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Item number: 8/3/6

2/6 Infantry Battalion

July - August 1941

2/6 INF BN

HILL, 69

TRAINING

INTERCHANGE
OF OFFICERS

2/6 Inf Bn officers and 2/2 Fd Regt
officers interchanged for training.
7 Jul.

2/6 Inf
Bn
JUL 41

ADMINISTRATION

JEWISH
COMMUNITY

visited by 200 troops; troops impress-
ions and description of community.

2/6 Inf
Bn
JUL 41

2/6 Bw

WAR DIARY
OR
INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

Army Form C.2118.

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Place	Date 1941	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
HILL 69	1 Jul	1100	D.A.Q.M.G., 6 Aust Div. visited unit.	
	2 Jul	1730	Bn. marched out to beach. Capt. SWINBURNE i/c.	
	3 Jul		Bn. at beach. Organized sports (including surf race) in afternoon. March to camp commenced 1915hrs.; finished 2200hrs. Lieut. A.R. ROSS returned to unit from Middle East O.C.T.U. R.Q.M. reported arrival of one M.C. from Ordnance.	
	4 Jul	1100	Major ROWAN and Lieuts. GULLETT and HAY proceeded to 2/3 FD. REGT. for demonstration on miniature range. Major W.T. MUHLHAN placed on Permanent Supernumary List Lieut. M.H. ROWELL, previously reported missing, now reported prisoner of war.	A.I.F. Orders 12 Jul 41
	5 Jul	1930	Lt/Col. CLINTON ^{CHILTERN} , 2/2 INF BN., visited Offrs. Mess and gave an excellent address on the adventures of himself and other members of his unit, in their escape from GREECE through TURKEY.	
	6 Jul	0900	Battalion Church Parade - Padre PORTER.	
	7 Jul	0800 0930	Coys. commenced training on Bayonet Assault Course erected in unit area. System of exchange of officers and sergeants between Inf. and Arty. commenced. Capt. SHERLOCK and Lieuts. GULLETT and HAY and 3 Sgts. proceeded to 2/2 FD. RGT., while Capt. TATCHELL and Lieuts. JOHNSTON and ANDERSON, of 2/2 FD. REGT., arrived in unit for a period of 6 days.	
	8 Jul	1630 2000	Party of 3 Offrs. (Capt. SWINBURNE i/c.) and 33 O.R.'s. left for village of BEIT DARAS to search for arms. Party armed with belt and sidearms only. Party returned. No arms were found.	
	9 Jul		Party of 30 O.R.'s. in charge of Capt. SWINBURNE, visited GIVAT BRENNER, Jewish Settlement, and were entertained at a social evening.	Appx. 9.
	10 Jul		Lieut. W.R. DEXTER returned from 17 I.T.B. after being Adjnt. there for one month.	

W.R. Dexter

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HILL 69	11 Jul	0815 1700	Bn. exercise commenced. Training in Coys. as advance guards and flank guards. Bn. returned to camp.	
	12 Jul	1300 1400	Q.M. reported arrival of C.O's. car, and of 7,000 rds. .303 amn. 2 Offrs. and 40 O.R's. transported to beach for afternoon. This to become a regular event each Saturday and Sunday. Inter-Coy. football. "C" defeated "B". "A" defeated H.Q.	
	13 Jul	0900 1200	Battalion Church Parade - Padre PORTER. Lieut. H.McB. STEWART returned to unit. Ten selected personnel left for M.T. School.	
	14 Jul		Ten personnel left for H.Q., R.A.E. for Field Works Course. Capt. WARFE and Lieut. LANE on exchange with 2/2 FD. REGT., Capt. COX and Lieut. CRAWFORD from 2/2 FD. REGT. with unit.	
	15 Jul	1515 1745 1800	R.Q.M. reported that owing to shortage of Hats, K.F., a supply of Hats, Working, was obtained. These can now be seen in the lines, and serve as a reminder of the early days at PUCKA. Visit of G.O.C., 6 AUST. DIV. Accompanied by C.O. and 2 i/c., he inspected the Coy. areas and watched training in progress. Lecture by Lieut. EDGAR to all Offrs., the first of a series arranged for the training of Offrs. in the unit. Inter-Coy. Football - "C" defeated H.Q.	appx 4
	16 Jul	1100	All Offrs. proceeded to JULIS cinema to hear address by Lieutenant-General Sir Thomas BLAMEY.	
	17 Jul	1430	Lieut. DUNKLEY returned to unit from W.T.S. Tactical route march. "C" Coy. advance guard, "D" Coy. flank guard. Route via JULIS, IRAQ SUWEIDAN to beyond KAUKABA, where evening meal was held. After dark Bn. marched on a bearing across country to JULIS, thence back to camp by road. The night march was successful except for bunching and for the fact that it was loudly and continuously advertised by Arabs' dogs. Bn. arrived in camp at 2345hrs.	

H.A. Hill

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HILL 69	18 Jul		I.O. and I. Sgt. to Div. H.Q. for first of a series of lectures on Intelligence matters. (Subjects including:- Patrols, Information in the Div., O.P's., Arty., Air Recce.) Lieut. H.C. DUNKLEY, M.C., marched out to 2/7 Bn., as Adj. Lieut. DUNKLEY had been the first I.O. of 2/6 Bn., and served in that capacity through LIBYA and GREECE.	
	19 Jul	0900	Bn. muster parade. Kits searched for firearms and unauthorised belongings.	
	20 Jul	0900	Lieut. PAWSON returned to unit. Battalion Church Parade - Padre PORTER.	
	21 Jul	0900 1600	Practise on 30yds. range, located in sand dunes WEST of camp. Practices arranged by Musketry Offr. Lieut. LEWIS. Capt. KERR and Lieut. DEXTER to 2/2 FD. REGT., on exchange with Capt. McPHERSON and Lieut. SUTTON, of 2/2 FD. REGT. Arrival of instruments for band. These were purchased from Palestine Police from the Regimental Fund. Though not used for some time previously, they were in good order.	Ref. Map GAZA 1:100,000 11351274
	22 Jul	1800 2000	30yds. range practice continued. Inter-Coy. Football. - "A" Coy. defeated H.Q. Coy. Band (Sgt. HEAP and 12 bandsmen) played its first concert in lines for many weeks. These concerts are to become regular practice.	
	23 Jul	1545	30yds. range practice continued. Band played for changing of guard for first time since unit left for GREECE.	
	24 Jul		30yds. range practice continued. Tpt. Sec. commenced erecting a detention tent in unit lines.	
	25 Jul	0830 1600 2000	Route march to beach, followed by swim and lunch at the beach. March to camp. Detention Tent completed. Meeting of Sports Committee. (Lieut. STEWART, Sports Offr.) It was decided to complete Inter-Coy. Football competition, start a Pl. Basketball tournament, order a cricket pitch, and arrange for a concert on 30 Jul.	

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HILL 69.	26 Jul	0530	Capt. J. SANGSTER, relieving Capt. HEDBERG (on leave) took over duties of R.M.O. 7 Offrs. and 150 O.R's. (Capt. SWINBURNE i/c.) to JAFFA RANGE. Band proceeded to 19 Bde. to play for their regimental dinner. Lieut. D.H. CHALLINGSWORTH placed on Regimental Supernumary List as from 2 May 41.	See Appx 9. A.I.F. Orders 26 Jul 41.
		0700		
		1815		
	27 Jul	0700	Further 150 O.R's. to JAFFA RANGE. (Capt. JONES i/c.)	
		0900	Battalion Church Parade - Padre PORTER.	
	28 Jul	2015	Lieuts. W.J. CAMERON and S.R. WALKER welcomed in Offrs. Mess, following their promotion. Q.M. reported arrival, from Kit Store, ALEX., of unit baggage placed there before LIBYAN campaign. Sporting gear and Offrs. Mess gear were included.	
		0700	Further 150 O.R's. to JAFFA RANGE. (Capt. WARFE i/c.)	
		0900	Capt. SWINBURNE and Lieut. ROSS to 2/2 FD. REGT., on exchange with Capt. MAIR and Lieut. DOLMAN.	
	29 Jul	1600	Military Funeral at GAZA Cemetery of Cpl. W. WOODMASON, formerly Cpl. Mechanic of "D" Coy., who was drowned at KFAR VITKIN. Service conducted by Padre PORTER. Escort of 15 under Sgt. KELLY.	
		1100	Lieut. TILLEY and 15 O.R's. returned to unit from 17 I.T.B. Lieut. TILLEY posted to "B" Coy. as 2 i/c. Lieut. DEXTER posted to "A" Coy.	
	30 Jul	1800	Final of Inter-Coy. Football. "A" Coy. defeated H.Q. Coy.	
		0930	Lieut. LANE and platoon from "D" Coy., accompanied by I.O., visited Muhktar of ISDUD. The First Muhktar was ill, and so the Offrs. were received by his son. They were shown great courtesy and invited to his wedding on Sunday, 3 Aug 41.	
1800		Pl. Basketball tournament commenced.		
31 Jul	1930	Bn. concert in open air near Y.M.C.A. tent. There were some visiting artists, and the Band and several members of the unit also gave items. An encouraging crowd attended and the concerts will take place each Wednesday evening.		
	0700	Party of 100 O.R's. (Capt. SHERLOCK i/c.) left for JAFFA RANGE to conduct A/A. practices.		
	1100	Padre PORTER left unit for 7 A.G.H.		
	1600	Padre SAVILLE returned to unit from 7 A.G.H.		

John Mackay
Lieut. Col.
Commanding 2/6 Aust. Inf. Bn.

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Medical Diary for the month of June

2/6 Aust. Inf. Battn.

- 7 Jun. Hill 69. The training of the medical orderlies and stretcher bearers was proceeded with. The 4th T.A.B. inoculation was given to those personnel who missed it at Amrya.
- 14 Jun. Hill 69: The sick parades have remained much the same- a total attendance rate of 2.6% or a new sick rate of 1.3%. There were three fresh cases of gonorrhoea this week and one man was evacuated with a recurrent discharge.
- 21 Jun. Hill 69: A course of instruction for the hygiene personnel has been completed. The stretcher bearers are showing some improvement but the difficulty of making impressed men keen still exists. The kitchens continue to be well kept, the number of cases of diarrhoea for the week has fallen from 5 to 3. A lecture was given to the officers for retailing to the men on the question of V.D. I think that this means of approach is often more effective than a lecture to the men by the R.M.O.
- 30 Jun. Hill 69. The sick rate remains at 1.3%. A course of instruction in elementary anatomy and physiology and first aid for the medical dressers of both this battalion and the 7th. is under weigh. We are still having difficulty in getting sufficient stores for the anti-fly campaign.

Mr

E. A. Heusinger

R.M.O 2/BN
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Appx iv

STATEMENT OF---VX.15806 Pte G.W.PAULKS.

CRETE

On the morning of 1 June 41, we were still down at the beach area when Capt BROWNE arrived there with about 70 personnel of 2/6 Bn. We joined up with him. He stated that he was collecting all the personnel of 2/6 Bn and as the whole Island had capitulated he intended to take them to the caves formerly occupied by Force H.Q. and remain there until all the trouble had died down.

He posted three of us on the road to act as runners. The other two being Pte's WISHART and HUTCHIN S. About 0900 hrs we noticed a barge preparing to pull out from the beach and decided to join the party. Pte WISHART decided to remain on the Island. There were about 139 of us on board composed mostly of Royal Marines. Besides these there were a few Commandoes a few Tommy RAs, 3 Greeks, 11 Australians, 7 N.Z's and 2 Moaris. We had on board a small quantity of rations including water, bully-beef and ~~bixx~~ biscuits. Before pushing off we loaded 5 drums of what appeared to be fuel for the boat engine. We later discovered that it was ~~diesel~~ and useless for our petrol engine.

On leaving SPHAKIA we made for an Island about 25 miles South, where we took on more water and laid up until night-fall. We left the Island about 2115 hrs and set out for EGYPT. We arrived there about 9 days later. At 1000 hrs on the second day out, we ran out of petrol and drifted around for three days when an Australian private, Pte LEGG, rigged up a sail out of blankets and a mast out of floor-boards. This gave us a moving speed. About this time the water supply which had already been cut and rationed was almost exhausted, and two Australian Pte's rigged up a distilling plant. They had two 2 gallon water tins and connected them with a canvas water pipe wrapped in a wet cloth. The first was filled with sea water and placed in a bucket containing crude oil which was then set alight. The second one was placed in a bucket containing cold water. By this means we managed to distil between 5 and 6 gallons of water daily. This undoubtedly saved the party.

On the last day out a Polish Jew shot himself through the head and a Tommy private named WATSON who had been wounded in GREECE, died. Both were buried and a Church service held. Land was sighted at 1900 hrs on 8 June and we landed near BUG-BUG at 0200 next morning. We were eventually picked up by a search party from the A/A Regt in SID BARRANI.

During the whole of the trip from CRETE the Moaris stood up to the hardship of the voyage particularly well and were cheerful and uncomplaining the whole time.

G. W. Paulks Pte
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I have read the above statement and confirm it.

Hutchins Pte
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MEDICAL DIARY FOR JULY, 1941:

HILL 69.

During the past month the battalion has remained in training camp and this period has been uneventful from the medical aspect.

The cases of diarrhoea have increased slightly, being five to six per week as opposed to three to four in the past month.

Greater difficulty was experienced in combating flies, hampered by the absence of all stores except chloride of lime.

C. A. Newberry Capt.
R.M.O. 2/6 Aust Inf Bn.

APPENDIX 4.

LIST OF LECTURES TO OFFICERS - JULY, 1941.

Lectures were given by Lieut. A.G.S. EDGAR on the following subjects:-

Topography.

Reports and Messages.

Verbal Orders. (2 lectures, 2 exercises on Sand Table.)

Defence.

Attack.

Withdrawal.

Head Quarters,
2/6 Aust Inf Bn.,

APPENDIX 5

HONOURS AND AWARDS---LIBYAN CAMPAIGN

Mentions in despatches

VX. 72	Capt	A.K.	BROWNE
VX. 5070	Lieut	J.B.	PATERSON
VX. 4554	Lieut	T.H.	WILLIAMS
VX. 8008	Sgt	L.A.	HEAP
VX. 3805	Sgt	A.R.	ROSS
VX. 5115	Cpl	N.W.	MOSS
VX. 12814	Pte	W.M.	WILSON

APPENDIX 6.

SCHOOLS AND COURSES - OFFICERS.

23rd Mortar Course (M.E.W.T.S.), 13 to 31 May 41.

Lieut. J.W. WATERSTONE - Qualified.

No. 10 Regt. Int. Offrs. Course, 2 to 21 Jun 41.

Lieut. D.O. HAY. - Grade A.

APPENDIX 7.

ANALYSIS OF CHARGES - JULY, 1941.

A.W.L.	28
Failure to appear at a place of parade ordered by C.O.	6
Conduct to the prejudice of good order and military discipline.	5
Insubordinate language.	1
Neglect to obey Camp Orders.	1
Malingering	1

PROMULGATIONS OF COURTS-MARTIAL.

1. VX3466 Lieut. R.G. BURKE.

Charge: When on Active Service, disorder to the prejudice of good order and military discipline.

Finding: Guilty, with the exception that the Court finds that accused behaved in a disorderly manner on the night 26/27 February, 1941.

Sentence: To take rank and precedence in his Corps and in the Army as if his appointment as lieutenant bore date the second day of July, 1941.

2. VX11384 Pte. W.C. CADDAYE.

Charges: A.W.L. (three charges.)
Escape from arrest.
Escape from lawful custody.

Finding: Guilty on all charges.

Sentence: 180 days detention.

3. VX11330 Pte. J.S. GRANT.

Charge: Disobeying in such a manner as to show wilful defiance of authority a lawful command given by his superior officer in the execution of his office.

Finding: Guilty.

Sentence: 60 days detention.

ANALYSIS OF RESULTS AT JAFFA RANGE.

RIFLE:

No. fired	348	
Qualified	146	42%

BREN:

No. fired	204	
Qualified	143	70%

A/A.

No. fired	100	
Qualified	73	73%

REPORT ON VISIT TO JEWISH COMMUNAL SETTLEMENT
GIVAT BRENNER.

By VX4753 - Sgt. A. Jamieson.

On Wednesday 9 Jul 41, I visited the Jewish Communal Settlement at GIVAT BRENNER, as a member of a party of 30 from 2/6 Bn.

The party numbered in all 200, and comprised members of various units in Palestine. This number proved rather large for the settlers to handle and, as the party arrived late, arrangements that had been made were upset.

On our arrival at the Settlement we were met by a number of the settlers.

A young lad was attached to each truck as a guide, and the one attached to our truck answered any questions that were put to him.

Owing to our late arrival the tour of the Settlement was done per truck.

