capt.
Adj. B Camp.

NOTICES.

LOST.

Wristlet watch. Finder please return to Mjr Kelly, 115 Lt A A Bgt.

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Part 1.

No 59.

8 Dec 42.

1. NOTES.

Duty Unit: 115 Lt A A Regt.
2/3 A unit DID AASC.
2/4 Aust Fd Regt.

Camp Orderly Offr: Lieut McGlymont A. G.
Camp Orderly Sgt: Sgt Phillips, G.N.

Next for duty: 2/2 Aust A Tk Regt.

A. B. Cudde Lieut.
for Adj. B Camp.

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MAJOR A. L. VINCENT, 2/1 ANST B G BN.
OFFICER COMMANDING TROOPS.

Part 1.

No 29

7 Dec 42.

1. DUTIES.

Duty Unit: 2/1 Anst B G Bn.
Camp Ord Offr: Lieut. Fisher.
Camp Ord BCO: Sgt Anderson J D.
Next for duty: 118 Ls A A Regt.
2/4 Anst M1 Regt.
2/8 Anst DID AASC.

2. MAIL.

All mail will close at Ord Rm at 0730 hrs daily.
EC telegrams will be accepted between 7 Dec 42 and 27 Dec 42
for transmission.

3. BATHING.

Due to risk of infestation all troops will plug their ears
before swimming.

W. L. Vincent
Lieut.
Adjt. B Camp.

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Part 1.

No 57.

6 Dec 42.

1. DUTIES.

Duty Unit, 2/2 Aust A Tk Regt.
Camp Orderly Offr: Lieut. McComb, J.F.
Camp Orderly NCO: L/Sgt. Wright, A.
Next for duty: 2/1 Aust M G Bn.

2. SHAVING.

The Officer Commanding Troops is very dissatisfied with the unshaven appearance of the troops. Os C. Units will ensure that all troops are shaven. NCOs will endeavour to check all cases whose excuse is that they have no razor blades.

McComb

Adj. B Camp.

Lieut.

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OFFICER COMMANDING TROOPS.

Part 1.

No 25

5 Dec 43.

1. DUTIES.

Duty Unit: E/5 Aust DID AASC.
E/4 Aust Fd Regt.
115 Lt A A Regt.

Camp Ord Ofcr: Lieut A E Duffield

Camp Ord NCO: Sgt Harv. G. H.

Next for duty: 2/2 Aust A Tk Regt.

Duties will continue to-morrow unless otherwise notified.

2. CHURCH PARADES.

C of E. Communion service at 0700 hrs, at RAP "A" Camp.
C of E Service at 0800 hrs at "B" Camp. Markers to RSM at 0750 hrs.
R.C. - at 0945 hrs at Pori Vill age Church. Troops to report to
Lieut Shea, 2/2 Aust A Tk Regt, at 0930 hrs at Orderly Room.

3. FIELD CENSORSHIP.

1. Personnel using the "Australia" system of address must NOT disclose in their letters the presence of a formation or Unit in New Guinea until such time as the Unit concerned has been in action. It is essential that information regarding reinforcements in this area be denied to the enemy until units concerned have been in contact with enemy ground troops.
2. Personnel who have been in action and have been permitted to mention that they are in New Guinea must NOT give any indication of the actual location of their unit in the New Guinea area.
3. POSTAL ADDRESS. Where personnel have been allowed to state that they are in New Guinea, they will continue to use the "Australia" address.
All units with a numerical designation (i.e. 14 Fd Regt, 9 Coy AASC, etc.) will use the "Australia" address. Only units whose identification would not be possible without "New Guinea Force" will use that address (i.e. "H. Q. NG Force", "HQ. New Guinea Force", "HQ L of C WKSMPN" etc.)
4. AIR RAIDS. No indication of damage or casualties caused in air raids is permissible until after the release of the official communique and discussion must conform to the text of the communique. It is also desirable to quote radio news when referring to air raids in order to prevent the inference that the writers source of information is from personal observation, which would identify the location of the unit. The precaution is also necessary to avoid detection by civilian censorship in Australia.
5. Letters should NOT refer to the writer having visited a particular place. The enemy's knowledge of the country would convey to him that the writers unit was located in proximity to the place mentioned.
6. No mention will be made of casualties by name until at least five weeks after such casualties have taken place.
7. Details of operations, own or enemy, or results thereof, must NOT be mentioned. Personnel may, however, state in general terms, wherever applicable, that our operations were successful and that the enemy has been pushed back, but no mention of localities or places to be made. Care should also be taken that such statements are authentic.
8. PAPUAN stamps will NOT be used.

