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

Item number: 8/5/1

**2/1 Machine Gun Battalion**  
**September - November 1944**



# WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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Army Form 2118  
(adapted.)

Unit 2/1 Aust Machine Gun Battalion.

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

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
KAIRI	1 Sep 44.		I.O. to "G" Branch, 7 Aust Div and on further recce of Field Firing Range.  Coy working parties to New Camp site. Portion of Unit Stores arrived in afternoon. Rear party arrived at 1630 hours.	
	2 Sep 44.		Unit moved from Staging Camp to new camp site. Balance of stores with exception of "B" Coy tent poles and other accommodation stores, arrived.  Adjutant to conference at Div H.Q. in afternoon re training.	
	3 Sep 44.		Church parade in morning. C.O., Adjutant, and I.O. on recce of range and a suitable site selected.	
	4 Sep 44.		Camp construction commenced. Adjutant to H.Q. 7 Aust Div. Maj Vincent marched out to Vic L of C Area. Adjutant and I.O. to "G" Branch, 7 Aust Div.	
	5 Sep 44.		C.O. to conference "G" Branch, 7 Aust Div re training. Ten (10) Jeeps $\frac{1}{2}$ ton, being 50 % of unit WE, drawn from 7 Aust Div. C.O. and I.O. recce of 30 yard ranges.	



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KAIRI.	6 Sep 44.		C.O. and I.O. to "G" Branch, 7 Aust Div re ranges and training equipment.	
	7 Sep 44.		Camp construction. Coy Comds' conference.	
	8 Sep 44.		Camp construction.	
	9 Sep 44.		Camp construction. Padre Parker to 2/14 Inf Bn and Padre McLeod marched in from 2/14 Inf Bn. Capt Belair visited unit.	
	10 Sep 44.		Church parade in morning. Unit A and B Rugby League teams defeated by 2/5 Aust Fd Regt A and B teams.	
	11 Sep 44.		Coy Comds' Conference, re training. Adjutant to H.Q. 7 Aust Div re training areas.	
	12 Sep 44.		Camp construction. Officers' special training commenced in afternoon.	
	13 Sep 44.		I.O. to "I" conference at Div. Officers' training at night.	
	14 Sep 44.		C.O. to 7 Div and on recces for T E W T. Capt Marsden of 2/4 Aust Fd Regt lectured officers on "Roles of Artillery". Major B.W. Carroll visited unit.	



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Unit 2/1 Aust Machine Gun Battalion.

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
KAIRI.	15 Sep 44.		Inspection of camp by C.O. Capt McArthur returned to unit.	
	16 Sep 44.		C.O. to T E W T with 7 Cav Commando Sqn. Party of officers visited 2/3 Aust M G Bn at night.	
	17 Sep 44.		Church parade. Capt McArthur marched out to GDD, Sydney for discharge to industry. C.O. to First Aust Army for dinner.	
	18 Sep 44.		Bn commenced training as per Trg Instr No. 61/44. C.O. on inspection of Coys during night training.	
	19 Sep 44.		C.O. on Camp inspection and inspection of MMG School at KAIRI CK. Officers' training at night.	
	20 Sep 44.		C.O. to 7 Aust Div for narrative for Div T E W T in MT. NOMICO area. Sports in afternoon.	
	21 Sep 44.		C.O., Adjutant, and I.O. to T E W T area, where C.O. met Div Comd, G II, and C.R.A. 7 Div, and exercise discussed. Officers' training at night.	



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KAIRI	22 Sep 44.		I.O. to MT. NOMIGO area. Capt Bellair visited unit.	
	23 Sep 44.		C.O. to 7 Commando demonstration of ambush. Adjutant to MT NOMIGO on Fire Plan. C.O. to mess at H.Q. 7 Aust Div.	
	24 Sep 44.		Church parade. C.O. and Adjutant on recce for "D" Coy exercise for 25 Sep. Sports in afternoon. Major G.W. Austin to LHQ Officers pre-selection. Board as member.	
	25 Sep 44.		C.O. inspected "D" Coy training on trial pack and movement with jeeps. C.O. to 7 Div re T E W T.	
	26 Sep 44.		Training in camp area as per syllabus. Officers' lectures at night.	
	27 Sep 44.		C.O. to Div re T E W T. Inter-Coy sports in afternoon. Officers' lectures at night. I.O. to C.R.A. 7 Aust Div re fire plan for T E W T.	
	28 Sep 44.		Normal training.	
	29 Sep 44.		"C" Coy on pack and move exercise with jeeps. No.2 Platoon acting as enemy. Platoon from "D" Coy on 18 Bde Fd Firing exercise. C.O. and Adjt inspected exercise during	



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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
KAIRI.	29 Sep 44.	(continued)	morning and at night. Adjutant on recce for scout course and jungle trail exercises in afternoon. 6 Platoon to 18 Bde Field Firing exercise.	
	30 Sep 44.		C.O., Capt Thornton, Capt Earle and Capt Manson on Div T E W T. Inspection of W.E. in morning and camp cleaning in afternoon.	
			<i>A. Hampton.</i> Lt Col.	
			<u>Commanding 2/1 Aust Machine Gun Bn.</u>	



WAR DIARY

RESTRICTED.

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

ROUTINE ORDERS PART I.

BY

Lt Col A.G.K. HAUPT

COMMANDING 2/1 AUSTRALIAN MACHINE GUN BATTALION

PART I

No. E76

4 Sep 44

1. DUTIES. BN. ORDERLY OFFICER.  
Monday 4 Sep 44 Lieut C.J. Luff.  
Tuesday 5 Sep 44 Lieut G. Yeomans  
Wednesday 6 Sep 44 Lieut B.H. Hay  
Thursday 7 Sep 44 Lieut J.T. Warren  
Friday 8 Sep 44 Lieut T.G. Long

2. DRESS.  
Summer dress will be worn on all occasions as from 1 Sep 44.

3. PARADE STATEMENTS.  
Coy. parade statements must in future, reach Bn.H.Q., NOT later than 0745 hrs daily.

4. SPEED LIMITS.  
Speed limit for transport on inner and outer crescent WILL NOT exceed 5 M.P.H.

*[Signature]*  
capt.  
Adjt 2/1 Aust M G Bn.

NOTICES.

STRENGTH INCREASE.

VX 18074	Ptc	BARNES	F.C.	From Illegal Absence	19.8.44	
						A Coy.
NX 88120	Ptc	MCKINNON	R.J.	From 2/33 Aust Inf	19.8.44	C Coy.
NX 98273	"	SMALL	S.G.	From 102 Aust Conv.	21.8.44	A Coy.
NX 2300	A/cpl	TAYLOR	J.P.	From FAA Regt Trg S	21.8.44	A Coy.
VX 4027	Cpl	VERDON	H.W.	" " " "	21.8.44	B Coy.
NX 4370	"	DOBSON	R.H.	" " " "	21.8.44	D Coy.
NX 81551	Ptc	KITE	F.T.	From 105 C.C.S.	21.8.44	A Coy.
NX 4581	"	HOOPER	J.C.	" " "	22.8.44	A Coy.
NX 6569	"	ASHTON	A.E.	From Q'Land L of C ex 2/12 A.G.H.	22.8.44	D Coy.
NX 54450	"	AUSTIN	C.C.	From N.S.W. L of C	23.8.44	D COY.
NX 65310	"	WILLIAMS	P.J.	From 105 C.C.S.	24.8.44	A Coy.
NX 5561	"	BAWDEN	E.J.	From Q'Land L of C ex 2/12 A.G.H.	24.8.44	A Coy.
NX 4240	"	McLAREN	H.J.	Disch Ships Hosp	26.8.44	A Coy.
NX 46104	L/cpl	LEESON	R.A.	" " "	26.8.44	B Coy.
VX 61646	Ptc	BARNES	H.	From Q'Land L of C	25.8.44	A Coy.
NX 11918	"	SMITH	L.A.	From 105 C.C.S.	26.8.44	A Coy.
VX 5686	"	BAKER	R.T.	From 105 C.C.S.	28.8.44	B Coy.



STRENGTH DECREASE.

VX 5150	S/Sgt	MCGREGOR	J.R.	Evac to 105 C.C.S.	19.8.44	A Coy.
NX 54450	Pte	AUSTIN	C.C.	Ton N.S.W. L of C GDD for L.W.O.P.	11.6.44	D Coy.
VX 50543	L/Cpl	PYE	R.W.	Evac to 105 C.C.S.	20.8.44	B Coy.
NX 69360	Pte	GOULD	C.W.	To Q' Land L of C Area GDD	22.8.44	B Coy.
NX 113270	"	MCLEAN	N.	do	22.8.44	D Coy.
QX 31689	"	MONAB	W.J.	do	22.8.44	A Coy.
NX 7696	"	MCDONALD	J.A.	Evac to 105 C.C.S.	22.8.44	C Coy.
NX 87205	"	CANTWELL	J.T.	" " " "	22.8.44	A Coy.
NX 22421	L/Cpl	KENNEDY	K.W.	" " " "	22.8.44	A Coy.
VX 4049	Pte	SHEAN	A.A.	" " " "	23.8.44	D Coy.
VX 1483	"	MCARTHUR	K.M.	" " " "	23.8.44	C Coy.
NX 4537	Cpl	FRASER	L.G.	" " " "	23.8.44	A Coy.
NX 4240	Pte	McLAREN	H.J.	Evac to Ships Hosp	25.8.44	A Coy.
NX 46104	L/Cpl	LEESON	R.A.	" " " "	25.8.44	B Coy.
VX 25822	Pte	FOWLER	V.K.	Evac to 2/2 A.G.H.	29.8.44	A Coy.
NX 46104	L/Cpl	LEESON	R.A.	" " " "	29.8.44	B Coy.
NX 5786	Pte	BRAND	L.W.	Evac to 2/6 A.G.H.	30.8.44	A Coy.
NX 151095	Pte	CHECKLEY	A.H.	" " " "	30.8.44	D Coy.
NX 2315	"	CLARKE	R.J.	" " " "	31.8.44	A Coy.
NX 2284	Sgt	GREEN	H.	" " " "	31.8.44	A Coy.
VX 2018	Pte	FOX	T.	" " " "	31.8.44	B Coy.
SX 28708	"	MAYNE	W.S.	Evac to 105 C.C.S.	26.8.44	C Coy.
NX 13089	"	TRENHOLME	W.J.	Evac to 2/6 A.G.H.	1.9.44	A Coy.
NX 50206	L/Cpl	THOMSON	H.	" " " "	1.9.44	B Coy.
SX 12936	Pte	SANDISON	D.H.	Evac to Hosp	1.9.44	A Coy.
VX 109	Maj	PLUMMER	H.S.	Tom L.H.Q. School	19.8.44	A Coy.
VX 110	Capt	BOLTON	W.B.	" " " "	19.8.44	C Coy.
NX 76226	Lieut	SCOTT	C.D.	Evac to 105 C.C.S.	24.8.44	A Coy.

MARCHED IN.

SX 863	Cpl	OVERALL	L.G.	R.T.U. From leave	20.8.44	HQ Coy.
NX 44285	L/Cpl	SHEPHERD	J.	" " "	20.8.44	C Coy.
NX 47203	Pte	LACEY	J.W.	" ex A.W.L.	24.8.44	D Coy.

MARCHED OUT.

NX 26867	Pte	MARTIN	W.S.	7 Days Comp. Leave	20.8.44	B Coy.
NX 2527	"	ROBINSON	J.E.	3 " " "	20.8.44	D Coy.
NX 47682	"	LAWRIE	A.H.	7 " " "	22.8.44	HQ Coy.

REVERSIONS.

NX 7245	A/Cpl	MACLENNAN	M.H.	Reverted to pte on joining as reinforcements	6.9.41	D Coy.
QX 49093	L/Cpl	DUFFIELD	A.A.	do	15.8.44	B Coy.
TX 960	L/Cpl	WATT	A.K.	do	24.6.44	B Coy.

CEASED TO BE DETACHED.

NX 5347	Pte	THOMAS	L.	From L.H.Q. dvr sch	18.8.44	HQ Coy.
VX 3736	"	PATTERSON	K.	" " " "	18.8.44	HQ Coy.
QX 58	Cpl	TICEHURST	E.J.	" " " "	18.8.44	Bn H.Q.
SX 510	Pte	HENDRIE	E.D.	" " " "	18.8.44	C Coy.
QX 1547	L/Sgt	FROST	W.	" " " "	18.8.44	C Coy.
NX 13193	Sgt	FORD	J.H.	From L.H.Q. gas sch	19.8.44	A Coy.
NX 58061	Pte	MCDOWELL	A.G.	From 7 Aust Div Rest Camp	20.8.44	Bn H.Q.
NX 41066	Pte	VENESS	T.H.	do	21.8.44	A Coy.
NX 47803	Lieut	McKNIGHT	L.C.	From L.H.Q. gas sch	19.8.44	D Coy.
VX 4045	Lieut	MANFIELD	K.	" " " "	19.8.44	B Coy.
NX 70706	Lieut	GARVEY	E.B.	" " " "	19.8.44	C Coy.



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PART I

No F77

7 Sep 44.

1. DUTIES.

The following duties will mount at 1800 hrs daily:-

	<u>DUTY COY</u>	<u>Bn ORDERLY OFFICER</u>
Thursday 7 Sep 44.	D	Lieut J.T. Warren
Friday 8 Sep 44.	A	Lieut H.P. Keach
Saturday 9 Sep 44	B	Lieut G. Putnam
Sunday 10 Sep 44	C	Lieut H.A.A. Tourle
Monday 11 Sep 44	D	Lieut C.B.S. Rixon

Duty Coys will supply until further notice the following

Bn Guard; 1 Sgt, 1 Cpl, and 6 O.R's  
Bn Duties 1 Cpl, 2 Runners.

Tour of Duty - 1800 hrs to 1800hrs daily.

2. Bn GUARD

DRESS

K.D., sweaters, hat turned down,  
BATTLE ORDER, Haversack to contain messing gear and  
toilet gear, water bottle, ground sheet.

STORES.

Duty Coy will supply following stores:-

- 1 Hurricane Lamp (full)
- 1 Bucket
- 1 Bowl (hand)
- 5 Torches

Guard Commander will be responsible for stores.

3. DRESS.

Shirts may be removed when engaged on working parties  
within the camp boundaries.

Shirts MUST be worn on the following occasions:-

- (a) In any men's club or recreation hut.
- (b) At all times when on leave or visiting another unit.
- (c) At all times when travelling on a vehicle.
- (d) During all mess parades.
- (e) After 1700 hrs daily.

Shorts will NOT be worn on any occasion other  
than in a playing field area.

4. PERSONNEL REJOINING UNIT

The following will be promulgated to all ranks:-  
Personnel marching in from leave, schools hospitals or  
C.C.S. will report to Bn H.Q. upon arrival, and hand in  
paybook AAB 83 and any other relevant documents.

*[Signature]* Capt.  
Adj 2/1 Asst H Q Bn.



NOTICESSTRENGTH INCREASE.

NX 8735	Capt	EARLE	A.G.	From 2/4 A.G.H.	23.8.44	C Coy.
SX 2351	L/Opl	GILES	W.P.	From 105 C.C.S.	3.9.44	C Coy.
SX 28708	Pte	MAYNE	W.S.	" " "	3.9.44	C Coy.
NX 2295	Sgt	NEWELL	N.A.	From 1 M G Trg Bn	3.9.44	A Coy.
NX 2308	A/Sgt	CARMICHAEL	W.	" " " "	3.9.44	A Coy.
VX 6110	Sgt	WILKINSON	R.W.	" " " "	3.9.44	D Coy.
NX 24260	Pte	ALLAN	J.Mc	From illegal absence	3.9.44	D Coy.

STRENGTH DECREASE.

NX 106471	Lieut	CARR-BOYD	R.V.	To Regtl Trg School	6.9.44	C Coy.
NX 124017	Lieut	JOHNSTON	A.B.	" " " "	6.9.44	B Coy.
VX 4037	Pte	CHECKLEY	A.E.	Evac to A.G.H.	2.9.44	B Coy.
VX 61646	"	BARNES	H.	Evac to 2/4 A.G.H.	28.8.44	A Coy.
NX 153122	"	LONDON	A.K.	Evac to 2/6 A.G.H.	4.9.44	A Coy.
NX 47203	"	LACEY	J.W.	Evac to 2/2 C.C.S.	4.9.44	D Coy.
NX 66140	"	WESTON	F.L.	Evac to 113 A.G.H.	26.8.44	D Coy.
NX 47660	L/Sgt	LEAN	J.	To Regtl Trg School	6.9.44	A Coy.
VX 4724	"	KEMPTON	J.H.	" " " "	6.9.44	B Coy.
NX 56811	Pte	INMAN	R.R.	Evac to A.G.H.	6.9.44	A Coy.
NX 65348	"	FORBES	G.	Evac to 2/1 Aust Dn Bks and 2/4 A.G.H.	16.7.44	A Coy.

MARCHED IN.

QX 32572	Pte	DIEBERT	W.H.	R.T.U. from leave	3.9.44	C Coy.
NX 24796	Opl	RICHARDSON	E.A.	From 7 Div Rest Camp	3.9.44	A Coy.
NX 137495	Pte	MOORE	T.A.	R.T.U. from leave	7.9.44	C Coy.

CEASED TO BE DETACHED.

VX 3731	pte	WRIGHT	J.	From detachment to R.A.A.F.	25.8.44	B Coy.
SX 2127	"	LITCHFIELD	C.A.	From L.H.Q. Dvr Sh	25.8.44	H.Q.
NX 96776	"	WEBB	M.	" " "	25.8.44	H.Q.
NX 95408	"	WEST	S.J.	" " "	25.8.44	H.Q.
NX 57108	"	BUSHE	A.R.	" " "	25.8.44	C Coy.
NX 41355	"	MOGHE	(J.T.)	" " "	25.8.44	A Coy.

DETACHED FOR DUTY.

NX 51	Maj	VINCENT	A.L.	Detached for spec duty	5.9.44	Bn HQ
NX 13018	Pte	BLACKWELL	R.W.	To A.P.O. ATHERTON	6.9.44	A Coy.
VX 4752	"	CALMAN	L.W.	" " "	6.9.44	C Coy.
NX 151774	"	GREENIDGE	F.J.	" " "	6.9.44	D Coy.

CHANGE OF RELIGION.

NX 54490	Pte	CARMICHAEL	K.A.	From Presbyterian to Free Thinker	6.9.44	D Coy.
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PROFICIENCY.

VX 3866	Pte	RICHARDSON	W.E.	Granted Prof Pay	1.7.45	B Coy.
QX 53671	"	BLIGH	W.J.	" " "	16.8.44	B Coy.
NX 43965	"	ENARES	W.D.	" " "	1.7.45	B Coy.
NX 42307	"	FERRY	M.	" " "	17.8.44	B Coy.
VX 4545	"	RONALDSON	D.	" " "	1.8.44	B Coy.
QX 49095	L/Opl	DUFFIELD	A.A.	" " "	5.2.44	B Coy.
VX 18074	Pte	BARNES	F.O.	" " "	1.7.45	A Coy.
NX 37381	"	BLAYDEN	R.F.	" " "	1.7.45	D Coy.
TX 126	"	SEYMOUR	J.E.	" " "	15.8.44	D Coy.



PROFICIENCY.

				Forf	Prof	Pay		
TX 27	Pte	CONNORS	C.	"	"	"	18.8.44	B Co
TX 1112	"	GOODMAN	J.T.	"	"	"	18.8.44	D Co
NX 18074	"	BARNES	F.C.	"	"	"	7.1.44	A Co
NX 37381	"	BLAYDEN	R.T.	"	"	"	16.6.44	D Co
TX 5198	"	MADDOX	G.G.	"	"	"	23.8.44	A Co
NX 11000	"	McIVOR	F.	"	"	"	12.5.44	A Co
VX 3866	"	RICHARDSON	W.E.	"	"	"	4.1.44	D Co
NX 11770	"	FOX	J.T.	"	"	"	6.9.44	C Co
NX 12876	"	GARN	R.T.	"	"	"	6.9.44	HQ Co
NX 60582	"	MAYHEW	O.E.	"	"	"	6.9.44	D Co

TRANSFERS

QX 404	Pte	HARNESS	J.R.	From H.Q. Coy to BN H.Q.	7.9.44
WX 2032	Pte	MACKIE	H.G.	From Bn H.Q. to H.Q. Coy	7.9.44
NX 59076	L/Cpl	SULLIVAN	J.E.	From B Coy to Bn H.Q.	4.9.44
VX 45349	Pte	BEECROFT	C.M.	From B Coy to H.Q. Coy	7.9.44
NX 2282	Pte	GOULDING	M.	From A Coy to H.Q. Coy	7.9.44
NX 11010	Pte	NEALE	R.	From A Coy to H.Q. Coy	7.9.44
NX 47186	Pte	RILEY	J.	From C Coy to H.Q. Coy	7.9.44
TX 971	Pte	WATSON	H.I.	From D Coy to H.Q. Coy	7.9.44
QX 19664	Pte	MILLS	E.J.	From C Coy to H.Q. Coy	7.9.44



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PART I

No E78

11 Sep 44.

1. CORRECT TIME.

At 0800 hrs each day, correct time will be promulgated over the intra-unit telephone system.

Bn HQ, all coys and Transport will assure that someone is available to listen for this signal.

2. AMENDMENT TO B.S.O's

See Appendix "A" attached.

*Charles H.*  
A/Adjt 2/1 Aust M G Bn. Capt.

NOTICES

STRENGTH INCREASE.

NX 46104	L/Cpl	LEESON	R.	From 2/2 A.G.H.	8.9.44	B	Coy.
NX 5786	Pte	BRAND	L.W.	From 2/6 A.G.H.	8.9.44	A	Coy.
NX 2284	Sgt	GREEN	H.	From 2/2 A.G.H.	9.9.44	A	Coy.
QX 56811	Pte	INMAN	R.R.	From 2/2 A.G.H.	10.9.44	A	Coy.
NX 151095	Pte	CHECKLEY	A.H.	From 2/2 A.G.H.	10.9.44	D	Coy.

STRENGTH DECREASE.

VX 13081	Pte	MOODY	J.B.	Declared an Illegal Absentee	7.9.44	C	Coy.
NX 14107	Pte	THURGOOD	K.C.	do	6.9.44	A	Coy.
NX 13097	Pte	TRENHOLME	F.J.	do	6.9.44	A	Coy.
NX 2259	L/Cpl	SMITH	F.A.	Evac to Hosp	8.9.44	A	Coy.

RELINQUISHMENTS.

NX 27718	Pte	COWAN	L.G.	Relinq Trade Gp III clerk	6.6.44	HQ	Coy.
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PROFICIENCY

NX 27718	Pte	COWAN	L.G.	Granted Prof Pay	6.6.44	HQ	Coy.
NX 1734	Pte	MARWICK	C.	" " "	29.9.43	D	Coy.
NX 54450	Pte	AUSTIN	C.C.	" " "	14.8.44	D	Coy.

MARCHED OUT.

NX 29921	Cpl	GARDINER	E.A.	To Regtl Trg School Sigs	10.9.44	C	Coy.
NX 52517	Pte	FITZSIMMONS	B.A.	" " " " "	10.9.44	D	Coy.
NX 32520	Cpl	WALES	R.	To LHQ SAS Bonogilla	10.9.44	A	Coy.
NX 46104	L/Cpl	LEESON	R.A.	" " " "	10.9.44	B	Coy.
NX 27021	L/Cpl	JONES	A.P.J.	" " " "	10.9.44	C	Coy.
NX 45656	L/Cpl	POWER	E.	" " " "	10.9.44	D	Coy.



TRANSFERS.

VX 6110	Sgt	WILKINSON	R.R.W.	From D Coy to B Coy.	11.9.44
NX 2295	Sgt	NEWELL	N.A.	From A Coy to C Coy.	11.9.44
NX 2508	A/Sgt	CARMICHAEL	W.	From A Coy to C Coy.	11.9.44
NX 140015	Pto	TAYLOR	E.S.	From A Coy to HQ Coy.	11.9.44
NX 5561	Pto	BAWDEN	E.J.	From A Coy to HQ Coy	11.9.44
NX 33322	Pto	GRIFFEN	G.	From A Coy to HQ Coy	11.9.44
VX 5078	Pto	BEALE	A.J.	From B Coy to HQ Coy	11.9.44
NX 46405	Pto	JULIUS	J.F.	From B Coy to HQ Coy	11.9.44
VX 5067	Pto	MOORFOOT	W.M.	From B Coy to HQ Coy	11.9.44
NX 26867	Pto	MARTIN	W.S.	From B Coy to HQ Coy	11.9.44
QX 4357	Pto	DRISCOLL	J.K.	From C Coy to HQ Coy	11.9.44
NX 57108	Pto	BUSHE	A.R.	From C Coy to HQ Coy	11.9.44
NX 11703	Pto	MANN	A.	From C Coy to HQ Coy	11.9.44
TX 126	Pto	SEYMOUR	J.E.	From D Coy to HQ Coy.	11.9.44

LIBRARY BOOKS

Any persons with the undermentioned books are requested to return same to library immediately.

ENTANGLEMENTS by OLIVE WADSLEY  
FOLLOWING CHARLES.

AMENITIES.

The following Mobile picture shows will be screened during week ending 17 Sep.

Location 6. 2/I Aust. M.G.Bn. Commencing at 1900 hrs.

WED 13 Sep 44. "Powder Town" with Victor McLaglan  
Dorothy Lovett.  
"March of Time."

FRI 15 Sep 44. "International Lady" with Geo. Brent  
Ilona Massey.  
Basil Rathbone.  
"Diving Rythm"  
"New from Home No 105."

7 Div Cav Commando Area. THU 14 Sep. as for WED 13 Sep 44.

CONCERT PARTY.

2 Aust Div Concert Party will show at 7 Aust Div Cav area on MON 25 Sep 44.  
Commencing at 1930 hrs.



AMENDMENT TO B.S.O's

Appendix "A"

Part II B.S.O's amended as follows:-

Delete Part II and insert new Daily Routine as follows:-

PART II

DAILY ROUTINE

Mon to Fri

0600	Rouille
0605	Admin Parade
0615	Coy Sick Parade
0630	Bn Sick Parade
0700	Breakfast
0800	Morning Parade
1230	Mid-day Meal
1330	Afternoon Parade
1630	Cease Work
1730	Evening Meal
1800	Duty Mounting Parade
2215	Lights Out

Sundays

As for week days with the following exceptions:-

0845	Morning Parade
0900	Church Parade
0930 - 1630	Rest Day.

B.S.O'S will be amended accordingly.

Amended routine to take effect from 0600 hrs 18 Sep 44.



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AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

ROUTINE ORDERS PART I

BY

Lt Col A.G.K. HAUPT

COMMANDING 2/1 AUSTRALIAN MACHINE GUN BATTALION

PART I

No E79

13 Sep 44

1.	<u>DUTIES</u>	<u>DUTY COY</u>	<u>BN ORDERLY OFFICER</u>
	Tuesday 12 Sep	A	Lieut B.H. HAY
	Wednesday 13 Sep	B	Lieut E.M. MANSFIELD
	Thursday 14 Sep	C	Lieut E.B. GARVEY
	Friday 15 Sep	D	Lieut L.C. MCKNIGHT
	Saturday 16 Sep	A	Lieut H.P. KEACH
	Sunday 17 Sep	B	Lieut J.T. WARREN

2. AMENDMENT TO B.S.O's

(a) Part II B.S.O's amended as follows:-

Daily Routine

Delete Fri and insert Sat.

Under Mon to Sat after 0800 - morning parade  
insert 1200 - Cease work.

(b) Part II (Daily Routine)

Add to bottom of sheet

NIGHT TRAINING PERIOD

1900 hrs)

to

2100 Hrs)

) as per syllabus

All copies of B.S.O's will be amended accordingly.

3. APPLICANTS FOR MEDICAL CONSULTATIONS OR BOARDS

Personnel for whom application has been made for medical consultations will be available when called for consultation. Coys will ensure they are within 1 hour call of Bn HQ at all times.

4. POSTING OF OFFICERS

See appendix "A" attached.

*A. Haupt*  
Capt.  
Adj 2/1 Aust M G Bn.

NOTICES

STRENGTH INCREASE

VX 4037	Pte	CHECKLEY	A.E.	From 2/2 A.G.H.	11.9.44	B Coy
VX 27537	"	WHELAN	S.	From Vic L of C GDD	12.9.44	B Coy
NX 202083	"	TREVANION	S.H.	Trans from 4 Aust		
				Rienfts Trg Bn	12.9.44	C Coy
NX 13089	"	TRENHOLME	W.J.	From 2/6 A.G.H.	12.9.44	A Coy
VX 3980	"	WILLIMOTT	F.	From Q'land L of C		
				GDD ex 102 A.G.H.	13.9.44	B Coy
NX 11493	"	ABRAHAM	W.A.	do	13.9.44	A Coy
VX 25822	"	FOWLER	V.K.	From 2/2 A.G.H.	13.9.44	A Coy
VX 50706	L/Cpl	THOMSON	H.	From 2/2 A.G.H.	13.9.44	B Coy



STRENGTH DECREASE.

NX 5786	Pte	BRAND	L.W.	Evac to hosp	12.9.44	A Coy
NX 2296	Cpl	PHILLIPS	O.	Evac to hosp	13.9.44	A Coy

MARCHED IN

NX 8282	L/Cpl	DOUGLAS	R.H.	From IHQ School of Intelligence	12.9.44	C Coy
NX 31830	Cpl	ENRIGHT	J.	do	12.9.44	B Coy
VX 6083	Cpl	ATKINS	E.L.	From TAA Regt Trg S	13.9.44	B Coy
SX 1691	Cpl	STUART	O.S.	do	13.9.44	C Coy

MARCHED OUT

NX 8470	Pte	LITTLECHILD	N.C.	7 days comp leave	12.9.44	A Coy
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PROFICIENCY

QX 4357	Pte	DRISCOLL	J.K.	Granted Prof Pay	27.7.44	C Coy
QX 4357	"	DRISCOLL	J.K.	Forf " "	8.9.44	C Coy
NX 163733	"	EVANS	J.	Granted " "	11.4.44	B Coy

REVERSIONS

SX 614	Cpl	GREGG	L.C.	Reverted to pte by award by CO 2/9 AGH	4.9.44	A Coy
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A stool helmet and tobacco pouch has been found. Owner may claim same by applying at Bn Hq.

TRANSFER

QX 58	Cpl	TICEHURST	E.J.	From Bn Hq to HQ Coy	13.9.44
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COMMANDING 2/1 AUSTRALIAN MACHINE GUN BATTALION

PART I

NO 880

15 Sep 44.

1. DUTIES

Duty Coy

Mounting 1800 hrs 18 Sep 44 for one week - "A" Coy

2. BN HQ BUILDING

Personnel entering Bn HQ will do so by the Southern end, using steps, and NOT by sliding down the banks.

3. CENSORSHIP.

(a) INCLUSION OF CENSORABLE MATTER IN CORRESPONDENCE

It is considered an offence under the Defence Act Section 73A to include in any correspondence other than in the course of official duty, any Naval, Military or Airforce information or any censorable matter classified as such under current Field Censorship Instructions.

The submission of censorable matter in correspondence to a franking officer, to use his discretion as to whether it is censorable or NOT, does NOT relieve the writer of the liability of being charged under the above section of the Defence Act.

(b) OFFICIAL ADDRESSES

Censorship has revealed that military personnel are arranging for money to be telegraphed to them at civil post offices in the area, thus revealing the location of the unit.

Personnel desiring money to be forwarded to them by civilians, have available, Aust Army Pay Corps facilities for this purpose.

Attention of all ranks will be drawn to the fact that revealing their location for the purpose of having money transmitted to them, either by telegram or by money order, or for any other unauthorised purpose, is a breach of security and is forbidden.

(c) FIELD CENSORSHIP

i All postal articles and telegrams (except Field Service Postcards and Green Envelopes) must be handed to franking officers under unit arrangements, and despatched through the Army Postal Service.

Field Service Postcards and Green Envelopes will be handed to the unit censor and similarly despatched.

ii A serious view will be taken if personnel subject to unit censorship despatch postal articles and telegrams, other than under military arrangements.

iii The privilege of the Green Envelope is given to enable personnel to communicate private and personal matters free from unit censorship. Letters posted in Green Envelopes must contain only matter of this nature, and must not include censorable matter. Green Envelopes are NOT transfe



(d) CENSORSHIP - MAIL TO INTERNEES & ENEMY PW

Letters to internees and enemy PW will be left unopened, placed in an outer envelope, and forwarded by registered mail to the District Censor of the State in which the PW Camp is located.

(e) DESTRUCTION OF DOCUMENTS.

- i A number of documents, including those graded TOP SECRET to RESTRICTED, have been found in dumps situated within the Corps area.
- ii The attention of all Coy Comds is drawn to the necessity of ALL documents, papers, etc., containing information which may be of use to the enemy, being destroyed by fire under the supervision of an NCO.

(f) CENSORSHIP

- i Instances of delay by officers in the censoring of correspondence, the censoring of green envelopes in the unit, and the addition of comments by censoring officers, have been reported.
- ii Letters will be censored with a minimum of delay as delay in mail from troops is harmful for morale. C.C's will take steps to ensure that censoring is effected expeditiously. Except when required for disciplinary action, every letter should be despatched within 48 hours.
- iii Green envelopes will NOT be censored in the unit but will be impressed with the unit stamp. Their contents are liable to base censorship only.
- iv Remarks or comments will NOT be added to any communication by a censoring officer. If, for military reasons, any comment becomes essential, it will be made on a separate sheet of paper
- v Newspaper "TABLE TOPS" may be sent unmarked through the post.

4. CAMERAS AND CONTROL OF PHOTOGRAPHY

- i The processing of unofficial films on print other than by authorised processors, or the possession of material for such processing, will NOT be permitted without the consent of HQ 1 Aust Corps.
- ii Private cameras may be carried and used for unofficial purposes in 1 Aust Corps area.
- iii Authorised processors are:-

CAIRNS	Kodak (Aust) Pty Ltd	ABBOT Street
TOWNSVILLE	Kodak (Aust) Pty Ltd	FLINDERS Street
	and all Kodak agents.	

*[Signature]*  
Adj't 2/1 Aust M G Bn. Capt.



NOTICES

R.C. MASS

R.C. Mass will be celebrated in the Salvation Army Hut in the A.A. lines on Sun 17 Sep 44 at 1000 hrs.

FOUND

1 Wristlet Watch. Owner may claim same by applying at B Coy Orderly Room.

STRENGTH INCREASE

VX 13488	L/Cpl	CURRELL	W.R.	From LHQ - SAS	14.9.44	B Coy
NX 32492	Pte	NICHOLSON	E.	From Q'ld RR & GDD ex 102 A.G.H	14.9.44	A Coy
NX 4537	Cpl	FRAZER	L.G.	From 105 C.C.S.	14.9.44	A Coy
VX 57628	Cpl	BAIRD	J.H.	From 4 Aust Rfts Trg Bn	14.9.44	D Coy
VX 57615	Cpl	KRAKE	E.	do	14.9.44	A Coy
VX 59916	Cpl	FOWKES	R.E.	do	14.9.44	B Coy
VX 6436	Cpl	KENLEY	A.J.	From LHQ - SAS	14.9.44	D Coy

STRENGTH DECREASE

NX 11006	Pte	MCGREGOR	S.A.	Evac to Hosp	13.9.44	A Coy
NX 66821	Pte	STEPHENS	S.G.	Evac to 199 C.C.S.	11.9.44	HQ Coy
NX 4240	Pte	McLAREN	H.J.	Evac to Hosp	14.9.44	A Coy
TX 905	Cpl	COLLINS	G.W.	March out to LHQ School of Mil Int	15.9.44	D Coy
NX 151292	Pte	LOVE	H.W.	Granted 2 month L.W.O.P.	10.9.44	B Coy
VX 44247	Pte	MULLER	S.G.	Granted 1 month L.W.O.P.	14.9.44	B Coy

MARCHED IN

QX 48686	Pte	FREEMAN	L.R.	R.T.U. form leave	13.9.44	C Coy
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MARCHED OUT

VX 3882	Cpl	NANCARROW	K.M.	To LHQ School of Mil Intelligence	15.9.44	B Coy
NX 11689	Cpl	WILLIAMS	E.F.	do	15.9.44	A Coy

RELINQUISHMENTS

NX 100868	Pte	MALONE	R.K.	Relinq T/Gp III Rangetaker	12.9.44	A Coy
NX 31331	Pte	McNAUGHTON	D.W.	do	12.9.44	B Coy



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AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE

ROUTINE ORDERS PART I

BY

LT COL A.G.K. HAUPT

COMMANDING 2/1 AUSTRALIAN MACHINE GUN BATTALION

PART I

No E81

19mSep 44

1. DUTIES

BN ORDERLY OFFICER

Tuesday 19 Sep 44  
Wednesday 20 Sep 44  
Thursday 21 Sep 44  
Friday 22 Sep 44

Lieut J.T. WARREN  
A Coy  
A Coy  
Lieut A.H. LOFTS

As from 1800 hrs duty mounting parade on 19 Sep 44, the off-coming Orderly Officer will inspect the duties. The new Orderly Officer will take up a position where he can witness the complete procedure for duty mounting.