The area of the Settlement is approximately 300 acres and is intensely cultivated. Cereals such as wheat, oats and barley are grown, also potatoes, tomatoes and other vegetables.

A number of acres are under vines and various types of fruit trees.

Irrigation is mainly done on the spray system as it is considered to be the most suitable.

A number of fruit trees are grown on a trellis in the same manner as a grape vine.

There is a jam factory on the Settlement and this helps the settlers considerably. A large percentage of the jam manufactured is sold to the Australian Army.

The population of the Settlement is 1,000.

No money is used on the Settlement and all proceeds from produce is paid into a common fund.

All the young children live in separate quarters. They are looked after by special nurses and teachers. Their parents pick them up after work, and return them at bed time.

The Settlement is celebrating its thirteenth birthday and that was one reason for our visit.

At the conclusion of the inspection we all entered a large communal hall and sat down to tea. The meal was of a vegetarian nature as the settlers eat very little meat. Messing arrangements are run on Army lines and different settlers are appointed as mess orderlies each week.

After the meal we were taken to see an exhibition of produce from the farm, and work done by the school children. We were shown around by two young lasses of about eighteen years of age. Both spoke perfect English. One came from Belgium and the other from Poland. The standard of school work was very high, according to my companion who is a B.A., B.Ed.

At about 2000hrs. a speech of welcome was made by the leading settler and this was translated into English by a lady settler. A reply was made by one of our officers.

The party then lay on the lawns which surrounded the building that housed the exhibition, and listened to a performance by a trio consisting of piano, violin and cello. They played beautifully, and the party enjoyed the music very much indeed.

A little community singing was then indulged in before the party adjourned to the hall where a dance was in progress.

The settlers prefer folk dancing to the modern variety, and they dance without music. One dance seems to last all the evening. You start when you feel inclined and drop out when exhausted. A number of our lads joined in the dance.

About midnight the dancing ended and we boarded our trucks for the journey back to camp.

A. Jamieson

FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

2/6 Aust Inf Bde (Unit). 5 Jul 1941 (Date).

(To be furnished by all units of Cavalry, Infantry, Royal Tank Corps, Royal Army Veterinary Corps, Royal Army Pay Corps, Army Educational Corps, Corps of Military Police, and all Headquarter units).

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1	2	3	4
Detail.	Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.			
W.Os. Class II.	7		
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants OR Colour-Serjeants	1		
Staff Serjeants			
Serjeants	26		
Buglers, Trumpeters, etc.			
Corporals	5		
Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, etc.	401		283
TOTALS	470	*	* 283

* These totals should agree with the details shown in Part D on page 2 of Army Form W.3009.

Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.

Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Units and Corps to which they belong.
VX 4573 Sgt Harcourt	11 N P C.		
VX 3944 Pte Whiston MC	2/2 Fd Amb		
VX 21256 Mitchell VC	17 Aust Inf Bde		
VX 13330 Pte Seales RAG	11 N Postal Service		

Part C. Description of other ranks whose return to the unit is particularly requested.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g. present whereabouts if known).

Part D. Detail of Surplus or Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W. 3009.

DETAIL OF SPECIALISTS, TRADESMEN, ETC.	SURPLUS TO ESTABLISHMENT.							REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.							REMARKS.		
	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S., or Colour Sergeants.	Staff Sergeants.	Sergeants.	Buglers, Trumpeters, &c.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, &c.	TOTAL.	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S., or Colour Sergeants.	Sergeants.	Buglers, Trumpeters, &c.		Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, &c.
Bricklayers																	
Butchers																	
Carpenters and Joiners																	
„ (trained in wheeling duties).																	
Clerks																	
Despatch Riders																	
Draughtsmen (topo)																	
Drivers H.T. and/or I.C.																	
Electricians																	
Farriers																	
Fitters																	
Masons																	
Painters and Decorators																	
Plumbers and Gasfitters																	
Saddlers and Harness Makers																	
Saddle Tree Makers																	
Signallers																	
Storemen technical																	
Vickers Machine Gunners																	
Wheelers																	
General duty personnel																	
TOTALS (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A).																	23 23

2/6 Aust Inf Bde
Unit.
Date of Despatch 5 Jul 41

[Signature]
Signature of Commander.
17 Aust Inf Bde
Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which unit is serving.

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS.

(Unit.)

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1	2	3	4
Ranks.	Posted strength counting against authorised establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e., deficits one establishment)
Lieut.-Colonels ...	1		
Majors ...	2		
Captains ...	6		6
Lieutenants ...	17		
2nd Lieutenants ...			
Quartermasters ...			
District Officers ...			
Totals ...	26		6

*Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary (e.g., Major-General, Brigadier, etc).

PART B.—PARTICULARS OF OFFICERS JOINED OR QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
Lieut	W. B. Deane		14/7/41	On 17.1.41
Lieut	A. B. Ross		17/7/41	On confirmation of promotion to Lieut

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
Major	W. F. K. Nathan		14/7/41	
Lieut	H. E. Dunlop (MC)		25/7/41	

PART C.— DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO THE UNIT IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED.

Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts, if known.)
Lieut	H. C. B. Stewart		17.1.41
Lieut	Q. A. Talley		17.1.41 (Hospital)

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Unit.

Part D. Detail of Surplus or Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W. 3009.

DETAIL OF SPECIALISTS, TRADESMEN, ETC.	SURPLUS TO ESTABLISHMENT.							REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.							REMARKS.		
	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S., or Colour Sergeants.	Staff Sergeants.	Sergeants.	Buglers, Trumpeters, &c.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, &c.	TOTAL.	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S., or Colour Sergeants.	Sergeants.	Buglers, Trumpeters, &c.		Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, &c.
Bricklayers																	
Butchers																	
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Saddle Tree Makers																	
Signallers																	
Storemen technical																	
Vickers Machine Gunners																	
Wheelers																	
General duty personnel																	292 292
TOTALS (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A).																	292 292

2/6 (Unit 2) Bn

Unit.

Date of Despatch

12 Jul 41

W. H. ...

Signature of Commander.

17th Aust Inf Bde 6th Aust Div
Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which unit is serving.

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

(i) Officers posted to Unit (Total to agree with column 2 of Part A).

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank.	Higher acting or temporary rank, if held.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No.)	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
LIEUT		H. WYLLIE MC		YES	60
MAJOR		G. F. SMITH		YES	2/c 4 Coy
CAPT	TEMPORARY	J. G. ROBINSON MC		YES	2/c
CAPT		R. J. PICKER		YES	2/c 4 Coy
CAPT		J. J. JONES		YES	2/c 4 Coy
CAPT		H. S. CARROLL		YES	2/c 4 Coy
CAPT		I. E. REAR		YES	2/c 4 Coy
LIEUT	7 CAPT	G. A. WARD		YES	2/c 4 Coy
LIEUT		J. G. ROBINSON MC		YES	2/c 4 Coy
LIEUT		H. E. DUNN MC		YES	4 Coy
LIEUT		D. W. LYNDON		YES	2/c
LIEUT		H. G. WELLS MC		YES	2/c 4 Coy
LIEUT		H. G. GUILLET		YES	2/c 4 Coy
LIEUT		R. G. DUNN		YES	2/c 4 Coy
LIEUT		H. J. LAMON		YES	2/c 4 Coy
LIEUT		D. O. HAY		YES	2/c 4 Coy
LIEUT		H. J. BROWN		YES	2/c 4 Coy
LIEUT		H. J. HARRIS		YES	2/c 4 Coy
LIEUT		H. J. LAMON		YES	2/c 4 Coy
LIEUT		H. J. SMITH		YES	2/c 4 Coy
LIEUT		H. E. THORNTON		YES	2/c 4 Coy
LIEUT		H. T. HARRIS		YES	2/c 4 Coy

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive Rank.	Higher acting or temporary rank, if held.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
CAPT		H. W. G. E. S.	2/c 4 Coy	1/11/41	RMC
CAPTAIN		J. W. H. E. T.	A. C. D.		PROB

(Unit.)

(Signature of Commander.)

(Date of Despatch.)

(Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving).

Part D. Detail of Surplus or Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W. 3009.

DETAIL OF SPECIALISTS, TRADESMEN, ETC.	SURPLUS TO ESTABLISHMENT.							REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.							REMARKS.		
	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S., or Colour Sergeants.	Staff Sergeants.	Sergeants.	Buglers, Trumpeters, &c.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, &c.	TOTAL.	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S., or Colour-Sergeants.	Sergeants.	Buglers, Trumpeters, &c.		Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, &c.
Bricklayers																	
Butchers																	
Carpenters and Joiners																	
„ (trained in wheeling duties).																	
Clerks																	
Despatch Riders																	
Draughtsmen (topo)																	
Drivers H.T. and/or I.C.																	
Electricians																	
Farriers																	
Fitters																	
Masons																	
Painters and Decorators																	
Plumbers and Gasfitters																	
Saddlers and Harness Makers																	
Saddle Tree Makers																	
Signallers																18 18	
Storemen technical																	
Vickers Machine Gunners																	
Wheelers																	
MORTARS																8 8	
General duty personnel																22 22	
TOTALS (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A).																28 28	

Unit.

Signature of Commander.

Date of Despatch.

Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which unit is serving.

P/RT D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

(i) Officers posted to Unit (Total to agree with column 2 of Part A).

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank.	Higher acting or temporary rank, if held.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No.)	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
LIEUT COL		H WILKINSON MC		YES	CO B
MAJOR		G F SMITH		YES	2/c A Coy
MAJOR		J G ROWAN MC		YES	2/c B Coy
CAPT.		K S PICKEN		YES	1/c A Coy
CAPT		J S JONES		YES	1/c B Coy
CAPT		K A CARROLL		YES	2/c D Coy
CAPT		I F MERR		YES	2/c B Coy
LIEUT	T/CAPT	G R WARRE		YES	1/c D Coy
LIEUT	T/CAPT	W H SHEPLOCK		YES	2/c A Coy
LIEUT		H E DUNKLEY MC		YES	Pl Comdr
LIEUT		D W LYNDON		YES	Pl Com
LIEUT		A G SHELDRICK		YES	Pl Adjutant
LIEUT		H B GILBERT		YES	Pl Comdr
LIEUT		R G BURKE		YES	Pl Comdr
LIEUT		F J LANE		YES	Pl Comdr
LIEUT		D O HAY		YES	I. O.
LIEUT		H V BROWN		YES	Pl Comdr
LIEUT		M J HARRIS		YES	Pl Comdr
LIEUT		H L LAYER		YES	Pl Comdr
LIEUT		A SMITH		YES	Pl Comdr
LIEUT		W L SHERGOLD		YES	Pl Comdr
LIEUT		A T IRWIN		YES	Pl Comdr
LIEUT		J W WATERSTON		YES	Pl Comdr

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive Rank.	Higher acting or temporary rank, if held.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
CAPT		HUBBARD G G	727th A		RMO
CHAPLAIN		SAVILLE G G	ARC D		PROBIC

2/c Unit of Bde
14/11/41
(Unit.)
(Date of Despatch.)

(Signature of Commander.)
17/11/41
(Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

(Unit) 14th 1941 (Date).

(To be furnished by all units of Cavalry, Infantry, Royal Tank Corps, Royal Army Veterinary Corps, Royal Army Pay Corps, Army Educational Corps, Corps of Military Police, and all Headquarter units).

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1 Detail.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.			
W.Os. Class II.	4		
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants OR Colour-Serjeants	2		
Staff Serjeants	1		
Serjeants	26		
Buglers, Trumpeters, etc.			
Corporals	45		
Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, etc.	358		287
TOTALS	466	*	287

* These totals should agree with the details shown in Part D on page 2 of Army Form W.3009.

Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.

Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Units and Corps to which they belong.
4753			

Part C. Description of other ranks whose return to the unit is particularly requested.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g. present whereabouts if known).

Part D. Detail of Surplus or Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W. 3009.

DETAIL OF SPECIALISTS, TRADESMEN, ETC.	SURPLUS TO ESTABLISHMENT.							REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.							REMARKS.		
	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S., or Colour Sergeants.	Staff Sergeants.	Serjeants.	Buglers, Trumpeters, &c.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, &c.	TOTAL.	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S., or Colour Sergeants.	Serjeants.	Buglers, Trumpeters, &c.		Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, &c.
Bricklayers																	
Butchers																	
Carpenters and Joiners																	
„ (trained in wheeling duties).																	
Clerks																	
Despatch Riders																	
Draughtsmen (topo)																	
Drivers H.T. and/or I.C.																	
Electricians																	
Farriers																	
Fitters																	
Masons																	
Painters and Decorators																	
Plumbers and Gasfitters																	
Saddlers and Harness Makers																	
Saddle Tree Makers																	
Signallers																18	18
Storemen technical																	
Vickers Machine Gunners																	
Wheelers																8	8
General duty personnel																	
TOTALS (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A).																	261 261
																	257 257

Unit.

Signature of Commander.

Date of Despatch.

Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which unit is serving.

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

76 Aust Inf Bn (Unit)

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1 Ranks.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
*			
Lieut.-Colonels	1		
Majors	2		
Captains	6		
Lieutenants	16		5
2nd Lieutenants			
Quartermasters			
TOTALS	27		32

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

PART B.—PARTICULARS OF OFFICERS JOINED OR QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
<i>Lieut</i>	<i>McL B Stewart</i>		<i>14/1/41</i>	<i>171 T. Bn</i>

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO THE UNIT IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED.

Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts, if known).
<i>Lieut</i>	<i>P A Kelly</i>		<i>171 T. Bn (Ment. Tel)</i>

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

(i) Officers posted to Unit (Total to agree with column 2 of Part A).

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
Lieut Col		H. Wrayby MC		yes	C O
Major		J. J. Smith		yes	OC A Coy
Major		J. J. Ryan MC		yes	2/c B Coy
Capt		R. S. Pustan		yes	OC Hq Coy
Capt		J. P. Swinburne		yes	OC D Coy
Capt		J. J. Jones		yes	OC B Coy
Capt		J. G. Kerr		yes	OC C Coy
Lieut	7100PT	J. G. Wards		yes	2/c C Coy
Lieut	7100PT	W. H. Sherlock		yes	2/c A Coy
Lieut		P. B. Hayes		yes	Pl Comdr
Lieut		W. R. Barber		yes	Pl Comdr
Lieut		W. B. Stewart		yes	Pl Comdr
Lieut		D. W. Sanders		yes	A/O M
Lieut		A. G. Sheldrick		yes	A/O D
Lieut		A. B. Gullist		yes	Pl Comdr
Lieut		B. A. Lewis		yes	Pl Comdr
Lieut		J. J. Lane		yes	Pl Comdr
Lieut		D. O. May		yes	I. O
Lieut		A. G. S. Edgar		yes	Pl Comdr
Lieut		W. H. Barber		yes	Pl Comdr
Lieut		H. L. Laver		yes	Pl Comdr
Lieut		J. W. Watterson		yes	Pl Comdr
Lieut		W. L. Shiregold		yes	Pl Comdr
Lieut		A. F. Blayney		yes	Pl Comdr
Lieut		W. T. A. Roberts		yes	Pl Comdr
Lieut		A. H. Moss		yes	Pl Comdr
Lieut		R. G. Burke		yes	Pl Comdr

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive Rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
Capt		C. A. Sheehy	2/c 1st Bn		R.M.O.
Chaplain		F. Porter	11th Bn		Parade.

2/c 1st Bn
(Unit.)

J. Wrayby
(Signature of Commander.)

19 Jul 41
(Date of Despatch.)

17th Aust Inf Bde
(Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

2/6 Aust Inf Bde (Unit). 19 Jul 1941 (Date).

(To be furnished by all units of Cavalry, Infantry, Royal Tank Corps, Royal Army Veterinary Corps, Royal Army Pay Corps, Army Educational Corps, Corps of Military Police, and all Headquarter units).

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1	2	3	4
Detail.	Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.	8		
W.Os. Class II.			
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants OR Colour-Serjeants			
Staff Serjeants	1		
Serjeants	23		
Buglers, Trumpeters, etc.			
Corporals	48		
Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, etc.	388		285
TOTALS	468	*	285

* These totals should agree with the details shown in Part D on page 2 of Army Form W.3009.

Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.

Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Units and Corps to which they belong.
VX4573 Sgt Jamison	A.A Pay Corps		
VX3949 Pte Ashton	2/2 Tol Amb		
VX4406 Pte Bougle	2/2 Tol Amb		
VX21256 Pte Mitchell	17 Aust Inf Bde		
VX 13330 Cpl Seales AMB	A.A Postal Unit		

Part C. Description of other ranks whose return to the unit is particularly requested.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g. present whereabouts if known).

Unit.

Part D. Detail of Surplus or Reinforcements required as shown in
Part A of Army Form W. 3009.

