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

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2/2 Machine Gun Battalion

October - December 1941

# WAR DIARY ~~or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY~~

Army Form  
(adapted)

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Unit 2/2 Aust M.G. Bn.

Date and Time.—From Oct 1 To Oct 31.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references Appendices, Diaries, etc.
Hill 95 Palestine	1 Oct.		NX 15828 Lieut G.T. Ferguson ceases to be seconded as QM Machine Gun Training Bn and rejoins unit. - All unit schools given a weeks recess to enable students to go on leave.	
	2 Oct.		Series of leave tours arranged by Padre Bird and buses hired for the purpose. These tours comprise three days leave in Tel Aviv; four days tour to Haifa-Tiberias Districts; four days Haifa leave and four days at Jerusalem. In addition tents have been erected on the beach West of Beit Jirja to enable men to spend four days leave there. Parties of men have also been sent on 7 days leave to Cairo.	
	3 Oct.		The G.O.C. General Blamey will review units of the 9th Divn. at Gaza Ridge on Oct 6. Practices for this review began today.	
	4 Oct.		The party of witnesses who attended the court martial of NX 29091 Pte COX V.E. who was charged with the murder of NX 15949 RQMS L.W. COLES at Matruh on 28 Aug, returned from Cairo. Further practises for the G.O.C's review were held.	
	6 Oct.		The G.O.C. General Blamey reviewed units of the 9th Divn. at a parade held on Gaza Ridge. 17 Officers 35 N.C.O.s and 403 ORs represented this unit. In addressing the troops the G.O.C. paid a tribute to their courage <del>and</del> endurance, and tenacity in Tobruk and the Western Desert. He said that a hard period of training was ahead and all ranks must make themselves fit for the next campaign, wherever it might be.	
	7 Oct.		A surf team comprising 38 members of the unit under Lieut. G.T. Ferguson, moved into the camp on the beach west of Beit Jirja for training in preparation for the A.I.F. Surf Carnival which will be held at Tel Aviv on Oct 10.	



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# WAR DIARY of INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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Unit 2/2 Aust M.G. Bn.

Date and Time.—From Oct 1 To Oct 31

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks Appendix
Hill 95 Palestine	7 Oct		NX 12356 Lieut M.P.K. Staniland and 10 ORs taken on strength from M.G. Training Battalion.	K
	8 Oct.		Unit schools and courses of instruction which had been in recess, resumed.	K
	9 Oct.		NX 12366 Lieut W.M.M. Stephens leaves to attend A.I.F. (IE) SME No. 2 Course Field Works.	K
	10 Oct.		NX 34673 Major R.L. Hawke seconded as C.O. M.G. Training Bn. NX 12555 Lieut H.B. Staniland appointed Adjutant. NX 12543 Capt. M.I. Wheatley appointed O.C. "A" Company. NX 12629 Major E. MacArthur Onslow appointed 2 i/c of the Battalion. At the A.I.F. Surf Carnival at Tel Aviv this unit secured first place in the March Past, first in the Beach Relay, third in the R.L.R. and 6th in the Surf Race.	K
	12 Oct.		NX 54893 Cpl. Walker M.B.J. died of injuries received in a road accident.	K
	15 Oct.		Cpl. Walker M.B.J. buried at Gaza War Cemetery. Grave No. DB3. A representative gathering from the unit attended the burial service.	K
	17 Oct.		[REDACTED]	K
	19 Oct.		Lieut P.B. Green evacuated to 1 A.G.H., cellulitis of the right thigh. 1 also buried at Gaza War Cemetery.	K

# WAR DIARY or ~~INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY~~

Army Form C.2118  
(adapted.)

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Unit 2/2 Aust. M.G. Bn. Date and Time.—From Oct. 1 To Oct. 31

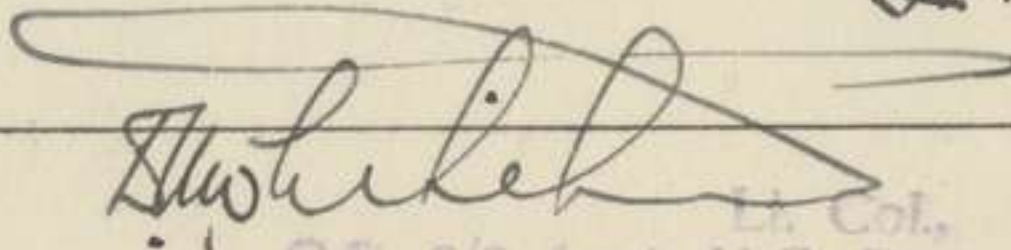
Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Hill 95 Palestine	21 Oct.		NX 1455 Lieut F.A. Varley transferred from supernumary list and rejoins unit. This unit is called upon to supply guards for one week at 1 A.G.H., D.I.D., A.O.W., and B.O.D., Barbara; Beit Jirja, and El Majdal Railway Dumps. These duties absorbed all the personnel of "D" Company, fourteen from H.Q. Company fifty from "B" Company, and eleven from "C" Company. Major Searle O.C. Guard.	
	22 Oct.		Lieuts. K.S. Wragge and R.W. Cameron rejoin unit after attending a six weeks M.M.G. Platoon Commanders Course run by A.I.F. (ME) at Mughazi.	
	23 Oct.		NX 56677 Sgt. K.B. Robinson, QX 1613 Sgt. J.G. Ramsay, QX 1477 Sgt. A.S. Duckworth and NX 19295 Sgt. J.W. Fairbairn rejoin the unit after having attended A.I.F. (ME) M.M.G. School No. 1 Platoon Commanders Course. N.C.P. T.C. No. 3 a three weeks weapon training course to complete an N.C.O. T.C. Course begun in Matruh, commenced.	
	24 Oct.		Since leave tours, arranged by Padre Reuben Bird, began, 653 members of the unit have had either 3, 4 or 7 days leave. The total number of leave days being 2649. This does not include week end leave.	
	25 Oct.		Lieut. J.G. Cameron and F.R.K. Staniland leave to attend No. 2 M.M.G. Section Commanders Course run by A.I.F. (ME) NX 52544 Sgt. C.J. Luff, NX 51282 L/Sgt G/H. Roberts, QX 8803 Cpl. Forrest N.E., QX 6275 Sgt. W.H.A. Cotter, QX 11164 Sgt. R.W. Cole, NX 15835 Sgt. Harrop H.E., left to attend A.I.F. (ME) Infantry School No. 2 MMG- Section Commanders Course.	

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Unit 2/2 Aust M.G. Bn. Date and Time.—From Oct 1 To Oct 31

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Hill 95	26 Oct.		F.U.C.C. of three weeks duration began, Chief Instructor, Lieut R. Thorburn.	
Palestine	27 Oct.		Capt. B.P. Dawson left to attend No. 2 M.M.G. Company Cdr's Course at Mewts, Bir Salem. "C" Company left Unit lines for a fortnight's bivouac. The present intention is to send Companies out on bivouac for periods of a week to three weeks to enable them to work as separate entities. While out on bivouac platoons will later work also away from the parent Company.	
	28 Oct.		On returning from Guard Duty "D" Company left again for a fortnight's bivouac.	
	29 Oct.		Lieut. F.A. Varley attached, for a few days, to the 2/52 Bn. on liaison work.	
	30 Oct.		Lieut. W.M. Stephens rejoins the unit from A.I.F. (ME) SME Field Works School. The Unit, less Headquarters, Nos. 2 and 3 Platoons transferred from Hill 95 to Grant Lines, Qastina. Advance Party left Hill 95 at 0730 hours with tents to prepare area for the Battalion. Remainder of unit arrived at New lines before midday and completed work of erecting tents and moving in stores.	
Qastina	31 Oct.		Headquarters 2 and 3 Platoons rejoin the unit from Hill 95 NX 15993 Lieut. T. McD. Ewing and QX 5560 Lieut. W.A. Cochrane taken on strength from the Training Battalion.	
Palestine				

  
 Lt. Col.  
 C. 2/2 Aust M.G. Bn.

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			<u>Appendices</u>	
			Contin Orders. 27-32	App. A.
			Standing Orders	App. B
			Medical Diary	App. C
			"Q" Summary	App. D
			W 3008	App. E
			W 3009	App. F
			Welfare Summary	App. G
			Transport Offrs. Report. Sep. Oct.	App. H

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES.

ROUTINE ORDERS BY

No. 27.

LT. COL. D.A. WHITEHEAD, M.C.

COMMANDING

HILL 95  
4 Oct 41

2/2 AUST MACHINE GUN BATTALION.

1. CAMP DUTIES.

Camp Duty Unit will supply Cinema Picquet to mount at 1715 hrs commencing on Monday October 6th. The Picquet will consist of:-  
1 Officer, 1 Sgt., 6 O/R's.

The Officer I/C Picquet will report to Camp H.Q. for instructions.

2. PROMOTIONS REVERSIONS ETC.

- Lieut. R.J.R. Bennett Posted to A Coy 11.8.41
- Lieut. W.M.M. Stephens A Coy transferred to D Coy
- Lieut. G.T. Ferguson Posted to B Coy. 1.10.41
- Lieut. G.M. Turner H.Q. Coy. transferred to A Coy.
- NX56182 L/Cpl Bromhead J. Reverted to Pte. at own request 23.9.41
- NX30705 Pte Ihlein N.L. Graded Group 111. Clerk w.e.f. 16.8.41
- OX12052 Pte Reilly M. Posted to B Coy 1.10.41
- NX13068 Pte Gordon T.S. Posted to C Coy. 3.10.41
- OX248 Pte de Laurier B.W. Posted to C Coy 3.10.41
- NX25718 Pte Hume E.A. A Coy transferred to H.Q. Coy 25.9.41
- NX59137 Pte Droder E.J. Bn.H.Q. transferred to H.Q. Coy. 25.9.41
- NX22926 Pte Droder H.R. A Coy transferred to Bn H.Q. 25.9.41
- NX45256 Pte Devine C.R. A Coy transferred to H.Q. Coy 28.9.41
- NX23262 Pte Oliver K.B. Bn.H.Q. transferred to A Coy 28.9.41

M.I. WHEATLEY, Capt.  
Adjt., 2/2 Aust M.G. Bn.

NOTICES.

CHURCH SERVICES. Services will be held in the Y.M.C.A. Tent at 0900 and 0930 hrs on Sunday 5 Oct. 41.

LOST Money belt, containing 500 mils in silver and personal effects.  
Watch - Chromium plated, with leopard skin band attached.  
Watch - Chromium plated, inscribed 'To Kieth from Aub'  
Finders please return to Bn.H.Q.

CAMP CINEMA. CAMP CINEMA will open on MONDAY OCTOBER 6th.  
FIRST PERFORMANCE 1730 hrs. SECOND PERFORMANCE 2000 hrs.  
Units in Lines H.Q. L1 and L2 will attend first performance.  
Units in Lines L3, L4 and L5 will attend second performance.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 10th. -- CHINESE SYNCOPATERS.  
MONDAY, OCTOBER 13th. -- THE TROUPERS.



AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE

ROUTINE ORDERS BY

No 28

LT. COL. D.A. WHITEHEAD, M.C.

COMMANDING

Hill 95  
10 Oct 41

2/2 AUST MACHINE GUN BATTALION

WEEKLY WEARING OF RESPIRATORS

All Coys will ensure that respirators will be worn by all ranks for at least half an hour each week. Normal duties will be continued during this period. Practice will be given in adjusting respirators from the "Alert" (standard time, 9 secs). Anti-dim compound will be used once per week.

LAUNDRY

Hours of laundry are : Receiving, 0630 - 1100 hrs ; deliveries, 1600 - 1930 hrs. Losses : Personnel claiming for losses will not go to Camp HQ individually but will bring the laundry notification of loss to Bn Orderly Room, whence it will be forwarded to Camp HQ.

CHRISTMAS MAILS

Christmas mail to Australia should be posted by the following dates in order that it may reach its destination by Christmas Day :

Surface mail . . . . . 1 Nov 41.  
Ordinary air mail . . . . . 1 Dec 41  
Air mail lettercards . . . . . 1 Dec 41.

Air mail to reach the United Kingdom and Eire for Christmas must be posted before 25 Oct , and air mail lettercards before 25 November 41.

CINEMA

There will be a special session at the Camp Cinema on Sunday 12 Oct 41 at 1500 hrs. On Monday, 13 Oct , there will be only one session, at 2000 hrs.

Lines 3,4 &5 will attend the early performance at the Cinema at 1745 hrs for week commencing 13 Oct and Lines HQ,1 and 2 will attend the second performance at 2000 hrs. Each week the attendance will be reversed.

CABLES

From Palestine it is possible to send four types of cables.

- (i) E.F.M. 125 mils
- (ii) Own worded cable costing 31 mils per word, address included.
- (iii) Own worded cable costing 62 mils per word address included. This is the fastest cable.
- (iv) A cable consisting of 25 words including address costing 525 mils.

JEWISH SERVICE

Leave for Jewish personnel will be granted from 1500 hrs 13 Oct 41 to 2359 hrs 13 Oct 41, in order to attend service 2000 hrs at Rehovot. Buses depart road junction 1520 hrs.

## COMFORTS ISSUES

The Unit received the following Australian Comforts Fund issue last week :

1 pkt cigarettes per man ; 1 tin soup per 4 men.

The following were received from A.C.F. on 7 Oct 41 and issued to mess kitchens on 8 Oct :

369 tins canned fruit ;  
396 tins canned veg (10 oz tins)  
36 tins jam ( 2 lb tins).

## APPOINTMENTS, PROMOTIONS, ETC

NX 34676 Major R.L.Hawke , seconded to Aust M G Tng Bn 10 Oct 41  
NX 12629 Major E.Macarthur Onslow, apptd 2 i/c 10 Oct 41.  
NX 12343 Capt M.I.Wheatley , apptd O.C., A Coy , 10 Oct 41  
NX 12355 Lieut H.B.Staniland, apptd Adjutant, 10 Oct 41.  
QX 6270 Lieut L.A.Wall, seconded AIF (ME) Reinforcement Depot,  
16 Sep 41.  
NX 23283 Cpl Kienzle, W.A., apptd L/Sjt w.e.f. 1 Oct 41.  
QX 5080 Pte Masters, G.C., transferred from C Coy to A Coy.

## LOST

NX 57690 Bdr Roberts, W.J., 1 A/T keg , left identity discs in shower on night 5/6 Oct 41. Finder hand to bn HQ.

H.B.STANILAND, Lieut  
Adjt., 2/2 Aust MG Bn

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE

ROUTINE ORDERS BY

No 29

LT.COL. D.A. WHITEHEAD, M.C.

COMMANDING

2/2 AUST MACHINE GUN BATTALION

Hill 95  
14 Oct 41

AMENDMENTS TO CAMP STANDING ORDERS

To Chapter I add

Para 15. (a) Camp Losses The following Standing Court  
is convened to inquire into all Camp Losses

Capt C.L. Fischer  
Lieut T. Southwell-Keely

Ref Chapter I, para 1. Bugle Calls.

For First Post 2200 hrs, substitute First Post 2230 hrs

ANKLETS, WEB

Anklets, web, will NOT be worn in place of short puttees in future.  
These are only for use with slacks, k.d.

DUTIES

This Unit is Camp duty unit mounting at 0800 hrs 17 Oct 41. The  
following duties will be mounted by the duty Coy :

- 1 runner to report to Camp HQ at 0830 hrs
- 2 ORs " " " " at 1400 hrs & 1600 hrs
- Working party of 6 ORs to clean showers & adjoining grease traps.
- Cinema picquet of 1 offr, 1 Sjt & 6 ORs
- Officer to report to Camp HQ at 1700 hrs for duties. Picquet  
to mount at 1715 hrs.

OFFICERS' DRESS WHILST ON LEAVE

- (a) K.D. Trousers and tunic with collar and tie and belt will be worn by all officers attending public functions or entertainments, race meetings, etc., or dining in restaurants or hotels after 1800 hrs or attending theatres, cabarets, etc.
- (b) Officers may wear Sam Browne belts, or with K.D. tunic, cloth belts to match.
- (c) Belts will be worn in all public places, at all times of the day.
- (d) When tunics are worn, all buttons will be fastened at all times.

MARCHING ON ROAD

Attention is drawn to the procedure to be followed when troops are marching on a road which, at the same time, is being used by large convoys :-

The troops will move to the side of the road and the offr or NCO in charge will ensure that the progress of the convoy is not impeded in any way.

## ARMOURY

The Armoury, which is situated in the Northern room of the administrative block, is now ready for use. Coys may place in the Armoury any rifles which are not in constant use, e.g. rifles on issue to cooks, batmen.

## SUSTENANCE FOR LEAVE

Personnel returning from leave extending over two or more days will retain their leave passes and hand them to Pay Sjt in order to obtain sustenance.

## COURT OF INQUIRY

The following Court is convened to inquire into the cause of death of NX 54893 Cpl WALKER, B.M.J.

Major G.M. Searle, President.  
Capt. C. Williams, Member.  
Lieut G.M. Turner, Member.

## WORKING PARTIES

Para 2 Chapter II of Standing Orders is NOT at present being complied with. Requisitions for working parties must be handed to the Adjutant, in writing, by 1700 hrs the day previous to that on which the party is required, for approval. Coys will NOT supply working parties unless they receive a requisition signed by the Adjutant. Should the Adjutant be out of camp, requisitions may be approved by the Orderly Officer.

## APPOINTMENTS, PROMOTIONS, ETC

NX54445 A/WO ii McLennan, J., posted to B Coy 11 Oct 41.  
NX54445 A/WO ii McLennan, J., reverted to S/Sjt 11 Oct 41  
NX29666 Pte Hanratty, J transferred from B Coy to Bn HQ 10 Oct 41  
NX25902 Pte Fisk, E.A., " " B Coy to Bn HQ 10 Oct 41  
QX 7847 A/Cpl Penny, R.G., rank of Cpl confirmed 11 Oct 41  
QX 9254 A/Cpl Gorlick, A.H., reverted to Private at own request,  
14 Oct 41  
NX23573 Pte Dunn, W.C., transferred from A Coy to Bn HQ 14 Oct 41  
NX16464 Pte Kilpatrick, H.C. " " " " " " 14 Oct 41  
QX 9289 Pte Waters, S.B., transferred to Records, 2 Ech 14 Oct 41  
NX52612 Pte Wise, H.J., transferred to 2/1 Aust Fd Amb 10 Oct 41  
QX17795 Pte Maher, W., " " " " " " 13 Oct 41  
NX 3608 Pte Collier, W.L., relinquished Trade Gp 1 11 Oct 41  
NX13608 Pte Gordon, T.S., " " " " III 11 Oct 41  
QX 248 Pte De Laurier, B.W. " " " " III 11 Oct 41  
QX 9973 Pte French, V., transferred to Aust MG Tng Bn 10 Oct 41  
NX15867 A/Cpl Stewart, J.S.F., reverts to Pte on evacuation to  
Hospital, 2 Oct 41.

## LOST

Kangaroo hide tobacco pouch with zipp fastener and gold initial disc on front, by QX1689 Pte Keating A A, D 2 Pl.

Conway Stewart fountain pen, between HQ Coy lines and showers on 11 Oct 41.

H.B. STANILAND, Lieut  
Adjt., 2/2 Aust M G Bn

W.D

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE

ROUTINE ORDERS BY

No 30

LT-COL D.A. WHITEHEAD, M.C.

COMMANDING

2/2 AUST MACHINE GUN BATTALION

HILL 95  
17 Oct 41

WATER

The allowance of water per man per day in the camp area is 10 galls for all purposes. This amount is being greatly exceeded and unless the average daily consumption is reduced, it will be necessary for water to be rationed.

COURTS OF INQUIRY

Courts of Inquiry have been convened as under .-

Death of NX 50826 L/Sjt Lasker, J.L.

Capt B. Dawson, President  
Capt E.C. Williams, Member.  
Lieut T. Southwell-Keely, Member.

Injury to NX 56685 Pte Selby, R.B.

Capt M.I. Wheatley, President.  
Capt C.C. Brown, Member  
Lieut M. Turner, Member

Injury to NX 32907 Pte McDonald, V.W.

Capt J.K. Mackay, President  
Capt C.L. Fischer, Member  
Lieut F.R.K. Staniland, Member.

Proceedings of all Courts to be completed by 1800 hrs 20 Oct 41.

BLACK-OUT

A strict black-out is to be maintained at night in future.

MEDICAL CONSULTATIONS

Personnel for consultations will report at CRS in time to leave by bus at 0900 hrs. They will carry out lunches with them.

DUTIES

C Coy will mount duties at 1700 hrs tomorrow.

This unit is Camp Duty unit, mounting at 0800 hrs 23 Oct 41.

APPOINTMENTS, PROMOTIONS, ETC

~~OX 412 A/TO 11 Hobbs, rank of WO 11 confirmed 16 Oct 41~~  
OX 7847 A/Cpl Penny, R.G., rank of Cpl confirmed 16 Oct 41  
NX 20406 Pte Hooper, J.H., transferred to 3 Aust A/Tk Regt 15 Oct 41  
NX 25668 Pte Cochrane, G.J. " No 2 Prov Coy (L of C) 15 Oct 41  
NX 27163 L/Sjt Cockram, H.J.C., reverts to rank of Cpl., 15 Oct 41.

H.B. STANILAND, Lieut  
Adjnt., 2/2 Aust MG Bn

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NOTICES

R.C. Church service 0700 hrs Camp HQ.

O.P.Ds Holy Communion 0645hrs Camp Cinema.

Church Parade

This unit will parade in the Camp Cinema at 0830 hrs. HQ Coy, Bn HQ & LAD will use the Northern side door, A & B Coys the Southern side door, and C & D Coys the main door at the rear of the Cinema.

Lost

Leather toilet case, brown leather, zipp fastener. Gold stamped S R R. In NCOs showers 14 Oct by Sjt Roberts.

Acknowledgement

The following A.C.F. issue is acknowledged -

- 1 oz tobacco per man
- 1 pkt cigarette papers per man.

ADDITION TO ROUTINE ORDERS

CLEANING AREAS.

C & D Coys will alternate weekly in the cleaning of the area laid down for C Coy starting from Saturday 18 Oct 41. Coy will be responsible for the first week.

H.B. STANILAND, Lieut  
Adj., 2/2 Aust IG Bn

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE

No 31

ROUTINE ORDERS BY

LT COL D.A. WHITEHEAD, M.C.

COMMANDING

HILL 95

2/2 AUST MACHINE GUN BATTALION

21 Oct 41

TROPHIES OF WAR & OTHER CAPTURED MATERIAL

It has been found that binoculars and other captured war material including documents and manuals are being sent to Australia by members of the AIF. This practice will cease forthwith. Such articles reaching Australia will be confiscated and, on receipt of particulars of despatch, disciplinary action will be taken against offenders.

REVOLVERS

Cases have occurred recently of officers losing their revolvers whilst travelling, the revolvers being packed in luggage which was lost. All officers, while travelling, will carry their revolvers on their person.

CAMOUFLAGING TENTS

All tents in the area will be camouflaged immediately.

SHOWERS

A shower roster has now been introduced. This Unit can use the showers before 0900 hrs daily and after 1700 hrs.

HITCH-HIKING

The practice of "hitch-hiking" will cease immediately. Drivers of vehicles will NOT stop to pick up soldiers on the road.

APPOINTMENTS, PROMOTIONS, ETC

QX 9530 Pte Matthews, C.F.S. appt Spec Td Gp II (cook) w.e.f. 25 Sep 41  
QX 5080 Pte Masters, G., relinquishes appt spec Td Gp II (cook) 18 Oct  
QX10664 Pte Milliken, L., apptd spec Td Gp II (mechanic MT) w.e.f. 29  
Jul 41.  
QX 8775 A/Cpl Johnson, A.M., reverts to Private on evac to hospital, 23  
Sep 41.  
QX 3381 Cpl Madden, H., reverts to Private 20 Oct 41.  
QX 3381 Pte Madden, H., transferred 1 Aust M G Bn 20 Oct 41.  
QX11444 Pte Kelly, W.A., appt A/Cpl w.e.f. 20 Oct 41.  
QX 7013 Pte Chandler, M.N., " " " " "  
NX58539 Pte MacDermott, V.B., appt L/Cpl w.e.f. 17 Oct 41.  
QX 5080 Pte Masters, G., transferred from C Coy to A Coy HQ.

H.B. STANILAND, Lieut.  
Adj't., 2/2 Aust MG Bn

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE

ROUTINE ORDERS BY

No 32

LT. COL. D.A. WHITEHEAD, M.C.

COMMANDING

HILL 95

2/2 AUST MACHINE GUN BATTALION

25 Oct 41

POSTAL OFFICE

The Unit Postal Office is situated in the office truck at the rear of Bn HQ. Letters and parcels will be left there for postage, and NOT in the Bn Orderly Room.

EGYPTIAN CURRENCY

As from 6 Nov 41 the present 10 piastre note will cease to be legal currency. Any member of the unit in possession of any such currency is advised to pass it to the Pay Sjt on or before 4 Nov 41. A new 10 piastre note will subsequently be issued, and this will have the distinguishing feature of a water mark, which the present note has not got.

LEAVE

Coys will submit by 1200 hrs tomorrow a nominal roll of men who have had no leave since arrival in Palestine.

DUTIES

A Coy will take over Unit duties from C Coy at 1700 hrs tonight.

Guard Changing. Dress : FS with anklets web. Guard changing will take place opposite Bn HQ.

Reliefs. In future guards will mount for a period of 2 hrs 10 mins at the following times :

First relief	-	1730 hrs
Second	"	- 1940
Third	"	- 2150
Fourth	"	- 2400
Fifth	"	- 0210
Sixth	"	- 0420-0630

APPOINTMENTS, PROMOTIONS ETC.

NX 33774 L/Cpl. Keech S.J. appt A/Cpl 30 Aug 41.  
NX 15848 Cpl Davidson R. appt L/Sgt 16 Oct 41.  
NX 16537 Pte Burr J.E. relinquishes appt Spec Td Gp 11 (Carpenter) 15 Oct 41.  
NX 16537 Pte Burr J.E. graded Spec Gp 1 (Bricklayer) 16 Oct 41  
NX 55476 Pte Flower E. ap t Spec Td Gp 11 (~~Bricklayer~~ CARPENTER) 16 Oct 41.  
NX 56089 Pte Coughlin J.B. transferred to 2/1 Aust M.G.Bn. 24 Oct 41.

H.B. STANILAND Lieut.  
Adjt., 2/2 Aust M.G.Bn.

NOTICES

CHURCH PARADES - SUNDAY 26 Oct 41 - Holy Communion-YMCA tent 0700 hrs  
0830 - Unit Church Pde-Picture Theatre  
0700 - R.C. Church Pde-Picture Theatre



Australian Imperial Force

2/2 AUST MACHINE GUN BATTALION

S T A N D I N G            O R D E R S

Issued by

LT.COL D. A. WHITEHEAD , M.C.

I N D E X

<u>Chapter</u>	<u>Subject</u>
1	.. .. . Administration.
2	.. .. . Guards & Duties & Prowler Picquets.
3	.. .. . Security & Censorship.
4	.. .. . Transport.
5	.. .. . Medical & hygiene.
6	.. .. . Q Orders ( to be issued later).
7	.. .. . Code Names & Numbers

Appendices

A	.. .. . Orders for Guard
B	.. .. . Duties of Orderly Group.

These Orders will come into operation as from date of issue.

They will be read to all ranks immediately on issue & once each month thereafter.

Any amendments will be issued by bn HQ to personnel holding copies who are responsible for ensuring that they are kept up to date.

CHAPTER I - ADMINISTRATION

**1. Daily Timetable**

Reveille	0630 hrs
Admin Pde	0635
Sick Pde	0650
1st breakfast	0720
2nd breakfast	0750
Bn Parade or Training	0900 - 1200
1st Lunch	1220
2nd Lunch	1250
Training	1400 - 1630
Defaulters	1645
Retreat	1730
1st Tea	1740
2nd Tea	1750
Sjts' Mess	1800
Offrs' Mess	1830
First Post	2200
Last Post	2300
Tattoo Roll Call	
Lights Out	2305

Bugle Calls

Reveille	0630 hrs	
Sick Parade	0650	
Quarter	0705	} 1st sitting
1st meal call	0715	
2nd meal call	0720	} 2nd sitting
Quarter	0735	
1st meal call	0745	
2nd meal call	0750	
Quarter	0845	} 1st sitting
Five minute	0855	
Parade	0900	} 2nd sitting
Quarter	1205	
1st meal call	1215	
2nd meal call	1220	
Quarter	1235	} 2nd sitting
1st meal call	1245	
2nd meal call	1250	
Quarter	1345	} 1st sitting
Five minute	1355	
Parade	1400	} 2nd sitting
Defaulters' Pde	1645	
Quarter	1705	
1st meal call	1715	
2nd meal call	1720	
Retreat	1730	} 2nd sitting
Quarter	1735	
1st meal call	1745	
2nd meal call	1750	
Serjeants' Mess	1800	
Officers' Mess	1830	
First Post	2200	
Last Post	2300	
Lights Out	2305	

**2. Returns**

Coys will submit to bn HQ a daily strength return by 0830 hrs. Included will be a certificate that all rifles & amm on issue are still in possession of personnel. Should deficiencies be found, these will be stated, & a report submitted.

3. (a) Mails

Coy mail for censorship will be lodged with Postal Cpl by 1500 hrs each day. Mail for censorship will NOT be accepted from individuals.

(b) Postage Rates

To Australia

(i) Air mail letters up to 14 gramms, 30 mils; over 14 gramms 60 mils each 14 gramms or part thereof. Letter cards, 10 mils. Packets & parcels, 120 mils per oz. Registration fee on air mail articles, 10 mils. Australian stamps to be used.

(ii) Ordinary mail. Australian stamps to be used.

Letters : 4 oz 113 gms Free -  
 5 oz 141 gms 5d 17 mils  
 6 oz 170 gms 6d 20 mils  
 7 oz 198 gms 7d 24 mils  
 8 oz 226 gms 8d 27 mils  
 9 oz 255 gms 9d 30 mils  
 10 oz 283 gms 10d 34 mils

Packets : 4 oz 113 gms Free -  
 8 oz 226 gms 2d 7 mils  
 12 oz 340 gms 3d 10 mils  
 1 lb 453 gms 4d 14 mils  
 (Maximum weight 1 lb)

Parcels : 1 lb 453 gms 6d 20 mils  
 2 lb 907 gms 9d 30 mils  
 3 lb 1360 gms 1/- 40 mils  
 5 lb 2268 gms 1/3 50 mils  
 8 lb 3628 gms 1/6 60 mils  
 11 lb 4989 gms 1/9 70 mils  
 (Maximum weight 11 lb)

Printed Matter : 4 oz 113 gms Free -  
 8 oz 226 gms 1d 4 mils  
 1 lb 453 gms 2d 7 mils  
 2 lb 907 gms 4d 14 mils

Books, etc : 4 oz 113 gms Free -  
 12 oz 340 gms 1d 4 mils  
 24 oz 680 gms 2d 7 mils  
 36 oz 1020 gms 3d 10 mils  
 48 oz 1360 gms 4d 14 mils  
 60 oz 1700 gms 5d 17 mils  
 72 oz 2040 gms 6d 20 mils

Registration fee : 3d (Aust) 10 mils

All classes of articles (except parcels) may be registered.

To U.K. (including Isle of Man & N.Ireland), British forces Abroad, wherever situated, H.M. Ships, the British Empire generally, Egypt, and the Anglo-Egyptian Sudan.

Letters, letter packets, etc. : Not exceeding 2 oz (57 gms), Free; not exceeding 3 oz (85 gms), 4d (14 mils); each additional oz over 3 oz 1d (4 mls).

To U.S.A.

Letters, etc : Not exceeding 1 oz (28 gms) 3d 10 mils  
 Each additional oz 1d 4 mils  
 Postcards 2d 7 mils

Newspapers, periodicals, etc.  
 Per 2 oz (57 gms) or part 2d 2 mils.

4. Canteens

(a) Hours : DRY 1230 - 1330  
1630 - 1730  
1830 - 2100  
WET 1830 - 2100

(b) The Canteen in Unit lines is for use of this Unit only. Similarly, personnel from this unit will NOT use the canteen in any other unit's lines. The supply of certain commodities is limited and will, at times, have to be rationed.

5. Pictures

Times will be notified in routine Orders.

6. Dress

(a) O/Rs : Shorts, shirt, felt hat turned down, boots, short puttees, waist belt. Shirts or singlets will only be removed if personnel are engaged in heavy work such as digging. Cooks, mess orderlies, etc., will NOT remove their shirts. Metal Australias will be worn at all times ; worsted title badges will NOT be worn. NCOs chevrons will be white tape,  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch wide, & otherwise conforming to the shape and length of authorised chevrons. Detachable chevrons will NOT be worn. Personnel will wear only articles of dress which are an authorised issue for AIF units.