Lieut.

Adj. B Camp.

See first appx A for notes

APPENDIX A. ROUTINE ORDERS NO 36 OF 5 Dec 42.

UNIT.	PERMANENT DUTIES.					Total.
	2/1	2/2	2/3	2/4	115	
Camp Ord Rm.	2	1	--	--	--	3
Unit Ord Rm.	2	1	--	--	1	4
Sgt Mjr.	1	1	1	1	1	5
G.M.	1	1	--	--	--	2
Runners.	1	1	1	--	--	3
RAP.	2	2	--	--	1	5
Batmen.	4	6	1	3	3	16
Mess orderlies.	4	3	2	2	3	14
Cooks.	4	3	2	1	3	13
Wood cutters.	4	3	--	1	--	8
Water duty.	--	2	--	--	--	2
Hygiene.	3	2	1	1	1	8
Drivers.	--	--	2	--	--	2
Canteen.	--	1	--	--	--	1
Unit Ord NCO.	1	1	--	--	1	3
Off mess.	1	--	--	--	--	1
Total para duty.	30	30	10	7	14	91

DUTY ALLOTMENT.

	2/3	2/1	2/2	Comb Units.
Permanent duties.		30	30	31
Road party (every day).		1- 24 1-45	1- 25 1-56	1- 24 1-49
Ordnance party to stand by for call. Alt days, with A camp. next for duty A/TK 7 Dec.		18	23	25
Loading party. to stand by for call daily. 1 Off from duty unit.		15	18	17
Canteen party.		21	21	21
Prowlers.		15	15	6
Road picquet, Alt days duty unit.		4	4	4
Kitchen picquet. every day duty unit.		4	4	4
Mess orderlies duty unit.		4	4	4
Ord Sgt & runner.		2	2	2
Total.		150	149	140

Handwritten notes:
 2/2 A Tk & Com units to make up 50 from HQ on Alt days. 30
 50
 3 shifts of 21 each.
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NOTICES.

CRICKET MATCH. To-morrow between A & B Camps commencing at 1330 hrs names to Lieut Pickering, 2/5 Aust DID AASC, by 1600 hrs 5 Dec 42.

CONCERT. An American Concert will be held at 1830 hrs at same place as picture show.

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Part 1.

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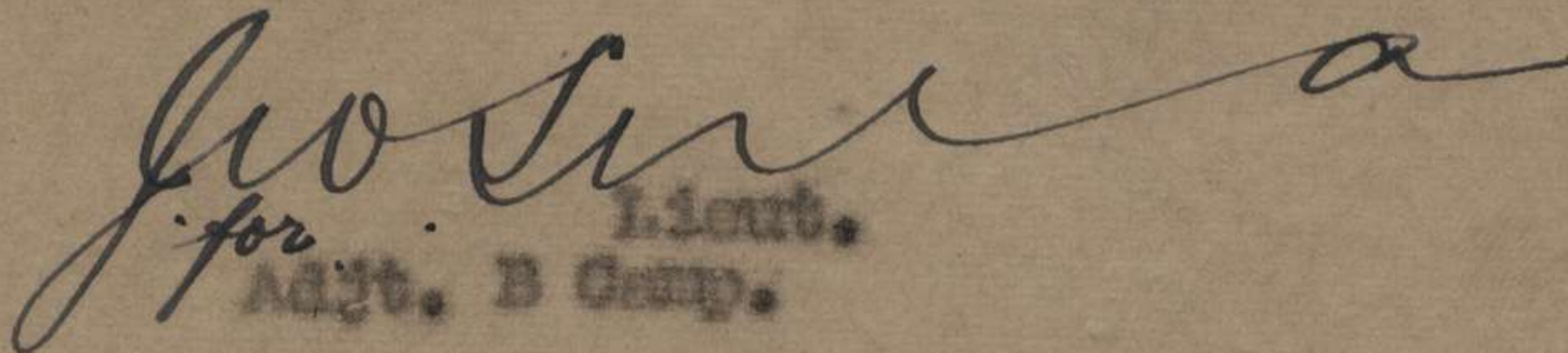
4 Dec 42.