DETAIL OF SPECIALISTS, TRADESMEN, ETC.	SURPLUS TO ESTABLISHMENT.							REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.							REMARKS.		
	W. Os. Class I.	W. Os. Class II.	S. Q. M. S. ; C. Q. M. S., or Colour Sergeants.	Staff Sergeants.	Sergeants.	Buglers, Trumpeters, &c.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, &c.	TOTAL.	W. Os. Class I.	W. Os. Class II.	S. Q. M. S. ; C. Q. M. S., or Colour-Sergeants.	Sergeants.	Buglers, Trumpeters, &c.		Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, &c.
Bricklayers																	
Butchers																	
Carpenters and Joiners																	
„ (trained in wheeling duties).																	
Clerks																	
Despatch Riders																	
Draughtsmen (topo)																	
Drivers H.T. and/or I.C.																	
Electricians																	
Farriers																	
Fitters																	
Masons																	
Painters and Decorators																	
Plumbers and Gasfitters																	
Saddlers and Harness Makers																	
Saddle Tree Makers																	
Signallers																	
Storemen technical																	
Vickers Machine Gunners																	
Whealers																	
General duty personnel																	
TOTALS (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A).																	

76 Aust Inf Bde

Unit.

Sturgesley Lt Col

Signature of Commander.

Date of Despatch

19 Jul 41

17 Aust Inf Bde 6 Aust Div

Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which unit is serving.

FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

(Unit). *21st* 19 *41* (Date).

(To be furnished by all units of Cavalry, Infantry, Royal Tank Corps, Royal Army Veterinary Corps, Royal Army Pay Corps, Army Educational Corps, Corps of Military Police, and all Headquarter units).

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1 Detail.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.			
W.Os. Class II.	5		
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants OR Colour-Serjeants	1		
Staff Serjeants			
Serjeants	27		
Buglers, Trumpeters, etc.			
Corporals	37		
Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, etc.	390		293
TOTALS	460	*	* 293

* These totals should agree with the details shown in Part D on page 2 of Army Form W.3009.

Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.

Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Units and Corps to which they belong.
<i>114753 Sgt</i>			
<i>H Jamison</i>	<i>AA P.C.</i>		
<i>15061 Plt</i>	<i>17 Aust Inf</i>		
<i>Morrison LW</i>	<i>Bde</i>		

Part C. Description of other ranks whose return to the unit is particularly requested.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g. present whereabouts if known).

Part D. Detail of Surplus or Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W. 3009.

DETAIL OF SPECIALISTS, TRADESMEN, ETC.	SURPLUS TO ESTABLISHMENT.								REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.								REMARKS.	
	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S., or Colour Sergeants.	Staff Sergeants.	Sergeants.	Buglers, Trumpeters, &c.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, &c.	TOTAL.	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S., or Colour-Sergeants.	Sergeants.	Buglers, Trumpeters, &c.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, &c.		TOTAL.
Bricklayers																		
Butchers																		
Carpenters and Joiners																		
„ (trained in wheeling duties).																		
Clerks																		
Despatch Riders																		
Draughtsmen (topo)																		
Drivers H.T. and/or I.C.																		
Electricians																		
Farriers																		
Fitters																		
Masons																		
Painters and Decorators																		
Plumbers and Gasfitters																		
Saddlers and Harness Makers																		
Saddle Tree Makers																		
Signallers																16	16	
Storemen technical																		
Vickers Machine Gunners																		
Wheelers																		
<i>MOUNTAINS</i>																	8	
General duty personnel																	21	267
TOTALS (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A).																	293	293

76 Aust Inf Bde
Unit.
Date of Despatch *22 Jun 41*

W. J. ...
Signature of Commander.
17 Aust Inf Bde
Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which unit is serving.

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

(i) Officers posted to Unit (Total to agree with column 2 of Part A).

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank.	Higher acting or temporary rank, if held.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No.)	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
Lt Col.		H. Wrayley (MC)		yes	C Officer
Major		S. F. Smith		yes	OC A Coy
Major		W. J. Mullan		yes	
Major		J. F. Rowan (MC)		yes	2 ye Det
Capt		A. J. Ticken		yes	OC 49 Coy
Capt		J. J. Jones		yes	OC B Coy
Capt		H. A. Carroll		yes	OC 3 Coy
Capt		I. C. Kerr		yes	OC C Coy
Lt Col.	T/MAJ	S. R. Wray		yes	2 ye C Coy
Lt Col.	T/MAJ	W. H. Herbert		yes	2 ye D Coy
Lt Col.		P. B. Hayes		yes	14 Comdr
Lt Col.		H. B. Binkley (MC)		yes	14 Comdr
Lt Col.		E. W. London		yes	4/4 M
Lt Col.		A. S. Meldrick		yes	4/4 M
Lt Col.		H. B. Gullett		yes	14 Comdr
Lt Col.		R. G. Burke		yes	14 Comdr
Lt Col.		J. J. Lane		yes	14 Comdr
Lt Col.		S. C. Kay		yes	14 Comdr
Lt Col.		H. J. Harris		yes	14 Comdr
Lt Col.		A. L. Laver		yes	14 Comdr
Lt Col.		A. J. Smith		yes	14 Comdr
Lt Col.		W. R. Sherwood		yes	14 Comdr
Lt Col.		R. J. Brown		yes	14 Comdr
Lt Col.		J. W. Waterston		yes	14 Comdr
Lt Col.		H. A. Roberts		yes	14 Comdr

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive Rank.	Higher acting or temporary rank, if held.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
CAPT		E. S. NEUBERG	2/2nd Amb	8341	RMO
CHAPLAIN		E. E. SAVILL	ADG		PAORC

2/2nd Aust Inf Bn
22 June 41
(Unit.)
(Date of Despatch.)

17 Aust Div Bde
6 Aust Div
(Signature of Commander.)
(Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

2/6 AUST INF BN. (Unit)

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1 Ranks.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
*			
*			
Lieut.-Colonels	1		
Majors	2		
Captains	6		
Lieutenants	20		3
2nd Lieutenants			
Quartermasters			
TOTALS	29		3

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

PART B.—PARTICULARS OF OFFICERS JOINED OR QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
Lieut	E.H. PAWSON		21/7/41	ex 17 I.T.Bn.
Lieut	J.C. WALKER		21/7/41	ex 17 I.T.Bn.

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO THE UNIT IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED.

Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts, if known).
LIEUT	TILLEY Q.A.		17 I.T.Bn.

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

(i) Officers posted to Unit (Total to agree with column 2 of Part A).

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
Lieut/Col		H. WRIGLEY MC.		YES	C.O.
Major		G. F. SMITH		YES	O/C "A" Coy.
MAJOR		J. C. ROYAN MC.		YES	2 i/c Bn.
CAPT		K. S. PICKEN		YES	O/C "HQ" COY
CAPT		G. P. SWINBURNE		YES	O/C "HQ" COY
CAPT		J. S. JONES		YES	O/C "B" COY
CAPT		I. E. KEHR		YES	O/C "C" COY
LIEUT	T/CAPT	G. R. WARRE		YES	2 i/c "C" COY
LIEUT	T/CAPT	W. H. SHERLOCK		YES	2 i/c "A" COY
LIEUT		P. B. HAYES		YES	PL. COMDR.
LIEUT		W. R. D. SPER		YES	PL. COMDR
LIEUT		H. McR STEWART		YES	PL. COMDR
LIEUT		D. W. LYNDON		YES	A/QM.
LIEUT		A. G. SHELDON		YES	A/ADJ.
LIEUT		H. P. CULLETT		YES	PLT. COMDR
LIEUT		E. A. LEWIS		YES	PL. COMDR
LIEUT		F. J. LAKE		YES	PL. COMDR
LIEUT		D. O. HAY		YES	I.O.
LIEUT		J. H. PAWSON		YES	PL. COMDR.
LIEUT		A. C. S. EDGAR		YES	PL. COMDR
LIEUT		M. N. J. HARRIS		YES	PL. COMDR
LIEUT		H. L. LAVER		YES	PL. COMDR
LIEUT		J. W. WATERSTON		YES	PL. COMDR
LIEUT		J. C. WALKER		YES	PL. COMDR
LIEUT		A. T. IRWIN		YES	PL. COMDR
LIEUT		W. L. A. ROBERTS		YES	PL. COMDR
LIEUT		W. I. SHERGOLD		YES	PL. COMDR
LIEUT		A. B. ROSE		YES	PL. COMDR
LIEUT		B. C. BURKE		YES	PL. COMDR

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive Rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
CAPT		E. A. HEDBERG	2/2 Fd Amb		R.M.O.
CHAPLAIN		F. PORTER	A.A.Ch.D.		PADRE

2/6 AUST INF BN.

(Unit.)

26 Jul 41

(Date of Despatch.)

Lieut/Col.

[Signature]
(Signature of Commander.)

17 Aust Inf Bde 6 Aust Div.

(Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

16th Aust Inf Bn (Unit). *28 June* 19*41* (Date).

(To be furnished by all units of Cavalry, Infantry, Royal Tank Corps, Royal Army Veterinary Corps, Royal Army Pay Corps, Army Educational Corps, Corps of Military Police, and all Headquarter units).

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1 Detail.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.			
W.Os. Class II.	<i>7</i>		
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants OR Colour-Serjeants	<i>1</i>		
Staff Serjeants			
Serjeants	<i>26</i>		
Buglers, Trumpeters, etc.			
Corporals	<i>36</i>		
Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, etc.	<i>402</i>		<i>281</i>
TOTALS	<i>472</i>	*	* <i>281</i>

* These totals should agree with the details shown in Part D on page 2 of Army Form W.3009.

Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.

Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Units and Corps to which they belong.
<i>VX1506 Pte McArdison</i>	<i>17th Aust Inf Bn</i>		
<i>VX4406 Pte Conple Pte</i>	<i>73rd Inf Bn</i>		
<i>VX3449 Pte Ashton HR</i>	<i>4th Aust Bn</i>		
<i>VX13330 Pte Simpson HR</i>	<i>6th Aust Postal Bn</i>		
<i>VX4573 Sgt Murray HR</i>	<i>6th Aust Inf Bn</i>		

Part C. Description of other ranks whose return to the unit is particularly requested.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g. present whereabouts if known).
<i>VX33470</i>	<i>Pte</i>	<i>SMITH H</i>		<i>17th Inf Bn (Signaller)</i>

Unit.

Part D. Detail of Surplus or Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W. 3009.

DETAIL OF SPECIALISTS, TRADESMEN, ETC.	SURPLUS TO ESTABLISHMENT.							REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.							REMARKS.			
	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S., or Colour Serjeants.	Staff Serjeants.	Serjeants.	Buglers, Trumpeters, &c.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusillers, &c.	TOTAL.	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S., or Colour-Serjeants.	Serjeants.	Buglers, Trumpeters, &c.		Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusillers, &c.	TOTAL.
Bricklayers																		
Butchers																		
Carpenters and Joiners																		
„ (trained in wheeling duties).																		
Clerks																		
Despatch Riders																		
Draughtsmen (topo)																		
Drivers H.T. and/or I.C.																		
Electricians																		
Farriers																		
Fitters																		
Masons																		
Painters and Decorators																		
Plumbers and Gasfitters																		
Saddlers and Harness Makers																		
Saddle Tree Makers																		
Signallers																14	14	
Storemen technical																		
Vickers Machine Gunners																		
Wheelers																2	2	
General duty personnel																165	165	
TOTALS (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A).																281	281	

Unit.

Signature of Commander.

Date of Despatch.

Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which unit is serving.

Instructions regarding War Diaries and Intelligence
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and the Staff Manual respectively. Title pages
will be prepared in manuscript.

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WAR DIARY

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INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

Army Form C. 2110.

Unit 2/6 AUST INF BN.

Month and Year AUGUST, 1941.

(Erase heading not required).

Commanding Officer Lieut. Col. H. WRIGLEY, M.C.

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	References to Appendices.
HILL 69	1 Aug	1900	Battalion band played outside Offrs' Mess on guest night for the first time since unit returned from GREECE.	
	2 Aug	1330	Sgts of 2/2 Fd Regt entertained by sgts of 2/6 Bn at a cricket match and social evening.	
		1730	Final of inter-Coy Football Competition - "C" Coy defeated "A" Coy.	
	3 Aug	0900	Church Parade - Padre SAVILLE.	
		1500	Lieuts GULLETT and IRWIN and Sgt LAMB marched out to Junior Offrs Training School (A.I.F., M.E.) as instructors.	
	4 Aug	0900	Capt JONES and Lieut SHERGOLD to 2/2 Fd Regt on exchange with Capt WOOD and Lieut EASDOWN.	
	5 Aug	1400	10 tpt personnel marched out to course at A.A.O.C. Transport Wing.	
		1730	R.Q.M. reports ^{ed} gift of 5 Fowler stoves - some in slight need of repair - to be put in working condition for men's mess.	
	6 Aug	0500	Reveille.	
		0700	Battalion marched out to JULIS for divisional review by Major General Sir Iven MACKAY who had been appointed to command all troops in AUSTRALIA. After review	

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WAR DIARY

or

INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

Army Form C. 2118.

Unit 2/6 AUST INF BN.

Commanding Officer Lieut.Col. H. WRIGLEY, M.C.

Month and Year AUGUST, 1941. (Erase heading not required).

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	References to Appendices.
HILL 69	6 Aug	0700	all units marched past and Major General MACKAY took the salute. Later he gave a farewell address to all offr's in the division. The band played at the saluting base and was congratulated on its performance.	
		1930	Concert and band recital in unit lines.	
	7 Aug	0800	C.O. conducted T.E.W.T. for Coy Comds and 2 i/cs in area South of camp. Subjects covered by exercise included occupation of a battalion posn, orders for patrols, procedure and orders for a dawn attack.	
			"A" Coy to 30 yds range.	
	8 Aug	0800	Continuation of T.E.W.T.	
			"B" Coy to 30 yds range.	
		1900	Offr's' mess entertained Brig VASEY, Comd 19 Bde, members of 6 Div staff, Col SUTHERLAND and Col BIERWORTH, also Lieut.Col EATHER and Lieut.Col CREMOR.	
			Evening was most successful.	
	9 Aug	1500	Arrival of four one-ton trucks.	
		1830	Regimental dinner, attended by all ranks. Offr's and sgts sat with their Coys and the latter showed their skill as mess orderlies when the meal was over.	Appx 9

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WAR DIARY

Army Form C. 2118.

INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

Unit 2/6 AUST INF BN.

Month and Year AUGUST, 1941. (Erase heading not required).

Commanding Officer Lieut. Col H. WRIGLEY, M.C.

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	References to Appendices.
HILL 69	9 Aug	1830	The menu included turkey, ham, and fruit salad and beer; appearances and comment indicated general approval.	
		1930	Party of offrs and O.Rs. attended a moonlight dance at the settlement at RAMAT GHAN.	
	10 Aug	0630	Capt JONES and 128 O.R. left for JAFFA range.	Appx 5.
		0900	Church Parade - Padre Saville.	
	11 Aug	0900	Tactical course for Junior Comds ^{N.C.O's} commenced - Lieut A.R. ROSS, C.I.	Appx 4.
		0930	Gas chamber arrived in unit area. "A", "D" and H.Q. Coys tested their respirators. Major SMITH and Lieut HAYES to 2/2 Fd Regt, in exchange with Lieut BARNDEN.	
	12 Aug	0900	Remainder of battalion passed through gas chamber.	
		1400	Challenge cricket match v 19 Bde, won by us after close game.	
	13 Aug	1400	C.O. left to attend Combined Operations Course.	
	15 Aug	1400	Rehearsal for Bn night exercise.	
	17 Aug	0900	Church Parade - Padre SAVILLE.	
	19 Aug	1900	Bn, less "D" Coy, moved out to night exercise. Exercise followed line of T.E.W.T. and Coys first occupied posn, then sent patrols, and on receipt of orders,	

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WAR DIARY

or

INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

Army Form C. 2118.

Unit 2/6 AUST INF BN.

Commanding Officer Lieut. Col H. WRIGLEY, M.C.

Month and Year AUGUST, 1941. (Erase heading not required).

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	References to Appendices.
HILL 69	19 Aug	1900	assembled for a dawn attack, which ^{was} successfully carried out.	
	20 Aug	1000	Bn arrived back from night exercise.	
		1400	Lieuts ^{J.C.} WALKER and ^{R.G.} BURKE returned from A.I.F. Weapon Training School.	
		2000	Band took part in camp concert in Y.M.C.A. hut, Brigade lines.	
	21 Aug	1400	Battalion marched out to beach at AL JURA, and bivouaced there for the night.	
	22 Aug	1030	Battalion returned from beach.	
	23 Aug	1200	End of first course for Junior Comds. ^{N. C.O's.}	
	24 Aug	0900	Church Parade - Bishop RILEY.	
	25 Aug	0800	Second course for Junior Comds. ^{N. C.O's} commenced - Lieut ROSS, C.I. "C" Coy to 30 yds range.	
		1115	2 O.Rs 2/5 Bn, reported to 2/6 Bn, on their recent arrival from CRETE.	
	27 Aug	0800	"A" Coy to 30 yds range.	
		1545	C.O. returned from school.	
		2000	Band recital outside Y.M.C.A. tent.	
	28 Aug	1000	On departure of three prisoners to Detention Barracks, battalion detention tent now empty for first time since its inception.	