(b) Offrs : Dress as for O/Rs. Felt hats will be worn when on parade with tps & until 1630 hrs except when on leave. Metal badges of rank & titles will be worn in camp. When outside the camp area worsted badges ( on shirts only) & safari shirts may be worn. belts, waist Sam Browne may be worn at all times.

7. Leave

Unless otherwise stated there will be general leave from after Tng Pde till 2300 hrs to visit GAZA area. GAZA area extends from NUSERAT camp to camps at GAN VAVNE & does NOT include RISHON. On Sunday leave will be general from after Church Pde till 2300 hrs in GAZA area. Personnel wishing to remain out after 2300 hrs or go outside GAZA area must make special application & obtain a leave pass. Leave passes are NOT required otherwise but Coys must know at all times who is out of camp. Offrs will sign the warning out sheet in the Agt's office before going out of the camp on leave.

8. Pay

Pay will be issued every alternate Thursday.

9. Rolls

& P1

Each Coy/will keep nominal rolls. A card showing name of tent comd & occupants will be placed on each tent.

10. Private Property

Personnel are warned against leaving articles in unprotected places. Bn or sub-units will NOT accept any responsibility for losses.

11. Messages

Coy Code names & originators numbers ( see Chapter VII ) will be used for all written messages within the unit.

12. Bounds

The following places are out of bounds to tps.  
All cafes, licensed premises, etc., in any town except those bearing the 'IN BOUNDS' sign.  
All Arab villages ; C.R.S.; Officers' lines.

13. Supplies

A board of inspection as under will inspect all food supplies

R.M.O.  
Q.M.  
O.Offr

14. Alcoholic Liquor

No alcoholic liquor will be brought into camp except by authorised persons delivering to Officers' and Sjts' messes and Canteen.

15. Courts of Inquiry

Names of personnel to constitute Courts of Inquiry will be promulgated in R Os.

16. Damages

Any damage done to buildings or other Government property must be immediately reported to Coys by personnel concerned.

17. Losses

(a) Where articles are stolen & it is suspected that Arabs are responsible, the Coy concerned will immediately picquet the area involved & prevent personnel from obliterating any traces. Several thefts have been traced by the local police trackers & dogs when the above procedure has been carried out. Any such losses will be reported to bn HQ immediately.

(b) It is essential that losses of clothing, firearms and equipment be reported to Coys as soon as such loss is discovered.

18. Purchases

Any purchases to be made by personnel for the Unit must be set out in order book held by Q.M. The purchase will be authorised by C.O., by initialling the entry in the order book. Receipts or dockets MUST be obtained for all purchases made.

19. Defaulters' Parade

Defaulters' parade will be held daily from 1645 - 1715 hrs (when required). O Sjt will take this parade. Dress : Shorts shirt, boots, felt hat, puttees, drill order, arms.

20. Gambling

Gambling within the camp area is strictly prohibited.

21. Y.M.C.A. Tent

Facilities for writing & playing games are available at the Y.M.C.A. tent. No games, etc., will be removed from the tent. Tea or coffee is available between 2030 and 2100 hrs nightly, for which a voluntary contribution may be made. Tps should provide own cups. All ranks must realise that it is their duty to look after this tent & the amenities contained therein.

22. Arabs

- (a) No Arabs or civilians will be allowed in camp area unless bona fide ( see Appendix A para 4 (b) ). Unless bona fide is proven, these people will NOT be allowed within 200 yards of camp perimeter. All ranks MUST realise that it is their personal duty to see that these instructions are carried out.
- (b) Personnel will not trade with Arab hawkers. If the Arabs have articles for sale which are required by tps, bn HQ will arrange for the purchase of same.
- (c) All Arabs, Jews, or other natives seen with parcels or bundles within Camp lines will be searched in the presence of an officer. If found in possession of military articles, person will be detained & Adjt., RSM or Provost Sjt notified immediately.

23. Library

The Bn library is located in the Padre's tent. Drawing times for books will be

1630 - 1730 }  
1800 - 1850 } Daily.

Personnel will draw only one book at a time. Books will NOT be kept longer than 7 days.

24. Discharge of Firearms

No firearms will be discharged, unless to prevent natives from thieving or attempting to steal, or when the soldier's life is endangered. All shots fired will be reported immediately & confirmed in writing.



- (b) By night , all ranks will have their arms securely attached to them, M Gs will be locked in their boxes, an armed guard placed over them & , as far as is practicable, placed in the centre of the area in which the sub-unit are sleeping.
5. Sub unit comds will report the loss of arms or amm direct to the Adjut immediately such loss is discovered. They will ensure that the site of the loss is left untouched until an investigation has been carried out.
  6. It is most important that arms on issue, or belonging to, offrs & all O/Rs ( including cooks, etc.), are checked daily. All personnel to whom arms are issued MUST know the Registered No. A certificate that this check has been carried out will be submitted by Coys to Bn HQ by 0900 hrs daily.
  7. When rifles are put away in sleeping tents or elsewhere, the bolts will be removed and placed in a locked box, which will be chained to an immovable object. Until such time as boxes are available the bolts will be withdrawn & become the individual's responsibility for safe-keeping. It is important that individuals should know the bolt No , as well as the rifle No.
  8. Except in exceptional circumstances, the loss of any arms will be a Court Martial offence & it must be borne in mind by all ranks that the safe custody of arms & amm is initially the responsibility of the individual.
  9. All native villages are 'Out of bounds'. When it is essential for a party to enter a village, the senior present will be responsible for discipline. Under no circumstances must Arab women be alluded to, either by word or gesture.

#### Censorship

Cameras. Any person buying or selling a camera will immediately advise the I.O. of such purchase or sale.

Photographing of the following subjects is prohibited:

Military vehs of all kinds	Weapons
Tanks	Aerial views
Signal Equipment	Aerodromes
Artillery Weapons	Fortifications
Defences	Camps
Aircraft	Military Operations
Ships of any kind	Diagrams of Weapons

#### Film Development

All films for developing and printing will be lodged with the accredited photographer who will be located near bn HQ from 1200 hrs to 1400 hrs on Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays.

Films will not be lodged with other photographers for developing while men are on leave.

#### Censorship

All mail will be franked as heretofore. No newspapers other than "AIF News" & "Parade" will be sent through the post.



CHAPTER IV - TRANSPORT

1. Seating

Not more than 2 persons will ride in the front seat of a vehicle except those with gear lever on steering column, when 3 persons may occupy the front seat.

2. Loading

The loading capacities laid down for the various types of vehicles will NOT be exceeded. These are (in back of truck)-

3 ton trucks	20
30 cwt "	15
1 ton "	10
15 cwt utilities	6
12 cwt "	6

3. Headlights

Headlights of all vehicles must be shaded & all lights turned out when vehs are stationary.

4. Traffic Rules

Local rules of the road must be learned & observed by all drivers. Copies of these rules will be issued to all drivers as soon as possible. Particular care must be taken when overtaking vehs, especially in vehs which have a right side steering wheel.

5. Speed Limits

The following speed limits will be observed at all times.

Staff cars	30 cwt trucks
12 cwt utilities	3 ton trucks
15 cwt trucks	M/Cs

All vehs in camp area - 15 m.p.h.

6. Responsibility

The senior person in the veh., not the driver, will be held responsible for any breaches of regulations.

7. Road Security

Regulations regarding road security will be communicated to all drivers. Personnel travelling on roads must make themselves acquainted with security measures. These can be obtained from the I.O.

8. Use of M.T.

Army vehicles will be used only for official purposes.

9. Requisitions

Personnel requiring tpt will requisition to the 2 i/c or Q.M. by 1700 hrs the previous day. Before leaving personnel using vehs will inquire from Q.M., Adjt., & bn Orderly Room to see if any jobs can be done en route.

CHAPTER V - MEDICAL & HYGIENE

Formal sick parade will be held once daily.

Following will be procedure :

(a) Men wishing to report sick will be fallen out at Admin Pde

(b) The Coy Orderly Cpl will immediately make out one single rough copy on any sheet of paper the following particulars -

No Rank Name Age Religion

At least 2 inches will be left on the right of the page for remarks. This report will be made out in Coy lines.

(c) The Orderly Cpl will conduct sick personnel to the C.A.P.

(d) The Orderly Cpl will ensure that men enter the CA.P in the order in which their names appear & that all are accounted for.

(e) He will stand by & assist with the parade till dismissed by the C.A.P. attendant.

(f) If a man is too sick to fall in on sick parade, his tent comd will advise C.A.P. of his location. This must be done immediately after Admin Pde.

(g) Personnel who require attention by the M.O. will be sent by C.A.P. to H.A.P.

(h) Bn Orderly Cpl will remain on duty at H.A.P. & act as per sub paras (b), (c), (d), (e) above.

(i) Personnel will be classified as under -

- |        |   |  |
|--------|---|--|
| To CRS | - | To Camp Reception Station (i.e. Hospital).   |
| TLD 1  | - | Treatment given. Light duties can be done sitting down, e.g. clerking.                             |
| TLD 2  | - | Treatment. Light duty of a type at which men can walk about, but cannot march or do heavy work.    |
| TLD 3  | - | Do not allot duties without reference to the RMO.  |
| TLD 4  | - | Treatment. Men to be allowed to fall out if suffering, e.g. diarrhoea ; TAB reactions.             |
| TLD 5  | - | Treatment. Fit for duties except for route marches, night training, or heavy work such as digging. |

CHAPTER VII - CODE NAMES & NUMBERS

1. Code Names

Bn HQ	.. ..	SILO
HQ Coy	.. ..	NOXO
A Coy	.. ..	BONO
B Coy	.. ..	CAPA
C Coy	.. ..	DIMA
D Coy	.. ..	NAME

2. Originators' Nos

The letters in the following list will be followed by a number, and such numbers will commence at 1 and run consecutively to 999. When this number is reached, the series is started afresh.

C.O.	J
2 i/c	JW
Adjt	R
I.O.	F
M.O.	K
P.A.D.	P
R.S.M.	U
Sig Offr	S
Q.M.	M
R.Q.M.S.	N
T.O.	L
O.C., LAD	E
OC , HQ Coy	Q
" HQ 2 Pl	QB
OC , A Coy	XY
2 i/c "	XW
A1	XA
A2	XB
A3	XC
OC , B Coy	TY
2 i/c "	TW
B1	TA
B2	TB
B3	TC
OC , C Coy	MY
2 i/c "	MW
C1	MA
C2	MB
C3	MC
OC , D Coy	UY
2 i/c "	UW
D1	UA
D2	UB
D3	UC

STANDING ORDERS

Appendix A

ORDERS FOR GUARD & PROWLER PICQUETS

1. Duty Coy will supply guard as per Chap 2 para 1 (a).
2. Dress. Summer dress, boots, short puttees, felt hat (steel helmet during hours of darkness), waist belt, fixed bayonet. Capes and/or greatcoats may be worn at discretion of Guard Comd. Rifle magazines will be charged with 5 rounds.
3. Posts. As per att trace.
4. Instructions.

By day : (a) Ensure that all natives & civilians, except those with authorised passes (see para (b)), do not approach closer than 200 yards from the camp perimeter.

(b) Inspect passes of all civilians & natives who wish to enter the camp area. Passes are of the following types -

(1) PASS "A" - Issued and signed by Camp S.O. HILL 95.

-----  
 Identity Card No. .... (must agree with holder's Identity Card)

DUTY PASS  
CAMP - HILL 95

PHOTO  
 (This is affixed must conform to photo on Identity Card)

The bearer . . . . . a workman  
 employed by . . . . . is entitled to  
 enter this camp area in the course of his work  
 during the hours of . . . . . to . . . . . until . . . . .

.....Date Signed .. .. . Lieut  
 Camp Staff Officer

(2) PASS "C".

(back view)

RENEWALS  
 continued

Conditions of Issue

1. This pass is only valid for the purpose for which it is issued.
2. It may be renewed only by the issuing officer.
3. It must be carried on the person and produced on demand.
4. On termination of the employment for which it has been issued it must be surrendered.
5. The loss of this pass must be reported to the Prov-Marshals bch Foree HQ, etc.
6. Misuse of this pass renders etc.

PASS C No . . . . .

HEADQUARTERS, BRITISH FORCES IN PALESTINE & TRANSJORDAN

This Pass entitles the holder to enter  
 ON DUTY ONLY

.....  
 (Names of Camps)  
 for the purpose of  
 (business or work)  
 subject to the following limitations.  
 . . . . . (Hours etc.)

(front view)

Name . . . . .	PHOTOGRAPH OF	<u>RENEWALS</u>	
Trade or Occupation . . . . .	HOLDER & STAMP	RENEWED THIS PASS	
. . . . .	OF ISSUING OFFICE	EXPIRES ON . . . . .	
Civil Identity Card No . . . . . or Passport No. (Check with Identity Card).	This pass is not valid without a photograph of the holder.	Date of Expiry	Signature and Office Stamp
Signature of holder or right thumb print . . . . . (Check with Identity Card)	Date of issue . . . . .		

Points to check when examining Passes.

1. That Photos on the Pass AND Identity Card agree and that they are the likeness of the holder.
2. That NAME & NUMBERS on each agree.
3. That Pass has NOT yet expired.
4. That Hill 95 Camp is expressly included in the PASS.

If a PASS for any reason is NOT in order, or if Soldier examining the PASS is in any doubt as to authenticity, then the person being examined will immediately be brought before the Camp S.O. or Camp Cmdr.

Metal or Wooden discs are NOT admissable as a Pass into this camp.

5. Ensure that native workmen do not loiter about & only go in such places as their duties demand.
6. Ensure that all traffic & personnel adhere to the tracks laid down.
7. Stop ALL vehicles exceeding the speed limit (15 mph) & advise them of the speed limit.
8. Whilst on beat sentries will contact the sentries on their flanks at occasional intervals.
9. Sentries will challenge at the Load Position, with the rifle well up. No shots will be fired except as per Chapter I, para 25. In the event of natives stealing or attempting to steal, & the sentry is certain of identification, he will shoot if the warning "HALT!" is not obeyed.

By Night. Ref Chapter 2, para 1 (a) & (b).

Guard, as stated in (a) will mount during periods of bright moonlight. The moon must be up for half an hour before guard is reduced from (b) to (a). Should the moon become clouded over the Guard Comd is responsible for increasing the guard to strength (b). Should the moon set during the hours of darkness guard (b) will be mounted half an hour beforehand.

In addition to paras 4,5,6,7,8 & 9 as above, sentries & picquets will

- (i) Challenge all personnel, irrespective of rank, attempting to enter the camp perimeter or walking in the lines ; also challenge suspicious outgoing personnel.

(ii) Order occupants of any tent or building to observe the black-out regulation.

N.B.: Detailed insts for each particular post will be notified to the guard by the Guard Comd.

#### 10. Compliments

The following compliments will be paid by sentries & picquets

(i) At all times between Reveille & Retreat the Guard will turn out & present arms to

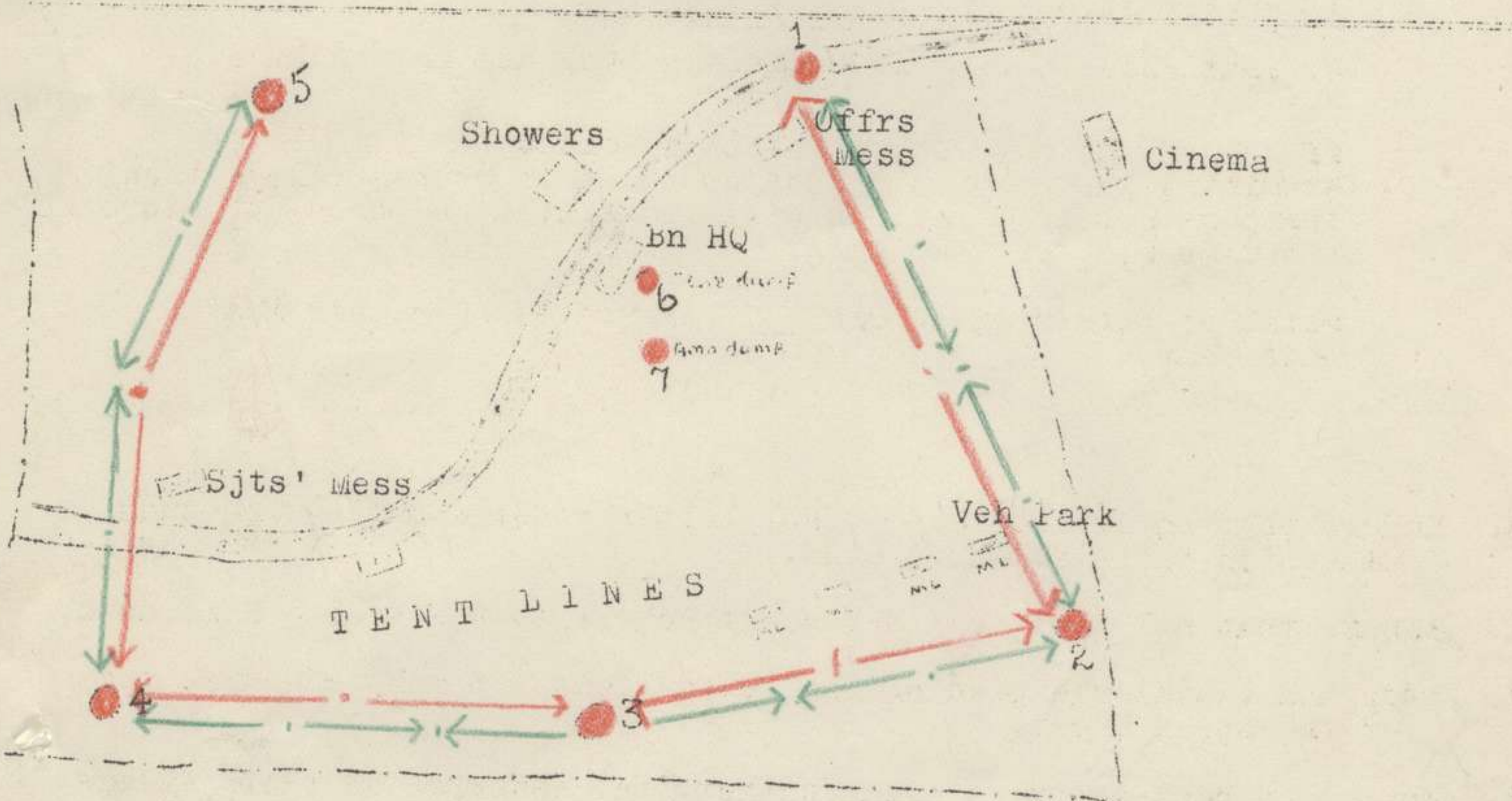
General Officers  
Governor-General  
Armed Corps  
Armed Parties (when notified by Bn HQ).

(ii) Sentries will present arms to

Armed parties  
Officers of Field Rank (Major & above).

(iii) Sentries will salute

Officers below Field Rank.  
Unarmed parties.



VINEYARD

● Standing Post.

←→ Single patrol, guard(a)  
←→ Single patrol, guard(b)

Post 1 remains on duty  
24 hrs.

Remainder -during hours  
of darkness.

Post 3 during daylight  
only.

--- Unit boundaries.

# STANDING ORDERS

## Appendix B

### DUTIES OF ORDERLY GROUP

The Orderly Group will comprise

- Orderly Officer
- Orderly Serjeant
- Orderly Corporal
- Orderly bugler
- Bn Runner
- Coy Orderly Cpl for each Coy.

#### Duties

Dress for all duties. As for guard, except that rifle will not be carried & felt hat, turned up, will be worn at all times.

#### (a) Orderly Officer

- (i) He will be detailed by the Duty Coy for a tour of duty from 1700 hrs to 1700 hrs.
- (ii) He will, in addition to his other duties, carry out the duties of Guard Comd.
- (iii) He is responsible for seeing that Standing Orders are carried out & that good order and discipline is maintained in the Unit lines.
- (iv) He will visit messes at all meals & adjust any complaints
- (v) He will inspect all duties on the duties parade at 1700 hrs daily.
- (vi) He will report to the Adjt at 0715 & 1700 hrs daily for any special insts.
- (vii) He will see that the Tattoo check is properly carried out & collect Coy reports at 2305 hrs daily.
- (viii) He will not leave camp during his tour of duty & will not exchange duty without permission of the Adjt.
- (ix) He will submit a report to bn HQ at the conclusion of his tour of duty & advise the oncoming Orderly Officer of anything to be attended to.
- (x) He will, with Q.M. & M.O., inspect all rations on arrival.
- (xi) He will accompany the C.O., or his representative, on an inspection of the camp at 1000 hrs daily.
- (xii) In the event of fire or similar emergency he will take charge till the arrival of a senior officer.
- (xiii) When not employed he will notify bn HQ where he may be found.

#### (b) Orderly Serjeant

- (i) The Orderly Sjt will be detailed by the Duty Coy.
- (ii) His tour of duty will be from 1700 hrs to 1700 hrs.
- (iii) He will assist the O.O. in the execution of para 3 of O.O. duties.
- (iv) He will parade all duties to the O.O. on duties parade at 1700 hrs daily. (The oncoming O.O. inspects these duties.)
- (v) He will synchronise watches with bn Sig Office at 0800 hrs daily.
- (vi) He will ensure that all bugle calls are blown at the time laid down.
- (vii) He will accompany the O.O. on his camp inspection at 1000 hrs daily.
- (viii) He will precede the O.O. into each mess tent at meal times & order the mess to "sit fast."

- (ix) He will take charge of the defaulters' parade when it is required.
- (x) He will raise and lower the bn flag at Reveille and Retreat respectively.
- (xi) He will not leave camp during his tour of duty or exchange duties without the permission of the R.S.M.
- (xii) He will carry out any such duties as the U.O., Adjt., or R.S.M. directs.

**(c) Orderly Corporal**

- (i) The Orderly Cpl will be supplied by the Duty Coy.
- (ii) His tour of duty will be from 1700 hrs - 1700 hrs.
- (iii) He will assist the Orderly Sjt in the execution of his duties.
- (iv) He will conduct sick parade at RAP (see Chapter V, para (h))
- (v) He will parade light duty men (not absorbed by Coys) to Q.M. or R.Q.M.S. at 0900 hrs daily.
- (vi) He will not leave camp during his tour of duty & will not exchange his duty without permission of the R.S.M.
- (vii) When not otherwise employed, he will remain in the vicinity of Bn HQ.

**(a) Orderly Officer**

- (i) He will be detailed by the Duty Coy for a tour of duty from 1700 hrs to 1700 hrs.
- (ii) He will, in addition to his other duties, carry out the duties of Guard Comd.
- (iii) He is responsible for seeing that Standing Orders are carried out & that good order and discipline is maintained in the Unit lines.
- (iv) He will visit messes at all meals & adjust any complaints.
- (v) He will inspect all duties on the duty parade at 1700 hrs daily.
- (vi) He will report to the Adjt at 0715 & 1700 hrs daily for any special instructions.
- (vii) He will see that the Tattoo check is properly carried out & collect Coy reports at 2305 hrs daily.
- (viii) He will not leave camp during his tour of duty & will not exchange duty without permission of the Adjt.
- (ix) He will submit a report to the Adjt at the conclusion of his tour of duty & advise the incoming Orderly Officer of anything to be attended to.
- (x) He will, with Q.M. & M.O., inspect all rations on arrival.
- (xi) He will accompany the C.O. or his representative, on an inspection of the camp at 1900 hrs daily.
- (xii) In the event of fire or similar emergency he will take charge till the arrival of a senior officer.
- (xiii) When not employed he will notify the Adjt where he may be found.

**(b) Orderly Sergeant**

- (i) The Orderly Sjt will be detailed by the Duty Coy.
- (ii) His tour of duty will be from 1700 hrs to 1700 hrs.
- (iii) He will assist the U.O. in the execution of his duties.
- (iv) He will parade all duties to the U.O. on duty parade at 1700 hrs daily. (The incoming U.O. inspects these duties.)
- (v) He will synchronize watches with the Sig Office at 0800 hrs daily.
- (vi) He will ensure that all bugle calls are blown at the time laid down.
- (vii) He will accompany the U.O. on his camp inspection at 1900 hrs daily.
- (viii) He will precede the U.O. into each mess tent at meal times & order the mess to "sit fast."





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Dental. Three urgent cases are being attended to daily. Other cases have to rest content with having their names taken, to be called up later (it is to be hoped).

Stores. Hopelessly inadequate. Issue of aspirin for the week, Nil  
Issue of condoms for the week, Nil  
Many other items of varying types are at best deficient or non-existent.

31 Oct 41.

The Unit has moved to a new camp at QASTINA. Sleeping quarters remain in tents as they were previously, but there are far more buildings and more facilities. Shower & latrine accommodation is adequate but distant. Cookhouses are small, and not very well fitted.

R.A.P. Situated in a room of the Canteen building.

Sickness. Many cases of acute tonsillitis and sandfly fever are occurring. Most are treated within the lines, but do not perform any duties. Cases of V.D. still occur.

APP D

WAR DIARY.

"Q" SUMMARY, OCT '41.

Tentage and accommodation stores still remained insufficient. However rain early in the month made conditions so untenable that Ordnance released sufficient tents to provide adequate cover.

Vegetables continued to be a short supply from the A.A.S.C. and regular purchases to supplement the rations had to be made. Otherwise the rations were good and the quantities sufficient.

No war equipment was received. Other ordnance stores came in regularly, with the exception of clothing, indents for the latter being only partially fulfilled.

Coy bivouacs were held, at one stage three coys being in the field at the one time.

On 30/31 Oct the unit moved from Hill 95 to Quastina, L.7. From an accommodation point of view the new camp was far superior to that vacated. Buildings for HQ, Q stores and the Officers' and Sgts messes were ample. In other ways however the camp left much to be desired. Improvements to and additional installations of latrines, wash-up benches, ablution benches, and kitchens were urgently required.



Q.M.

Capt.,

# FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

*2nd Lt. Platoon M.G. 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 (One)		
Majors ...	3 (Three)		
Captains ...	5 (Five)		
Lieutenants ...	21 (Twenty One)		
2nd Lieutenants ...			
Quartermasters ...	1 (One)		
<b>TOTALS ...</b>	<b>31 (Thirty One)</b>		

\* 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.
<del>Lieut.</del>	<del>WALKER L.A.</del>			
Lieut.	FERGUSON G.		1.10.41	Ceased to be seconded

### Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
Lieut.	WALKER L.A.		28.9.41	Seconded M.G. BN

## 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.	STANLAND P.R.K.		Supern Adjutant Cairo

**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	NA 376	D. A. WHITEHEAD		Yes	
Major	NA 34676	R. G. HAWKES			
	NA 12459	E. McARTHUR UNSLOW			
	QA 6263	G. A. M. SEARLE			
Capt	NA 12498	B. P. DAWSON			
	NA 425	C. L. FISHER			
	NA 34709	J. K. MACKAY			
	NA 12534	C. C. BROWN			
	NA 12313	M. I. WHEATLEY			
	QA 6271	E. C. WILLIAMS			
Lieut.	NA 12355	H. B. STANILAND			
	QA 6270	D. R. STUART			
	NA 34456	H. J. LAMB			
	NA 12333	G. M. TURNER			
	NA 34784	P. B. GREEN			
	NA 34672	K. S. WAGGAS		NO	R. Comm. Course (M)
	NA 12326	W. M. STEPHENS		YES	
	NA 34687	J. P. HAYMAN			
	NA 3279	J. G. MITCHELL			
	NA 35137	H. R. THORNBURN			
	QA 6275	R. J. CRIST			
	QA 6462	R. W. CAMERON		NO	R. Comm. Course (M)
	NA 34614	W. P. MICHOLAS		YES	
	NA 70716	T. H. SMITHWELL-BRYN			
	QA 9618	A. B. FARQUHAR			
	QA 1949	R. J. R. BENNETT			
	NA 15539	A. BREBTON			
	NA 12462	M. C. HALLIDY			
	NA 51670	I. G. CAMERON			
	QA 6364	F. HERBERTSON			
	NA 15528	G. FERGUSON			

(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.	NA 457	V. G. BULTMAN	AAAC	27.5.40	R.M.D.
CHAPLAIN	NA 70320	A. BIRD	AAAC	1.8.40	CHAPLAIN
CAPT.	NA 34777	I. R. MITCHELL	L.P.O.	3.9.40	L.P.O.

2/2 Post M.C. RN  
(Unit.)

U. G. [Signature]  
(Signature of Commander.)

4<sup>th</sup> Oct 41  
(Date of Despatch.)

2/2 Post M.C. RN  
(Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

**FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.**

2/2. PLUST 17 G. Bn (Unit) 4 Oct. 1941 (Date).

(To be furnished by all units 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 (ONE)		
W.Os. Class II.	5 (FIVE)		
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants	4 (FOUR)		
Staff Serjeants	2 (TWO)		
Serjeants	32 (THIRTY TWO)		
Corporals	57 (FIFTY SEVEN)		
Troopers, Privates, &c.	625 (SIX TWENTY FIVE)	11 (ELEVEN)	
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>726 (SEVEN TWENTY SIX)</b>	<b>11 (ELEVEN)</b>	

\* 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.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.
NX 14732 SGT CONDON SJ	A A P C	QA 1754 CAP. DUNN H C	A A M C
NX 30767 CPL STEVENS R W	A A P C	NX 26727 SGT MILLER F	A A O C
NX 52520 SGT SHEARWOOD F C	A A M C	NX 25340 PTE POOLE L C	A A O C
NX 8370 CPL JACKSON W N	A A M C	NX 26577 PTE FULLER R A	A A O C
NX 15141 PTE CHRISTIAN F	A A M C	NX 27745 PTE BOYLE R W	A A O C
NX 10058 SGT. BOND J T	A A O C	NX 14763 W/O HUXLEY E N	A A O C
NX 20545 SGT SIDENHAM F C	A A O C	NX 18306 PTE GORRY R C	A A O C

NX 5777 RE SKINNER A A O C  
 10 APR 41 O R. A A O C

**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).
NX 17688	PTE	BENNETT H	A A M C	HOSPITAL
NX 24045	"	MILLER P	2/2 PLUST 17 G Bn	"
NX 30707	"	WILSON J D	"	"
QA 7415	"	CHANDLER R	"	"
NX 16374	S/SGT.	DAVIS J H	"	"
QA 8804	PTE	KING W W	"	"
NX 29903	"	HOOGWEIF W J	"	"
NX 30428	"	RUSSELL R D	"	"
NX 20445	"	HENDERSON J	"	"

2/2 Aust M.G. Bn

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.	Staff-Serjeants.	Serjeants.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, &c.	TOTAL.	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S.	Serjeants.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, &c.	
Bricklayers															
Butchers															
Carpenters and Joiners															
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															
Signallers															
Storemen technical															
Vickers Machine Gunners															
Cooks															
General duty personnel															
TOTALS (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A.)															

2/2 Aust M.G. Bn  
Unit.

Ch. J. Whalley  
C.O. 2/2  
Signature of Commander.

Date of Despatch 4 Oct 41

2/2 Aust INF BDE  
Bde., Divn., Area, &c., 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, 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	NX 376	D.A. WHITEHEAD		YES	
MAJOR	<del>NX 34476</del>				
	NX 12554	E. MacARTHUR DUNSTON		"	
	QX 6283	G.A.M. SEARLE		"	
CAPT	NX 12488	B.P. DAWSON		"	
"	NX 425	C.L. FISHER		"	
"	NX 34709	J.K. MACKAY		"	
"	NX 12354	C.C. BROWN		"	
"	NX 12343	M.I. WHEATLEY		"	
"	QX 6271	E.C. WILLIAMS		"	
LIEUT	NX 12355	H.B. STANILAND		"	
"	NX 12356	F.R.K. STANILAND		"	
"	QX 6273	D.R. STUART		"	
"	NX 34450	M.J. LAMB		"	
"	NX 12333	G.M. TURNER		"	
"	NX 34784	P.B. GREEN		"	
"	NX 34177	K.S. WARRAGE		No	P. COMDORS COURSE (M.F.)
"	NX 12366	W.M.A. STEPHENS		"	RIF. SCH (M.F.) S.M.E.
"	NX 34687	J.F. LAVAN		Yes	
"	NX 32719	J.L.A. MITCHELL		"	
"	NX 35137	A.R. THORBURN		"	
"	QX 6275	R.J. CRIST		"	
"	QX 6262	R.W. CAMERON		No	P. COMDORS COURSE (M.F.)
"	NX 34664	W.P. NICHOLAS		Yes	
"	NX 70716	T.H. SOUTHWELL KEELY		"	
"	QX 9618	A.B. FARQUHAR		"	
"	QX 1949	R.J.R. BENNETT		"	
"	NX 15839	R. BAERETON		"	
"	NX 12462	M.C. HALLIDAY		"	
"	NX 34473	J.G. CAMERON		"	
"	QX 6364	F. HERBERTSON		"	
"	NX 15828	G. FERGUSON		"	

(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	NX 459	V.G. BULTEAU	A.A.M.C.	29.5.10	R.M.O.
CHAPLAIN	NX 70321	R. BIRD	A.A.C.O.	1.9.40	CHAPLAIN
CAPT	NX 34777	I.R. MINTOSH	A.A.O.	3.9.40	A.A.O.