1. DUTY.

Duty Unit: 2/1 Aust H C Bn.
Camp Ord Offr: Lieut. S Mc Thomas.
Camp Ord NCO: Sgt. Page H H.
Next for duty: 2/3 Aust DID AASC,
2/4 Aust Pd Regt,
113 Lt A A Regt.

2. PICKS AND SHOVELS.

All picks and shovels must be returned to Ord Rm immediately after use.

for 
Lieut.
Adj. B Camp.

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OFFICER COMMANDING REGIMENT.

Part 1.

No 34.

1 Dec 41.

1. REGIMENT.

Duty Unit: 2/2 Aust A Tk Regt.

Group Opd Offr: Lieut. Evans.

Group Opd NCO: Sgt Watson.

Next for duty: R/1 Adjut G Gen.

2. ROUTINE ORDERS.

Units will ensure that Routine Orders are promulgated to all posts.

for *A. L. Vincigrett* Lieut.
Adjutant, "B" Coy P.

ADDENDUM TO ROUTINE ORDERS NO 33 of 2 Dec 42.

3. AIR RAIDS.

The signal for air raids will be 3 shots fired by the Ord Sgt. Trucks will proceed with full lights. The practice of calling out to put out lights is an offence, (H.Q.N.G.F., R.O.S.). and disciplinary action will be taken against offenders.

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Part 1.

No 33.

2 Dec 42.

1. DUTIES.

Duty Units: 2/3 Aust DID AASC.
2/4 Aust Fd Regt.
113 Lt A A Regt.

Camp Orderly Offr: Lieut. Feely.
Camp Orderly NCO: Sgt Teasdale.
Next for duty: 2/2 Aust A Tk Regt.

Duty Unit to supply road picquet of 1 NCO and 3 ORs.

Corrigenda to BRG No 32, para 1. (d).

For para 1, (d) substitute:

"ORDNANCE WORKING PARTY. A working party of 1 Sgt and 20 ORs will be provided daily by 2/2 Aust A Tk Regt and 2/3 Aust DID AASC, 2/4 Aust Fd Regt and 113 Lt A A Regt, in turn, at 0815 hrs. (2/2 Aust A Tk Regt commencing on 2 Dec 42).

Mess gear and water bottles will be carried, transport and midday meal will be provided. Return to camp at 1730 hrs. Camp Ord Offr will control the embussing of this party and the road working party."

2. MESS DIXIES.

All dixies being used for water MUST be returned to the kitchen immediately.

A. B. Fisher Lieut.
for Adj. Camp "B".

NOTICES.

LOST.

"Conklin" Fountain pen, finder please return to Sgt Hawkins
2/1 Aust M G Bn. Reward.

Gold wrist watch, Finder please return to Pte H J McLaren
2/1 Aust M G Bn.

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Part 1.

No 32.

1 Dec 42.

1. DUTIES.

Duty Unit: 1/12/42 2/1 Aust M G Bn.
Camp Ord Offr: Lieut T B Creber.
Camp Ord NCO: Sgt Hawkins.