W.H. Hunt
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FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

2/6 AUST INF BN. (Unit). 2 AUG 19 41 (Date).

(To be furnished by all units of Cavalry, Infantry, Royal Tank Corps, Royal Army Veterinary Corps, Royal Army Pay Corps, Army Educational Corps, Corps of Military Police, and all Headquarter units).

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1	2	3	4
Detail.	Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.			
W.Os. Class II.	1		
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants OR Colour-Serjeants	1		
Staff Serjeants	1		
Serjeants	22		
Drummers, Trumpeters, etc L/Sgts	1		
Corporals	45		
Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, etc.	400		282
TOTALS	471	*	* 282

* These totals should agree with the details shown in Part D on page 2 of Army Form W.3009.

Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.

Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Units and Corps to which they belong.
VX.4573 Sgt JAMIESON A.	A.A. Pay Corps.		
VX.13330 Cpl SEALES A.	A.A. Postal Corps		
VX.4406 Cpl COUGLE M.	2/2 Fd Amb.		
VX.3949 Pte ASHTON H.	2/2 Fd Amb.		
VX.21256 Pte MITCHELL A.	17 Aust Inf Bde.		

Part C. Description of other ranks whose return to the unit is particularly requested.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g. present whereabouts if known).
VX.5083	Pte	SCARLETT N.L.		17 Inf Trg Bn.

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

2/6 AUST INF BN.

(Unit)

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1 Ranks.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
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*			
Lieut.-Colonels	1		
Majors	2		
Captains	6		
Lieutenants	20	3	3
2nd Lieutenants			
Quartermasters			
TOTALS	29		3

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

PART B.—PARTICULARS OF OFFICERS JOINED OR QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
Lieut	TILLEY Q.A.		29 Jul 41	Ex 17 I.T.Bn.
Lieut	CAMERON W.J.		28 Jul 41	(First Appointment)
Lieut	WALKER S.R.		28 Jul 41	(First Appointment)

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
Lieut	CAMERON W.J.		30 Jul 41	Evac to Hospital.
Lieut	ROBERTS W.L.A.		30 Jul 41	Evac to Hospital.

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO THE UNIT IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED.

Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts, if known).
Lieut	HARRIS M.N.J.		17 I.Trng Bn.

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

(i) Officers posted to Unit (Total to agree with column 2 of Part A).

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
Lieut. Col		WRIGLEY H. (M.C.)		YES	C.O. Bn.
MAJOR		SMITH G.F.		YES	O.C. "A" COY
MAJOR		ROWAN J.G. (M.C.)		YES	2i/c Bn.
CAPT		PICKEN K.S.		YES	O.C. "HQ" COY
CAPT		SWINBURNE G.P.		YES	O.C. "D" COY
CAPT		JONES J.S.		YES	O.C. "B" COY
CAPT		KERR I.E.		YES	O.C. "C" COY
T/CAPT	LIEUT	WARFE G.R.		YES	2i/c "C" COY
LIEUT		TILLEY Q.A.		YES	2i/c "B" COY
T/CAPT	LIEUT	SHERLOCK W.H.		YES	2i/c "A" COY
LIEUT		HAYES P.B.		YES	PL.COMDR.
LIEUT		DEXTER W.R.		YES	PL.COMDR.
LIEUT		STEWART H. McB.		YES	2i/c "D" COY
LIEUT		LYNDON D.W.		YES	A/Q.M.
LIEUT		SHELDRIK A.G.		YES	A/ADJ.
LIEUT		GULLETT H.B.		YES	PL.COMDR.
LIEUT		LEWIS E.A.		YES	PL.COMDR.
LIEUT		LANE F.J.		YES	PL.COMDR.
LIEUT		HAY D.O.		YES	I.O.
LIEUT		PAWSON J.H.		YES	PL.COMDR.
LIEUT		EDGAR A.G.S.		YES	PL.COMDR.
LIEUT		LAVAR H.L.		YES	PL.COMDR.
LIEUT		WATERSTON J.W.		YES	PL.COMDR.
LIEUT		WALKER J.C.		YES	PL.COMDR.
LIEUT		IRWIN A.T.		YES	PL.COMDR.
LIEUT		W.L. SHERGOLD		YES	PL.COMDR.
LIEUT		ROSS A.R.		YES	PL.COMDR.
LIEUT		BURKE R.G.		YES	PL.COMDR.
LIEUT		WALKER S.R.		YES	T.O.

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive Rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
CAPT		HEDBERG E.A.	2/2 Fd Amb		R.M.O.
CHAPLAIN		SAVILLE E.E.	A.A.Ch.D.	1 /7/41	PADRE.

2/6 AUST INF BN.

(Unit.)

2 AUG 41

(Date of Despatch.)

John Wrigley

Lieut. Col.
(Signature of Commander.)

17 AUST INF BDE

6 AUST DIV.

(Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

2/6 Aust Inf Bn.

Part D. Detail of Surplus or Reinforcements required as shown in
Part A of Army Form W.3009.

DETAIL OF SPECIALISTS, TRADESMEN, ETC.	SURPLUS TO ESTABLISHMENT.								REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.							REMARKS.				
	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	W.Os. Class III.	S.Q.M.S.; C.O.M.S., or Colour-Serjeants.	Staff-Serjeants.	Serjeants.	Buglers, Trumpeters, &c.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusillers, &c.	TOTAL	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	W.Os. Class III.	S.Q.M.S.; C.O.M.S., or Colour-Serjeants.	Serjeants.		Buglers, Trumpeters, &c.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusillers, &c.	TOTAL.
Bricklayers																				
Butchers																				
Carpenters and Joiners ...																				
Clerks																				
Cooks																				
Despatch Riders																				
Drivers I.C. (Tracked) ...																				
" " (Wheeled)																				
Drivers-Mechanics																				
Drivers-Operators																				
Electricians																				
Equipment Repairers ...																				
Farriers																				
Fitters																				
Machine Gunners																				
Masons																				
Motor Mechanics																				
Pioneers, Infantry (other than tradesmen)																				
Plumbers and Pipefitters ...																				
Range Takers																				
Saddlers & Harness Makers																				
Saddle Tree Makers																				
Sanitary and Water Duties																				
Signallers																				
Storemen technical																				
Tailors																				
Whealers																				
General duty personnel ...																			286	286
TOTALS (to agree with Col- umns 3 and 4 of Part A).																			286	286

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Unit.

Signature of Commander.

Date of Despatch 2/6 Aust Inf Bn.

9 Aug 41

Lt. Col.
Bde, Divn, Area etc, with which unit is serving.
Commanding 2/6 Aust Inf Bn.
17 Aust Inf Bde 6 Aust Div.

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

2/6 AUST INF BN. (Unit)

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1 Ranks.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
	*		
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Lieut.-Colonels	1		
Majors	2		
Captains	6		
Lieutenants	21		2
2nd Lieutenants			
Quartermasters			
TOTALS	30		2

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

PART B.—PARTICULARS OF OFFICERS JOINED OR QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
Lieut	M.H.J. HARRIS		4 Aug 41	Ex Depot Bn.

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO THE UNIT IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED.

Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts, if known).
Lieut	W.J. CAMERON		At present at 171. Inf. Bn.

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

(i) Officers posted to Unit (Total to agree with column 2 of Part A).

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
Lt. Col		H. WRIGLEY MC.		YES	G.O.
Major		C.F. SMITH		YES	O.C. "A" COY
Major		J.G. KISKENROWAN MC.		YES	21/c Bn.
Capt		K.S. PICKEN		YES	O.C. "HQ" COY
Capt		G.P. SWINBURNE		YES	O.C. "D" COY
Capt		J.S. JONES		YES	O.C. "B" COY
T/Capt	Lieut	I.E. KERR		YES	O.C. "C" COY
Lieut		G.R. WARFE		YES	21/c "C" COY
T/Capt	Lieut	Q.A. TILLEY		YES	21/c "B" COY
Lieut		W.H. SHERLOCK		YES	21/c "A" COY
Lieut		P.E. HAYES		YES	PL.COMDR
Lieut		W.R. DEXTER		YES	PL.COMDR
Lieut		H. McB STEWART		YES	21/c "D" COY
Lieut		D.W. LYNDON		YES	Q.M.
Lieut		A.G. SHELDRICH		YES	ADJUTANT
Lieut		H.B. GULLETT		YES	PL.COMDR
Lieut		E.A. LEWIS		YES	PL.COMDR
Lieut		F.J. LANE		YES	PL.COMDR
Lieut		D.O. HAY		YES	PL.COMDR
Lieut		J.H. PAWSON		YES	INT OFFICER
Lieut		A.G.S. EDGAR		YES	PL.COMDR
Lieut		M.N.J. HARRIS		YES	PL.COMDR
Lieut		H.L. LAVER		YES	PL.COMDR
Lieut		J.V. WATERSTON		YES	PL.COMDR
Lieut		J.C. WALKER		YES	PL.COMDR
Lieut		A.T. IRWIN		YES	PL.COMDR
Lieut		W.L. SHERGOLD		YES	PL.COMDR
Lieut		A.R. ROSS		YES	PL.COMDR
Lieut		H.G. BURKE		YES	PL.COMDR
Lieut		S.R. WALKER		YES	PL.COMDR

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive Rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
Capt		E.S. HEDBERG			R.M.O.
Padre		R.E. SAVILLE			Padre.

2/6 Aust Inf Bn

(Unit.)

9 Aug 41

(Date of Despatch.)

Tom Wrigley

(Signature of Commander.)

Lt. Col

Commanding 2/6 Aust Inf Bn.

(Bde, Divn, Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)
17 Aust Inf Bde 6 Aust Div

Part D. Detail of Surplus or Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W. 3009.

DETAIL OF SPECIALISTS, TRADESMEN, ETC.	SURPLUS TO ESTABLISHMENT.								REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.							REMARKS.		
	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S., or Colour Serjeants.	Staff Serjeants.	Serjeants.	Buglers, Trumpeters, &c.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, &c.	TOTAL.	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S., or Colour-Serjeants.	Serjeants.	Buglers, Trumpeters, &c.	Corporals.		Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, &c.	TOTAL.
Bricklayers																		
Butchers																		
Carpenters and Joiners																		
„ (trained in wheeling duties).																		
Clerks																		
Despatch Riders																		
Draughtsmen (topo)																		
Drivers H.T. and/or I.C.																		
Electricians																		
Farriers																		
Fitters																		
Masons																		
Painters and Decorators																		
Plumbers and Gasfitters																		
Saddlers and Harness Makers																		
Saddle Tree Makers																		
Signallers																		
Storemen technical																		
Vickers Machine Gunners																		
Wheelers																		
General duty personnel																	282	282
TOTALS (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A).																	282	282

2/6 AUST INF BN

Unit.

Date of Despatch 16 AUG 41

J. Rowan for
Major, Lieut. Col.
Signature of Commander.
XXXX, Comd 2/6 AUST INF BN.
17 AUST INF BDE 6 AUST DIV
Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which unit is serving.

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

2/6 AUST INF BN (Unit)

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1 Ranks.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
Lieut.-Colonels	1		
Majors	2		
Captains	6		
Lieutenants	22		
2nd Lieutenants			
Quartermasters			
TOTALS	31		1

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

PART B.—PARTICULARS OF OFFICERS JOINED OR QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
LIEUT	CAMERON W.J.		10 Aug 41	Ex 17 Inf Trng Bn.
LIEUT	MACRAE D.M.		10 Aug 41	Ex 17 Inf Trng Bn.

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
Lieut	LEWIS E.A.		10 Aug 41	Evac to 7 A.G.H.

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO THE UNIT IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED.

Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts, if known).

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

(i) Officers posted to Unit (Total to agree with column 2 of Part A).

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
LIEUT. COL		H. WRIGLEY M.C.		YES	C.O.
MAJOR		G.F. SMITH		YES	XXXXXXX "A"
MAJOR		J.G. ROWAN M.C.		YES	2 i/c BN
CAPT		K.S. PICKEN		YES	O.C. "HQ" COY
CAPT		G.P. SWINBURNE		YES	O.C. "D" COY
CAPT		J.S. JONES		YES	O.C. "B" COY
CAPT		I.E. KERR		YES	O.C. "C" COY
T/CAPT		G.R. WARFE		YES	21/c "C" COY
LIEUT		Q.A. TILLEY		YES	21/c "B" COY
T/CAPT		W.H. SHERLOCK		YES	21/c "A" COY
LIEUT		P.B. HAYES		YES	PL. COMDR
LIEUT		W.R. DEXTER		YES	PL. COMDR
LIEUT		H. McR. STEWART		YES	21/c/"D" COY
LIEUT		D.W. LYNDON		YES	A/Q.M.
LIEUT		A.G. SHELDRICK		YES	ADJUTANT
LIEUT		H.B. GULLETT		YES	PL. COMDR
LIEUT		F.J. LANE		YES	PL. COMDR
LIEUT		D.O. HAY		YES	I.O.
LIEUT		J.H. PAWSON		YES	PL. COMDR
LIEUT		A.G.S. EDGAR		YES	PL. COMDR
LIEUT		M.N.I. HARRIS		YES	PL. COMDR
LIEUT		H.L. LAVER		YES	PL. COMDR
LIEUT		J.W. WATERSTON		YES	PL. COMDR
LIEUT		J.C. WALKER		YES	PL. COMDR
LIEUT		A.T. IRWIN		YES	PL. COMDR
LIEUT		W.L. SHERGOLD		YES	PL. COMDR
LIEUT		A.R. ROSS		YES	PL. COMDR
LIEUT		R.G. BURKE		YES	PL. COMDR
LIEUT		W.J. CAMERON		YES	PL. COMDR
LIEUT		S.R. WALKER		YES	PL. COMDR
LIEUT		D.M. MACRAE		YES	PL. COMDR

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive Rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
PT		E.A. HEDBERG	2/2 Fd Amb		R.M.O.
APLAIN		E.E. SAVILLE	AA Ch. D.		PADRE

2/6 AUST INF BN

(Unit.)

Lieut. Col. *J.G. Rowan* XXX. Comd 2/6 AUST INF BN. (Signature of Commander.)

Major for

16 Aug 41

(Date of Despatch.)

17 AUST INF BDE 6 AUST DIV

(Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

2/6 AUST INF BN (Unit). 23 August 19 41 (Date).

(To be furnished by all units of Cavalry, Infantry, Royal Tank Corps, Royal Army Veterinary Corps, Royal Army Pay Corps, Army Educational Corps, Corps of Military Police, and all Headquarter units).

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1 Detail.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.			
W.Os. Class II.	7		
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants OR Colour-Serjeants	3		
Staff Serjeants	1		
Serjeants	23		
Buglers, Trumpeters, etc.	1		
Corporals	51		
Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, etc.	484		269
TOTALS	470	*	* 269

* These totals should agree with the details shown in Part D on page 2 of Army Form W.3009.

Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.

Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Units and Corps to which they belong.
VX.4573 Sgt A. JAMIESON	A.A.P.C.		
VX.4406 Cpl COUGLE	M.E. 2/2 Fd Amb.		
VX.4408 Cpl DOWD	H.P. 2/2 Fd Amb.		
VX.3949 Pte ASHTON	H.R. 2/2 Fd Amb.		
VX.21256 Pte MITCHELL	N.A. 17 Aust Inf Bde		

Part C. Description of other ranks whose return to the unit is particularly requested.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g. present whereabouts if known).
VX36361	Pte	CATIONS W.R.		17 Aust Inf Trng Bn.

Part D. Detail of Surplus or Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W. 3009.

DETAIL OF SPECIALISTS, TRADESMEN, ETC.	SURPLUS TO ESTABLISHMENT.								REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.						REMARKS.			
	W. Os. Class I.	W. Os. Class II.	S.Q.M.S. ; C.Q.M.S., or Colour Sergeants.	Staff Sergeants.	Sergeants.	Buglers, Trumpeters, &c.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, &c.	TOTAL.	W. Os. Class I.	W. Os. Class II.	S.Q.M.S. ; C.Q.M.S., or Colour Sergeants.	Sergeants.	Buglers, Trumpeters, &c.		Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, &c.	TOTAL.
Bricklayers																		
Butchers																		
Carpenters and Joiners																		
„ (trained in wheeling duties).																		
Clerks																		
Despatch Riders																		
Draughtsmen (topo)																		
Drivers H.T. and/or I.C.																		
Electricians																		
Farriers																		
Fitters																		
Masons																		
Painters and Decorators																		
Plumbers and Gasfitters																		
Saddlers and Harness Makers																		
Saddle Tree Makers																		
Signallers																		
Storemen technical																		
Vickers Machine Gunners																		
Wheelers																		
General duty personnel																		269269
TOTALS (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A).																		269269

2/6 AUST INF BN.