2. REGIMENTAL PARADE GROUND.

The cleared square in front of Bn HQ Admin buildings is the Regimental Parade Ground. All personnel moving across to either the waterpoint, or canteen will move either behind the Guard Tents or if using the Southern end of building, along the top side of the cleared square. When moving on the Parade Ground, personnel will do so in a soldierly manner, correctly dressed, and marching in quick time.

Personnel on guard when going for meals will move via the roads and will NOT move across the Ground carrying mess gear, or when bringing beds etc to Guard House or Tent. The only persons allowed to depart from this order are those who may be employed on work authorised by Bn HQ.

3. DRESS

Disciplinary action will be taken against personnel wearing half and half dress.

Coys will ensure that all personnel are familiar with this order.

4. HYGIENE

Duty Coy will service Range Taker's School by 1100 hrs daily.

5. INVESTIGATION OF ILLEGAL ABSENCE

The following were appointed on 16 Sep 44, as Investigating Officers concerning the Illegal Absence of NX 4227 Pte HUMPHREYS H.J. and NX 88120 Pte MCKINNON R.J.

NX 47803 Lieut L.C. MCKNIGHT  
NX 7962 Lieut H.A.A. TOURLE

6. VACANCY FOR "I" SGT.

A vacancy exists on the unit W.E. for an "I" Sgt. Applications are called for from Cpls, L/Sgts, and Sgts desirous of being appointed to this vacancy.



7. DISCHARGE OF PERSONNEL TO INDUSTRY.

Further to instructions previously issued, the following information must be included in all applications for discharge; under GRO A736/43.

- i. Army number, rank and name of soldier.
- ii. Unit.
- iii. State if unit has served in New Guinea.
- iv. Age, medical classification and trade grouping if any.
- v. Copy conduct sheet.
- vi. Name and address of proposed employer with particulars of previous employment.
- vii. Industry.
- viii. Trade qualifications if any.
- ix. Proof that employer will give full time employment.

8. AIR LETTER SERVICE

(a) The Air Letter Service has been extended to include the following:-

- i. Personnel of Merchants Ships.
- ii. Civilians in certain Empire Countries.  
(A list of these countries is available at all FPOs.)
- iii. Prisoners of War in Europe.

(b) Charges for Airgraph letters have been reduced from 10d for letters to civilians and 5d for letters to servicemen to a flat rate of 4d for all Airgraph letters.

9. AMENDMENTS TO STANDING ORDERS

Amendments No 1 to Standing Orders for C.B. and detention personnel.

All copies will be amended accordingly.

Times as amended. Para 2

Reveille	0600
Morning Parade	0625
Dismiss to quarters	0650 (first occurring)
Breakfast	0700
Parade for work	0745
Dismiss to quarters	
Evening	1700
Evening Meal	1730

First line after "Provost Sgt on" Para 5 delete 0655 and add 0625. Delete 0815 and add 0745.

Para 2 3rd line after "will be posted" add "on all parades"

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



NOTICES.AMENITIES

The following Mobile shows will be screened during the week

Location 6 2/1 Aust M G Bn Commencing at 1900 hrs.

Wed 20 Sep 44 "Little Nellie Kelly" with Judy Garland  
Geo Murphy

" Fool Proof"  
" Song of Revolt "  
News from Home.

Fri 22 Sep 44 "Strawberry Blonde" with Jas Cagney  
Rita Hayworth  
Olivia de Haviland  
" Sockeroo"

7 Div Commando Area Sat 23 Sep 44 as for Wed 20 Sep 44

FIRST ROUND AUST RULES FOOTBALL

Sunday 24 Sep commencing 1300 hrs

2/1 Aust M G Bn v 2/14 Aust Inf Bn 21 Bde Ground 2

STRENGTH INCREASE

NX 3820	W.O.II	FOSTER	C.A.	From 1 Aust M G Trg Bn.	16.9.44	HQ Coy
NX 25361	A/Cpl	WILLIAMS	R.J.	do	16.9.44	A Coy
NX 5941	Pte	WALLACE	S.	From 2/1 Aust Det Barracks	16.9.44	D Coy
WX 1624	A/Sgt	TURNER	H.A.	From Q'ld L of C GDD ex 102 AGH	16.9.44	Bn HQ
NX 2259	L/Cpl	SMITH	F.A.	From 2/6 AGH	17.9.44	A Coy
NX 153192	Pte	LONDON	A.K.	do	18.9.44	A Coy

STRENGTH DECREASES

NX 3905	Pte	LAUGHTON	A.C.	Declared an Ill Absentee	14.9.44	A Coy
TX 1112	"	GOODMAN	J.T.D	To 2/9 Aust Inf	17.9.44	D Coy
NX 4227	"	HUMPHREYS	H.J.	Declared an Ill Absentee	16.9.44	D Coy
NX 88120	"	MCKINNON	R.J.	do	17.9.44	C Coy
NX 11010	"	NEALE	R.E.	Evac to Hosp	18.9.44	HQ Coy
NX 2295	Sgt	NEWELL	N.A.	do	18.9.44	C Coy
WX 2509	Sgt	SPICE	C.R.	do	18.9.44	A Coy
TX 27	Pte	CONNORS	C.	To 2/9 Aust Inf	19.9.44	B Coy
NX 1832	Capt	MCARTHUR	A.H.	To NSW L of C for discharge	30.8.44	HQ Coy

REVERSIONS

VX 59916	Cpl	FOWKES	R.E.	Reverte to Pte own request	15.9.44	B Coy
VX 57615	Cpl	KRAKE	E.	do	15.9.44	A Coy
WX 465	A/WO II	PARSONS	W.A.	Reverts to Sgt	16.9.44	HQ Coy

MARCHED IN

QX 3013	Sgt	ARROWSMITH	W.E.	From FAA Sig Sch	17.9.44	HQ Coy
VX 5703	Cpl	JENKINSON	R.H.	do	17.9.44	B Coy
SX 2084	Pte	STRETTON	C.C.	do	17.8.44	HQ Coy
NX 152219	Pte	HEWITT	B.	R.T.U. LEAVE	18.9.44	D Coy



TRANSFERS

WX 465	Sgt	PARSONS W.A.	From HQ Coy to C Coy	19.9.44
NX 59076	L/Cpl	SULLIVAN J.E.	From Bn HQ to B Coy	19.9.44
NX 163030	Pte	EDWARDS J.	From A Coy to HQ Coy	19.9.44



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AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

ROUTINE ORDERS PT I.

BY

Lt Col. A.G.K. HAUPT.

COMMANDING 2/I AUSTRALIAN MACHINE GUN BATTALION.

PART I.

No E82.

22 Sep 44.

I. DUTIES.

BN ORDERLY OFFICER.

Saturday	23 Sep 44	A Coy.
Sunday	24 Sep 44	Lieut G PUTNAM.
Monday	25 Sep 44	Lieut J.T. WARREN. <i>AH LOFTS</i>
Tuesday	26 Sep 44	Lieut G. PUTNAM.
Wednesday	27 Sep 44	Lieut L.C. McKNIGHT.
Thursday	28 Sep 44	Lieut G. PUTNAM.
Friday	29 Sep 44	Lieut A.H. LOFTS. <i>J.T. WARREN</i>

DUTY COMPANY.

B COY.

Mounting duty at 1800 hours. Sunday 24 Sep 44.

2. WELFARE COMMITTEE.

The following have been appointed to the Battalion Welfare Committee:

President.	Capt K.M. DURRANT.
Secretary.	Chaplain N. McLEOD.
Member.	Lieut G. YEOMANS.
"	Lieut A.H. LOFTS.
"	WO(II) L. COUNCIL.

3. SECOND VICTORY LOAN.

Any member of this unit wishing to subscribe to the Second Victory Loan may lodge applications with the Pay Sergeant.

4. "Q" INSTRUCTIONS.

The following "Q" Instructions are cancelled:-

Numbers 1, 2, 5, 6, 7, 9, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 19, 20.

Coys will ensure that these are destroyed by burning under supervision of an N.C.O.

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

NOTICES.

CHURCH PARADES.

Battalion Church Parade at 0900 hrs on 24 Sep 44.

Holy Communion (C of E) will be held in the hut beyond canteen at 0700 hrs.

R.C. Mass will be celebrated in the Salvation Army Hut in 2/13 A.A. Lines at 1000 hrs 24 Sept 44.

STRENGTH DECREASE.

QX 32323	Pte REEDMAN. A.T.C.	Trans to Q'ld G.D.D. for discharge	22.9.44	HQ Coy.
NX 36906	Pte HARCUMBE. D.G.	Evac hosp and transferred X List	19.9.44	A COY.
QX 590	L/Cpl MABIN. R.A.	" " " "	19.9.44	C Coy.
NX 148081	Pte WHITING. A.	" " " "	19.9.44	C Coy.
QX 1064	L/Cpl LLOYD. V.H.	Trans to 2/3 Aust M G Bn.	18.9.44	B Coy.
VX 50451	Pte CAW. A.	Evac hosp and transferred X List	20.9.44	A Coy.
QX 28820	Pte CAIN. K.	" " " "	21.9.44	C Coy.
VX 5011	L/Cpl HOCKING. P.F.	" " " "	22.9.44	B Coy.
VX 25040	A/Sgt EDWARDS. B.M.	To LHQ. S.A.S.	21.9.44	D Coy.
SX 1257	Sgt VEITCH. C.A.	" " " "	21.9.44	C Coy.
TX 216	Sgt BROCK. N.	Trans Tas G.D.D. for discharge	21.9.44	D Coy.
TX 696	Cpl OLIVER. M.A.	" " " "	21.9.44	B Coy.
QX 30639	Pte POLITCH. L.H.	Trans Q'ld G.D.D. for discharge	21.9.44	B Coy.

P.T.O.



REVERSION.

WX 465 A/WO(II) PARSONS.W.A. Reverted to Sgt. 15.9.44 C Coy.

DETACHMENT FOR DUTY.

SX 794	Lieut	McMILLAN.C.W.	To LHQ Pre-selection Board.	19.9.44	C Coy.
NX 22086	Pte	BATSTONE.W.J.	" " "	19.9.44	C Coy.
SX 385	Pte	FOSTER.H.C.	" " "	19.9.44	HQ Coy.
NX 69480	Pte	MILES.R.T.	" " "	20.9.44	BnHQ.
NX 6945	Pte	CONROY.K.E.	To A.P.O. ATHERTON	20.9.44	C Coy.
NX 38346	Pte	ABBOTT.J.	" "	20.9.44	A Coy.
NX 54450	Pte	AUSTIN.C.C.	" "	20.9.44	D Coy.

CEASED TO BE DETACHED.

NX 151774	Pte	GREENTREE.F.J.	From A.P.O. ATHERTON.	20.9.44	D Coy.
NX 13018	Pte	BLACKWELL.R.W.	" "	20.9.44	A Coy.
VX 4752	Pte	CALNAN.L.W.	" "	20.9.44	C Coy.

STRENGTH INCREASE.

NX 14107	Pte	THURGOOD.K.C.	From A.W.L.	19.9.44	A Coy.
NX 13097	Pte	TRENHOLME.F.J.	" "	19.9.44	A Coy.
VX 2018	Pte	FOX.T.	From 2/6 A.G.H.	21.9.44	B Coy.
VX 26456	Sgt	PIDOTO.J.E.	From Q <sup>3</sup> ld G.D.D.	22.9.44	B Coy.
NX 41244	Pte	McCANN.G.C.	" "	22.9.44	HQ Coy.

SCHOOLS.

NX 91789 L/Cpl GRAHAM.F.H. Attending F.A.A.Weapon Trg Sch 20.9.44 A Coy.

DISTRICT COURT MARTIAL.

VX 18074 Pte BARNES. F.C. D.C.M.Held in the field by Maj Gen E J Milford.DSO.GOC.  
7 Aust Div.  
ON THE CHARGE. W.O.A.S. Absence without leave in that he at Tenterfield whilst on duty as a picquet was A.W.L. from 2400 hrs on 19.6.44 to 0945 hrs on 9.8.44.  
FINDING. Guilty.  
SENTENCE. To suffer Field Punishment for 60 days and forfeit all ordinary pay for 60 days.  
DATE OF SENTENCE. 14 Sep 44.  
CONFIRMED. By Maj Gen E.J.MILFORD on 17 Sep 44.  
DATE OF PROMULGATION TO ACCUSED. 20 Sep 44.  
LOSS AND FORFEITURE OF PAY. The accused will suffer loss of pay for period while in close arrest - 35 days  
Period A.W.L. - 50 days  
Period Field Punishment - 60 days

Total forfeiture 145 days pay.



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AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

ROUTINE ORDERS PT. I.

BY

Lt Col A.G.K. HAUPT.

COMMANDING 2/1 AUSTRALIAN MACHINE GUN BATTALION.

PART I.

No. E 83.

26 Sep 44.

1. VACANCIES FOR SIGNALLERS.

Vacancies exist for personnel in the Signal Platoon, carrying specialist pay Trade Group II.

Applications, in writing, may be submitted to O.C. "H.Q." Coy by 1600 hours Wednesday, 27 Sep 44.

2. VACANCY FOR TAILOR.

A vacancy exists in the Bn for a tailor, carrying the rank of Cpl. Personnel with experience as a tailor may lodge applications with their Coys, who will forward same to Bn H.Q. by 1600 hours, 27 Sep 44.

Capt.

Adjutant 2/1 Aust. Machine Gun Bn.

NOTICES.

ENTERTAINMENT.

Mobile Cinema No. 12.

Feature. - "Twin Beds", with George Brent and Joan Bennett starring.

Shorts. - "Sheep in the Meadow", "Eskimo Trail".

Showing at :- Commandos. Thursday, 28 Sep 44. Commencing 1900 hours.  
2/1 Aust MG Bn. Friday, 29 Sep 44. " " "

Mobile Cinema No. 96.

Feature. - "Moontide", with Jean Gabin and Ida Lupino starring.

Shorts. - "Club Life in Stone Age", "Battle of Atlantic", and "News from Home".

Showing at :- Commandos. Sunday, 1 Oct 44. Commencing 1900 hours.

BROADCAST, by C. in C.

By direction of the Prime Minister, the C in C will broadcast through the National network to-night, 26 Sep 44, at 1910 hours.

CEASED TO BE DETACHED.

From 7 Aust Div Sigs School.

NX 52517	Pte	FITZSIMMONS	B.A.		24.9.44.	D Coy.
NX 22921	Cpl	GARDINER	E.A.	do	do	C Coy.



STRENGTH DECREASE.

NX 92996	Pte	NEVILLE	E.J.	To 2/2 A.G.H.	23.9.44.	H.Q. Coy.
NX 44121	L/Cpl.	PERKINS	R.R.	To Hospital.	23.9.44.	A "
VX 3393	Pte.	NOTTLE	J.	" "	23.9.44.	B "
NX 11002	"	SHIPLEY	C.R.	" "	23.9.44.	A "
NX 7952	"	LAING	W.O.	To 16 A.P.S.C. for re-allocation.		
					24.9.44.	B Coy.
TX 232	A/S/Sgt	POWER	K.C.	" " "	" "	C "
SX 22233	Pte.	CHAPMAN	I.K.	To Hospital.	25.9.44.	A "
QX 630	L/Sgt	SPARKS	C.E.	" "	25.9.44.	H.Q. "
QX 32572	Pte.	DIEBERT	W.H.	" "	26.9.44.	C "
NX 6169	"	DAVIDSON	N.A.	" "	26.9.44.	C "
NX 4364	"	McSWAN	A.E.	" "	26.9.44.	Bn H.Q.

STRENGTH INCREASE.

NX 46404	Lieut	D.J. HANSON		From LHQ School	24.9.44.	B Coy.
WX 2509	Sgt	SPICE	C.R.	From 2/6 A.G.H.	24.9.44.	A Coy.
QX 279	Sgt	PICKERING	N.D.	" LHQ School.	24.9.44.	H.Q. "
NX 10702	Pte.	LOGAN	R.L.	" 16 A.P.S.C.	24.9.44.	B "
NX 3905	"	LAUGHTON	A.C.	" A.W.L.	24.9.44.	A "
NX 3887	"	BROWN	S.C.	" 16 A.P.S.C.	24.9.44.	A "
WX 1917	"	SANDISON	D.H.	" " "	24.9.44.	A "

MARCHED IN.

NX 147090	Pte.	DENNY	A.E.	From Leave.	24.9.44.	B Coy.
SX 2368	Sgt.	ROBERTS	E.W.	" "	24.9.44.	H.Q. "
NX 26867	Pte.	MARTIN	W.S.	" "	26.9.44.	H.Q. "

MARCHED OUT.

VX 18074	Pte.	BARNES	F.C.	To Fd Pun. Centre.	25.9.44.	A Coy.
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DETACHED.

NX 4537	Cpl.	FRASER	L.G.	To F.A.A. School.	24.9.44.	A "
NX 55260	Pte.	HARRIS	J.	" Sig School.	24.9.44.	A "
SX 1891	"	LEWIS	C.L.	" School.	24.9.44.	D "
NX 29913	"	WINTER	W.F.	" "	"	C "
VX 7177	Sgt.	TAYLOR	J.H.	" Pre-sel. Bd.	"	A "
QX 82	L/Sgt.	HALEY	E.G.A.	" " " "	"	C "
NX 13193	Sgt.	FORD	J.H.	" " " "	"	A "
QX 384	L/Sgt.	DAY	F.G.	" " " "	"	A "
TX 180	Sgt.	WIDDOWSON	G.A.	" " " "	"	D "
VX <del>18488</del>	L/Sgt	CURRELL	W.G.	" " " "	"	B "
WX 465	Sgt.	PARSONS	W.A.	" " " "	"	C "
TX 775	"	HENRY	F.H.	" " " "	"	D "
SX 2368	L/Sgt	ROBERTS	E.W.	" Ech. & Records.	26.9.44.	H.Q. "

ATTACHED FOR DUTY.

NX 113229	Cpl.	SMITH	L.M.	Attached for amenity duties.	26.9.44.	
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DETACHED FOR DUTY.

NX 155	Major	G.W. AUSTIN.		Detached for duty to LHQ Pre-selection Board	24.9.44.	
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INTER-COY TRANSFERS.

QX 58	Cpl.	TICEHURST E.J.	From H.Q. Coy	to	D Coy.
TX 905	"	COLLINS G.W.	" D "	"	Bn H.Q.
VX 6083	"	ATKINS E.L.	" B "	"	" "
QX 404	Pto.	HARNESS J.R.	" H.Q. "	"	" " (Attached)
QX 58	Cpl.	TICEHURST E.J.	" D "	"	H.Q. "
NX 2338	Cpl.	MONSEN M.H.	" A "	"	" " "
VX 4036	"	BEECROFT W.T.	" B "	"	" " "
QX 1575	L/Sgt	FROST W.	" C "	"	" " "
NX 53863	Pto	MARSH R.P.	" H.Q. "	"	D "
NX 140015	"	TAYLOR E.S.	" " "	"	A "
NX 33322	"	GRIFFIN G.R.	" " "	"	A "
NX 43405	Pto	JULIUS J.F.	" " "	"	B "
NX 26867	"	MARTIN W.S.	" " "	"	B "
QX 4357	"	DRISCOLL J.K.	" " "	"	C "
VX 45349	"	BEECROFT C.M.	" " "	"	B "
NX 11010	"	NEALE R.E.	" " "	"	A "
TX 971	"	WATSON H.I.W.	" " "	"	D "
TX 107	"	BEATTIE W.J.	" " "	"	D "
NX 58061	"	McDOWALL A.G.	" Bn H.Q.	"	B "
NX 43929	"	KELLEHEAR L.J.	" C Coy	"	Bn H.Q.
NX 4364	"	McSWAN A.E.	" Bn H.Q.	"	H.Q. Coy.
NX 56489	Lieut	S.F. PIERCE.	" D Coy	to	Bn H.Q. (Attached)



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ROUTINE ORDERS PT. I

BY

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COMMANDING 2/1 AUSTRALIAN MACHINE GUN BATTALION.

PART I.

No. E 84.

30 Sep 44.

1. DUTIES.

Duty Coy for week ending Sun 8 Oct. 44.

"C" Coy.

Orderly Officer.

Sat 30 Sep 44.	Lt A.H. LOFTS.
Sun 1 Oct 44.	" H.A.A. TOURLE
Mon 2 Oct 44.	" J.T. WARREN.
Tue 3 Oct 44.	" H.A.A. TOURLE.
Wed 4 Oct 44.	" A.H. LOFTS.
Thu 5 Oct 44.	" H.A.A. TOURLE.
Fri 6 Oct 44.	" J.T. WARREN.
Sat 7 Oct 44.	" H.A.A. TOURLE.

2. DUTY PERSONNEL.

Duties as detailed in B.R.O. E 77 of 7 Sep 44 is CANCELLED. Duty Coy will supply the following duties daily, commencing at 1800 hours, 1 Oct 44.

Bn Guard.	1 Sgt	1 Cpl	1 L/Cpl	10 O.Rs.
Bn Duty.	3 NCO and 1 O.R.			
Sgts' Mess.	2 O.Rs.	to mount daily at 0630 hours.		

Mess duty will be permanent for duty week.

3. UNIT FLAG.

It has been decided to purchase a unit flag, incorporating the colour patch of the 2/1 Aust M.G. Bn. Any suggestions as to design of the flag, from any member of this unit, may be lodged with Ccy. H.Q., who will forward on to Bn. H.Q.

4. UNIT WELFARE.

The Unit Welfare Committee would appreciate helpful suggestions with regard to the betterment of the Battalion Welfare. Suggestions will be lodged with Coys of respective personnel.

5. AMENDMENTS TO CAMP STANDING ORDERS.

- i. After heading add " KAIRI CAMP".
- ii. Date orders "24 Sep 44".
- iii. In para 3 add new sub-para : "(c) Leave will NOT be granted to MAREEBA or COASTAL TOWNS."
- iv. Add new para. :  
"10. Intoxicating Liquor. The carrying of intoxicating liquor in public, is forbidden. Liquor purchased or issued in camp will NOT be taken out of camp area. Liquor purchased in hotels or canteens will NOT be carried out of the building."
- v. In para 2 (a) the following variation in dress laid down for Officers is permitted : "Officers may wear shoes with S.D. or K.D., after Retreat, in camp area ONLY."

P.T.O.

*[Signature]*  
 Adjutant 2/1 Aust Machine Gun Bn. Capt.



NOTICES.

CHURCH PARADES.

Battalion Church Parade.	0900 hours. Sunday, 1 Oct 44.	
R.C. Church Parade.	1000 " " " "	, in lines
	of 2/13 Comp. A.A. Regt.	
C. of E. Holy Communion.	0700 hours. Sunday, 1 Oct 44.	
Pres. " " "	0930 " " " "	, in YMCA Tent.

INTER-COY TRANSFERS. - 30 Sep 44.

NX 100868 Pte MALONE	R.K.	from "A" Coy to	Bn H.Q.
NX 85191 " MONCRIEFF	A.P.	" "D" " "	" "
QX 16588 " McLAY	A.J.	" "C" " "	" "
NX 141265 " REED	E.T.	" "B" " "	" "

STRENGTH INCREASE.

NX 2296 Cpl PHILLIPS	C.	From 2/6 A.G.H.	26.9.44.	A Coy.
NX 36906 Pte HARCUMBE	D.G.	" 2/2 A-G-H.	26.9.44.	A "
NX 2315 " CLARK	R.J.	" 2/6 "	26.9.44.	A "
NX 92996 " NEVILLE	E.J.	" 2/2 "	27.9.44	B "
NX 11006 " MCGREGOR	S.A.	" 2/6 "	28.9.44.	A "
VX 103149 " SMITH	L.J.	Q'land L of C GDD.	29.9.44.	B "
VX 44247 " MULLER	S.G.	Vic L of C GDD.	29.9.44.	B "
VX 3393 " NOTTLE	J.	2/2 CCS.	29.9.44.	B "
SX 22233 " CHAPMAN	I.K.	" "	29.9.44.	A "

STRENGTH DECREASE.

NX 152899 Pte CHINN	R.A.	To Hospital.	27.9.44.	D Coy.
NX 2325 " HAMILTON	J.B.	" "	29.9.44.	A "

CEASED TO BE DETACHED.

VX 7177 Sgt TAYLOR	J.H.	From LHQ Pre-sel. Bd.	27.9.44.	A "
QX 82 L/Sgt HALY	E.G.A.	" " " "	" "	C "
NX 13193 Sgt. FORD	J.H.	" " " "	" "	A "
QX 384 L/Sgt DAY	F.G.	" " " "	" "	A "
TX 180 Sgt WIDDOWSON	G.A.	" " " "	" "	D "
VX 13488 L/Sgt CURRELL	W.G.	" " " "	" "	B "
WX 465 Sgt PARSONS	W.A.	" " " "	" "	C "
TX 775 " HENRY	F.H.	" " " "	" "	D "

MARCHED OUT.

VX 15420 Pte VANCE	W.P.	To 7 days Comp.Leave.	28.9.44.	B "
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MARCHED IN.

V(X) 507089 Pte LANGLEY	G.B.	From Leave.	29.9.44.	C "
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CAMP STANDING ORDERS

BY

Lt Col A.G.K. HAUPT.

COMMANDING 2/1 AUSTRALIAN MACHINE GUN BATTALION.

- 1. DAILY ROUTINE.
- 2. DRESS.
- 3. LEAVE.
- 4. OUT OF BOUNDS.
- 5. AMENITIES.
- 6. SPEED LIMITS.
- 7. M.T. PARKING AREAS.
- 8. POSTAL.
- 9. GAMBLING.

1. DAILY ROUTINE.

As per B.S.O. Part II.

2. DRESS.

A high standard of dress will be maintained, and the following instructions in this regard will be observed :-

(a) Officers - Order of Dress.

- i. Uniform S D, belt web or Sam Browne, boots, gaiters, hat khaki fur or cap S D.  
or -
- ii. Shirts K D or J G, trousers K D or J G, belt web or Sam Browne, boots, gaiters, hat khaki fur or cap S D, and jersey pullover, if desired. (7 Aust Div Adm Inst 26)  
or -
- iii. Safari jacket, trousers K D, shoes, cap S D.
- iv. Uniform F S (serge or K D), shoes, cap.

(b) O.Rs. - Order of Dress.

- i. Uniform S D, belt web, boots, gaiters, hat khaki fur felt,  
or -
- ii. Shirts K D or J G, trousers K D or J G, belt web, boots, gaiters, hat khaki fur felt, and jersey pullover, if desired.

(c) Shirts.

Shirts may be removed when engaged on working parties within the camp boundaries, but must be worn on the following occasions :-

- i. In any men's club or recreation hut.
- ii. At all times when on leave or visiting another unit.
- iii. At all times when travelling in a vehicle.
- iv. During all mess parades.
- v. After 1700 hours daily when sleeves will be rolled down.

(d) Shorts.

Shorts will NOT be worn on any occasion other than on a playing field area.

(e) Gaiters.

Gaiters will be worn at all times by all personnel. Only exception will be fitters who are wearing overalls, and officers wearing F S uniform or safari jackets.

3. LEAVE.

- (a) Coy O C's may grant leave outside the KAIRI Camp Area, terminating at 2359 hours, up to 10 % of Coy strength.
- (b) Overnight leave will NOT be granted under any circumstances.
- (c) O.Rs on leave from KAIRI Camp Area must be in possession of a leave pass.
- (d) O.Rs. proceeding on leave will be inspected by an officer.

P.T.O.



4. OUT OF BOUNDS.

- (a) Battalion Duty Mounting Parade Ground is prohibited to all personnel except those on duty. Personnel moving on this area will be correctly dressed and move in a smart, soldierly manner.
- (b) An area of 10 yards around Detention Compound is prohibited. Attention is drawn to Standing Orders for Detention Compound, which should be known to all ranks.
- (c) The following are out of bounds to all personnel whose duty does NOT specifically require them to be there. -
 

Officers' lines.	Guard room.
Officers' mess.	Sig office.
Officers' latrines.	Battalion and Coy Offices.
Sergeants' mess.	Battalion and Coy Q Stores.
All kitchens.	Canteen. ) Except during period
	Library. ) laid down in para 5
	Rec. tent.) below.

5. AMENITIES.

- (a) Soldiers' Club KAIRI.  
 Hours. 1630 - 2200. Monday to Saturday.  
           1100 - 2200. Sunday.
- (b) Unit Canteen.            Dry.                            Wet.  
 Hours.            1200 - 1330.  
                     1630 - 1900.                            1800 - 2100.
- (c) Unit Library.  
 Hours.            1200 - 1330.  
                     1630 - 2215.

6. SPEED LIMITS.

A speed limit of 5 MPH will be strictly observed on Unit Area Roads.

7. M.T. PARKING AREAS.

The following areas will be used ONLY for parking vehicles.

Camp.

- i. Official visiting vehicles will use Visitors' Car Park at Bn H Q.
- ii. Car Park at Officers' Mess.
- iii. All other vehicles at M.T. park - Transport Lines.

ATHERTON.

Drivers visiting ATHERTON may leave their vehicles unattended in the Provost Park near Officers' Club.

G 2 will be handed to the Provost in charge. At all other times drivers will NOT leave their vehicles under any circumstances.

8. POSTAL.

All mail closes at Postal Tent at 0930 and 1530 hours daily.

9. GAMBLING.

Organised gambling games are prohibited within the Unit lines.



Capt.

Adjutant 2/1 Aust Machine Gun Bn.



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2/1 AUSTRALIAN MACHINE GUN BATTALION.

ADMINISTRATION INSTRUCTION 8/44.

Safe Keeping of Clothing and Equipment.

1. The consistent losses of clothing, equipment and necessaries are cause for concern. In future the following instructions will be observed in order that losses be reduced.
2. All articles of clothing, equipment and necessaries issued to a soldier, will be marked as under, in a manner suitable to the article, showing the man's regimental number and name. Marking will be done neatly in block type.
  - (a) Clothing - In marking ink on a portion of the garment where it will NOT show when worn, e.g. inside neck-band of shirts, inside waist-band of trousers, inside sweat-band of hat.
  - (b) Leather Articles. - By steel stamps in a position where it will NOT show when worn, e.g. inside ankle of boots, underside of straps.
  - (c) Webbing - In marking ink in a position where it will NOT show when worn, e.g. underside of straps, inside gaiters, backs of pouches, haversack and pack. These articles should NOT be marked inside as quick identification is then NOT possible.  
NOTE. Marking of any articles in a manner where it will show when worn or in indelible pencil is forbidden. Each individual article should be marked, NOT merely one mark on one set of equipment.
3. Laundering of clothing will be the responsibility of the person to whom issued. Time is allowed in the weekly syllabus for laundering in daylight, and fine weather should be selected. This will normally render it unnecessary to leave laundry hanging out overnight. Laundry NOT dry by night, should be brought into the tent and hung out again in daylight. Losses of clothing, etc. due to theft from lines at night will be considered as loss by neglect.
4. All hanging of laundry will be organised on a Coy basis and clothes lines will be strung in rows in Coy lines, where they can be watched by Coy picquets. Individual lines and the hanging of laundry on tent ropes are forbidden.
5. Value of any lost article NOT marked will be a debit against the individual without question, and the circumstances may involve a charge of loss by neglect.
6. Articles lost on training or under circumstances beyond the individual's control, will be reported at once and the report with Coy Comd's recommendation be forwarded to C.O. for decision.
7. Any person found in possession of any article bearing another person's number or name will be required to show cause why a charge of being unlawfully in possession should NOT be laid.

*L. B. P.*

Capt.

Adjutant 2/1<sup>st</sup> Machine Gun Bn.







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7 strength of 2/I Aust M G Bn, for that period.  
Bges are requested to advise H Q 2/I Aust M G Bn of numbers concerned not less than 4 days prior to commencement of courses.

(b) QM 2/I Aust M G Bn will request "Q" Branch 7 Aust Div that ration delivery be made direct to camp site.

9. Stores and Ammunition.

(a) All instructional stores required will be provided by Pls attending as follows:-

All MMG direct fire eqpt, plus clino's bar foresight and night sights.

(b) Ammunition for firing practices will be provided by Pls attending as follows:-

belts per gun. .303 Mk VII.

(c) Targets required will be provided by 2/I Aust M G Bn.

10. Dress and equipment.

All ranks will wear KD (JG) battle order throughout the course. Offrs and NCOs will carry binoculars, compasses, and rules slide MG Mk I, II, /III, and notebooks and pencils.  
or

11. Text Books.

Officers and NCOs attending will be provided with the following books:-

SAT Vol I.

Pam 7 Parts I, 2, and 3.

Range tables for MMG (1943) Mk VII amm.

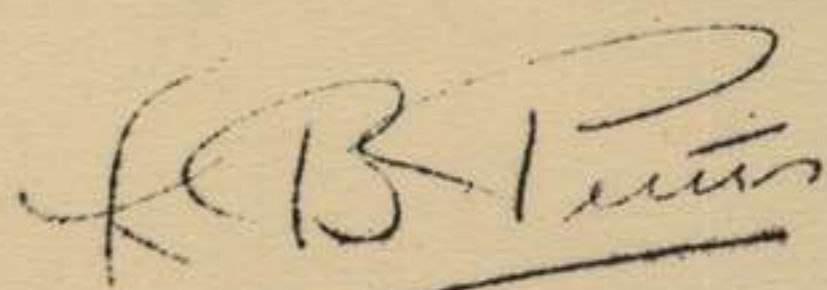
12. Reporting.

Pls will report at camp site 5343 by 1200 hrs on day prior to course commencing, and will break camp on morning of day following conclusion of course.

Pl roll books will be brought to the course.

13. Reports.

C I will submit a detailed report on trg of each Pl to C O 2/I Aust M G Bn within three (3) days of conclusion of each course.



Adj. 2/I Aust. M.G.Bn.

Capt.



OUTLINE SYLLABUS - M.M.G. COURSES.

Appendix "A"

Issued with 2/I Aust M G Bn Trg Instruction 59/44

<u>SUBJECT.</u>	<u>TRAINING TIME.</u>
Mechanism. (stoppages)	7 hours.
E. G. D.	7 "
Ts. O. E. T.	7 "
HANDLING.	3½ "
SEC. Drill (incl lessons 71-72)	5½ "
SEC. DRILL NF. (incl lessons 84-87)	2 "
INDICATION AND RECOG. FIRE ORDERS.	28 "
FIRE CONTROL	4½ "
CLASSIFICATION PRACTICE. Table M Pt I.	7 "
SAFETY .	6 "
FIELD FIRING EXERCISE.	7 "
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TOTAL TIME AVAILABLE.	84 hours. (12 days of 7 hrs each.)

NIGHT TRAINING.

LECTURES AS REQUIRED.	6 hours.
NIGHT FIRING EXERCISE.	2 "



2/1 Australian Machine Gun Battalion.