2/2 Aust M.G. Bn  
(Unit.)

11 Oct 41  
(Date of Despatch.)

*[Signature]*  
Capt. for Lt. Col.  
C.O. 272 M.G. (Signature of Commander.)

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

TO BE MADE UP TO AND FOR SATURDAY IN EACH WEEK.

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(Adapted)

**FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.**

2/2 Aust M.G. Bn (Unit) 11 Oct 19 41 (Date).

(To be furnished by all units 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 (ONE)		
W.Os. Class II.	5 (FIVE)		
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants	4 (FOUR)		
Staff Serjeants	2 (TWO)		
Serjeants	33 (THIRTY THREE)		
Corporals	55 (FIFTY-FIVE)		
Troopers, Privates, &c.	621 (SIX-TWENTY-ONE)	6 SIX	
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>721 (SEVEN-TWENTY-ONE)</b>	<b>6 (SIX)</b>	

\* 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.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.
NX 14732 SIT CONDON G.J.	A.A.P.C.	NX 10005 SIT BOYD J.T.	A.H.O.C.
NX 30107 SIT STEVENS R.M.	A.A. POST CORPS	NX 26121 SIT MILLICAN F.	A.H.O.C.
NX 10005 SIT SHEARWOOD F.C.	A.H.M.C.	NX 33340 PTE POOLE L.C.	A.H.O.C.
NX 33710 CPL JACKSON W.M.	A.H.M.C.	NX 15717 PTE BRINNER A.L.	A.H.O.C.
NX 15141 PTE CHRISTIAN F.	A.H.M.C.	NX 26177 PTE FULLER R.A.	A.H.O.C.
NX 17152 CPL DUDGON H.C.	A.A.M.C.	NX 11172 PTE HUXLEY E.N.	A.H.O.C.
NX 10005 SIT BYDENHAM F.C.	A.H.O.C.	NX 11172 PTE GOARY R.C.	A.H.O.C.

**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).
NX 17688	PTE	BENNETT H.	A.H.M.C.	HOSPITAL
NX 24045	"	MILLER P.	2/2 Aust M.G. Bn	"
NX 30707	"	WILSON J.D.	"	"
EX 8304	"	KING W.W.	"	"
NX 16394	S/SIT	DAVIS J.H.	"	"
NX 9903	PTE	HOOGWEIF W.J.	"	"
NX 20428	"	RUSSELL R.O.	"	"
EX 8837	"	BROOKER A.D.	"	"
EX 8775	CPL	JOHNSTON A.M.	"	"
NX 8186	PTE	PULEY R.G.	"	"
NX 15567	CPL	STEWART J.S.F.	"	"



# FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

*2/2 Aust. M G 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 ...	<i>1 (ONE)</i>		
Majors ...	<i>2 (TWO)</i>		
Captains ...	<i>5 (FIVE)</i>		
Lieutenants ...	<i>22 (TWENTY TWO)</i>		
2nd Lieutenants ...			
Quartermasters ...	<i>1 (ONE)</i>		
<b>TOTALS ...</b>	<b><i>31 (THIRTY ONE)</i></b>		

\* 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)

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	NX 376	D A WHITEHEAD		YES	✓
MAJOR	NX 12659	E MacARTHUR ONSLON		"	✓
"	QX 6363	G A M SEARLE		"	✓
CAPT	NX 12438	B P DAWSON		"	✓
"	NX 425	C L FISHER		"	✓
"	NX 34709	J K MACKAY		"	✓
"	NX 12354	C C BROWN		"	✓
"	NX 12343	M I WHEATLEY		"	✓
"	QX 6271	E C WILLIAMS		"	
LIEUT	NX 12355	H B STANILAND		"	
"	NX 12356	F R K STANILAND		"	
"	QX 6273	D R STUART		"	
"	NX 34456	M J LAMB		"	
"	NX 12333	G M TURNER		"	
"	NX 34784	P B GREEN <i>to hospital</i>		"	
"	NX 34672	K S WRAGGE		NO	P. COURSE COURSE (ME)
"	NX 12366	W M M STEPHENS		"	BIF SEN (ME) S M B
"	NX 34687	J F LAYAN		YES	
"	NX 32719	J L A MITCHELL		"	
"	NX 35137	A R THORBURN		"	
"	QX 6275	R J CRIST		"	
"	QX 6262	R W CAMERON		NO	P. COURSE COURSE (M)
"	NX 34624	W P NICHOLAS		YES	
"	NX 70716	T H SOETHWELL HARRY		"	
"	QX 7618	A B FARQUHAR		"	
"	QX 19119	R J R BENNETT		"	
"	NX 15839	R BREBETON		"	
"	NX 12482	M C HALLIDAY		"	
"	NX 34673	J G CAMERON		"	
"	QX 6364	F HERBERTSON		"	
"	NX 15838	G FERGUSON		"	

(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	NX 459	V G BULTMAN	R A M C	29.5.40	R. M. O.
CHAPLAIN	NX 70321	R BIRD	R A C D	18.40	CHAPLAIN
LIEUT	VX 33113	G FOSTER KNIGHT	L A D	13.10.41	L. A. D.

24 Aust M.G. Bn  
(Unit.)

18 Oct 41  
(Date of Despatch.)

*[Signature]*  
Commander Lt. Col.  
C.O. 2/2 M.G. B. (Signature of Commander.)

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

**FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.**

2/2 Aust MG Bn. (Unit). 18 Oct. 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.	1 (ONE)		
W.Os. Class II.	5 (FIVE)		
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants OR Colour-Serjeants	5 (FIVE)		
Staff Serjeants	2 (TWO)		
Serjeants	32 (THIRTY-TWO)		
Buglers, Trumpeters, etc.			
Corporals	51 (FIFTY-ONE)		
Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, etc.	606 (SIX-ONE-SIX)		13 (THIRTEEN)
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>702 (SEVEN-ONE-TWO)</b>		<b>* 13 (THIRTEEN)</b>

\* 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.
NX14732 SGT CONDON S.J.	A.A.P.C.	BX8370 CPL JACKSON W.N.	A.A.M.C.
NX26927 SGT MILLICAN F.A.	A.A.O.C.	NX15747 PTE CHRISTIAN F.	A.A.M.C.
NX10058 SGT BOYD J.T.	"	NX15797 PTE SKINNER A.L.C.	A.A.O.C.
NX20543 SGT SYDENHAM C.F.	"	NX25340 PTE POOLE L.C.	A.A.O.C.
NX32530 SGT SHEARWOOD F.C.	A.A.M.C.	NX26577 PTE FULLER A.R.	A.A.O.C.
NX30187 CPL STEVENS R.V.H.	A.A. POST CORPS.	NX16366 PTE GORRY R.C.	A.A.O.C.
BX1752 CPL DUDGEON H.C.	A.A.M.C.	NX27745 PTE BOYLE R.W.	A.A.O.C.

**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).
NX24045	PTE	MILLER P.	2/2 Aust MG Bn	HOSPITAL
NX30707	"	WILSON J.D.	"	2 A.G.H
BX8604	"	KING W.W.	"	HOSPITAL
NX16394	S/SGT.	DAVIS J.H.	"	"
NX20428	PTE	RUSSELL R.O.	"	"
BX8837	"	BROOKER A.D.	"	"
BX8775	"	JOHNSTON H.M.	"	"
NX18186	"	RILEY R.G.	"	"
NX15867	CPL	STEWART J.S.F.	"	"
NX22918	PTE	KANE R.A.	"	"

2/2 Aust M.G. Bn

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.	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.	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								13	13							8	8		
Wheelers																			
STRETCHER-BEARERS																	4	4	
BATMAN																	1	1	
General duty personnel																			
TOTALS (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A).								13	13								13	13	

2/2 Aust M.G. Bn

Unit.

Signature of Commander.

24 Aust Inf Bde

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

Date of Despatch 18 Oct 41

399A  
**FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS**

2/2 Aust M.G. Bn (Unit)

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

1	2	3	4
Ranks.	Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
*			
Lieut.-Colonels ...	1 (ONE)		
Majors ...	2 (TWO)		
Captains ...	5 (FIVE)		
Lieutenants ...	22 (TWENTY-TWO)		
2nd Lieutenants ...			
Quartermasters ...	1 (ONE)		
TOTALS ...	31 (THIRTY-ONE)		

\* 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	F. A. VARLEY		21-10-41	TRN FROM SUPERNUMERARY LIST ON REJOINING UNIT.
"	K. S. WAAGGE		23-10-41	EX. INF. TNG. SCHOOL.
"	R. W. CAMERON		23-10-41	" " " "

**Officers QUITTED during week.**

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
LIEUT	P. B. GREEN.		14-10-41	EVAC. TO I. 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)
LIEUT	P. B. GREEN		I. A. G. H.



**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.	NX 376	D. H. WHITEHEAD		YES	
MAJOR	NX 12659	E. MACARTHA UNSTON		"	
"	GX 6263	G. H. M. SEARIE		"	
CAPT.	NX 12488	B. P. DAWSON		"	
"	NX 12343	M. I. WHEATLEY		"	
"	NX 34709	J. K. MACKAY		"	
"	NX 12354	C. C. BROWN		"	
"	GX 6271	E. C. WILLIAMS		"	
"	NX 4257	C. L. FISCHER		"	
LIEUT.	NX 12333	H. B. STANILAND		"	
"	NX 12356	F. K. K. STANILAND		"	
"	GX 6273	D. R. STUART		"	
"	NX 34456	M. J. LAMB		"	
"	NX 12333	G. M. TURNER		"	
"	NX 34672	K. S. WRAGGE		"	
"	NX 12316	W. M. STEPHENS		NO	H.I.F. (M.E.) S.M.G.
"	NX 34657	J. P. LAVAN		YES	
"	NX 32714	J. L. H. MITCHELL		"	
"	NX 35137	A. K. THORNBURN		"	
"	GX 6275	R. J. CRIST		"	
"	GX 6262	R. W. CAMERON		"	
"	NX 34664	W. P. NICHOLAS		"	
"	NX 70716	T. H. SOUTHWELL-KEE		"	
"	GX 4618	A. B. FARQUHAR		"	
"	GX 1919	R. J. R. BENNETT		"	
"	NX 13857	R. BREKERTON		"	
"	NX 12412	M. C. HATHORAY		"	
"	NX 34673	J. G. CAMERON		"	
"	GX 6364	F. HERBERTSON		"	
"	NX 15823	G. T. PERKINSON		"	
"	NX 14001	F. A. VAKLEY		"	

(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	NX 459	V. G. BULTEIN	A.H.M.C.	29.5.40	R.M.D.
Chaplain	NX 70321	R. BIRD	H.A.C.D.	1.8.40	CHAPLAIN
LIEUT.	VX 33113	G. FORSTER-KNIGHT	L.H.D.	13.10.41	L.H.D.

2/R Aust. M.G. Bn.

(Unit.)

25 Oct. 41.

(Date of Despatch.)

Capt. for Lt. Col.

C.O. 22 M.G. Bn. (Signature of Commander.)

9 Aust. Div.

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

**FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.**

2/2 Aust. M.G. Bn (Unit). 25 Oct 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.	1 (ONE)		
W.Os. Class II.	5 (FIVE)		
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants OR Colour-Serjeants	5 (FIVE)		
Staff Serjeants	2 (TWO)		
Serjeants	31 (THIRTY-ONE)		
Buglers, Trumpeters, etc.			
Corporals	49 (FORTY-NINE)		
Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, etc.	602 (SIX-DWE-TWO)		20 (TWENTY)
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>695 (SIX-NINETY-FIVE)</b>		* <b>20 (TWENTY)</b>

\* 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.
NX14732 Sgt. CONDON S.J.	A.A.P.C.	AX8370 Cpl JACKSON W.N.	A.A.M.C.
NX29627 Sgt. MILLICAN F.A.	A.A.O.C.	NX15144 Pte CHRISTIAN F.	A.A.M.C.
YX10058 Sgt. BOYD J.T.	A.A.O.C.	NX15997 Pte SKINNER A.L.C.	A.A.O.C.
NX20543 Sgt. SYDENHAM C.F.	A.A.O.C.	NX25340 Pte POOLE L.C.	A.A.O.C.
NX32530 Sgt. SHEARWOOD F.B.	A.A.M.C.	NX26577 Pte FULLER H.R.	A.A.O.C.
NX30187 Cpl STEVENS R.Y.H.	A.A. POST CORPS	NX16366 Pte GORRY R.C.	A.A.O.C.
NX17128 Cpl. DUDGEON H.C.	A.A.M.C.	NX27745 Pte BOYLE R.W.	A.A.O.C.

**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).
NX30707	PTE	WILSON J.D.	2/2 Aust. M.G. Bn	2 A.G.H.
AX8804	"	KING W.W.	"	HOSPITAL
AX8775	"	JOHNSTON A.M.	"	"
NX18186	"	RILEY R.G.	"	1 A.G.H.
NX22918	"	KANE R.R.	"	1 A.G.H.
NX55478	"	BATTERHAM E.V.	"	1 A.G.H.
NX33128	"	CAMPBELL W.P.	"	1 A.G.H.
NX57085	CRP.	BARGWANNA	"	1 A.G.H.

2/2 AUST. M.G. BN.

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																2	2
Storemen technical																	
Vickers Machine Gunners																4	4
Wheelers																	
DRIVERS M.T.																5	5
BATMEN																5	5
STRETCHER-BEARERS																2	2
General duty personnel																	
TOTALS (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A).																	20 20

2/2 AUST. M.G. BN.  
Unit.

*[Signature]*  
Capt. for Lt. Col.  
C.O. 22 M.G. Bn. Signature of Commander.

Date of Despatch 25 OCT. 41

9 AUST DIVN  
Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which unit is serving.

App 9.

WAR DIARY.

WELFARE SUMMARY.

AUGUST, SEPTEMBER,  
OCTOBER

AUGUST.

During this month the arrangements were continued for Divine Worship. An Evening Service was held each Sunday at Battalion H.Q. Men from the Companies being brought in by Unit Transport.

Bundles of papers and magazines were distributed to every post twice during the month. Also paper and writing material.

The library, organized on a Coy basis, visited each post at least once a week.

The Unit Mobile Canteen continued to function successfully serving every man in the unit at least once per week. By this means the Padre kept in personal contact with the men, and was able to help in many personal and domestic matters.

SEPTEMBER.

The usual activities were continued - Divine Worship, distribution of reading and writing material.

The order to move brought to a close the activities of the Mobile Canteen, which for five months had supplied the needs of the battalion. Over £5000 worth of goods was purchased at the A.C.S. and N.A.A.F.I. Tobacco, papers, matches and cigarettes, paper and envelopes and every other necessity were sold at cost price. After all accounts had been settled, £340 Egyptian was deposited in the Regtl. Funds. During the whole of its activity the canteen was manned by Driver J. Forster. and Pte E. Pearce.

On arrival at Hill 95 the library was completely overhauled and books repaired, new books were added. The recreation was supplied with reading material, primus stoves and lighting generator. Funds were made available for games evenings.

The church Parades were resumed, the services being held in the Y.M.C.A. Tent and the Camp Cinema.

Library boxes were prepared and issued to Coys on bivouac.

OCTOBER.

Moving from Hill 95 to Qastina meant the reorganization of recreational facilities. A Games Room, Library and Writing Room are in the process of being prepared.

For the first time since coming overseas adequate room has been provided for recreation.

The Church Parades were continued, the Commanding Officer, Second in Command, and Company Commanders taking part in the Service. Companies in the field were also provided with a Church service.

The usual service of Games, papers and library has been made available to all companies on bivouac.

TRANSPORT REPORT

App H

Sep/Oct 41

All unit vehicles, together with vehicles on loan from 1 S A Div, used on bivouac by all M G Coys alternately. Operations over desert caused a goodly number of casualties, lack of availability of spares making repairs difficult. Springs in all cases, and radiators in the case of S.A. vehicles, were main trouble.

S.A. vehicles have had gruelling time through Abyssinian campaign and have had no workshop attention since. The radiator position is almost hopeless. No replacements are available and cores, which have become crystallised through being filled with salt water, are breaking down daily.

The policy of working Coy driver-mechanics in workshop is very successful. All are keen, and are gaining a lot of knowledge through practical work.

Permission has been granted to retain on strength 3 vehicles and 15 M/Cs found abandoned and which were reconditioned in Unit workshops. AIF Nos have been allotted.

We are now equipped for transport by sea (with certain limitations).

Unit and LAD attached vehicles moved by road from MERSA MATRUH to HILL 95 Palestine, leaving MATRUH at 0700 hrs 16 Sep arriving HILL 95 1200 hrs on 20 Sep.

The 600 miles was covered without breakdown of any vehicle except a captured Italian trailer, which broke an axle shortly after leaving MATRUH. This made necessary the abandonment of two spare engines, and a Bn pressor which had been built from salvaged parts in order to instal a pressure greasing system.

The convoy staged at Amirya, Moascar and Asluj. Some good training was obtained in dispersal, refueling and maintenance on the move, and feeding and moving out of bivouac areas.

OCT

Shortage of tentage, etc., left us somewhat out in the cold on arrival at Hill 95. This was overcome eventually, and an office tent and M/C fitters tent erected.

M G Coys were given training in handling Bn transport. Leave generally interfered with training. A, C and D Coys on bivouac, with transport attached.

Eleven one-ton vans were taken on strength. Total vehicles on strength now allow 3 Coys 1 Pl strength of vehs each, and training is being carried on on that basis.



# WAR DIARY ~~or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY~~

Army Form C.2118  
(adapted)

(Erase heading not required)

Unit 2/2 Aust M.G. Bn. Date and Time.—From Nov 1 To Nov 30 1941

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Qastina				
Palestine	Nov 1		Col. Furnell A.D.M.S. 9 Aust Div inspected the unit and discussed with the M.O., Capt. V.G. Bulteau, problems of medical supplies, medical personnel, possibilities of clinical work at Hospitals and better dental facilities. Lieut F.A. Varley, who had been attached to the 2/53 Bn on liaison work, returned to the unit.	sk.
	Nov. '2		Intense interest was caused in the Bn by a sweep on the Melbourne Cup which was drawn today.	sk.
	Nov. 3		Lieuts Ferguson, Mitchell and Thorburn left to attend No. 3 Course, Field Works training A.I.F. (ME) SME. A Company leaves on a weeks bivouac to Hulda near where C Coy is on bivouac.	sk.
	Nov. 5		Training continues. C.O. gave lecture to Officers based on Middle East Training Memorandum No. 1.	sk.
	Nov. 6		The C.O. accompanied by the Adj. visited Base Area in order to check up on training areas.	sk.
	Nov. 7		The C.O. left for Cairo and will be absent for two or three weeks. Major E. Macarthur Onslow acts as C.O. in his absence.	sk.
	Nov. 8		I.O. Lieut T. Southwell-Keely left to attend six weeks Intelligence Course A.I.F. (ME) Course No. 1.	sk.

# WAR DIARY ~~or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY~~

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Unit 2/2 Aust M G Bn. Date and Time.—From 1 Nov To 30 Nov 1941

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Qastina, Palestine	Nov 9		Col. Pulver A.A.C.M.G. 9 Div. called on Major Macartnur Onslow. This unit will mount as Camp Duty Unit at Retreat.	JK
	Nov 10		N.C.O.I.C. finished today. Nomination for No 2 Jnr. Officers, Inf. M.G. and Pioneer Officers Wing. Messrs Turner, Stuart and Green. B Coy moved to Hulda for bivouac. 6 Reinforcements arrived from M.G. Training Bn.	JK
	Nov 11		Parade was held to observe two minutes silence whilst bugler played the Last Post and Reveille. 2 W.O.s and 14 Ors were invited for an evening by the people of the Jewish Settlement, Kfar Varburg, SW of Grant Lines.	JK
	Nov 12		Capt. M.I. Wheatley is Field Officer for this camp. 25 personnel left for Jerusalem on 2 days leave.	JK
	Nov 13		Initial plans for tactical Company training. One mobile Coy will operate in Southern Palestine for five days manoeuvres. 5 personnel left for Cairo leave tonight.	JK
	Nov 14		D. Coy left bivouac area, 2 miles SE of Ajjur, at 0100 hrs and marched to Qastina Camp, arriving at 0700 hrs. C. Coy marched from bivouac area near Hulda at 1100 hrs and arrived in camp at 1645 hrs after travelling approximately 13 miles.	JK
	Nov. 15		Nomination for one Officer to attend No. 15 Regt. Inf Officers Course on 20 Dec 41 and for one student to attend MEWTS No. 4 M.G., Secn Commander's Course 23 Nov - 21 Dec 41.	JK



# WAR DIARY or ~~INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY~~

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Unit 2/2 Aust. M. G. Bn.

Date and Time.—From Nov 16

To Nov 30

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Gastina Palestine	Nov 16		At 1100 hrs Padre Bird held Church Service in the field at the bivouac area of B Coy, Hilda. Adjutant and Major MacArthur Onslow motored to Aquir airport to discuss plans for cooperation with R.A.F. training planes and D Coy mobile training.	✍
	Nov 17		Lieut R.L. Garrett, Lieut C.D. Rose, 2 N.C.O.s and 28 ORs arrived from M.G. Training Bn and taken on strength. L/Sjt Howe left to attend MEIS. A Coy left for bivouac area near Gedera Camp. H.Q. Coy marched to bivouac area at Sukrier Creek, 12 miles NW of this camp. D Coy left for one week's mobile training.	✍
	Nov 18		Capt. Brown to attend MEIS. D Coy bivouac area, Ref. 163120, Hebron Sheet 1:100000.	✍
	Nov 19		Sjt. Price-Jones to attend A.I.F. AASC School. Sgt. Moulder to attend O.C.F.U. ME. D Coy bivouac area Ref. 141080 Beersneba 1:100000	✍
	Nov 20		Major Onslow and Capt. Staniland depart to visit D Coy bivouac area near Bir Ashuj. D Coy carry out night exercises - Platoons leaving at hourly intervals from 2400 hrs	✍
	Nov 21		D Coy carry out field firing at Bir Ashuj, Ref 127047, Beersneba 1:100000. Major Onslow and Capt. Staniland return to camp. D. Coy returns to camp. Good mobile training was obtained in dispersal, refuelling and maintenance on the move, and feeding and moving out of bivouac areas. H.Q. Coy returns from bivouac. Advance party from A Coy returns from bivouac.	✍

# WAR DIARY or ~~INTELLIGENCE~~ SUMMARY

Army Form C.2118  
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Unit 2/2 Aust M.G. Bn.

Date and Time.—From 22 Nov To 30 Nov 41

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Qastina Palestine	Nov 22		Capt. Dawson now O.C. B Coy. Capt. Mackay seconded to M.G. Training Bn. Lieut C.E. Jack attached to A Coy. A Coy left bivouac area 0200 hrs and marched back to camp.	A.
	Nov 23		25 men from this unit took part in a 5 mile cross country race NX 22934 Pte G.W. Boucher put up the best performance and was placed <del>XXXX</del> 23rd out of the 200 competitors. Messrs Green F.B., G.M. Turner, and D.R. Stuart left to attend Regimental Officers School.	A.
	Nov 24		A Coy left for bivouac area. They will be doing mobile training similar to that done by D Coy.	A.
	Nov 26		16 men were entertained at a dinner and social given by the people of the Jewish Settlement at Gebit Brenner. NX 35137 Lieut A.R. Thornburn seconded to M.G. Training Bn.	A.
	Nov 27		Major Hawke, O.C. M.G. Training Bn visited the 2 i/c/ Major Searie. DX 581 Pte Sparke J.A. of B Coy was accidentally killed by a shot fired from another squad who were practising M.G. stoppages. A live round was among the D.P. rounds. Lieut F.R.K. Staniland and Lieut Cameron together with <del>XX</del> Sjt Luff J., Sjt. Cotter, L/Sgt Roberts, Sgt Cole Sgt Harrop, Cpl. Forrest returned from No. 2 Section Commanders School. Major Onslow visited A Coy at bivouac area, Bir Astuj.	A.
	Nov 28		B. Coy arrived back from bivouac area. At 1500 hrs Pte Sparke J.A. was buried at Gaza War Cemetery. NX 34986 Capt C.M. Hayes taken on strength and posted to H.Q. Coy. A Coy carry out field firing at Bir Astuj and return to camp. Received allotment of ammunition for firing at Jaffa Range next week. Major Macarthur Onslow returns to camp.	A.





App A.

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE

ROUTINE ORDERS BY

No 42

LT-COL D.A. WHITEHEAD, M.C.

COMMANDING

GASTINA  
29 Nov 41

2/2 AUSTRALIAN MACHINE GUN BATTALION

RETURN OF REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED

In future Coys will submit a return every Friday morning to Bn HQ by 0900 hrs showing the exact state of reinforcement requirements by the Coy. That is, if the Coy is 12 men short of establishment, the return must show what types of men are required to fill various duties, e.g., 3 drivers, 2 batmen, 1 rangetaker, etc.

UNIT M.T. SCHOOL

Nominal rolls are required from Coys of personnel who are to attend Unit M.T. school next week. These nominal rolls must reach Bn HQ by 1200 hrs tomorrow.

AMENDMENT TO R.O. No 41

Para 1. - "Hebron" should be JAFFA-TEL AVIV.

CHURCH PARADES

Unit Church Parades, Sunday 30 Nov 41.  
Holy Communion 0715 hrs Church parade 0845, Canteen block.

Duty Coy to ensure seating accommodation.

APPOINTMENTS, PROMOTIONS, TRANSFERS, ETC.

- NX 23916 WO ii Maguire, R.G. trans from B Coy to Bn HQ 29 Nov 41  
QX 13499 Pte Steele, G.A., relinq appt spec Td Gp III (tech storeman) w.e.f. 25 Sep 41 and appt spec Td Gp III (clerk), w.a.f. 25 Sep 41.  
QX 13499 Pte Steele, G.A., trans to Aust M G Tng Bn 29 Nov 41  
QX 5344 Pte Clugston, D.S.R., appt spec Td Gp III (tech storeman), w.e.f. 25 Sep 41.  
NX 34986 Capt C.M.Hayes, taken on strength from MG Tng Bn and posted to HQ Coy 28 Nov 41.  
NX 25390 Pte Crawford, D.R., taken on strength & posted HQ Coy 28/11/41.  
NX 15837 Lieut R.Brereton posted to D Coy 29 Nov 41  
NX 12488 Capt B.P.Dawson trans from HQ Coy to B Coy 22 Nov 41  
NX 34709 Capt J.K.Mackay sec to M G Tng Bn 22 Nov 41  
NX 35137 Lieut A.R.Thorburn sec to M G Tng Bn 26 Nov 41  
QX 2239 Pte Wilson, P., trans to M G Tng Bn 26 Nov 41  
QX 10134 Sjt Buchanan, C.L.E., trans M G Tng Bn 29 Nov 41  
NX 34359 Pte Mulligan, R.S., trans to 2/1 Aust MG Bn 29 Nov 41  
QX 7036 Pte Harris, T.A., trans to 13 Aust Fd Coy RAE  
QX 10161 Cpl Bearkley, D.A., promoted A/Sjt w.e.f. 29 Nov 41  
QX 2218 L/Cpl Boyd, H.F., promoted A/Cpl w.e.f. 29 Nov 41  
QX 16244 Pte Richardson, G.A.A., apptd L/Cpl 29 Nov 41  
QX 5981 Pte Miles, A.J.R., relinq appt spec Td Gp III (driver 1) w.e.f. 21 Nov 41  
QX 1700 Pte Dick, D.M.O., appt spec Td Gp III (driver M T 1) w.e.f. 21 Nov 41.

APPOINTMENTS, PROMOTIONS, TRANSFERS ETC. - Contd.

NX25076 Pte Hutchison W.A. relinquished Group 11 Fitter 19.11.41  
NX25076 " Hutchison W.A. promoted A/Cpl 20.11.41  
NX20506 Pte Chisholm, M. Graded Group 11 Fitter 20.11.41  
NX50955 Pte Young W.B. Promoted A/Cpl 21/11/41  
NX15849 L/Cpl Allenden R.A. Promoted A/Cpl 21/11/41  
NX15995 Pte Green N.C. Promoted A/Cpl 21/11/41  
NX32307 Pte Plank D.L. Promoted A/Cpl 21/11/41  
NX32307 Pte Plank D.L. Relinquished Group 111 R'Taker 20/11/41

NOTICES.

CHURCH PARADE.

R.C. Parade will be held at 0900 hrs on 30 Nov 41. in Recreation Hut  
Chauvel Lines opposite the Cinema

Lost. - Webbing Belt. In latrines. Return to B.H.Q.

H.B. ST. HILLAND, Capt.  
Adjt., 2/2 Aust M.G. Bn.

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE

ROUTINE ORDERS BY

No 41

LT-COL D.A. WHITHAM, M.C.

COMMANDING

QASTINA  
27 Nov 41

2/2 AUST MACHINE GUN BATTALION

SECURITY

For Security reasons, the Jewish Settlement of KEAR MENACHEM 13481379 (Ref map HEBRON 1 : 100000) will NOT be visited by AIF personnel either singly or in organised parties.

The following Security document was found in possession of an Arab in the camp lines : "POLITICAL ASPECTS OF THE WAR No 5". The number 24 was pencilled in the top left hand corner. It is hardly necessary to state how serious this is.

CIVILIAN CARS

For the strengthening of security measures, it is necessary that all Sentries and Regimental Police be instructed to pull up all civilian cars passing through the Lines, and thoroughly scrutinise their passes. Persons without passes or with out of date passes, are to be escorted from the Lines. Out of date passes will be confiscated and handed in to the Camp Staff Office.

SECURITY OF PERSONNEL - CONVEYANCE OF NARCOTICS

The Civil police have recently seized 900 kilos of black drugs in transit in the GAZA District, and it appears that military personnel are being employed more and more to convey drugs by official transport, although unaware of the contents of the packages carried. Goods other than military property will NOT be carried in military vehicles. Officers and ORs found carrying non-military goods, or conspiring at the carrying of such goods in military vehicles will be charged accordingly.

CAMERAS

Attention is drawn to the order made by the Military Commander, Galilee District, under the Defence Regulations, dated 21 Mar 41, and published in the "Palestine Gazette" and the local press, whereby the carrying of cameras or the making of any sketch, plan or representation of any object is forbidden within the following areas :

- (a) Sub-district of BEISAN.
- (b) Sub-district of TIBERIAS (excluding Municipal area of town of TIBERIAS).
- (c) That part of the ACRE sub-district lying north of and inclusive of the following line : From Kilo 228 on the ACRE-SAFED road to the junction of the AL BEQUEI'A-RAMA road. Thence along the latter road through AL BUQUEI'A and TAR-SHIHA to the ACRE-RAS EN NAQURA road. Thence due west to the sea coast, excluding the Settlement area of NAHARIYA. (Force GO 235).

TRESPASSING IN ORCHARDS

Complaints have been received that soldiers are entering orchards and taking fruit for which they are not paying. Coys will take steps to ensure that this practice ceases, and that soldiers are warned against trespassing.

INDISCREET TALK BY ESCAPED P.O.W.

It has been established that cases have occurred of indiscreet talk on the part of AIF personnel who have escaped from enemy P.O.W. camps. The attention of all ranks must be drawn to the fact that indiscreet conversation regarding methods of escape and assistance given by friendly nationals in enemy occupied territories may have grave consequences for those who are helping British soldiers to escape. Such indiscreet talk will further imperil the lives of British soldiers who have escaped from P.O.W. Camps and who are still being befriended in occupied territory.

APPOINTMENTS, PROMOTIONS, TRANSFERS ETC

QX 8099 L/Sjt Quinn, H.F., appointed A/Sjt w.e.f. 25 Nov 41  
 QX 5464 Pte Rose, A relinquishes appt spec Td Gp II (cook) 23 Nov 41  
 QX 5467 Pte Stokes, L.A., apptd spec Td Gp II (cook) w.e.f. 23 Nov 41  
 QX 7036 L/Cpl Harris, T.F., transferred to 13 Aust Fd Coy RAE 27/11/41.  
 QX 9035 Pte Kent, C.S., trans from C Coy to A Coy 27/11/41  
 NX23672 Pte Bolch, C. trans from HQ Coy to B Coy 25 Nov 41  
 NX32463 Pte Hansen, C. " " " " " " 25 Nov 41  
 NX34475 Pte Murray, S., trans from B Coy to HQ Coy 25 Nov 41  
 NX27274 Pte Bishop, E. " " " " " " 25 Nov 41  
 NX45410 L/Cpl Lewis, C. reverts to Pte and trans from HQ Coy to B Coy  
 25 Nov 41.