(a). CAMP DUTIES. From 1700 hrs 1 Dec 42, camp duties will be provided as under;

1 Dec, 2/1 Aust M G Bn.
 (2/3 Aust DID AASC.
2 Dec, = (2/4 Aust Fd Regt.
 (113 Lt A A Regt.
3 Dec, 2/2 Aust A Tk Regt.

Continuing in this order.

Duty Unit will leave 10 ORs in camp, this number to include 1 NCO, to be on call for additional fatigues.

(b). WOOD CUTTING. 8 Volunteers are required for wood cutting, ~~xxxx~~ permanent duty. Names to Ord Rm by 1600 hrs.

(c). ROAD PICQUETS.

Duty Units of "B" Camp will provide the road picquet of 1 NCO and 3 ORs on the following days;

2/3 Dec, 4/5 Dec, 7/8 Dec.

Duty mounts at 1800 hrs, men return to camp for meals.

(d). ORDNANCE WORKING PARTY.

A working party of 1 Offr, 3 NCOs and 36 Men will be provided at 0815 hrs on 3, 4, 5, and 9, 10, 11 Dec 42, as under;

3 Dec, 2/1 Aust M G Bn.
4 Dec, 2/2 Aust A Tk Regt.
5 Dec, 2/3 Aust DID AASC, 2/4 Aust Fd Regt, 113 Lt A A Regt.

Same order for 9, 10, 11 Dec.

Mess gear and water bottles will be carried, transport and midday meal will be provided, Return to camp at 1730 hrs.

Camp Ord Offr will control the embussing of this party and the road working party.

(e). ROAD PARTY.

This party will be provided every day, from 0830 to 1230 hrs on the following basis;

2/1 Aust M G Bn,	53
2/2 Aust A Tk Regt,	60
2/3 Aust DID AASC,	} - 67
2/4 Aust Fd Regt,	
113 Lt A A Regt,	

Each Unit or combined Units will provide one Offr per day.

2. CENSORSHIP.

HQ. N.G.F. advise that no mention of N.G. may be made in private correspondence to Australia. Copies of "Guinea Gold" will NOT be sent to Australia. This instruction countermands advice in "Guinea Gold" as far as this camp is concerned.

3. POSTAL RATES, AUSTRALIA.

Surface mail,	NIL.
Air mail,	3d.
Air mail, letter cards.	1d.
Air mail, letters to Townsville.	1d.

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4. PARI NATIVE VILLAGE.

The above village is out of bounds and the timber will not be removed from huts. If this order is not obeyed an additional picquet will be mounted.

5. GAMBLING.

Gambling is illegal and all Offrs, WOs, and NCOs will take ~~steps~~ steps to stop two-up and similar games.

6. HYGEINE.

Sufficient care is not being taken with the covering of refuse in latrines. Attention is again drawn to the danger of leaving scraps of food exposed. OsC Units are requested to impress on all ranks the necessity for these precautions. The Ord Offr will conduct a daily tour of the camp with the Hygeine Sgt, Sgt Klass 2/2 Aust A Tk Regt, and submit a written report to the Adjutant by 1100 hrs.

7. PARI A A POSITIONS.

Men on rute marches will not deviate to inspect gun sites or installations unless in charge of an officer who has made arrangements for an inspection with O.C. Battery.

8. SICK PARADES.

Men on sick parade will report to Sgt Rennie at Ord Rm at 0745 hrs Units will provide sick reports.

9. PAY BOOKS.

Units requiring continuation pay-books will submit old books and a covering list of books required to the Ord Rm by 1600 hrs.

10. REPLACEMENT OF WORN SHIRTS.

Replacement of shirts is possible only if torn shirts are produced. Unit QMs to render return to R.Q.M.S. with old shirts by 1600 hrs.

Lieut.

Adjutant. B Camp.

N O T I C E S.