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TRAINING INSTRUCTION NO.60/44.

4 Sept'44.

Ref. map 1 in = 1 mile GORDONVALE.

1. 2/1 Aust. M. G. Bn. will conduct a series of courses for rangetakers of M. G. Pls. of 2/1 Aust. M. G. Bn. and 18, 21, and 25 Aust. Inf. Bdes. The object of the courses is to train R/Ts of M. G. Pls in their duties as section rangetakers to a standard suitable for appointment as T/GpIII. Specialist Rangetakers.
2. Personnel to attend:-
  - (a) 36 from 2/1 Aust. M. G. Bn.
  - (b) 36 from Inf. Bns of 7 Aust Div.
3. Courses will be of 14 days duration and will be conducted as follows:-

<u>Course No.1.</u>	9 ORs 2/1 Aust. M. G. Bn. (3 each A, B & C Coys).
18 Sep. to	3 ORs each 18, 21 & 25 Bdes.
1 Oct'44. incl.	
<u>Course No.2.</u>	9 ORs 2/1 Aust. M. G. Bn. (3 each B, C & D Coys).
2 Oct. to	3 ORs each 18, 21 & 25 Bdes.
15 Oct'44 incl.	
<u>Course No.3.</u>	9 ORs. 2/1 Aust. M. G. Bn. (3 each C, D & A Coys).
16 Oct. to	3 ORs each 18, 21 & 25 Bdes.
29 Oct'44 incl.	
<u>Course No.4.</u>	9 ORs. 2/1 Aust. M. G. Bn. (3 each D, A & B Coys).
30 Oct. to	3 ORs each 18, 21 & 25 Bdes.
13 Nov'44 incl.	
4. Location. Area 4635.
5. Staff. The following staff is detailed to conduct the courses:-

C.I.	Lt. G.H. Yoomans.	- 2/1 Aust. M. G. Bn.
Asst. Instrs. (2)	E/Sgt Haly	E.G. "
	Cpl. Millikin	S.T. "
Clerk.	Pto. Durfield	A.A. "
Cook.	Pto. Geary	S.A. "
Gen. dutyman.	Pto. Henry	J.M. "
Batman	Pto. Woodward	C.F. "
6. Syllabus. C.I. will submit detailed syllabus of course to C.O. 2/1 Aust. M. G. Bn by 1600 hrs. 11 Sept'44.
7. Accommodation.
  - (a) Tentage and accommodation stores are being supplied by HQ. 7 Aust. Div, Q.M. 2/1 Aust. M. G. Bn will submit indents for approval by Q Branch at once.
  - (b) Blankets and beds will be brought to the course by students.
  - (c) Messing gear will be brought to the course by students.
8. Rations. 9 additional rations will be indented for by Q.M. 2/1 Aust. M. G. Bn. to commence 18 Sept'44 and conclude 13 Nov'44 incl. Q.M. will arrange delivery of 25 rations daily at school site.
9. Instruments. Units sending students are to provide rangefinders on basis of one instrument each of their own students.
10. Dress and Equipment. Students will wear K.D. (JG), battle order, throughout the course.



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11. Text books, Writing materials.

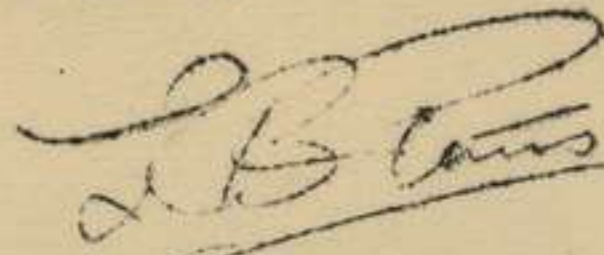
Writing material (notebooks and pencils, rulers, erasers) will be brought by all students.

12. Reporting.

Students will report to HQ. 2/1 Aust. M.G. Bn (464365) at 1400 hrs on day prior to course commencing and will be picked up at same location at 1400 hrs on day of conclusion.

13. Reports.

C.I. will submit reports on each student to C.O. 2/1 Aust. M.G. Bn within 3 days of conclusion of each course and a general report on the course within 7 days of conclusion of final course.



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TRAINING INSTRUCTION

No. 6I/44.

PERIOD 18 SEP 44 → 2 DEC 44.

Reference 7 Aust Div Trg Insta No IO and Training programme to 2 Dec 44.

TRAINING OBJECTIVES.

1. To complete all sub unit trg in open and semi-open country in preparation for higher trg. (Div)
2. To arrive at standard W.E. and W.E.T. tables for an M G Bn T.S.
3. Officer trg to Bde Gp level.

GENERAL.

4. Unless otherwise stated in fortnightly outline syllabus and notes thereon, all tactics will be in accordance those applicable to open and semi-open country.
5. In conducting exercise under Coy control, Coy Comds will pay particular attention to umpires and umpiring.
6. Officers Trg will be in accordance with syllabus previously issued.

ALLOCATION OF DAYS.

7. As per App endix "A" attached.

SPECIAL ASPECTS IN TRAINING.

8. Particular attention will be paid to the following items.
  - (a) All round defence at rest, and frequent practice in quick defence when on the move.
  - (b) Support of infantry from the flank in opposed river crossings.
  - (c) Beach head defence will be the subject of special study and at first opportunity exercises carried out on this problem. Training will be carried out in the laying of guns by the light of beach lights, infantry search lights, and flares, as soon as these are available.
  - (d) When night training is being carried out <sup>the</sup> picture painted will be the normal role of M.G. in night ops. Particular attention will be paid to defence and consolidation in attack.

TRAINING IN BATTLE CONDITIONS.

9. Particular attention will be paid to realism in all trg carried out in the field firing area. Live amm will be used as far as safety permits. Exercises based on A.T.M. (Aust) 30 Sec 5 will be carried out in that area.

HYGIENE, MALARIA, AND EPIDEMIC CONTROL.

10. During all exercises beyond camp area, Coys, Pls, etc will consider themselves to be operating in tropical areas. Strict attention will be paid to personal and collective hygiene, sanitation, anti-malaria and anti-typhus measures. Unit standing orders will be published shortly in this regard.

INDICATION AND RECOGNITION OF TARGETS.

11. Pay particular attention to the indication of limits of arc, reference points, targets etc by means other than verbal indication. Use the director, open sights, dial sight, dial and hand wheel method, or experiment with light improvised indicators. The best fire order in the world is useless if the gun is laid off the target, and the best and simplest method is to lay the gun direct. This applies particularly in semi-open and close country.

MAP READING EXERCISES AND MESSAGES AND REPORTS.

12. These exercises will be conducted on the Pl organised as an Inf Pl of three sections, and will be considered as an approach march. Formation and tactics being adapted to the terrain. Routes selected will be such as to prevent practical map reading problems. On these exercises practice frequently passing messages and reports, verbally from man to man, from front to rear, and flank to flank. The receipt and accuracy will be checked at destination.



Messagos and reports will include adm details, information as to the country ahead, enemy activity etc.

SEMAPHORE AND MORSE CODE.

13. The object of this trg is to have as many as possible alternate means of inter-communication. Pay particular attention to improvised means of using morse. Practice these and other methods whenever on tactical trg.

TEST PACKS AND MOVES ON THE MAN AND WITH JEEPS.

14. The object of these exercises, as in para 2 of this instn. Particular attention will be paid to problems of supply and replonishment, and the ferrying involved. W.E. will be taken as T.S. and adapted to movement in all types of terrain. A position for attack, defence etc will be occupied during these moves.

FIELD FIRING-- TROPICAL TERRAIN TESTS.

15. Various types of targets will be engaged in accordance with "Notes on the employment of an M G Bn in tropical areas", with a view to ascertaining accurate details of the guns performance under these conditions, and to study the problem of fire orders and control.

BN PARADES AND W.E. INSPECTION.

16. These will only be held fortnightly in future.

DUTY COY.

17. Coys will be detailed weekly in rotation. Once camp construction is completed, duties will be limited to one Pl and four days Trg will be carried out to include:-

Weapon Trg revisions.

Smartening drills

F.O.E.T.

Efficiency tests.

Inf minor tactics.

Bn HQ PERSONNEL.

18. The Adjt will restore duties of all Bn HQ personnel to allow completion of all firing practices, and 2 to 3 days individual trg per week on and after 2 Oct 44.

In addition a series of tactical moves, R Gp and Adm exercises will be carried out.

HQ COY.

19. No 1 Pl (Sigs).

Will continue to function as at present, but Bn HQ Gp will participate in exercises as for Bn HQ.

Later a series of skeleton Sig exercises will be conducted as for Bn HQ controlling all Coys.

No 2 Pl (Protection)

Will for the present continue to train in its role of protection.

In addition will carry out fighting and recce patrol trg, MMG Trg to the stage of advanced handling.

No 3 Pl.

Will carry out all firing practices, and two days individual Trg on and after 2 Oct 44.

During October and November will also conduct a series of Adm exercises in the field in supply and replenishment.

OUTLINE SYLLABUS AND COY DETAILED SYLLABUSES.

20. Outline syllabus and instructions will be issued by Bn fortnightly and detailed syllabus will reach Bn by 1800 hrs each FRI.

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Comd 2/I AUSTR. M. G. BN.



APPENDIX "A" to Trg Inst. No 61/44

ALLOCATION		OF	DAYS.	
<u>WEEK 1.</u>			<u>WEEK 2.</u>	
Church Pde & make and mend.	I day.	Church Pde & make and mend.	I day.	
Sports	$\frac{1}{2}$ "	Sports	$\frac{1}{2}$ "	
Indic. & Recognition	$\frac{1}{2}$ "	Bn Pde & W.E. Inspection	I "	
Map Reading Exercise)		Map Reading exercise.)		
Messagos and reports)	I "	Messagos and reports )	$\frac{1}{2}$ "	
Somaphore and Morse Code	$\frac{1}{2}$ "	Indic. & Recognition.	$\frac{1}{2}$ "	
Test Move, Pl with 2 guns		Somaphore and morse code.	$\frac{1}{2}$ "	
IO belts, completely on the		Test pack and move	$\frac{1}{2}$ "	
mane	I "	Jeop pack.	I "	
Zero Rifles.	$\frac{1}{2}$ "	OSMG classification.	$\frac{1}{2}$ "	
Pistol classification.	$\frac{1}{2}$ "	Stoppage shoot.	I "	
Stoppage shoot.	I "			
Coy Comds discretion	$\frac{1}{2}$ "			
<u>Total</u>	<u>7 days.</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>7 days.</u>	
<u>Night Trg.</u>			<u>Night Trg.</u>	
Night recon patrol	I night.	Long carry and compass march	I night.	
Long carry & compass march	I "	Occupation of position		
		by night.	I "	
<u>WEEK 3.</u>			<u>WEEK 4.</u>	
Indic. & Rocog.	$\frac{1}{2}$ days.	Pl exercise.	2 days.	
Fire control orders	$\frac{1}{2}$ "	Fd Firing.	I "	
Church pde & make and mend.	I "	Scout course.		
Sports	$\frac{1}{2}$ "	Jungle Trail course.)	I "	
Rifle classification	I "	Coy exercise with jeeps	I "	
Firing rifles from hips.	$\frac{1}{2}$ "	Bn pde & W.E. inspection	I "	
Stoppage shoot.	$\frac{1}{2}$ "	Church pdes & make and mend	I "	
Coy Comds discretion	$\frac{1}{2}$ "			
Exercise	2 "			
<u>Total</u>	<u>7 days</u>	<u>Total.</u>	<u>7 days.</u>	
<u>Night Trg.</u>			<u>Night Trg.</u>	
Miniature NF shoot.	I night.	Compass march in jungle occupation	I night.	
Compass march	I "	Occupation of position by night.	I night.	
<u>WEEK 5.</u>			<u>WEEK 6.</u>	
Pl exercise.	2 days	Coy exercise	4 days.	
Coy exercise	2 days	Stoppage shoot	$\frac{1}{2}$ "	
Stoppage shoot		Harmonised sight shoot.	$\frac{1}{2}$ "	
Firing rifles from hips)	I "	Bn Pde & W.E. inspoction	I "	
Fd Firing. Trop. conditions.	I "	Church Pde & make and mend.	I "	
Church pde & make and mend.	I "			
<u>Total</u>	<u>7 "</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>7 days.</u>	
<u>Night Trg.</u>			<u>Night Trg.</u>	
as for week 4.		Stoppage shoot by night.	I night.	
		Miniature NF shoot.	I "	
<u>WEEK 7.</u>				
SPARE	To allow for Divisional demonstration and exercise with Bdes other than Div exercises.			

DIVISIONAL EXERCISES.

<u>A COY.</u>	25 AUST INF BDE.	13 - 19 NOV 44.
<u>B COY.</u>	25 AUST INF BDE.	2 - 8 OCT 44.
	21 " " "	27 NOV - 3 DEC 44.
<u>C COY.</u>	21 " " "	9 - 15 OCT 44.
	18 " " "	27 NOV - 3 DEC 44.
<u>D COY.</u>	18 " " "	16 - 22 OCT 44.
	Skeleton enemy.	13 - 19 NOV 44.



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APPENDIX "B" TO TRAINING INSTRUCTION 61/44

Coy	MON 18th	TUE 19th	WED 20th	THU 21st	FRI 22nd	SAT 23rd	SUN 24th	
A	DUTY COMPANY AND BN WORKING PARTIES.							
B	Pistol Class Zero Rifles	MMG Stoppage Shoots	A.M. Coy Syllabus P.M. Sports	Test Pack and move on the man. Trg Instrn 61/44 P.14.	Indio. & Recog. Sema 4 & Morse Code. Trg Instrn 61/44 P 13.	MR & FS Exercise Message & reports Trg Instrn 61/44 P.12	CHURCH PARADE. MAKE AND MEND.	
C.	As for B Coy FRI.	Pistol Class Zero Rifles	ditto	MMG Stoppage Shoots	As for B Coy Thu.	Ditto.		
D.	MMG Stoppage Shoots	As for B Coy THU	Ditto	Pistol Class Zero Rifles/	As for B Coy	Ditto.		
HQ. 1 Pl.	Sig Trg.	Sig Trg	Test Carry	Sig Trg	Pistol Class	Pistol Class		
2 Pl.	MMG	Own Syllabus	Own Syllabus	Own Syllabus	Own Syllabus	Own Syllabus		
3 Pl.	Normal	Normal	Normal	Normal	Zero Rifles	Zero Rifles.		
BnHQ	ALL personnel to undergo 1 days TRG as detailed by Adjutant.					Ditto.		Ditto.
Night Trg.	Long Carry & Compass March <i>2 hrs 1900-2100hrs</i>	$\frac{2}{3}$ Personnel BnHQ & HQ Coy Compass March	Night Recco Patrol. <i>2 hrs</i>	$\frac{2}{3}$ personnel BN HQ & HQ Coy Compass March				
Schools.	No 1. Range Takers Course. Ref Trg Instruction 60/44.							
Officers Trg.		Night 5 Offrs Trg Instrn.		Night 6. Offrs Trg Instrn.				

TRAINING NOTES I/44 ATTACHED.

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2/1 AUSTRALIAN MACHINE GUN BATTALION

TRAINING NOTES 1/44.

FIRING PRACTICES.

1. The following points apply:-
  - (a) SAFETY  
A/Adjt will issue Range Instructions for each miniature range.
  - (b) PISTOL.  
All personnel will fire.
  - (c) MMG STOPPAGE SHOOT.  
3 bursts each, 5 rounds; 3 stoppages; aim to be closely checked.

TEST PACK AND MOVE.

2. SUGGESTED ORGANISATION.

<u>CHQ</u>		<u>EACH PL.</u>	<u>PL HQ</u>
Coy Comd.	2 I/C	Pl Comd.	Orderly.
C.S.M.	C.Q.M.S.	Pl Sgt.	Orderly.
Cpl Clerk OSMG	Tech Store.)	Batman OSMG	R/T
Orderly	Arm NO. )	2 sub-sec each	
Orderly	Arm No. )	Sgt and Cpl	sub-sec
Batman OSMG	Tpt Cpl.		comds
	Batman OSMG	1 Cpl }	Tripod.
	Storeman.	2	
		3	
		4	Gun.
		5	OSMG
		6	
		7	
		8	
		9	
		10	OSMG
			<u>BREN TEAM</u>
			2 spare No 2's Orderly
			Spare R/T.

Full tropical scale clothing and equipment to be carried, plus 2 MMG and 10 belts.

3. Total distance to be covered is 5 miles, route selected by OC Coys.
4. Tactical scheme to be arranged by Pl Comds.
5. Midday meal on the man.

MAP READING EXERCISE. (Reference Trg Instr 61/44, Para 12)

6. I.O. to select Coy courses; Pls to leave at 20 minute intervals, 10 miles to be covered.
7. Coys will RV for midday meal.

*Trg Areas: Liase with 18 by Bde  
Coy Comd Wednesday.*

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Appendix "C" to Trg. Instn. 61/44.

COY.	Mon. 25th.	Tues. 26th.	Wed. 27th.	Thur. 28th	Frid. 29th.	Sat. 30th.	Sun. 1 Oct.
A	Pistol practice. Zero rifles.	MMG. Stoppage shoot.	A.M. Indication and recognition Trg Instn 61/44. pl. 2. P.M. Sports	Test pack & move on the man Trg Instn 61/44 p. 14.	MR & FS Exercise. Messages & reports. Trg Instn 61/44. pl. 2.	A.M. Bn Parade.	MAKE AND MEND.  CHURCH PARADE.
B	DUTY COMPANY AND BATTALION WORKING PARTIES.						
C	MMG Stoppage shoot. Semaphore and morse code.	O.S.M.G. Indication & recognition.	A.M. MR & FS. and messages exercises. P.M. Sports.	A.M. Test pack & move on the man. P.M.	Exercise. Test pack & move jeeps. Trg Inst 61/44 p. 14		
D	Exercise. Test pack & move jeeps. Trg Instn 61/44 p. 14	MMG Stoppage shoot. Semaphore & Morse code.	A.M. MR & FS and messages exercises. P.M. Sports.	O.S.M.G. Indication & recognition.	A.M. Test pack & move on the man. P.M.		
HQ 1 pl. COY. 2 pl. 3 pl.	Sig. Trg. M.M.G.	Sig. Trg. Inf. Minor tac- tics.	A.M. O.S.M.G. P.M. Sports.	Sig. Trg. Own syllabus.	O.S.M.G.	P.M. W.E. Inspec- tion.	
Bn H.Q.	As for previous week.		A.M. O.S.M.G. P.M. Sports.		O.S.M.G.		
Night Training.	A. Long carry, compass march. C. ditto. D. Night occupation.		A. Recce patrol D. Long carry & compass march.		C. Night occupation		
Unit Schools.	No. 1. Range takers Course. Ref. Trg. Instn. 6D/44.						
Officers Training.		Night 7 Offrs Trg Instn.		Night 8 Offrs Trg Instn.			

Training Notes 2/44 to follow.

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Syllabus.    M.M.G. Rangetakers Course.    18 Sep to 1 Oct 44.incl.

18 Sep. 0830. Introductory lecture. Introduction and elementary theory.  
0930. General description. Packing and unpacking. Lesson 1.  
1015. Break.  
1030. Care and cleaning. Lesson 2.  
1115. setting up and focussing. Lesson 3.  
1200 Lunch.  
1330 Lecture. Making coincidence and reading scale. Lesson 4.  
1430 Theory and practical. Adjustment of halving. Lesson 5.  
1515 Break.  
1530 Making coincidence and taking series of readings.  
1615 question period.  
1630 Cease work.

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19 Sep. 0830 Taking series of readings, and finding M.O.R.  
1015 Break.  
1030 Lecture, and practical. Coincidence adjustment. Lesson 6.  
1200 Lunch.  
1330 Lecture. Known range method of adjustment.  
1430 Taking ranges for accuracy.  
1515 Break.  
1530 Taking ranges for accuracy.  
1630 Cease work.

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20 Sep. 0830 Lecture. Construction of accuracy charts.  
0915 Taking ranges.  
1015 Break.  
1030 Taking ranges.  
1200 Lunch.  
1330 Lecture. Coincidence adjustment. Natural Infinity. Less. 8.  
1430 Taking ranges.  
1515 Break.  
1530 General revision.  
1630 Cease work.

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P.T.O.



21 Sep. 0830 Lecture. Coincidence adjustment. Artificial infinity. Less. 9  
0915 Practical. " " " " "  
1015 Break.  
1030 Taking ranges.  
1200 Lunch.  
1330 Lecture. Calculation of Consistency. Lesson 10.  
1430 Taking ranges.  
1515 Break.  
1530 Working out day's results.  
1630 Cease work.

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22 Sep. 0830 Taking ranges.  
1015 Break.  
1030 Lecture. Construction of range cards. Lesson 11.  
1130 Question period.  
1200 Lunch.  
1330 Taking ranges and constructing range cards.  
1515 Break.  
1530 Recapitulation. Coincidence adjustment. Artificial infinity.  
Lesson 9.  
1630 Cease work.

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23 Sep. 0830 Known range method of adjustment. Lesson 7.  
0930 Taking ranges and constructing range cards.  
1015 Break.  
1030 Explanation and conditions of T.O.E.T's and Annual tests.  
1130 Question period.  
1200 Lunch.  
1330 Taking ranges.  
1515 Break.  
1530 Cleaning and inspection of instrument.  
1630 Cease work.

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24 Sep. Rest day.

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25 Sep. 0830 Practice T.O.E.T's.  
1015 Break.  
1030 Practice adjustment on Artificial Infinity.  
1130 Lecture. Taking ranges to moving objects. Lesson 14.  
1200 Lunch.



25 Sep. 1330 Taking ranges to moving objects. Lesson 14.  
1430 Positions and concealment. Lesson 15.  
1515 Break.  
1530 Positions and concealment. Lesson 15.  
1630 Cease work.

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26 Sep. 0830 Lecture. Field duties.  
0930 Field duties.  
1015 Break.  
1030 Field duties.  
1200 Lunch.  
1330 Practice - Annual tests.  
1600 Question period.  
1630 Cease work.

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27 Sep. 0930 T.O.E.T's.  
1200 Lunch.  
1330 Repeat T.O.E.T's, if necessary, and general revision.  
1630 Cease work.

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28 Sep. 0830 Lecture. Instrument tests,  
0930 Practical instrument tests.  
1015 Break.  
1030 Practical instrument tests.  
1200 Lunch.  
1330 Taking ranges.  
1630 Cease work.

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29 Sep. 0830 General revision. C.I's direction.  
1230 Lunch.  
1330 Taking ranges and constructing range cards.  
1630 Cease work.

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30 Sep. 0830 ) Annual Tests and Instrument Tests.  
1200 )  
1330 ) Annual Tests and Instrument Tests.  
1600 )  
1600 ) Cleaning and Inspection of instruments.  
1630 )

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1 Oct. March out.

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2/1 AUSTRALIAN MACHINE GUN BATTALION.

Syllabus.      M.M.G. Platoon Refresher Courses. 18 Sep - 31 Oct

Day.	Time.	Subject.	Reference.
1.	0830	Take post, Mount, Dismount, Load and Unload.	SAT Vol. I Pam 7. Pt 2. Less 45, 46, 47.
	0915	Stoppages. 1st Position.	SAT Vol. I Pam 7. Pt 1. Less 21.
	1000	REST.	
	1015	Lecture. Visual training.	
	1100	E.G.D., Action, Cease firing, Clear gun, Stand clear.	SAT Vol. I Pam 7. Part 2. Less 48, 49.
	1215	LUNCH.	
	1300	Stoppages. 2nd Position.	SAT Vol. I Pam 7. Pt 1. Less 22.
	1345	E.G.D., Adjust sights, Lay gun, Fire, Stop, Go on.	SAT Vol. I Pam 7. Pt 2. Less 50, 51.
	1430	REST.	
	1445	Visual Training. Indication and recognition (Without aids).	SAT Vol. I Pam 7. Pt 2. Less 62.
	1530	Recap. Stoppages. 1st and 2nd Positions.	SAT Vol. I Pam 7. Pt 2. Less 21, 22.
	1630	CEASE WORK.	
2	0830	E.G.D. Consistency of tap. Adjustment of Clamp.	SAT Vol. I Pam 7. Pt 2. Less 52.
	0915	Stoppages 3rd Position.	SAT Vol. I Pam 7. Pt 1. Less 23.
	1000	REST.	
	1015	Visual training. Indication and recognition (With aids).	SAT Vol. I Pam 7. Pt 2. Less 63.
	1100	E.G.D. Traverse. Swinging trav.	SAT Vol. I Pam 7. Pt 2. Less 53, 54.
	1215	LUNCH.	
	1300	Stoppages. 4th Position.	SAT Vol. I Pam 7. Pt 1. Less 24.
	1345	Lecture. Sighting and Climatics.	
	1430	REST.	
	1445	Visual training. Recap. Indion. & Recognition.	SAT Vol. I Pam 7. Pt 2. Less 62, 63.
	1530	Stoppages. Recap. 3rd & 4th Pos.	SAT Vol. I Pam 7. Pt 1. Less 23, 24.
	1630	CEASE WORK.	



Day.	Time	Subject.	Reference.
3.	0830	E.G.D. Controlled corrections. Direct and Indirect.	SAT Vol I Pam 7 Pt 2 Less 55, and 56.
	0915	Lecture. Direct fire - Introd.	
	1000	REST.	
	1015	slide rule, and Range tables.	
	1100	Stoppages. Special.	SAT Vol I Pam 7 Pt 1 Less 25
	1215	LUNCH.	
	1300	} T. O. E. T.	SAT Vol I Pam 7 Pt 2.
	1345		
	1430	REST.	
	1445	} T. O. E. T.	" " " "
	1530		
	1630	CEASE WORK.	
	4.	0830	} T. O. E. T.
0915			
1000		REST.	
1015		} T. O. E. T.	
1100			
1215		LUNCH.	
1300		Lecture. Methods of fire.(1)	
1345		visual training. Fire orders for gun numbers.	SAT Vol I Pam 7 Pt 2 Less 64.
1430		REST.	
1445		Advanced handling. Manhandling of loads.	" " " " " 2 " 57.
1530		Stoppages. Recap. All positions.	
1630		CEASE WORK.	
5.		0830	Adv. handling. Mount gun on exposed ground.
	0915	Lecture. Methods of fire.(II)	
	1000	REST.	
	1015	Fire Orders. Point target.	" " " " 3 Less 101
	1100	Adv. Handling. Mount gun on uneven ground.	" " " " 2 " 59.
	1215	LUNCH.	
	1300	Fire Orders. Point targets. Practice.	
	1345	E.G.D. Quickening.	
	1430	REST.	
	1445	Visual tng. Recap. Indication and Recognition (With aids).	" " " " 2 " 63.



Day	Time.	Subject.	Reference.			
5.	1530	Advanced handling. Bringing gun into action as part of a Section.	SAT	Vol I	Part 7 Pt 2	Less 60
	1630	CEASE WORK.				
6.	0830	Section drill. Prepare for, and come into, action & cease firing.	"	"	"	2 "65,66.
	0915	Fire orders. Wide target.	"	"	"	3 " 102
	1000	REST.				
	1015	Fire orders. Wide target. Practice.				
	1100	Instruments. Bar foresight.	"	#	"	1. " 30A.
	1215	LUNCH.				
	1300	Section drill. Long carry and Fire discipline.	"	"	"	2 "67,68.
	1345	Fire orders. Oblique target.	"	"	"	3 " 103
	1430	REST.				
	1445	Fire orders. Oblique target. Prac.				
	1530	Instruments. Clinometer.	"	"	"	1 " 31A.
	1630	CEASE WORK.				
7.	0830	Fire orders. Depth & Area targets.	"	"	"	3 " 104
	0915	Section drill. Replacement of breakages.	"	"	"	2 " 69.
	1000	REST.				
	1015	Fire orders. Depth & area. Prac.				
	1100	Lecture. Safety.(1).				
	1215	LUNCH.				
	1300	Lecture. Safety.(11).				
	1345	Safety problems.(Ground).				
	1430	REST.				
	1445	Section drill. Continue firing target obscured.	"	"	"	2 " 70.
	1530	Fire orders. Recapitulation.	"	"	"	3 " 101-- --104.
	1630	CEASE WORK.				
8.	0830	Section drill. Recapitulation.	"	"	"	2 " 66,67.
	0915	Safety problems. (Ground.)				
	1000	REST.				
	1015	Fire control. Point targets.	"	"	"	3 " 101.
	1100	C.I's discretion.				
	1215	LUNCH.				



Day.	Time.	Subject.	Reference.
8	1300	Safety. Laying fixed line-(flank).	SAT Vol I Pam 7 Pt 3 Less 128.
	1345	Fire control. Wide targets.	" " " " 3 " 102.
	1430	REST.	
	1445	Section drill.	" " " " 2 " 71,72.
	1530	C.I's discretion.	
	1630	CEASE WORK.	
9.	0830	Section drill. Recatitulation.	" " " " 2 " 71,72.
	0915	Safety. Laying fixed line .0/head.	" " " " 3 " 129.
	1000	REST.	
	1015	Fire control. Oblique target.	" " " " 3 " 103.
	1100	C.I's discretion.	
	1215	LUNCH.	
	1300	Section drill. Night firing.	" " " " 2 " 84,85.
	1345	Fire control. Depth and area target"	" " " " 3 " 104.
	1430	REST.	
	1445	C.I's discretion.	
	1530	Fire control. Moving target.	
10.	0830	Safety. Recapitulation.	" " " " 3 " 128-9.
	0915	Dial sight. Description, handling.	
	1000	REST.	
	1015	Section drill. Night firing.	" " " " 2 " 84-86.
	1100	Safety. Laying 0/head and flank- Recapitulation. (Practical)	
	1215	LUNCH.	
	1300	Safety. Laying a fixed line. No daylight recee.	" " " " 3 " 130.
	1345	Dial sight. Description, handling.	
	1430	REST.	
	1445	Safety. Recapitulation. 0/head and flank. (Practical).	
	1530	Stoppages. Recap. All positions.	
	1630	CEASE WORK.	
11.	0830	Preparation of guns for firing.	" " " " 14.
	0915	Table M Part 1.	
	1000	REST.	
	1015 & 1100.	Table M. Part 1.	
	1215	LUNCH.	



Day.	Time.	Subject.	Reference.
11.	1300 ) 1345 )	TABLE M. PART I.	
	1430	REST.	
	1445 )	TABLE M. PART I.	
	1530	Cleaning guns after firing.	
	1630	CEASE WORK.	
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12.	0830	Preparation of guns for firing.	
	0915	Field firing.	<u>Night Training.</u>
	1000	REST.	Fire control charts. Safety problems.
	1015 ) 1100 )	Field firing.	Fire control problems. Problems - general.
	1215	LUNCH.	Night shoot. Discussions - nightly.
	1300 ) 1345 )	Field firing.	
	1430	REST.	
	1445	Field firing.	
	1530	Cleaning guns after firing.	
	1630	CEASE WORK.	

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War Diary

2/1 Australian Machine Gun Battalion.

NOTES ON THE EMPLOYMENT OF AN M.G. BATTALION IN TROPICAL WARFARE.

General comment.

These notes constitute "first thoughts" only and are NOT, as yet, supported by complete and accurate data. Much of this data exists but has not been co-ordinated; some of it has yet to be proven by firing tests. The notes should be read in conjunction with report to 1 Aust. Corps dated 26 Jun'44, submitted by the C.O's of 2/1, 2/2, and 2/3 Aust. M. G. Bns.

Tactical doctrine.

1. It is considered that the basic principles of the employment of M.M.Gs has to some extent been lost, possibly due to the same influence that tropical terrain had on infantry tactics in the earlier period of "jungle warfare".
2. The tendency is to use the M.M.Gs of the M.G.Bn. in "ponny packets" by parcelling out of platoons to infantry Bns, as a rule, without any consideration of making the fullest use of their undoubted fire power.
3. It is considered that the Bn. as a whole still constitutes a high reserve of fire power in the hands of the Div. Comdr. and should be used as such.
4. The allocation of Coys. to Bdos. is normal and conforms to this principle, but platoons should not be further automatically allocated to Bns, but used according to the tactical situation.
5. Thus a complete Coy. or any other combination of "fire units" might be employed to support the attack of one Inf Bn, or to support the crossing of a river etc.

Limitations imposed by W.E.

6. The present W.E. prohibits the use of all 48 M.M.Gs when the terrain is such that all weapons and ammunition must be carried on the man.
7. In this connection it is pointed out that the history of the W.E. of an Inf. Bn. followed exactly the same course. Namely, an extreme reduction in manpower followed by increases in due course as it was realised that "man loads" were in excess of "man power".
8. Under present W.E. it is probably only possible to maintain two Coys forward, and to relieve these two Coys. at regular periods, thus reducing the effective number of weapons to 24.
9. The drivers recently removed from W.E. should remain as gun numbers as a first step, but complete report on W.E. will be submitted later. Many of these points have been already covered in C.O's report of 26 Jun'44.

Limitations imposed by W.E.T.

10. The equipment of the Section is far too heavy, but in addition to suggestions already submitted, it is considered that the weight can be still further reduced by the use of aluminium alloys in the improvised manufacture of some items, and the discarding of their unessential items. Detailed report will be submitted in due course.
11. The M.T. provided is considered to be sufficient, but trials will be conducted to test this thoroughly under the various conditions likely to be met.
12. The present scale of L.M.G. (Bren) and S.M.Gs. does not provide sufficient protection and it is considered that the one L.M.G. and the four S.M.Gs per Pl. is a minimum - full recommendations will be submitted later.

Limitations imposed by ammunition supply.

13. Even in open warfare ammunition supply for M.M.Gs is a problem and this is multiplied in tropical terrain.



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14. When the Bn. is moving by manpower alone, the decision has to be made whether number of guns carried is to be sacrificed to the number of bolts likely to be required.

15. Generally it is considered that the M.G.Pls. in an infantry Bn. should reduce number of guns to two and carry at least ten bolts, while the M.G.Pls. of an M.G.Bn. should maintain the number of weapons and treat the ammunition problem as a supply question.

16. Unless outside resources are provided this limits the number of Coys. forward to two as in para. 8, and in protracted operations in the worst case to 12 guns.

#### Enemy policy

17. The enemy maintains his M.M.G. which is heavier than ours, well forward and this is achieved by the allocation of carrying Coys. on an equal basis of Coy. for Coy. of M.M.Gs.

18. He does not make the best use of the weapons, but its effect must be admitted. To some extent this is matched by our inclusion of M.M.Gs in the Inf.Bn.

19. It is considered however that by careful consideration and adjustment of W.E. and W.E.T. that we can dominate the fire fight in M.M.Gs and still carry out the role of support in all phases. We have the weapons, but to date they have not been used to the best advantage.

#### Consideration of terrain.

20. Above all factors, terrain is the one which will decide the number of guns which can be employed. In this connection, the allocation of M.M.Gs in pony packets, prohibits the flexible use of weapons because it does NOT allow advantage to be taken of sudden favourable changes in terrain.

21. It is considered that the following three circumstances of terrain cover the main situations likely to be met:-

#### Completely enclosed country which prohibits the use of any M.T. and confines even infantry to narrow tracks.

(a) Such belts of terrain can be forseen by air recon etc.  
(b) M.M.Gs would NOT be economical but should be held in reserve as far forward as possible as follows (see also tasks).

##### i. Amphibious ops.

Assist in the assault landing and consolidation of the beach head.  
Subsequent defence of the B.M.A.

Available for quick coastwise move to areas favourable to their use.

##### ii. Air borne ops.

Flown in as soon as possible to A.L.Gs either with or immediately following infantry.

Consolidation of the A.L.G. and subsequent defence.

As A.L.Gs are captured or developed ahead should continue to move forward.

##### iii. Ops. on land.

Moved along the L. of C. as soon as possible to provide close defence of vital areas.

#### Terrain consisting of a mixture of high and low jungle, kunai patches, savannah, etc, permitting limited use of M.T.