H.B. STANILAND, Capt.  
 Adj., 2/2 Aust MG Bn

NOTICES

- LOST : Black eversharp pencil, lost in vicinity of showers.  
 Finder return to D Coy Orderly Room.
- FOUND : Horn-rimmed spectacles, in vicinity Sjts showers. Apply  
 Bn HQ.
- Bunch of ignition keys found in Cinema. Tag No V3814  
 Wristlet watch found in the Lines, following inscribed on  
 back : (To Bill Meredith and Vic (1940)) Personnel having  
 lost these articles may obtain same on application to  
 Camp HQ.



AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE

ROUTINE ORDERS BY

No 40

LT-COL D. A. WHITEHEAD, M.C.

COMMANDING

QASTINA  
22 Nov 41

2/2 AUSTRALIAN MACHINE GUN BATTALION

FORMATION OF AUSTRALIAN SECURITY BATTALION

Applications for transfer to Australian Security Battalion are called for from officers below the rank of Major, NCOs, and other ranks who fall within the following categories :-

- (i) B class personnel who are physically fit to do guard duties and act as sentries. Such personnel may be of any age and from any unit.
- (ii) A or B class personnel who are over 40 or, being officers below the rank of Major, are over the prescribed age for their rank.

NCOs will be accepted only up to the limit of the unit establishment. All applicants must be of good character. Their conduct sheets will be inspected at a later date by the C.O. of the new unit. The object of the unit is to provide security guards over AIF Base installations in M.E., and it is not to be confused with Aust HQ Gd Bn.

Coys will submit nominal rolls of applicants, showing names, initials, and numbers to this HQ not later than 24 Nov 41.

USE OF SCHOOL BUILDINGS

As another school term has commenced in Palestine, the practice of using school buildings for overnight accommodation will now cease.

LEAVE PASSES

Leave passes signed by COs and Sjts have been confiscated by Military Police on numerous occasions. These passes MUST be signed by an officer authorised by the C.O. In future, passes issued by Coys, and not so signed will not be accepted as evidence that the holder is on leave, and all holders will be liable to arrest. Coys are reminded that personnel visiting other camps MUST be in possession of a leave pass. Personnel without passes are liable to arrest for not being in possession of a leave pass. Officers with authority to sign passes are Coy Comds or their representatives, and the Adjt.

LAUNDRY

Camp laundry will be open at 1400 hrs today for distribution only. No laundry will be received till further notice.

CROSS-COUNTRY RACE

Teams for cross-country race tomorrow will lunch at HQ kitchen at 1200 hrs. Transport Officer will arrange sufficient transport for 25 men to be ready to leave Bn HQ at 1245 hrs. All teams are required to report at starting point at 1400 hrs.

DUTIES OF ORDERLY OFFICER

The Orderly Officer will ensure that at all times his whereabouts are known at Bn Orderly Room, so that if required he can be summoned quickly.

CHURCH PARADES

Unit Church Parades tomorrow :

Holy Communion	Writing Room	0700 hrs
Church Parade	Canteen block	0845 hrs
B Coy	In the Field	1100 hrs

Duty Coy will be responsible for ensuring that sufficient forms are available in the Wet Canteen for the service by 0845 hrs.

APPOINTMENTS, PROMOTIONS, TRANSFERS ETC

NX12409 Lieut C.L. Jack , taken on strength & att A Coy 22 Nov 41.  
HX17278 Pte Bowen, G., taken on strength & att A Coy 22 Nov 41

H.B. STANILAND, Capt.  
Adjt., 2/2 Aust MG Bn

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE

ROUTINE ORDERS BY

No 39

LT-COL D.A. WHITEHEAD, M.C.

COLLATING

QASTINA  
20 Nov 41

2/2 AUST MACHINE GUN BATTALION

SECURITY OF DOCUMENTS

Axis propaganda has recently made capital of the contents of certain 'Security' documents found in possession of a British officer captured in the Western Desert. This is yet another example of the use to which the enemy may put any papers found on British prisoners of war, and demonstrates the necessity for ensuring that troops do not go into action in possession of any papers containing information of potential use to the enemy.

SECURITY OF DOCUMENTS WHILE TRAVELLING

AIF (ME) Base Area R.O. 571 is repeated below :

- (i) Cases have occurred at KANTARA where diaries and other documents containing information of value to the enemy have been taken from luggage of service personnel. Other cases of loss of secret documents by personnel travelling have also occurred. There is danger that, through loss or theft, such documents may fall into the hands of undesirables. Attention is drawn to F.S.P.B. Pam 3 para 26 regarding the disposal of private diaries and memoranda. AIF (ME) Base Area R.O., Serial No 42, Order No 62, is repeated herewith :

All ranks are forbidden to carry secret or confidential documents loose in attache cases or on their persons when travelling to or from Egypt. Such documents will in future be officially sealed before the commencement of the journey. This procedure exempts these documents from examination by Customs or Police Officials at Kantara or elsewhere on the journey. (Force GO 453).

- (ii) It is realised that officers travelling on duty often require to carry documents or notes for reference. The holder or notebook in which these are carried should be kept in a secure place, and they should be destroyed at the earliest possible opportunity when their usefulness has ceased.

BOUNDS - GAZA TOWN

GAZA TOWN is out of bounds to O.R personnel from all Camps except Kilo 89, GAZA RIDGE, NUSEIRAT and MUGHAZI.

TRESPASS ON PRIVATE PROPERTY

In future personnel will NOT be permitted to proceed beyond the limits of Camp Areas except during training in prescribed areas or when using main or subsidiary roads.

MILITARY PROPERTY - GIFTS TO CIVILIANS

Many instances of civilians being found in possession of military equipment, clothing and foodstuffs are being reported. Investigation has shown that in most cases the articles were given to the civilians concerned by military personnel. Gifts of military property are not permitted and constitute an offence. Furthermore, it is a civil offence for civilians to be found in possession of military property. The practice will cease forthwith.

ROADS UNDER CONSTRUCTION

Military vehicles will not travel, in any circumstances, on roads or sections of roads under construction and protected by barriers.

DRESS

It is again brought to notice that all leave personnel will be inspected by Coy officer before departure.

CHRISTMAS-NEW YEAR AIR MAIL LETTER CARDS

A specially designed Air Mail Letter Card is being issued about the end of November for the purpose of Christmas and New Year greetings from our troops to the people at home. The cover of the special card will bear a pictorial design illustrative of the Middle East surroundings, with the following message below: "Greetings from the Australian Forces, Middle East--Christmas-New Year - 1941/42"

The special card will be a free issue to all ranks on the basis of three a head. They will replace one of the present weekly issues of ordinary cards. Posting of the special cards in time for delivery in Australia before Christmas should be made, at the very latest, so as to reach Australian Base Post Office, Middle East, on or before 9 Dec 41. Later postings should of course reach Australia in time for New Year delivery.

TEL AVIV HOSPITALITY COMMITTEE

The above organisation, through the "Services Club", offers to all troops on leave in TEL AVIV full advice on matters pertaining to shopping, places of amusement and interest, and any general matters likely to assist and guide troops on leave. An official of the TEL AVIV Hospitality Committee is present daily at the Australian Soldiers' Club for this purpose.

FORCES NIGHT PROGRAMME

Arrangements have been made for Forces Night programmes to be shown at the Esther Cinema, DIZENGOFF Circus, TEL AVIV, on Friday evenings as from 24 Oct 41. These performances are for members of His Majesty's Forces. Prices of admission, 30 mils and 60 mils. Doors open at 1900 hrs and performance commences 2000 hrs. Box office opens at 1900 hrs. This only applies to personnel on leave.

SALVAGE

It is noticed that Arabs are taking bottles and old newspapers out of the Camp. Old papers are fetching a good price and should be saved up by units and handed to the Salvage Corps.

AIR RAID PRECAUTIONS

It has come to notice that cigarettes are being lighted in open-air cinemas and in the streets after the air raid alarm has sounded. This is contrary to civil blackout regulations, and will cease forthwith. Disciplinary action will be taken against offenders.

S. U. S. ESCAPED FROM 1 AUST DETN BK

The personnel hereinafter described are Soldiers under sentence of detention who have escaped from 1 Aust Detn Bk. Any person knowing their whereabouts or possessing any information concerning them should communicate immediately with the nearest DAPM or the Commandant, 1 Aust Detn Bk., through the Adjutant.

NX3334 Gnr PEARCE, I. Age 30 yrs ; heavy build ; full face ; thick grey wavy hair.  
VX14926 Pte BARTLETT, J. Age 26 yrs ; height 5'7" ; thick set ; brown hair ; square face.

PROMOTIONS, APPOINTMENTS, TRANSFERS, ETC

NX51284 A/Cpl Mackay, R.T. rank of Cpl confirmed 15/11/41  
 NX51284 Cpl Mackay, R.T., promoted A/Sjt 15/11/41  
 NX31340 A/Cpl Goodland, K.G., rank of Cpl confirmed 15/11/41  
 NX27242 Pte Champion, R.H., promoted Cpl 15/11/41  
 NX27242 Pte Champion, R.H., relinquished appt T/Gp III (driver-mechanic)  
 NX31111 Pte Villiers, L.J., appointed L/Cpl 15/11/41. 14/11/41  
 NX25305 L/Cpl Inglis, E.D., relinq appt T/Gp III (rangetaker) 14/11/41  
 NX25305 L/Cpl Inglis, E.D., appt spec T/Gp III (tech storeman) 15/11/41  
 NX17710 A/Cpl Moss, W., rank of Cpl confirmed 15/11/41  
 QX 3457 Pte Donnelly, G.I., apptd spec T/Gp II (Cook) w.c.f. 14/8/41  
 QX 1670 L/Cpl Greenhalgh, N.W., " " " " (cook) w.e.f. 14/11/41  
 NX17304 Pte Graham, G.P., relinq spec appt T/Gp III (rangetaker) 17/11/41  
 NX27298 Pte Bayliss, C.R., appt spec T/Gp III (rangetaker) 17/11/41  
 NX57546 Pte George, E.H. " " " " " " 17/11/41  
 NX60105 Pte Williams, E.B., trans HQ 9 Aust Div RAE 18/11/41  
 QX17317 Pte Bott, R.C., relinq appt spec T/Gp III (clerk) 17/11/41  
 NX41322 A/Sjt McVey, G.C., reverts to Pte 17/11/41  
 QX17416 A/Cpl Heath, A.J., " " " " 17/11/41  
 QX 2221 Pte McPhee, S.M., trans to 2/15 Aust Inf Bn 20/11/41  
 NX28876 Pte Priestley, C.M., trans to 2/1 Aust Army Fd W/Shops 20/11/41

NX52543 Lieut R.L. Garrett taken on strength & posted C Coy 17/11/41  
 QX17317 Pte Bott, R.C. " " " " " " 17/11/41  
 QX17416 A/Cpl Heath, A.J. " " " " " " 17/11/41  
 QX17634 Pte McIntyre, R.E. " " " " " " 17/11/41  
 QX17646 Pte Ryder, B.C. " " " " " " 17/11/41  
 QX17648 Pte Bodley, W.P. " " " " " " 17/11/41  
 QX17772 Pte Warburton, L.D. " " " " " " 17/11/41  
 QX 1949 Pte Stephens, S.J. " " " " " " 17/11/41  
 QX12368 Pte Ward, C.M. " " " " " " 17/11/41  
 QX12642 Pte Rhea, C.W. " " " " " " 17/11/41  
 QX14947 Lieut C.D. Rose - taken on strength and posted D Coy 17/11/41  
 QX11398 Pte Munro, J.T., " " " " " " 17/11/41  
 QX13187 Pte Sturdy, D.T., " " " " " " 17/11/41  
 QX13758 Pte Carr, E.J., " " " " " " 17/11/41  
 QX14175 Pte Timms, H.V.S. " " " " " " 17/11/41  
 QX14414 Pte Gregg, H., " " " " " " 17/11/41  
 QX15105 Pte Munro, S.C., " " " " " " 17/11/41  
 QX17132 Pte Prentiss, C.P., " " " " " " 17/11/41  
 QX18028 Pte Hawkins, R.E., " " " " " " 17/11/41  
 NX41322 A/Sjt McVey, G.C., " " " " " " C Coy 17/11/41  
 QX 1711 Pte Carty, T., " " " " " " 17/11/41  
 QX 8406 Pte MacKay, C.E., " " " " " " 17/11/41  
 QX 9895 Pte Hall, C.J., " " " " " " 17/11/41  
 QX10023 Pte Siebuhr, R.S., " " " " " " 17/11/41  
 QX10613 Pte Smith, R., " " " " " " 17/11/41  
 QX11327 Pte Harrison, J.L., " " " " " " 17/11/41  
 QX12277 Pte White, P.P., " " " " " " 17/11/41  
 QX12366 Pte Strapps, H., " " " " " " 17/11/41  
 QX11335 Pte O'Brien, J.F., " " " " " " HQ (Sigs) 17/11/41  
 QX16216 Pte Waters, J.C., " " " " " " HQ (Sigs) 17/11/41

LIGHT DUTY PERSONNEL

All personnel of Coys on bivouac who are remaining in this area will report to RQMS at 0900 hrs daily.

H.B. STANILAND, Capt.  
Adjt., 2/2 Aust MG Bn

WAR DAIRY.

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE

ROUTINE ORDERS BY

No 38

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COMMANDING

QASTINA

2/2 AUST MACHINE GUN BATTALION

15 Nov 41

DRESS - DESERT BOOTS

The wearing of desert boots, whether on or off duty, by officers and other ranks, is not permitted for units under command of 9 Aust Div. Offenders will be charged disciplinarily.

DRESS - CAPS

Caps will NOT be worn on leave by NCOs and other ranks.

SPORTING EQUIPMENT

Coys are still retaining certain sporting equipment drawn when the Unit was at Hill 95. To ensure an equal distribution of all equipment, it is essential that control be exercised over issues. Coys will return any sporting equipment they have in their possession to the Padre by 1200 hrs, Sunday, 16 Nov 41.

CHURCH PARADES

Unit church parade will be held in Canteen at 0845 hrs Sunday 16 Nov 41. Duty Coy will ensure that sufficient seating accommodation is placed in the wet canteen for the service.  
B Coy, in the field, 1100 hrs.

R.C. Church Parade. Mass will be celebrated in the Recreation Hut, Chauvel Lines, at 0900 hrs.

COMFORTS ISSUE

Acknowledgement is made of the following distribution of comforts from the Australian Comforts Fund :

1 pkt tobacco    1 pkt papers    1 pkt razor blades    per man.

APPOINTMENTS, PROMOTIONS, TRANSFERS ETC.

NX26318 Pte Ward, N.E., apptd Spec Td Gp III (Tech storeman) 13/11/41.  
NX26637 Pte Meredith, G.A., transferred to 6 Aust Div Supply Coln., 14/  
QX 5764 Pte Adams, C., trans to Aust Base Ord Depot, 15/11/41    /11/41.  
QX 9254 Pte Gorlick, A.H., " " 2/32 Aust Inf Bn., 15/11/41.  
NX60100 Pte Gould, C., " " B Coy from Bn HQ 15/11/41.  
NX29578 Pte Foley, T.M., " " HQ Coy from Bn HQ 14/11/41  
NX20543 Sjt Sydenham, C.F., trans to 77 L.A.D. 15/11/41.  
NX25154 Cpl Longhurst, A.W., apptd L/Sjt 14/11/41.

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COMMANDING

QASTINA

13 Nov 41.

2/2 AUST MACHINE GUN BATTALION.

IDENTIFICATION CREDENTIALS.

All Officers, war correspondents in uniform and members of the services of officer status proceeding to Syria or the Lebanon, whether on leave or duty, will report to one of the following D.A.P.M.'s. according to the area in which they are proceeding:-

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|-----------------------|--|
| Damascus              | D.A.P.M., Damascus.<br>Military Police Billet,<br>Opposite Omayad Hotel.         |
| Beirut                | D.A.P.M., Beirut.<br>Military Police Billet,<br>Near Grand Serail.               |
| Ain Sofar }<br>Aley } | A.P.M., Aley.  |
| Aleppo                | D.A.P.M., Aleppo.<br>Military Police Billet,<br>3 mins. walk from Baron's Hotel. |

ANTI-MALARIA PRECAUTIONS.

Officers and other ranks are warned that shirts and bush shirts with short sleeves will not be worn in any area of Middle East as from a date yet to be fixed in March or April next. When summer scale of clothing is issued in 1942, all shirts, etc., will have long sleeves. Thereafter, such garments of illegal pattern found in possession will be replaced at soldier's expense. From the same date officers will cease to wear illegal pattern shirts and bush shirts. Any bought henceforward should therefore have long sleeves.

LIQUOR IN CINEMA.

- (1) Several cases have occurred recently of troops drinking liquor out of bottles in the cinema. This practise will cease immediately.
- (2) Beer sold from the Canteens must be consumed in the Canteens.

MARKING OF CLOTHING.

Complaints in connection with laundry losses are still being made. These would be considerably reduced if clothing were properly marked.

The Q.M. will issue an administrative memo on the marking of clothes as soon as the necessary marking ink is available.

DRESS.

The following alterations to dress will come into operation immediately:

Within Unit Lines - Shorts, shirts, boots, stockings, short puttees.

Outside Unit Lines - All leave parties, or personnel out of Unit lines at night, will wear F.S.

### SPEED LIMITS.

Several breaches of traffic regulations have been reported recently when N.C.O.'s were travelling in vehicles. Instructions have been given previously that the senior soldier in any vehicle will be responsible for the conduct of the vehicle. In future, both the senior soldier and the driver will be held responsible. Any further breaches of speed limits, dangerous driving or traffic regulations generally will be dealt with with the utmost severity.

### APPOINTMENTS, PROMOTIONS, TRANSFERS ETC.

NX 15867 Pte Stewart J.S.F. Promoted Cpl. w.e.f. 18.10.41.  
NX 18291 A/Cpl Palmer E.C. Rank of Cpl. confirmed 12.11.41  
NX 22924 A/Sgt Harrison R.J. Rank of Sgt. confirmed 12.11.41  
NX 21972 A/Cpl Shepherd D. Rank of Cpl confirmed 12.11.41  
NX 27163 Cpl. Cockram H.J. Promoted Sgt. 12.11.41  
NX 22934 Pte Boucher G.W.W. Graded Group 111 Rangotaker w.e.f.  
25.4.41  
NX 29328 Pte Parkhill W.C. Graded Group 111 Rangotaker w.e.f.  
12.11.41  
NX 55312 A/S/Sgt Cuddihy J.C. Rank of S/Sgt confirmed 12.11.41  
NX 30705 Pte Ihlien N.L. Promoted A/Cpl w.e.f. 12.11.41  
NX 15994 L/Cpl Kenyon J.H. Promoted Cpl. w.e.f. 12.11.41  
NX 25453 Pte Simpson J.B. Relinquished Group 111 Technical Storeman  
w.e.f. 12.11.41  
NX 56138 Pte Izzard W.G. Transferred to A.A.M.C. 8.11.41  
NX 56138 Pte Izzard W.G. Attached from A.A.M.C. 8.11.41  
QX 8772 Pte Young W. Appointed L/Cpl. 12.11.41  
QX 10285 Pte Shreeve C.W. Appointed L/Cpl. 12.11.41  
NX 22926 Pte Droder H.R. Relinquished Group 11 Cook 10.11.41  
QX 15233 Pte Coleman D.H. Taken on strength from 3 A/Tk Regt. and  
posted to H.Q.Coy. 13.11.41  
NX 30706 Pte Graves J.P. Transferred to C.R.E. 9 Aust Div. 13.11.41  
NX 19791 L/Cpl Norman R.W. Transferred to M.G.Tng Bn. A.I.F. 8.11.41  
NX 24861 A/Cpl Hain G.H. Reverted to Pte. 10.11.41  
NX 46380 Pte Atkins E.V. Transferred to 1 Aust Corps Salvage Unit  
11.11.41

H.B. STANILAND, Capt.  
Adjt., 2/2 Aust M.G. Bn.



AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE

ROUTINE ORDERS BY

No 36

LT-COL D.A. WHITEHEAD, M.C.

COMMANDING

QASTINA  
8 Nov 41

2/2 AUST MACHINE GUN BATTALION

COURTS OF INQUIRY

The following Court is convened to inquire into and report on an accident to Veh No 4071 and injuries to personnel.

Capt. M.I. Wheatley  
Lieut G.M. Turner  
Lieut A.B. Farquhar

All outstanding Courts of Inquiry must be completed by Wednesday 12 Nov 41, except that on death of Cpl Walker.

GUARD TENTS

Two EPIP and one RD tent are available for the guard and will be used in future. These tents are situated in rear of No. 1 cookhouse

P.A.D.

The Bn Provost Sjt will be in charge of the Unit P.A.D. He will submit to the Adjt proposals for approval by Tuesday 11 Nov 41 at 1200 hrs.

AMENITIES & SPORTS OFFICER

The Padre, Chaplain R. Bird, is appointed Unit Amenities & Sports Officer.

PICQUETS

During week 9 Nov - 15 Nov 41 inclusive, HQ Coy will supply 10 ORs and 1 NCO each night for cafe area picquet from 2000 hrs to 2230 hrs, under command Lieut G.M. Turner.

One NCO & 3 ORs duty Coy will mount 1815 hrs as Canteen picquet, dismount 2115 hrs, when area will be cleared.

HITCH-HIKING

The practice of hailing passing vehicles for the purpose of obtaining a ride is dangerous and interferes with military duties. It will cease forthwith. Drivers of military vehicles will NOT stop to offer pedestrians a ride except on the order of an officer. Other ranks or civilians will NOT be carried as passengers in Army vehs without proper authority.

TINS, PETROL

Care should be exercised when opening tins to ensure that contents are as marked. All WD petrol in tins is coloured red, except 67 Octane, which is green, and 70 CL which is colourless. MBO is colourless.

RETURN OF PERSONNEL WITH FOREIGN LANGUAGE QUALIFICATIONS

A return is required to reach these HQ not later than 20 Nov 41 giving particulars of all ranks who possess foreign language qualifications. Return will contain the following :

No . . . . . Rank . . . . . Name . . . . .  
 Unit . . . . .  
 Language/s . . . . .  
 Speak (Fluent or otherwise) . . . . .  
 Read . . . . .  
 Write . . . . .  
 Working knowledge only . . . . .

Language tests for those who claim to be fluent will be arranged at a date to be notified later.

SPEED LIMITS - ARMY VEHICLES

The following is a table of speed limits for Australian Military vehs in PALESTINE. T.O. will ensure that the speed limits for any particular type of vehicle are clearly shown on a notice pasted on the inside face of the windscreen of that vehicle, in front of the driver's seat, positioned low down in such a way as not to interfere with normal vision. These speed limits will be rigidly observed by all ranks driving vehs and any breaches thereof will be treated as an offence.

<u>Vehicles by types</u>	<u>Speed Limits in m.p.h.</u>		
	In towns & villages	On main roads outside towns and villages	Normal cross country and desert

Wheeled vehicles

Cars and motor cycles	20	45	30
Vans up to 15 cwt capacity	20	40	25
Vans 1 ton all types	20	35	25
Lorries 30 cwt all types & ambulances	15	30	20
Lorries 3 ton all types	15	30	20
Tractors arty			
When travelling solo	15	30	20
With gun and/or trailer	10	25	15
Cars armoured recce	20	45	30

Tracked vehicles

Carriers Armoured all types	12	20	15
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Notwithstanding the speed limits set out in the above, the driver of an Australian Military Motor Vehicle will not, whilst driving within a town or camp, exceed the speed limits set out on Military Notice Boards erected near the boundaries of or within the town or camp, and no Australian Military Motor Vehicle will be driven on any roads :

- (a) recklessly or at a speed or in any manner which is dangerous to the public, having regard to all the circumstances of the cases, including the nature, condition and use of the road and the amount of traffic which is actually at the time, or which might reasonably be expected to be on the road, or
- (b) without due care or attention or without reasonable consideration for other persons using the road.

CROSS-COUNTRY RACE

Further details have been obtained of the conditions governing the cross-country race to be held 23 Nov 41. The teams race is open to teams from any camp or Unit. A team shall consist of not less than five and not more than eight. Any member of the AIF not in a team may enter as an individual competitor.

The team finishing the run and having the least number of points will be the winners ; the first will receive one point, the second two points, etc. Only the first five runners of each team will be counted. Trophies will be awarded to the winning team and to the first five men. Distance to be run, approximately five miles.

The race will start at 1500 hrs and competitors must report to the Starting Steward at 1430 hrs. Entries must be forwarded to this HQ not later than Wednesday, 12 Nov 41 at 1200 hrs.

APPOINTMENTS, PROMOTIONS, TRANSFERS, ETC

NX 25982 Pte E.A.Fisk appointed L/Cpl 6 Nov 41  
QX 9917 Pte O'Connor, T., transferred to 2/2 Aust Inf Bn 8 Nov 41

H.B. STANILAND, Capt.  
Adjt., 2/2 Aust MG Bn

NOTICES

LOST

Between Kantara and Julis one pack , with two straps marked

SX 7512 Cpl CROSS, A.R.

Will finder please advise HQ 26 Aust Inf Bde.

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COMMANDING

2/2 AUST MACHINE GUN BATTALION

QASTINA  
7 Nov 41

IN BOUNDS AREA - JAFFA

The present in Bounds area has been extended to include RACIUD St., KING GEORGE Ave., south to SALAME Rd., and SALAME Rd along its entire length. All areas South of these thoroughfares remain out of Bounds.

EXPRESS LAUNDRY

An express laundry service will open in the Camp as from 7 Nov 41, 48 hours service. The laundry will be situated in Chauvel Lines L2, opposite the Cinema.

DUTIES

A Coy will mount as duty Coy at Retreat on Saturday 8 Nov 41. This Unit will mount as Camp duty unit at Retreat Sunday 9 Nov 41. A Coy will supply duties.

Field Officer 7/8 Nov Capt J.K. Mackay  
12/13 Nov Capt M.I. Wheatley

SPORTING EQUIPMENT

The Battalion sporting equipment has now been moved from B Coy lines to the Recreation Hut in the Canteen block. All requisitions for sporting equipment will go through the Padre or his representative. Attention is drawn to the necessity for care in the use of all sporting equipment. Supplies are very short, and the more care that can be taken with unit equipment the longer life we shall get from it.

CROSS-COUNTRY RACE

A 4½ miles cross-country race is being organised by 9 Aust Div. Teams of five can be entered, and it is suggested that Coy teams should be nominated for this race. The race will be held on 23 Nov 41. Nominations to be at Bn HQ by 14 Nov 41.

BEER RATIONING

The Commanding Officer has expressed his appreciation of the conduct of the Bn in the Canteen, and would like to make it quite clear that beer rationing has been brought into operation entirely by reason of shortages, or expected shortages of beer, and not in any way by any misconduct of troops.

DESIGNATIONS

In the designations of Armies the number should be written in full, e.g., Fourteenth Army, NOT 14 Army.

In the designation of Corps the number should be written in plain numerals, e.g., 20 Corps, NOT XX Corps.

APPOINTMENTS, TRANSFERS, PROMOTIONS ETC

NX 12355 Lieut H.B. Staniland promoted T/Capt w.e.f. 20/10/41.  
NX 12366 Lieut W.M.H. Stephens " T/Capt w.e.f. 20/10/41.  
QX 5227 S/Sjt Cullen, D.E., promoted A/WO ii w.e.f. 5/11/41  
NX 54445 A/WO ii McLennan, J., reverts to S/Sjt 5/11/41  
QX 2483 Cpl Insch, E.B., apptd L/Sjt w.e.f. 4 / 11/41  
QX 5955 Pte Cameron, D.M., transferred to 2/7 Fd Coy RAE 3/11/41  
NX 29660 Pte Brown, A.E., " from B Coy to Bn HQ  
NX 32602 Pte Cass, R.W. " from B Coy to HQ Coy  
NX 26316 Pte Ward, N.E., " from B Coy to HQ Coy

Corrigendum to R.O. No 34.

For NX 18999 Pte Dunne, G., substitute NX 23573 Pte Dunn, W.C.

H.B. STANILAND, Capt.  
Adjt., 2/2 Aust MG Bn

NOTICES

Church Parades

Bn Church Parade will be held in Recreation Room at 0845 hrs Sun  
9 Nov 41. D Coy in the field 1100 hrs ; C Coy in the field 1600 hrs.

R.C. Church Parades. Mass will be celebrated in the Recreation Hut,  
Chauvel Lines, opposite the Cinema as follows :  
Sunday 9 Nov 41 at 0900 hrs.

Acknowledgements

The Unit acknowledges receipt of the following sporting equipment  
from Australian Comforts Fund 6 Nov 41 :

4 Australian Rules footballs , 1 cricket score book, 2 hockey  
balls, 2 soccer balls, 1 basket ball, 1 pump & lacer, 2 basket  
ball rings, 1 circlos net and quoits, 4 cricket balls, 1 tin  
bat oil, 2 cricket bats, 1 pair wicket-keeper's gloves, 1 pair  
batting gloves.

Also 150 packets of cigarettes. Americans in Cuba sent these cig-  
arettes to the Australian Comforts Fund for distribution to the  
AIF.

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE

ROUTINE ORDERS BY

No 34

LT-COL D.A. WHITEHEAD, M.C.

COMMANDING

CASTINA  
3 Nov 41

2/2 AUST MACHINE GUN BATTALION

TRENCHING OF TENTS

Coys will ensure that all tents in their area are adequately trenched.

LATRINE CLEANLINESS & PAPER WASTAGE

The practice of littering of Latrines with paper must cease immediately.

NATIVE LATRINES - OUT OF BOUNDS TO ALL RANKS

Latrine situated at bend of road near Armoury is a Native Latrine and is not to be used by Army personnel. It is indicated by a yellow flag, with a black spot in the centre.

BLACK OUT

Camp HQ have laid down that an adequate black out will be maintained during the hours of darkness. Coys will ensure that their Coy lines are properly blacked out.

PERSONNEL WITH SKI-ING EXPERIENCE

Coys will submit nominal rolls of any personnel with ski-ing experience by 6 Nov 41. Any special qualifications (e.g., Ski Club of Great Britain classification), should be added as remarks in brief form.

PERSONNEL WITH MASSAGE EXPERIENCE

Coys will submit nominal rolls by 6 Nov 41 showing

- (a) Personnel holding massage diplomas ;
- (b) Personnel with massage experience but no diploma.

LAUNDRY SERVICE

The laundry service for this Unit is located in Brand Lines. The laundry will take in washing from 0700 to 1130 hrs and issue from 1600 to 1800 hrs daily. Laundry tickets bearing the stamp "Hill 95" cannot be used. Such tickets will be returned to R.Q.M.S. by 1600 hrs 4 Nov 41.

TRANSFERS, APPOINTMENTS, PROMOTIONS ETC

NX 14551 Lieut F.A. Varley transferred from A Coy to C Coy  
NX 45256 Pte Devine, C.R., " " "  
NX 18999 Pte Dunne, G., " " B Coy to HQ Coy  
QX 18763 Pte Liddle, R.P., taken on strength from MG Tng Bn 1/11/41  
QX 18763 " " " posted to HQ 3  
QX 14632 Pte Lucas, R.C., taken on strength from MG Tng Bn and  
posted to B Coy, 1/11/41  
QX 16868 Pte Simmons, T.W., taken on strength from M G Tng Bn and  
posted to C Coy

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCEROUTINE ORDERS BY

No 33

LT. COL D. A. WHITEHEAD, M.C.COMMANDING

QASTINA

2/2 AUST MACHINE GUN BATTALION

1 Nov 41

TIMETABLE

The following amendment to Standing Orders is promulgated.

First post	2145 hrs
Last post	2215 hrs (Tattoo)
Lights Out	2230 hrs

Bugle calls will be amended similarly.

RETURNS

Para 2 Chap 1 of Standing Orders lays down that a certificate that all rifles and amn on issue are still in the possession of personnel. This is not being complied with. Coys will take immediate steps to see that this is done.

BN H.Q.

Personnel on Bn HQ will come under command HQ Coy forthwith. The I.O. will act as Pl Comd of Bn HQ and will be responsible to O.C., HQ Coy.

LEAVE

Amendment to Standing Orders Chap 1 Para 7.  
Delete all para 7 and substitute :

There will be leave from after Tng Pde till 2215 hrs within the Camp Area.