COMFORTS ISSUE OF TOBACCO. An issue is available of 1 oz of tobacco and 1 pkt of paper ~~perman.~~ perman. Unit QMs report to B.Q.M.S. Hinds at Ord Rm, at 1500 hrs for Unit issue.

CABLING MONEY. Troops may send money home for Xmas, further details will be advised.

RATIONING OF CAMPBEN GOODS. From 2 Dec cordials and tinned fruit will be rationed to this camp, on the basis of 1 bottle cordial and/or 1 tin fruit to every 3 men. Units will be responsible for buying in bulk the necessary quantities each day, and distributing same within their units.

24 Dec 42.

NOTES ON MOUNTING M M Gs IN TREE TOPS.

GENERAL. To obtain the best use of these weapons, a long range is essential. In order that this may be obtained, particularly in close country it may sometimes be necessary to mount the guns in tree tops. This should be considered an emergency measure and ground positions adopted if available.

The use of indirect fire with the O.P. in the tree tops should not be overlooked and will often be preferable to the tree top mounting of guns.

CHOICE OF POSITIONS. A solid tree with forks suitable for mounting a tripod should be used. The foliage should not be thinned out more than necessary to enable the gun to cover its arc. Limbs of trees should not be used owing to the excessive swaying. Guns should not be mounted higher than is necessary to engage their target.

METHOD. Guns should normally be mounted on tripods, the first consideration being to mount the tripod less the cross-head and gun firmly in the fork. The gun and cross-head then being passed up. It will probably be necessary to notch the tree in order to secure a firm base for the tripod legs, the tripod should then be tied making use of lanyards, expanded belts, or any other means. The use of A/A belt box holders will simplify the task of feeding, otherwise some makeshift method of belt feeding will have to be improvised. If it is intended to use the position for some time consideration should be given to the making of a platform.

POINTS DURING FIRING. Ammunition, spare parts etc, probably supplied to the gun by means of a rope. Stores camouflaged near the base of the tree. Men tied to ensure they do not fall if wounded. Consider the task of removing wounded to the ground. A system of ground defence either by own personnel or surrounding infantry must be devised. Consideration of alternative positions. Improve gun position for all round defence if possible. Slit trenches for ground personnel in sited defensive positions. It is considered that targets can be registered and instruments used in the normal way, slightly more safety will probably be required to allow for any swaying of the tree.

FIRE CONTROL. As guns will probably be limited to one per tree control will sometimes, if not always be by individual gun NCOs.

DISADVANTAGES OF THIS METHOD. (1) Once position is located by enemy it will probably be necessary to move to an alternative position as cover obtainable from fire will normally be very slight.

- (2) Vulnerable to bomb splinters.
- (3) Difficulty of control.
- (4) Grounding of wounded personnel.
- (5) In most cases a limited traverse.
- (6) Swaying of tree.

ADVANTAGES. (1) Clear view of area.

- (2) Ease of camouflage.
- (3) Surprise positions.
- (4) Greater range and scope of weapon.

CONCLUSION. If a firm mounting is obtainable it should be possible to carry out any task from tree tops with the same ~~same~~ speed and accuracy as obtainable on the ground. It should be particularly valuable for carrying out those tasks which must be fired from other than your permanent section position, e.g., harassing fire. The drill should vary but little from normal, but the ingenuity of every one will be required to make a success of this method and overcome the difficulties involved.

To date this Coy has not had to use this method of shooting, but the above points have been gained by ~~experience~~ experience in the jungle surrounding our camp.

L. Audley Capt.
2 i/c A Coy, 2/1 Aust M G Bn.

A COY. SYLLABUS.

A Coy, 2/1 Aust MG Bn.
26 Dec 42.

Mon 28.

0845-0900 Coy parade.
0900-1200 Route march.
1345-1400 Parade.
1400-1530 Tree top mounting as platoon exercise. Pl Cndr to recce for same.
1530-1630 Lecture. Gas.

Tues. 29.