If the development of tracks allows the use of jeeps to within 3 - 4 miles of our F.D.Ls, it is considered possible to maintain 24 guns continually from within our resources.

#### Terrain as in (b) but with good tracks for M.T. available close up to F.D.Ls.

In this case it is considered possible to maintain and follow up ops. with all guns.



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Roles and tasks in tropical terrain.

22. These are dealt with in broad outline in Appendix "A" attached, and should be read in conjunction with notes on the influence in terrain in para. 21 above.

Co-operation with infantry.

23. The preliminary period of training of this unit will be devoted to perfecting methods of fire, W.E, and W.E.T so that the answers to all these problems will be in hand by the time collective training is undertaken.

24. When these facts have been decided it is considered that opportunity should be made to stage a series of demonstrations for and with infantry troops participating, particularly in questions affecting safety.

25. Infantry troops have often expressed the opinion that they "wish they had had vickers with them" and it is the task in training of this unit to provide these answers.

26. At the same time infantry are inclined to be distrustful of safety allowances and demonstration is the only method of reassuring them.

27. It cannot be too strongly emphasised that M.G. officers must at all times be well forward with the infantry they are supporting, either in the nature of F.O.O's or as L.O's according to the type of task.

CONCLUSION.

28. The M.G.Bn still has an important and practical role in tropical warfare, but adjustments in W.E, W.E.T. are necessary.

29. The tendency to use the weapon in penny packets should cease, and their employment be based on a preliminary study of the theatre of ops, keeping in mind the tasks they can perform in tropical terrain.

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APPENDIX "A".

PART C.      DEFENCE.

Dense jungle.

1. M.M.Gs should be sited either singly or in sections close to the outer edge of localities.
2. They will be sighted down narrow and short fire lanes on fixed lines, each gun having two or three alternate fire lanes registered.
3. Fire lanes should meet or cross the fire lanes of neighbouring guns to prevent the enemy building up a superiority of fire at the end of any individual fire lane.
4. The high rate and sustained fire power at short ranges has proven that the M.M.G. will break up any Jap counter attack, but their availability will depend on sound appreciation of time and space.
5. It will NOT be possible to sight guns in depth from within any one locality and defence in depth will depend on the use of guns in the several localities of a Brigade area.
6. The M.Gs with the infantry Bn. must be considered as part of the M.M.G plan, and in allocating guns to localities, the M.G.Coy.Comdr. must give consideration to that locality which constitutes vital ground.
7. The use of a percentage of tracer in ammunition, and distinctive booby traps and trip flares as warnings on fire lanes will be tried out in training.
8. The defensive tasks of counter preparation and harassing fire should be considered, but any guns so allocated should NOT be included in the allocation for locality defence.
9. Semi-open and open areas are normal.

Special cases in defence.

10. Seaward defence of beaches.

(a) By day.

- i. Together with M.M.Gs of Pnr.Bn. and any other M.Gs in the B.M.A., sighted in section areas from the front and in sufficient depth to cover the penetration of enemy to the drive line or first objective.
- ii. If tracks in the B.M.A. permit, consideration should be given to holding a mobile reserve in hand.
- iii. Same guns should always be allocated to flank protection inland with the weight of fire power towards the most threatened flank.
- iv. An officer should always be detailed from the M.G.Bn to advise the Beach Group Comdr on the sighting and co-ordinating of the M.G. plan.

(b) By night.

- i. Flank protection as per defence by night.

- ii. Two solutions exist for seaward defence by night;-

Solution 1.

Sight guns singly at high water level on fixed lines with a short range (800x) to sweep an area; Guns to traverse right and left 1°. This method if carefully planned is effective, because the trajectory is below six feet from the gun to point of impact in the water.

Solution 2.

Guns defiladed in Socs. together with the use of infantry search-lights, beach lights, or various flares.

An improved night sight would be necessary and tests will be conducted.



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Further the target will probably be moving at 10 - 15 knots.

11. Inland defence of the B.M.A.

Some considerations apply as in normal defence and it must be ensured that sections have protection by other infantry or equivalent units.

12. Supporting fire to standing patrols.

Providing the location of the patrol is known, fire could be brought down by indirect or overhead means on approaches.

13. The area on which fire is brought down should coincide with an area in which booby traps have been laid and at the same time an M.G. representative should be with the standing patrol.

APPENDIX "A".

PART D.

Withdrawal.

1. As withdrawal in tropical country is a very last resource, considerations of withdrawal are not normal.

2. If a locality is being subjected to continued heavy counter attacks, every attempt should be made to increase the number of guns, basing their sighting on the existing framework.

3. If withdrawal is ordered M.M.Gs must have sufficient warning to withdraw prior to infantry due to their slower rate of movement.

4. If the possible sacrifice of a percentage of guns will be accepted, then the retention of some guns to the last possible moment will materially assist infantry in breaking off contact.

5. Withdrawal by night should be treated in the normal way.

APPENDIX "A"

PART E.

Counter attack.

1. In close terrain, rapid support of a counter attack will not be possible, and support will be limited to that which can be provided from existing localities.

2. The M.G. Comdr. must give special consideration to getting guns forward at the earliest possible moment for consolidation, even if it means the dumping of some guns temporarily to increase manpower for carrying.

APPENDIX "A".

PART F.

Night operations.

1. Night attack in close terrain, if undertaken, will confine M.M.Gs to close protection of F.U.Ps and start line areas.

2. In semi-open country, to protection of F.U.Ps, start line areas, long range harassing fire, and possibly flank protection of the attack by fire parallel to the line of advance.

3. As normal, recon and preparation in daylight will be required.



APPENDIX "A".

"Roles and tasks of Machine Gun Battalion in tropical warfare".

Appendix to "Notes on the employment of an M G Bn in tropical warfare".

Sequence: Tasks are dealt with in following sequence.

- Part A. Approach and first contact.
- B. Attack.
- C. Defence.
- D. Withdrawal.
- E. Counter-attack.
- F. Night operations.

PART A.

Approach and first contact.

1. The M G Pls. of the Inf. Bns. should be regarded as forward guns and be employed to deal with immediate tasks only such as neutralization of attack.
2. An officer of M G Bn. should move with the "R" group of the leading Bn.
3. The position of the M G Coy. within the Brigade column will be decided by what is known of terrain beforehand, but in principle it should be kept as well forward as possible in order that advantage may be taken of opportunities to support Inf. attacks, etc.
4. Except in completely enclosed terrain, this should be immediately in rear of the leading Bn, providing tracks allow the Coy. to maintain the rate of advance of the infantry.
5. Otherwise tasks are as for attack.

PART B.

Attack.

Subdivided in terms of vegetation.

Dense jungle.

1. It will rarely be possible to use M.M.G's to give direct support to any attack in dense jungle and in the few cases where they might be used the M M G platoons of the infantry Bns. will meet the requirements.  
However there are some tasks which can be carried out in the nature of neutralization.
2. Providing air photographs or photo-maps are available the neutralization of tracks well ahead of our own troops is feasible.
3. The same method could also be applied to the harassing of villages and definite features.
4. It would be necessary to have an officer well forward with own troops in the nature of an F.O.O. The duties of this officer would not be fire control so much as keeping the gun line informed of the position of our own troops.
5. R/T or L/T intercommunication with gun line would be necessary.
6. The safety allowance in terms of elevation would have to be something in the nature of 300 - 500 yards ahead of own troops to ensure safety under any conditions, but this figure has yet to be arrived at.  
Guns would be required to move in bounds to maintain the cover ahead of the advance.
7. Consolidation provides the same problems as defence and if M.M.G's are required to carry out this role they must be well up in the Brigade column.  
If they can be made available in 10 mins they would be very valuable in breaking up any enemy counter attack at short ranges.



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8. The M.M.G. cannot perform its role of flank protection in dense jungle, except in flank localities of infantry used to protect F.U.Ps etc, and used at short ranges.

Plantations, savannah, semi-enclosed country.

9. Ranges will be restricted to 100 - 800 yards, and line of fire to very narrow arcs, otherwise most normal tasks will be possible, except overhead fire in direct support or an attack.

10. Neutralization of tracks and other targets in depth will be more favourable as will flank protection of F.U.Ps and start lines.

11. Consideration should be given to flanking fire parallel to the direction of attack.

12. Infantry should be accustomed to support by flanking fire at short ranges and as a guide, the following distances of 3° at ranges from 100 - 600 yards are shown.

13. In all cases where M.M.Gs are giving direct support to own troops, an M.M.G. representative equipped with R/T should be with the attacking troops.

Open areas.

14. Full normal function, except in case of tall dense kunai which must be treated as dense jungle.

15. Extent to which M.M.Gs can be used to take advantage of open areas will depend on early knowledge of terrain ahead and the position of M.M.Gs in the column.

It emphasises the necessity for a fully trained I Section in the W.E.

16. Any extensive open areas offer the opportunity for barrage fire or the concentration of a considerable number of guns to a flank.

Infantry should see demonstration of both these methods of fire.

SPECIAL CASES IN ATTACK.

River crossings.

17. Even in dense jungle country the M.M.G is suitable for the support of infantry crossing a river and the flank protection of the "jump off" area, as both targets and own troops will be visible from the gun line. It is assumed that before such a crossing is made that the patrol battle will have been won.

18. Harassing fire in depth is possible both prior to the crossing and during the period of consolidation.

19. In the case where a firm base has been established on the river and a crossing is being made on a flank, the attack can be supported by flanking fire providing our own troops are visible from the O.P.

Ambushes.

20. The M.M.G. is not suitable for ambushes unless M.T. tracks exist close up to the area of ambush.

21. Consideration should be given to create areas of ambush by fire at ranges over 1500 yds by concentrating the fire of a number of guns.

The method would require a standing patrol to give warning of approach with R/T intercommunication to spring the ambush.

Harassing fire in preparation for attack.

22. The possibility exists of concentrating the fire of a number of guns from a firm base area on a series of targets at medium and long ranges by indirect means, providing the gun position can be pin pointed. The method would be slow and deliberate.



# War Diary.

## 2/1 Australian Machine Gun Bn.

### Exercise No. 1/44.

Approach march, first contact, night occupation, and test packing of jeeps.

Reference Maps. GORDONVALE. 1 inch - 1 mile.

#### 1. Object :

- (a) To arrive at load tables for movement of guns and ammunition, supply, and re-supply.
- (b) To recapitulate recce for night occupation and administration in defence.

#### 2. Lessons to be studied.

##### (a) Load Tables.

- i. Detailed packing of jeep and trailer.
- ii. Ferrying meals to forward companies.
- iii. Protection of vehicles during ferrying.
- iv. Re-supply of ammunition.

##### (b) Night occupation.

- i. Recce for night occupation.
- ii. Sentry roster.
- iii. Weapon cleaning roster.
- iv. Hygiene and sanitation.

#### 3. Outline details of exercise.

- (a) Start point. Cross roads 480354.
- (b) Route. - Start point - road DANBULLA.
- (c) First contact - from SCHOOL area 550416.
- (d) Area for night occupation - including HOUSE 563415 to include road junction 555416, facing NE towards COI CREEK.

#### 4. Narrative, etc.

Will be issued verbally on the ground, and based on a M.G. Coy. with a Battalion as advance guard.

#### 5. Administration details.

- (a) Depart Coys 0800 hours - approach and first contact during day - remain in occupation throughout the night.
- (b) Return by M.T. following morning departing exercise area 0630 hours.

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*War Diary.*

2/1 AUSTRALIAN MACHINE GUN BATTALION.

TRAINING NOTES 2/44.

Reference Training Instruction 61/44.

Week. 25 Sep - 1 Oct 44.

1. Methods of Instruction.

Attention is drawn to the following points where individual instruction is being given in squads :-

- (a) N.C.Os will be clear, sharp and concise - a conversational tone does NOT get the attention of the squad.
- (b) Gun drill will be carried out smartly and NO fault will be allowed to pass unchecked or neglected.
- (c) Face the squad in such a direction that its attention is NOT distracted by neighbouring activities.
- (d) Use "question and answer" frequently.

2. Tactical "Picture"

Whenever a sub-unit is undergoing training involving movement always :-

- (a) Paint a simple tactical situation to add interest, emphasise the lesson, and bring out the necessity for protection at all times.
- (b) Allow some time for a discussion at the end and ask for opinions.

3. Night Training.

The following points arose during week 18 - 24 Sep.

- (a) Compasses NOT checked for individual compass error.
- (b) Expose luminous paint to sunlight or torch prior to exercise.
- (c) Arrange relief of heavy loads at frequent intervals - e.g. every 20 mi.
- (d) Rate of movement will be decided by rate at which No. 1 can move. This applies particularly in broken country.
- (e) Move slowly in order to move silently if necessary.

4. Changes in Outline Syllabus - Night Training.

- (a) "A" and "D" Coys. - Training laid down for Wed. will be carried out on Thursday, 28 Sep.
- (b) H.Q. Coy. - Half personnel recon patrol exercise Mon. 25 Sep.  
- " " " " " " Fri. 29 Sep.
- (c) Officers Training.- Training laid down for Thursday 28th will take place on Wednesday, 27th.

5. Re-classification of Miniature Ranges.

- (a) No. 1 Range. (right). Rifle only in lying position.
- (b) No. 2 Range. (centre). M.M.G., L.M.G., O.S.M.G.
- (c) No. 3 Range. (left). M.M.G., L.M.G.

6. Firing practices. O.S.M.G. practice will be classification practice.

7. Exercise - test pack and move - Jeeps. See notes issued separately.

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Unit 2/1 Aust Machine Gun Battalion

Date and Time:—From 0600K 1 Oct 44.....To 31 Oct 2359K

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
KAIRI	1.10.44.		Church parade. I O & Adjt on recce of Mt HAIG area for Jungle Trail exercise and for Scout course. Pl from "C" Coy to exercise 18 Bde.	
"	2.10.44.		Normal trg as per syllabus. Warning order received for "B" Coy to proceed to Trinity Beach for amphibious Trg with 21 Aust Inf Bde. One Officer to umpire with 25 Aust Inf Bde exercise. 2nd Rangatakers course and 2nd MMG School for MG Pls of 18 Aust Inf Bde commenced.	
"	3.10.44.		Night Trg. I O and Adjt on further recce for Jungle Trail exercise, No 2. Pl erecting targets on scouts course. Three domestic vehicles received from Div Pool. Offr Trg at night. Offrs and ORs "B" Coy marched out at 2345 hrs for entraining for Trinity Beach Amphibious Ops Trg.	
"	4.10.44.		Balance "B" Coy officers and ORs marched out at 0545 hrs for Trinity Beach. Officers Trg on Cloth Model <del>Trg</del> . Party of Offrs to 2/2 Aust M G Bn.	
"	5.10.44.		Normal Trg. "D" Coy on scouts course. Lt White marched in from Trg Coy.	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
KAIRI.	6.10.44.		Bn HQ exercises in the Field with "A" & "D" Coys at DANBULLA area.	
			"A" & "D" Coys occupied night positions with No 2 Pl acting as enemy patrols. C O inspected both Coys. Lts Tourle & Long to Trinity Beach for amphibious Trg.	
"	7.10.44.		Bn HQ returned to camp at 1000 hrs. "D" Coy Fd Firing and "A" Coy on Map reading exercise in Mt HAIG area. "A" Coy night firing.	
"	8.10.44.		Football team from 2/2 Aust M G Bn defeated by unit team 13 to 8. Cricket team 2/3 Aust Inf Bn defeated unit team 179 to 137. Offrs and ORs from both units entertained in respective messes.	
"	9.10.44.		Normal Trg. Lt Brearley returned to unit from LHQ School of Hygiene. Unit commenced taking atebirin.	
"	10.10.44.		All members of Bn vaccinated at 0900 hrs. C O and Lt Hay to Bn battle exercise at Tank Rock Arty Range and on recce.	
"	11.10.44.		C O on inspection of Coy Trg. GOC 7 Div visited unit.	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
KAIRI	12.10.44.		C O on inspection of Coy Trg. Major Plummer and <sup>Capt</sup> Major Bolton returned from LHQ Tactical School. Major Austin departed for LHQ Tactical School.	
"	13.10.44.		Normal Trg.	
"	14.10.44.		Normal Trg.	
"	15.10.44.		Church pde, make and mend.	
"	16.10.44.		C O, Adjut and I O on recce for area for demonstration shoot. Capt. Bolton to Trinity Beach.	
"	17.10.44.		L O on recce of area for Div demonstration shoot. C O to LHQ Pre-Selection Board in afternoon. Offrs Trg at night.	
"	18.10.44.		Offrs Trg in morning. I O to Division in afternoon.	
"	19.10.44.		C Os and Adjts of 2/1 and 2/2 Aust M G Bns conferred re Assault and Light scales.	
"	20.10.44.		C O inspected "C" Coy Ed Firing and "D" Coy MR and FS exercise.  Adjut to "C" Coy. I O accompanied "D" Coy on MR & FS exercise.	



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KAIRI	21.10.44.		C O and Adjt to Cairns as observers for 21 Bde amphibious exercise.	
"	22.10.44.		C O and Adjt at 21 Bde exercise. Church pde. Rest day.	
"	23.10.44.		Major Plummer to 18 Bde as umpire for exercise. C O and Adjt returned from Cairns at 1200K.	
"	24.10.44.		C Coy departed camp at 0430K with 25 Bde to participate in amphibious Trg.	
"			"D" Coy Cadre, Lts McKnight and Luff and two Sgts, to 25 Bde amphibious Trg.	
			"B" Coy returned from Cairns at 1500 K on completion of amphibious Trg with 21 Bde. C O and I O to 18 Bde exercise in Lake Eacham area. "A" Coy under command 18 Bde for exercise at 0700K.	
"	25.10.44.		C O, Adjt and I O on recce of area for Bn Fd Firing exercise in morning and to 18 Bde exercise in afternoon. "A" Coy Pls had been allocated to Bns and were NOT being used to best advantage.	
"	26.10.44.		C O and <del>L</del> O departed camp 0530K to observe 18 Bde exercise. Capt Ferguson of 2/2 Aust M G Bn visited unit re WET for a M G Bn.	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
KAIRI	27.10.44.		C O, Adjt and IO on recce.	
"	28.10.44.		GI 7 Aust Div visited Bn. Lt Hay to be OC "D" Coy until return of Major Austin. Lt Hay to Cairns with Planning HQ 18 Aust Inf Bde for amphibious Ops trg.	
"	29.10.44.		Church pde - Rest day.	
"	30.10.44.		Normal Trg. Section "A" Coy to Trinity Beach as enemy for 25 Aust Inf Bde exercise.	Appx. :- B.R.Os. E85 to E93, 'B' Coy Diary. 3.10.44 to 24.10.44, Trg Instrs. for Oct 44.
"	31.10.44.		Camp Inspection by Co.	
			<i>ASumpt.</i> Comd 2/1 AUST M G BN.	Lt Col.



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AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

ROUTINE ORDERS PT.I.

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COMMANDING 2/1 AUSTRALIAN MACHINE GUN BATTALION.

PART I.

No. E 85.

3 Oct 44.

1. AWARD OF 1939 - 1943 Star.

(a) Any members of the Unit who are NOT entitled to the award of the AFRICA STAR and who comply with the following provisions, may now apply for the award of the 1939 - 43 STAR.

(b) Service qualifying a soldier to the award is as follows :-

i. Operational service in :-

(a) Greece and Crete between dates of 10 Mar 41, to 31 May 41.

(b) Syria between dates of 8 Jun 41 to 11 Jul 41.

ii. Six (6) months service between dates of 7 Jan 40 to 31 Dec 43, in Palestine and Sinai. Period spent at sea journeying to these areas may be counted as qualifying service.

(c) Applications on pro formas obtainable at Bn H Q, will be submitted, in duplicate, to the C.O. who may authorise the wear of the ribbon. This approval is subject to subsequent verification by 2 Echelon LHQ.

(d) When C.O.'s approval has been given, for the wearing of the ribbon, certificates will be pasted in the soldiers' AAB 83, as follows :-

"Approved to wear the ribbon of the 1939-43 Star, subject to later verification by 2 Echelon LHQ.

.....C.O."

These certificates will be prepared at Bn H Q, and may be obtained by Coys.

(e) Coys will submit all applications together with AAB 83, containing certificates, for signature on 9 Oct 44.

(f) G.R.O. A 329/44 refers.

*[Signature]*  
.....Capt.  
Adjutan. 2/1 Aust Machine Gun Bn.

NOTICES.

ENTERTAINMENT.

Mobile Cinema No. 96.

"JAMAICA INN" with Chas Laughton & Maureen O'Hara.

Showing at 2/1 Aust M G Bn on Tue, 3 Oct 44, Commencing at 1900 hours.  
Commandos. Sat, 7 Oct 44, " " " "

Mobile Cinema No. 12.

"JOAN OF PARIS" with Michele Morgan & Paul Henreid.

Showing at Commandos Thu, 5 Oct 44, Commencing at 1900 hours.

P.T.O.



INTER COY TRANSFERS.

NX 43351	Pte	NEVILLE	R.T.	From B Coy to H.Q. Coy.	1 Oct 44.
SX 31156	"	WALLER	L.A.	" A " " " "	"
NX 4452	"	KEATCH	W.A.	" D " " " "	"
NX 150816	"	FAGAN	J.	" B " " " "	"
NX 190109	"	TREVANION	G.D.	" C " " " "	"
NX 202083	"	TREVANION	S.H.	" C " " " "	"
QX 1060	"	LLOYD	W.A.	" C " " " "	"
SX 1112	L/Cpl.	BORG	J.M.	" C " " " "	"
NX 54820	Pte	CAMPBELL	C.J.	" A " " " "	"
NX 10255	"	WHITE	W.P.	" B " " " "	"
NX 87155	"	DONE	J.N.	" B " " " "	"
VX 2018	"	FOX	T.	" B " " " "	"

STRENGTH INCREASE.

VX 50711	L/Cpl	HOCKING	P.F.	From 2/2 A.G.H.	30.9.44.	B Coy.
QX 590	"	MABIN	R.A.	" " " "	1.10.44.	C "
QX 28820	Pte.	CAIN	K.	" " " "	1.10.44.	G "

Strength Decreases.

NX 8735	Capt	A.G. EARLE	To Hospital.	1.10.44.	C "
SX 748	Pte.	JARRETT	F.G. To Hospital.	1.10.44.	H.Q. Coy.
NX 25625	"	WALKER	G.A. " "	1.10.44.	A "
QX 16593	"	RANGER	C.R. " "	2.10.44.	C "
NX 32493	L/Cpl	BAKER	G. " "	2.10.44.	A "
VX 3508	Pte.	VIDLER	G. " RR & GDD Disch.	3.10.44.	H.Q. "
QX 22897	"	McCANN	C.R.W. " " " "	3.10.44.	C "
VX 4037	"	CHECKLEY	A.E. " " " "	3.10.44.	B "
QX 25223	"	NOONAN	R.W. " " " "	3.10.44.	D "

MARCHED IN.

NX 47682	Pte.	LAWRIE	A.N.W.	From Leave.	1.10.44.	H.Q. "
SX 16575	Cpl.	SPARROW	N.A.J.	" "	2/10.44.	H.Q. "

MARCHED OUT.

TX 1163	Pte.	BURLEY	G.R.	To. 4 days Comp Leave.	1.10.44.	H.Q. Coy.
NX 12876	"	GARN	R.T.	" 2 " Emer "	1.10.44.	" "
NX 66129	"	HARVEY	H.M.	" 7 " Comp "	1.10.44.	B "

DETACHED FOR DUTY.

NX 42836	Pte.	MEAGHER	J.F.	To 1 Aust Corps School.	2.10.44.	D Coy.
TX 971	"	WATSON	H.I.W.	" " " "	2.10.44.	D "

SECONDMENT.

NX 70706 Lieut E.B. GARVEY. To First Aust Army Regt Tng School. 22.9.44.



APPENDIX 'A' to BRO No E85

EXTRACTS FROM GRO Q.340/44.

1. (a) The Motor Vehicles Speed Limit Order made under the National Security (Land Transport) Regulations imposes a speed limit of 30 mph on motor vehicles upon any public highway in the Commonwealth. The order applies to military vehicles, unless the observance of its provisions would be likely to hinder the use of the vehicle for military purposes.

(b) No army vehicle will be driven at any time at a speed greater than the maximum speed for that type of vehicle fixed by sub-para (c) of this paragraph:

Provided that, where the observance of a speed limit of 30 mph would hinder the use of the vehicle for military purposes, an officer, by endorsing the work ticket of the driver to that effect in the case of cars, motor cycles, motor cycle combinations and trucks,  $\frac{1}{4}$ -ton jeep, only, may authorise a speed not exceeding in any case 45 mph. Any prosecution for exceeding the speed limit of 30 mph upon any public highway within the Commonwealth will be taken against the officer authorising the greater speed.

(c) The following is the maximum speed permitted on any surface for the vehicles mentioned:-

Type of vehicle	Max speed mph
Cars, Motor cycles and motor cycle combinations	30
Trucks, $\frac{1}{4}$ -ton jeep	30
Trucks, $\frac{1}{4}$ -ton jeep, towing 8cwt (jeep) trailer	30
Vans and trucks up to and including 1-ton	30
Lorries and trucks, GS, up to and including 3-ton, with or without 3ton GS trailer or 2 wheel trailer	30
Lorries and trucks, 3-ton, stores, machinery and searchlight, loaded	25
Lorries and trucks, 7-ton semi-trailer GS	30
Lorries and trucks, over 3-ton, not elsewhere shown	25
Cars, scout	30

GENERAL.

Armies, corps and HQs L of C areas are responsible for ensuring that traffic is properly policed in their areas and will instruct members of the provost corps to see that traffic laws, both army and civil, are observed.

The necessity for prompt disciplinary action in cases of breach of this order is stressed.







STRENGTH DECREASE.

NX 43929	Pte	KELIEHEAR	L.J.	To RR & GDD N.S.W.	Dis.	5.10.44.	Rn HQ
NX 29913	"	WINTER	W.F.	" " " VIC	"	5.10.44.	C Co
NX 2284	Sgt	GREEN	H.	" " " N.S.W.	"	5.10.44.	A
NX 5956	L/Sgt	BLACK	G.L.	" " " "	"	6.10.44.	D
NX 148081	Pte	WHITING	A.	" " " "	"	6.10.44.	C
NX 151931	"	DAVIS	A.A.	" " " "	"	6.10.44.	HQ
NX 26480	"	DAVIS	W.J.	" Hospital.	"	6.10.44.	D
NX 36906	"	HARCOMBE	D.G.	" "	"	6.10.44.	A
NX 11006	"	MCGREGOR	S.A.	RR & GDD N.S.W.	Disc.	7.10.44.	A

STRENGTH INCREASE.

NX 47203	Pte.	LACEY	J.W.	From 2/1 Aust Con Depot.	4.10.44.	D
NX 4227	"	HUMPHREYS	H.J.	" L & TD ex Ill. Abs.	4.10.44.	D
NX 148081	"	WHITING	A.	" 2/2 A.G.H.	4.10.44.	C
NX 3887	"	BROWN	S.C.	" " "	6.10.44.	A
QX 630	L/Sgt	SPARKS	C.E.	" 2/2 Aust CCS.	6.10.44.	Hq
QX 32572	Pte.	DIEBERT	W.H.	" 2/2 Aust A.G.H.	6.10.44.	C

MARCHED IN.

NX 12876	Pte	GARN	R.T.	From Leave.	6.10.44.	HQ Co
NX 113229	Cpl	SMITH	L.M.	" 2/6 Aust Gen Hosp.	5.10.44.	Amen.

(Attached)



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*War Diary.*

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PART I.

No. E 87.

10 Oct 44.

1. VACANCIES FOR APPOINTMENT AS TESTING AND INTERVIEWING SERGEANTS.

Vacancies exist in the Australian Army Psychology Service for testing and interviewing sergeants, who possess the following qualifications :-

- i. Education to Leaving certificate standard or equivalent.
- ii. Good bearing and manner.
- iii. Some formal university or teaching college training in psychology - desirable but not essential.

Further information concerning this matter may be obtained from Bn H.Q. (GRO 44/A.356)

2. TRANSFER.

Applications are required for transfer to 2/6 Aust Field Ambulance as General Duty. Personnel wishing to transfer will have applications to Bn H.Q. by 111200 K.

3. INVESTIGATION OF ILLEGAL ABSENCE.

The following officers were appointed as Investigating Officers to enquire into and report on the Illegal Absence of NX 105179 Pte WALSH J.S. and NX 2527 Pte ROBINSON J.L.

TX 1756 Lieut H.P. KEACH.

NX 52544 " C.J. LUFF.

Completed proceedings to be forwarded to Bn H.Q. by 1600 hrs 9 Oct 44.

4. AMENDMENTS TO ADMIN INSTRUCTION 7/43.

(a) Delete all references to GRO A392/43, A475/43, A541/43, and A624/43, and substitute in lieu GRO A 348/44.

(b) Delete 'and 11 Aust Div Admin Instr No. 13 (attached)'

The attention of all officers is directed to the above GRO, which will be read at the earliest opportunity, and in every case before 30 Oct 44.

Capt.

Adjutant 2/1 Aust Machine Gun Bn.

NOTICES.

PICTURES. 'Libelled Lady' - Jean Harlow, Wm Powell, Myrna Loy, Spencer Tracy.  
Shorts.

.Showing at 2/1 Aust M G Bn. Tue 10 Oct 44 at 1900 hrs.  
Commandos Sat 14 Oct 44 at 1900 hrs.



NOTICES.-continued.

PICTURES.

'Footlight Serenade' - Betty Grable, John Payne.  
Shorts.  
Showing at Commandos. Thursday, 12 Oct 44.

LIBRARY.

'Pears' Encyclopaedia', taken from the Unit  
Library is to be returned immediately.

FOUND.

Canteen order for 2/-. Owner may apply to Bn H.Q.

STRENGTH INCREASE.

NX 11002	Pte	SHIPLEY	C.R.	From 2/2 A.G.H.	7.10.44.	A Coy.
NX 44121	L/Cpl	PERKINS	R.R.	" "	7.10.44.	A Coy.
NX 2542	Pte	OGILVIE	C.L.	From 2/2 C.C.S.	8.10.44.	D Coy.
VX 118500	Pte	MITCHELL	W.J.	From 5 Aust ARD.	9.10.44.	HQ Coy.
VX 132907	Pte	WARWICK	S.C.	" "	9.10.44.	HQ Coy.

STRENGTH DECREASE.

VX 146578	Pte	McDONALD	R.	To Hospital.	7.10.44.	A Coy.
NX 58296	Pte	HIDE	F.E.	"	8.10.44.	A Coy.
NX 59463	Pte	SACHS	L.T.	"	8.10.44.	A Coy.
NX 150220	Pte	Grealy	R.H.	To RR & GDD Sydney	Discharge.	
					9.10.44.	C Coy.
V 511959	Pte	JAMES	M.H.	To Hospital.	9.10.44.	A Coy.
SX 1112	L/Cpl	BORG	J.M.	"	9.10.44.	C Coy.
NX 5777	Pte	SMITH	M.G.	"	9.10.44.	A Coy.
QX 53671	Pte	BLIGH	W.J.	To 2/2 AGH.	9.10.44.	B Coy.
VX 6510	Cpl	McGREGOR	G.W.	To 116 "	8.10.44.	B Coy.
NX 21258	Pte	CLIFTON	L.G.	To Hospital	10.10.44.	C Coy.

MARCHED IN.

NX 55260	Pte	HARRIS	J.	From School.	8.10.44	A Coy.
SX 1891	Pte	LEWIS	C.L.	"	8.10.44	D Coy.
NX 27021	L/Cpl	JONES	A.P.J.	From LHQ SAS.	9.10.44	C Coy.
NX 45656	L/Cpl	POWER	E.	"	9.10.44	D Coy.
VX 3882	Cpl	NANCARROW.	K.	From LHQ Sch. og Mil.Intell		
					9.10.44	B Coy.
NX 11689	Cpl	WILLIAMS	E.F.	"	9.10.44	A Coy.
QX 36880	Pte	SHEEHAN	K.	From leave.	9.10.44	D Coy.

MARCHED OUT.

NX 92996 Pte NEVILLE E.J. 24 days REC Leave 8.10.44 HQ Coy.

DETACHED FOR DUTY.

NX 60582	Pte	MAYHEW	O.E.	To APO ATHERTON	9.10.44	D Coy.
NX 32492	Pte	NICHOLSON	E.	" "	9.10.44	A Coy.
QX 30642	Pte	TAYLOR	G.	" "	9.10.44	C Coy.

CEASED TO BE DETACHED.

NX 38346	Pte	ABBOTT	J.	From APO. ATHERTON	9.10.44	A Coy.
NX 54450	Pte	AUSTIN	C.C.	" "	9.10.44	D Coy.
NX 6945	Pte	CONROY	K.E.	" "	9.10.44	C Coy.

REVERSION.

NX 24796 Cpl RICHARDSON.E.A.Revert to Pte at own request.  
5.10.44 A Coy.



ILLEGAL ABSENCE.

NX 105179 Pte WALSH, J.S. Declared Illegal Absentee. 8.10.44. A Coy.  
NX 2527 Pte ROBINSON, J.E. " " " 9.10.44. D Coy.

DISTRICT COURT MARTIAL.

NX 24260 Pte ALLAN, J. Mc. DISTRICT COURT MARTIAL Held in the field on 29.9.44. By order of Maj Gen E J Milford DSO Commanding 7 Aust Div.  
ON THE CHARGE. When on active service. Absenting himself without leave.  
- in that he -  
at TENTERFIELD absented himself without leave from 0630 hrs on 2 Jun'44 to 1200 hrs on 3 Sep'44. (94 days).  
FINDING. Guilty.  
SENTENCE. To undergo detention for 150 days.  
DATE OF SENTENCE. 2.10.44.  
CONFIRMED. Confirmed by Maj Gen E J Milford. on 6 Oct'44.  
DATE OF PROMULGATION. 10.10.44.  
The accused will suffer loss of pay in respect of 28 days spent by him in close arrest awaiting trial.  
LOSS OF PAY. Period in close arrest awaiting trial. 28 days  
Automatic forfeiture. 94 days  
150 days detention. 150 days  
  
Total. 272 days.

STRENGTH INCREASE.

NX 4979 Lieut B.D. BREARLEY From LHQ Sch. of Hygiene. 9.10.44.

ATTACHED PERSONNEL.

QX 49825 Dvr MANDELKOW, L.L. 8 M.A.C. Ceased to be attached. 7.10.44.  
QX 21987 Dvr MELBOURNE, E. 8 M.A.C. Attached for duty. 7.10.44.



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PART I.

No. E 88.

14 Oct 44.

1. DUTIES.

Duty Coy.	14 Oct 44.	'D' Coy.	Orderly Officer.	Lt. J.T. WARREN.
Duty Coy.	Week ending 22 Oct 44.		'A' Coy.	Mount duty Sun 15 Oct 44.
Orderly Officer.	Sun 15 Oct 44.		Lt B.D. BREARLEY.	
	Mon 16 Oct 44.		Lt H.P. KEACH.	
	Tue 17 Oct 44.		Lt B.D. BREARLEY.	
	Wed 18 Oct 44.		Lt H.P. KEACH.	
	Thu 19 Oct 44.		Lt B.H. HAY.	
	Fri 20 Oct 44.		Lt H.P. KEACH.	
	Sat 21 Oct 44.		Lt B.D. BREARLEY.	

2. SECOND VICTORY LOAN.

Members investing money from private sources, in the above loan, inform UNIT LOAN OFFICER, Lt S.F. PIERCE of the amount, so that a check can be kept of investments from Service personnel.

3. SERVICE AND EXECUTION OF PROCESS UPON MEMBERS OF THE MILITARY FORCES.

See APPENDIX 'A' attached.

4. OUT OF BOUNDS.

Attention is drawn to Para 4, CAMP STANDING ORDERS, under heading, 'Out Of Bounds.'

5. AMENDMENT TO CAMP STANDING ORDERS - KAIRI CAMP. (Amendment No. 2.)

Para 4, sub-para (c). Under 'All kitchens' add 'Amplifier Tent.'  
ALL copies to be amended accordingly.