On Sunday leave will be general from after Church Pde until 2215 hrs. Special application will be made by personnel wishing to remain out of camp after 2215 hrs.

Leave or Duty Passes are required by any member of the Unit proceeding beyond the Camp Area.

Officers will sign the warning out sheet in the Adj't's office.

GUARDS

Amendment to Standing Orders Chap II Para 1  
Delete Para 1, Guards & Sentries.

Duty Coy will be informed of Unit Guard required. This will be reduced as circumstances permit.

PICTURE THEATRE

Times of programmes are as follows :

1745 hrs	) daily.
2000 hrs	

LAUNDRY

Coys will submit lists of personnel who have left laundry at Hill 95. These lists will be handed to the RQMS by 1500 hrs daily for the next four days. Laundry tickets must be attached.

## CANTEEN

The Unit Canteen will open today at 1200 hrs. The following hours will be observed :

Wet Canteen	1830 - 2100 hrs
Dry Canteen	1230 - 1345 hrs
	1645 - 1715 hrs
	1800 - 2200 hrs

## CAFES

The Cafes in the Camp Area must close at 2200 hrs. Troops will NOT remain in Cafes after that hour.

## CHURCH PARADE

Church Pde will be held in the Recreation Room Canteen block at 0845 hrs tomorrow.

C Coy parade in the field	1000 hrs
D Coy " " " "	1600 hrs

R.C.Pde 0900 hrs in Recreation Hut Chauvel Lines, opposite Camp Cinema.

## PAYBOOKS -- FALSIFICATION OF

The audit of soldiers' pay accounts now provides for the early detection of paybook frauds. The falsification of paybooks constitutes an offence which will be tried by Court-Martial.

## SECURITY - IRREGULAR DESPATCH OF UNCENSORED LETTERS TO AUSTRALIA

It has been found that members of the AIF (ME) are despatching uncensored or insufficiently censored correspondence to Australia other than through the authorised channels, such as by handing it to personnel returning to Australia on medical or other grounds for despatch or delivery on arrival in Australia or intermediate port of call. Disciplinary action will be taken against any detected offenders.

## APPOINTMENTS, TRANSFERS, PROMOTIONS, ETC.

QX 5560	Lieut W.A. Cochrane	taken on strength	31 Oct 41	and posted
		to A Coy.		
NX 15993	Lieut T. McD. Ewing	" " " "	31 Oct 41	" "
		to B Coy.		
QX 10390	Pte Atherton, R	transferred to	2/3 Aust Fd Amb	29 Oct 41
QX 3295	Pte Pollock, N.H.R.	" " " "	" " "	29 Oct 41
NX 28491	L/Cpl Lee, L.	transferred from HQ	to D Coy.	
QX 312	A/WO ii Hobbs, R.W.	confirmed in rank of WO ii	w.e.f. 16/10/41	
QX 8745	L/Cpl Hopkins, F.S.	promoted A/Cpl	w.e.f. 20 Oct 41.	
QX 3299	Pte Varker, R.H.	transferred to	3 Aust Light AA Regt	1/11/41.
NX 31505	Pte Brown, N.	promoted L/Cpl	w.e.f. 1 Nov 41	

H.B. STANILAND, Lieut.  
Adjt., 2/2 Aust MG Bn



App B.

MEDICAL DIARY FOR MONTHOF NOVEMBER 19416 Nov 41

Notified yesterday by ADMS 9 Aust Div that I am S M O of QASTINA Camp. Conference held at CRS Qastina at 1030 hrs today. ADMS himself present, OC CRS, dental officer, and RMOs of 2/8 & 2/12 Aust Fd Regts, 2/3 A/Tk Regt, 9 Div RAE and self. Dental parades, medical personnel, consultations VD discussed and co-ordinated as well as week-end leave.

Consolidated Sick Report for week ending 1 Nov 41 :

Total new sick	av daily	13
Diarrhoea	" "	Nil
V.D.	" "	0.56
Infectious & Contagious	" "	13.3
Feet	" "	3.3
Others	" "	14.2
Daily sick rate		44.5
Evacuations to Hospital daily		2.4

One case of mumps.

Request was made to ADMS 9 Aust Div that a dental officer be attached to the Unit so that a proper attempt be made to make the men dentally fit. Many personnel have been in the army for 18/12 and never had any dental attention at all. The ADMS explained that this would not be possible because of deficiency of equipment. The C.O. then submitted the following proposition to him: That the Unit would supply the equipment if the dental officer be supplied. The ADMS agreed to this for as long as it would take to clear up the whole unit. Negotiations were then made in Tel Aviv and some dental equipment was hired for £5 per month, the money coming from Unit Funds. There were various items which had to be bought, and Lieut Halliday was sent to Tel Aviv to make the necessary purchases.

8 Nov 41

Capt Neil, D.O. of the 2/8 Fd Amb reported and immediately commenced to make arrangements.

Stores : Ointments, Z O and Gentian Violet are unobtainable from Med Stores so they are being purchased in Tel Aviv.

Today running water is being laid on to the RAP -- miraculous !

Class for prospective NCOs concluded. Four lectures on hygiene and fd cooking completed. This is the second of this type to be held. It enables much valuable information to be imparted to these men.

Consolidated Sick Report to 8 Nov 41

Total New Sick	av daily	9 5/7
Diarrhoea	" "	2/7
V D	" "	3/7
Infectious & contagious	" "	9 6/7
Feet	" "	3 6/7
Other ailments	" "	17
Daily Sick Rate	" "	41 1/7
Daily Evacuations Hospital		2

Three evacuations from a motor accident -- one concussion but none very serious.

One case of mumps.

10 Nov 41

Dental examination is to start this morning, starting with the duty Coy. By 1140 hrs 13 extractions have been done and 2 platoons charted. Final figures for the first day :

121 examined and charted;  
27 fit ;  
23 extractions.

Remainder to be done (fillings and dentures).

11 Nov 41

Charting and all extractions for A & HQ Coys completed today. Work to be discontinued until 17 Nov, by which time it is hoped to have the equipment for fillings and dentures.

13 Nov 41

Sickness very slight.

16 Nov 41

The third injection of 1 cc of tetanus prophylactic was administered on 14, 15 and 16 Nov by Coys. B Coy's injection was carried out in the field. One anaphylactic reaction was observed, but it soon settled down with adrenaline.

Notification from ADMS 9 Aust Div that dental treatment is to take place at the dental centre. Do we infer from this that there is to be none within Unit lines? It is apparently so, because we receive notification that tomorrow they will let us know from the Centre when they are ready. This is a bitter disappointment, after all the promises, plus the purchase of the equipment by the Unit.

18 Nov 41

Treatment is going ahead at the Dental Centre. Inspection is done within the RAP, and men are classified and sent round from here.

Three Coys are out in the field at present. Each has its medical orderly and four stretcher-bearers with it, plus Coy medical equipment. Any more serious cases are brought in to the RAP by vehicle.

20 Nov 41.

Skin infections are still very frequent, although the weather has become much cooler and men are not perspiring so much.

Dental treatment is going ahead on the personnel in the Duty Coy.

Consolidated Sick Report for Week ending 22 Nov 41

Total New Sick	av daily	9.7
Diarrhoea	" "	2.4
Infectious & contagious	" "	3.4
Foot Disabilities	" "	4.8
Other ailments	" "	14.1
Daily sick rate		34.2
Daily evac to hospital		1.7

27 Nov 41

Dental facilities have now reverted to the previous inertia of months ago. Day after day goes by and no men are called up. The D Os say that the Unit must await its turn in the call-up. One day is allowed for the Unit per week, but this does not allow of many men being called up. Seriously considering contracting with a civilian dentist to do the work.

30 Nov 41

All Coys are back in camp, but mobile training goes ahead tomorrow and some Coys are out again. The medical orderly and 4 S.Bs out with the Coy fits the situation well, but a vehicle for each Coy medical personnel is, to my mind, essential. When men have to be brought in, as in accidents, there is much trouble in clearing out other vehicles and switching over.

Some isolated cases of diarrhoea still occur. Most settled down quickly.

URTIs are not great, despite cold and rain.

Consolidated Sick Report week ending 29 Nov 41.

Total New Sick	av daily	12
Diarrhoea	" "	4.1
Infectious & contagious	" "	7.71
Foot disabilities	" "	6.85
Other ailments	" "	18.14
Daily sick rate		49

Two Coys are to go out in the field tomorrow, but rain appears imminent. Drying facilities are available if they are needed..

2/2 Aust M.G.Bn.

*App. C*

WAR DIARY - "Q" SUMMARY, NOV '41.

Work proceeded normally. The unit settled into its new camp and a number of improvements to layout and buildings were asked for and put in hand. Paths were commenced, but had not been completed by the end of November.

At the beginning of the month two Coys, "C" and "D" were already on bivouac: on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Nov "A" moved out on bivouac, and later in the month Nos. 1 and 2 Pls and the drivers from No. 3 Pl H.Q. Coy went out for a fortnights bivouac. On the 17 Nov "D" Coy, and on the 24 Nov "A" Coy, moved out of camp with a full complement of vehicles for mobile training and field firing, In each instance the itinerary covered one week. In all the above instances rations were delivered either to the bivouac area or at meeting points, each Coy being responsible for its own catering arrangements.

Early in the month vegetable supplies were very scarce, consisting almost wholly of gramma pumpkin. During this period purchases of vegetables (potatoes, sweet potatoes, onions, cabbage and cauliflowers) were made from the supplementary ration allowance and from unit funds. Towards the end of the month supplies of all vegetables from the AASC became more or less normal and purchases by the unit were reduced to a minimum. A large percentage of the milk delivered was found on opening to be sour and curdled, necessitating replacement.

No war equipment was received during the month.

Tentage, tables and other accommodation stores continued to be almost unprocurable.

Although the change to winter clothing was ordered, large size S.D. uniforms could not be supplied by Ordnance. Overalls for workshop personnel similarly were unobtainable.

*A. L. Ditch* Capt.  
Q.M.

HQ 3 Pl - TRANSPORT DIARY*app. D.*Month of NOVEMBER, 1941Nov 1-15

The first few days were spent in arranging workshop, store and Transport Office after move from Hill 95. Vehicles were allocated to A, C & D Coys, who were in the field, for field training. Maintenance was carried out by Coys in the field.

Workshop benches were erected in garage shed on Vehicle Park and Bn fitters were soon working normally. Requisitions to Ordnance for replacement parts did not meet with any success, and it was soon found that parts are almost unobtainable.

Nov 15 - 30

Platoon formations of vehicles were not proving very satisfactory for Coy training and all vehicles were recalled on Nov 14. During 15 & 16 Nov vehicles were thoroughly serviced and overhauled by Bn Fitters in conjunction with 77 LAD after maintenance had been carried out by drivers.

As from Monday 17 Nov Coy training with a complete Coy strength of vehicles was commenced on a weekly basis. Vehicles were used in the field for 5 days and were thoroughly checked and serviced during the remaining two days at Headquarters. Consequently all vehicles were kept in excellent condition despite their constant operation under all conditions in the field.

## FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

2/2 Aust MG 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 (ONE)		
Majors ...	2 (TWO)		
Captains ...	5 (FIVE)		
Lieutenants ...	24 (TWENTY FOUR)		
2nd Lieutenants ...			
Quartermasters ...	1 (ONE)		
<b>TOTALS ...</b>	<b>33 (THIRTY-THREE)</b>		

\* 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	W.M.M. STEPHENS		20-10-41	EX AIF (ME) S.M.E
"	T. W. D. EWING		31-10-41	MG Tng Bn
"	W.A. COCHRANE		31-10-41	" " " "

#### Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
CAPT.	B.P. DAWSON		27-10-41	M.E.W.T.S
LIEUT.	F.A. VARLEY		29-10-41	Detached special duty

### 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	P.B. GREEN		1 H.G.H.

**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	NX 376	D. H. WHITEHEAD		YES	
MAJOR	NX 12659	E. PHILIP ARTHUR OMSLOW		"	
"	RX 6213	G. A. McSEARIE		"	
CAPT	NX 12488	B. P. DAWSON		NO	M.E.W.T.S.
"	NX 12343	M. I. WHEATLEY		YES	
"	NX 34709	J. K. MACKAY		"	
"	NX 12354	E. C. BROWN		"	
"	BX 6271	E. C. WILLIAMS		"	
"	NX 425	C. L. FISCHER		"	
LIEUT	NX 12355	H. B. STANILAND		"	
"	NX 12356	F. R. K. STANILAND		NO	A.I.F. (M.E.) Inf. Sch.
"	RX 6273	D. R. STUART		YES	
"	NX 34436	M. J. LAMB		"	
"	NX 12333	G. M. TURNER		"	
"	NX 34672	K. S. WRAGGE		"	
"	NX 12366	W. M. M. STEPHENS		"	
"	NX 34687	J. F. LAVAN		"	
"	NX 32719	J. L. A. MITCHELL		"	
"	NX 35137	A. R. THORBURN		"	
"	BX 6275	R. J. CRIST		"	
"	RX 6262	R. W. CAMERON		"	
"	NX 34664	W. P. NICHOLAS		"	
"	NX 70716	T. H. SOUTHWELL-KEENE		"	
"	RX 9618	A. B. FARQUHAR		"	
"	RX 1449	R. T. R. BENNETT		"	
"	NX 15837	R. BREBTON		"	
"	NX 12412	M. C. HALLIDAY		"	
"	NX 34673	J. G. CAMPBELL		NO	A.I.F. (M.E.) Inf. Sch.
"	RX 6364	F. HERBERTSON		YES	
"	NX 15828	G. T. FERGUSON		"	
"	NX 15413	T. MED. EWING		"	
"	RX 5510	W. H. COCHRANE		"	
"	NX 14551	F. H. VARLEY		NO	DETACHED SPECIAL DUTY.

(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	NX 4379	V. G. BUTTEAN	A.A.M.C.	29.5.40	R.M.O.
Chaplain	NX 70321	R. BIRD	A.A.C.D.	1.8.40	Chaplain
LIEUT	VX 33113	G. FORSTER-SMIGHT	L.A.D.	13.10.41	L.A.D.

2/2 Aust. M.G. Bn.  
(Unit.)

1 NOVEMBER 41.  
(Date of Despatch.)

*[Signature]*  
Capt for Lt. Col.  
C.O. 2<sup>nd</sup> M.C.  
(Signature of Commander.)  
9 Aust. Divn.  
(Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

**FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.**

2/2 AUST M G BN (Unit). 1 Nov. 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.	1 (ONE)		
W.Os. Class II.	5 (FIVE)		
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants OR Colour-Serjeants	5 (FIVE)		
Staff Serjeants	2 (TWO)		
Serjeants	31 (THIRTY-ONE)		
Buglers, Trumpeters, etc.			
Corporals	51 (FIFTY-ONE)		
Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, etc.	595 (FIVE-NINETY-FIVE)		25 (TWENTY-FIVE)
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>690 (SIX-NINETY)</b>	*	* <b>25 (TWENTY-FIVE)</b>

\* 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.
NX14732 Sgt CONDON S.J.	A.A.P.C.	GX8370 Cpl JACKSON W.N.	A.A.P.C.
NX29627 Sgt. MILLER F.H.	A.A.P.C.	NX15141 Pte CHRISTIAN F.	A.A.P.C.
VX10058 Sgt. BOYD J.T.	A.A.P.C.	NX15797 Pte SKINNER A.L.C.	A.A.P.C.
NX20543 Sgt SYDENHAM C.F.	A.A.P.C.	NX25340 Pte POOLE L.C.	A.A.P.C.
NX32530 Sgt SHEARWOOD C.	A.A.P.C.	NX26577 Pte FULLER A.B.	A.A.P.C.
NX30187 Cpl STEVENS R.V.H.	A.A.P.C. POST COOP.	NX16366 Pte GORRY R.C.	A.A.P.C.
NX1132 Cpl DUDGON H.L.	A.A.P.C.	NX27743 Pte BOYLE R.W.	A.A.P.C.

**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).
NX30707	PTE	WILSON J.D.	2/2 AUST. M.G. BN	2 A.G.H.
GX8804	"	KING W.W.	"	HOSPITAL
GX8775	"	JOHNSTON A.M.	"	"
NX18186	"	RILEY R.G.	"	1 A.G.H.
NX22918	"	KANE A.R.	"	1 A.G.H.
NX55478	"	BATTERHAM E.V.	"	1 A.G.H.
NX33128	"	CAMPBELL W.M.	"	1 A.G.H.
NX57085	CPL	BARGWANNA N.	"	1 A.G.H.
NX29878	PTE	SMITH A.N.	"	1 A.G.H.
NX21497	"	IRELAND J.	"	1 A.G.H.



2/2 Aust. M.G. Bn. 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.	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															14	14	
Wheelers																	
DRIVERS M.T.															6	6	
STRETCHER-BEARERS															4	4	
BATMEN															2	2	
General duty personnel																	
TOTALS (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A).																	25 25

2/2 Aust M.G. Bn  
Unit.  
Date of Despatch 7 Nov 41

[Signature]  
Capt. for Lt. Col.  
C.O. 2/2 M.G. Bn. Signature of Commander.  
2/9 Aust Divn.  
Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which unit is serving.

## FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

2/2 Aust. MG. Bn (Unit)

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

1	2	3	4
Ranks.	Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
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*			
Lieut.-Colonels ...	1 (ONE)		
Majors ...	2 (TWO)		
Captains ...	7 (SEVEN)		
Lieutenants ...	21 (TWENTY ONE)		
2nd Lieutenants ...			
Quartermasters ...	1 (ONE)		
<b>TOTALS ...</b>	<b>32 (THIRTY-TWO)</b>		

\* 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.	F. A. VARLEY		1.11.41	EX. SPECIAL DETAILED DUTY

#### Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
LIEUT.	G. T. FERGUSON		2.11.41	ATT. A.I.F. (M.E.) S.M.E.
"	A. B. THORBURN		2.11.41	" " " "
"	J. L. MITCHELL		2.11.41	" " " "
"	T. H. SOUTHWELL-KEELY		8.11.41	A.I.F. (M.E.) Intelligence School

### 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.	P. B. GREEN		1. A. G. H.
"	T. W. D. EWING		HOSPITAL

**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	NX 376	D A WHITEHEAD		YES	
MAJOR	NX 12659	E MAPPARTHUR ONSLOW		"	
"	BX 6263	G H MFL SEARIE		"	
CAPT	NX 12489	B P DAWSON		NO	MEWTS
"	NX 12343	M I WHEATLEY		YES	
"	NX 34709	J K MCKAY		"	
"	NX 12354	C C BROWN		"	
"	BX 6271	F C WILLIAMS		"	
"	NX 425	C L FISCHER		"	
"	NX 12355	H B STANILAND		"	
"	NX 12366	W M M STEPHENS		"	
LIEUT	NX 12356	F R K STANILAND		NO	A.I.F. (M.E.) INF Sch.
"	BX 6273	D R STUART		YES	
"	NX 34456	M T LAMB		"	
"	NX 12333	G M TURNER		"	
"	NX 34672	K S WRAGGE		"	
"	NX 34687	J F LAYAN		"	
"	NX 32719	J L H MITCHELL		NO	A.I.F. (M.E.) S.M.E.
"	NX 35137	H B THORBURN		"	
"	NX 15828	G T FERGUSON		"	
"	BX 6275	R T CRAIG		YES	
"	BX 6262	R W CAMERON		"	
"	NX 34664	W P NICHOLAS		"	
"	NX 70716	T H SOUTHWELL-KERLY		NO	A.I.F. (M.E.) Intelligence Sch.
"	BX 9618	A B FARQUHAR		YES	
"	BX 19119	R T R BENNETT		"	
"	NX 12412	M C MAHIDAY		"	
"	NX 34673	J G CAMERON		NO	A.I.F. (M.E.) INF. SIA.
"	BX 6314	F HERBERTSON		YES	
"	BX 5560	W H COLLARANE		"	
"	NX 14551	F A VARLEY		"	
"	NX 15637	R BRABETON		"	

(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	NX 459	V G BULTEAU	R.A.M.C.	29.5.40	R.M.D.
CHAPLAIN	NX 70321	A BIRD	R.A.C.D.	1.8.40	CHAPLAIN
LIEUT	VX 33113	G FORSTER-KNIGHT	L.A.D.	13.10.41	L.A.D.

2/2 Aust. M.G. Bn.

(Unit.)

8 NOV. 41

(Date of Despatch.)

Capt. for Lt. Col.  
CO. 2/2 M.G. Bn.

(Signature of Commander.)

9 Aust. DIVN

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

**FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.**

2/2 Aust. M.G. Bn. (Unit). 8 Nov. 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.	1 (ONE)		
W.Os. Class II.	5 (FIVE)		
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants OR Colour-Serjeants	5 (FIVE)		
Staff Serjeants	2 (TWO)		
Serjeants	30 (THIRTY)		
Buglers, Trumpeters, etc.			
Corporals	54 (FIFTY-FOUR)		
Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, etc.	588 (FIVE-EIGHTY-EIGHT)		30 (THIRTY)
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>685 (SIX-EIGHTY-FIVE)</b>		<b>* 30 (THIRTY)</b>

\* 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.
NX14732 SGT CONDON S.J.	A.A.D.C.	BX8370 CPL JACKSON W.N.	ARMY
NX24627 SGT MULLICAN F.A.	A.A.D.C.	NX15184 PTE CHRISTIAN F.	H.A.M.E.
VX10058 SGT BOYD J.T.	A.A.D.C.	NX15797 PTE SKINNER R.L.C.	A.A.D.C.
NX20543 SGT SYDENHAM C.F.	A.A.D.C.	NX25340 PTE POOLE L.C.	A.A.D.C.
NX32530 SGT SHEARWOOD F.C.	A.A.D.C.	NX26577 PTE FULLER R.A.	A.A.D.C.
BX1752 CPL DUDGON H.C.	H.A.M.E.	NX16366 PTE GARRY R.C.	A.A.D.C.
NX30187 CPL STEVENS R.V.H.	H.A. POST. CORPS	NX27745 PTE BOYLE R.W.	A.A.D.C.

**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).
NX30707	PTE	WILSON J.D.	2/2 Aust. M.G. Bn.	R.A.G.M.
BX8804	"	KING W.W.	"	HOSPITAL
BX8775	PTE	JOHNSTON A.M.	"	"
NX18186	"	RILEY R.G.	"	"
NX22918	"	KANE R.R.	"	"
NX55478	"	BATTERHAM E.V.	"	"
NX33128	"	CAMPBELL W.M.	"	"
NX57085	CPL	BARGWANNA N.	"	"
NX21497	PTE	IRELAND J.	"	"
NX29678	"	SMITH A.N.	"	"
NX24524	"	SELMES W.H.	"	"

3/2 Aust M.G. Bn

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																21	21
Wheelers																	
DRIVERS M.T.																4	4
STARTCHER BEARERS.																3	3
BATHMEN																2	2
General duty personnel																	
TOTALS (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A).																30	30

2/2 Aust M.G. Bn

Unit.

C.O. 2/2 M.G. Bn. Signature of Commander.

Date of Despatch 8 Nov. 41

9 Aust Div Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which unit is serving.

# FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

*2/2* *AUST M G BN* (Unit)

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

1	2	3	4
Ranks.	Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
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Lieut.-Colonels ...	1 (ONE)		
Majors ...	2 (TWO)		
Captains ...	7 (SEVEN)		
Lieutenants ...	3 (THIRTY-ONE)		
2nd Lieutenants ...			
Quartermasters ...	1 (ONE)		
<b>TOTALS ...</b>	<b>32 (THIRTY-TWO)</b>		

\* 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	P B GREEN		1 H G M
	T W D EWING		

**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	NX376	D.A. WHITEHEAD			
MAJOR	NX12154	E. MARCHANT DUNSTON		YES	
"	NX1213	G.A. MCK. SERRA		"	
CAPT	NX12488	B.P. DAWSON		NO	MENTS
"	NX12343	M.I. WHEATLEY		YES	
"	NX34709	J.K. MACKAY		"	
"	NX12354	P.C. BROWN		"	
"	NX1271	F.A. WILLIAMS		"	
"	NX425	T.L. FISCHER		"	
"	NX12355	H.R. STANLAND		"	
"	NX12311	W.M. STEPHENS		"	
LIEUT	NX12356	F.R.K. STANLAND		NO	R.I.F.(M.E.) Inf Sch.
"	NX1273	D.A. STUART		YES	
"	NX34416	M.T. LAMB		"	
"	NX12333	G.M. TURNER		"	
"	NX34672	K.S. WANGGE		"	
"	NX34184	J.F. LAMAR		"	
"	NX32719	T.H. MITCHELL		NO	M.E.(M.E.) S.M.E.
"	NX35137	A.R. THOMSON		"	
"	NX5828	R.T. FERGUSON		"	
"	NX1275	R.T. CRIST		YES	
"	NX1212	R.W. CAMERON		"	
"	NX34114	W.P. NICHOLAS		"	
"	NX70716	T.H. Southwell-Kearly		NO	M.E.(M.E.) Intelligence Sch.
"	NX4618	A.B. FARQUHAR		YES	
"	NX19119	R.T.R. BENNETT		"	
"	NX12412	M.I. HALLIDAY		"	
"	NX34173	T.G. CAMERON		NO	M.E.(M.E.) Inf School
"	NX13114	F. HERBERTSON		YES	
"	NX5510	W.A. COCHRANE		"	
"	NX14557	F.A. VORLEY		"	
"	NX15537	R. BRERSTON		"	

(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	NX459	V.G. BUTERAN	R.A.M.C.	29.5.40	R.M.O.
Chaplain	NX70321	B. BIRD	R.A.C.D.	1.8.40	CHAPLAIN
LIEUT	NX3313	G. FORSTER-KNIGHT	L.A.D.	1.10.41	L.A.D.

2/2 Aust M.G. Bn  
(Unit.)  
15 Nov 41  
(Date of Despatch.)

Capt. for Lt. Col.  
C.O. 2/2 M.G. Bn (Signature of Commander.)  
9 Aust Div  
(Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

**FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.**

2/2 Aust. M.G. Bn (Unit). 15 Nov 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.	1 (ONE)		
W.Os. Class II.	6 (SIX)		
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants OR Colour-Serjeants	4 (FOUR)		
Staff Serjeants	2 (TWO)		
Serjeants	31 (THIRTY ONE)		
Buglers, Trumpeters, etc.			
Corporals	55 (FIFTY-FIVE)		
Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, etc.	584 (FIVE-EIGHT-FOUR)		32 THIRTY-TWO
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>683 (SIX-EIGHT-THREE)</b>		<b>* 32 THIRTY-TWO.</b>

\* 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.
NX14732 Sgt CONDON S J	A.A.P.C.	NX15141 Pte CHRISTIAN F	A.A.P.C.
NX29627 Sgt MILLICAN F.A.	A.A.O.C.	NX15797 Pte SKINNER A.L.C.	A.A.O.C.
VX10058 Sgt BOYD J.T.	A.A.O.C.	NX56158 Pte 122ARD W.G.	A.A.M.C.
NX32530 Sgt SHEARWOOD F.C.	A.A.M.C.	NX25340 Pte POOLE L.C.	A.A.V.C.
GX1752 Cpl DUDGEON M.P.	A.A.M.C.	NX26577 Pte FULLER R.A.	A.A.O.C.
NX30157 Cpl STEVENS R.V.H.	M.A.B.S.P.O.R.S.	NX16366 Pte GORRY R.C.	A.A.O.C.
GX2530 Cpl JACKSON W.N.	A.A.M.C.	NX27245 Pte BOWIE R.W.	A.A.O.C.

**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).
NX30707	PTE	WILSON J.D.	2/2 Aust. M.G. Bn	2 A.G.H.
GX8804	"	KING W.W.	"	HOSPITAL.
GX8775	"	JOHNSTON A.M.	"	6 A.G.H.
NX18156	"	RILEY R.G.	"	HOSPITAL
NX22918	"	KANE R.R.	"	"
NX53478	"	BATTERHAM E.V.	"	"
NX57055	Cpl	BARGWANNA N.	"	"
NX21497	PTE	IAELAND J.S.H.	"	"
NX29878	"	SMITH A.N.	"	"
NX24524	"	SELMES W.A.	"	"
NX21548	"	HOLLOWAY M.E.	"	"
GX786	"	PEARCE J.A.	"	"
GX6627	"	KEOGH C.H.	"	"



2/2 Aust MG Bn. 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.	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																2	2
Storemen technical																	
Vickers Machine Gunners																16	16
Wheelers																	
STRETCHER-BEARERS																4	4
DRIVERS M.T.																9	9
BATMEN.																1	1
General duty personnel																	
TOTALS (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A).																	32 32

2/2 Aust M.G. Bn

Unit.

Date of Despatch 15 Nov 41

C.O. 2/2 M.G. Bn. Signature of Commander.

9 Aust Div.

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

## FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

2/2 AUST M.G. BN (Unit)

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

1	2	3	4
Ranks.	Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
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	*		
Lieut.-Colonels ...	1 (ONE)		
Majors ...	2 (TWO)		
Captains ...	7 (SEVEN)		
Lieutenants ...	23 (TWENTY-THREE)		
2nd Lieutenants ...			
Quartermasters ...	1 (ONE)		
<b>TOTALS ...</b>	<b>34 (THIRTY-FOUR)</b>		

\* 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. D. ROSE	TAKEN ON STRENGTH	17-11-41	
"	R. G. GARRETT	"	17-11-41	
CAPT	B. P. DAWSON	RETAINED	18-11-41	EX M.F.W.T.S.

#### Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
CAPT	C. C. BROWN		18-11-41	ATTENDING M.F.T.S.

### 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	T. M. D. EWING		HOSPITAL.

**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	NX 376	D. A. WHITEHEAD		YES	
MAJOR	NX 12659	E. MACARTHUR ONSLOW		"	
"	NX 1263	G. H. M'L SEARIE		"	
CAPT	NX 12488	B. P. DAWSON		"	
"	NX 12343	M. L. WHEATLEY		"	
"	NX 34709	J. K. MACKAY		"	
"	NX 12354	E. C. BROWN		NO	ATT. M.E.T.S.
"	NX 6271	E. C. WILLIAMS		YES	
"	NX 425	E. H. FISCHER		"	
"	NX 12358	H. B. STANLAND		"	
"	NX 12366	W. W. STEPHENS		"	
LIEUT	NX 12356	F. R. K. STANLAND		NO	A.I.F. (M.E.) INF Sch.
"	NX 6273	D. R. STUART		YES	
"	NX 34456	M. J. LAMB		"	
"	NX 12333	G. M. TURNER		"	
"	NX 34672	K. S. WRAGGER		"	
"	NX 34684	J. F. LAYAN		"	
"	NX 32714	J. L. H. MITCHELL		NO	A.I.F. (M.E.) S.M.E.
"	NX 35137	A. R. THURBURN		"	
"	NX 15828	G. T. FERGUSON		"	
"	NX 6275	R. J. CRIST		YES	
"	NX 6272	R. W. CAMPBELL		"	
"	NX 34114	W. P. NICHOLAS		"	
"	NX 70716	T. H. SOUTHWELL-KEAN		NO	A.I.F. (M.E.) Intelligence Sch.
"	NX 4118	A. B. FARQUHAR		YES	
"	NX 12414	K. H. BENNETT		"	
"	NX 12412	M. L. HOLIDAY		"	
"	NX 34673	J. G. CAMPBELL		NO	A.I.F. (M.E.) INF Sch.
"	NX 6314	F. HERBERTSON		YES	
"	NX 5510	W. H. COCHRANE		"	
"	NX 14551	F. A. VARLEY		"	
"	NX 15837	B. BREKTON		"	
"	NX 14447	L. D. ROSE		"	
"	NX 52543	R. L. GARRETT		"	
		Green Jack			

(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.	NX 459	V. G. BULTEAU	A.A.M.C.	29.5.40	R.M.O.
CHAPLAIN	NX 70321	R. BIRD	A.A.F.D.	1.8.40	CHAPLAIN
LIEUT	NX 33113	G. FORSTER-KNIGHT	A.A.F.D.	13.10.41	A.A.D.

2/2 Aust MIG BN

(Unit.)

22 NOV 41

(Date of Despatch.)

*[Signature]*

Capt. for Lt. Col.  
(Signature of Commander.)

C.O. 2/2 M.G. BN.