0845-0900 Parade with respirators.
0900-1000 Respirator and gas drill.
1000-1100 Bren and TSMG.
1100-1200 Prismatic compass and map reading.
1345-1400 Parade.
1400-1630 Route march.

Wed 30.

0845-0900 Coy parade.
0900-1200 Route march.
1345-1400 Parade.
1400-1445 Lecture on "Q"work by S/Sgt McGregor J R.
1445-1545 E.G.D.
1545-1630 Care and cleaning.

Thur 31.

0845-0900 ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ Co parade.
0900-0930 Squad drill.
0930-1030 Lecture by Cpl Cook and Pte G Walker:- Food giving plants.
1030-1115 Bayonet training.
1115-1200 Rifle grenades.
1345-1400 Parade.
1400-1630 Route march.

Fri. 1 Jan 1943.

0845-0900 Coy parade.
0900-1200 Route march.
1345-1400 Parade.
1400-1530 Indirect firing.
1530-1630 Indication and recognition.

Sat. 2 Jan 43.

0845-0900 Coy parade.
0900-1100 Tree top mountings.
1100-1200 Instruments.
1400-1630 W E inspection.

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O.C. A Coy 2/1 Aust MG Bn.

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December.

Mon 21.

0800-0815 Fall in and inspection.
0815-0900 Squad drill.
0900-1000 Map reading.
1000-1100 Sec formations.
1100-1200 Compass use of-
1400-1800 W E inspection.

Tue 22.

0800-0815 Fall in and inspection.
0815-1200 Indirect fire problems.
1400-1500 Lecture, recce for night ops.
1500-1600 Fire orders direct.
1600-1800 Preparations for night occupation.

Wed 23.

0800-0815 Fall in and inspection.
0815-1100 Route march.
1100-1200 A/T Rifle.
1400-1600 Use of guns from tree tops.
1600-1700 Examination, tests and adjustments.
1700-1800 Director.

Thur 24.

0800-0815 Fall in and inspection.
0815-0900 Squad drill.
0900-1030 Camouflage.
1030-1200 Safety, flanking and overhead.
1400-1500 Grenades.
1500-1600 Bren and TSMG.
1600-1700 Bayonet training.
1700-1800 Recce for night operation.

Fri 25

CHRISTMAS DAY!

Sat 26.

0800-0815 Fall in and inspection.
0815-1100 Route march.
1100-1200 Searching ground.
1400-1500 Lecture on gas.
1500-1600 Instruments.
1600-1700 EGD.
1700-1800 Care and cleaning.

Night training on two nights from 2200 to 2400 hrs.

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SYLLABUS OF TRAINING WEEK ENDING 19 Dec 42.

Mon 14 Dec.
0845-0900 Fall in and inspection.
0900-1130 Route march.
1130-1230 Indication and recognition.
1345-1400 Coy parade.
1400-1515 Elementary gun drill.
1515-1615 Bayonet training.

Tues 15 Dec.
0845-0900 Fall in and inspection.
0900-1130 Route march.
1130-1230 Estimation of ranges.
1345-1400 Coy parade.
1400-1515 Use of instruments, indication and direction.
1515-1615 A/T Rifle.

Wed 16 Dec 42.
0845-0900 Fall in and inspection.
0900-1230 Route march.
1345-1400 Coy parade.
1400-1515 Laying fixed lines overhead.
1515-1615 Bayonet training.

Thur 17 Dec.
0845-0900 Fall in and inspection.
0900-1130 Route march.
1130-1230 Range tables.
1345-1400 Coy parade.
1400-1515 Registration of targets.
1515-1615 Bren gun.

Fri 18 Dec.
0845-0900 Fall in and inspection.
0900-1230 Route march.
1345-1400 Coy parade.
1400-1515 Fixed lines, flanking fire.
1515-1615 Thompson, sub machine gun.

Sat 19 Dec.
0845-0900 Fall in and inspection.
0900-1230 Inspection W/E.
~~1515-1615~~
1515-1615 Swimming instruction.