.....Capt.  
Adjutant 2/1 Aust Machine Gun Battalion.

NOTICES.

CHURCH PARADES.

Battalion Church Parade.	0900 hours	Sunday, 15 Oct 44.
R.C. Church Parade.	1000 hours	Sunday, 15 Oct 44. at 2/13 Comp AA Regt.
C of E Holy Communion.	0700 hours	Sunday, 15 Oct 44.

INTER-COMPANY TRANSFERS.

IX 27718	L/Cpl COWAN	L.G.	From H.Q. Coy to 'A' Coy.
IX 44285	L/Cpl SHEPHERD	J.	" 'C' " to H.Q. "

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APPOINTMENTS PROMOTIONS AND CONFIRMATIONS OF RANK.

VX 16723	Sgt	GOODWIN	J.B.	Promoted A/WO II.	12.8.44.	H.Q. Coy.
VX 6747	Cpl	ROSE	L.	" A/Sgt	16.8.44.	H.Q. "
QX 1381	Sgt	SMITH	P.C.	" A/WO II.	16.8.44.	'C' "
WX 1624	A/Sgt	TURNER	H.A.	Rank of Cpl confirmed.	21.8.44.	Bn H.Q.
VX 25040	L/Sgt	EDWARDS	B.M.	Promoted A/Sgt.	16.8.44.	'D' "

STRENGTH INCREASE.

VX 109	Maj	H.S. PLUMMER.		From LHQ Tactl School.	12.10.44.	'Bn H.Q.
VX 110	Capt	W.B. BOLTON.	"	" " " "	12.10.44.	'C' "
QX 16593	Pte	RANGER	C.R.	" 2/2 C.C.S.	11.10.44.	'C' "
NX 152899	"	CHINN	R.A.	" " "	11.10.44.	'D' "
NX 46525	Cpl	AMEY	L.J.A.	" 1 Aust MG Trg Pn.	11.10.44.	'C' "
NX 65348	Pte	FORBES	G.	" 2/4 A.G.H. & Leave.	19.9.44.	'A' "
NX 4240	"	McLAREN	H.J.	" 2/2 A.G.H.	11.10.44.	'A' "
NX 21258	"	CLIFTON	L.G.	" " "	12.10.44.	'C' "
NX 26480	"	DAVIS	W.J.	" 2/6 A.G.H.	12.10.44.	'D' "
NX 2300	Cpl	TAYLOR	J.P.	" 2/2 "	12.10.44.	'A' "
NX 5786	Pte	BRAND	L.W.	" " "	12.10.44.	'A' "
NX 11010	"	NEALE	R.E.	" 2/6 "	12.10.44.	'A' "
NX 2325	"	HAMILTON	J.B.	" " "	13.10.44.	'A' "
NX 32493	L/Cpl	BAKER	G.	" " "	13.10.44.	'A' "

STRENGTH DECREASE.

NX 155	Maj	G.V. AUSTIN.		To LHQ Tactl School.	12.10.44.	'D' "
NX 95115	Pte	HENNOCK	R.O.	" Hospital.	10.10.44.	'A' "
SX 863	Cpl.	OVERALL	L.G.	" RR & GDD.S.Aus.Disc.	10.10.44.	H.Q. "
NX 24280	Pte	ALLAN	J.Mc.	" Detn. & Gen Rfts.	11.10.44.	'D' "
NX 4240	"	McLAREN	H.J.	" RR & GDD.N.S.W.Disc.	13.10.44.	'A' "
QX 48686	"	FREEMAN	L.R.	" " " " Q'ld.	14.10.44.	'C' "

MARCHED IN.

QX 36901	Pte	WORRALL	W.H.	From Leave.	10.10.44.	'B' "
QX 16263	"	CODY	P.N.	" FAA Fd.Pun.Centre.	11.10.44.	'D' "

MARCHED OUT.

VX 3980	Pte	WILLIMOTT	F.	To H.Q.Vic L of C Area.	13.10.44.	'B' "
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RELINQUISHMENTS.

NX 11791	Pte	ORR	R.J.	Relinq. T/Gp III Tech Storeman.	24.9.44.	'C' Coy.
VX 2018	"	FOX	T.	" " " III Rangemaker.	14.10.44.	H.Q. "

DETACHED.

QX 3076	L/Cpl.	HUGHES	A.H.	To LHQ Gas School	13.10.44.	H.Q. Coy.
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INTER-COMPANY TRANSFER.

NX 46539	Pte	WOODWARD	C.F.	From H.Q. Coy to 'D' Coy.
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APPENDIX 'A' TO B.R.O. No. E 88.

AMENDMENTS TO GRO A40/44. (Extract from First Aust Army Orders, Ser. No. 122.)

A 210. SERVICE AND EXECUTION OF PROCESS UPON MEMBERS OF THE MILITARY FORCES.

1. The attention of all personnel is directed to the following paras of GRO A 40/44 as recently amended by GRO's dated 8 Sep 44.

"3. The location address of a unit may be disclosed to the civil police, a solicitor or process server when such address is also the unit's postal address and it is required by :-

(a) the civil police, the solicitor or process server for the purpose of serving any legal process on a member of the unit; or

(b) the civil police for the purpose of investigating any alleged offence.

4. When the postal address of a unit does not disclose its location the commander of an L of C Area or command may disclose such information as to the location of the unit as he thinks fit, having regard to the requirements of national security and the circumstances of the particular case, to :-

(a) the civil police, a solicitor, or a process server for the purpose of serving legal process on a member of the unit; or

(b) the civil police for the purpose of investigating any alleged offence.

5. Except as permitted under paras 3 and 4, the location address of a member's unit will not be disclosed to the civil police, a solicitor, or a process server desiring to serve legal process on a member.

5A. Where the location address of the member's unit is not disclosed and the member has not nominated a solicitor to accept service on his behalf, the civil police, a solicitor, or process server desiring to serve legal process, will be advised to apply, or an application already made by such person will be referred, to the Officer-in Charge Echelon and Records of the L of C Area or command of enlistment of the member for a statement which may be used in support of an application to a competent court for an order for substituted service.

7. Where the location address of a unit is disclosed as it is undesirable that police and process servers be permitted to search around a camp for the persons upon whom they desire to serve or execute legal process, commanding officers or other local authorities will arrange for the members concerned to attend at unit headquarters at such time as it is most convenient to those commanding officers or authorities and the police or process servers.

8. No member will undertake the service of any legal process upon any other member.



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PART I.

No. E 89

18 Oct 44.

1. DUTIES.

As detailed in BRO E88 of 14 oct 44.

2. PHOTOGRAPHS OF 7 DIV MARCH - BRISBANE 6 AUG 44.

Military History Section have advised that photographs of this unit are available for purchase by members of the unit. Coys will collect orders for prints, giving bulk numbers (printed on back), and cash. This HQ will arrange purchase and delivery, price is 1/6 per print. Complete orders are required at Bn HQ by 1200 hrs 21 Oct 44.

3. EDUCATIONAL COMMITTEE.

It is proposed to form an Educational Committee. Personnel interested are to hand names into Coy O/Rooms.

4. VACANCY R.P. PERSONNEL.

A vacancy exists for one R.P., carrying the rank of L/Cpl. Applications to fill this vacancy will be submitted to Bn HQ by 1800 hours 19 Oct 44, from L/Cpls and O.Rs.

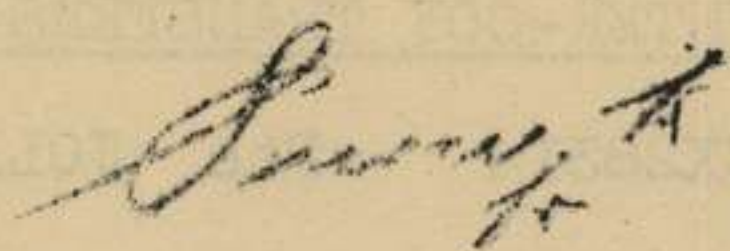
5. VICTORY LOAN SUBSCRIPTIONS.

Following is a list of subscriptions from members of this unit, up to and including 15 Oct 44.

<u>Sub-unit</u>	<u>No. of subscribers</u>	<u>Amount subscribed.</u>
Bn HQ	nil	nil
HQ Coy	1	10 pounds
'A' Coy	2	220 "
'B' Coy	1	40 "
'C' Coy	1	10 "
'D' Coy	nil	nil

6. A.A.C.C. PERSONNEL.

It is instructed that, in future, cooks will change clothes and aprons daily.

 Capt.

Adjt 2/1 Aust M G Bn.



NOTICES.ENTERTAINMENTS.

'Sing you Sinners' - Fred McMurray, Bing Crosby  
Showing at 2/1 Aust M G Bn - Thur 19 Oct 44.

'Tuttles of Tahiti' - Jon Hall, Charles Laughton.  
Showing at Commandos - Sat 21 Oct 44.

TRADE GROUPINGS.

NX11791 Pte ORR R.J. Relin.T/G III 24.9.44 C Coy

STRENGTH DECREASE.

NX1856	Pte	GRILLS	E.A.J.	To Hospital	16.10.44	A Coy
SX1059	Pte	GIFFORD	E.E.	To Hospital	14.10.44	D Coy
NX36608	Cpl	TULLY	H.E.	To Hospital	14.10.44	D Coy
NX65345	Pte	FORBES	G.	To Hospital	15.10.44	A Coy
NX36970	Pte	FARDY	C.	To Hospital	14.10.44	ba Coy
WX1624	A/Sgt	TURNER	H.A.	To Hospital	17.10.44	Bn HQ
VX27537	Pte	WHELAN	S.	Trans out	18.10.44	B Coy
VX6281	Pte	SIMPSON	A.C.	do.	18.10.44	B Coy
NX6021	Pte	THOMPSON	L.J.	do.	18.10.44	D Coy
NX10702	Pte	LOGAN	R.L.	do.	18.10.44	B Coy
NX110072	Pte	WILSON	J.F.	To Hospital	14.10.44	C Coy

STRENGTH INCREASE.

NX60644	Pte	NOLAN	V.	From RR&GDD Brisbane	14.10.44	A Coy
NX87205	Pte	CANTWELL	J.T.	do,	14.10.44	A Coy
VX4049	Pte	SHEAN	A.A.C.	do.	14.10.44	D Coy
SX16209	Pte	WILLIAMS	R.S.	Trans in	14.10.44	A Coy
NX5777	Pte	SMITH	M.G.	From 2/6 AGH	15.10.44	A Coy
NX4759	L/Cpl	LEE	J.L.	From 2/2 AGH	16.10.44	A Coy
NX25625	Pte	WALKER	G.A.	do.	16.10.44	A Coy
VX6510	Cpl	McGREGOR	G.W.	From 116 AGH	14.10.44	B Coy
QX22741	Pte	INGHAM	R.J.	Trans in	17.10.44	HQ "
VX50451	Pte	CAW	A.	From 2/1 Con D.	18.10.44	B Coy

DETACHMENTS.

NX10194	Pte	STAPLETON	J.	To APO Atherton	14.10.44	A Coy
NX2325	Pte	HAMILTON	J.B.	do.	14.10.44	A Coy
NX4506	Sgt	WILLIAMS	L.E.	To Trg Cadre 25 Aust Inf Bde	7.10.44	C Coy
SX286	Sgt	SIMS	D.C.	do.	7.10.44	C Coy
SX5868	Pte	OLIVER	W.B.	do.	7.10.44	C Coy
NX11770	Pte	FOX	J.T.	do.	7.10.44	C Coy
NX43306	Pte	GOLDIE	H.C.	do.	16.10.44	C Coy
NX32492	Pte	NICHOLSON	E.	Ceased to be detached	14.10.44	A Coy

MARCHED IN.

NX91789 L/Cpl GRAHAM F.H. From School 15.10.44 A Coy

INTER-COY TRANSFERS.

SX28314 Pte JOLLY R.H.W. From C Coy  
to HQ Coy 18.10.44 HQ Coy



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AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

ROUTINE ORDERS PART I.

BY

Lt Col A.G.K. HAUPT.

COMMANDIE 2/1 AUSTRALIAN MACHINE GUN BATTALION.

1. DUTIES.

	<u>Duty Coy.</u>	<u>Orderly Officer.</u>
Saturday, 21 Oct 44.	'A'	Lt A.B. JOHNSON.
Sunday, 22 " "	'HQ'	Lt R.V.H. CARR-BOYD.
Monday, 23 " "	'D'	Lt C.J. LUFF.
Tuesday, 24 " "	'D'	Lt C.S.B. RIXON.
Wednesday, 25 " "	'D'	Lt C.S.B. RIXON.

2. POSTAL CHARGES - GREEN ENVELOPES.

Coys will ensure that the correct method of affixing stamps to green envelopes is brought to the notice of all ranks. Envelopes will be stamped in the top right hand corner. If more than one (1) letter is enclosed, each of the enclosed envelopes will be correctly stamped, and the green envelopes, unstamped, will be addressed to :- 'Deputy Base Censor.'

3. AMENDMENTS TO B.S.O's.

Part XIV of B.S.Os, 'SECURITY AND CENSORSHIP', is cancelled, and amended section, under same heading, is issued separately. Coys will ensure that their copies are amended accordingly.

4. UNIT DEBATING SOCIETY.

A meeting of all members who are interested in the above, will be held in H.Q. Coy Mess Hut on Monday, 23 Oct 44, at 1830 K.

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

NOTICES.

CHURCH PARADES.

Battalion Church Parade.	0900 hours Sunday, 22 Oct 44.
R.C. Church Parade.	1000 hours Sunday, 22 Oct 44.
C of E Holy Communion.	0645 hours Sunday, 22 Oct 44.

P.T.O.



STRENGTH INCREASE.

NX 124017	Lt.	A.B. JOHNSON.		From FAA School.	19.10.44.	'B' Coy.
NX 108471	Lt.	R.V.H. CARR-BOYD.		" " "	19.10.44.	HQ "
NX 5061	S/Sgt	SUTHERLAND	A.	2/6 A.G.H.	18.10.44.	'D' "
SX 2253	L/Cpl	SHEARER	H.N.	" " "	18.10.44.	'A' "
NX 36906	Pte	HARCOMBE	D.G.	" " "	18.10.44.	'A' "
NX 66821	"	STEPHENS	S.G.	2/2 A.G.H.	18.10.44.	HQ "
QX 15744	"	CAIN	W.	2/5 Aust Inf Bn.	19.10.44.	'C' "
NX 47660	A/Sgt	LEAN	J.	FAA School.	19.10.44.	'A' "
VX 4724	L/Sgt	KEMPTON	J.R.	" " "	19.10.44.	'B' "
VX 50543	L/Cpl	PYE	R.W.	102 Aust Con Depot.	20.10.44.	'B' "

STRENGTH DECREASE.

NX 113155	Pte	DREIS	K.P.	To 2/2 A.G.H.	18.10.44.	'C' Coy.
TX 277	"	SMITH	J.	16 APSC-re-allocation.	19.10.44.	'D' "
VX 45349	"	BEECROFT	C.M.	" " " " "	19.10.44.	'B' "
WX 2062	L/Cpl	MACKIE	H.G.	" " " " "	19.10.44.	H.Q. "
NX 27500	Pte	NALTY	S.	" " " " "	19.10.44.	'D' "
NX 80123	"	CROSS	G.J.	" " " " "	19.10.44.	'A' "
QX 3613	"	McGUSHION	W.J.	" " " " "	19.10.44.	'C' "
NX 2418	"	HENRY	J.M.	" " " " "	19.10.44.	'D' "
QX 24865	Sgt	SHORT	R.J.	" " " " "	19.10.44.	H.Q. "
NX 13940	Pte	PURCELL	W.J.	" " " " "	19.10.44.	H.Q. "
NX 26667	"	SMITH	H.J.	" " " " "	19.10.44.	H.Q. "
NX 41355	"	McGEE	J.T.	" Hospital.	19.10.44.	'A' "
NX 60664	"	NOLAN	V.	" "	19.10.44.	'A' "

STRENGTH INCREASE.

NX 36608	Cpl	TULLY	H.E.	From Hospital.	20.10.44.	'D' Coy.
SX 1059	Pte	GIFFORD	E.E.	" "	20.10.44.	'D' "



PART XIV - SECURITY.SECURITY AND CENSORSHIP.

1. Security of Information. A member will not communicate any prohibited information, except for the purpose of carrying out his duty (also an offence under the Defence Act 1903 - 1941.)
2. Diaries and Notebooks.
  - (a) A member will not send through the post any diary or notebook.
  - (b) O.C. Coys will ensure that all diaries and notebooks are collected
    - (i) before any movement by sea or air, outside the Commonwealth of Australia;
    - (ii) whenever contact with the enemy is imminent; and
    - (iii) on the 31 December in each year, and at such other times as are notified in Battalion Routine Orders.
  - (c) Diaries and notebooks will be then handed to the I.O. who will forward them to nearest detachment of Fd Censorship Coy.
  - (d) All diaries and notebooks will be clearly marked as such, and will show number, rank, name, and unit of the owner.
  - (e) A similar procedure will be followed for disposal of official notebooks of officers and other ranks containing notes or records of details of their duties, notes on schools, etc, except when unit arrangements are made for their safe custody.
  - (f) Diaries and notebooks may be returned to the owner on application to Echelon and Records of the L of C Area of the members enlistment, after return to Australia, provided they have been approved by the O.C. Censorship Coy for release. If diaries and notebooks are not approved for release, they will not be returned until after the termination of hostilities.
  - (g) No member will carry with him when returning to the Commonwealth of Australia, or send, deal with, or dispose of any diary or notebook, except in accordance with this instruction.
3. Censorship - Prohibited Information.

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

  - (a) Strength, organisation, or morale of our own or Allied forces.
  - (b) Location of any unit or detachment except
    - (i) that, in a communication to an address in Australia, a member within the Commonwealth may say that he is in a certain state, but he may not give any indication of his actual location.
    - (ii) that, in a communication to an address in Australia, a member in Territory of Papua, the Mandated Territory of New Guinea, or Dutch New Guinea, may state that he is in such territory or country, but will not give his location.
  - (c) Movements of naval, military, or air force units, including reference to reinforcements.
  - (d) Armament or equipment.
  - (e) Distinguishing signs for identification of units or their transport.
  - (f) Plans or forecasts of orders for current, or future, or cancelled operations or movements, whether known, rumoured, or surmised.
  - (g) Communications of all kinds.
  - (h) State of the maintenance services, including reserves.
  - (i) Position or description of billets, bivouacs or camps.
  - (j) Casualty figures before publication.
  - (k) The effect of any action by the enemy.
  - (l) Criticism and statements which may bring into disrepute our forces or those of our allies.



5. Prohibited Articles.  
A member will not include in a communication:
- any document or equipment captured from the enemy, or found in enemy territory, other than those articles or documents stamped with a War Souvenir Stamp, signed by an authorised officer, certifying that the article is not required by Intelligence. (I.O. Can arrange for articles to be stamped).
  - Official documents.
  - propaganda leaflets, whether issued by the enemy, or by Australian or Allied Forces or authorities.
6. Areas where censorship applies.  
All communications (other than Green Envelopes) from members in any area outside Australia, and in the following areas in Australia, are subject to unit censorship:
- that part of West Australia north of 20 degrees sth latitude.
  - the Northern Territory.
  - that part of North Q'ld north of shires of Barkley Tablelands, Cloncurry, McKinley, Wyangarie, Flinders, Dalrymple, and Thuringowa.
  - New Guinea.
7. Censorship will also apply when units are under orders to move outside Australia, or to any areas mentioned in para 6.
8. No member, other than a commissioned officer will censor or frank a communication from a member of the forces.
9. Instructions to Officers.  
The signature of an officer will imply that the communication does not contain any matter or article which would be a breach of this order. An officer who franks a communication containing a matter prohibited by this order shall be guilty of an offence. The franking of a communication containing such matter will not absolve the member who wrote or sent the communication for being proceeded against for his breach.
10. Secrecy of Censorship.  
An officer will not disclose to or discuss with any person the contents of any communication, submitted to him for franking or censoring, provided, however, that -
- in any case of doubt an officer may refer a communication to another officer of his unit for franking, or send same to Base Censor and
  - an officer may refer a communication, or make an official report disclosing the contents, if in his opinion, the communication contains any prohibited matter.
11. Official Address.  
All communications from a member shall contain the full name of the sender, and his full official address. This shall be written, in the case of a telegram, on the back, in the case of a letter or letter card on the top right hand corner of the first page, and, in the case of a packet, or parcel, or newspaper, on a slip of paper enclosed therein.
12. Green Envelopes.  
A member may use a green envelope to send letters outlining private or family matters.  
Green envelopes may be issued on a scale of one per ten days.  
A member who is guilty of a breach of security may have the privilege of using green envelopes withdrawn by his C.O.



13. Newspapers.  
A member in any of the areas specified in para 6 of the order will not post or send any newspaper, unless authority to do so has been given in B.R.Os.
14. Advertisements etc.  
All ranks are forbidden to advertise, inviting correspondence from strangers, in any newspaper or magazine. Correspondence with 'Pen Pals' is prohibited.
15. Communications to the press.  
It is forbidden to communicate to the press, either in the form of letters, or by sending for publication, articles of a military nature.
16. Cameras.
- (a) Coys will maintain an up-to-date list showing the number, rank, and name of personnel holding cameras, with number, make and description of each camera. Copy of this list will be given to the I.O.
  - (b) Cameras may be withdrawn at any time for Security reasons, when the holder will be required to forward the camera, through the I.O., to any person whom they wish to look after it.
  - (c) The photography of the following is prohibited:-
 

Military vehicles of any sort.	Tanks.
Signal Equipment	Aerial views.
Artillery weapons	Aerodromes
Defences	Fortifications
Air-craft	Military Operations
Ships.	Weapons
Diagrams of weapons.	
  - (d) When photographs are being taken, care must be exercised to ensure that NO prohibited subjects appear in the background.
17. Arms and ammunition.  
Each individual soldier is personally responsible for the safe-guarding of such arms and amm as may be issued to him, placed in his charge, or belonging to him.

(Paras 1 - 13 are extracts from GRO G371/44)



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AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

ROUTINE ORDERS PART I.

BY

LT COL A.G.K. HAUPT.

COMMANDING 2/1 AUSTRALIAN MACHINE GUN BATTALION.

PART I.

No. E 92.

27 Oct'44.

1. DUTIES.

Orderly officer.

27 Oct'44

Lt D.J.HANSON.

28 Oct'44

Lt G.PUTNAM.

29 Oct'44

Lt J.S.ROOKWOOD.

30 Oct'44

Lt C.S.B.RIXON.

31 Oct'44

Lt J.S.ROOKWOOD.

2. POSTING OF OFFICERS.

The following officers are posted to companies as under as from 0800 hrs 27 Oct'44

VX 88653 Lieut T.G.YATES "A" Coy.

VX 107509 Lieut K.T.MARKINTOSH "D" Coy.

NX 70545 Lieut B.H.HAY "D" Coy. Apptd. O.C.

VX 6096 Capt F.E.ARDLEY "BnHQ"

3. PERSONNEL CHARGED WITH A.W.L.

When any member is charged with A.W.L. for a period in excess of 6 hours,

A.A.B. AB83 will be forwarded to BnHQ with Charge Sheet AAF. A4 and paybook.

4. INVESTIGATION - LOSS OF PISTOL.

1. The undermentioned officer is appointed to investigate the loss of Smith and Wesson pistol No.823857, holster and cleaning rod - on issue to VX 4045

Lieut K.A.Mansfields.

VX 6096 Capt F.E.ARDLEY.

2. Completed report on investigation to reach BnHQ by 1800 hrs 27 Oct'44.

4. AMENDMENT TO ADMIN. INSTR. No.12/43. - ADMINISTRATION OF DISCIPLINE ON ACTIVE SERVICE. AMDT. No.2 27.10.44.

Page 1. Para. C. Sub para IV. after "Picquets" add:

Note:- To be awarded for minor irregularities in relation to Guards and Picquets only.

All copies will be amended accordingly.

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

NOTICES.

INTER-COMPANY TRANSFERS.

VX 57615	Pte	KRAKE.E.	From 'A' Coy to 'B' Coy.
QX 41638	Cpl	KENNA.A.A.	From 'BnHQ' to 'HQ' Coy.
VX 6110	Sjt	WILKINSON.R.W.R.	From 'B' Coy to 'D' Coy.

STRENGTH DECREASE.

NX 43965	Pte	EMARES.W.D.	Evac. Hospital Trans.X List.	25.10.44	B Coy.	
NX 52356	Pte	PARKIN.D.B.	do.	do.	25.10.44	B Coy.
NX 13355	Pte	TOOLE.W.V.	do.	do.	25.10.44	D Coy.
NX 3910	Cpl	HOLMES.J.H.	To F.A.A.Regt.Trng.Sch.X List.	25.10.44	A Coy.	
VX 13400	Cpl	HALLIDAY.T.K.	do.	do.	25.10.44	B Coy.
NX 47410	L/Cpl	WRATTEH.J.L.	do.	do.	25.10.44	C Coy.
NX 33569	L/Cpl	DORRY.D.A.	do.	do.	25.10.44	D Coy.
VX 4015	Pte	FORD.A.C.(AAMC)	Evac.Hospital Trans.X List.		BnHQ.	
VX 103149	Pte	SMITH.L.J.	L.V.O.P. 28 days.To X List.	25.10.44	B Coy.	

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STRENGTH DECREASE. (Continued).

NX 27590	Sgt	HART.H.G.	To F.A.A.Regt.Trng Sch.X List.26.10.44	D Coy.
VX 26913	Pte	COLLIVER.F.C.	To 3 Aust.Visitors and Observers Sec. S.O.S. 27.10.44	B Coy.
SX 960	Pte	BONHAM.A.J.	To 2/6 Aust.Fd.Amb. S.O.S. 27.10.44	HQ Coy.
NX 13090	Lieut	LOFTS.A.H.	To F.A.A.Regt.Trng.Sch.X List.25.10.44	HQ Coy.

STRENGTH INCREASE.

QX 13858	Lieut	ROOKWOOD.J.S.	From 2 A.R.T.B.(J.W.)	15.10.44	C Coy.
VX 38653	Lieut	YATES.T.G.	From 4 A.R.T.B.(J.W.)	22.10.44	A Coy.
VX 107509	Lieut	MACKINT.S.H.K.T.	From 3 A.R.T.B.(J.W.)	22.10.44	D Coy.
NX 70711	Lieut	BAIN.B.L.	From LHQ.S.A.S.	23.10.44	A Coy.
NX 58296	Pte	SACHS.L.T.	From 2/1 Aust Con Depot.	25.10.44	A Coy.
NX 58296	Pte	HIDE.F.E.	do. do.	25.10.44	A Coy.
NX 65348	Pte	FORBES.G.	From 2/2 A.G.H.	25.10.44	A Coy.
SX 1112	L/Cpl	BORG.J.M.	do.	25.10.44	HQ Coy.
VX 120742	Pte	PENDLEBURY.E.	From G.D.D.Redbank.	26.10.44	B Coy.
NX 1491	Pte	STAPLES.J.S.	From 2/6 Aust Fd Amb.	26.10.44	HQ Coy.
NX 36906	Pte	HARCOMBE.D.G.	From 2/2 A.G.H.	26.10.44	A Coy.
NX 110072	Pte	WILSON.J.F.	From 2/2 C.C.S.	26.10.44	C Coy.

CEASED TO BE DETACHED.

QX 41638	Sgt	KEMNA.A.A.	From Q'ld Ech.& Records.	25.10.44	BnHQ.
NX 155	Major	AUSTIN.G.W.	From LHQ Pre-selection Bd.	10.10.44	D Coy.
SX 794	Lieut	McMILLAN.C.W.	do. do.	21.10.44	C Coy.

DETACHED.

SX 596	Capt	DURRANT.K.M.	To 1 Aust Corps.	18.10.44	HQ Coy.
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REVERSIONS AND RELINQUISHMENTS.

VX 15418	L/Sgt	ROLANDS.L.G.	Reverts to Cpl.	25.10.44	B Coy.
QX 41638	Sgt	KEMNA.A.A.	Reverts to Cpl.(own request)	26.10.44	BnHQ.
SX 960	Pte	BONHAM.A.J.	Relin.T/GpII carpenter.	26.10.44	HQ Coy.

ILLEGAL ABSENCE.

NX 11568	Pte	GILL.D.M.	Illegal absentee	18.10.44	C Coy.
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DISTRICT COURT MARTIAL.

NX 147090 Pte DENNY.A.E. DISTRICT COURT MARTIAL held at Victoria Barracks Paddington.  
 By order of Col.L.E.Vail. General List.on 8 Sept'44.  
ON THE CHARGE When on Active Service, Absent in himself without leave. .. in that he - absented himself without leave from Leave & Transit Depot NSW L of C Area from 2359 hrs on 3.6.44 to 1500 hrs on 2.9.44.  
FINDING. Guilty.  
SENTENCE. To be fined the sum of £15.(Fifteen pounds).  
DATE OF SENTENCE. 9 Sept'44.  
CONFIRMATION. Confirmed by Col.L.E.Vail on 20 Sept'44.  
DATE OF PROMULGATION TO ACCUSED. 26 Oct'44.  
LOSS AND FORFEITURE OF PAY. The accused will suffer loss of pay for period in close arrest  
 Automatic forfeiture  
 Total. 7 days  
 91 days  
 98 days pay.

APPOINTMENTS. PROMOTIONS AND CONFIRMATIONS OF RANK.

NX 27718	Pte	COWAN.L.G.	Appointed L/Cpl (Paid)	6.6.44	A Coy.
QX 31788	Pte	FOSTER.G.A.	ditto	24.6.44	B Coy.
TX 273	Pte	MONKS.R.H.	ditto	24.6.44	D Coy.
NX 100868	Pte	MALONE.R.K.	ditto	12.9.44	BnHQ.
NX 31331	Pte	McNAUGHTON.D.T.F.	ditto	12.9.44	A Coy.
NX 2300	A/Cpl	TAYLOR.J.P.	Rank of Cpl confirmed.	7.9.44	A Coy.
NX 32490	Pte	OWENS.J.S.	Promoted A/Cpl (Clerk)	14.9.44	HQ Coy.
NX 69480	Pte	MILES.R.T.	Graded A/GpIII clerk.	6.6.44	BnHQ.
SX 12409	Pte	HOBBS.K.L.	ditto	14.9.44	HQ Coy.



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ROUTINE ORDERS PART I.

BY

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COMMANDING 2/1 AUSTRALIAN MACHINE GUN BATTALION.

PART I. No. E 91. 24 Oct 44.

- DUTIES.  
Orderly Officer. 24 Oct 44. Lt T.G. YATES.  
25 Oct 44. Lt K.T. MACKINTOSH.  
26 Oct 44. Lt C.S.B. RIXON.

- VICTORY LOAN.  
Following is a list of subscriptions to the Victory Loan.

<u>Company.</u>	<u>No. of Subscribers.</u>	<u>Amount.</u>
Bn H.Q.	NIL	NIL.
H.Q. Coy.	1.	10
'A' "	3.	300
'B' "	1.	40
'C' "	2.	60
'D' "	NIL	NIL

*R.T. Lewis*  
Capt.  
Adjutant 2/1 Aust M. G. Bn.

NOTICES.

This H.Q. is pleased to recognise the excellence of the turnout of the Battalion Guards supplied by 'A' Coy during the week ending 22 Oct 44.

These Guards were the best mounted by this unit for a considerable time and reflect great credit upon the Company.

PICTURES.

Tyrone Power and Betty Grable in 'YANK IN THE R.A.F'.  
Showing on Thursday, 26 Oct 44, at the Commandos.

Gary Cooper and Jean Arthur in 'MR DEEDS GOES TO TOWN.'  
Showing on Friday, 27 Oct 44, at 2/1 Aust M G Bn.  
" " Sunday, 29 Oct 44, at the Commandos.

INTER-COMPANY TRANSFER. 24 Oct 44.

NX 59076. L/Cpl. SULLIVAN J.E. From 'B' Coy to Bn H.Q.

RELINQUISHMENTS.

NX 11708 lte MANN A. Relinq. T/Gp III Dvr Mech. 23.10.44.  
NX 33378 " HARROWER R.E. " " " " 23.10.44.

P.T.O.



STRENGTH INCREASE.

NX 36608	Cpl	TULLY	H.E.	From 2/2 A.G.H.	21.10.44.	D Coy.
SX 1059	Pte	GIFFORD	E.E.	" " "	21.10.44.	D "
NX 133799	"	LINDSAY	R.J.	" 1 Aust Rft Trg Bn (JW)	22.10.44.	C Coy.
NX 22421	L/Cpl	KENNEDY	K.W.	" 3/Ld Rk & GDD	23.10.44	A "
VX 71193	Pte	LLOYD	V.H.	" VIC " "	23.10.44.	B "
NX 4870	Cpl	DOBSON	R.H.	" 2/2 C.C.S.	23.10.44.	D "
NX 124017	Lieut	A.B. JOHNSTON.	"	" FAA Regt. School.	19.10.44.	B Coy.

STRENGTH DECREASE.

NX 36906	Pte	HARCOMBE	D.G.	To 2/2 A.G.H.	20.10.44.	A "
NX 33479	Pte	WATKINS	E.W.	" Hospital.	23.10.44.	D "
VX 4049	"	SHEAN	A.A.G.	" "	23.10.44.	D "
QX 30642	"	TAYLOR	G.	" 2/2 A.G.H.	17.10.44.	C "

CREATED TO BE DETACHED.

SX 5868	Pte	OLIVER	W.B.	From 25 Inf Bde Cadre.	19.10.44.	C Coy.
NX 69480	"	MILES	R.T.	" Pre-Sel. Bd Duty.	21.10.44.	Bn HQ.
NX 22086	"	BATSTONE	W.J.	" " " "	21.10.44.	C Coy.
SX 385	"	FOSTER	H.	" " " "	21.10.44.	HQ "
QX 30642	"	TAYLOR	G.	" A.F.O. Atherton.	17.10.44.	C "

DETACHED.

QX 43383	L/Cpl	CHRISTENSEN	C.B.	To 2/2 M.C.U.	22.10.44.	D Coy.
QX 2559	"	JAY	A.L.F.	" " "	22.10.44.	D "
NX 47298	"	O'CONNOR	E.G.	" " "	22.10.44.	D "
NX 17771	Pte	FOX	C.R.	" " "	22.10.44.	C "
NX 66821	"	STEPHENS	S.G.	" " "	22.10.44.	HQ "

MARCHED IN.

NX 32520	Cpl	WALLES	R.	From LHQ School - R/T.	21.10.44.	A Coy.
NX 4537	"	FRASER	L.G.	" FAA School of Sigs.	22.10.44.	A "
NX 42307	Pte	PERRY	M.	" Leave.	22.10.44.	B "

A.W.L.

NX 6168	Pte	LAW	C.A.	From 0830 hrs	22.10.44.	A Coy.
NX 164904	"	RICHARDSON	G.S.	" " " "	" " " "	A "
SX 385	"	FOSTER	H.	" 0900 "	21.10.44.	HQ "

DETACHED FOR DUTY.

TX 775	Sgt	HENRY	F.H.	To 18 Inf Bde Trg Cadre.	23.10.44.	D "
TX 180	Sgt	WIDDOWSON	G.	" " " " " "	" " " "	D "
NX 41130	Pte	GOODWORTH	H.W.	" " " " " "	" " " "	D "
NX 5343	"	THOMPSON	R.J.	" " " " " "	" " " "	D "
TX 895	Lieut	T.G. LONG.	"	" 25 Inf Bde Attending Cadre.	7.10.44.	C "
NX 7962	"	H.A.A. TOURLE	"	" " " " " "	7.10.44.	C "
VX 110	Capt	W.B. BOLTON	"	" " " " " "	16.10.44.	C "
SX 596	"	K.M. DURRANT	"	" 1 Aust Corps.	18.10.44	HQ "
NX 47803	Lieut	L.C. McKNIGHT	"	" 18 Inf Bde Cadre.	23.10.44.	D "
NX 52544	"	S... LUFF	"	" " " " " "	23.10.44.	D "



PERSONNEL ATTACHED IN ACCORDANCE WITH WE.