9 Aust Div.

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

**FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.**

2/2 Aust MG Bn (Unit). 22 Nov 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.	1 (ONE)		
W.Os. Class II.	6 (SIX)		
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants OR Colour-Serjeants	4 (FOUR)		
Staff Serjeants	2 (TWO)		
Serjeants	30 (THIRTY)		
Buglers, Trumpeters, etc.			
Corporals	54 (FIFTY FOUR)		
Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, etc.	602 (SIX-ONE-TWO)		16 (SIXTEEN)
<b>TOTALS</b>	699 (SIX-NINETY-NINE)		* 16 (SIXTEEN)

\* 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.
NX14732 SQT CONDON S.J.	A.A.P.C.	NX56138 PTE IZZARD W.G.	A.A.M.C.
NX29627 SQT MULLICAN F.A.	A.A.O.C.	NX15797 PTE SKINNER A.L.C.	A.A.O.C.
NX30830 SQT SHEARWOOD F.C.	A.A.M.C.	NX25340 PTE POOLE L.C.	A.A.O.C.
EX1752 CPL JUDGEON H.C.	A.A.M.C.	NX26577 PTE FULLER R.A.	A.A.O.C.
NX30187 CPL STEVENS R.V.H.	A.A. Post Corps	NX16366 PTE GORAY R.C.	A.A.O.C.
EX8370 CPL JACKSON W.N.	A.A.M.C.	NX27743 PTE BOYLE R.W.	A.A.O.C.
NX12144 PTE CHRISTIAN F.	A.A.M.C.	NX16762 L/CO HUNLEY E.N.	A.A.O.C.

ATTACHED  
12 L.A.D.S. - A.A.O.C.  
NX10058 SGT BOYD J.T.  
A.A.O.C.

**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).
NX30701	PTE.	WILSON J.D.	2/2 Aust MG Bn	2 A.G.H.
EX8775	"	JOHNSTON A.M.	"	6 A.G.H.
NX22418	"	KANE R.R.	"	HOSPITAL
NX55478	"	BATTERHAM E.V.	"	M.G. TNG Bn. A.I.F.
NX57085	CPL.	BARQWANNA N.	"	"
EX786	PTE	PEARCE J.H.	"	"
NX30370	"	PURDON K.	"	"
NX25224	"	BIRD W.S.	"	"
EX1947	"	SHOVE H.	"	"
EX3935	"	PLAY C.P.	"	"
NX29395	"	CUMMINGS R.W.	"	"
EX1753	"	HUMPHRY E.V.	"	"

2/2 Aust. M.G. Bn. 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, 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.
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																11	11
Wheelers																	
STRETCHER-BEARERS																5	5
General duty personnel																	
TOTALS (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A).																	

2/2 Aust. M.G. Bn. Unit.

*[Signature]*  
Capt for Lt. Col.  
C.O. 2/2 M.G. Bn. Signature of Commander.

Date of Despatch 22 Nov. 41

9 Aust. Div.  
Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which unit is serving.

# FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS.

*2/A Aust. M.G. Bn.*

(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 ...	<i>1 (ONE)</i>		
Majors ...	<i>2 (TWO)</i>		
Captains ...	<i>7 (SEVEN)</i>		
Lieutenants ...	<i>23 (TWENTY-THREE)</i>		
2nd Lieutenants ...			
Quartermasters ...	<i>1 (ONE)</i>		
District Officers ...			
Totals ...	<i>34 THIRTY-FOUR</i>		

\*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.	<i>P. B. GREEN.</i>		<i>23-11-41</i>	<i>EX. M/G TNG. Bn.</i>
"	<i>A. R. THORABURN.</i>		<i>26-11-41</i>	<i>" A.I.F. (M.E.) S.M.E.</i>
"	<i>G. T. FERGUSON.</i>		<i>26-11-41</i>	<i>" " " "</i>
"	<i>J. H. MITCHELL.</i>		<i>26-11-41</i>	<i>" " " "</i>
"	<i>F. R. STANLAND.</i>		<i>27-11-41</i>	<i>" A.I.F. (M.E.) INF. Sch.</i>
"	<i>J. G. CAMERON.</i>		<i>27-11-41</i>	<i>" " " "</i>

### Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
CAPT.	<i>C. M. HAYES</i>		<i>26-11-41</i>	<i>leaves to be recorded &amp; receive regimental duties.</i>
LIEUT.	<i>G. M. TURNER.</i>		<i>23-11-41</i>	<i>Att. A.I.F. Regimental Officers Sch.</i>
"	<i>P. B. GREEN.</i>		<i>23-11-41</i>	<i>" " " "</i>
"	<i>D. R. STUART.</i>		<i>23-11-41</i>	<i>" " " "</i>
"	<i>A. R. THORABURN.</i>		<i>27-11-41</i>	<i>Seconded Aust. M/G TNG Bn.</i>
"	<i>R. T. R. BENNETT.</i>		<i>28-11-41</i>	<i>Evac. 7 H.G.H. (CRASH INJURY)</i>

## 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.	<i>T. MED EWING</i>		<i>HOSPITAL</i>
"	<i>R. T. R. BENNETT</i>		<i>7 H.G.H.</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.	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.		D. A. WHITEHEAD		YES	
MAJOR		E. MAURITIA DUNLOP		"	
"		G. A. MCLE SEARLE		"	
CAPT.		D. P. DAWSON		"	
"		M. I. WHEATLEY		"	
"		C. C. BROWN		NO	A.I.F. A.E.T.S.
"		E. C. WILLIAMS		YES	
"		C. W. FISCHER		"	
"		H. B. STANILAND		"	
"		W. M. M. STEPHENS		"	
"		C. M. HAYES		"	
LIEUT.		F. K. STANILAND		"	
"		D. R. STUART		NO	A.I.F. A.E.T.S.
"		M. J. LAMB		YES	
"		G. M. TURNER		NO	A.I.F. A.E.T.S.
"		P. B. GREEN		"	" " "
"		K. S. WAHGE		YES	
"		J. F. LAVAN		"	
"		J. L. A. MITCHELL		"	
"		G. T. FERGUSON		"	
"		R. J. CRIST		"	
"		R. W. CAMERON		"	
"		W. P. NICHOLAS		"	
"		T. H. SOUTHWELL-KEELY		NO	A.I.F. (A.E.T.S.)
"		A. B. FARQUHAR		YES	
"		M. C. HALLIDAY		"	
"		J. G. CAMERON		"	
"		F. HERBERTSON		"	
"		W. H. COLHANE		"	
"		F. A. VARLEY		"	
"		B. BRRETON		"	
"		C. D. ROSE		"	
"		R. W. GARRETT		"	
"		C. E. JACK		"	

(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		V. G. BUIEALU.	A.H.M.C.	29/5/40	R.P.O.
CHAPLAIN		R. BIRD	A.H.C.D.	1/8/40	CHAPLAIN
LIEUT		G. FORSTER-KNIGHT	L.M.D.	13/10/41	L.A.D.

2/2 HUST. M.G. BN.

(Unit.)

29 Nov. 41.

(Date of Despatch.)

Capt. for Lt. Col. (Signature of Commander.)

C.O. 2/2 M.G. BN.  
9 HUST. DIV.

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

**FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.**

2/2 Aust. M.G. Bn. (Unit). 29 Nov. 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).

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W.Os. Class II.	6 (SIX)		
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants OR Colour-Serjeants	4 (FOUR)		
Staff Serjeants	2 (TWO)		
Serjeants	32 (THIRTY-TWO)		
Buglers, Trumpeters, etc.			
Corporals	54 (FIFTY-FOUR)		
Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, etc.	589 (FIVE-EIGHT-NINE)		27 (TWENTY-SEVEN)
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>688 (SIX-EIGHTY-EIGHT)</b>		<b>* 27 TWENTY-SEVEN</b>

\* 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.
NX14732 Sgt. CONDON S. J. A.P.C.		NX56138 Pte. IZZARD W.G. A.A.M.C.	
NX24627 Sgt. MULLICAN F.A. A.A.P.C.		NX15747 Pte. SKINNER A.L.C. A.A.P.C.	
NX32530 Sgt. SHEARWOOD F.C. A.A.M.C.		NX25340 Pte. POOLE L.C. A.A.P.C.	
NX1752 Cpl. DUDGEON H.C. A.A.P.C.		NX26577 Pte. FULLER R.A.	
NX5370 Cpl. JACKSON W.N. A.A.M.C.		NX16366 Pte. GORRY R.C.	
NX15141 Pte. CHRISTIAN F. A.A.M.C.		NX27745 Pte. BOYLE R.W.	
NX30197 Cpl. STEVENS R.V.H. A.A.P.C.		NX16762 Lpl. HUXLEY E.N.	

ATTACHED  
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A.A.M.C.

**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).
NX30707	Pte.	WILSON. J.D.	2/2 Aust. M.G. Bn.	CON. DEPOT.
QX8775		JOHNSTON H.M.		6 B.G.H.
NX22918		KANE. R.R.		HOSPITAL.
NX55478		BATTERHAM. E.V.		M.G. TAG. BN. H.I.F.
NX57085	Cpl.	BARQUANNA. N.		
NX30510	Pte.	PURDON. K.		
NX25624		BIARD. W.S.		
QX1655	Lpl.	HARRIS H.F.L.		HOSPITAL.
QX5740	Pte.	HOWE. H.C.		
QX1702		GOODMAN. V.G.		
NX29261		HALES. R.		
QX6627		KEOGH. J.E.		





# WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

(Erase heading not required)

Unit *77 LAD*  
*Att. 2/2 M.G. Biv.*

Date and Time.—From *1/11/41* To *30/11/41*

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
<i>Pastina</i>	<i>1/11/41</i> <i>4/11/41</i>		<i>General settling in of workshops in new camp assisting Battalion where required.</i>	
	<i>5/11/41</i>		<i>Returned from officers school at Tel-el-Kebir by road with The V. Brace (batman)</i>	
	<i>6/11/41</i>		<i>Personnel of LAD engaged in moving quarters to new position in H.Q. lines.</i>	
	<i>8/11/41</i>		<i>The G. A. Menschke marched in — as H.Q. 21st Inf. Brigade.</i>	
	<i>9/11/41</i>		<i>All personnel busy overhauling Bn's vehicles on return from bivouac &amp; in readiness to leave next day.</i>	
	<i>11/11/41</i>		<i>The J. Dixon marched out to 60 L.A.D. att. 2/1 Aust. Med. Artillery.</i>	
	<i>15/11/41</i>		<i>Sgt. Lydenham J. marched in &amp; as 2/1 M.G. Biv. Promoted to Staff Sergeant.</i>	
	<i>16/11/41</i>		<i>All personnel busy overhauling Bn's vehicles on return from bivouac &amp; in readiness to leave for new camp next day.</i>	
	<i>27/11/41</i>		<i>Three reinforcements marched in — as Aust. Services Sq. Regt. The Sergeant G. A/Plt. Christian H.S. A/Plt. Doyle M.G.</i>	
	<i>23/11/41</i> <i>30/11/41</i>		<i>M.T. School for Officers &amp; N.C.O.s for operations, housekeeping, maintenance and inspection, theory and practice.</i>	

*G. Tawata 1st Lieut.*

# WAR DIARY ~~or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY~~

Army Form C.2118  
(adapted.)

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Unit 3/2 Aust M.G. Bn

Date and Time.—From

1 Dec

To

31 Dec

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Qastina	1 Dec		C Coy at 0730 hrs and A Coy at 0930 hrs left for Jaffa Range to carry out practice, rifle and V.M.G's	
			10 Personnel arrived from M.G. Tng Bn	A
	2 Dec		C Coy left Jaffa Range to carry out mobile training similar to that of D.Coy.	A
			Part of H.Q.Coy, B.Coy and Bn H.Q. went to Jaffa Range for Rifle practice. Rain made conditions unfavourable	
			Major E Macarthur Onslow visited range at 1600 hrs	
			A D.C.M. was held for the trial of NX 22032 Pte W.J. Cosgrove.	
	3 Dec		Heavy rain fell during the night making camp very muddy	
			Remainder of H.Q. Coy, B.Coy and Bn H.Q. left for Jaffa Range.	A
			Lieut C.E. Jack and Lieut F. Herbertson and ten Sjts left to attend No 2 Pl Comdrs Course M.M.G. Wing.	
			NX 12462 Lieut M Halliday transferred to A.A.M.C. (D.S.)	
			Rain brought A.Coy in from bivouac.	
	4 Dec		Major E Macarthur Onslow left to visit C.Coy at bivouac area.	A

# WAR DIARY ~~or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY~~

Army Form C.211  
(adapted.)

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Unit 2/2 M.G. Bn

Date and Time.—From 1 Dec

To 31 Dec

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
QASTINA	5 Dec		C. Coy carry out Field Firing at Bir Asluj and return to camp	
			T.E.W.T. by D.3Pl for exercise with 2/28 Aust Inf Bn on 8/9 Dec	
			Coy Comdrs conference was held today.	/
			10 personnel left for 1 week Cairo leave.	
	6 Dec		T.E.W.T. by D.2 Pl. for exercise with 2/43 Aust Inf Bn on 12/13 Dec.	/
	7 Dec		General leave granted after church parade.	/
	8 Dec		B. Coy left in trucks for 1 weeks bivouac	
			16 personnel arrived from Aust M.G. Tng Bn.	/
	8/9 Dec		Exercise with 2/28 Aust Inf Bn carried out by D.3 Pl.	/
	9 Dec <del>XXXXXXXX</del>		T.E.W.T. by D.1Pl. for exercise with 2/32 Aust Inf Bn on 15/16 Dec.	
			A D.C.M. was held for the trial of NX 22032 Pte W J Cosgrove	/
			Award...150 days detention.	
	10 Dec		Lt-Col H. Wells. G1. and Col B.W. Pulver. A.A.&Q.M.G. of 9 Div	/
			attended formal dinner at officers mess.	
	11 Dec		B. Coy came back from bivouac owing to very rainy weather.	/

# WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

Army Form C.2/18  
(adapted.)

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Unit 2/2 Aust M.G. Bn.

Date and Time.—From 1 Dec 41

To 31 dec 41

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
QASTINA.	12 Dec.		two day D 2 Platoon carried out/exercise with 2/43 Aust Inf Bn	/
	14 Dec.		* Keen interest taken by the men in the Jewish community settlements which are proving far more popular for leave than are visits to the cities. Allotment of leave to H.Q., A, B, C, and D Coys : five groups of 20 men each for two days at Givat Brenner community settlement; three groups of 20 men each to Mannheim settlement.	/
	15-16		D 1 Platoon carries out exercise with 2/32 Aust Inf Bn. NX 70717 Lieut W.N. Tippett and 16 O/Rs taken on strength from Training Bn.	/
	17		Jerusalem leave allotment 59 men for one days leave and 50 men for two days leave: drawn from <del>A B C</del> A. B. C. and HQ. coys.	/
	18		Nine personnel leave for one week in Cairo. Bn parade held as rehearsal for a review of <del>the</del> the Bn by GOC 9 Div, Major General Morshead.	/
	19		Bn was reviewed by GOC 9 Div. Addressing the men Major General Morshead said that he was impressed by the turnout and bearing. He quite appreciated their regrets that they had not seen action but assured the <del>unit</del> unit that its turn would be soon. Sjt H.D Mackel returned to the unit after completing the M.E. Gas School.	/
	20		Arrangements are well in hand to ensure that the unit <del>has</del> has an enjoyable Christmas. Major Searle and the padre, Chaplain Bird are looking after the Christmas arrangements. A Christmas concert will be held on Dec 22 and a sports day on 23 Dec.	/

# WAR DIARY ~~or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY~~

Army Form C.2118  
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Unit 2/2 Aust M.G. Bn

Date and Time.—From 1 Dec 41

To 31 Dec 41.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
QASTINA	21 Dec.		<p>Heavy rain began during the night and the countryside is rapidly becoming waterlogged. The camp site <del>is</del> and environs have become a sea of mud, and the roads and tracks built earlier have been either washed away or ruined. A drying room has been constructed to dry blankets and clothing. Lieuts Turner, PB. Green and D. Stuart returned from A.I.F. (M.E.) Regimental Officers School. Lieut. T. Southwell-Keely returned from A.I.F. (M.E.) Intelligence School. Sjts M.E. Kartzoff and R.C. Bailey left to attend NO. 3 A.I.F. (M.E.) C.S.Ms course.</p>	✍
	22		<p>Heavy rain continued and indications are that the sports programme will have to be postponed or abandoned. A unit concert "M.G. Xmas Follies" was held in the canteen and talent within the unit presented a very successful concert. Capt C.C. Brown returned from M.E. Tactical School. Sjt A.J. Wilesmith returned from No 4 M.E.T/S Junior Leaders Wing.</p>	✍
	23 Dec.		<p>Owing to the continued heavy rain the sports programme has had to be abandoned.</p>	✍
	24 Dec		<p>Continued heavy rain and local floodings. The C.O. Lieut-Col Whitehead returned to the unit after having been held up by floods.</p>	✍
	25 Dec		<p>Church parade in morning. Heavy rain continued. An excellent Xmas dinner was provided, despite the weather and cooking difficulties. The menu comprised turkey, vegetables, plum pudding fruits, nuts etc. and a bottle of beer per man. The officers and sjts acted as mess orderlies, all guards being relieved by sjts to ensure that every man could attend. It was</p>	✍

# WAR DIARY ~~or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY~~

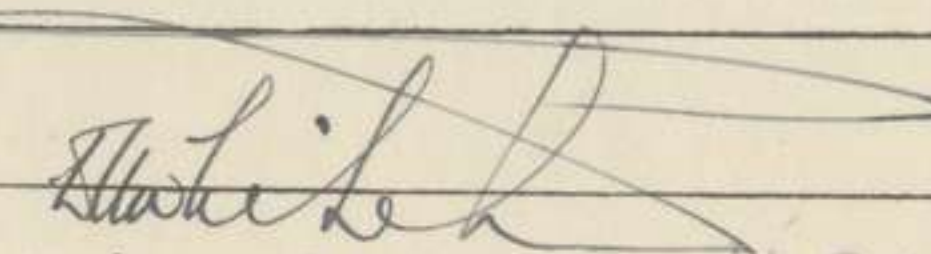
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Unit 2/2 Aust M.G Bn

Date and Time.—From 1 Dec 41

To 31 Dec 41

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
			the first time since the formation of the unit that the entire battalion sat down to a meal under the one roof. Lieut Col D Macarthur Onslow D S O accompanied the C O and had dinner with the men. During the meal the CO was called upon for a speech. He said that while the unit had not yet seen action he was confident that the long training and practice in teamwork had been such that they would acquit themselves well when they went into action.	
	27 Dec		Every man in the unit received a Xmas hamper <del>from</del> from the ACE  Intermittent rain but the camp is gradually drying out after the recent incessant downpours. Training continues.	ok.
			Ox 9580 Pte Mathews C.T.C leaves for M.E. School of Cookery. Lieut W Farquhar leaves for A.I.F. (M.E.) S.M.E.	
	28 Dec		Cpl Champion R.H. left to attend A.A.S.C. M.T. Wing.	ok.
	30 Dec		Lieut F. Lavan and Cpl Chandler R. left to attend M.E.W.T.S. No 2. Rangetakers course.	ok.
			 Lt. Col., C. 2/2 Aust. M.G. Bn.	





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HQ. A. I. F. (M. E.)

DATE . 8 Feb 42

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for Nov, Dec 1941 & Jan 1942 -

Please complete and return immediately to I.O. 2/2 Aust M.S. Co.

# FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS.

*2/2 Aust. M.G. Bn.*

(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 ...	<i>1 (ONE)</i>		
Majors ...	<i>2 (TWO)</i>		
Captains ...	<i>8 (EIGHT)</i>		
Lieutenants ...	<i>22 TWENTY-TWO</i>		
2nd Lieutenants ...			
Quartermasters ...	<i>1 (ONE)</i>		
District Officers ...			
Totals ...	<i>34 THIRTY-FOUR</i>		

\*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.
<i>CAPT.</i>	<i>P.K. SEARLE</i>		<i>29.11.41</i>	<i>EX. AUST. M.G. TNG. BN.</i>

### Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
<i>LIEUT.</i>	<i>M.C. HALLIDAY</i>		<i>3.12.41</i>	<i>TRANS TO HQ M.C. (D.S.)</i>
<i>"</i>	<i>C.E. JACK</i>		<i>3.12.41</i>	<i>ATT. H.I.F. (M.E) INF. 5th.</i>
<i>"</i>	<i>F. HERBERTSON</i>		<i>2.12.41</i>	<i>"</i>
<i>Lt. Col.</i>	<i>D.H. WHITEHEAD</i>		<i>30.11.41</i>	<i>SPECIAL DUTY.</i>

## 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>T.M.D. EWING</i>		
<i>"</i>	<i>R.T.R. BENNETT</i>		<i>T.A.G.H.</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.	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		D. A. WHITEHEAD		YES	DETACHED SPEC. D.
MAJOR		E. MATHATHA DUNLOW		YES	
"		G. A. M. L. SEARLE		"	
CAPT.		B. P. DAWSON		"	
"		M. L. WHEATLEY		"	
"		C. C. BROWN		NO	M.E. W.S.
"		E. C. WILLIAMS		YES	
"		C. L. FISCHER		"	
"		H. B. STANILAND		"	
"		W. M. L. STEPHENS		"	
"		C. M. HAYES		"	
CAPT.		P. K. SEARLE		"	
LIEUT.		F. R. K. STANILAND		"	
"		D. R. STUART		NO	A.I.F. Regt. off. Sch.
"		G. M. TURNER		"	" " " "
"		P. B. GREEN		"	" " " "
"		T. H. SOUTHWELL-KEELY		"	A.I.F. Intelligence S.
"		M. J. LAMB		YES	
"		K. S. WRAGGE		"	
"		J. F. LAVAN		"	
"		J. L. A. MITCHELL		"	
"		G. T. FERGUSON		"	
"		R. J. CRIST		"	
"		R. W. CAMERON		"	
"		W. P. NICHOLAS		"	
"		A. B. FARGUHAR		"	
"		J. G. CAMERON		"	
"		F. HERBERTSON		NO	A.I.F. (M.A.) I.M.F. Sch.
"		C. E. JACK		"	" " " "
"		W. A. COCHRANE		YES	
"		F. A. VARLEY		"	
"		A. BAEGETON		"	
"		C. D. ROSE		"	
"		A. L. GARRETT		"	

(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.		V. G. BUTEAU	A.M.C.	29.5.40	R.M.O.
CHAPLAIN.		R. BIRD	H.A.C.D.	1.5.40	CHAPLAIN
LIEUT.		G. FORSTER-KNIGHT	L.A.D.	13.10.41	L.A.D.

R/2 Aust. M.G. Bn.

(Unit.)

6 DEC. 41.

(Date of Despatch.)

Capt. for Lt. Col.

(Signature of Commander.)

9. Aust. Div.

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

**FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.**

2/2 Aust MG Bn. (Unit). 6 Dec 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.	1 (ONE)		
W.Os. Class II.	5 (FIVE)		
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants OR Colour-Serjeants	4 (FOUR)		
Staff Serjeants	2 (TWO)		
Serjeants	34 (THIRTY-FOUR)		
Buglers, Trumpeters, etc.			
Corporals	58 (FIFTY-EIGHT)		
Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, etc.	587 (FIVE-EIGHT-SEVEN)		24 (TWENTY-FOUR)
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>691 (SIX-NINE-ONE)</b>	*	* 24 (TWENTY-FOUR)

\* 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.
NX14732 Sgt CONDON S.J. A.M.P.C.		NX30187 Cpl STEVENS R.V.H. A.A.B.C.	
NX29627 Sgt MULLICAN F.A. A.A.O.C.		VX10035 Sgt BOYD J.T. A.A.O.C.	
NX32530 Sgt SHEARWOOD F.R.A.M.C.		NX15797 Pte SKINNER A.L.C. A.A.O.C.	
GX1752 Cpl DUDGEON H.C. A.A.M.C.		NX25340 Cpl POOLE L.E. A.A.O.C.	
GX5370 Cpl JACKSON W.H. A.A.M.C.		NX16566 Cpl GORRY R.C. A.A.O.C.	
NX10141 Pte CHRISTIAN F. A.A.M.C.		NX26577 Pte FULLER R.A. A.A.O.C.	
NX56135 Pte BARNARD W.G. A.A.M.C.		NX27123 Cpl HUXLEY E.N. A.A.O.C.	

**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).
NX30707	PTE	WILSON J.D.	2/2 Aust MGBN	HOSPITAL
NX22915	"	KANE R.R.	"	"
GX3935	"	MAY C.P.	"	"
NX29395	"	COMMINS R.W.	"	"
NX22925	Sgt	LORD J.H.	"	"
NX54404	PTE	STEWART A.	"	"
NX27797	Cpl	JENKINS J.E.	"	"
GX1753	PTE	HUMPHRY B.V.	"	"
NX27162	"	CUTCLIFFE E.V.	"	"
NX30063	"	MARDON A.	"	"
NX45251	"	DEVINE C.R.	"	"

2/2 Aust M.G. Bn 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															4	4	
Wheelers																	
STRETCH-BEARERS											1		1	4	6		
REG'TL POLICE															2	2	
BATTEN.															3	3	
DRIVERS M.T.															8	8	
SCOUTS															1	1	
General duty personnel																	
TOTALS (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A).											1		1	22	24		

2/2 Aust M.G. Bn Unit.  
Date of Despatch 6 DEC. 41

*[Signature]* Capt. for Lt. Col.  
Signature of Commander.  
9 Aust. Div.  
Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which unit is serving.

# FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS.

2/2 Aust. M.G. Bn (Unit.)

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

1 Ranks.	2 Posted strength counting against authorised establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e., deficits one establishment)
Lieut.-Colonels ...	1 ONE		
Majors ...	2 TWO		
Captains ...	8 EIGHT		
Lieutenants ...	22 TWENTY TWO		
2nd Lieutenants ...			
Quartermasters ...	1 ONE		
District Officers ...			
Totals ...	34 (THIRTY-FOUR)		

\*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.

**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	T. M <sup>c</sup> D EWING		
✓	R. J. R. BENNETT		7 A.G.H

**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 (C)		D A WHITEHEAD			
MAJOR		E. MCCARTHY, CNSLOW		Yes	
		G A M'L SEARLE			
CAPT		B P DAWSON			
		M I WHEATLEY			
		C C BROWN		No	M.E.T.S
		E C WILLIAMS		YES	
		C L FISCHER			
		H B STANILAND			
		W M M STEPHENS			
		C M HAYES			
		P K SEARLE			
LIEUT		F R K STANILAND			
		D R STUART		No	AIF Regt Off. Sch
		G M TURNER			" " " "
		P B GREEN			" " " "
		T H SOUTHWELL-KEELY			AIF Intelligence Sch
		M J LAMB		Yes	
		K S WRADGE			
		J F LAYAN			
		J L A MITCHELL			
		G T FERGUSON			
		R J CRIST			
		R W CAMERON			
		W P NICHOLAS			
		A B FARQUHAR			
		J G CAMERON			
		F HERBERTSON		No	AIF (Mk) INF Sch
		C E JACK		"	
		W A COCHRANE		YES	
		F A VARLEY		"	
		R BRRETON		"	
		C D ROSE		"	
		R L GARRETT		"	

(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		V G BULTEAU	AAMC	29-5-40	R.M.O.
CHAPLAIN		R BIRD	AACD	1-5-40	CHAPLAIN
LIEUT		G FORSTER-KNIGHT	L.A.D.	13-10-41	L.A.D.

2/2 Aust MG BN  
(Unit.)  
13 DEC '41  
(Date of Despatch.)

Capt. for Lt. Col.  
C.O. 2/2 M.C. (Signature of Commander.)  
9 AUST DIV  
(Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving).

**FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.**

2/12 Aust M G Bn (Unit). 13 DEC 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.	1 (ONE)		
W.Os. Class II.	6 (SIX)		
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants OR Colour-Serjeants	4 (FOUR)		
Staff Serjeants	2 (TWO)		
Serjeants	35 (THIRTYFIVE)		
Buglers, Trumpeters, etc.			
Corporals	58 (FIFTYEIGHT)		
Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, etc.	597 (FIVE-NINE-SEVEN)		12 (TWELVE)
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>703 (SEVEN-OWE-THREE)</b>	*	* 12 (TWELVE)

\* 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.
NX 14752 Sgt Condon S J	R.A.P.C.	NX 30117 Cpl Stevens RVH	A.A.R.C.
NX 29627 Sgt Millican FA	A.A.O.C.	NX 10058 Sgt Boyd JT	A.A.O.C.
NX 32530 Sgt Sheppard FC	A.A.M.C.	NX 15777 Pte Skirrow ALG	A.A.O.C.
QX 1753 Cpl Dodgson HC	A.A.M.C.	NX 25340 Cpl Poole LC	A.A.O.C.
QX 8270 Cpl Jackson WA	A.A.M.C.	NX 16366 Cpl Gorry RC	A.A.O.C.
NX 15141 Pte Christian F	A.A.M.C.	NX 26577 Pte Fuller RA	A.A.O.C.
NX 36134 Pte 133rd WG	A.A.M.C.	NX 27103 Cpl Hudson EA	A.A.O.C.

**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).
NX 30707	PTE	WILSON J D	2/12 Aust M G Bn	HOSPITAL
NX 22918	"	KANE R R	"	"
NX 27793	CPL	JENKINS J E	"	"
QX 1753	PTE	HUMPHRY E V	"	"
NX 27162	"	CUTCLIFFE E V	"	"
NX 30065	"	MARDON A J	"	"



2/2 Aust M.G. Bn 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.	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																	
STRETCHER-BEARERS																6	6
BATMEN																2	2
DRIVERS																4	4
General duty personnel																	
TOTALS (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A).																	12-12

2/2 Aust M.G. Bn Unit.

*[Signature]*  
C.O. 28 M.G. Bn  
Capt. for Lt. Col.  
Signature of Commander.

Date of Despatch 13 DEC '41

9 Aust Div  
Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which unit is serving.





**FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.**

2/2 Aust M.C. Bn (Unit). 20 Dec 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.	2 (TWO)		
W.Os. Class II.	4 (FOUR)		
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants OR Colour-Serjeants	4 (FOUR)		
Staff Serjeants	2 (TWO)		
Serjeants	34 (THIRTY FOUR)		
Buglers, Trumpeters, etc.			
Corporals	58 (FIFTY EIGHT)		
Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, etc.	603 (SIX-ONE-THREE)		8 (EIGHT)
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>707 (SEVEN-ONE-SEVEN)</b>	<b>*</b>	<b>* 8 (EIGHT)</b>

\* 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.
Sgt Gordon SI	AAFC	Sgt Boyd JT	AAFC
Sgt Munnick FA	AAFC	Pvt. Skinner JLC	AAFC
Sgt Sheppard FC	AAFC	Sgt. Potts LC	AAFC
Capt. Duggan HC	AAFC	Sgt. O'Neil RC	AAFC
Capt. Jackson WA	AAFC	Pvt. F. Jones RA	AAFC
Pvt. Chapman FA	AAFC	Sgt. H. Jones FM	AAFC
Capt. Skerrin AAFC	AA-Post-C.	Pvt. B. Jones KW	AAFC

**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).
NX 22915	PTE	KANE R.R.	AAFC	HOSPITAL
GX 1753	"	HUMPHRY E.V.	"	"
NX 30068	"	HARDON A.J.	"	"
GX 10164	SII	COLE R.W.	"	"
NX 36135	PTE	IZZARD W.G.	AAFC	"

2/21/41 M.C. Bn 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																	
Wheelers																	
BATTEN																2	2
STRETCHER-BEARERS																6	6
General duty personnel																	
TOTALS (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A).																	8 8

2/21/41 M.C. Bn  
Unit.  
Date of Despatch 20 Dec 41

*[Signature]*  
Signature of Commander.  
Capt. for Lt. Col.  
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		1. A. WHITEHEAD		Yes	
MAJOR		2. J. W. ...		Yes	
CAPT		3. ...			
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(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.
MAJOR		V. G. ...	...	...	...
CAPT		R. ...	...	...	...
...		S. ...	...	...	...

\_\_\_\_\_  
Capt. for Lt. Col.  
(Signature of Commander.)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Unit.)  
\_\_\_\_\_  
(Date of Despatch.)