Unit.

Date of Despatch 23 AUGUST 1941

J. Rowan
Major,
Signature of Commander.
Adm Comd 2/6 AUST INF BN.
17 AUST INF BDE
Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which unit is serving.

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

2/6 AUST INF BN. (Unit)

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1 Ranks.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
*			
*			
Lieut.-Colonels	1		
Majors	2		
Captains	6		
Lieutenants	22		1
2nd Lieutenants			
Quartermasters			
TOTALS	31		1

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

PART B.—PARTICULARS OF OFFICERS JOINED OR QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO THE UNIT IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED.

Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts, if known).
LIEUT	E.A. LEWIS		47 AUST INF TRNG BN.

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

(i) Officers posted to Unit (Total to agree with column 2 of Part A).

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
LT. COL		H. WRIGLEY MC.		YES	C.O.
MAJOR		G.F. SMITH		YES	OC "A" COY
MAJOR		J.G. ROWAN MC.		YES	2i/c BN.
CAPT		K.S. PICKEN		YES	OC "A" COY
CAPT		G.P. SWINBURNE		YES	OC "D" COY
CAPT		J.S. JONES		YES	OC "B" COY
CAPT		I.E. KERR		YES	OC "C" COY
T/CAPT		G.R. WARFE		YES	MC 2i/c "C" COY
LIEUT		Q.A. TILLEY		YES	2i/c "B" COY
T/CAPT		W.H. SHERLOCK		YES	2i/c "A" COY
LIEUT		P.B. HAYES		YES	PL.COMDR
LIEUT		W.R. DEXTER		YES	PL.COMDR
LIEUT		H.McB STEWART		YES	2i/c "D" COY
LIEUT		D.W. LYNDON		YES	Q.M.
LIEUT		A.F. SHELDRIK		YES	ADJUTANT
LIEUT		H.B. GULLETT		YES	PL.COMDR
LIEUT		F.J. LANE		YES	PL.COMDR
LIEUT		D.O. HAY		YES	I.O.
LIEUT		J.H. PAWSON		YES	PL.COMDR
LIEUT		A.G.S. EDGAR		YES	PL.COMDR
LIEUT		M.N.J. HARRIS		YES	PL.COMDR
LIEUT		H.L. LAVER		YES	PL.COMDR
LIEUT		J.W. WATERSTON		YES	PL.COMDR
LIEUT		J.C. WALKER		YES	PL.COMDR
LIEUT		A.T. IRWIN		YES	PL.COMDR
LIEUT		W.L. SHERGOLD		YES	PL.COMDR
LIEUT		A.R. ROSS		YES	PL.COMDR
LIEUT		R.G. BURKE		YES	PL.COMDR
LIEUT		W.J. CAMERON		YES	PL.COMDR
LIEUT		S.R. WALKER		YES	PL.COMDR
LIEUT		D.M. MACRAE		YES	PL.COMDR

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive Rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
CAPT		E.A. HEDBERG	2/2 Fd AMB		R.M.O.
CHAPLAIN		E.E. SAVILLE	A.A.Ch.D.		PADRE

2/6 AUST INF BN.

(Unit.)

23 AUGUST 1941

(Date of Despatch.)

J.G. Rowan MAJOR.

Adm Comd (Signature of Commander.)

17 AUST INF BDE 6 AUST DIV.

(Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

2/6 AUST INF BN (Unit). 30 AUG 19 41 (Date)

(To be furnished by all units of Cavalry, Infantry, Royal Tank Corps, Royal Army Veterinary Corps, Royal Army Pay Corps, Army Educational Corps, Corps of Military Police, and all Headquarter units).

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1 Detail.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.			
W.Os. Class II.	6		
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants OR Colour-Serjeants	3		
Staff Serjeants	1		
Serjeants	22		
Buglers, Trumpeters, etc.	1		
Corporals	50		
Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, etc.	378		292
TOTALS	461	*	* 292

* These totals should agree with the details shown in Part D on page 2 of Army Form W.3009.

Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.

Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Units and Corps to which they belong.
VX. 4753 sgt JAMIESON A.	A.A. Pay C.		
VX. 4406 Cpl COUGLE H.E.	2/2 Ed Amb.		
VX. 4408 Cpl DOND H.F.	2/2 Ed Amb.		
VX. 3949 Pte ASHTON H.R.	2/2 Ed Amb.		

Part C. Description of other ranks whose return to the unit is particularly requested.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g. present whereabouts if known).
VX. 5062	Sgt	R. ROW		} 17 AUST INF TRNG BN.
VX. 4456	Sgt	E.R. ST. JOHN		
VX. 1239	Sgt	W. SMART		17 AUST INF TRNG BN.

Part D. Detail of Surplus or Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W. 3009.

DETAIL OF SPECIALISTS, TRADESMEN, ETC.	SURPLUS TO ESTABLISHMENT.							REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.							REMARKS.		
	W. Os. Class I.	W. Os. Class II.	S. Q. M. S.; C. Q. M. S., or Colour Sergeants.	Staff Sergeants.	Serjeants.	Buglers, Trumpeters, &c.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, &c.	TOTAL.	W. Os. Class I.	W. Os. Class II.	S. Q. M. S.; C. Q. M. S., or Colour Sergeants.	Serjeants.	Buglers, Trumpeters, &c.		Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, &c.
Bricklayers																	
Butchers																	
Carpenters and Joiners																	
„ (trained in wheeling duties).																	
Clerks																	
Despatch Riders																	
Draughtsmen (topo)																	
Drivers H.T. and/or I.C.																	
Electricians																	
Farriers																	
Fitters																	
Masons																	
Painters and Decorators																	
Plumbers and Gasfitters																	
Saddlers and Harness Makers																	
Saddle Tree Makers																	
Signallers																	
Storemen technical																	
Vickers Machine Gunners																	
Wheelers																	
Buglers															2	2	
General duty personnel															290	290	
TOTALS (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A).															292	292	

2/6 AUST INF BN. Unit.

Date of Despatch 30 AUG 41

Mungley
Signature of Commanding Officer
Lieut. Col
COMMANDING 2/6 AUST INF BN.

Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which unit is serving.

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

2/6 AUST INF BN. (Unit)

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1 Ranks.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
*			
*			
Lieut.-Colonels	1		
Majors	2		
Captains	6		
Lieutenants	23		
2nd Lieutenants			
Quartermasters			
TOTALS	32		

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

PART B.—PARTICULARS OF OFFICERS JOINED OR QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
LIEUT	C.H. JENKINS		29 AUG 41	First Appointment.

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO THE UNIT IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED.

Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts, if known).
LIEUT	F.A. LEWIS		17 Aust Inf Bn

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

(i) Officers posted to Unit (Total to agree with column 2 of Part A).

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
LIEUT. COL		H. WRIGHT MC			
MAJOR		G.F. SMITH		YES	C.O.
MAJOR		J.C. ROWAN MC.		YES	C.O. "A" COY
CAPT		K.S. PICKER		YES	21/c BN.
CAPT		G.P. SWINBURNE		YES	C.O. "HQ" COY
CAPT		J.S. JONES		YES	C.O. "D" COY
CAPT		I.E. KEES		YES	C.O. "B" COY
T/CAPT		G.R. WARE		YES	C.O. "C" COY
LIEUT		Q.A. TILLEY		YES	21/c "C" COY
T/CAPT		W.H. SHERLOCK		YES	21/c "B" COY
LIEUT		P.B. HAYES		YES	21/c "A" COY
LIEUT		H.P. DENNER		YES	PL.COMDR
LIEUT		H. McB. STEWART		YES	PL.COMDR
LIEUT		D.W. LYNDON		YES	21/c "D" COY
LIEUT		A.C. SHIELDRICK		YES	V.M.
LIEUT		H.B. GILBERT		YES	ADJUTANT
LIEUT		P.J. LAMP		YES	PL.COMDR
LIEUT		D.O. HAY		YES	PL.COMDR
LIEUT		J.H. PARSON		YES	I.O.
LIEUT		A.G.S. EDGAR		YES	PL.COMDR
LIEUT		M.H.J. HARRIS		YES	PL.COMDR
LIEUT		H.L. LAVER		YES	PL.COMDR
LIEUT		J.W. WATERSTON		YES	PL.COMDR
LIEUT		J.C. WALKER		YES	PL.COMDR
LIEUT		A.E. IRWIN		YES	PL.COMDR
LIEUT		W.L. SHEPHERD		YES	PL.COMDR
LIEUT		A.R. ROSS		YES	PL.COMDR
LIEUT		R.G. BURKE		YES	PL.COMDR
LIEUT		H.J. CAMERON		YES	PL.COMDR
LIEUT		S.R. WALKER		YES	PL.COMDR
LIEUT		D.M. MACRAE		YES	TRANSPORT OFFR.
LIEUT		C.H. JENKINS		YES	PL.COMDR
				YES	XXXXX

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive Rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
CAPT		E.A. HEDBERG	2/2 Fd Amb		R.N.O.
CHAPLAIN		E.E. SAVILLE			

2/6 AUST INF BN?

(Unit.)

30 AUGUST 1941

(Date of Despatch.)

H. Wright

(Signature of Commander.)

COMMANDING 2/6 AUST INF BN.

17 AUST INF BN (Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

MEDICAL DIARY FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST, 1941.
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Medical Stores:

During this period the medical equipment for the R.A.P. was almost completed. This included cases water testing, sterilisation, and poisons.

Water Testers:

Steps have been taken re the training of the required water testing personnel, with a reserve in the rifle companies.

Chiropodist:

The unit chiropodist rejoined the unit on 16 Aug 41 and, since then, a chiropody clinic has been functioning, with considerable benefit to the men.

Battalion Health:

The sickness rates have increased somewhat during the month, chiefly owing to the greater prevalence of infected abrasions and sandfly fever. Although there are over one hundred men in the battalion with such abrasions, there are very few who are unable to carry on with full duty.

The sandfly fever has been much more serious from this point of view. Having regard, both to the long absence from the unit entailed by evacuation, and the crowded conditions of the hospitals, it was decided, in conjunction with the C.O., to open a sick bay where such patients could be nursed during the pyrexial period. With an average daily bed state of seven this sick bay is functioning satisfactorily.

Prophylaxis of Venereal Disease:

During the month the equipment of the unit P.A.C. was completed, and the training of three orderlies supervised.

E. Hedberg Capt.
R.M.O., 2/6 Aust Inf Bn.

NOTES ON TRAINING CARRIED OUT DURING AUGUST, 1941.
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Rifle Coys:

Intensive training in advanced handling of all Pl weapons. Pl exercises in field craft, field works, tank hunting, defence against air attack.

Coy exercises - Coy in attack.

Night work - Patrols and keeping direction by night.

Gas chamber - Test of respirators.

All Coys visited 30 yds range. (Rifle and Bren.)

H.Q. Coy:

Specialist training, except for Carrier and A.A. Pls who did same work as rifle coys. Sigs conducted night exercises in conjunction with sigs of 2/7 Bn and 2/1 and 2/2 Fd Regts.

N.C.Os:

Lieut ROSS completed one course for ^{N.C.Os.} ~~Junior Comds~~ and commenced a second. (Syllabus attached.)

Officers:

Following lectures were given to all officers:-

Lieut EDGAR: Defence.
 Battle Procedure.
 Reliefs in a defensive position.
 River crossings.
 Discussion on points arising from
 previous lectures.
 Night operations.

Lieut ROSS: Bomb recce and disposal.

Major Rowan

N.C.Os. TRAINING CADRE SYLLABUS:

DAY	0800-0845	0850-0935	0940-1025	1030-1115	1120-1200	1400-1445	1450-1535	1540-1630	1945-2000
<u>1st</u>	Open remarks Lecture CO Leadership & man manage- ment	Remarks supervisor Object of course & dis- cuss sylla- bus.	Lect - Method of instr. Orders. Voice Control.	Squad Drill & Rifle Ex. M.E.D.	Sec Form & Fd Sigs ISL 52 & 45	Fire - ISL Chap vi. Selection of Fire position. I & R of targets. Range cards.			Lect - CO Inf. W.D. ISL Chap
<u>2nd</u>	Use of ground ISL Chap vii. Field Craft - Cover from view, keeping direct ion, observation, section formations.			Lect - Weap- ons & their character- istics ISL Chap iv.	LMG - Sec handling practical SAT Vol 1 pamp iv.	Squad Drill & Rifle Ex MED	Lect & practical - Scouts & patrols. Recce patrol by day IT Chaps viii & ix, ISL Chap vii.		Lect - Att ISL Chap & IT 1937 where appl to Pl Lt EDGAR
<u>3rd</u>	Use of cover & conceal- ment IT Sec 34	Sec in att- ack IT 58 & 59.	Bay Tng SAT Pam 12.	Lect - Theo- ry SA fire SAT pam 3.	Fire orders & fire con- trol SAT Pam 2	Attack ISL Chap ix.			Supervisor issues Test questions
<u>4th</u>	Lect & practical Messages & Reports ISL Chap xiv		Rec Tng Manu- al & Phys Tng	Discuss attack	Use of cover & concealment ISL 42 IT 34	Fd Wks Reac- ing & taping digging. Org parties. MFF Vol 1	March dis- cipline IT 1937	Attack - con- solidation & exploitation ISL 67 & 68	Lect - Def ISL Chap Lt. EDGAR
<u>5th</u>	Hand in answers to quest- ions 0745 hrs. Fire orders & control SAT Pam 2 Lect & prac Messagēs & reports ISL Chap xiv		Battle procedure and verb- al orders Sand Table.		Squad Drill & Rifle Ex MED	Fd Wks as above	Sec as recce patrol at night ISL Chap viii	Map reading Scales & unit MMR - Chaps 3 & 4 Lt. HAY	Discussion answers to Test ques- tions.
<u>6th</u>	Bayonet Tng SAT Pam 12	Lect - Func- tioning of HQ Coy Capt PICKEN	Application of fire SAT Vol 2		Demo 3" Mor- tar	Supervisor to check notes of class			

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DAY	0800-0845	0850-0935	0940-1025	1030-1115	1120-1200	1400-1445	1450-1535	1540-1630	1945-2030
<u>7th</u>	Attack ISL Sec 59 Incorporating A & PAD		Bayonet Tng SAT Pam 12	Map reading Map setting Compass read. Finding positions camp area. Lieut HAY.		DAG two periods		Protection ISL Chap vi IT pam23.	Lecture Supporting Arms
<u>8th</u>	Battle procedure practical	Verbal Orders ISL Sec 64	Phys & Rec Tng Man of P Tng	Map reading as for 7th day Selected area Lieut HAY.		Section commanders Orders & advance to objective ISL 64 & 65 practical. Action if held up ISL Sec 66		Lecture Withdrawal attention be drawn to A. PAD	
<u>9th</u>	Fighting patrol Ex ATM No 24 Page 16.	Squad Drill & Rifle Ex MED	Fd Sigs Revis ion ISL Sec 52 & 45	Guards & Sen tries		DAG Personal decontamination	Withdrawal ISL Sec 85	Lecture Defence against AFV	
<u>10th</u>	IMG Advanced & Section handling SAT Pam 4.	Bayonet Tng Pam 12.	Lecture Hygiene & San itation RMO M of HS	Application of fire Pam 2.		Platoon in attack Exer- cise incorporating action against AFVs.	Security of information. ISL Sec 86 Chap xii.	Military Le	
<u>11th</u>	Thirty Yards Range		Thirty Yards Range			Lecture Prep of Pl Ex Practical		Discuss exercise	
<u>12th</u>	Exercise 6 Div Circular 2225/G	Phys & Rec Tng.	Lecture The Duties of an NCO	Discuss & close course Remarks by CO		Supervisor check notes & prepare report fro CO.			

[Signature]
Lieut.
A/Adjutant 2/6 Aust Inf Bn

APPX 5.

ANALYSIS OF RESULTS - JAFFA RANGE - 10 AUG 41.

Rifle Classification.

No. fired	110		
No. repeated	55		
No. qualified	81	=	74%

ANALYSIS OF CHARGES - AUGUST, 1941.

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A.W.L:	17
Failing to appear at a place of parade ordered by Commanding Officer:	11
Conduct to the prejudice of good order and military discipline:	5

DISTRICT COURTS MARTIAL - AUGUST, 1941.
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VX14926 Pte BARTLETT, A.A.

- Charges:
- (1) Disobeying a lawful command given by his superior officer.
 - (2) Absenting himself without leave.
 - (3) Disobeying in such a manner as to show wilful defiance.
 - (4) Using threatening language.