APPOINTMENTS. PROMOTIONS AND CONFIRMATIONS OF RANK.

VX 13134	Sgt	CLEMENTS.W. (AACC)	Promoted A/WO II (Caterer)	14.9.44	HQ Coy.
VX 4532	Pte	KIRBY.A.J. (AACC)	Promoted A/Cpl (Cook)	14.9.44	B Coy.

TRADE GROUPINGS.

NX 92034	Pte	BOYCE.W. (AACC)	Graded GpII Cook (Confirmed)	15.9.44	A Coy.
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FOUND.

1. hat, khaki fur felt. Found at Picture Show. Owner apply to HQ Coy Orderly Room.



War Diary

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AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

ROUTINE ORDERS PART I  
BY

Lt Col A G K HAUT

COMMANDING 2/1 AUSTRALIAN MACHINE GUN BATTALION

PART I

No E 93

31 Oct 44

1.	<u>DUTIES</u>	<u>Bn Ord Offr</u>	<u>DUTY COY</u>
	Tue 31 Oct 44	Lieut A.B. Johnston	'D' Coy
	Wed 1 Nov 44	Lieut C.S.B. Rixon	'D' Coy
	Thu 2 Nov 44	Lieut K.M. Gahan	'D' Coy
	Fri 3 Nov 44	Lieut J.L. Hunter	'D' Coy
	Sat 4 Nov 44	Lieut C.S.B. Rixon	'D' Coy

DUTY CSM

The CSM of the Duty Coy will supervise all Bn working parties. He will report to RSM at 0845 hrs on day previous to his Coy taking over duties.

2. POSTING OF OFFICERS

The following posting of officers were effected from dates shown.  
0600 hrs 30 Oct 44

NX 106471	Lieut CARR-BOYD	R J H	-	to 'B' Coy.
NX 124017	Lieut JOHNSTON	A B	-	to HQ Coy and appointed TO.

0600 hrs 31 Oct 44

WX 33410	Lieut HOLDING	I	-	to 'A' Coy
SX 9841	Lieut NETTLE	K R	-	to 'C' Coy
NX 55003	Lieut HUNTER	J L	-	to 'D' Coy

3. VICTORY LOAN

Following is list of subscriptions to the Victory Loan.

<u>Company</u>	<u>No of Subscribers</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Bn HQ	NIL	NIL
HQ Coy	3	210
'A' Coy	3	300
'B' Coy	1	40
'C' Coy	2	60
'D' Coy	1	10

4. DRESS

The regulations regarding dress laid down in BSOs Part V are to be rigidly adhered to. Particular attention is directed to para 12 re headdress and 16 re footwear. Further instances of personnel appearing on parade or in public regularly, incorrectly dressed and apparently NOT checked by NCO and Officers will NOT be tolerated. Personnel appearing on guard or Bn Duties incorrectly dressed reflect discredit on their Coys. Coys in future will ensure that Dress Regulations (Part V of BSO) are meticulously observed by guards and duties. During training or exercises the instructions re "eqpt and necessaries carried by the man" will be followed closely by ALL ranks.



DRESS (CONTD)AMENDMENT TO BSCsPart V Dress

(a) Para 15. sub-para (b) after "shirt" insert "jacket KD or safari jacket."

(b) Para 15 after sub-para (c) insert

(d) Jackets KD and safari jackets

Alternative for wear with trousers by day or night. Jackets KD will be worn with shirt and tie. Shirt and ties will not be worn with safari jacket. Safari jacket may be worn with shorts.

(c) Renumber subsequent paras (e) and (f) respectively.

(d) Add new para 23 BELTS WAIST

(a) CLOTH BELTS either serge or drill for wear with FS or KD jackets and safari jackets. Will not be worn with SD.

(b) BELTS WEB to be worn by all ranks in public with shorts, trousers or SD uniform. Keeper will be fastened over the belt.

(c) BELTS WAIST SAM BROWNE will be worn on all ceremonial occasions by officers and WOs I with or without shoulder straps as ordered for the parade or ceremony. Shoulder straps will not be worn otherwise. Belts may be worn by officers with shorts, trousers or SD, KD, or FS uniform off parades. Leather and brasswork will be polished. Belts may be worn by WOs I and II off parades as for officers.

5. ADM INSTRUCTIONS 11/44

Instructions recently issued "Equipment and necessaries carried on the men" is to be headed Adm Instr 11/44 dated 30 Oct 44 and added to all files of Adm Instrs.

6. AMENDMENT TO ADM INSTR 12/43Adm of Discipline or Active Service

Part II. After para E add new paras F and G as under:-

F. In all cases where automatic forfeiture of pay is involved the soldier will be informed of such forfeiture after the award is made. If such forfeitures is in excess of £3 the soldier will be given the right to elect trial by Court Martial. Forfeiture of pay is automatic for periods of AWL, while in close arrest on charges for which he is subsequently convicted, while serving sentences of detention, for/punishment or imprisonment. Fd

G. Where a soldier is found guilty of a charge of AWL the period will be a debit against the soldier's recreational leave up to a maximum of 24 days. The soldier will be so informed after the award is made.



7. DRESS - ANKLETS WEB

It has been observed that a large number of troops are NOT wearing anklets web. Attention is drawn to Camp Standing Orders Para 2 sub-para (e).

8. TRANSPORT

Coys requiring transport from 7 Aust Div AASC for exercises or movement to Ranges, will inform transport by 0900 hrs on the day previous to the exercise.

9. ADMENDMENT TO ADM INSTR 18/43PROFICIENCY PAY

The abovementioned Instr is amended as follows:-

1. In para 4 (d) (i) delete "2".
2. In para 4 (d) (ii) delete "one (1) oral and one (1) practical test" and insert in lieu "all oral and all practical TsOET".
3. In para 4 (d) (ii) after Para 3 delete "pages 68 - 70" and insert in lieu "page 52, tests 1 - 8".
4. In para 4 (d) (ii) after Para 11 delete "page 16" and insert in lieu "page 17, tests 1 - 2".
5. In para 4 (d) (ii) after Para 4 delete "pages 69 - 70" and insert in lieu "page 57, tests 1 - 5".
6. In para 4 (d) (iv) delete "to standard of 1st class shot".
7. In para 4 (d) (v) delete "to standard of 1st class shot".
8. In para 4 (d) (v) delete "Table of weapons courses" and insert in lieu:-
 

Rifle	Part II	)	
OSMG	Practices 1, 2, 3 and 4	)	vide SAT
Bren	Part II practices 1 - 5	)	Vol 1 Pam 14
Pistol	Part II	)	

10. PROFICIENCY PAY

No consideration will be given to applications for granting or re-instating of proficiency pay unless the member concerned has passed the necessary tests for the current  $\frac{1}{2}$  year. Applications must be endorsed accordingly.

11. PERSONAL EQUIPMENT CARDS (AAF's F204)

See Appendix "B" attached.

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



4.  
NOTICES

PICTURES

Randolph Scott and Joan Bennett in "THE TEXANS"  
Shorts "Cops is Always Right."  
"Resume - Bob Hope."  
"News from Home No 111."  
Showing on Thu 2 Nov 44 at the Commandos  
" " Sat 4 Nov 44 at the 2/1 Aust M G Bn.

Geo Murphy and Ann Shirley in "MAYOR OF 44TH STREET"  
Lupe Velez and Leon Errol in "MEXICAN SPITFIRE'S BABY"  
Showing on Sun 5 Nov 44 at the Commandos.

INTER-COY TRANSFER

NX 4347 Pte SMITH K from D Coy to B Coy.

STRENGTH INCREASE

NX 55003	Lieut	HUNTER	J L	From 2 Aust Reinfts Trg	30.10.44	DCCoy
				Trg Bn Posting Ord Q392		
SX 9841	Lieut	NETTLE	K R	do	30.10.44	C Coy
WX 33410	Lieut	HOLDING	L	do	30.10.44	A Coy
NX 168223	Pte	CLARKE	R G	From 2/12 Aust Fd Regt	28.10.44	A Coy
NX 41355	"	McGEE	J T	From 7 Div Rec Camp		
				ex 2/2 AGH	28.10.44	A Coy
NX 13355	"	TCOLE	W V	do	28.10.44	D Coy
NX 6169	"	DAVIDSON	N A	do	28.10.44	C Coy
NX 60644	"	NOLAN	V	From 2/2 AGH	30.10.44	A Coy

STRENGTH DECREASE

NX 6569	Pte	ASHTON	A E	Evac to Hosp	30.10.44	D Coy
NX 80746	"	DAVIS	F J	Evac to 116 AGH	29.10.44	C Coy
NX 91997	"	TAYLOR	D	Evac to Hosp	30.10.44	B Coy

REVERSION

NX 85191	A/Sgt	MONCRIEFF	A P	Reverted to Pte on join unit as reinfnt	11.4.43	Bn HQ
QX 53671	L/Cpl	BLIGH	W J	do	15.8.44	B Coy

MARCHED OUT

NX 7308	Pte	ADAMS	B C S	To FAA Clerical Course	29.10.44	A Coy
QX 31788	"	FOSTER	G A	do	29.10.44	B Coy
NX 152899	"	CHINN	R A	do	29.10.44	D Coy
NX 4227	"	HUMPHREYS	H J	To 2 Aust Corps Fd Pun	30.10.44	D Coy

DCM

NX 4227 Pte HUMPHREYS H J DCM 19.10.44 DCM held in the field by order of Maj Gen E J MILFORD DSO, Comd 7 Aust Div for the trial of NX 4227 Pte HUMPHREYS H J

LOSS OF PAY

AWL	35	Days
Close arrest	15	"
Fd Fun	30	"
Total	80	"

CHARGE

WOAS absenting himself without leave in that he- at PETRIE absented himself without leave from 0830 hrs on 23 Aug 44 to 1800 hrs on 26 Sep 44.

FINDING

Guilty.

SENTENCE

To suffer Fd Punishment for thirty (30) days.

DATE OF SENTENCE

19 Oct 44.

CONFIRMATION

Confirmed by Maj Gen E J MILFORD on 24 Oct 44.

PROMULGATED

to accused on 30 Oct 44.

The accused will suffer loss of pay in respect of 15 days in close arrest



AAF F 204. "PERSONAL EQUIPMENT CARD."

1. Personal equipment cards (AAF F 204) are being introduced as records of personal equipment on issue to all members of the AMF on full time duty and will be issued whether personal equipment is on issue to them or not.
2. Members will carry AAF F204 at all times, subject to the same conditions as if it were part of AAB 83. AAF F204 will be carried in the cover provided for AAB 83.
3. Members will be required to sign in the column provided on unit's "Statement of clothing and necessaries" or "Statement of personal eqpt", respectively, for all issues of clothing or personal eqpt made to them, except where issues are made in exchange for articles withdrawn, i.e. on a one for one basis. Before the member signs for the articles, he will ensure that the blank squares on the appropriate line of the statement are ruled through.
4. Whenever an article which has been entered in a members AAB 83 or AAF F204 is withdrawn from him, and no article is being issued in replacement, it is the duty of the unit QM to issue and the duty of the member to obtain a receipt on AAF F25A for the article handed over. Members are required to keep these receipts and to produce them when called upon to do so.
5. Members will take reasonable care to prevent loss, destruction or undue wear on personal and unit equipment and clothing on issue to them. Failure to take such care will be regarded as an offence. Disciplinary action will be taken, in accordance with GRO A.727/43, in all cases where loss, destruction or unfair wear of an article appears to be due to culpable neglect on the part of the member.



5410  
To I.O.

3" Coy.

DAIRY- AMPHIBIOUS EXERCISE.

3 Oct 44.

- 3 Oct 44. Movement order received. 1st party 3 Offs 58 ORs. 2nd party 2 Offs 44 ORs. To leave at 032345K and 040445K respectively. Train for 1st party 3 hrs late. Arrived REDLYNCH 040755K. Transported by MT to TRINITY BEACH area. 2nd party left TOLGA 040700K. Arrived REDLYNCH 041400K. Transport to camp area. Capt Goode Bde liaison Offr visited camp.
- 5 Oct 44. Camp construction. 10% of Coy allowed leave to CAIRNS each night. Transport provided by 2/2 Tk/A Regt.
- 6 Oct 44. 3 Offs and 5 ORs to attend Training Cadre. Camp area under comd. 2/5 Fd Regt for adm. Clothing of personnel treated with anti-mite fluid. 2 Offrs and 4 ORs from "C" Coy attached for rations.
- 7 Oct 44. Cadre personnel left at 0830 hrs. Coy on swimming parade.
- 8 Oct 44. Make and mend. Swimming in afternoon. Trg instrs from Bde. Unit Comd conference at Bde.
- 9 Oct 44. Coy to beach for swimming practice. Capt Manson place in charge of LST. Conferences at Bde.
- 10 Oct 44. Coy moved to beach area for trg under 2/14 Bn in embarking and disembarking. Four jeeps and trailers practice loading.
- 11 Oct 44. Training in lashing and lectures on landing craft. Capt Manson to conference. Practice in loading and unloading ALC 40.
- 12 Oct 44. Training in mock up LCVPs. Veh for domestic use arrived from Bn.
- 13 Oct 44. Coy move to beach for trg in LCIs.
- 14 Oct 44. Coy moved to 2/27 Bn area at 1300 hrs and thence to marrying point. Marched to assembly area.
- 15 Oct 44. Reveille 0500 hrs. Move 0700 hrs. in LCAs and 1 ALC 40 to HMS "GLENEARN". Coy 0 Group in 2nd wave. 7 Pl 4th wave. 8 Pl 4th wave and 9 pl and HQ in 5th wave. Boat drill and lectures by ship's Officers.
- 16 Oct 44. Still at anchor off PALM BEACH. Practice landing carried out. Trial movement without warning.
- 17 Oct 44. Reveille 0345 hrs. Make ready 0430 hrs. Landed on PALM BEACH THEN RE-EMBARKED TO SHIP. Practiced scrambling nets. Afternoon free.
- 18 Oct 44. Make Ready at 0900 hrs. MG Coy HQ to land 200x on left flank and thence to bivouac area. Lt Tourle returned to Unit.
- 19 Oct 44. Practiced LCI trg all day.
- 20 Oct 44. Swimming parade.
- 21 Oct 44. Capt Crandon to conference. Coy swimming. Make & mend.
- 22 Oct 44. D Day. Reveille 0600 hrs. 1st wave away 0820 hrs. Formed up on beach. ~~Exercise approx 2 hrs late.~~ 9 Pl and Coy HQ unable to board barge and marched to Bde area. Occupied posn on TARE BEACH. Left at 1600 hrs for assembly area and bedded down for night.
- 23 Oct 44. Transported back to DEADMAN'S GULLY for breakfast.
- 24 Oct 44. Left for KAIRI at 1130 hrs. Arrived at 1500 hrs.

C.O. *[Signature]*

*[Signature] Capt.*



W.D.

2/1 AUSTRALIAN MACHINE GUN BATTALION.

TRAINING NOTES 3/44.

Ref Trg Inst 61/44.

Week ending 8 Oct 44.

1. Cloth Model - Jungle terrain is available at southern end of Bn HQ area for Coy lectures and discussions. Liaise with I.C. re use of same.

2. EXERCISE - TEST PACK AND MOVE WITH JEEPS.

Ref Exercise Notes 1/44.

3. NIGHT OCCUPATION.

The following points arose during week 25 Sep - 1 Oct.

- (a) Gun Nos on duty.

- I. At least one man must remain awake on each gun.
- II. As guns are rarely more than 25 yds apart, duty Nos are within hailing distance of each other.
- III. Commence duty number on one gun an hour later than the other, so that one is fresh and one has been on duty 1 hour.
- IV. Working on a basis of 2 hours on duty and 4 hrs off, three men can maintain a gun throughout the hours of darkness and still obtain 8 hrs sleep.

- (b) Standing patrols.

- I. If standing patrols are maintained, it will not be possible to provide more than one per Pl.
- II. Personnel provided by Sec HQ and Pl HQ.
- III. MMG's will normally be protected by Inf localities, but careful consideration must be given to siting own standing patrols to provide protection and warning to Pl area.
- IV. Quick and improvised means of waking crews needs attention.

- (c) Sentries challenging.

- I. An exposed sentry is a DEAD one. Use concealment to the utmost.
- II. Challenge from low down, use a low sharp tone, and ALWAYS get the person challenged at a disadvantage. In other words 'get the drop' on him.

- (d) Digging.

- I. Unless otherwise ordered troops will ALWAYS DIG IN whenever a position is occupied.
- II. Hasty weapon pit for guns, shallow keyhole trench for lower numbers.

- (e) Booby traps and warning devices.

- I. Detail numbers responsible and allocate time.
- II. It should NOT BE POSSIBLE to get within grenade range of the gun positions without setting off some warning device.

- (f) Shelters.

- I. If shelters are rigged near gun locations, they must be erected after LAST LIGHT, and removed before FIRST LIGHT.
- II. MORAL:- erect them under cover away from gun positions
- III. Do not erect shelters where they can be seen by moonlight - use cover.

4. IMPROVISED MEANS OF INTERCOM.

Sufficient instruction has been given in semaphore and morse code:- practise these in the field but remember concealment from the enemy.

P.T.O.



5. NIGHT FIRING - MINIATURE RANGE.

- (a) 5 rounds per man to be fired in single shots, with switches in elevation and direction between.
- (b) Aim to be checked after each shot.

6. SCOUTS BATTLE COURSE. Fd Firing Area.

- (a) 3 rounds and one 36 grenade per man armed with rifle.
- (b) 15 rounds per man armed with OSMG.
- (c) Adjnt to arrange suitable course and targets.

7. JUNGLE TRAIL COURSE - Fd Firing Area.

- (a) Object:- to train MMG Pl in allround and automatic defence when moving along narrow jungle track.
- (b) Enemy, using live ammunition to be provided by No. 2 Pl.
- (c) Pl going through exercise to use blanks and Aldershot grenades only - all individual weapons to be examined before exercise commences.

8. JUNGLE TRAIL EXERCISE - Fd Firing Area.

- (a) Object:- Training in movement of guns through jungle to a definite position for supporting fire to Inf.
- (b) Details later.

9. FIELD FIRING AND NIGHT FIRING - Fd Firing Range.

- (a) Normal open warfare targets - direct fire only.
- (b) Coy Comdrs select own targets within safety limits of the range, and paint own tactical picture.
- (c) Allocation of ammn later.

10. SKELETON EXERCISE - Bn HQ, HQ Coy Nos 1, 2 & 3 Pls.

- (a) Exercise will be based on situation with two Coys forward controlled by Bn HQ.
- (b) Object is to test ability to move, set up and function in the field, etc.
- (c) Location of Bn HQ - Ref GORDONVALE 1"- 1 mile - approx 100 yds NORTH of WOODEN BRIDGE 541412.

11. INTER - COY SPORTS.

R.M.O. will arrange an inter - coy sports competition on collective games over a period NOV - DEC with the object of ascertaining the best Coy at games.

*Retheapt*

Lt Col.  
Commanding 2/1 Aust M G Bn.



2/1 AUSTRALIAN MACHINE GUN BATTALION.  
TRAINING PROGRAMME FOR WEEK ENDING 8 OCT 44.

Date.	A Coy.	B Coy.	C Coy.	D Coy.	Bn H.Q.	H.Q. Coy.
Mon. 2 Oct.	OSMG Class.practice. Indication and Recognition.	Min. Rifle Practice. MMG Stoppage Shoot.	Duty Coy and Bn Working Parties.	Indication and Recognition. Fire Orders.	One third personnel Weapon training.	1 Pl Sig Tng. 2 Pl MMG. 3 Pl Normal duties.
Tue. 3 Oct.	MMG Stoppage Shoot. Semaphore and Morse Code.	Test pack and move on the man. Ref Tng Inst 61/44 para 14.	do	MMG Recapitulation. Field duties.	One third personnel Weapon Training.	1 Pl Sig Tng. 2 Pl MMG 3 Pl MMG Tng.
Wed. 4 Oct.	A.M. Coy Comd's syllabus. P.M. Sports(inter-Coy)	A.M. Coy Comd's syllabus. P.M. Inter-Coy Sports	do	A.M. Coy Comd's syllabus. P.M. Inter-Coy Sport.	A.M. Normal duties. P.M. Sports.	A.M. Coy Comd's syllabus. P.M. Sport(Inter-Coy)
Thu. 5 Oct.	Test pack and move on the man. Ref Tng Inst 61/44 para 14.	1 Pl with 2/16 Bn. Indication and Recognition. Semaphore and Morse Code.	do	Scouts Battle Course. Jungle Trail Course.	Admin in the field. exercise.	1 Pl Skeleton exercise 2 Pl Own syllabus. 3 Pl Skeleton Exercise Admin and Supply.
Fri. 6 Oct.	Exercise - Test pack & move with Jeep.Ref Tng Inst 61/44 para 14.	1 Pl with 2/16 Bn. MR & FS exercise. Messages & Reports.	do	Jungle Trail Exercise Pl carrying 2 guns & 8 belts amn per gun.	One third personnel Weapon training.	1 Pl Sig Tng. 2 Pl Exercise. 3 Pl Normal duties.
Sat. 7 Oct.	MR & FS Exercise. Messages & Reports.	1 Pl with 2/16 Bn. Balance personnel Bn working parties.	do	Fd firing practice.	Normal duties.	1 Pl Sig tng. 2 Pl MR & FS Exercise 3 Pl Normal duties.
Sun. 8 Oct.	C H U R C H P A R A D E                      M A K E A N D M E N D                      I N T E R - U N I T G A M E S .					

REMARKS. NIGHT TRAINING. Mon. 2 Oct. A Coy Long carry and compass march.  
 B Coy Recce patrol exercise.  
 D Coy Miniature night firing shoot.  
 Thu. 5 Oct. B Coy Long carry and compass march.  
 Fri. 6 Oct. A Coy Night occupation.  
 D Coy Night occupation.

OFFICERS' TRAINING. Tue. 3 Oct.) Lectures and discussions  
 Wed. 4 Oct.) Details to follow.

*A. S. Mump* Lt Col.  
 Commanding 2/1 Aust Machine Gun Bn.



2/1 AUSTRALIAN MACHINE GUN BATTALION.

TRAINING NOTES 4/44.

Ref Trg Instr 61/44.

Points noticed during period 1 - 14 Oct.

1. PROMULGATION OF TRG NOTES 4/44.

It would appear that advantage is NOT being taken of these notes, as the same mistakes are being constantly repeated.

Coy Comdrs will be responsible for promulgation of these notes to all ranks.

Points noticed by Coy Comdrs may be submitted verbally direct to Adjt or I.O.

2. FIELD WORKS.

Digging, according to priority laid down in Coy Comdrs verbal orders, will be completed on all exercises.

The practice, in some platoons, of digging token weapon pits only, will cease.

Attention is drawn to 7 Aust Div R.O. G85/44.

Coy Comdr will report verbally to Adjt on completion of each exercise.

3. SITING OF BOOBY TRAPS - JUNGLE PERIMETER.

The importance of correct siting cannot be overstressed.

The primary, continuous ring of defences of this nature, should be far enough away to prevent grenades being thrown into weapon pits.

Far more imagination is required in improvised means, apart from normal equipment:

- e.g. Thin lawyer vine with tins attached.
- Trip wires of heavy lawyer vine.
- Tangles of wait-a-while.
- Freshly cut Gympie bush.
- Dead palm leaves for warning.

4. SITING OF MMGs - JUNGLE PERIMETER.

Use flanking fire for mutual support, thicken up frontal fire with LMGs, OSMGs, and rifles.

Two men only are required to maintain the gun, remainder of personnel must be sited as part of perimeter defence.

5. DIAL SIGHTS.

During night firing with ball ammunition:-

- (a) Until new dial sights are available permission is given to use a strong light to illuminate the lensatic sight.
- (b) Pl Comdr will personally check the aim prior to the opening of fire.

6. FIRE DISCIPLINE.

During a recent exercise examples of wild firing from within a perimeter occurred.

Troops will only fire on the order of an NCO, and fire discipline MUST be enforced during training.

7. SMARTNESS IN FIELD DUTIES AND DRILL.

All MMG drill and field duties (where possible) are done smartly and at the double.

The degree of smartness is directly related to accuracy, and the standard to be aimed at is that of Arty drill on the gun line.



8. USE OF LOCAL RESOURCES IN SIG WIRE.

A case occurred recently of sigs, during an exercise, using wire already in position, which passed into enemy territory. It is obvious that this wire should have been cut before tapping in.

9. CLEARING TRACK AND PASSING BACK TRACK INFORMATION.

When moving along a disused track, which may be jeepable, clear minor obstructions with rearward troops, and pass back information on major obstacles - type and work involved.

10. IMPROVISED BILLY-CANS AND MUGS.

These will NOT, repeat NOT, be carried tied to equipment, but will be contained either in haversack or gas cape roll.

11. FORMATIONS IN THE FIELD.

All junior leaders must exercise constant care and alertness in controlling formations in quickly changing terrain - there is far too much inclination to bunch at all times.

12. CHECKING ASSEMBLY ETC OF MENS' EQUIPMENT & GROUND SHEET ROLLS.

Junior leaders must insist on constant care in this matter, to ensure that men are fully equipped for battle.

13. USE OF PL LMG - OPEN OR SEMI OPEN WARFARE.

Pl Sgt should site this weapon for flank, or other protection, at the earliest possible moment, when it has been decided to occupy any position.

It's role is protection of the platoon area, both during recon and occupation.

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2/1 AUSTRALIAN MACHINE GUN BATTALION.  
TRAINING PROGRAMME - WEEK ENDING 15 OCT 44.

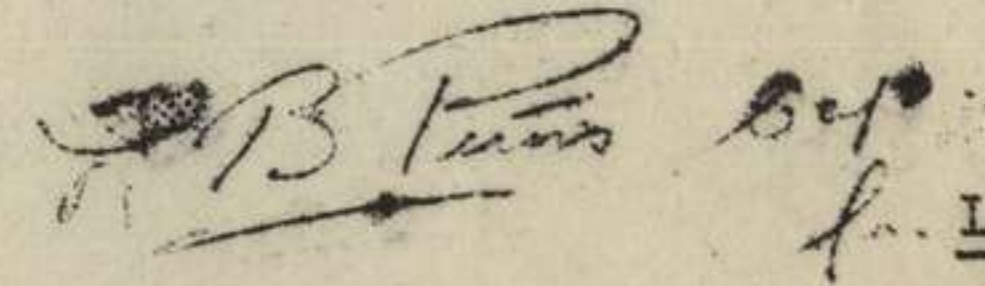
DATE.	'A' COY.	'B' COY.	'C' COY.	'D' COY.	Bn H.Q.	H.Q. COY.
Mon 9 Oct.	Camp Construction.	Amphibious Trg with 21 Bde.	Indication and Recog. Stoppage Shoot.	DUTY COY AND WORKING PARTIES.	$\frac{1}{2}$ Personnel L.M.G. Miniature range. $\frac{1}{2}$ Normal duties.	$\frac{1}{2}$ Personnel L.M.G. Miniature range. $\frac{1}{2}$ Normal duties.
Tue 10 Oct	Indication and Recog Stoppage Shoot.	do.	Firing rifle from hip Firing OSMG from hip.	do.	Normal duties	1 Pl Sig Trg. 2 Pl Weapon Trg 3 Pl Normal duties.
Wed 11 Oct	A.M. Coy Comdrs Syllabus. P.M. Sports	do.	A.M. Coy Comdrs Syllabus P.M. Sports	do.	Lecture by Adjut - Field duties. Normal duties	1 Pl Normal duties 2 Pl Weapon Trg 3 Pl Normal duties.
Thu 12 Oct	Field Firing Practice.	do.	Jungle Trail Exercise - Pl carrying 2 guns & 8 belts	do.	$\frac{1}{2}$ Personnel LMG. Min. range. $\frac{1}{2}$ Normal duties.	$\frac{1}{2}$ Personnel LMG. Miniature range. $\frac{1}{2}$ Normal duties.
Fri 13 Oct	Jungle Trail Exercise - Pl carrying 2 guns & 8 belts	do.	Recapit Fd Duties Direct fire. LMG Min. range.	do.	Normal duties.	1 Pl Sig Trg 2 Pl Booby Traps. 3 Pl Normal duties
Sat 14 Oct	Fire orders - MMG LMG Min. range	do.	Recapit - Pl Drill Indirect fire.	do.	Lecture by I.O. Map reading.	Clean own camp area.
Sun 15 Oct	C H U R C H P A R A D E. M A K E A N D M E N D.					

REMARKS. NIGHT TRAINING. Mon 9 Oct. 'A' Coy. Miniature Night Firing Practice: (Calibration).  
 'C' Coy. Night Occupation.  
 Thu 12 Oct. 'A' Coy. Night Firing Exercise.  
 Fri 13 Oct. 'C' Coy. Miniature Night Firing Practice (Calibration).

OFFICERS' TRAINING.  
 Tue 10 Oct. 1900 - 2130 hrs.  
 Lectures - Offrs' Trg Instr. 2/44.

ALLOTMENT AMMUNITION.

L.M.G.	Miniature range.	25 rounds per man.
M.M.G.	Fd. Firing Practice.	5 belts per gun.
"	Night Firing.	2 " " "
"	Stoppage Shoot.	15 rounds per man.
"	Miniature N/Firing.	5 " " "
Rifle.	Firing from hip.	20 " " "
O.S.M.G.	" " "	30 " " "

  
 Lt Col.  
Commanding 2/1 Aust Machine Gun Bn.



2/1 AUSTRALIAN MACHINE GUN BATTALION.

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TRAINING PROGRAMME FOR WEEK ENDING 22 OCT 44.

DATE	'A' COY	'B' COY	'C' COY	'D' COY	Bn HQ	HQ COY
Mon 16 Oct	DUTY COMPANY AND WORKING PARTIES.	AMPHIBIOUS TRG WITH 21 BDE.	RECAPIT -- FIELD DUTIES PL DRILL INDIRECT FIRE.	FIRE ORDERS MMG. LMG -- MIN. RANGE.	NORMAL DUTIES.	1 PL SIG TRG 2 PL OWN SYLLABUS 3 PL NORMAL DUTIES.
Tue 17 Oct	do.	do.	DAY AND NIGHT EXERCISE.	DAY AND NIGHT EXERCISE	DAY AND NIGHT EXERCISE	DAY AND NIGHT EXERCISE
Wed 18 Oct	do.	do.	A.M. COY COMDRS SYLL. ABUS. P.M. SPORTS	A.M. COY COMDRS SYLL. ABUS P.M. SPORTS	A.M. NORMAL DUTIES P.M. SPORTS	A.M. COY COMDRS SYLL. ABUS. P.M. SPORTS
Thu 19 Oct	do.	do.	SCOUTS COURSE JUNGLE TRAIL COURSE	LMG AND RIFLE CLASSIFICATION	NORMAL DUTIES	1 PL SIG TRG 2 PL WITH 'C' COY 3 PL NORMAL DUTIES
Fri 20 Oct	do.	do.	FD FIRING EXERCISE	MR&FS EXERCISE	$\frac{1}{2}$ LMG AND RIFLE CLASSIFICATION $\frac{1}{2}$ NORMAL DUTIES	$\frac{1}{2}$ LMG AND RIFLE CLASSIFICATION $\frac{1}{2}$ NORMAL DUTIES
Sat 21 Oct	do.	do.	MR&FS EXERCISE	FIRING RIFLE FROM HIP FIRING OSMG FROM HIP	$\frac{1}{2}$ LMG AND RIFLE CLASSIFICATION $\frac{1}{2}$ NORMAL DUTIES	$\frac{1}{2}$ LMG AND RIFLE CLASSIFICATION $\frac{1}{2}$ NORMAL DUTIES.
Sun 22 Oct	do.	do.	LMG AND RIFLE CLASSIFICATION	CHURCH PARADE. MAKE AND MEND.		

NIGHT TRAINING.

Mon 16 Oct 'D' COY -- OCCUP OF DEF POSN BY NIGHT -- HARASSING TASKS.  
Tue 17 Oct 'C', 'D', HQ COYS & Bn HQ -- OCCUP OF POSN BY NIGHT.  
Fri 20 Oct 'C' COY -- NIGHT FIRING PRACTICE.

OFFICERS TRAINING.

Wed 18 Oct. LECTURES AND DISCUSSION.

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HQ



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OFFICERS' TRAINING INSTRUCTION 3/44

Tue	17 Oct	1900 ~ 1945	Discussions on W.E. and W.E.T.	Adjt.
		1945 ~ 2030	Abbreviations in use ~ Amphibious Ops	I.O.
		2030 ~ 2115	Organisation of Beach Group	2 i/c
Wed	18 Oct	0830 ~ 1000	Verbal Orders	C.O.
		1015 ~ 1100	MMGs in perimeter defence	C.O.
		1100 ~ 1200	Naval support in assault landing	2 i/c
		1200 ~ 1215	Intelligence Review	I.O.
Sun	22 Oct	1015 ~ 1030	Intelligence Review	I.O.
Tue	24 Oct	1900 ~ 1945	AASC problems in Tropical terrain	Visiting Lecturer
		1945 ~ 2030	Re supply of two MMG Coys forward	C.O.
		2030 ~ 2115	Lecturettes ~ 15 mins ~ own subjects	Lt. Luff Lt. Keach Lt. Pierce
Wed	25 Oct	0830 ~ 1000	Cloth model exercise. J.W. ~ tracks usable by jeeps	C.O.
		1015 ~ 1200	The development of a B.M.A.	2 i/c
		1200 ~ 1215	Intelligence Review	I.O.
Sun	29 Oct	1015 ~ 1030	Intelligence review	I.O.

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W.D.

2/1 AUSTRALIAN MACHINE GUN BATTALION

TRAINING PROGRAMME FOR WEEK ENDING 29 OCT 44.

Date	A Coy	B Coy	C Coy	D Coy	Bn HQ	HQ Coy
Mon 23 Oct	LMG and Rifle Classification Practices	Amphibious Trg with 21 Bde.	Duty Coy and Working parties	MMG Stoppage Shoot. OSMG from hip.	2 hours Map Reading Normal duties	No 1 Pl Sig Trg No 2 Pl Own syllabus No 3 Pl Normal duties.
Tue 24 Oct	Tactical Exercise with 18 Bde	Duty Coy and Bn working parties	Amphibious Trg with 25 Bde	Recapitulation - MMG Subjects	2 hours Map Reading Normal duties	No 1 Pl Sig Trg No 2 Pl Amph Ops With C Coy No 3 Pl Normal duties
Wed 25 Oct	do.	do.	do.	A.M. Coy Comdrs syllabus P.M. Sports	A.M. Normal duties P.M. Sports	A.M. Normal duties P.M. Sports
Thu 26 Oct	do.	do.	do.	Recapitulation MMG Subjects	$\frac{1}{2}$ personnel firing Rifle & OSMG from hip $\frac{1}{2}$ Normal duties	$\frac{1}{2}$ personnel firing rifle and OSMG from hip $\frac{1}{2}$ Normal duties
Fri 27 Oct	do.	do.	do.	Recapitulation MMG Subjects	$\frac{1}{2}$ pers. firing Rifle & OSMG from hip $\frac{1}{2}$ Normal duties	$\frac{1}{2}$ pers. firing Rifle & OSMG from hip $\frac{1}{2}$ Normal duties
Sat 28 Oct	do.	do.	do.	Recapitulation MMG Subjects	Normal duties	Normal duties
Sun 29 Oct	C H U R C H P A R A D E - M A K E A N D - T H E N D - S P O R T S					

NIGHT TRAINING. Mon 23 Oct - Long Carry - 2 guns per pl - Occupation of single gun posns.  
Thu 26 Oct - Occup. of posn by night - 1 pl enemy.

OFFICERS TRAINING. Tue 24 Oct)  
Wed 25 Oct) Offrs Trg Instn 3/44.