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

**FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.**

2/2 Aust M.C.B. (Unit). 27 Dec 1944 (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.	2 (TWO)		
W.Os. Class II.	4 (FOUR)		
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants OR Colour-Serjeants	4 (FOUR)		
Staff Serjeants	~		
Serjeants	39 (THIRTY NINE)		
Buglers, Trumpeters, etc.	~		
Corporals	60 (SIXTY)		
Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, etc.	593 (FIVE NINE THREE)		13 (THIRTEEN)
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>702 (SEVEN-ONE-TWO)</b>	*	* 13 (THIRTEEN)

\* 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.
NX 11732 Sgt Condon S.I.	AAFC	VX10038 Sgt Boyd J.T.	AAFC
NX 24127 Sgt M. Wiken P.A.	AAFC	NX 15497 Pte Skinner A.C.	AAFC
NX 32534 Sgt Sheppard P.C.	AAFC	NX 25240 Cpl Poole L.C.	AAFC
NX 1752 Cpl Dodgson H.C.	AAFC	NX 16361 Cpl Gorry P.C.	AAFC
NX 3390 Cpl Jackson W.H.	AAFC	NX 25377 Pte Fuller P.A.	AAFC
NX 15141 Pte Houston F.	AAFC	NX 17245 Cpl Huxley E.N.	AAFC
NX 30108 Cpl Stevens R.W.	AAFC	NX 17103 Pte Boyle R.W.	AAFC

RECEIVED (AAFC)

**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).
NX 22915	Pte	KANE R.R.	2/2 Aust M.C.B.	HOSPITAL
QX 1753	"	HUMPHRY	"	✓
NX 30063	"	MARDON A.J.	"	✓
QX 10144	Sgt	COLE R.W.	"	✓
NX 36138	Pte	IZZARD W.G.	AAFC	✓
NX 71352	Pte	Doyle M.J.	AAFC	✓
QX 5274	"	Howard R.	2/2 Aust M.C.B.	✓
NX 45311	"	Donohoe P.	"	✓



2/2 Aust M.G. Bn

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.	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 Sergeants.	Serjeants.	Buglers, Trumpeters, &c.		Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusillers, &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																	
<i>STRETCHER BEARERS</i>																6	6
<i>DRIVERS HTT</i>																7	7
General duty personnel																	
TOTALS (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A).																	13-13

2/2 Aust M.G. Bn

Unit.

Date of Despatch 27 Dec 41

*[Signature]*

Capt. for Lt. Col.  
C.O. 2/2 M.G. Bn.

9 Aust Div.

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

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE

ROUTINE ORDERS BY

LT-COL D. R. WHITEHEAD, M.C.

COMMANDING

GAZTINA  
4 Dec 41

2/2 AUST MACHINE GUN BATTALION

E.F.M. CABLES - DELIVERY OF SEASONAL GREETING MESSAGES

E.F.M. cable messages were seriously delayed in transmission and subsequent delivery last year, owing to the large quantities lodged. To cope with an anticipated equally heavy volume in December 1941, arrangements have been made for E.F.M. Christmas seasonal greeting cables to be accepted for immediate transmission, but actual delivery in Australia to be deferred until the two days immediately preceding Christmas Day. E.F.M. Christmas greeting cables should therefore be lodged not later than 7 Dec 41. After that date, delivery at the appropriate time cannot be guaranteed. (AIF order (ME) No 789)

IMMOBILISATION OF VEHICLES

When any M T driver has to leave his vehicle unattended in any place where there is no vehicle park guard, the vehicle will always be immobilised. (AIF order (ME) No 787)

PHOTOGRAPHY - FORBIDDEN AREAS

Attention is drawn to the following orders :

- (i) An order by the Military Commander, Haifa District, under the Defence Regulations, dated 24 Jun 40, and published in the "Palestine Gazette" and the local Press, which prohibits the making of any photograph, sketch, plan or other representation of any kind individual or object within the area contained within a radius of ten kilos from the District Commissioner's Office, without a written permit from the Military Commander, Haifa Fortress Area.
- (ii) An order issued under the Trans-Jordan Defence Regulations No 2 of 1939 prohibiting (a) the carrying of cameras in areas within a radius of ten miles of IRBID and MAFRAQ ; (b) the making of any photograph, sketch, plan or other likeness of any Army or Royal Air Force works, wherever situated. (Force GO 280)

SIGNAL TRAFFIC

On checking the Signal Telegraph traffic passing through the GAZA Signal Office, it has been noticed that a large number of messages originated by units in the Base Area are very verbose and might easily be sent by ELS.

During active operations it would be impossible to deal with the present amount of administrative telegraph traffic without serious delay to operational traffic. Coys will look into this, and take all steps possible to reduce the amount of telegraph to essential requirements. (9 Aust Div RO No 445)

THEFT OF ROAD MATERIALS

Reports have been received of the removal by AIF personnel of road metal placed on the sides of roads in this area. The practice will cease forthwith, and Coys will take disciplinary action against any person removing same. (9 Aust Div RO No 446)

## TEL AVIV - OUT OF BOUNDS CAFES

All personnel will be informed that the following Cafes are NOT in bounds to personnel of H.I. Forces. Personnel found therein will be liable to arrest.

BALZAM	37 Allenby Road
BOYERSKY	51 Allenby Road
VITMAN	55 Allenby Road
FERBAS	57 Allenby Road
BALFOUR	61 Allenby Road
UNGERFORD	131 Allenby Road
EKSTEIN	140 Allenby Road
GOTTLIEB	3 Allenby Road
SHENIR	31 Allenby Road
LASOVA	34 Allenby Road
CINEMA MIGDALOR	Ben Yehuda Street
ARARAT	9 " " "
SIEGFRIED COHEN	11 " " "
DAVID COHEN	17 " " "
CASINO	Hayarkon Street
GLORIA	Seashore
MOULIN ROUGE	Seashore
FELDMAN	228 Dizengoff Street
PETERMAN	293 Dizengoff Street
ABRAHOV	Pinksker Street, or Bograshov Street.
RAVISH	17 Bograshov Street
KALEV	Meah Sharim
HERMON	31 Nachlath Benjamin
KREFMAN	4 Mazeh Street
OSOVSKY	22 Mazeh Street
SILAIKY	33 Merkaz Mischari
HERMLIN	13 Mamashbir Street
SHKENAZI	9 Kfar Geladi Street
MONTIKO	13 Hakishon Street
BARZELAI	14 Hakishon Street
KOMPINO	11 Ramban Street
RAISNER	42 Lillienblum Street
GERSHNOVITZ	30 Ached Naan Street
GRINBERG	26 Rabinovitz
AMINOY	20 Rabinovitz
SHENMAN	20 Ramban
RAPHAEL	15 Ramban
RAPOPORT	4 Bezalel Street
ZACHRI	4 Beit Hamitbachim
HEDVA	226 Ben Yehuda Street (9 Aust Div RO No 449)

## DEALINGS WITH CONTRACTORS, ETC

Attention is drawn to K R para 538 and AIR & O paras 316 and 339. All ranks are warned against any of the following offences :

- (a) Accepting hospitality from contractors or prospective contractors, or persons concerned, or likely to be concerned with contracts;
- (b) accepting any payment, gift, reward or loan from any such contractor or person ;
- (c) furnishing any testimonial to any person as to the quality of commodities supplied for military purposes.

Officers or soldiers will be scrupulously careful at all times to avoid any act which might expose them to suspicion of being influenced in dealings with contractors, etc. (9 Aust Div RO No 453)

## JEWISH DIVINE SERVICE

Jewish Divine Service will be held on Saturday 6 Dec 41 at 1000 hrs in the Cinema, BEIT JIRJA. Squadron-Leader the Rev Rabbi I. Brodie, RIF, will deliver the address. Nominal rolls of personnel desiring to attend are required from Coys by 1200 hrs Friday 5 Dec.

PARCELS TO BRITISH PRISONERS OF WAR IN GERMAN HANDS

Attention is drawn to the following directions on the subject of parcels to British personnel held as prisoners of war in Germany, including those also in France, Alsace and Greece.

This information is official, as issued to Prisoners of War by the Commandant of a Camp in Germany, and is supplementary to the leaflets on the same subject issued by GIC (O21) and the Mideast Prisoners of War Bureau.

- (i) Letters must NOT be included in parcels.
- (ii) Nothing should be written on parcels except the address, which should be legibly inscribed on the body of the parcel.
- (iii) PARCELS (Articles permitted) :
  - (a) Clothing (except as stated below), footwear, underclothing, food and other similar things.
  - (b) Tobacco, cigarettes, cigars, pipe plug tobacco, toilet requisites (except as stated below), games, cards, books.
- (iv) PARCELS (Articles NOT permitted).

Money of any sort such as is sent will be credited to the account of prisoners of war.

Civilian clothing and underclothing which could be used as civilian clothing.

Red Cross arm-bands for those who are not entitled.

Weapons and weapon-like tools, large pocket-knives and scissors.

Ammunition and explosives.

Tools which could be used for escape or sabotage.

Duplicating machines, carbon paper, tracing paper, compasses, haversacks, maps, cameras, field glasses, microscopes.

Torches, cigarette lighters, fuses, candles.

Spirits and spirituous liquors.

Solid spirit, inflammable objects, radiators.

Telephones, wireless receiving and transmitting sets or parts thereof.

Medicaments of any kind, vaseline, ammonia (solid or liquid)

Hair lotion, mouth wash, tooth paste, boot polish, perfumes.

Fruit juices, chemicals, acids, or anything which could be used for secret letters.

Books and printed matter of subversive or immoral contents, foreign newspapers, books with maps attached.

Cigarette tips or cigarette papers.

Notebooks, writing paper, postcards.

(9 Aust Div RO No 454)

LEAVE PARTIES

As there apparently has been some misunderstanding regarding departures of Leave Parties from QASTINA, it may now be taken as definite that future departures will take place outside QASTINA Picture Theatre, at the following times :

1 Day TEL AVIV	2 Days TEL AVIV
1 Day JERUSALEM	2 Days JERUSALEM 1350 hrs.
2 Days HAIFA	0730 hrs.

It is essential that when any party is to go on leave, an NCO be placed in charge of the party, and that the party be assembled in Coy lines, then marched to the Picture Theatre. Dress for Leave is F.S., with anklets web, hat turned up. Belts will not be worn.

APPOINTMENTS, PROMOTIONS, TRANSFERS, ETC

QX16434 Pte Sim, J.I. McD taken on strength ex 2/5 Aust Fd and 3/12/41  
 SX 2739 Pte Wilson, J.H., " " " ex 2/1 Aust MG Bn 2/12/41  
 Q X14406 Sjt Cullen, H.W., " " " ex 25 Aust I.T.B. 1/12/41  
 QX14406 Sjt Cullen, H.W., reverted to private at own request 1/12/41/  
 QX17455 Pte Mason, L.R. taken on strength ex Aust MG Tng Bn 29/11/41  
 NX28477 Pte Thrush, R " " " " " " " 1/12/41  
 NX57085 Cpl Bargwanna, N.J. " " " " " " " 1/12/41  
 NX30510 Pte Purdon, K.R., " " " " " " " 1/12/41  
 NX53771 Pte Lawson, S. " " " " " " " 1/12/41  
 NX55478 Pte Batterham, E.V. " " " " " " " 1/12/41  
 QX 1655 L/Cpl Harris, A.E.L. " " " " " " " 1/12/41  
 QX 1947 Pte Shove, A. " " " " " " " 1/12/41  
 QX 8740 Pte Howe, H.C. " " " " " " " 1/12/41  
 QX 8838 Pte Chapple, J.B. " " " " " " " 1/12/41  
 QX16868 Pte Simmons, T.W. " " " " " " " 1/12/41  
 QX 8780 Pte Cherrie, G. WOAS absenting himself without leave from  
 1700 hrs 30 Nov 41 to 0900 hrs 2 Dec 41.  
 Period of absence, 40 hrs. Art Sec 15 (1),  
 2/12/41. Fined 35 & 7 days CB by C.O. Notified  
 of automatic forfeiture of 2 days pay.  
 NX17304 Pte Graham, G.P. WOAS absented himself without leave from 2100  
 hrs 26 Nov 41 to 2230 hrs 26 Nov 41. Period of  
 absence 1 1/2 hrs. Art Sec 15 (1), 26/11/41. One  
 day's CB by C.O. No automatic forfeiture of pay.  
 NX23064 Pte Matheson, O.J. WOAS absented himself without leave from 2100  
 hrs 26 Nov 41 to 2230 hrs 26 Nov 41. Period of  
 absence 1 1/2 hrs. Art Sec 15(1). One day's CB by  
 CO. No automatic forfeiture of pay.  
 NX56183 Pte Sutherland, A.R., WOAS absented himself without leave from  
 2100 hrs 26 Nov 41 to 2230 hrs 26 Nov 41. Period  
 of absence 1 1/2 hrs. Art Sec 15(1), 26/11/41. One  
 day's CB by CO. No automatic forfeiture of pay.  
 NX58294 Pte Mitchell, R.G. WOAS absented himself without leave from 2100  
 hrs 26 Nov 41 to 2230 hrs 26 Nov 41. Period  
 of absence 1 1/2 hrs. Art Sec 15(1), 26/11/41. One  
 day's CB by CO. No automatic forfeiture of pay.  
 NX34011 Pte Sutcliffe, A.G. WOAS disobeyed in such a manner as to show a  
 wilful defiance of authority a lawful command  
 given personally by his superior officer in  
 the execution of his office. Art Sec 9(1), 15  
 Nov 41. Fined 35 and 7 days CB by CO.  
 NX59150 Pte Dowell, G.I., appt spec T/Cp II (signaller) w.e.f. 1/11/41.  
 NX25340 Pte Poole, L.C. relinq appt spec T/Cp I (fitter RT) 29/11/41.  
 NX25340 Pte Poole, L.C. promoted Cpl w.e.f. 30/11/41.  
 NX16366 Pte Gorry, R.C., relinq appt spec T/Cp I (fitter RT) 29/11/41  
 NX16366 Pte Gorry, R.C., promoted Cpl w.e.f. 30/11/41.

H.B. STANILAND, Capt.  
 Adjt., 2/3 Aust MG Bn

C O I C I S

LOST : Black tobacco pouch, with gold disc on  
 front. Return D Coy O/Room.

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COMMANDING

2/2 AUST MACHINE GUN BATTALION

No 44

CASTINA  
9 Dec 41

CAMOUFLAGE

All tents must be re mud-washed as soon as possible.

FRONT SEAT ACCOMMODATION - AIF VEHICLES

Attention is drawn to HQ AIF (ME) 'Q' Instn No 6, paras 3 & 9.

Officers and soldiers senior to the driver of AIF vehicles will not permit more than two persons occupying the front seat of any vehicle not fitted with gear change on the steering column.

E.F.M. CABLES

Owing to the present volume of urgent cable traffic on available lines, E.F.M. cable messages lodged now are unlikely to secure transmission to Australia prior to the new year. It is desired to curtail E.F.M. messages temporarily, except for urgent matter. All ranks are urged to make use of the cable service only in cases of real necessity.

COMFORTS FUND ISSUE

Acknowledgement is made of the following Australian Comforts Fund issue made to this Unit :

2 pkts cigarettes ; 1 pkt tobacco ; 1 cake soap ; 1 tube tooth paste per man.

APPOINTMENTS, PROMOTIONS, ETC

NX 22032 Pte COSGROVE, W.J. - District Court Maryial held at CASTINA 2 Dec 41. Charges : 1st charge, W.O.A.S. Stealing AA Sec 41. (alternate to 2nd charge); 2nd charge, W.O.A.S., conduct to the prejudice of good order and military discipline AA Sec 40. (alternate to 1st charge).  
Finding : 1st charge - NOT GUILTY ; 2nd charge -- GUILTY.  
Award : To undergo detention for 150 (one hundred and fifty) days. Date : 7 Dec 41.

H.B. STANILAND, Capt  
Adjnt., 2/2 Aust M G Bn

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No 45

by

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COMMANDING

CASTINA  
13 Dec 41

2/2 AUST MACHINE GUN BATTALION

DANGEROUS ARTICLES IN MAIL BAGS

Instances have occurred in which live grenades and other dangerous articles have been despatched in mail bags, thereby causing unnecessary danger to life and property. In no circumstances will any such article be included in postal or express letter mail bags.

(AIF Order 823)

IMPROPER USE OF TRANSPORT

Cases have been reported of officers taking cars with them to medical institutions when admitted thereto for treatment. The retention of transport while undergoing treatment is not permitted. (AIF Order 825)

VEHICLES - WHEELS, SPLIT

All personnel are warned of the danger of injury through unscrewing the outer ring of nuts on wheels, split, without first completely deflating the tyre (see 1941 Chevrolet Shop Manual, pp 4 and 5). The outer ring of nuts will be painted red, as a measure of warning.

(AIF Order 827)

PAYBOOKS

The safeguarding of paybooks is a serious matter from the point of view of both security and administration. As from today, the safeguarding of paybooks should be regarded as equal in importance to the safeguarding of a rifle. As in the case of rifles, individuals are entirely responsible for the safeguarding of their paybooks.

In future every loss of a paybook will be treated as an offence, and dealt with as such. On transfer of personnel, evacuation to medical establishments, etc., paybooks will be scrutinised on arrival, and any case of deficiency, or improper or incorrect entries, will be reported to 9 Aust Div through the usual channels. (9 Aust Div R O 471)

TRAFFIC REGULATIONS

It has been reported from 9 Aust Div that troops have been seen riding on the tops of buses. This is, in addition to being a dangerous practice, a breach of Traffic Regulations. The practice will cease forthwith.

(9 Aust Div RO 480)

BATHING

Lifesaving squads have now been withdrawn and beaches are closed for swimming. The beaches in this area are treacherous, and no swimming will be permitted until further notice. (9 Aust Div RO 482)

CARRYING OF MESS TINS & CUTLERY BY SOLDIERS TRAVELLING BY RAIL

All soldiers moving by train proceeding to or returning from leave, courses, etc., will always take mess tins, knife, fork and spoon, in order that they may be to that extent self-supporting in the event of any hold-up on their journey. These articles will NOT be provided in any reception camp which may be set up to deal with such traffic.

(1 Aust Corps RO 275)

LETTERS TO BRITISH PRISONERS OF WAR IN GERMANY

Instances are coming before the Base Censor of wrong procedure being adopted in the case of soldiers writing to Prisoners of War in Germany. The following procedure, as set out, will be followed in future :

1. The address at head of letter should be only -

C/- The Prisoners of War Missing & Wounded Bureau,  
British Red Cross War Organisation,  
9 Sharia Malika Farida,  
CAIRO.

2. The letter should be signed with name only.
3. Envelope for above letter should be addressed as follows :

Kriegsgefangenenpost  
Name, Rank, Number,  
Englischer,  
Name of Camp,  
GERMANY.  
Deutschland. Gebührenfrei

4. Envelope, back. The name and rank only of the sender should be written on the back of the envelope.
5. The above envelope should not be franked and should not be impressed with unit censor stamp, and should not be closed.
6. Letters to Prisoners of War are free of all postal dues and no stamps are required.
7. Having carried out instructions in Paras 1-6, the letter to the Prisoner of War should then be enclosed in an outer cover and forwarded to :-

Deputy Chief Field Censor,  
153 Malika Farida ,  
G.H.Q. (M.E.F.)

8. In order that replies from the Prisoner of War may be forwarded to the sender, he must communicate his correct Army Postal address to the British Red Cross , Cairo, and request them to register it.

COURT OF INQUIRY

Court of Inquiry has been convened as under to inquire into damage to Hydro Burners :

Capt C.M.Hayes , President  
Lieut A.B.Farquhar , Member.

APPOINTMENTS, PROMOTIONS, TRANSFERS, ETC

NX 68472 Pte Archibald, F., taken on strength from 2/2 Aust Inf Bn  
and posted to A Coy 10/12/41  
NX 25128 Cpl Anley, G.W., taken on strength from Aust M G Tng Bn  
8/12/41  
NX 31103 Pte Smith, R.S., taken on strength from Aust M G Tng Bn and  
posted to A Coy 8/12/41  
QX 9207 Pte Soutter, J.H., trans to 2/7 Aust Fd Coy RAE 11/12/41  
QX 11371 Pte Ryder, R.H., trans to 2/15 Aust Inf Bn 12/12/41.  
QX 14406 Pte Cullen, H.W., trans to 77 LAD 12/12/41



- NX 36583 Pte Geale, A.H., trans from Bn HQ to C Coy No 1 Pl 13/12/41  
NX 50634 L/Sjt Simpson, G.E., promoted A/Sjt & apptd A/CQMS w.e.f. 7/12/41.  
QX 5344 Pte Clugston, D.S.R., apptd L/Cpl w.e.f. 7/12/41  
QX 8754 Pte Cumming, G.H., promoted A/Cpl & apptd A/T.Cpl, w.e.f. 7/12/41  
QX 9290 Pte Boyd, E.R., apptd spec Td Gp III (driver mechanic), w.e.f. 7/12/41  
NX 57085 Cpl Bargwanna, N.J., promoted A/Sjt w.e.f. 4/12/41  
NX 28491 L/Cpl Lee, L., promoted Cpl w.e.f. 5 Dec 41  
NX 28491 Cpl Lee, L., appointed L/Sjt 5 Dec 41  
QX 16434 Pte Sim, J.I.M., trans from A Coy to HQ 3 15/12/41  
QX 5355 Pte Dryden, J.R., trans from D Coy to Bn HQ 7/12/41  
NX 16464 Pte Kilpatrick, H.C., trans from Bn HQ to D Coy 7/12/41  
NX 57706 Pte Nunn, E., WOAS absented himself without leave from 1800 hrs 19 Nov 41 to 1100 hrs 20 Nov 41. Period of absence, 17 hrs. AA Sec 15 (1). Seven days CB 29 Nov 41, notified automatic forfeiture 1 days pay.  
QX 8838 Pte Chapple, J.B., WOAS disobeying a lawful command given by his superior officer, Hill 95, 25 Oct 41. Fined £3 and 7 days CB 6 Dec 41.  
NX 31667 Pte Fisher, G.H., WOAS absented himself without leave from 1700 hrs 30 Nov 41 to 0845 hrs 3 Dec 41. Period of absence 63 hrs 45 mins. AA Sec 15 (1). Fined £4, notified of automatic forfeiture of 3 days pay.

H.B. STANILAND, Capt.  
Adjt., 2/2 Aust MG Bn

NOTICES

CHURCH PARADES

Communion 0745 hrs in Writing Room.  
Church Parade 0900 hrs in Canteen Block.  
Duty Coy to ensure seating.

R.C. Church Parade in Rec Hut, Chauvel Lines, 0900 hrs. Personnel will report to Capt Williams, at Bn HQ, at 0845 hrs.

"MUZZLE BLAST"

Copies of the September issue of "Muzzle Blast", printing of which has been unavoidably delayed, will be available in Coy orderly rooms tomorrow. Price is 30 mils per copy. The magazine has been passed by AIF (ME) HQ Censor for posting to Australia.

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE  
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COMMANDING  
2/2 AUST MACHINE GUN BATTALION

No 46

QASTINA  
20 Dec 41

POSTAL COMMUNICATION WITH AUSTRALIA

- (a) Air Mail Service. Although at a later stage some limitation of postings of light weight matter may be necessary, it is not proposed at this stage to apply any limitation and troops may make their air mail postings as hitherto.
- (b) Surface Mails. Mails by sea route will now probably take longer in either direction.
- (c) Cable Service. The cable service is continuing to function and ordinary and E.F.M. cables may be lodged as hitherto, but owing to the present volume of urgent cable traffic, E.F.M. messages lodged now will be unable to secure transmission to Australia until after New Year. E.F.M. Christmas Cables to the M.E. are being handed over to Base Post Office daily and are being retained until 20 Dec 41, when they are to be released for delivery.
- (d) General. It will be appreciated that any or all of these services may be interrupted or curtailed through developments in the military situation. All ranks may be assured that everything possible will be done to maintain their postal services with the home country in effective operation. (9 Aust Div R O 502)

VEHICLE PARK - JERUSALEM

AIF vehicles are now permitted to use the car park situated beside the King David Hotel. A guard will be posted from 0800 hrs until sunset daily, but no responsibility will be accepted for articles left in vehicles. Vehicles will NOT be left unattended in JERUSALEM except when left in the abovementioned car park between the hours abovementioned. They will NOT be left unattended in the car park after sunset. (AIF (ME) Base Area R O 6)

KITS OF CASUALTIES

Instances are frequently occurring of personnel being evacuated to hospital without respirators and steel helmets. Attention is directed to AIF (ME) Order 378 of 7 Jun 41. Coy Comds will see that the above Order is complied with. (9 Aust Div R O 494)

CAFES - TEL AVIV

The following cafes in TEL AVIV are now IN BOUNDS to all ranks :

MOULIN ROUGE - Seashore  
EL RAZON - Allenby Road.

Cafe ZIONA, Allenby Road, is now OUT OF BOUNDS to all ranks. (AIF (ME) base Area RO 630)

GREEN ENVELOPES

Where air mail transmission is desired, each of the enclosures must be fully prepaid at air mail postage rates. If the Green Envelope requires air mail transmission to reach the censor, it shall also carry the air mail fee in postage stamps. In all other cases no postage is required. (AIF (ME) Order No 837.)

POLISHING OF BRASSES

All webbing equipment brasses and other brass parts of arms and equipment used or worn, or likely to be used or worn, by troops during active service operations will be left unpolished and allowed to become dull, as polishing bright parts renders troops more liable to observation from the air and from the ground.

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CORRESPONDENCE FROM OR TO LONELY SOLDIERS

The attention of all ranks is drawn to the instructions on this subject as contained in the Manual of Military Intelligence in the Field, Pamphlet 2, 1938, Section 14, para 7, which states :

"It is forbidden to insert advertisements or letters in any publication inviting correspondence from strangers or to enter into correspondence with any stranger in response to such advertisements or invitations."

POSSESSION OF HASHISH, OPIUM, COCAINE AND SIMILAR DRUGS (AIF (ME) RO 842)

The possession of hashish, opium, cocaine and similar drugs in any form whatever by any unauthorised member of the AIF is strictly forbidden, and is normally a Court Martial offence. (AIF (ME) RO 840)

DESIGNATION OF CAMPS

Considerable confusion has been caused by the fact that Geneifa camp is served by Fayid railway station, and Kabrit camp by Geneifa railway station. To obviate this confusion, the following change in the names of the camps have been made :

<u>Present Name</u>	<u>New Name</u>
Geneifa camp	Fayid camp
Geneifa South camp	Geneifa camp
Kabrit camp	Kabrit camp (unchanged).

(AIF (ME) Order No 838)

SMUGGLING

A great deal of smuggling goes on between SYRIA and PALESTINE, both of illicit drugs, such as hashish, and of dutiable goods. Comds of all units will be held fully responsible for the contents of lorries under their command that cross the frontier on duty, and will take suitable measures for surprise searches. (9 Aust Div RO 501)

DISCIPLINE - THEFT AND MISUSE OF WAR DEPARTMENT PETROL

1. Cases have occurred of the improper use by military personnel of W.D. petrol in private vehicles. It does not appear to be sufficiently appreciated by officers and ORs that such use constitutes a serious offence.
2. It is therefore brought to the notice of all ranks :
  - (a) that the use or possession of W D petrol in private vehicles for any purpose ( whether duty journey or not), is forbidden;
  - (b) any person subject to military law so using W D petrol is liable to be charged with an offence under the Army Act and tried by court martial. In every case where the evidence justifies it the charge will be one of stealing or receiving, laid under the Army Act, Section 17, or 18 (4) or 41, as the case may be ;
  - (c) an offender convicted by court martial on a charge of stealing or receiving is liable to a sentence of imprisonment.
3. A charge of stealing or receiving is not one which should be disposed of summarily (see AMR & O 409).
4. If any military personnel is found in unauthorised possession of W D petrol, his commanding officer will immediately consult the L S O at his formation HQ for advice whether the evidence justifies a charge of stealing or receiving.

UNIT EQUIPMENT IN POSSESSION OF OFFICERS

Under no circumstances will officers evacuated from units be permitted to take unit equipment with them, other than that necessary for personal use or protection.

CHRISTMAS FARE

The sum of 100 mils per other rank, based on unit strength on 1 Dec 41, has been made available from A.A.C.S. profits for the provision of Xmas fare. This amount may only be availed of in goods from the A.A.C.S. In addition to the above, the AACS has made a grant of 1 bottle of beer or 30 cigarettes per other rank. These will be issued to other ranks under Coy arrangements. Xmas fare in the shape of turkeys, beer and cigarettes has been purchased from Bn funds. An Australian Comforts Fund distribution of one Xmas hamper will be made to all ranks.

## RECREATION ROOMS

During Christmas week the recreation Rooms will be closed on the following days.

Monday	all day
Tuesday	till 1830 hrs
Wednesday	till 1830 hrs
Thursday	till 1830 hrs.

## CHURCH PARADES

Sunday 21 Dec :	Holy Communion	0730 hrs
	Unit Parade	0900 hrs
	R C Mass	0830 hrs at Cinema.

## APPOINTMENTS, PROMOTIONS, TRANSFERS, ETC

NX 30987 Pte Tennant, J.P., trans to Depot Bn 17 Dec 41  
NX 23916 W O i i Maguire, R G , promoted A/ W O i 11 Dec 41  
NX 34431 Pte Halliwell, EGARE., taken on strength 15/12/41 ex MG Tng Bn  
NX 56980 Pte Farr, G., taken on strength 15/12/41 ex Aust MG Tng Bn.  
NX 20445 Pte Henderson, J., taken on strength 15/12/41 ex Aust MG Tng Bn  
NX 15867 L/Sjt Somerville, R.H., reverted to Pte at own request 14 Dec 41  
NX 29831 Pte Dodd, I.M., taken on strength ex M G Tng Bn 15/12/41  
NX 21548 Pte Holloway, M.E.C. " " " " " " " " 15/12/41  
NX 22822 Pte Howlett, R.J. " " " " " " " " 15/12/41  
NX 25624 Pte Bird, W.S. " " " " " " " " 15/12/41  
NX 27162 Pte Cutcliffe, E.V. " " " " " " " " 15/12/41  
NX 27799 Cpl Jenkin, J.E. " " " " " " " " 15/12/41  
NX 29621 Pte Hales, R " " " " " " " " 15/12/41  
NX 30707 Pte Wilson, J.D. " " " " " " " " 15/12/41  
NX 46985 Pte Willis, H.E. " " " " " " " " 15/12/41  
QX 6645 Pte Lowe, G.E. " " " " " " " " 15/12/41  
QX 12052 Pte Keilly, M., " " " " " " " " 15/12/41  
QX 1673 Pte Turpin, A.G. " " " " " " " " 15/12/41  
NX 20262 Pte Albhertson, A.F., appt L/Cpl w.e.f 15/12/41  
DX 576 Pte Quinn, J., trans from C Coy to HQ Coy 15 /12/41  
NX 15865 Pte Somerville, R.H., trans from D Coy to HQ Coy 15/12/41.  
QX 5080 Pte Masters, G.C., trans from A Coy to HQ Coy 15/12/41  
NX 38853 Pte Hoggan, J., taken on str from Sig Tng bn & posted to A Coy 18/12/41.  
NX 38756 Pte Scott, D.J., " " " " " " " " 18/12/41  
NX 27405 Pte Smith, W.J., trans to 1 AGH 5/12/41  
NX 17184 Pte Megson, D.S. trans to 2/7 Aust Fd Coy RAE 20/12/41  
NX 25076 Cpl Hutchison, W.A., reverts to Pte & appt spec Td Gp I (fitter) w.e.f. 18 Dec 41.  
NX 20706 Pte Chisholm, N relinq appt spec Td Gp I (fitter) 18/12/41.  
NX 23388 Pte Cameron, N.H., promoted A/Cpl w.e.f 2/12/41  
NX 21496 Pte Boughton, J.R., appt L/Cpl 2/12/41  
NX 19836 Pte Stiling, W.H., appt L/Cpl 2/12.41  
NX 53353 Pte Oliver, C.E., appt L/Cpl 2/12/41

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## NOTICES

LOST : Oneto fountain pen, black, gold clip, gold nib, lost in Camp area. Sentimental value.  
Discs, identity , QX 8315 Pte WILSON, H., lost in Camp area.  
Hat , lost at football match 16 Dec 41. Finder return to D Coy.

ROUTINE ORDERS BY

No 47

LT-COL D.A. WHITEHEAD, M.C.

COMMANDING

ASTINA  
24 Dec 41

2/2 AUSTRALIAN MACHINE GUN BATTALION

DAMAGE TO CIVILIAN PROPERTY

Recent instances have been reported of wanton damage caused to civilian property, by the erection of tents on growing crops and the theft of fence posts, etc., for use as fuel on bivouacs. It has also been represented that threats of force have been made against property owners who protested. It must be impressed on all ranks that our good relations with the civilian populace must not be endangered, and acts of this nature are in direct conflict with our national aims in prosecuting the war against wanton aggression. Officers and NCOs will ensure that disciplinary action is taken against personnel found destroying or stealing property, or interfering with the natural rights of private citizens. (AIF (ME) Order No 805)

DUTIES - CHRISTMAS DAY

All duties on Christmas Day will be taken over by the Serjeants from 1130 to 1430 hrs. The duty Coy will resume duties at 1430 hrs.

MODIFICATION OF ARMY FORM C 2128 (Message Form)

The existing arrangement of AF C2128 makes no provision for degrees of secrecy of a message. Either a message may be sent in clear by any means, or it must be enciphered if liable to interception, even though the possibility of such interception by the enemy is remote.