Finding:

Guilty on Charges 1, 2 and 4.
Not guilty on Charge 3.

Sentence:

12 months detention.

VX32415 Pte WILLIAMSON, J.W.

Charge: A.W.L.

Finding:

Guilty.

Sentence:

9 months detention.

VX16749 Pte MYLREA, W.J.

Charge: A.W.L.

Finding:

Guilty.

Sentence:

90 days detention.

VX32577 Pte JONES, A.

Charge: A.W.L.

Finding:

Guilty.

Sentence:

6 months detention.

VX12357 Pte O'BRIEN, A.J.

Charge: A.W.L.

Finding:

Guilty.

Sentence:

120 days detention.

DISTRICT COURTS MARTIAL - AUGUST, 1941.
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VX 3904 Pte SILVEY, K.G.

Charges: Three charges breaking lawful custody.
Four charges A.W.L.
Six charges stealing.
One charge neglect to obey orders.

Finding:

Guilty.

Sentence:

2 years imprisonment with hard labour.
Stoppage of pay until amounts stolen made good.

VX35627 Pte SMITH, R.C.

Charges: 1. Desertion.
2. Neglecting to obey an A.I.F. Standing Order.
3. Using threatening language to his superior officer.
4. Disobeying a lawful command.
5. Stealing.

Finding:

Not guilty on Charges 1 and 5.
Guilty on Charges 2, 3 and 4.

Sentence:

8 months detention.

SPORTING ACTIVITIES - AUGUST, 1941.
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1. Football:

Inter-Coy Competition:

Final: " C " Coy defeated " A " Coy.

Bn matches were played against 2/2 Fd Regt (twice) and 2/3 Fd Regt, in which we were defeated.

2. Basketball:

Inter Pl tournament reached semi-final stage; semi-finalists being 15 Pl, 12 Pl, Tpt and 16 Pl.

3. Cricket:

First round of inter-Coy was completed.

Bn matches were played against 2/2 Fd Amb and 2/4 Bn, in both of which we were defeated by strong opposition, and against 19 Bde, whom we defeated.

4. Soccer:

A keen soccer team is being formed.

One inter-unit match has been played, when we defeated 2/7 Bn.

BEANO OPERATION ORDER.

Reference Map:- Sleepy Hollow.

INFORMATION:

- 1. Enemy - Don't know.
- 2. Own troops - O.K. (We hope.)
- 3. Supporting weapons - One band.

INTENTION:

- 4. 2/6 Battalion, less Guard, plus supporting weapons will RV at Mens' Mess at pt 57368401, 9 Aug 41.

METHOD:

- 5. Timing - Appx "A".
- 6. Boundaries - Troops will not overflow.
- 7. Objectives - To attack and devour - come what may.
- 8. Rate of Advance - 32 chews per minute, per mouthful.
- 9. Compass Bearing - Sketch to follow showing bearings to all tents.
- 10. Reserves - Not required.
- 11. Zero - 1830 hrs.
- 12. Startline - Ration Store.
- 13. F.U.P. - Mess tents.

ADMINISTRATION:

- 14. Rations - As per Appx "B".
- 15. A.D.S. - Over there.
- 16. Stragglers - Drop where they are.
- 17. Hygiene - That trough not far off.
- 18. Special Medical - Soda Bicarb is not obtainable at R.A.P.
- 19. Bring your own mug, knife, fork and spoon.

INTERCOMMUNICATION:

- 20. Visual to Z plus 30, then mainly verbal.
- 21. Success Signal - Clapping, cheering, singing.
Don't park your gum under the table.

DISTRIBUTION:

PK
 TWIC
 AGITATOR
 HI HO & INSECTS
 GENIAL GEORGE
 NANA LEGS
 BULLY
 REGIMENTAL BILL
 BONNIE LESLIE
 DRIFTING &
 DREAMING
 EMPTY DRIVERS
 KOOKS & ORFSIDERS
 BATMEN (Same will wear own shirts.)
 HI JEAN SEXON
 COWIE'S CORKERS.
 BAND (OF HOPE)
 NON COMPETENT OFFICERS

APPENDIX "B":

BARDIA TURKEY	CRETE CREAM
HELWAN HAM	MALEME NUTS
69 SALAD	BISCUITS
PUCKAPONYAL PINEAPPLE	BEER
SOFT DRINKS.	

APX 10
REPORT ON VISIT TO SETTLEMENT OF KFAR YEHESEEL (JEWISH CO-OPERATIVE)

KFAR YEHESEEL is situated on the NE edge of the fertile valley of Israel 30 miles from HAIFA and 15 miles from BEISAN, bounded by GEVART ARMOREA to the NORTH and the GILBOA MOUNTAINS to the SOUTH.

The settlement, covering an area of 1500 acres is farmed by 60 ~~families~~ families. The loamy chocolate soil is intensely cultivated, and is irrigated by means of many miles of piping, except for the land used raising crops such as wheat, oats and barley.

On each holding approx. 15 acres is set aside for vines, fruit trees garden truck and maize as green fodder for cattle. Each family has an independant holding and under the co-operative system receives the full benefits accruing therefrom while still maintaining their own individuality. This system of colonisation resembles the collective form only in its usage of machinery, and the marketing of produce to which all colonies whether communal, collective or co-operative, subscribe.

The settlement possesses a fine school-five teachers- education being on similar lines to that of our primary schools.

Health is in the hands of a resident doctor who is remunerated as are our lodge doctors at home. Hospital cases are sent to the town of AFFULA 12 miles distant.

Our party of ten was enthusiastically received by the settlers, who are keenly interested in Australians and all things Australian, due as was found later, to the exemplary conduct of an Australian unit camped in the vicinity prior to the occupation of SYRIA.

The layout of the village is roughly in the form of a circle. In the centre are the administrative HQs and residential area, the settlers blocks forming the inner and the dry area the outer circle. The houses are built of stone which makes them surprisingly cool.

Members of the party who have had experience on the land were particularly impressed by the quality of the cattle in the settlement. Pure bred Freiesans are not kept, they keep the settlers. Two well bred bulls are maintained in a secure enclosure, and they are the only bulls allowed to be used in the settlement. Thrice a day milking is practiced the milk being carried to a central receiving depot for treatment. Cattle are entirely hand fed. No grazing is permitted, apparently owing to the prevalence of cattle diseases in the country, notably foot and mouth disease. Feed consists of mostly barley and oaten hay supplemented by maize. It was noticeable that some of the cattle had depraved appetites which seemed to signify that the diet is minerally deficient.

Poultry of the White Leghorn variety are very much in evidence and are well fed from self-feeding hoppers. They are very well housed in concrete sheds, the floor consisting of raised wire netting so that they are always clean.

The colonists are of Russian descent and this has a strong influence on their amusements, particularly noticeable in their songs and dances. Each night we were treated to an exhibition of dancing which both delighted and amazed us as to their powers of endurance. Some of the hardier members of our party threw all caution to the winds and joined in the frivolity, but retired after a short interval, bedraggled but elated at the success of their initial attempt. At least two of our party proved their adaptability to any form of the terpsichorean art before the termination of our visit.

The time for our departure came all too quickly, and, judging the mutual expressions of regret, the visit proved to be a memorable one, everyone hoping that it may be repeated at some future date.

The important fact learned through this visit is, that as far as the future agricultural development of this country is concerned it lies in the hands of these colonists.

Charles H. Jenkins
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August 1941

A stock-take of war diaries commenced in 1956 revealed that an ORIGINAL diary covering the above period was missing. This diary, previously registered as a DUPLICATE, has therefore been re-registered as an ORIGINAL.

An entry to this effect has been made in the War Diary Register.

Duplicate

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WAR DIARY

or

INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

Army Form C. 2118.

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Unit 2/6 AUST INF BN.

Month and Year AUGUST, 1941. (Erase heading not required).

Commanding Officer Lieut. Col. H. WRIGLEY, M.C.

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	References to Appendices.
HILL 69	1 Aug	1900	Battalion band played outside Offrs' Mess on guest night for the first time since unit returned from GREECE.	
	2 Aug	1330	Sgts of 2/2 Fd Regt entertained by sgts of 2/6 Bn at a cricket match and social evening.	
		1730	Final of inter-Coy Football Competition - "C" Coy defeated "A" Coy.	
	3 Aug	0900	Church Parade - Padre SAVILLE.	
		1500	Lieuts GULLETT and IRWIN and Sgt LAMB marched out to Junior Offrs Training School (A.I.F., M.E.) as instructors.	
	4 Aug	0900	Capt JONES and Lieut SHERGOLD to 2/2 Fd Regt on exchange with Capt WOOD and Lieut EASDOWN.	
	5 Aug	1400	10 tpt personnel marched out to course at A.A.O.C. Transport Wing.	
		1730	R.Q.M. reports gift of 5 Fowler stoves - some in slight need of repair - to be put in working condition for men's mess.	
	6 Aug	0500	Reveille.	
		0700	Battalion marched out to JULIS for divisional review by Major General Sir Iven MACKAY who had been appointed to command all troops in AUSTRALIA. After review	

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Month and Year AUGUST, 1941.
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Commanding Officer Lieut. Col. H. WRIGLEY, M.C.

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	References to Appendices.
HILL 69	6 Aug	0700	all units marched past and Major General MACKAY took the salute. Later he gave a farewell address to all offrs in the division. The band played at the saluting base and was congratulated on its performance.	
		1930	Concert and band recital in unit lines.	
	7 Aug	0800	C.O. conducted T.E.W.T. for Coy Comds and 2 i/cs in area South of camp. Subjects covered by exercise included occupation of a battalion posn, orders for patrols, procedure and orders for a dawn attack.	
			"A" Coy to 30 yds range.	
	8 Aug	0800	Continuation of T.E.W.T.	
			"B" Coy to 30 yds range.	
		1900	Offrs' mess entertained Brig VASEY, Comd 19 Bde, members of 6 Div staff, Col SUTHERLAND and Col BIERWORTH, also Lieut. Col EATHER and Lieut. Col CREMOR.	
			Evening was most successful.	
	9 Aug	1500	Arrival of four one-ton trucks.	
		1830	Regimental dinner, attended by all ranks. Offrs and sgts sat with their Coys and the latter showed their skill as mess orderlies when the meal was over.	Appx 9
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Unit 2/6 AUST INF BN.

INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

Month and Year AUGUST, 1941.

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Commanding Officer Lieut. Col H. WRIGLEY, M.C.

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	References to Appendices.
HILL 69	9 Aug	1830	The menu included turkey, ham, and fruit salad and beer; appearances and comment indicated general approval.	
		1930	Party of offrs and O.Rs. attended a moonlight dance at the settlement at RAMAT GHAN.	
	10 Aug	0630	Capt JONES and 128 O.R. left for JAFFA range.	Appx 5.
		0900	Church Parade - Padre Saville.	
	11 Aug	0900	Tactical course for Junior ^{N.C.Os} commenced - Lieut A.R. ROSS, C.I.	Appx 4.
		0930	Gas chamber arrived in unit area. "A", "D" and H.Q. Coys tested their respirators.	
			Major SMITH and Lieut HAYES to 2/2 Fd Regt, in exchange with Lieut BARNDEN.	
	12 Aug	0900	Remainder of battalion passed through gas chamber.	
		1400	Challenge cricket match v 19 Bde, won by us after close game.	
	13 Aug	1400	C.O. left to attend Combined Operations Course.	
	15 Aug	1400	Rehearsal for Bn night exercise.	
	17 Aug	0900	Church Parade - Padre SAVILLE.	
	19 Aug	1900	Bn, less "D" Coy, moved out to night exercise. Exercise followed line of T.E.W.T. and Coys first occupied posn, then sent patrols, and on receipt of orders,	

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Month and Year AUGUST, 1941.

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Commanding Officer Lieut. Col H. WRIGLEY, M.C.

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	References to Appendices.
HILL 69	19 Aug	1900	assembled for a dawn attack, which successfully carried out.	
	20 Aug	1000	Bn arrived back from night exercise.	
		1400	Lieuts ^{J.C.} WALKER and BURKE returned from A.I.F. Weapon Training School.	
		2000	Band took part in camp concert in Y.M.C.A. hut, Brigade lines.	
	21 Aug	1400	Battalion marched out to beach at AL JURA, and bivouaced there for the night.	
	22 Aug	1030	Battalion returned from beach.	
	23 Aug	1200	End of first course for Junior Sergeants N. C.O's.	
	24 Aug	0900	Church Parade - Bishop RILEY.	
	25 Aug	0800	Second course for Junior Sergeants ^{N. C.O's.} commenced - Lieut ROSS, C.I.	
			"C" Coy to 30 yds range.	
		1115	2 O.Rs 2/5 Bn, reported to 2/6 Bn, on their recent arrival from CRETE.	
	27 Aug	0800	"A" Coy to 30 yds range.	
		1545	C.O. returned from school.	
		2000	Band recital outside Y.M.C.A. tent.	
	28 Aug	1000	On departure of three prisoners to Detention Barracks, battalion detention tent now empty for first time since its inception.	

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W. H. Wrigley
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FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

2/6 AUST INF BN.

(Unit)

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1 Ranks.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
*			
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Lieut.-Colonels	1		
Majors	2		
Captains	6		
Lieutenants	20	8	3
2nd Lieutenants			
Quartermasters			
TOTALS	29		3

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

PART B.—PARTICULARS OF OFFICERS JOINED OR QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
Lieut	TILLEY Q.A.		29 Jul 41	Ex 17 I.T.Bn.
Lieut	CAMERON W.J.		28 Jul 41	(First Appointment)
Lieut	WALKER S.R.		28 Jul 41	(First Appointment)

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
Lieut	CAMERON W.J.		30 Jul 41	Evac to Hospital.
Lieut	ROBERTS W.L.A.		30 Jul 41	Evac to Hospital.

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO THE UNIT IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED.

Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts, if known).
Lieut	HARRIS M.N.J.		17 I.Trig Bn.

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

(i) Officers posted to Unit (Total to agree with column 2 of Part A).

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
Lieut.Col		WRIGLEY H. (M.C.)		YES	C.O. Bn.
MAJOR		SMITH G.F.		YES	O.C."A" COY
MAJOR		ROWAN J.G.(M.C.)		YES	2i/c Bn.
CAPT		PICKEN K.S.		YES	O.C."HQ" COY
CAPT		SWINBURNE G.P.		YES	O.C."D" COY
CAPT		JONES J.S.		YES	O.C."B" COY
CAPT		KERR I.E.		YES	O.C."C" COY
T/CAPT	LIEUT	WARFE G.R.		YES	2i.c "C" COY
LIEUT		TILLEY Q.A.		YES	2i.c "B" COY
T/CAPT	LIEUT	SHERLOCK W.H.		YES	2i/c "A" COY
LIEUT		HAYES P.B.		YES	PL.COMDR.
LIEUT		DEXTER W.R.		YES	PL.COMDR
LIEUT		STEWART H.McB.		YES	2i.c."D" COY
LIEUT		LYNDON D.W.		YES	A/Q.M.
LIEUT		SHELDRIK A.G.		YES	A/ADJ.
LIEUT		GULLETT H.B.		YES	PL.COMDR.
LIEUT		LEWIS E.A.		YES	PL.COMDR.
LIEUT		LANE F.J.		YES	PL.COMDR.
LIEUT		HAY D.O.		YES	I.O.
LIEUT		PAWSON J.H.		YES	PL.COMDR.
LIEUT		EDGAR A.G.S.		YES	PL.COMDR.
LIEUT		LAVER H.L.		YES	PL.COMDR.
LIEUT		WATERSTON J.W.		YES	PL.COMDR.
LIEUT		WALKER J.C.		YES	PL.COMDR.
LIEUT		IRWIN A.T.		YES	PL.COMDR.
LIEUT		W.L.SHERGOLD		YES	PL.COMDR.
LIEUT		ROSS A.R.		YES	PL.COMDR.
LIEUT		BURKE R.G.		YES	PL.COMDR.
LIEUT		WALKER S.R.		YES	T.O.

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive Rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
CAPT		HEDEBERG E.A.	2/2 Fd Amb		R.M.O.
CHAPLAIN		SAVILLE E.E.	A.A.Ch.D.	1 /7/41	PADRE.

2/6 AUST INF BN.

(Unit.)

2 AUG 41

(Date of Despatch.)

Wrigley

Lieut.Col.

(Signature of Commander.)

17 AUST INF BDE

6 AUST DIV.

(Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

2/6 AUST INF BN. (Unit)

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1 Ranks.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
*			
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Lieut.-Colonels	1		
Majors	2		
Captains	6		
Lieutenants	21		2
2nd Lieutenants			
Quartermasters			
TOTALS	30		2

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

PART B.—PARTICULARS OF OFFICERS JOINED OR QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
Lieut	M.N.J. HARRIS		4 Aug 41	Ex Depot Bn.