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ORGANIZATION AND ARMING OF THE MACHINE GUN BN

Bn HQ  
30 Oct 44

2 I/C  
All Coys  
QM  
RFO

Owing to recent publication of MET for a M G Bn showing number of pistols as 128. The following changes in armament will be made to the outline of organization and arming recently issued.

- Page 1. (a) RSM delete "rifle" insert "pistol"
- (b) Amend total weapons of Bn HQ to show:-  
Rifles - 31      Pistols - 6
  
- Page 5. (a) Delete "rifle" for Nos 2 and insert "pistol"
- (b) Amend total weapons No 1 Sec to show:-  
Rifles - 7      Pistols - 4
- (c) Amend total weapons in each Pl to show:-  
Rifles - 16      Pistols - 9
- (d) Amend total weapons per Gun Coy to show:-  
Rifles - 54      Pistols - 29

Page 6. (SUMMARY OF WEAPONS)

Amend totals as follows:-

	<u>M G</u>	<u>IMG</u>	<u>SMG</u>	<u>Rifles</u>	<u>Pistols</u>
(a) Bn HQ	-	-	6	31	6
(b) 4, 5 and 6 Pls (each)	4	1	7	16	9
(c) Total Coys (each)	12	5	24	54	29
(d) Total Bn	48	25	122	359	128

Page 7. (Alternative organization of a M G Pl when two guns are carried)

No 1 Sec

Delete first two "Nos 2" and substitute "Nos 1".  
Delete "rifles" for Nos 1 and 2 and substitute "pistols".  
Delete "from 2 Sec" after Nos 2.

No 2 Sec

Delete second "Nos 1" and substitute "Nos 2".  
Delete "from 1 Sec" after Nos 2.  
Amend total of weapons to read:-

M G	2
IMG	1
SMG	7
Rifles	16
Pistols	9

Capt.  
Adjt 2/1 Aust M G Bn.



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ORIGINAL

11 JAN 1945

Army Form 18  
(adapted.)

Unit... 2/1 Aust Machine Gun Battalion. Date and Time.—From... 1 Nov 44...... To... 30 Nov 44......

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
KAIRI.	1 Nov 44.		Bn 2 IC and IO to TRINITY BEACH, CAIRNS, as observers 25 Aust Inf Bde  Amphibious Ops Exercise.	
KAIRI.	2 Nov 44.		C Coy participated in 25 Aust Inf Bde Exercise, see report by OC C Coy.  Demonstration shoot to be held on 7 Nov cancelled owing to Amphibious Ops  Trg and working parties 13 AAOD TOLGA.	Appendix 'A' attached.
KAIRI.	3 Nov 44.		CO and Adjnt to TRINITY BEACH in morning returning in afternoon. A and D  Coys under Comd 18 Aust Inf Bde departed camp at 2100 K for TRINITY BEACH.	
KAIRI.	4 Nov 44.		C Coy returned to camp from TRINITY BEACH at 0800 K.	BRO No. E 94 Appx A.
KAIRI.	5 Nov 44.		Church Parade. Rest Day and organised recreation.	
KAIRI.	6 Nov 44.		CO president at a GCM. Lt White injured wrist whilst playing Basket Ball.  8 Pl, B Coy to 27 Bn exercise, OC Lt Putnam.	
KAIRI.	7 Nov 44.		CO president at a GCM. Adjnt to Div. RMO returned from inspection of A and  D Coys at TRINITY BEACH. Capt Ardley marched out to Q'land L of C Area,  B2 Class, for re-allocation and trans to P.S.L.	BRO No. E 95. Appx B.



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Army Form C.2118  
(adapted.)

Unit 2/1 Aust Machine Gun Battalion. Date and Time.—From 1 Nov 44. To 30 Nov 44.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
KAIRI.	8 Nov 44.		Lt White to hospital. IO to 'Security Offr' Conference at HQ 7 Aust Div at 1400 K.	
KAIRI.	9 Nov 44.		MO, Capt Mulvey, and Assistant Adjt, Lt Pierce, to TRINITY BEACH to inspect hygiene A and B Coys. GSO 1, 7 Aust Div, Lt Col Wilmott, and GSO 11, 7 Aust Div, Maj Lindsay, visited unit for mess.	Adm Instr 12/44. Appx 'C' attached. Trg Programme to 19 Nov 44. Appx 'D' attached.
KAIRI.	10 Nov 44.		Normal training.	BRO No. E 96. Appx E attached.
KAIRI.	11 Nov 44.		Normal training.	
KAIRI.	12 Nov 44.		Church Parade. Organised recreation. Party of officers to TRINITY BEACH to observe Amphibious Trg, 18 Aust Inf Bde.	
KAIRI.	13 Nov 44.		Lt col Haupt, Adjt- Capt Peters, and RMO, Capt Mulvey to TRINITY BEACH. Lt Hanson OC P1 to 2/16 Aust Inf Bn to take part in battle inoculation exercises.	
KAIRI.	14 Nov 44.		CO, 2 IC, Adjt and IO to Tank Rock Range as observers 2/16 Bn exercises.	BRO E 97. Appx F attached.



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Unit 2/1 Aust Machine Gun Battalion Date and Time.—From 1 Nov 44 To 30 Nov 44.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
KAIRI.	15 Nov 44.		D Coy returned from Trinity Beach at 1900 hrs.	Trg Syllabus to 26 Nov 44. Appx G attached.
KAIRI.	16 Nov 44.		Captured Enemy Equipment display with lecture by WO II Gill (LHQ) to all Coys. 13 Pl D Coy to 2/14 Aust Inf Bn to participate in battle	
			innoculation exercise at Tank Rock Range.	
KAIRI.	17 Nov 44.		Adjt and IO to DANBULLA RIFLE RANGE on recce for Div demo. B Coy on jungle trail exercise DANBULLA Area. Officers' Mess held Annual Meeting.	BRO No. E 98. Appx H attached.
KAIRI.	18 Nov 44.		Bn Parade 0900 hrs. CO talked to all officers and NCOs at 1400 hrs on importance of hygiene in tropical operations and necessity for constant practice to ensure automatic drill.	
KAIRI.	19 Nov 44.		Church Parade. Organised recreation.	
KAIRI.	20 Nov 44.		A Coy on perimeter defence and shoot, found MMG cut fire lanes through thick undergrowth with few bursts.	
KAIRI.	21 Nov 44.		CO and IO on recce with Lt col Flahey CO 2/7 Aust Cav Commando Regt, and Acting GSO I, 7 Aust Div, for Div Exercise in Malanda - Lamond's Hill area,	



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Unit... 2/1 Aust. M. G. Bn. ..... Date and Time.—From... 1 NOV. 44 ..... To... 30 NOV. 44. .....

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
KAIRI.	21 Nov 44	(continued)	(Ref Map BATTLE FRERE 1 in to 1 mile ). CO to plan opening dispositions and CO "enemy force", D Coy on perimeter defence.	BRO No. E 99, Appx I attached.
KAIRI.	22 Nov 44.		A, C and D Coys on recce for Div demonstration shoot.	
KAIRI.	23 Nov 44.		Div Demonstration Shoot. GOC 7 Aust Div, Bde Comds 18, 21, and 25 Bdes, and Bn Comds and other officers present. Spectators very impressed with 3 Coy concentration shoot (see Appx J). 1 Pl B Coy to 21 Aust Inf Bde Exercise.	
KAIRI.	24 Nov 44.		B Coy, HQ Coy (2 Pls) to 21 Aust Inf Bde exercise. CO, Adjt and IO on recce for Div exercise. NX 236 Maj J.F. McCaffrey marched in to unit at 2100 hrs and ceases to be seconded.	Trg programme to 3 Dec 44 Appx K, BRO No. E 100 Appx L attached.
KAIRI.	25 Nov 44.		CO to 7 Aust Div re exercise. C Coy to 25 Aust Inf Bde exercise. CO to dinner at 2/12 Aust Inf Bn.	
KAIRI.	26 Nov 44.		Church Parade. Rest Day.	

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RESTRICTED.

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE

*Appx A*

ROUTINE ORDERS PART I.

BY

Lt col A.G.K. HAUPT

COMMANDING 2/1 AUSTRALIAN MACHINE GUN BATTALION.

PART I.

No. E 94.

4 Nov 44.

1.	<u>DUTIES.</u>	<u>DUTY COY.</u>	<u>BN ORDERLY OFFICER.</u>
	Fri 3 Nov 44	H.Q. Coy.	Lt K.R. NETTLE.
	Sat 4 Nov 44	C Coy	Lt G. PUTNAM.
	Sun 5 Nov 44	C "	Lt D.J. HANSEN.
	Mon 6 Nov 44	C "	Lt A.B. JOHNSTON.

2. INJURIES CAUSED BY AMMUNITION OR EXPLOSIVES.

The following is an extract from G.R.O. A 382/44.

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

3. GIFT PARCELS FOR UNITED KINGDOM ADDRESSEES - DUTY FREE CONCESSION.

The following is re-published from GRO 379 - 388.

1. The conditions of the concession announced in the Notice appearing in GROs dated 3 Sep 43, pages 18 and 19, under which members of the A.M.F. and of the British Army serving in Aust and in other places within the S.W.F.A. are permitted to send to their relatives and friends in the United Kingdom a maximum of 4 gift parcels per year, duty free, have been amended. The Notice is, therefore, cancelled.

2. The following are the conditions applicable as from 20 Oct 44 :-

- (i) The usual postage rates are payable.
- (ii) Parcels must NOT weigh more than 5 lbs each and must NOT include :-
  - (a) any drinkable spirits;
  - (b) more than  $\frac{1}{2}$  lb total weight of tobacco, including cigars and cigarettes (200 cigarettes or 50 cigars) or any tobacco goods marked 'H.M. Ships only' ;
  - (c) more than  $\frac{1}{2}$  pint of scent ;
  - (d) more than 2 lbs of any one foodstuff.
- (iii) The maximum value of the contents of parcels which can now be sent by one individual sender in any one year is £8, and this value may be made up as follows :-
  - (a) One parcel of £8 value, or
  - (b) Two or more parcels up to a maximum of 4 parcels aggregating £8 value.
- (iv) Special customs declarations (.AFs W 5192) must be affixed to all parcels in order to secure the duty free concession. These declarations, where not already in possession of units, are obtainable through normal stationery channels.
- (v) Issues to personnel will be under unit arrangements, on the basis of a maximum of 4 AFs W 5192 per year to any one sender. A comparatively few forms should, therefore, suffice for the needs of any unit.

*P.T.O.*



(vi) Each AF W 5192 issued will have entered upon it the sender's number and name and be signed by the issuing offr in the space provided.

(vii) Each customs declaration represents a permissible value of £2 within the parcel to which it is attached.

(viii) Where the value of the contents in any one parcel exceeds £2, a further declaration for each additional £2 (or fraction thereof), up to the maximum of £8, must be attached, e.g., a parcel containing goods to the declared value of £6 would require 3 labels attached.

3. It is stressed that full duty will be levied in the United Kingdom (for collection from the addressees) in respect of any contents of parcels which infringe the restrictions contained in para 2 (ii) above. In addition to these duty charges, the contents of any parcel not bearing a customs declaration, received into the U.K., are subject to purchase tax amounting in many cases to 100 per cent of the value of such contents. This tax is chargeable on most manufactured articles, but tobacco and foodstuffs are excluded.

4. PROPHYLACTIC ABLUTION.

The following is an extract from 1 Aust Corps R.Os. 16 Oct 44.

It has been conclusively shown that approx. 90% of army personnel who contact V.D. neglect to make use of P.A.C. facilities.

Attention is directed to the fact that all P.A.C. Centres operated by Navy, R.A.A.F. and Allied Services are available to members of A.M.F.

Full use will be made of centres which are in all capital cities and large towns.

*R. E. Peters*  
Adjutant 2/1 Aust M G Bn. Capt.

NOTICES.

STRENGTH INCREASE.

NX 95115	Pte HENNOCK	R.O.	From 2/2 A.G.H.	1.11.44.	A Coy.
VX 4049	Pte SHEAN	A.A.G.	" " "	1.11.44.	D "
VX 61646	Pte BARNES	H.M.	" Q'ld G.D.D.	2.11.44.	A "
NX 105179	Pte WALSH	J.S.	" Illegal Abs.	2/11/44.	A "
QX 53671	Pte BLIGH	W.S.	" 2/2 A.G.H.	2.11.44.	B "
QX 613	Pte ANDREWS	E.H.	" Illegal Abs.	3.11.44.	C "

STRENGTH DECREASE.

NX 1734	Pte MARKWICK	C.	To 2/2 A.G.H.	27.10.44.	D "
NX 3887	Pte BROWN	S.C.	" 16 A.P.S.C. re-allocation.	1.11.44.	A "
QX 32572	Pte DIEBERT	W.H.	" 16 A.P.S.C. re-allocation.	1.11.44.	C "
NX 22909	Pte GARN	J.R.	Trans to 2/9 Aust Fd Coy R.A.E.	2.11.44.	A "
SX 32481	Pte OPIE	D.S.	Trans to 2/5 Aust Fd Coy R.A.E.	2.11.44.	C "
TX 107	Pte BEATTIE	W.J.	Trans to 2/5 Aust Fd Coy R.A.E.	2.11.44.	D "



APPOINTMENTS AND PROMOTIONS.

NX 2308	A/Sgt	CARMICHAEL	H.W.	Rank of Sgt Conf.	15.9.44.	C Coy.
SX 1691	Cpl	STUART	O.S.	Prom. to A/Sgt.	7.9.44.	C "
QX 3081	"	MILLIKEN	S.S.	" " "	7.9.44.	C "
QX 82	L/Sgt	HALY	E.G.A.	" " "	7.9.44.	C "
SX 1047	L/Sgt	MANNING	G.H.	" " "	7.9.44.	C "
SX 286	L/Sgt	SIMS	D.C.	" " "	7.9.44.	C "
NX 47660	L/Sgt	LEAN	J.	" " "	7.9.44.	A "
VX 4724	L/Sgt	KEMPTON	J.H.	" " "	7.9.44.	B "
VX 13488	L/Sgt	CURRELL	W.G.	" " "	7.9.44.	B "
WX 2057	L/Sgt	THOMPSON	F.F.	" " "	7.9.44.	A "
QX 384	L/Sgt	DAY	F.G.	" " "	7.9.44.	C "
TX 905	Cpl	COLLINS	G.W.	" " "	25.9.44.	Bn H.Q.
SX 2368	L/Sgt	ROBERTS	E.W.	" " "	25.9.44.	Detach.
NX 11791	Pte	ORR	R.J.	" " A/S/Sgt.	24.9.44.	C Coy
NX 65731	L/Sgt	HALLOWS	W.N.	" " A/Sgt	7.9.44.	D "
NX 47315	Cpl	MUNRO	R.H.	" " "	7.9.44.	D "
NX 58326	Cpl	AUSTEN	V.C.	" " "	7.9.44.	D "
NX 92034	Pte	BOYCE	W.	" " A/Cpl(AACC)	15.9.44.	A "

REVERSION.

SX 1112	L/Cpl	BORG	J.M.	Rev to Pte (own req.)	31.10.44.	HQ Coy
NX 24796	Cpl	RICHARDSON	E.A.	Rev to Pte (own req.)	5.10.44.	A Coy.

TRADE GROUPING.

NX 11791	Pte	ORR	R.J.	Rel Gp III T/S.	24.9.44.	C Coy.
NX 11695	Pte	McCLELLAND	C.	Graded A/Gp III T/S.	24.9.44.	C "
NX 4873	Pte	BROOKES	G.	" " " "	11.10.44.	A "
NX 31946	Pte	GLARY	S.	Grading Gp II Cook Confirmed.	11.9.44.	D "

MARCHED OUT.

WX 2199	Cpl	MARTIN	W.S.	To FAA Sig School.	29.10.44.	D "
NX 65318	Pte	WILLIAMS	F.J.	" " " "	29.10.44.	A "

MARCHED IN.

VX 18074	Pte	BARNES	F.C.	From 2 Aust Fd Pun.		
QX 51417	Pte	HINTON	F.H.	Centre.	29.10.44.	A Coy
				From leave.	1.11.44.	B "

CHURCH PARADES.

Bn Church Parade. 0900 hours Sunday, 5 Nov 44.  
 R.C. Church Parade. 1000 " Sunday, 5 Nov 44.  
 C of E Holy Communion. 0645 hours Sunday, 5 Nov 44.



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AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

ROUTINE ORDERS - PART I.

BY

Lt Col A.G.K. FAUPT Commanding 2/1 Australian Machine Gun Bn.

Appx "B"

*War Diary.*

PART I.

No. E 95.

7 NOV'44

1. DUTIES.

Duty company to Saturday 11 Nov'44 "C" Coy.

<u>Bn Orderly Officer.</u>	Tuesday 7 Nov'44	"	Lt C W McMILLAN
	Wednesday 8 Nov'44	"	Lt H A A TOURLE
	Thursday 9 Nov'44	"	Lt E C WHITE
	Friday 10 Nov'44	"	Lt C W McMILLAN
	Saturday 11 Nov'44	"	Lt H A A TOURLE
	Sunday 12 Nov'44	"	Lt E C WHITE

2. ESTABLISHMENT.

The Bn Instruction recently issued headed "Organization of 2/1 Aust M G Bn" is to be entitled Appendix 'A' to WE III/62A/1 and filed with all copies of WE.

3. HYGIENE.

The practice of personnel having mess tins hanging on racks exposed to the air is increasing.

This practice will be discontinued unless all mess gear is washed well in boiling water BEFORE each meal.

After washing, knives, forks and spoons should be placed inside mess tins, the two halves adapted, and all kept in a clean dilly bag.

4. AMENITIES.

(a) All personnel desirous of visiting LAKE EACHAM on Sundays must do so under unit arrangements.

(b) Coys will obtain the number of members who intend travelling to LAKE EACHAM on each Wednesday preceding Sunday and advise Bn HQ in writing.

(c) Bn HQ will arrange transport and promulgate times of departure.

*[Signature]*  
Capt.

Adjt 2/1 Aust Machine Gun Bn.

NOTICES.

ENTERTAINMENTS

Feature: Valley of the giants (Wayne Morris & Claire Trevor)  
Shorts: Freddie Martin - Trouble in store. - Joe Glow the Firefly.  
Showing at Commandos on Thursday 9 Nov'44.

Feature: Nice Girl (Dorina Durban & Franchot Tene)  
Shorts: Stranger than fiction.  
Showing at 2/1 Aust M G Bn on Friday 10 Nov'44 and at Commandos on Sunday 12 Nov'44.

STRENGTH DECREASE.

VX 109	Major PLUMMER.H.S.	Evac 2/2 A.G.H.	5.11.44	Bn HQ
VX 6096	Capt ARDLEY.F.E.	Trans to GDD Q L of C Area		
		and placed on Regt P S L.	7.11.44	Bn HQ
NX 13940	Pte PURCELL.W.J.	Trans to 16 A.P.S.C.(Med)	19.10.44	C Coy
TX 960	Pte WATTS.A.K.	Evac Hosp,trans to X List.	5.11.44	B Coy

P.T.O.



STRENGTH DECREASE (Continued)

NX 59076	A/sjt	SULLIVAN.J.E.	To FAA Regt Trg Sch	4.11.44	Bn HQ
VX 6083	cpl	ATKINS.E.L.	To LHQ Sch of Mil Intell	4.11.44	Bn HQ
NX 133799	pte	LINDSAY.R.J.	To NSW GDD for discharge	5.11.44	C Coy
QX 28963	pte	RIGHTERS.H.J.H.	Trans to 2/9 Aust Fd Coy	5.11.44	C Coy
NX 53863	pte	MARSH.R.P.	Evac Hosp Trans X List	5.11.44	D Coy
QX 613	pte	ANDREWS.E.H.	Trans to 2/25 Aust Inf Bn	5.11.44	E Coy

STRENGTH INCREASE.

NX 25752	pte	JACKSON.W.T.	From 7 Div Recept Camp	6.11.44	A Coy
NX 121878	sjt	SHEPHERD.H.R.	From 1 A.R.T.B. (JV)	6.11.44	B Coy
NX 6595	pte	FRENCH.A.E.	From 3 Aust Gd Compound	7.11.44	D Coy

MARCHED IN.

QX 1060	pte	LLOYD.W.A.	From L.W.O.P.	17.8.44	HQ Coy
QX 3076	l/cpl	HUGHES.A.H.	From LHQ Gas School	4.11.44	HQ Coy
NX 5777	pte	SMITH.M.G.	From 7 Aust Div Mosquito Course	4.11.44	A Coy
NX 11000	pte	McIVOR.F.	ditto	4.11.44	A Coy
NX 11631	pte	SCOTT.A.L.	ditto	4.11.44	A Coy
NX 43767	pte	RIGNEY.S.T.	ditto	4.11.44	A Coy
NX 25625	pte	WALKER.G.A.	ditto	4.11.44	A Coy
QX 31955	pte	BREVITT.H.A.	ditto	4.11.44	B Coy
NX 36911	pte	BRYANT.R.F.	ditto	4.11.44	B Coy
NX 87945	pte	KEITH.W.	ditto	4.11.44	B Coy
VX 50780	pte	ROEBUCK.K.F.	ditto	4.11.44	B Coy
NX 44240	pte	ALLAN.R.C.	ditto	4.11.44	B Coy
VX 15420	pte	VANCE.W.E.	From leave	6.11.44	B Coy
QX 29747	pte	SUCH.B.C.	From 7 Aust Div Recept Camp	6.11.44	B Coy
QX 24590	pte	YAPP.W.	From leave	6.11.44	C Coy

MARCHED OUT.

QX 58	cpl	TICEHURST.E.J.	To 1 Aust Corps Can. Trg. Sch.	4.11.44	HQ Coy
VX 6460	cfn	WILSON.B.A.	To 1 Aust Corps w/proof. Sch.	5.11.44	HQ Coy
SX 28314	pte	JOLLY.R.H.W.	To 1 Aust Corps Can. Trg. Sch.	4.11.44	E Coy
SX 1670	Liaut	WARREN.J.T.	To 1 Aust Corps Can. Trg. Sch.	4.11.44	HQ Coy

PROMOTIONS.

NX 27713	l/cpl	COYAN.L.G.	Promoted a/cpl	7.10.44	A Coy
NX 44285	l/cpl	SHEPHERD.J.	Promoted a/cpl	11.10.44	HQ Coy

TRADE GROUPINGS.

NX 96820	pte	STEPHENS.J.F.	Graded GpIII clerk confirmed	6.9.44	Bn HQ
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Appx C J.O.

2/1 AUSTRALIAN MACHINE GUN BATTALION.

ADM INSTR 11/44.

UNIT BARBERS.

1. The present W.E.T. contains six sets of clippers hair. These sets, when available, will be issued to Coys for barbering, on the scale of one each gun coy and HQ Coy, and one held as spare by unit Q.M.
2. Coys will select one private each who is a qualified barber. He will be issued with the clipper set and appointed Coy barber, to be employed on a part time basis as is the coy bootmaker.
3. Coy Comds will, if necessary, employ the Coy barber in the best manner to ensure the hair of personnel of his coy is kept suitably short. If necessary, the barber will be detached from his normal employment on W.E. and put on to barbering during parade hours. This should NOT occur unless, owing to conditions of service, the need for hair cutting is urgent or overdue. NO charge will be made under such conditions.
4. This instr does NOT deprive any individual of the right to cut hair in his spare time, e.g. outside the hours laid down for parades or trg in Daily Routine (B.S.O. Pt II) or any Trg Instr issued from this H.Q. For barbering done under these conditions, unit owned or privately owned clippers may be used. A charge of 1/- per head may be made.

*R B Peters*  
Capt.  
Adjutant 2/1 Aust M G Bn.

9/11/44



2/1 AUSTRALIAN MACHINE GUN BATTALION.

TRAINING PROGRAMME - WEEK ENDING 19 Nov 44.

*War Diary*  
*Appx. 'D'*

DATE.	'A' COY.	'B' COY	'C' COY	'D' COY	BN H.Q.	H.Q. COY
Mon 13 Nov	Amphibious trg - 18 Bde.	Fd firing exercise.	Duty Coy.	Amphibious trg- 18 Bde.	Normal duties.	1 Pl. Sig trg. 2 Pl. Own syllabus. 3 Pl. Normal duties.
Tue 14 Nov.	Amphibious trg-18 Bde.	1 Pl with 2/16 Bn Remainder MMG subject.	do	Amphibious trg-18 Bde.	½ personnel scouts course.	½ personnel scouts course.
Wed 15 Nov	Re-erection Coy lines. Cleaning gun stores.	1 Pl with 2/16 Bn. Remainder MMG subjects.	do	Cleaning gun stores. Re-erection Coy lines.	½ personnel scouts course.	½ personnel scouts course.
Thu 16 Nov	DEMONSTRATION AND INSTRUCTION - ENEMY EQUIPMENT. Adjutant to issue Adm Instr.					
Fri 17 Nov	A. M. BN PARADE.			P. M. W. E. INSPECTION.		No 2 Pl carry out firing tests. USER TRIALS.
Sat 18 Nov.	A.M. Coy Comds syllabus. P.M. Sports.	Jungle trail exercise.	A.M. Duty Coy. Syllabus. P.M. Sports.	A.M. Coy Comds syllabus. P.M. Sports.	A.M. Normal duties. P.M. Sports.	A.M. Duties. P.M. Sports.
Sun 19 Nov	CHURCH PARADES.			MAKE AND MEND.		

Night Trg. 'B' Coy. Mon 13 Nov. - Night Firing.  
'B' Coy. Sat 18 Nov. - Night occupation - Jungle perimeter.

Offrs' Trg. Fri 17 Nov. 1900 - 2130 hrs. }  
Sat 18 Nov. 0830 - 1200 hrs. } Offrs' Trg Instr 5/44.

*[Signature]*  
Lt col.  
Comd 2/1 Aust MG Bn.



Appx "E"  
War Diary

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ROUTINE ORDERS - PART I.

BY

Lt col A.G.K. HAUPT.

COMMANDING 2/1 AUSTRALIAN MACHINE GUN BATTALION.

PART I.

No. E 96.

10 Nov 44.

1. DUTIES.

Duty Coy to Sat 18 Nov 44.	- - - -	'C' Coy.
<u>En Orderly Officer:</u>	Friday, 10 Nov 44.	Lt L. HOLDING.
	Saturday, 11 Nov 44.	Lt E.O. DOHNT.
	Sunday, 12 Nov 44.	Lt T.G. YATES.
	Monday, 13 Nov 44.	Lt K.T. MACKINTOSH.

2. UNCENSORED MAIL.

The practice of certain personnel leaving or delivering uncensored mail matter to the Postal Sgt is to cease.

3. INVESTIGATION ON LOSS OF BINOCULARS.

The following officer is appointed to inquire into and report on the loss of Binoculars No. 0752, on issue to VX 110 Capt W.B. BOLTON.

WX 33410 Lt L. HOLDING.

Completed report to reach En H.Q. by 1800 hrs 10 Nov 44.

4. CANCELLATION OF INSTRUCTIONS.

The following 'Q' instructions are cancelled :- Q 23, Q 24, Q 25.  
Coys will destroy copies held.

5. AMENDMENT TO 'DUTIES FOR ORDERLY OFFICER'.

The following amdts to 'Duties of En Orderly Officer' are notified :-  
After para 11 add new para. 12.

- "12. (a) Supervise Atebrin Parade of personnel working at Offrs' Mess at 0730 hrs daily, and detention personnel at 0830 hrs daily.
- (b) Inform their Coys of the people who have taken Atebrin.

6. AMENDMENTS TO B.S.Os - SECURITY.

Appendix 'A', reference the above amendments is attached herewith.  
All copies of B.S.Os. will be amended accordingly.

7. OFFICIAL ADDRESS.

Attention of all ranks is directed to B.S.Os. Pt XIV, para 11, with particular reference to address being written on backs of telegrams.

*K.B. Peers*  
Capt.  
Adjutant 2/1 Aust M G Bn.

NOTICES.

CHURCH PARADES.

Battalion Church Parade.	0900 hrs Sunday, 12 Nov 44.
R.C. Church Parade.	1000 hrs Sunday, 12 Nov.44.
C of E Holy Communion.	0645 hrs Sunday, 12 Nov 44.

P.F.O.



NOTICES. - (Continued.)

SUPPLEMENTARY RATIONS.

The following list shows purchases of goods from Supplementary Ration Account for month of Oct 44.

<u>Commodity.</u>		<u>Price.</u>		
Sugar.	lbs 840	13.	10.	0
Flavouring essence.		1.	19.	5
Dripping.	lbs 94	2.	4.	0
Tomato sauce.	doz bottles 14	12.	2.	0
Pickles.	" " 3	4.	10.	0
Worcestershire sauce.	" " 4	2.	4.	0
Tinned apples.	doz tins. 4	8.	8.	0
Custard powder.	" " 6	2.	19.	6
Corn flour.	lbs 6 $\frac{5}{2}$	2.	11.	8
Powdered milk	tins 12	2.	14.	0
Pork tongues	doz tins 16	16.	16.	0
Jelly crystals.	doz pkts. 4	2.	10.	0
Frankfurts	doz tins 4	3.	10.	0
Beef mince	lbs 720	19.	10.	0
Liver	lbs 440	11.	11.	3
Beef sausages.	lbs 165	4.	16.	3
TOTAL.		111.	16.	1.
Loss discount on Canteen goods.		4.	7.	9.
Total Expenditure.		107.	8.	4.

OFFICERS' SPORTS. 10 Nov 44.

Teams as under. To commence at 1640 hrs.

BASKET BALL.

1.	2.
Lt Col HAUPT.	Capt MANSON.
Lt McMAHON.	Capt CRANDON
Lt HOLDING.	Capt PETERS.
Lt PUTNAM.	Lt JOHNSTON.
Capt BOLTON.	Lt DOENT.

REFEREE. Lt BARKER.

VOLLEY BALL.

No teams available.

TRADE GROUPINGS.

NX 150816	Pte.	FAGAN	J.	Graded A/Gp II Signaller.	20.10.44.	H.Q.	Coy.
QX 1060	"	LLOYD	W.A.	do	do	H.Q.	"
NX 202083	"	TREVANION	S.H.	do	do	H.Q.	"
NX 190109	"	TREVANION	G.D.	do	do	H.Q.	"
NX 43351	"	NEVILLE	R.T.	do	do	H.Q.	"
VX 2018	"	FOX	T.	do	do	H.Q.	"
NX 87155	"	DONE	J.M.	do	do	H.Q.	"
NX 10255	"	WHITE	W.P.	do	do	H.Q.	"
NX 4452	"	KEATCH	W.A.	do	do	H.Q.	"
NX 45820	"	CAMPBELL	C.J.	do	do	H.Q.	"
SX 31156	"	WALLER	L.A.	do	do	H.Q.	"
VX 35468	"	BARTON	G.M.	do	do	H.Q.	"

STRENGTH INCREASE.

NX 1858	Pto	GRILLS	E.A.J.	From 2/1 Aust Con Depot.	8.11.44.	'A'	"
SX 12936	"	FULWOOD	G.L.	do.	8.11.44.	'C'	"
VX 93527	"	WEBB	R.J.	From 4 Aust Rft Trg Bn.	8.11.44.	'C'	"
NX 33479	"	WATKINS	E.W.	" 2/2 A.G.H.	8.11.44.	'D'	"
VX 1483	"	McARTHUR	K.M.	" 2/2 A.G.H.	9.11.44.	'C'	"



NOTICES. - (Continued)

STRENGTH DECREASE.

VX 137555	Pte	RUNCIMAN	J.W. To Hospital.	7.11.44.	'B' Coy.
VX 4036	Cpl	BEECROFT	W.T. do	8.11.44.	H.Q. "
VX 44247	Pte	MULLER	S.G. To Vic L of C Area- transfer.	9.11.44.	'B' "
QX 24550	"	STREETER	F. To Hospital.	9.11.44.	Bn H.Q.

DETACHED.

NX 14086	Pte	CHAPPELL	E.J. To 5 Aust RSD for trg.	8.11.44.	H.Q. Coy.
QX 26822	"	HUMPHREY	E. do	8.11.44.	'B' "

MARCHED OUT.

NX 3393	Pte	NOTTLE	J. To 2 Aust Corps Fd Punishment Centre.	8.11.44.	'B' Coy.
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STRENGTH INCREASE - OFFICERS.

VX 132785	Lt	E.O. DOHNT.	From 1 Aust Rft Trg Bn (JW)	9.11.44.	'B' Coy.
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STRENGTH DECREASE.- OFFICERS.

VX 15675	Capt	I. McKERROW.	To 2/2 Aust Gen Hospital.	8.11.44.	H.Q. Coy
VX 15118	Lt	E.C. WHITE.	To Hospital.	8.11.44.	'C' "



APPENDIX 'A' TO B.R.O. E 96.

AMENDMENT TO BATTALION STANDING ORDERS PART XIV - SECURITY.

Insert para 4.

4. CODES AND CIPHERS.

A member will NOT post or send any communication containing :-

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

Para 5. Insert para 5 (d).

- 5.
  - (d) Post-cards or books of views on sale in towns in areas defined in para 6 below.

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ROUTINE ORDERS PART I

BY

Lt col A.G.K. HAUPT

COMMANDING 2/1 AUSTRALIAN MACHINE GUN BATTALION

PART I

No E 97

14 Nov 44

*War Diary*  
*Appx F*

1. DUTIES

Bn Orderly Officer.

Tuesday	14 Nov 44
Wednesday	15 Nov 44
Thursday	16 Nov 44
Friday	17 Nov 44
Saturday	18 Nov 44

Lt T.G. LONG
Lt J.S. ROCKWOOD
Lt K.R. NETTLE
Lt K.T. McINTOSH
Lt E.O. DOHNT.

2. WASHING OF MESS TABLES

When messes are being cleaned daily, the tables will be taken outside the mess for washing down and left to dry in the sun. Forms will NOT on any occasion be placed on tables and the practice of personnel sitting or standing on mess tables for any purpose whatsoever will cease immediately.

3. UNIT BARBERS

Adm Instr 11/44 dated 8 Nov 44 is to be renumbered 12/44.

4. DIARRHOEAL DISEASES

Owing to the increasing incidence of Diarrhoeal Diseases, blown tins of meat in Field Operational Rations are NOT to be consumed under any circumstances.

5. CHRISTMAS MAIL POSTINGS FOR ABROAD

Postings in the categories and for the destinations listed hereunder should be made immediately, or where a date is shown, on or before that date.

Class of Articles	Destinations concerned and related date for postings			
	United Kingdom	Middle East	U.S.A.	Canada
Surface Mails	Immediately	Immediately	Immediately	Immediately
Air Mails	18 Nov 44	24 Nov 44	"	"
Air Graphs	29 Nov 44	5 Dec 44 <sup>x</sup>	"	5 Dec 44
Air Letters	2 Dec 44	9 Dec 44 <sup>x</sup>	9 Dec 44 <sup>x</sup>	9 Dec 44

<sup>x</sup>To members of the Force only.

*David L.*  
 Capt  
 Adj 2/1 Aust M G Bn

P.T.O.



NOTICES

STRENGTH INCREASE

VX 109	Maj	PLUMMER	H S	From 2/2 A.G.H.	11.11.44	Bn H.Q.
VX 15118	Lt	WHITE	E C	do	11.11.44	C Coy.
NX 91997	Pte	TAYLOR	D	From 2/2 C.C.S.	11.11.44	B Coy.
TX 903	A/Sgt	COLLINS	G W	From LHQ School of Mil Int	12.11.44	Bn H.Q.
NX 80746	Pte	DAVIS	J	From 116 A.G.H.	13.11.44	C Coy.
VX 13400	L/Cpl	CLEMENTS	E A	From "U" Aust FS Sec as rft	13.11.44	Bn H.Q.

STRENGTH DECREASE

TX 1118	Pte	MENZIE	M	Evac to Hosp	14.11.44	H.Q. Coy
QX 22252	Pte	BYRNE	L J	do	14.11.44	C Coy.