J. Ardley Capt.

PROMOTIONS, APPOINTMENTS, TRADE GROUPINGS, CHARGES, EVACUATIONS.

A Company, 2/1 Aust M G Bn.
3 Dec 42.

Commanding Officer.

2/1 Aust Machine Gun Battalion.

Following is a list of promotions, appointments, trade groupings recommended, charges and evacuations to date:

Promotions.

L/Cpl Spice	C R.	to	A/Cpl.
L/Cpl Thompson	P F.	to	A/Cpl.

Appointments.

Pte McGregor	J B.	to	L/Cpl.
Pte Stanley	W N.	to	L/Cpl.
Pte Williams	R J.	to	L/Cpl.

It is requested that the following promotion, appointment, and trade groupings be approved;

To be W.O. (II).

A/W.O. (II) Foster C A.

To be L/Cpl.

Pte Williams E F.

To be Group II Specialist, Signaller. as from 1 Dec 42.

Pte Featherstone	B A.
Pte Nolan	V.

Charges.

There were 25 charges for AWL at Townsville of from 30 minutes to 4 hours. 3 men were charged with disobeying a lawful command Pte Featherstone B A, Pte Abrahams W A, and Pte Dearle and each fined £3-10-0.

Evacuations.

Pte Bushell W, Pte Cross A F, were evacuated to hospital at Townsville on 6/11/42. Cpl Carmichael to ships hospital 23/11/42. Pte Elliott R H 24/11/42, Cpl Congdon R H, 26/11/42, Pte Garn J R 27/11/42. All these men evacuated to C C S at Port Moresby. Cpl Carmichael rejoined unit 2/12/42. Pte Mulligan R S to CCS Port Moresby 29/11/42.

Strength.

Present strength 6 Off. 129 ORs in camp. 3 ORs on ship - Sgt Marshall Pte Grills E. Pte Thomas. 4 in Hospital Port Moresby. 2 in Hospital Townsville.

O.C. "A" Company, 2/1 Aust M G Bn.

1 Dec 42.

- 0. Troops A Camp
- " " B Camp (For Infn)
- " " C Camp (For Infn)
- 7. Bty 2/2 Aust A Tk Regt
- B Coy 2/1 Aust M.G. Bn
- 2/4 Aust Fd Regt
- 2/106 Aust Gen Tpt Coy
- 162 Bty Lt A.A. Regt

1. Road Working Parties.

Ref Memo 30 Nov 42. Strength of No. 2 Party is increased by 30.
 Strength of parties now, No. 1. 50, No. 2. 130, Total 180.
 Units A Camp will provide personnel as under, 1230 - 1730 hrs daily:

2/2 Aust A Tk Regt	58
2/1 Aust M.G. Bn	53
2/4 Aust Fd Regt	6
2/106 Aust Gen Tpt Coy	27
162 Lt A.A. Bty	36
	<u>180</u>

2. Working Party to 17 Mile Ordn Depot.

Will be provided 0815 hrs daily. Mess gear and water bottles will be carried. Tpt & midday meal will be provided. Return to Camp 1730 hrs.

Units A Camp will provide this party as under:-

2/2 Aust A Tk Regt	29 Nov	6 Dec
2/1 Aust M.G. Bn	} 1 Dec	7 Dec
2/4 Aust Fd Regt		
2/106 Aust Gen Tpt	} 2 Dec	8 Dec
162 Lt A.A. Bty		

Units B Camp will provide party on:-

- 3, 4, & 5 Dec
- 9, 10, & 11 Dec.

3. Censorship.

HQ, NGF advise that no mention of NG may be made in private correspondence to Aust. Copies of Guinea Gold will not be sent to Aust.

4. Postal Rates - Aust

- Surface - Nil
- Air Mail - 3d.
- Air Mail Letter Cards - 1d.

5. Pari Native Village.

The above village is out of bounds and timber will not be removed from the huts. If this order be disobeyed an additional picquet will be mounted.