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO THE UNIT IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED.

Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts, if known).
Lieut	W.J. CAMERON		At present at 171.T.Bn.

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

(i) Officers posted to Unit (Total to agree with column 2 of Part A).

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
Lt. Col		H. WRIGLEY MC.		YES	O.O.
Major		G.P. SMITH		YES	O.C. "A" COY
Major		J.G. HARRISON MC.		YES	2i/c Bn.
Capt		K.S. PICKEN		YES	O.C. "HQ" COY
Capt		G.P. SWINBURNE		YES	O.C. "D" COY
Capt		J.S. JONES		YES	O.C. "B" COY
Capt		I.E. KERR		YES	O.C. "C" COY
T/Capt	Lieut	G.R. WARFE		YES	2i/c "C" COY
Lieut		Q.A. TILLEY		YES	2i/c "B" COY
T/Capt	Lieut	W.H. SHERLOCK		YES	2i/c "A" COY
Lieut		P.B. HAYES		YES	PL.COMDR
Lieut		W.R. DEXTER		YES	PL.COMDR
Lieut		H.McB STEWART		YES	2i/c "D" COY
Lieut		D.W. LYNDON		YES	O.M.
Lieut		A.G. SHELDRICH		YES	ADJUTANT
Lieut		H.B. GULLETT		YES	PL.COMDR
Lieut		E.A. LEWIS		YES	PL.COMDR
Lieut		F.J. LANE		YES	PL.COMDR
Lieut		D.O. HAY		YES	INT OFFICER
Lieut		J.H. PAWSON		YES	PL.COMDR
Lieut		A.C.S. EDGAR		YES	PL.COMDR
Lieut		M.N.J. HARRIS		YES	PL.COMDR
Lieut		H.L. LAVER		YES	PL.COMDR
Lieut		J.W. WATERSTON		YES	PL.COMDR
Lieut		J.C. WALKER		YES	PL.COMDR
Lieut		A.T. IRWIN		YES	PL.COMDR
Lieut		W.E. SHERGOLD		YES	PL.COMDR
Lieut		A.R. ROSS		YES	PL.COMDR
Lieut		R.G. BURKE		YES	PL.COMDR
Lieut		S.R. WALKER		YES	PL.COMDR

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive Rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
Capt		E.S. HEDBERG			R.M.O.
Padre		E.E. SAVILLE			Padre.

2/6 Aust Inf Bn

(Unit.)

9 Aug 41

(Date of Despatch.)

Commanding 2/6 Aust Inf Bn.

(Bde., Divn., Area, etc with which Unit is serving.)

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

2/6 AUST INF BN

(Unit)

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1 Ranks.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
*			
*			
Lieut.-Colonels	1		
Majors	2		
Captains	6		
Lieutenants	22		
2nd Lieutenants			
Quartermasters			
TOTALS	31		1

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

PART B.—PARTICULARS OF OFFICERS JOINED OR QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
LIEUT	CAMERON W.J.		10 Aug 41	Ex 17 Inf Trng Bn.
LIEUT	MACRAE D.M.		10 Aug 41	Ex 17 Inf Trng Bn.

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
Lieut	LEWIS E.A.		10 Aug 41	Evac to 7 A.G.H.

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO THE UNIT IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED.

Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts, if known).

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

(i) Officers posted to Unit (Total to agree with column 2 of Part A).

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Substantive Rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
LIEUT. COL		H. WRIGLEY M.C.		YES	C.O.
MAJOR		G.F. SMITH		YES	XXXXXXXXXX "A" BN
MAJOR		J.G. ROWAN M.C.		YES	2 i/c BN
CAPT		K.S. PICKEN		YES	O.C. "HQ" COY
CAPT		G.P. SWINBURNE		YES	O.C. "D" COY
CAPT		J.S. JONES		YES	O.C. "B" COY
CAPT		I.E. KERR		YES	O.C. "C" COY
T/CAPT		G.R. WARFE		YES	21/c "G" COY
LIEUT		O.A. TILLEY		YES	21/c "B" COY
T/CAPT		W.H. SHERLOCK		YES	21/c "A" COY
LIEUT		P.B. HAYES		YES	PL. COMDR
LIEUT		W.R. DEXTER		YES	PL. COMDR
LIEUT		H. McR. STEWART		YES	21/c/"D" COY
LIEUT		D.W. LYNDON		YES	A/Q.M.
LIEUT		A.G. SHELDRIK		YES	ADJUTANT
LIEUT		H.B. GULLETT		YES	PL. COMDR
LIEUT		F.J. LANE		YES	PL. COMDR
LIEUT		D.O. HAY		YES	I.O.
LIEUT		J.H. PAWSON		YES	PL. COMDR
LIEUT		A.G.S. EDGAR		YES	PL. COMDR
LIEUT		M.N.J. HARRIS		YES	PL. COMDR
LIEUT		H.L. LAVER		YES	PL. COMDR
LIEUT		J.W. WATERSTON		YES	PL. COMDR
LIEUT		J.C. WALKER		YES	PL. COMDR
LIEUT		A.T. IRWIN		YES	PL. COMDR
LIEUT		W.L. SHERGOLD		YES	PL. COMDR
LIEUT		A.R. ROSS		YES	PL. COMDR
LIEUT		R.G. BURKE		YES	PL. COMDR
LIEUT		W.J. CAMERON		YES	PL. COMDR
LIEUT		S.R. WALKER		YES	PL. COMDR
LIEUT		D.M. MACRAE		YES	PL. COMDR

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Substantive Rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
CAPT		E.A. HEDBERG	2/2 Fd Amb		R.M.O.
CHAPLAIN		E.E. SAVILLE	AA Ch D.		PADRE

2/6 AUST INF BN

(Unit.)

Lieut. Col. ~~XXXX~~ Comd 2/6 AUST INF BN.

(Signature of Commander.)

16 Aug 41

(Date of Despatch.)

17 AUST INF BDE 6 AUST DIV

(Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

2/6 AUST INF BN. (Unit)

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1 Ranks.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
*			
*			
Lieut.-Colonels	1		
Majors	2		
Captains	6		
Lieutenants	22		1
2nd Lieutenants			
Quartermasters			
TOTALS	31		1

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

PART B.—PARTICULARS OF OFFICERS JOINED OR QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO THE UNIT IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED.

Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts, if known).
LIEUT	E.A. LEWIS		17 AUST INF TRNG BN.

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

(i) Officers posted to Unit (Total to agree with column 2 of Part A).

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
LT. COL		H. WRIGHT MC.		YES	C.O.
MAJOR		G.F. SMITH		YES	OC "A" COY
MAJOR		J.G. ROWAN MC.		YES	21/c BN.
CAPT		K.S. PICKEN		YES	OC "A" COY
CAPT		G.P. SWINBURNE		YES	OC "D" COY
CAPT		J.S. JONES		YES	OC "B" COY
CAPT		I.E. KERR		YES	OC "C" COY
T/CAPT		G.R. WARFE		YES	ME 21/c "C" COY
LIEUT		Q.A. TILLEY		YES	21/c "B" COY
T/CAPT		W.H. SHERLOCK		YES	21/c "A" COY
LIEUT		P.B. HAYES		YES	PL.COMDR
LIEUT		W.R. DEXTER		YES	PL.COMDR
LIEUT		H.McB STEWART		YES	21/c "D" COY
LIEUT		D.W. LYNDON		YES	O.N.
LIEUT		A.G. SHELDRICK		YES	ADJUTANT
LIEUT		H.B. GULLETT		YES	PL.COMDR
LIEUT		F.J. LANE		YES	PL.COMDR
LIEUT		D.O. HAY		YES	I.O.
LIEUT		J.H. PAWSON		YES	PL.COMDR
LIEUT		A.G.S. EDGAR		YES	PL.COMDR
LIEUT		M.N.J. HARRIS		YES	PL.COMDR
LIEUT		H.L. LAVER		YES	PL.COMDR
LIEUT		J.W. WATERSTON		YES	PL.COMDR
LIEUT		J.C. WALKER		YES	PL.COMDR
LIEUT		A.T. IRWIN		YES	PL.COMDR
LIEUT		W.L. SHERGOLD		YES	PL.COMDR
LIEUT		A.R. ROSS		YES	PL.COMDR
LIEUT		R.G. BURKE		YES	PL.COMDR
LIEUT		W.J. CAMERON		YES	PL.COMDR
LIEUT		S.R. WALKER		YES	PL.COMDR
LIEUT		D.M. MACRAE		YES	PL.COMDR

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive Rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
CAPT		E.A. HEDBERG	2/2 Fd AMB		R.M.O.
CHAPLAIN		E.P. SAVILLE	A.A.Ch.D.		PADRE

2/6 AUST INF BN.

(Unit.)

23 AUGUST 1941

(Date of Despatch.)

J.R. Rowan MAJOR.
Adm Comd (Signature of Commander.)

17 AUST INF BDE 6 AUST DIV.

(Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

2/6 AUST INF BN. (Unit)

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1 Ranks.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
*			
*			
Lieut.-Colonels	1		
Majors	2		
Captains	6		
Lieutenants	23		
2nd Lieutenants			
Quartermasters			
TOTALS	32		

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

PART B.—PARTICULARS OF OFFICERS JOINED OR QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
LIEUT	C.H. JENKINS		29 Aug 41	First Appointment.

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO THE UNIT IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED.

Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts, if known).
LIEUT	R.A. LEWIS		17 Aust Inf Bn

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

(i) Officers posted to Unit (Total to agree with column 2 of Part A).

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
LIEUT. COL		H. WRIGLEY MC		YES	
MAJOR		G.F. SMITH		YES	C.C.
MAJOR		J.G. ROWAN MC.		YES	O.C. "A" COY
CAPT		K.S. PICKEN		YES	21/c BN.
CAPT		G.P. SWINBURNE		YES	O.C. "HQ" COY
CAPT		J.S. JONES		YES	O.C. "D" COY
CAPT		I.E. KERR		YES	O.C. "B" COY
T/CAPT		G.R. WAPPE		YES	O.C. "C" COY
LIEUT		G.A. TILLEY		YES	21/c "C" COY
T/CAPT		W.H. SHERLOCK		YES	21/c "B" COY
LIEUT		P.B. HAYES		YES	21/c "A" COY
LIEUT		W.R. DEXTER		YES	PL. COMDR
LIEUT		H. McB. STEWART		YES	PL. COMDR
LIEUT		D.W. LYNDON		YES	21/c "D" COY
LIEUT		A.G. SHELDRICK		YES	C.N.
LIEUT		H.B. GULLETT		YES	ADJUTANT
LIEUT		P.J. LANE		YES	PL. COMDR
LIEUT		D.O. HAY		YES	PL. COMDR
LIEUT		J.H. PAWSON		YES	I.O.
LIEUT		A.G.S. EDGAR		YES	PL. COMDR
LIEUT		M.H.J. HARRIS		YES	PL. COMDR
LIEUT		H.L. LAVER		YES	PL. COMDR
LIEUT		J.W. WATERSTON		YES	PL. COMDR
LIEUT		J.C. WALKER		YES	PL. COMDR
LIEUT		A.T. IRWIN		YES	PL. COMDR
LIEUT		W.L. SHERGOLD		YES	PL. COMDR
LIEUT		A.R. ROSS		YES	PL. COMDR
LIEUT		R.C. BURKE		YES	PL. COMDR
LIEUT		W.J. CAMERON		YES	PL. COMDR
LIEUT		S.R. WALKER		YES	PL. COMDR
LIEUT		D.N. MACRAE		YES	TRANSPORT OFFR
LIEUT		C.H. JENKINS		YES	PL. COMDR
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(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive Rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
CAPT		E.A. HEDBERG	2/2 P.I. Amb		R.M.O.
CHAPLAIN		E.E. SAVILLE		14. 31. 41	PADRE

2/6 AUST INF BN?

(Unit.)

30 AUGUST 1941

(Date of Despatch.)

H. Wrigley

(Signature of Commander.)
LIEUT. COL
COMMANDING 2/6 AUST INF BN.

17 AUST INF BDE
(Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)
6 AUST DIV

MEDICAL DIARY FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST, 1941.
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Medical Stores:

During this period the medical equipment for the R.A.P. was almost completed. This included cases water testing, sterilisation, and poisons.

Water Testers:

Steps have been taken re the training of the required water testing personnel, with a reserve in the rifle companies.

Chiropodist:

The unit chiropodist rejoined the unit on 16 Aug 41 and, since then, a chiropody clinic has been functioning, with considerable benefit to the men.

Battalion Health:

The sickness rates have increased somewhat during the month, chiefly owing to the greater prevalence of infected abrasions and sandfly fever. Although there are over one hundred men in the battalion with such abrasions, there are very few who are unable to carry on with full duty.

The sandfly fever has been much more serious from this point of view. Having regard, both to the long absence from the unit entailed by evacuation, and the crowded conditions of the hospitals, it was decided, in conjunction with the C.O., to open a sick bay where such patients could be nursed during the pyrexial period. With an average daily bed state of seven this sick bay is functioning satisfactorily.

Prophylaxis of Venereal Disease:

During the month the equipment of the unit P.A.C. was completed, and the training of three orderlies supervised.

E.A. Heaberg Capt.
R.M.O., 2/6 Aust Inf Bn.

NOTES ON TRAINING CARRIED OUT DURING AUGUST, 1941.
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Rifle Coys:

Intensive training in advanced handling of all Pl weapons. Pl exercises in field craft, field works, tank hunting, defence against air attack.

Coy exercises - Coy in attack.

Night work - Patrols and keeping direction by night.

Gas chamber - Test of respirators.

All Coys visited 30 yds range. (Rifle and Bren.)

H.Q. Coy:

Specialist training, except for Carrier and A.A. Pls who did same work as rifle coys. Sigs conducted night exercises in conjunction with sigs of 2/7 Bn and 2/1 and 2/2 Fd Regts.

N.C.Os:

Lieut ROSS completed one course for ^{N.C.O's.} ~~Junior Comds~~ and commenced a second. (Syllabus attached.)

Officers:

Following lectures were given to all officers:-

Lieut EDGAR:	Defence.
	Battle Procedure.
	Reliefs in a defensive position.
	River crossings.
	Discussion on points arising from previous lectures.
	Night operations.
Lieut ROSS:	Bomb recce and disposal.

N.C.O.s. TRAINING CADRE SYLLABUS:

DAY	0800-0845	0850-0935	0940-1025	1030-1115	1120-1200	1400-1445	1450-1535	1540-1630	1945-2000
<u>1st</u>	Open remarks Lecture CO Leadership & man manage- ment	Remarks supervisor Object of course & dis- cuss sylla- bus.	Lect - Method of instr. Orders. Voice Control.	Squad Drill & Rifle Ex. M.E.D.	Sec Form & Fd Sigs ISL 52 & 45	Fire - ISL Chap vi. Selection of Fire position. I & R of targets. Range cards.			Lect - Inf. W ISL Chap
<u>2nd</u>	Use of ground ISL Chap vii. Field Craft - Cover from view, keeping direct ion, observation, section formations.			Lect - Weap- ons & their character- istics ISL Chap iv.	IMG - Sec handling practical SAT Vol 1 pamp iv.	Squad Drill & Rifle Ex MED	Lect & practical - Scouts & patrols. Recce patrol by day IT Chaps viii & ix, ISL Chap vii.		Lect - ISL Chap & IT 1937- where appl to Pl Lt EDGAR
<u>3rd</u>	Use of cover & conceal- ment IT Sec 34	See in att- ack IT 58 & 59.	Bay Tng SAT Pam 12.	Lect - Theo- ry SA fire SAT pam 3.	Fire orders & fire con- trol SAT Pam 2	Attack ISL Chap ix.			Supervisor issues Test questions
<u>4th</u>	Lect & practical Messages & Reports ISL Chap xiv		Rec Tng Manu- al & Phys Tng	Discuss attack	Use of cover & concealment ISL 42 IT 34	Fd Wks Reac- ing & taping digging. Org parties. MPE Vol 1	March dis- cipline IT 1937	Attack - con- solidation & exploitation ISL 67 & 68	Lect - ISL Chap Lt. EDGAR
<u>5th</u>	Hand in answers to quest- ions 0745 hrs. Fire orders & control SAT Pam 2 Lect & prac Messages & reports ISL Chap xiv		Battle procedure and verb- al orders Sand Table.		Squad Drill & Rifle Ex MED	Fd Wks as above	Sec as recce patrol at night ISL Chap viii	Map reading Scales & unit MMR - Chaps 3 & 4 Lt. HAY	Discussion answers to Test quest- ions.
<u>6th</u>	Bayonet Tng SAT Pam 12	Lect - Func- tioning of HQ Coy Capt PICKEN	Application of fire SAT Vol 2		Demo 3" Mor- tar	Supervisor to check notes of class			

DAY	0800-0845	0850-0935	0940-1025	1030-1115	1120-1200	1400-1445	1450-1535	1540-1630	1945-2030
<u>7th</u>	Attack ISL Sec 59 Incorporating A & PAD		Bayonet Tng SAT Pam 12	Map reading Map setting Compass read. Finding positions camp area. Lieut HAY.		DAG two periods		Protection ISL Chap vi MT pam23.	Lecture Supporting Arms
<u>8th</u>	Battle procedure practical	Verbal Orders ISL Sec 64	Phys & Rec Tng Man of P Tng	Map reading as for 7th day Selected area Lieut HAY.		Section commanders Orders & advance to objective ISL 64 & 65 practical. Action if held up ISL Sec 66		Lecture Withdrawal attention b be drawn to A, PAD	
<u>9th</u>	Fighting patrol Ex ATM No 24 Page 16.		Squad Drill & Rifle Ex MED	Fd Sigs Revis ion ISL Sec 52 & 45	Guards & Sen tries	DAG Personal decon- tamination	Withdrawal ISL Sec 85	Lecture Defence against AFV	
<u>10th</u>	IMG Advanced & Section handling SAT Pam 4.		Bayonet Tng Pam 12.	Lecture Hygiene & San itation RMO M of HS	Application of fire Pam 2.	Platoon in attack Exer- cise incorporating action against AFVs.	Security of information. ISL Sec 86 Chap xii.	Military Le	
<u>11th</u>	Thirty Yards Range			Thirty Yards Range		Lecture Prep of Pl Ex Practical		Discuss exercise	
<u>12th</u>	Exercise 6 Div Circular 2225/G		Phys & Rec Tng.	Lecture The Duties of an NCO	Discuss & close course Remarks by CO	Supervisor check notes & prepare report fro CO.			