MARCHED IN

SX 1670	Lt	WARREN	J T	From 1 Aust Corps Cam Trg School	12.11.44	H.Q. Coy.
QX 58	Cpl	TICEHURST	E J	do	12.11.44	H.Q. Coy.
SX 28314	Pte	JOLLY	R H W	do	12.11.44	C Coy.

DETACHED

NX 38520	Pte	McPHEE	M D	To 4 Aust L of C Post Unit A.P.O. ATHERTON	13.11.44	C Coy.
SX 704	Pte	WILLMOTT	A J	do	13.11.44	C Coy.

CEASED TO BE DETACHED

VX 6744	Pte	McGENNISKIN	C R F	From A.P.O. ATHERTON	13.11.44	B Coy.
NX 86791	Pte	McDONALD	R A	do	13.11.44	B Coy.

MARCHED OUT

NX 91789	L/Cpl	GRAHAM	F H	To attend 7 Aust Div Photo Inter Course	14.11.44	A Coy.
NX 85191	Pte	MONCRIEFF	A P	do	14.11.44	Bn H.Q.
QX 16588	Pte	McLAY	A J	do	14.11.44	Bn H.Q.

ENTERTAINMENTS

Ruggles of Red Gap - Charles Laughton, Charles Ruggles.  
 Champion Air Hoppers  
 Grim Fighters  
 Showing at 2/1 Aust M G Bn on Wed 15 Nov 44.

A Haunting we will Go - Laurel and Hardy  
 Who is Hope Schuyler - Mary Howard, Joseph Allen.  
 Showing at the Commandos Thu 16 Nov 44.



War Diary

2/1 Australian Machine Gun Battalion.

TRAINING PROGRAMME FOR WEEK ENDING 26 Nov 44.

Appx E

DATE.	'A' COY	'B' COY	'C' COY	'D' COY	Bn H.Q.	H.Q. COY.
Mon 20 Nov	Fd Firing. Jungle penetration. Night Firing.	Field Duties. Recapitulation. Include 1 period A.E.S.	Field Duties. Recapitulation.	Duty Coy.	Normal Duties.	Normal Trg and Duties.
Tue 21 Nov	Fd Duties. Recapit.	Fd Firing. Jungle penetration. Night Firing.	Fd Duties. Recapit. Include 1 period A.E.S.	Duty Coy.	Normal Duties.	Normal Trg and Duties.
Wed 22 Nov	Preparation Div Demo.	Preparation Div Demo and Bn Duties.	Preparation Div Demo	Preparation Div Demo.	Preparation Div Demo.	Preparation Div Demo.
Thu 23 Nov	Div Demo.	Div Demo and Bn Duties.	Div Demo.	Div Demo.	Div Demo.	Div Demo.
Fri 24 Nov	Fd Duties. Recapit. Include 1 period A.E.S.	Bde Exercise. 21 Bde.	Fd Firing. Jungle penetration.	Duty Coy.	Normal Duties.	Normal Trg and Duties.
Sat 25 Nov	Firing rifle and O.S.M.G. from hip.	Bde Exercise. 21 Bde.	Bde Exercise. 25 Bde.	Fd Firing. Jungle penetration.	Normal Duties. Include 1 period A.E.S.	Bn Duties.
Sun 26 Nov	Church Parade. Make and Mond.	Bde Exercise. 21 Bde.	Bde Exercise. 25 Bde.	Church Parade. Make and Mond.	Church Parade. Make and Mond.	Church Parade. Make and Mond.

*[Signature]*

Lt col.  
Comd 2/1 Aust M.G.Bn.



War Diary  
Appendix

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AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE

ROUTINE ORDERS PART I.

BY

Lt col A.G.K. HAUPT.

COMMANDING 2/1 AUSTRALIAN MACHINE GUN BATTALION.

PART I.

No. E 98.

17 Nov 44.

1. DUTIES.

Duty Coy. To mount on Sun 19 Nov -- till Tue 21 Nov. 'D' Coy.

<u>Bn Orderly Officer.</u>	Fri 17 Nov 44.	Lt R.V.H.	CARR-BOYD.
	Sat 18 Nov 44.	Lt H.P.	KEACH.
	Sun 19 Nov 44.	Lt T.G.	YATES.
	Mon 20 Nov 44.	Lt L.	HOLDING.
	Tue 21 Nov 44.	Lt K.R.	NETTLE.

2. POSTING OF OFFICERS.

The following posting of officers will take effect from 0600 hours, Mon 20 Nov 44.

Lt E.C. WHITE.	to	'B' Coy.
Capt L.G. CRANDON	to	'C' Coy.

3. DRESS -- CHIN STRAPS.

- (a) With the exception of Bn Parades and Duty Mounting Parade, the wearing of chin straps is optional.
- (b) Chin straps will NOT be placed behind the hat, nor will they be tucked up inside.

4. AIR LETTER SERVICE. (GRO 403/44)

1. The Postmaster General's Dept has introduced an Air Letter Service, in addition to the existing air mail and air graph facilities, for overseas correspondence. This service is available for communications -
  - (a) To Australian and other Empire Forces, overseas, and British Merchant Seamen;
  - (b) To civilians in most parts of the British Empire, other than Canada, and in certain specified/neutral countries ;
  - (c) To prisoners of war in Europe.
 It will provide a considerably faster service than the normal air-mail.
2. When this service is used, the letter will be written on the special air letter form, which is obtainable at Army and Civil Post Offices at a cost of 7 d, and the following procedure will be observed -
  - (a) The space provided on the back of the form for the name and address of the sender will NOT be used. The address will be written inside the letter form in the top right hand corner thereof;
  - (b) In writing to a British country, a member will use his usual Military Address;
  - (c) When writing to a neutral or enemy country, a member will NOT use any military address, but will use either -
    - (i) A civil address -
 

(e.g. Army No..... Rank..... Initials ..... Surname.....  
18 Tope Street,  
NEWHAVEN, N.S.W. ), or
    - (ii) That of the Chief Field Censor -
 

(e.g. Army No. ... Rank ..... Initials .... Surname.....  
C/o Chief Field Censor, LHQ, AUSTRALIA.);

P.T.O.



(d) If the Chief Field Censor's address be used, the member will notify him of his usual military address and any subsequent change of that address in order that any reply received to the member's air letter may be forwarded to him by the Chief Field Censor.

3. Air letter forms cannot be sent by registered post and will not contain enclosures. Any found with enclosures will be forwarded by surface mail.

5. LIFE ASSURANCE POLICIES TAKEN OUT BY MEMBERS OF THE FORCES.  
(GRO 412/44)

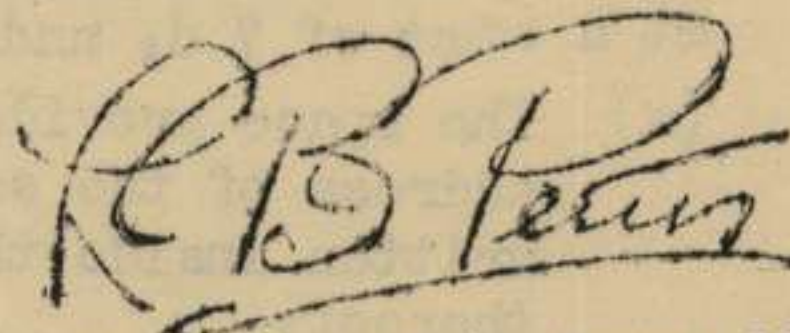
1. Life assurance policies taken out by members of the forces on their own lives after Sept 1939, usually contain a war clause which imposes upon the member assured, if he wishes to remain covered under his policy for the full sum assured while serving outside the Commonwealth, the obligation of -  
(a) informing the life assurance office concerned of his departure from Australia and of the date thereof; and  
(b) payment to that office of an extra war loading premium.

2. Certain life assurance offices regard the Territories of Papua and New Guinea as being, for this purpose, outside the Commonwealth, and there are variations in the rate of war loading premiums charged by different offices, while, in some circumstances, an office may not be prepared to cover the additional risk and may, therefore, refuse to quote any extra premium. A member who desires to remain covered while serving outside the Commonwealth should ascertain from the office concerned to what areas the existing cover extends and what rates of war loading premiums are required should he serve outside those areas.

3. If the member subsequently embarks for service outside the Commonwealth, he may arrange through army channels -  
(a) for payment of the amount of extra war loading premiums (as previously ascertained by him) to the office concerned, by means of a remittance of undrawn pay; and  
(b) for notice of the date of embarkation to be given to that office by the DFO when paying the remittance.

The member will attach to the remittance form a letter requesting the giving of the notice mentioned in sub-para (b) of this paragraph.

4. For security reasons, direct notification by members to life assurance offices of their impending or actual embarkation is strictly prohibited.

  
Adjutant 2/1 Aust M G Bn. <sup>Capt.</sup>

N O T I C E S.

CHURCH PARADES.

Bn Church Parade. 0900 hours Sun 19 Nov 44.  
R.C. Church Parade. 1000 " " "  
C of E Holy Communion. 0645 hours Sun 19 Nov 44.



NOTICES.

DEBATING CLUB & DISCUSSION GROUP.

All personnel interested in the formation of a Debating Club and Discussion Group are asked to be at the Padre's tent at 1730 hours on 17 Nov 44.

LOST.

A fountain pen, the property of NX 11493 Pte W.A. Abraham, was lost between HQ Coy Mess Hut and 'A' Coy lines, on 15 Nov 44. Finder is requested to return to owner or to Bn H.Q.

STRENGTH INCREASE.

NX 1871	A/Sgt	RYAN	N V	From 1 Aust MG Trg Coy.	14.11.44	C Coy.
VX 3861	L/Sgt	INDIAN	T H	From FAA Regt Trg School	15.11.44	B Coy.
VX 146578	Pte	McDONALD	R	From 2/2 A.G.H.	15.11.44	A Coy.

STRENGTH DECREASE

SX 28708	Pte	MAYNE	W S	Evac to Hosp	16.11.44	C Coy
NX 4759	L/Cpl	LEE	J L	do	17.11.44	A Coy.

REVERSIONS & RELINQUISHMENT

VX 13406	L/Cpl	CLEMENTS	E A	Reverted to Pte.	13.11.44	Bn HQ
NX 1871	A/Sgt	RYAN	N V	Reverted to L/Sgt	14.11.44	C Coy.
NX 43351	Pte	NEVILLE	R T	Relinq A/Gp II Sig	28.10.44	HQ Coy
NX 10255	Pte	WHITE	W P	do	30.10.44	HQ Coy

CEASED TO BE DETACHED

NX 4506	Sgt	WILLIAMS'	L E	From 25 Aust Inf Bde		
				Trg Cadre	23.10.44	C Coy
SX 286	Sgt	SIMS	D C	do	23.10.44	C Coy
TX 775	Sgt	HENRY	F H	From 18 Aust Inf Bde		
				Trg Cadre	15.11.44	D Coy
TX 180	Sgt	WIDDOWSON	G	do	15.11.44	D Coy
NX 41130	Pte	GOODWORTH	H W	do	15.11.44	D Coy
NX 5343	Pte	THOMPSON	R J	do	15.11.44	D Coy



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AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

ROUTINE ORDERS PART I.

*Appx 4 '1'*

BY

Lt col A.G.K. HAUPT.

COMMANDING 2/1 AUSTRALIAN MACHINE GUN BATTALION.

PART I.

No. E 99.

21 Nov 44.

1. DUTIES.

The Duty Coy will supply the following duties daily :-

Guard - 1 Sgt, 1 Cpl, 1 L/Cpl, 10 ORs.

Bn Orderly Duty. 1 NCO and 1 OR.

H.Q. Coy.

General Duty. (Subject to alteration from time to time) 6 ORs.

Pioneer Fatigue. (Offrs Showers, Latrines, Kitchen, and Sgts kitchen.) Sufficient to complete duty by 1030

This cancels all previous instructions.

2. DUTIES.

<u>Date.</u>	<u>Orderly Officer.</u>	<u>Duty Coy.</u>
Tue 21 Nov 44.	Lt E.O. DOHNT.	HQ
Wed 22 Nov 44.	Lt R.J.H. CARR-BOYD.	B
Thu 23 Nov 44.	Lt R.J.H. CARR-BOYD.	HQ
Fri 24 Nov 44.	Lt K.M. GAHAN.	D
Sat 25 Nov 44.	Lt C.J. LUFF.	D

3. HYGIENE.

Ablution benches are provided in lines for washing of clothes and bathing. Personnel will NOT wash clothes or bath in tent lines.

4. DRESS.

Attention is directed to Para 2, Sub-para C (v), Standing Orders for Kairi Camp, which reads :-

'After 1700 hours daily, when sleeves will be rolled down.'

All NCOs will check, and ensure that above instruction is carried out.

5. WELFARE COMMITTEE.

The following changes in appointment of Offrs for Welfare Committee will take effect from 180900 K.

Capt L.G. CRANDON vice Capt K.M. DURRANT.

Lt H.P. KEACH vice Lt A.H. LOFTS.

6. EDUCATION OFFICER.

Lt E.O. DOHNT is appointed in lieu of Capt CRANDON. L.G.

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

NOTICES.

PICTURES.

'City of Conquest' (James Cagney & Robt Montgomery) with Shorts. Showing at 2/1 Aust M G Bn on Fri 24 Nov, and at Commandos on Sun 26 Nov.

'Close Call For Ellery Queen' (Wm Morgan & Margaret Lawrence). Showing at Commandos on Fri 24 Nov 44.

Until further notice pictures will commence at 1915 hours.

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NOTICES. (Continued.)

CARD TOURNAMENT.

It is proposed to hold a card Tournament in the Unit on dates to be announced in later BROs.

Bridge.      Euchre      500.      Crib.

- (a) Each person will bring his own cards where possible.
- (b) Prizes will be allotted to the winners and runners-up in each section.
- (c) Rules of play -

- Bridge - Best of 5 Rubbers.
- Crib - Best out of 5 games.
- 500 - Best out of 3 games.

In any unfinished game the scorers of highest points will win.

All names (preferably in pairs) to be submitted to Coy HQ before Fri, 24 Nov 44, by 1500 hrs.

Refreshments will be provided on nights of play.

STRENGTH INCREASE.

NX 43965	Pte	ENARES	W.D.	From 2/2 A.G.H.	17.11.44.	'B' Coy.
NX 11713	"	TAYLOR	E.C.	" Illegal Absence.	18.11.44.	'C' "
NX 41066	"	VENESS	T.	" 116 A.G.H.	19.11.44.	'A' "
VX 5150	S/Sgt	McGREGOR	J.R.	" Q'ld L of C GDD.	20.11.44.	'A' "
NX 7163	Sgt	SPEER	J.J.	" do.	20.11.44.	'A' "
NX 134263	Cpl	PACITTI	J.	" 2/14 Aust Inf Bn.	20.11.44.	HQ "

STRENGTH DECREASE.

SX 1565	Pte	SHEGOG	W.J.	To Illegal Absentee.	17.11.44.	'D' Coy
NX 6168	"	LAW	C.A.	do do	17.11.44.	'A' "
NX 164904	"	RICHARDSON	G.S.	do do	17.11.44.	'A' "
SX 22233	"	CHAPMAN	I.K.	To Hospital.	20.11.44.	'A' "
WX 2905	Sgt	SPICE	C.R.	do	20.11.44.	'A' "
SX 794	Lt	C.W. McMILLAN.		do	20.11.44.	'C' "

MARCHED IN.

VX 6460	Cfn	WILSON	B.A.	From 1 Aust Corps School.	18.11.44.	HQ Coy.
NX 1458	Pte	RUSSELL	J.A.	" Leave.	20.11.44.	'B' "

CEASED TO BE DETACHED.

NX 47803	Lt	L.C. McKNIGHT		From 18 Aust Inf Bde Cadre.	15.11.44.	'D' Coy.
NX 52544	Lt	C.J. LUFF		do do	15.11.44.	'D' "
NX 70545	Lt	B.H. HAY		do do	15.11.44.	'A' "
QX 13858	Lt	J.S. ROOKWOOD.		From 13 A.A.O.D.	15.11.44.	'C' "

APPOINTMENTS & PROMOTIONS.

NX 7245	Cpl	MACLENNAN	M.L.	Promoted A/Sgt.	7.9.44.	'D' Coy.
SX 1112	Pte	BORG	J.M.	Graded A/Gp II Sig	31.10.44.	HQ "
NX 81894	Pte	STAPLETON	K.E.	" A/Gp III R/T.	1.10.44	'A' "
VX 25822	Pte	FOWLER	V.K.	" do	12.9.44.	'A' "
NX 69424	Pte	ROBINSON	A.E.	" Gp III R/T Conf.	27.10.44.	'B' "



2/1 AUSTRALIAN MACHINE GUN BATTALION.

TRAINING INSTRUCTION 62/44.

7 AUST DIV MMG DEMONSTRATION on 7 November 44.

Ref Map - 1 inch to 1 mile GORDONVALE.

- War Diary.*  
*Appx J*
1. Three Coys 2/1 Aust M G Bn will participate in a demonstration of MMG fire to be given to Comds 7 Aust Div Units on 7 Nov 44. The demonstration is designed to give Infantry Commanders an idea of the fire power of the MMG fire unit and its employment in close support of infantry.
  2. Companies participating A, B, and C Companies.
  3. Location of demonstration - DANBULLA Rifle Range and area SOUTH to DANBULLA SCHOOL ROAD.
  4. Coy areas and Section areas allotted to Coys for tasks are as per sketch attached as Appendix 'A'. For the purpose of identification of tasks the eighteen fire units (sections) participating are lettered from A to R. Each company will be allotted a series of tasks and they will allot sections to tasks as pointed out on the ground. For this purpose all officers (less Company 2 I/Cs) will report to Adjutant at house 530407 at 0900 hours on 6 Nov for details.
  5. The demonstration will cover the subjects in the sequence shown in Appx 'B' attached. Allocation of fire units (sections) to coys, timings and ammunition allotted are also shown.
  6. By 1200 hours 5 Nov all guns to be used will be mechanically overhauled, and dial sights zeroed. New barrels will be used for the demonstration and these will be subjected to the barrel test to ensure they are suitable for overhead fire. Guns will then be tested for accuracy. See SAT 1, Pam 1, Appx I, paras 4 to 8.
  7. Prior to 6 Nov Coys will select N.C.O's and gun numbers for the demonstration and ensure they are adequately refreshed on the subjects to be dealt with by each section. Great care is to be taken in ensuring correct fire control orders are given, that corrections are made promptly and decisively when necessary, that length of bursts and rates of fire are correct and that Section and Platoon drill is of a high standard.
  8. Demonstration will commence at 0900 hours 7 Nov and conclude at 1530 hours.
  9. Reconnaissance and Rehearsal.  
A complete rehearsal including some firing will take place on 6 Nov. Companies will recon areas in the morning of 6 Nov and complete all arrangements by midday for rehearsal in afternoon.
  10. STAFF.

Officer I/C Visitors.	Major PLUMMER
Control Officer.	Lt McMAHON.
Assistant Control Officer.	Lt PIERCE.
Commentator.	Capt PETERS.
Sig Communications and sound.	Lt BARKER.
Traffic Control.	Provost Sergeant.
Targets.	W.O. I. FORBES.
Catering.	Capt McKERROW.
Safety Officer.	Capt ARDLEY.
  11. Intercommunication.  
Sig Officer will complete sig diagram from sketch attached as Appendix 'A' and arrange line communication from control point at house 530407 to all section areas by 1200 hours 6 Nov. The Unit broadcasting equipment will be transported to control point and rigged for use by 1800 hours 6 Nov. Two microphones and two loud speakers required.
  12. Safety. Safety Officer will be responsible for posting of all sentries required and for safety of troops participating.



13. Administration.  
See 2/1 Aust Machine Gun Battalion Administration Instruction 10/44.

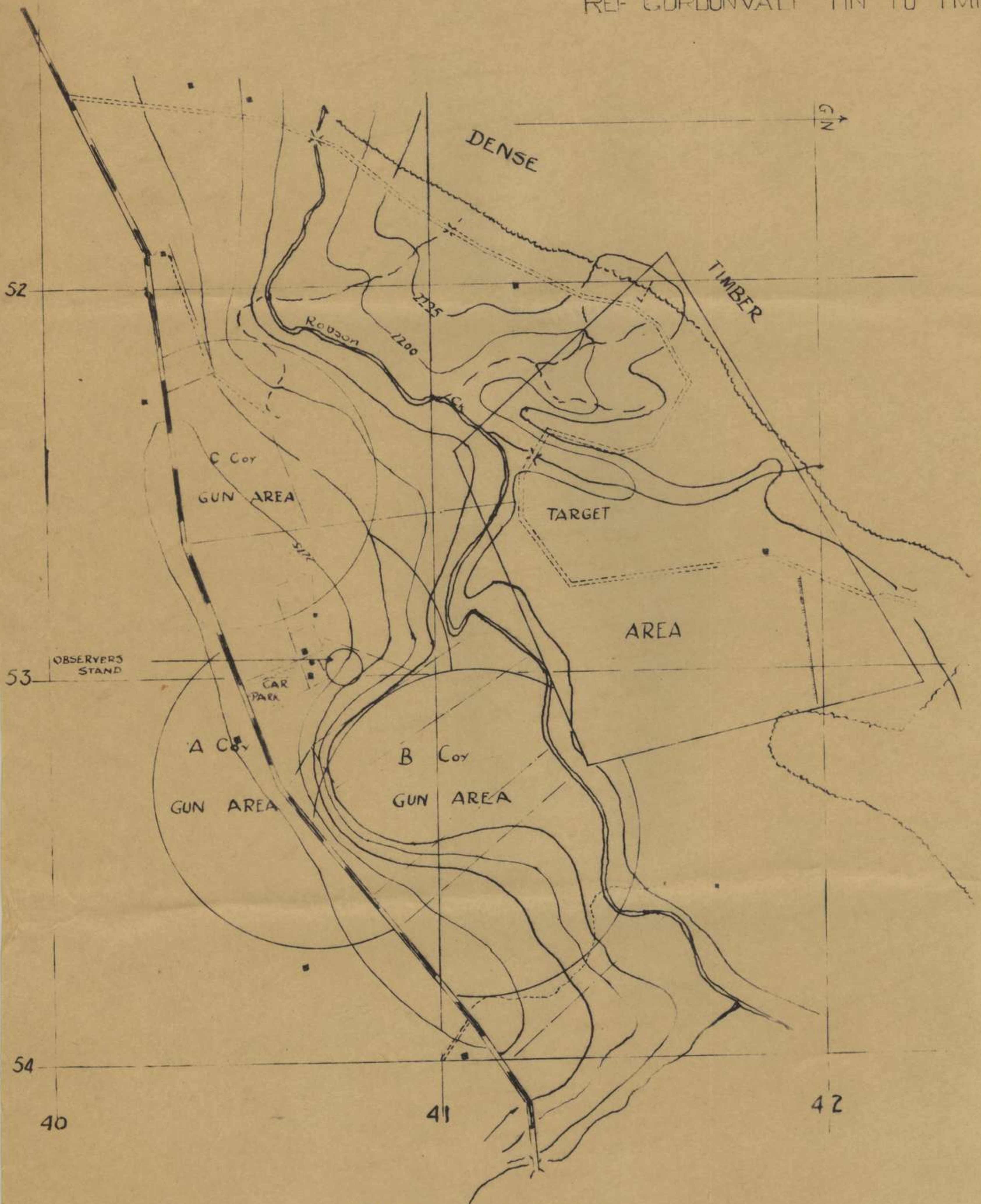
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Date. 31 Oct 44  
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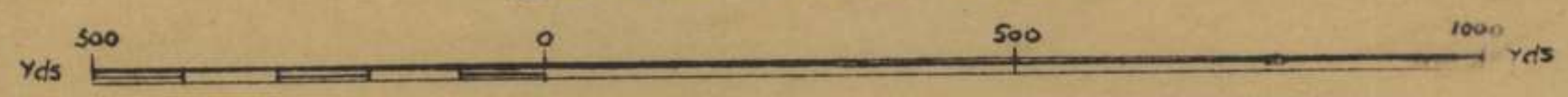


# 2/1 AUST MG BN DEMONSTRATION SHOOT DANBULLA RANGE

REF GORDONVALE 1 IN TO 1 MILE



SCALE 1 in to 300 yds





TASKS AND TIMINGS 7 AUST DIV MMG DEMONSTRATION. 7 NOV 44.

APPENDIX 'B'.

(Issued with 2/1 Aust M G Bn  
Training Instruction 62/44.)

Serial.	TASK.	Coy.	Fire Unit.	Timings.	Ammunition Allotted per gun.	Remarks.
1.	Beaten zones and trajectories at 600 and 900 yards.	B	F	0910 0920	2 belts. (4)	Tracer 1 in 5. Section then moves to scrubby ridge.
2.	Beaten zones and trajectories at 1350 yards.	B	E	0920 0925	1 belt. (4)	Tracer 1 in 5.
3.	Effect of ground on beaten zones.	B	M	0930 0931	$\frac{1}{2}$ belt. (1)	
4.	Methods of fire - Point targets.	B	M	0940 0945	2 belts. (4)	
5.	Methods of fire - Target with little width.	B	N	0955 1000	2 belts. (4)	
6.	Methods of fire - Target with width.	C	P & Q	1010 1020	3 belts. (12)	
7.	Methods of fire - Target with depth along Line of Sight.	B	N	1030 1040	3 belts. (6)	
8.	Methods of fire - Target with depth on forward slope.	C	K & L	1050 1100	3 belts. (12)	
9.	Methods of fire - Oblique target.	A	A	1110 1120	3 belts. (6)	
10.	Methods of fire - Swinging traverse against close target.	C	D	1130 1131	2 belts. (4)	
11.	Applying defensive fire as close as possible to a position occupied by own troops.	C B	C O	1140 1145	1 belt (4)	
12.	Applying flanking fire in support of an attack.	C	C	1155 1200	2 belts. (4)	
13.	Near and far limits of safety in applying overhead fire.	B	A & B	1210 1222	4 belts. (16)	Tracer 1 in 5 ?
14.	Applying overhead fire in support of an attack.	B	O	1225 1230	2 belts. (4)	



Serial.	TASK.	Coy	Fire Unit.	Timings.	Ammunition Allowed per gun.	Remarks.
15.	Indirect fire - linear targets with O P close to gun position.	A	I & J	1340 1350	3 belts. (12)	Director method.
16.	Indirect fire - linear target with O P well forward of gun position. (600 yards)	A	G & H	1340 1350	3 belts. (12)	T.O.G. method.
17.	Engaging a target obscured by smoke.	A	G	1400 1420	1 belt. (2)	
18.	Harrassing targets at night. (2)	A	I	1430 1440	2 belts. (4)	
19.	Neutralising an area during attack. One platoon available.	B	F & O	1450 1452	1 belt. (4)	
20.	Neutralising an area during attack. One Coy available.	B A C	M & N A & B P & Q	1455 1500	1 belt. (12)	
21.	Neutralising an area during attack. Three companies available.	A B C	All sections.	1505 1510	1 belt. (36)	

TOTAL.  
42,000. rds.



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2/1 AUSTRALIAN MACHINE GUN BATTALION.

TRAINING PROGRAMME - WEEK ENDING 3 Dec 44.

DATE.	'A' COY.	'B' COY.	'C' COY.	'D' COY.	BN H.Q.	H.Q. COY.
Mon 27 Nov	1 Pl with 2/9 Bn. Remainder - MMG subjects- recapitulation.	Bde Exercise - 21 Bde.	Bde Exercise - 25 Bde.	Duty Coy.	Normal duties and Reece for Div Exercise.	1 Pl with 21 & 25 Bde 2 Pl Own syllabus. 3 Pl Normal duties.
Tue 28 Nov	1 Pl with 2/9 Bn. Remainder - MMG subjects- recapitulation.	do	do	do	do	do
Wed 29 Nov	Rifle and OSMG from hip - MMG Fd Firing Range.	do	do	do	do	do
Thu 30 Nov	MMG subjects - recapitulation.	do	MMG subjects - recap.	do	do	1 Pl. Own syllabus. 2 Pl. Own syllabus. 3 Pl. Normal duties.
Fri 1 Dec.	AM. Coy Comds syllabus. PM. Sports.	AM. Coy Comds syll. PM. Sports.	AM. Coy Comds syll. PM. Sports.	do	AM. Normal duties. PM. Sports.	AM. Normal duties. PM. Sports.
Sat 2 Dec.	Held spare pending allotment of Tank Rock Range.					
Sun 3 Dec.	C H U R C H P A R A D E      M A K E   A N D   M E N D.					

*A. Haupt*  
 Lt col.  
 Comd 2/1 Aust M G Bn.



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AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE

*Appx L.*

ROUTINE ORDERS PART I.

BY

Lt col A.G.K. HAUPT

COMMANDING 2/1 AUSTRALIAN MACHINE GUN BATTALION

PART I

No E 100

24 Nov 44

1. DUTIES

<u>Date</u>	<u>Orderly Offr.</u>	<u>Duty Coy</u>
Fri 24 Nov 44	Lt A.B. JOHNSTON.	D
Sat 25 Nov 44	Lt C.J. LUFF	D
Sun 26 Nov 44	Lt J.L. HUNTER	D
Mon 27 Nov 44	Lt L. HOLDING	D
Tue 28 Nov 44	Lt T.G. YATES	D

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

NOTICES

LOST

OX 4357 Pte J.K. DRISCOLL. Small folding wallet containing £2 and personal belongings. HQ Coy lines.

CHURCH PARADES

Bn Church Parade	0900 hrs Sun 26 Nov 44.
R.C. Church Parade	1000 " " "
C of E Holy Communion	0645 " " "

STRENGTH INCREASE

VX 93678	Pte	DUNCAN	E.	From Rfts - 5 A RD	23.11.44	C Coy
NX 155534	Pte	ARNOLD	D	do	23.11.44	C Coy
NX 150485	Pte	AYRES	R.C.	do	23.11.44	B Coy.
VX 93528	Pte	McINDOE	A.V.	do	23.11.44	B Coy.
NX 202416	Pte	McNAB	F.J.G.	do	23.11.44	B Coy
NX 151097	Pte	RYAN	D.	do	23.11.44	D Coy
VX 93264	Pte	NAUGHTON	T.E.	do	23.11.44	C Coy
NX 105113	Pte	DRUERY	K.R.	do	23.11.44	B Coy
NX 146781	Pte	BROOKER	H.R.	do	23.11.44	HQ Coy
NX 178312	Pte	TAYLOR	E.J. (AMC)	do	23.11.44	Bn HQ

STRENGTH DECREASES

NX 26922	Pte	SNELL	L.R.	Evac to Hosp	24.11.44	A Coy
VX 7475	Pte	HORE	C.P.	To Gen Rfts	21.11.44	D Coy.
SX 1891	Pte	LEWIS	C L.	Evac to Hosp	21.11.44	D Coy

MARCHED IN

NX 91789	L/Cpl	GRAHAM	F.H.	From 7 Aust Div Photo Int Course	22.11.44	A Coy.
NX 85191	Pte	MONCRIEFF	A.P.	do	22.11.44	Bn HQ
QX 16588	Pte	McLAY	A.J.	do	22.11.44	Bn HQ



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ROUTINE ORDERS PART I

*Appx M.*

BY

Lt col A.G.K. HAUPT

COMMANDING 2/1 AUSTRALIAN MACHINE GUN BATTALION

PART I

No F 1

28 Nov 44

1. DUTIES

<u>Date</u>	<u>Bn Orderly Offr</u>	<u>Duty Coy.</u>
Wed 29 Nov 44	Lt J.S. ROOKWOOD	D
Thu 30 Nov 44	Lt T.G. LONG	D
Fri 1 Dec 44	Lt E.O. DOHNT	D
Sat 2 Dec 44	Lt R.V.H. CARR-BOYD	D

2. CARE OF AAB 83

Attention is directed to BROs E50 para 4 dated 24 May 44.

3. INCOME TAX - MEMBERS WITH DEPENDANTS RESIDENT OVERSEAS (GRO 431/44)

- (i) The Income Tax Assessment Act provides for rebates of tax in respect of a tax payers dependants resident in Australia.
- (ii) Where a member of the A.M.F. has married while serving overseas, rebates may be claimed in respect of his wife, and of any children of the marriage, even if they are residing overseas. Such persons are, for this purpose, deemed to be domiciled in Australia.
- (iii) No rebate will be allowed in respect of other dependants residing outside Australia.

4. AMDT TO ADM INSTR 12/43

Adm of Discipline on Active Service  
 Para 2C under NCOs insert new sub-para  
 "deductions from pay NOT exceeding £5".  
 Para 2C under Private Soldiers insert new sub-para.  
 "e deduction from pay NOT exceeding £3"  
 Para 2D under Private Soldier. NOTE iii after fine insert  
 "or deduction from pay".

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

NOTICES

PICTURES

"Only Angels Have Wings" (Cary Grant, Jean Arthur)  
 with Community Singing.  
 Showing at the Commandos Wed 29 Nov 44.  
 "Corsican Brothers" (Doug Fairbanks, Ruth Warwick)  
 with Shorts "Stranger Than Fiction"  
 Showing at the 2/1 Aust M G Bn Fri 1 Dec 44, and at  
 Commandos Sun 3 Dec 44.

*P.T.O.*



TRANSFER

NX 69695 Pte COWAN R.H. from 'C' Coy to 'HQ' Coy. 27.11.44

STRENGTH INCREASE

VX 15675	Capt	McKERROW	I.	From 2/2 A.G.H.	25.11.44	HQ Coy
NX 236	Maj	McCAFFREY	J.F.	From LHQ Tac School and ceased to be sec'd	24.11.44	Bn HQ
NX 160198	Pte	CODNER	D.	Trans from 84 Aust Mob SL Bty RAA	24.11.44	C Coy
NX 132337	Pte	BUCKLEY	J.P.	do	24.11.44	C Coy
NX 140901	Pte	ANDERSON	A.A.	do	24.11.44	C Coy
VX 4036	Cpl	BEECROFT	W.T.	From 2/2 A.G.H.	25.11.44	HQ Coy
NX 152723	Cpl	McLAREN	L.J.	Rft from 2 Aust Rft Trg Bn (JW)	26.11.44	D Coy
NX 153303	Sgt	PHELPS	J.	do	26.11.44	A Coy

STRENGTH DECREASE

NX 24796	Pte	RICHARDSON	E.A.	Illegal Absentee	24.11.44	A Coy
QX 3081	A/Sgt	MILLIKEN	S.T.	Evac to Hosp	26.11.44	C Coy
VX 146578	Pte	McDONALD	R.	Evac to Hosp	27.11.44	A Coy
NX 36906	Pte	HARCOMBE	D.G.	Trans to 13 LACD	28.11.44	A Coy
NX 98273	Pte	SMALL	S.G.	Evac to Hosp	26.11.44	A Coy

MARCHED OUT

NX 11713	Pte	TAYLOR	E.C.	To 2 Aust Corps Fd Punishment Centre	24.11.44	C Coy
VX 1541	Sgt	STEWART	K.W.	Attending LHQ Gas Sch	27.11.44	B Coy

RELINQUISHMENT

NX 140901	Pte	ANDERSON	A.A.	Relinq Tg II at own request	24.11.44	C Coy
NX 81894	Pte	STAPLETON	K.E.	Prof pay withdrawn	1.10.44	A Coy

CEASED TO BE DETACHED

NX 110072	Pte	WILSON	J.F.	Rejoined from APO Atherton	24.11.44	C Coy
SX 704	Pte	WILLMOTT	A.J.	do	24.11.44	C Coy
NX 38520	Pte	McPHEE	M.D.	do	24.11.44	C Coy
NX 14086	Pte	CHAPPELL	E.J.	From 5 Aust RSD	25.11.44	HQ Coy

MARCHED IN

NX 65318	Pte	WILLIAMS	P.J.	From FAM School of Sigs	26.11.44	A Coy
QX 20226	Pte	ANDERSON	H.J.	do	26.11.44	C Coy
WX 2199	Cpl	MARTIN	W.S.	do	26.11.44	D Coy