6. Gambling.

Is illegal and all Offrs, W.Os., & N.C.Os, will take steps to stop two-up and similar games.

7. Camp Duties.

Camp Entrance Guard.

A Camp	1 Dec, 2 Dec, 3/4 Dec, 5/6 Dec, 8/9 Dec
B Camp	30 Nov, 1 Dec, 2/3 Dec, 4/5 Dec, 7/8 Dec.
C Camp	28 - 30 Nov, ----- 6/7 Dec, 10/11 Dec.

Duty Units A Camp on above dates will provide this detail.

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 Adj't Pari Camp. **XXIX Capt**

LABUS M M G SCHOOL. 11 TO 16 JANUARY 1943.

- Parade.
 0845-0945 Opening address. (Capt Ardley).
 0945-1030 E.C.D. Les 45. (Take post).
 1040-1125 Mechanism. Les 2,3.
 1125-1205 E.C.D. Les 46. (Mount & dismount gun.)
 1345-1430 E.C.D. Les 47. (Load & Unload.)
 1430-1515 Mechanism. Les 4,5.
 1525-1610 Lecture, Fire control, direct. (F.O.D.)
 1610-1655 E.C.D. Les 48. (Action & cease firing.)
- Tue. 12.
 0845-0900 Parade.
 0900-1000 Mutual instruction on practical handling. (M.I.)
 1000-1045 F.O.D. Practical. Les 101.
 1055-1155 E.C.D. Les 49,50. (Clear gun. Stand clear). (Adjust sight & lay aim).
 1345-1430 Mechanism. Les 6.
 1430-1515 E.C.D. Les 51,52. (Stop, Go on. Gasratchet of tap. Adjustment of clamp).
 1525-1625 Mechanism. Les 7. (Cleaning). and Les 13 (Points of stripping)
 1625-1655 Spare parts. Les 19.
- Wed. 13.
 0845-0900 Parade.
 0900-1000 M.I.
 1000-1045 E.C.D. Les 53,54. (Traversing & swinging traverse).
 1055-1200 See HQ training.
 1345-1430 E.C.D. Les 55,56. (Controlled corrections, direct & indirect).
 1430-1515 F.O.D. Les 102 (Targets with width).
 1525-1610 Signals. See 13.
 1610-1655 Examination, tests & adjustments. Les 8,9.
- Thur. 14.
 0845-0900 Parade.
 0900-1000 M.I.
 1000-1045 Lecture. F.O.D. Les 103,104.
 1055-1200 Advanced handling. Les 57,58,59.
 1345-1430 See drill. Les 65,66. (To prepare for action, come into action, cease firing, on trucks.)
 1430-1515 E.C.D. Les 103,104. practical. (Oblique & width targets).
 1525-1610 See drill direct. Les 67 (Long carry).
 1610-1655 Safety lecture. Les 126,127.
- Fri. 15.
 0845-0900 Parade.
 0900-1000 M.I.
 1000-1045 Practical safety. Les 130a. (Laying fixed line, flanking as near as possible to defended locality).
 1055-1155 See drill, direct. Les 68,69.
 1345-1430 Mechanism. Les 11,12,13. (Points during & after firing).
 1430-1515 See drill, direct. Les 68,69. (Continuous firing in event of target becoming obscured).
 1525-1610 Lecture, night firing. See 26.
 1610-1655 Recon by day for night firing. Les 117,118.
 2.00-2200 Occupation of a position by night.
- Sat. 16.
 0845-0900 Parade.
 0900-1000 M.I.
 1000-1045 Stoppages, Method of instruction.
 1055-1155 Laying a fixed line overhead. Les 131a.
 1345-1655 Reserved.

All references to S.A.T. Vol 1. Pom 7. Parts 1,2,3.

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 A Coy. 2/1 Aust M G Bn.

Only ~~and~~ one days training completed as Coy moved on 12/1/43