[Signature]
Lieut.
A/Adjutant 2/6 Aust Inf Bn

Appx 5.

ANALYSIS OF RESULTS - JAFFA RANGE - 10 AUG 41.
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Rifle Classification.

No. fired	110		
No. repeated	55		
No. qualified	81	=	74%

ANALYSIS OF CHARGES - AUGUST, 1941.

A.W.L:	17
Failing to appear at a place of parade ordered by Commanding Officer:	11
Conduct to the prejudice of good order and military discipline:	5

DISTRICT COURTS MARTIAL - AUGUST, 1941.
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VX14926 Pte BARTLETT, A.A.

Charges: (1) Disobeying a lawful command given by his superior officer.
(2) Absenting himself without leave.
(3) Disobeying in such a manner as to show wilful defiance.
(4) Using threatening language.

Finding:

Guilty on Charges 1, 2 and 4.
Not guilty on Charge 3.

Sentence:

12 months detention.

VX32415 Pte WILLIAMSON, J.W.

Charge: A.W.L.

Finding:

Guilty.

Sentence:

9 months detention.

VX16749 Pte MYLREA, W.J.

Charge: A.W.L.

Finding:

Guilty.

Sentence:

90 days detention.

VX32577 Pte JONES, A.

Charge: A.W.L.

Finding:

Guilty.

Sentence:

6 months detention.

VX12357 Pte O'BRIEN, A.J.

Charge: A.W.L.

Finding:

Guilty.

Sentence:

120 days detention.

DISTRICT COURTS MARTIAL - AUGUST, 1941.

VX 3904 Pte SILVEY, K.G.

Charges: Three charges breaking lawful custody.
Four charges A.W.L.
Six charges stealing.
One charge neglect to obey orders.

Finding:

Guilty.

Sentence:

2 years imprisonment with hard labour.
Stoppage of pay until amounts stolen made good.

VX35627 Pte SMITH, R.C.

Charges: 1. Desertion.
2. Neglecting to obey an A.I.F. Standing Order.
3. Using threatening language to his superior officer.
4. Disobeying a lawful command.
5. Stealing.

Finding:

Not guilty on Charges 1 and 5.
Guilty on Charges 2, 3 and 4.

Sentence:

8 months detention.

SPORTING ACTIVITIES - AUGUST, 1941.
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1. Football:

Inter-Coy Competition:

Final: " C " Coy defeated " A " Coy.

Bn matches were played against 2/2 Fd Regt (twice) and 2/3 Fd Regt, in which we were defeated.

2. Basketball:

Inter Pl tournament reached semi-final stage; semi-finalists being 15 Pl, 12 Pl, Tpt and 16 Pl.

3. Cricket:

First round of inter-Coy was completed.

Bn matches were played against 2/2 Fd Amb and 2/4 Bn, in both of which we were defeated by strong opposition, and against 19 Bde, whom we defeated.

4. Soccer:

A keen soccer team is being formed.

One inter-unit match has been played, when we defeated 2/7 Bn.

BEANO OPERATION ORDER.

Reference Map:- Sleepy Hollow.

INFORMATION:

- | | | | |
|----|--------------------|---|-----------------|
| 1. | Enemy | - | Don't know. |
| 2. | Own Troops | - | O.K. (We hope.) |
| 3. | Supporting weapons | - | One band. |

INTENTION:

4. 2/6 Battalion, less Guard, plus supporting weapons will RV at Mens' Mess at pt 57368401, 9 Aug 41.

METHOD:

- | | | | |
|-----|-----------------|---|-------------------------------------------------|
| 5. | Timing | - | Appx "A". |
| 6. | Boundaries | - | Troops will not overflow. |
| 7. | Objectives | - | To attack and devour - come what may. |
| 8. | Rate of Advance | - | 32 chews per minute, per mouthful. |
| 9. | Compass Bearing | - | Sketch to follow showing bearings to all tents. |
| 10. | Reserves | - | Not required. |
| 11. | Zero | - | 1830 hrs. |
| 12. | Starline | - | Ration Store. |
| 13. | F.U.P. | - | Mess Tents. |

ADMINISTRATION:

- | | | | |
|-----|--------------------------------------------|---|-----------------------------------------|
| 14. | Rations | - | As per Appx "B". |
| 15. | A.D.S. | - | Over there. |
| 16. | Stragglers | - | Drop where they are. |
| 17. | Hygiene | - | That trough not far off. |
| 18. | Special Medical | - | Soda Bicarb is not obtainable at R.A.P. |
| 19. | Bring your own mug, knife, fork and spoon. | | |

INTERCOMMUNICATION:

- | | |
|-----|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 20. | Visual to Z plus 30, then mainly verbal. |
| 21. | Success Signal - Clapping, cheering, singing.
Don't park your gum under the table. |

DISTRIBUTION:

PK
 TWIC
 AGITATOR
 HI HO & INSECTS
 GENIAL GEORGE
 NANA LEGS
 BULLY
 REGIMENTAL BILL
 BONNIE LESLIE
 DRIFTING &
 DREAMING
 EMPTY DRIVERS
 KOOKS & ORFSIDERS
 BATMEN (Some will wear own shirts.)
 HI JEAN SEXUN
 COWIE'S CONKERS.
 BAND (OF HOPE)
 NON COMPETENT OFFICERS

APPENDIX "B":

BARDIA TURKEY	CRETE CREAM
HELWAN HAM	MALEME NUTS
69 SALAD	BISCUITS
PUCKAPUNYAL PINEAPPLE	BEER
SOFT DRINKS.	

Appx 10
REPORT ON VISIT TO SETTLEMENT OF KPAR YEHESEQEL (JEWISH CO-OPERATIVE)

Kpar Yehesqel is situated on the NE edge of the fertile valley of Israel 30 miles from Haifa and 15 miles from Beisan, bounded by Gevart Armorea to the north and the Gilboa mountains to the south.

The settlement, covering an area of 1500 acres is farmed by 60 families. The loamy, chocolate soil is intensely cultivated, and is irrigated by means of many miles of piping, except for the land used for raising crops such as wheat, oats and barley.

On each holding approximately 15 acres is set aside for vines, fruit trees, garden truck and maize as green fodder for cattle. Each family has an independant holding and under the co-operative system receives the full benefits accruing therefrom while still maintaining their own individuality. This system of colonization resembles the collective form only in its usage of machinery, and the marketing of produce to which all colonies, whether communal, collective or co-operative, subscribe.

The settlement possesses a fine school - five teachers - education being on similar lines to that of our primary schools.

Health is in the hands of a resident doctor who is remunerated as are our lodge doctors at home. Hospital cases are sent to the town of Afula 12 miles distance.

Our party of ten was enthusiastically received by the settlers, who are keenly interested in Australians and all things Australian, due as was found out later, to the exemplary conduct of an Australian unit camped in the vicinity prior to the occupation of Syria.

The layout of the village is roughly in the form of a circle. In the centre are the administrative HQs and residential area, the settlers blocks forming the inner and the dry area the outer circle. The houses are built of stone which makes them surprisingly cool.

Members of the party who have had experience on the land were particularly impressed by the quality of the cattle in the settlement. Pure bred Friesians are not kept, they keep the settlers. Two well bred bulls are maintained in a secure enclosure, and they are the only bulls allowed to be used in the settlement. Thrice a day milking is practised, the milk being carried to a central receiving depot for treatment. Cattle are entirely hand fed. No grazing is permitted, apparently owing to the prevalence of cattle diseases in the country, notably foot and mouth disease. Feed consists mostly of barley and oaten hay supplemented by maize. It was noticeable that some of the cattle had depraved appetites which seemed to signify that the diet is minerally deficient.

Poultry of the white Leghorn variety are very much in evidence and are well fed from self-feeding hoppers. They are very well housed in concrete sheds, the floor consisting of raised wire netting so that are always clean.

The colonists are of Russian descent and this has a strong influence on their amusements, particularly noticeable in their songs and dances. Each night we were treated to an exhibition of dancing which both delighted and amazed us as to their powers of endurance. Some of the hardier members of our party threw all caution to the winds and joined in the frivolity, but retired after a short interval, bedraggled, but elated at the success of their initial attempt. At least two of our party proved their adaptability to any form of the terpsichorean art before the termination of our visit.

The time for our departure came all too quickly, and, judging by the mutual expressions of regret, the visit proved to be a memorable one, everyone hoping that it may be repeated at some future date.

The most important fact learnt through this visit is, that as far as the future agricultural development of this country is concerned, it lies in the hands of these colonists.

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Charles H. Jenkins
W/O

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Appendix to War Diary

Jan 1918

FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

2/6 AUST INF BN. (Unit). 2 AUG 19 41 (Date).

(To be furnished by all units of Cavalry, Infantry, Royal Tank Corps, Royal Army Veterinary Corps, Royal Army Pay Corps, Army Educational Corps, Corps of Military Police, and all Headquarter units).

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1	2	3	4
Detail.	Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.	1		
W.Os. Class II.			
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants OR Colour-Serjeants	1		
Staff Serjeants	1		
Serjeants	22		
Drummers, Trumpeters, etc. / Sgts	1		
Corporals	45		
Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, etc.	400		282
TOTALS	471	*	* 282

* These totals should agree with the details shown in Part D on page 2 of Army Form W.3009.

Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.

Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Units and Corps to which they belong.
VX.4573 Sgt JAMIESON A.	A.A. Pay Corps.		
VX.13330 Cpl SEALES A.	A.A. Postal Corps		
VX.4406 Cpl COUGLE M.	2/2 Fd Amb.		
VX.3949 Pte ASHTON H.	2/2 Fd Amb.		
VX.21256 Pte MITCHELL A.	17 Aust Inf Bde.		

Part C. Description of other ranks whose return to the unit is particularly requested.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g. present whereabouts if known).
VX.5083	Pte	SCARLETT N.L.		17 Inf Trg Bn.

Part D. Detail of Surplus or Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W. 3009.

DETAIL OF SPECIALISTS, TRADESMEN, ETC.	SURPLUS TO ESTABLISHMENT.							REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.							REMARKS.			
	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S., or Colour Serjeants.	Staff Serjeants.	Serjeants.	Buglers, Trumpeters, &c.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, &c.	TOTAL.	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S., or Colour Serjeants.	Serjeants.	Buglers, Trumpeters, &c.		Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, &c.	TOTAL.
Bricklayers																		
Butchers																		
Carpenters and Joiners																		
„ (trained in wheeling duties).																		
Clerks																		
Despatch Riders																		
Draughtsmen (topo)																		
Drivers H.T. and/or I.C.																		
Electricians																		
Farriers																		
Fitters																		
Masons																		
Painters and Decorators																		
Plumbers and Gasfitters																		
Saddlers and Harness Makers																		
Saddle Tree Makers																		
Signallers																		
Storemen technical																		
Vickers Machine Gunners																		
Wheelers																		
General duty personnel																	282	282
TOTALS (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A).																	282	282

2/6 AUST INF BN

Unit.

J. Rowan for
Major, Lieut. Col.
Signature of Commander.

Date of Despatch 16 AUG 41

XXXX Comd 2/6 AUST INF BN.

17 AUST INF BDE, 6 AUST INF BN.
Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which unit is serving.

FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

2/6 AUST INF BN (Unit). 23 August 1941 (Date).

(To be furnished by all units of Cavalry, Infantry, Royal Tank Corps, Royal Army Veterinary Corps, Royal Army Pay Corps, Army Educational Corps, Corps of Military Police, and all Headquarter units).

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1 Detail.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.			
W.Os. Class II.	7		
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants OR Colour-Serjeants	3		
Staff Serjeants	1		
Serjeants	23		
Buglers, Trumpeters, etc. /Sgts	1		
Corporals	51		
Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, etc.	484		269
TOTALS	470	*	* 269

* These totals should agree with the details shown in Part D on page 2 of Army Form W.3009.

Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.

Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Units and Corps to which they belong.
VX.4573 Sgt A. JAMIESON	A.A.P.C.		
VX.4406 Cpl COUGLE	M.E. 2/2 Fd Amb.		
VX.4408 Cpl DOWD	H.P. 2/2 Fd Amb.		
VX.3949 Pte ASHTON	H.R. 2/2 Fd Amb.		
VX.21256 Pte MITCHELL	N.A. 17 Aust Inf Bde		

Part C. Description of other ranks whose return to the unit is particularly requested.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g. present whereabouts if known).
VX36361	Pte	CATIONS W.R.		17 Aust Inf Trng Bn.

Part D. Detail of Surplus or Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W. 3009.

DETAIL OF SPECIALISTS, TRADESMEN, ETC.	SURPLUS TO ESTABLISHMENT.							REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.							REMARKS.		
	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S., or Colour Sergeants.	Staff Sergeants.	Sergeants.	Buglers, Trumpeters, &c.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, &c.	TOTAL.	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S., or Colour Sergeants.	Sergeants.	Buglers, Trumpeters, &c.		Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, &c.
Bricklayers																	
Butchers																	
Carpenters and Joiners																	
„ (trained in wheeling duties).																	
Clerks																	
Despatch Riders																	
Draughtsmen (topo)																	
Drivers H.T. and/or I.C.																	
Electricians																	
Farriers																	
Fitters																	
Masons																	
Painters and Decorators																	
Plumbers and Gasfitters																	
Saddlers and Harness Makers																	
Saddle Tree Makers																	
Signallers																	
Storemen technical																	
Vickers Machine Gunners																	
Wheelers																	
General duty personnel																	269269
TOTALS (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A).																	269269

2/6 AUST INF BN. Unit.

Date of Despatch 23 AUGUST 1941

[Signature]
Signature of Commander.

Adm Comd 2/6 AUST INF BN.
Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which unit is serving.

FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

2/6 AUST INF BN (Unit). 30 AUG 19 41 (Date).

(To be furnished by all units of Cavalry, Infantry, Royal Tank Corps, Royal Army Veterinary Corps, Royal Army Pay Corps, Army Educational Corps, Corps of Military Police, and all Headquarter units).

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1 Detail.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.			
W.Os. Class II.	6		
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants OR Colour-Serjeants	3		
Staff Serjeants	1		
Serjeants	22		
Buglers, Trumpeters, etc.	1		
Corporals	50		
Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, etc.	378		292
TOTALS	461	*	* 292

* These totals should agree with the details shown in Part D on page 2 of Army Form W.3009.

Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.

Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Units and Corps to which they belong.
VX.4753 Sgt JAMISON A	A.A. Coy C.		
VX.4406 Cpl COUSIN H.R.	2/2 Fd Amb.		
VX.4408 Cpl BOND H.R.	2/2 Fd Amb.		
VX.3049 Pte ACHON H.R.	2/2 Fd Amb.		

Part C. Description of other ranks whose return to the unit is particularly requested.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g. present whereabouts if known).
VX.5062	Sgt	R. ROW		} 17 AUST INF TRNG I
VX.4456	Sgt	H.R. ST. JOHN		
VX.1239	Sgt	W. SMART		17 AUST INF TRNG BN