The wording of the two signature spaces at the foot of the message form will, therefore, be amended to read as follows :-

(Left-hand space)

(Right-hand space)

This message may be sent  
AS WRITTEN by any means  
+(except)

This message must be sent  
IN CLEAR if liable to inter-  
ception or to fall into enemy  
hands.

(.....)Wireless

Signature.....

Signature .....

To cover these amendments, the following "Procedure Signals" will be introduced for use over military circuits. The signals will not be employed over the civil system.

When signed in	Procedure signal	Meaning
Left-hand space with "except" deleted and "including" substituted	--	That the message may be sent in clear by any means.
Left-hand space (AS WRITTEN except wireless).	B/C	That the message must be enciphered only if sent by wireless.
Right-hand space	LIC	That the message must be enciphered if sent by any method liable to interception.

"BWC" and "LIC" will be entered in the call and instructions space and will be signalled.

"LIC" replaces "IC." and the use of this latter signal will be discontinued forthwith.

In the latest reprint of the message form, the word "except" has been omitted from the left-hand space. It will, therefore, be necessary for it to be inserted by the originator. In the final reprint of the message form, the word "except" will be printed. The inter-Service use of NOTAT will be retained with the meaning that messages so marked must NOT be sent by wireless.

OTHER RANKS VISITING CAIRO ON DUTY

All other ranks visiting CAIRO on duty will report on arrival to CO, AIF Details, 15 Midan Ismailia, Cairo.

RATES OF PENSION PAYABLE FORTNIGHTLY TO DEPENDANTS OF OFFICERS AND OTHER RANKS, UPON DEATH ON ACTIVE SERVICE OUTSIDE AUSTRALIA

Daily Rate Of Pay of Member	Widow		Widowed mother of Unmarried Member	Other mother or father if without adequate means of support -max rates.
	Min.	max		
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	
7/-	47/-		45/-	43/-
8/-	48/-		46/-	46/-
9/-	49/-		49/-	49/-
10/-	52/5)		52/3	52/3
11/-	54/10)		54/10	54/10
12/-	57/3)		57/3	57/3
13/-	59/6)	84/-	59/6	59/6
14/-	61/10)		61/10	61/10
16/-	66/6)		66/6	66/6
16/8	68/-)		68/-	
18/6	71/6)		71/6	
23/6	79/-)		79/-	
26/9	84/-)		84/-	68/-
31/-	90/7)	90/7	90/7	
38/6	102/3)	102/3	102/3	
46/-	113/10)	113/10	113/10	
50/- & over	120/-)	120/-	120/-	

1. Pensions are assessed on the member's rate of pay (including deferred pay). Items such as ration allowance, exchange adjustment, etc., are not included as items of pay for purpose of war pension assessment.

2. Widows. The rates shown in column (2) are the statutory rates prescribed in the First Schedule to the Repatriation Act. If such rate is less than 84/- per fortnight, the Repatriation Commission has power to pay up to the higher rate. In the case of a widow with a dependent child or children (under 16 years of age), the policy is to pay her the higher rate of 84/- per fortnight, plus the rates for children, which are: First child 20/- per fortnight; each other child 15/- per fortnight.

Note.- Children's pensions are paid until they reach 16 years of age. In certain cases a child who has reached the age of 16 years and is, in the opinion of the Commissioner, unable to earn a livelihood, may be granted a pension at a rate to be determined by the Commissioner.

3. In the case of a widow without dependent children, the Commission has the power to increase payments to a maximum of 84/-, according to the amount of other income she may have. Personal earnings are disregarded, but certain items of other income, such as income from investments, are taken into account.

4. Re Column 4. The rates shown are irrespective of whether the mother was dependant on the son, and irrespective of whether she had adequate means of support. To be eligible for a pension on such basis, the member must have been an unmarried son, and the mother must have been widowed at the time of, or within 3 years after, the member's death.

5. Re Column 5. Mothers not within the class mentioned in para 4 above, and fathers, may be granted pension if at any time the parent is without adequate means of support, irrespective of whether the member was married or single, or whether the parent was dependent on him. Income and property are taken into account when assessing pensions payable under this heading.

(AIF (ME) Order No 809)

#### COVERS, BODY, WATERPROOF

It has been brought to notice that a large number of Covers, Body, Waterproof, have been removed from vehicles by units during operations and have been either lost or used for other purposes. Such a practice is highly irregular and will cease forthwith. The Cover, Body, Waterproof, is part of the V O L of a vehicle, and must remain on the veh.

#### PAY OFFICES

Pay Offices HAIFA and TEL AVIV will be closed on Christmas Day.

#### CAMP CINEMA

Matinees will be held in the Cinema at 1430 hrs on 24, 25, 26 Dec 41 and 1 Jan 42.

#### ACF XMAS HAMPERS

Christmas hampers have been received from the ACF and distributed to Coys for issue to personnel below the rank of Sjt.

#### R.C. CHURCH PARADE - CHRISTMAS DAY

Mass will be celebrated on Christmas Day at 0830 hrs in the CINEMA. All R C services are to be observed parades. Unit R C personnel will be marched to the place of service under the senior R C officer or NCO. After the service they will be fallen in and marched back again.

#### SUBSISTENCE - JERUSALEM LEAVE

In support of claims for subsistence lodged by personnel returned from JERUSALEM leave, receipt from hotel at which they stayed must accompany claim, as well as having leave pass endorsed by management of Fast Hotel to the effect that accommodation was not available there.

#### OFFICERS & NCOs- REIMBURSEMENT OF MESSING CHARGES

Claims for reimbursement of messing charges while attending schools and courses will be paid, in future, only when the school attended is other than an AIF school.

#### DEPOSITS TO PAYBOOKS

In future no amount of less than £1.000 will be accepted as a cash deposit to Paybooks.

#### APPOINTMENTS, PROMOTIONS, TRANSFERS, ETC

NX 30186 A/Sjt Perry, J., rank of Sjt confirmed 22/12/41.  
NX 23409 L/Cpl Jenkins, L.F., promoted Cpl and trans H Coy to C Coy w.e.f 23 /12/41.  
NX 30947 Pte Davis, C.F., trans H, 2 to B Coy 23/12/41  
QX15233 Pte Coleman, D.H., trans to 77 LAD 23/12/41.  
NX 58556 Pte Spaeth, V.S., " " " " " "  
NX 20506 Pte Chisholm, N., " " " " " "  
QX 16215 Pte Weidman, T.C., " " " " " "  
NX 14971 S/Sjt Chegwidde, T., reverts to Sjt (AIF (ME) Order 671 w.e.f. 22/12/41  
NX 24463 S/Sjt Brooks, H.J., reverts to Sjt (AIF (ME) Order 671, 22/12/41  
NX 29831 Pte Dodd, I.M., trans to Aust Armd Tng Regt., 23/12/41.

- NX 16912 L/Sjt Knight, V.H., taken on strength ex MG Tng Bn and posted to Bn HQ 23/12/41.
- NX 31817 Sjt Braund, L., taken on strength ex MG Tng Bn and posted to A Coy 23/12/41.
- QX 7645 Cpl Warren, G.B., taken on strength ex MG Tng Bn and posted to D Coy 23/12/41.
- NX 34043 Sjt Rowe, C.S., taken on strength ex MG Tng Bn & posted to A Coy 23/12/41.
- QX 1670 L/Cpl Greenhalgh, N., reverts to Pte at own request 21/12/41.
- QX 2254 Pte Weston, C.J., WOAS absented himself without leave from 1700 hrs 17/12/41 to 1000 hrs 19/12/41. Total period of 41 hrs. AA 15 (1). Fined SA 2 and 7 days CB by CO. Notified automatic forfeiture of 2 days pay.
- QX 786 Pte Pearce, J.A., WOAS absented himself without leave from 1700 hrs 17 Dec 41 to 2245hrs 17 Dec 41. Total period of absence 5hrs 45 mins. AA 15(1). Admonished 17/12/41 by CO.
- NX 57706 Pte Nunn, E. WOAS Neglect to the prejudice of good order and military discipline. Fined SA 5 16/12/41 by CO.
- NX 56685 Pte Selby, R.B. WOAS neglect to the prejudice of good order and military discipline. Fined SA 3 by CO 16/12/41.

Corrigenda to RO No 46 :

- NX 25076 Pte Hutchison, ., for "Td Gp I" read "Td Gp II".
- NX 20506 Pte Chisholm, H., for "Td Gp II" read "Td Gp III".

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ROUTINE ORDERS BY

No 48

LT-COL D.A. WHITEHEAD, M.C.

QASTINA  
27 Dec 41

COMMANDING

2/2 AUST MACHINE GUN BATTALION

GUARDS AND SENTRIES

There appears to have been considerable slackness during the last few weeks regarding Guards & Sentries, & several instances have been reported of inefficiency among them. It must be impressed on all ranks that any further breaches committed in this respect will be treated as a Court Martial offence.

It has been this Unit's happy record that we have never had any disturbance in our lines, nor have we ever lost any equipment. The only way that we can preserve this good record is by constant vigilance & keenness on the part of our Guards & Sentries.

TABLES & TRESTLES

The practice of removing tables and trestles from B Coy mess tent for use in the Canteen will cease immediately. No tables will be removed from any mess without the permission of the Quartermaster.

PAY

Pay will be available to Coys at 1500 hrs on Tuesday, 30 Dec 41.

SUPPRESSION OF PILFERING & "SCROUNGING"

Vigorous action will be taken by all Coy Comds to prevent loss of Government property by petty theft, pilfering and grosser misappropriation. Losses through these causes have assumed serious proportions and are a direct hindrance to the successful prosecution of the war. Under the mistaken impression that "scrounging" is meritable, some officers are condoning or punishing lightly thefts of this type. All losses of Government property are to be investigated fully and offenders severely disciplined. Coy Comds are held responsible for safeguarding Government property committed to their charge, and that all their officers, NCOs and men are impressed with their responsibilities in this regard. Inadequate action by commanding officers in taking protective measures, carrying out investigations into losses, or inflicting appropriate punishment within the powers delegated to them, will be viewed seriously. (AIF (ME) Order No 874)

LOSS OF PAYBOOKS

The marked increase in the number of paybook losses indicates that personnel are not taking sufficient precautionary measures for their safe custody, and commanding officers will impress on all ranks the importance of carrying paybooks where they are not easily obtainable by pickpockets, etc. The habit of carrying money inside the paybook is a contributing factor to the loss. Once the money is sighted the possibility of the paybook being stolen becomes a strong likelihood. Units should discourage soldiers carrying money inside their paybooks. The provision of an inside pocket in shirts has been suggested and the possibility of this being carried out under unit arrangements will be investigated by Formation, etc., HQ. (AIF (ME) Order No 876).

ILLEGAL DISPOSAL OF TOBACCO & CIGARETTES

Disposal to persons not entitled to Customs Exemption of tobacco and cigarettes admitted free to the Middle East for members of the Forces is prohibited, and will be regarded as a serious offence.

(AIF (ME) Order 880)

## REPATRIATION BENEFITS - PERSONNEL DISCHARGED FOR MISCONDUCT

The attention of all ranks is to be drawn to the fact that when members are discharged or their appointments are terminated owing to misconduct, they will not be entitled to repatriation benefits, which include Vocational Training, assistance in obtaining civil employment and provision of tools of trade.

### CINEMA

In the event of any breakdown in the Cinema, MONEY cannot be refunded. This must be brought to the notice of all TROOPS.

### APPOINTMENTS, PROMOTIONS, TRANSFERS, ETC.

- NX16912 L/Sjt Knight, V.H., reverts to Cpl 24/12/41
- NX41029 Pte King, L.J., appt Spec Td Gp III (clerk) and transferred Bn HQ to C Coy, w.e.f 25/9/41.
- NX24822 Pte Beaumont, G.N. detached for duty, HQ 9 Aust Div Concert Party, 26/12/41.
- NX26962 Sjt Williams, R.M., taken on strength ex Aust MG Tng bn and posted to B Coy, 25/12/41.
- NX28671 Pte Alabaster, H.G., prom A/Cpl w.e.f. 22/12/41
- QX 1477 Sjt Duckworth, A.S., rejoined unit from detachment 23/12/41
- NX29622 Cpl Woods, H.J. " " " " 23/12/41
- NX30708 Cpl Wettone, C.E., " " " " 23/12/41
- QX10184 Cpl McCormack, J.V., " " " " 23/12/41
- NX23409 Cpl Jenkins, L.F., reverts to L/Cpl 27/12/41.
- QX 5355 Pte Dryden, J.R., WOAS neglect to the prejudice of good order and military discipline, in that he lost his paybook. Fined £A 1 by CO 19 Dec 41.
- NX57706 Pte Nunn, E, WOAS at Tel Aviv 16 Dec 41 neglect to the prejudice of good order and military discipline, in that he lost his paybook. Fined £A 5 by CO .
- NX20551 Pte Neville, J.F., WOAS absented himself without leave from 0945 hrs to 2300 hrs 16/12/41 ; total period of absence 13½ hrs. Four days CB, notified automatic forfeiture 1 days pay.
- NX22953 Pte Edwards, E.H., WOAS absented himself without leave from 0945 hrs to 2300 hrs 16/12/41 ; total period of absence 13½ hrs. Four days CB ; notified of automatic forfeiture 1 days pay.
- NX56685 Pte Selby, R.B., WOAS at Tel Aviv neglect to the prejudice of good order & military discipline, in that he lost his paybook. Fined £A 3 & 7 days CB by CO.
- QX 9045 Pte Walker, R.S., WOAS absenting himself without leave from 1700 hrs to 2245 hrs 17/12/41 ; total period of absence 5 hrs 45 mins. Three days CB.
- QX 8997 Pte Beattie, E.L., WOAS neglect to the prejudice of good order and military discipline, in that he lost his paybook. Reprimanded by CO.
- QX 9185 Pte Pearson, J.H.F., WOAS absenting himself without leave from 1700 hrs to 2245 hrs 17/12/41; total period of absence 5 hrs 45 mins. Three days CB.
- QX 5715 Pte Hutchison, B.L., WOAS conduct to the prejudice of good order and military discipline. AA Sec 40. Three days CB, 22/12/41.
- QX 8832 A/Cpl Simmons, R.W., WOAS absenting himself without leave from 1700 hrs to 2245 hrs 17/12/41 ; total period of absence 5 hrs 45 mins. Reprimand.
- QX 5281 Pte Blake, C., WOAS absenting himself without leave from 1700 hrs to 2245 hrs 17/12/41 ; total period of absence 5 hrs 45 mins. Three days CB.
- QX 1710 Pte Woodhouse, C.E., WOAS absenting himself without leave from 1700 hrs to 2245 hrs 17/12/41 ; total period of absence 5 hrs 45 mins. Three days CB.

QX 8011 Pte Fuller, L.C., WOAS Qastina 19/12/41 neglect to the prejudice of good order & military discipline. Five days CB.

QX 2254 Pte Weston, C.J., WOAS absenting himself without leave from 1700 hrs 17/12/41 to 1000 hrs 19/12/41. Total period of absence 41 hrs. Fined £2; 7 days CB. Notified of automatic forfeiture of two days pay.

QX 786 Pte Pearce, J.A., WOAS absenting himself without leave from 1700 hrs 17/12/41 to 2245 hrs 17/12/41; total period of absence 5 hrs 45 mins. Admonished.

QX 8796 Pte Barron, S.A., WOAS conduct to the prejudice of good order & military discipline, Qastina 17/12/41. AA 40. Three days CB.

NX27742 Pte Romalis, A., WOAS when in camp at Qastina being beyond the limits fixed by Camp Standing Orders. Admonished.

NX31103 Pte Smith, R.S., WOAS conduct to the prejudice of good order and military discipline, Qastina 16/12/41. Admonished.

NX30406 Pte Dill, S.J.C., WOAS when in camp at Qastina being beyond the limits fixed by Camp Standing Orders. Admonished.

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#### NOTICES

CHURCH PARADE : Holy Communion 0730 hrs  
Church Parade 0900 hrs. Duty Coy will arrange sufficient seating.  
R.C. Church Parade in Cinema at 0830 hrs. R.C. personnel will report at Bn HQ at 0815 hrs.

FOUND : A cheque payable to WARREN BALL. Owner can apply to Camp HQ.

LT-COL D.A. WHITEHEAD, M.C.

QASTINA

COMMANDING

31 Dec 41

2/2 AUST MACHINE GUN BATTALION

REQUISITIONS FOR TRANSPORT

It has already been laid down in Standing Orders, and in Routine Orders from time to time, that requisitions for transport will be lodged by 1700 hrs on the day prior to that on which the transport is required for use. These instructions have not been carried out.

Approval must be given by the 2 i/c for transport for administrative duties, whilst approval for training and G purposes will be given by the Adjutant. Vehicle requisition forms are available at Bn Orderly Room and Transport Office, and these must be used in future.

The Transport Serjeant will be responsible for seeing the 2 i/c and Adjutant at 1700 hrs daily and collecting any requisitions that have been approved by them for the following day.

CONTAMINATION - PETROL WITH WATER

Any unit tracing water in petrol obtained from W.D. sources will immediately submit samples of water actually in benzine tin or tank to HQ AASC 9 Aust Div. At the same time units will report place and date of drawing of petrol.

JEWISH DIVINE SERVICE

Jewish Divine Service will be held at the Cinema BEIT JIKJA at 1000 hrs Saturday 3 Jan 42. Transport will leave bn HQ at 0930 hrs.

R.C. CHURCH PARADES

It is apparent that certain personnel are not parading at bn HQ at the times laid down in Routine Orders when leaving the Unit Lines for R.C. Church Parade. The practice of moving independently will cease immediately. All ranks must report to OC Parade at bn HQ at the time laid down in Routine Orders.

NEW YEAR'S DAY

The afternoon of New Year's Day will be a holiday. Normal training will be carried out during the morning.

PUNISHMENTS BY COURT MARTIAL

The following punishments by Courts Martial held during the past month are published for information :

- (a) A corporal and a lance corporal convicted of assaulting a Palestine policeman were each sentenced to 6 months detention (reduction to the ranks is automatic).
- (b) A private soldier convicted of improperly removing a military vehicle without authority was sentenced to 28 days detention and 44 days forfeiture of pay.
- (c) A private soldier convicted of being improperly in possession of a primus stove, the property of his unit, was sentenced to 150 days detention.
- (d) A private soldier convicted of striking his superior officer and resisting escort was sentenced to detention for one year.
- (e) A private soldier convicted of disobeying a lawful command, striking his superior officer, using insubordinate language, and striking a private soldier was sentenced to nine months detention.
- (f) A corporal convicted of A.W.L. for 4 days was sentenced to be reduced to the ranks.

- (g) A private soldier convicted of A.W.L. for 25 days was sentenced to 60 days detention.
- (h) A private soldier convicted of A.W.L. for 32 days was sentenced to 90 days imprisonment without hard labour,
- (i) A private soldier convicted of stealing property belonging to a person subject to military law was sentenced to 9 months imprisonment with hard labour.
- (j) A private soldier convicted of disobeying a lawful command was sentenced to 120 days detention.
- (k) A private soldier convicted of being improperly in possession of liquor, the property of a serjeants' mess and drunkenness was sentenced to 6 months detention.
- (l) A private soldier convicted of assaulting a civilian and stealing was sentenced to 90 days detention. (9 AUST DIV RO 518)

CAFES - TEL AVIV

The cafes and hotels in TEL AVIV listed below are now OUT OF BOUNDS:

Mr Levinson	103 Hayarkon Street
Picadilly Hotel	15 Frishman Street
Eden Hotel	20 Kabinovitch Street
Edison Hotel	24 Hashomar Street
Cedansky Hotel	26 Yavneh Street
Mr Stein	21 Hayarkon Street
Aliah	36 Jatta-Tel Aviv Road
Victory Hotel	Herbert Samuel Quay
Karmiya House	5 & 9 Yehoash Street
Allenby	92 Allenby Road
Redem	Merkaz Baalei Mlacha Street
Yona Hanavi	13 Yona Hanavi Street.

The cafe, Hotel Joseph in TEL AVIV is now IN BOUNDS.

(AIF (ME) Base Area RO 644)

AIRGRAPHS - USE OF AUSTRALIAN STAMPS

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(AIF (ME) Base Area Order 645)

APPOINTMENTS, PROMOTIONS, TRANSFERS, ETC

QX 2208	Sjt Laing, G.T.I.,	trans Aust M G Tng Bn	29/12/41
NX53824	Pte Seaton, E.A.,	trans 1 Aust Depot Bn	30/12/41
NX19295	Sjt Fairbairn, J.W.,	trans Aust M G Tng Bn	28/12/41
NX52547	Cpl Webb, B.S.,	trans Aust M G Tng Bn	28/12/41
NX15397	Sjt Weinstein, A.,	promoted W.O.ii	23/12/41
NX52544	Sjt Luff, C.J.,	promoted A/WOii	23/12/41
QX16451	Pte Green, R.W.J.,	taken on strength & posted	C Coy 30/12/41
NX47623	L/Sjt Little, L.V.,	" " " " " "	" " " "
NX41386	A/Sjt Doak, F.,	" " " " " "	" " " "
QX14579	A/Sjt Leiper, R.J.,	" " " " " "	" " " "
QX15063	Pte Crane, A.G.,	" " " " " "	" " " "
NX47769	A/Sjt Jacobs, L.M.,	" " " " " "	" " " "
NX54730	A/Cpl Koorey, R.L.,	" " " " " "	" " " "
QX20152	Pte Collier, D.A.,	" " " " " "	" " " "
QX18696	Pte Collier, R.G.,	" " " " " "	Bn HQ " "
QX14614	Pte Robinson, K.R.,	" " " " " "	" " " "
QX11156	A/Cpl Nielsen, A.E.,	" " " " " "	" " " "
QX 1982	A/Cpl O'Donnell, P.,	" " " " " "	" " " "
QX 5963	Pte Wilson, A.W.,	" " " " " "	A Coy " "
NX27582	Pte Washbrook, A.E.,	" " " " " "	" " " "
QX11153	A/Cpl Mahoney, S.J.,	" " " " " "	" " " "
QX13811	A/Sjt Gibbings, J.G.,	" " " " " "	B Coy " "
QX 8831	Pte Campbell, A.N.,	" " " " " "	B Coy " "
QX10201	L/Sjt Cochrane, R.C.,	" " " " " "	D Coy " "
NX30063	Pte Mardon, A.J.,	" " " " " "	D Coy " "
NX52225	Pte Johnson, G.J.,	" " " " " "	from X list 30/12/41
			" " " " 30/12/41

NX57091 Pte Parkhill, J.W., taken on strength from X list 30/12/41  
 QX10164 Sjt Cole, R.W., " " " " " "  
 QX 1605 Pte Garland, A.F.L. " " " " " "  
 QX 1655 Pte Harris, A.F.L. " " " " " "  
 NX47623 L/Sjt Little, L.V., reverts to pte on joining unit "  
 NX41386 A/Sjt Doak, F. " " " " " "  
 QX14579 A/Sjt Leiper, R.J. " " " " " "  
 QX11156 A/Cpl Nielsen, A.B., " " " " " "  
 NX47769 A/Sjt Jacobs, L.M., " " " " " "  
 NX54730 A/Cpl Koorey, R.D., " " " " " "  
 QX 1982 A/Cpl O'Donnell, P. " " " " " "  
 QX11153 A/Cpl Mahoney, S.J., " " " " " "  
 QX10201 L/Sjt Cochrane, D.C., " " " " " "  
 QX13811 A/Sjt Gibbings, J.G., " " " " " "  
 NX22914 Pte Smith, D.C. (i) WOAS contravening Standing Orders for  
 drivers of mechanical vehicles (wheeled), and motor cyc-  
 lists. Para 13, sub para 10. (ii) Not being in possession  
 of his Paybook. Dismissed on (i); admonished on (ii) by  
 OC HQ Coy; 19/12/41.  
 QX13905 Pte Maguire, K.J., WOAS absenting himself without leave  
 from 0700 hrs 26 Dec 41 to 2000 hrs 26 Dec 41. Period of  
 absence 13 hrs. AA 15 (1). Three days CB by OC C Coy and  
 notified forfeiture 1 days pay.

H.B. STANILAND, Capt.  
Adjt., 2/2 Aust MG Bn

### NOTICES

#### R.C. CHURCH PARADE

Mass will be celebrated on New Year's Day at 0830 hrs  
in the Cinema.

#### ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Receipt is acknowledged of the following amenities from the  
YMCA: Table tennis tables, 2; small tables, 46; stools,  
101.

#### LOST

Watch, left in shower room. Finder return to Cpl Anley or  
Bn Orderly Room.

Rifle No B58234 with bayonet, also web equipment complete  
with amn pouches and haversack has been found at TEL EL KEBIH.  
Owner apply to HQ (AIF (M)) base Area.

SECRET

2/32 Aust Inf Bn

Instructions for Bn T E W T - 9/11 Dec 41

Ref Maps GAZA 1/100,000 and BEIT TIMA Sketch

1. A Bn TEWT will be held in the KAUKABA - BEIT TIMA - BUREIR area.

2. Object To instruct all Officers and NCOs in the conduct of the Inf Bn and supporting arms in attack and night advance.

3. Personnel to Attend

9 Dec 41	2/32 Bn	All Officers and Sjts acting as Pl Comds
	2/8 Fd Regt	Capt V.S. KENNEDY and 3 Officers
	2/3 Anti-Tk Regt	1 Officer
	3 Lt AA Regt	1 Tp 1 Officer
	2/2 MG Bn	Capt B.F. DAWSON and 3 Officers
	2/3 Fd Amb	Capt S.B. DEVINE Capt A.C. MENDELSON

4. Time and Place

All personnel will report to BnHQ, 2/32 Bn, McNICOLL LINES, KHASSA Camp, at 0900 hrs.

5. Organisation

- (a) Directing Staff C.O. 2 i/c and Adjt 2/32 Bn.
- (b) Coy Syndicates will be arranged with Coy Comds as Syndicate leaders.
- (c) One Arty and one MMG Officer will be allotted to each Rifle Coy Syndicate.
- (d) Officers from Anti-Tk AA Regts and Fd Amb will be attached to the Directing Staff.
- (e) Maps, protractors, note books etc should be brought and where available binoculars and compasses.

6. Adm

Lunch will be provided by 2/32 Bn Officers and Sjts Messes. Transport will be provided by 2/32 Bn.

7. TEWT 10/11 Dec 41

- (a) 10 Dec HQ A and B Coys will take out Sec Comds and study in detail the actions of their respective Coy Attacks etc.
- (b) 11 Dec C and D Coy as for (a).

8. Adm

Under Coy arrangements.

..... *J. Young* ..... Capt  
Adjt 2/32 Aust Inf Bn

2/32 AUST INF BN

Exercise No 1

Ref Maps: GAZA 1/100,000 : BEIT TIMA Sketch

OPENING SITUATION

1. The Axis powers in the MEDITERRANEAN have, since the beginning of the war with the British Empire, desired to gain a footing in PALESTINE, the A.I.F. Base Area.
2. GERMAN and ITALIAN air-borne troops would be used and probably a simultaneous attempt to land somewhere on the long coastline of sandy beach between HAIFA and GAZA would be made.
3. On 15 Dec enemy paratroops seized control of GAZA Airport and although a fierce aerial battle is in progress the enemy has succeeded in landing a considerable number of air-borne troops.
4. On 15 Dec at first light a landing was effected on GAZA Beach and Tac R report at 0900 hrs revealed the presence of Arty and AFVs NORTH and EAST of the town.
5. 9 Aust Div is resting and re-equipping at JULIS area and reinforcements are undergoing instruction at DIMRA and DEIR SUNEID.
6. Later Tac R reports received at 9 Div HQ revealed an enemy Column moving NORTHWARDS towards DEIR SUNEID and a fourth Column moving on HUI. AFVs were reported to have been seen moving NORTHWARDS from HUI towards BUREIR and HULEIQAT.
7. The G.O.C. 9 Aust Div at 0730 hrs issued a warning order stating to move SOUTH immediately and called the Bde Comds to HQ.
8. On his return Bde Comd 24 Aust Inf Bde informed his Comds verbally at 0830 hrs that

24 Aust Inf Bde  
2/3 Fd Regt  
2/2 MG Bn  
2/1 Anti Tank Regt

would act as advanced guard to 9 Aust Div and move on GAZA by main Road JULIS - GAZA.

The Bde Comd's orders included:

1. Flank Gd 2/32 Bn Comd Lt Col T.M. CONROY
2. Attached Tps  
1 Bty 2/3 Fd Regt  
1 Bty 2/1 Anti-Tk Regt  
1 Coy PI 2/2 MG Bn  
1 Sec 2/3 Fd Amb Regt
3. Role  
(1) To protect the EASTERN flank of the advance of 24 Aust Inf Bde.  
(2) To destroy enemy Column advancing NORTHWARDS across from HUI.
4. Route JULIS - KAUKABA - BUREIR - HUI
5. Starting Time 24 Aust Inf Bde and attached troops - 1100 hrs
6. Starting Point JULIS Village.
7. Reports to Bde HQ KHASSA up to 1100 hrs - thence to head of Column on main Road.
8. W/T Silence until first contact.
9. Comds attached troops will report at 2/32 Bn HQ at 0930 hrs.



Narrative No 1

On receipt of these orders C.O. 2/32 Bn called Coy Comds and held a conference with support Comds at 0930 hrs, and issued the following verbal orders:-

Problem 1

As C.O. 2/32 Bn give these verbal orders.

(N.B. - this problem to be answered at evening lecture).

D.S. Order attached.

2/32 Aust Inf Bn Operation Order No 1

Map Ref: GAZA Sheet 9 1/100,000

INFORMATION

1. Enemy Axis air-borne troops have landed on GAZA Airport. Estimated strength - 2 Bns. Sea-borne troops have landed on GAZA Beach. Tac R reports at 0800 hrs reveal enemy Column moving NORTH from HUI and AFVs are reported moving from GAZA on HUI. Further enemy Column 1 Bde all arms moving NORTH from GAZA.
2. Own Troops 24 Aust Inf Bde and attached troops have been ordered to act as adv gd for 9 Aust Div which will move on GAZA.  
2/8 Fd Regt 2/1 Anti-Tk Regt 2/2 MG Bn and 2/3 Fd Amb will come under Comd 24 Aust Inf Bde at 0930 hrs.  
1 Bty 2/8 Fd Regt 1 Bty 2/1 Anti-Tk Regt 1 Pl 2/2 MG Bn 1 sec 2/3 Fd Amb will come under Comd 2/32 Bn at 0945 hrs.

INTENTION

3. 2/32 Aust Inf Bn will act as Flank Gd for 24 Aust Inf Bde and move on HUI.

METHOD

4. Adv Gd  
"A" Coy 2/32 Bn - Comd Capt N.M.CAHILL  
1 Det No 3 Pl  
1 Sec No 4 Pl  
1 Tp 2/1 A/Tk Regt will come under Comd "A" Coy at 0945 hrs.

5. Order of March

As per Bn Battle Standing Orders except:

No 4 Pl less 1 Sec will be responsible for left flank protection.

6. Starting Point JULIS Village
7. Starting Time 1100 hrs
8. Route Rd JULIS Village - thence bearing

ADM

9. Rations and Water (a) On the man 1 day  
(b) On the Pl trucks 2 days
10. Arm Carried on the man -  
100 rds S.A.A.  
2 Grenades HE  
2 S.T. per Sec  
5 - 68 per Sec

11. Tpt B Ech will remain at KHASSA.

INTERCOMN

12. Bn HQ will close at present location at 1100 hrs.

Time of Signature

ACK

.....Capt  
Adjnt 2/32 Aust Inf Bn

Distribution

1. C.O.
2. 2 i/c
3. HQ Coy
4. A "
5. B "
6. C "
7. D "
8. Adjnt
9. I.O.
10. Sigs
11. QM
12. T.O.
13. RMO
14. RSM
15. Bty 2/8 Fd Regt
16. Bty 2/1 ATK Regt
17. Pl 2/2 M.G. Bn
18. 2/3 Fd Amb
19. 24 Aust Inf Bde
20. File
- 21-23. War Diary
- 24-26. Spares

2/2 Aust.M.G.Bn.

WAR DIARY - "C" SUMMARY, DEC 41.

Trucks were not required to deliver rations in the field, as all Coys were in Camp for the first time for a number of weeks. In any case, Coy movements were precluded owing to the inclemency of the weather.

Improvements were made to Mess Kitchens in the shape of skillions, which were of considerable benefit. Wash-tubs were also added. Although the construction of paths was carried out to a considerable degree, the almost incessant rain rendered them practically useless after a few days. Owing to the nature of the soil, in this type of weather, the making of effective paths is difficult.

Some War equipment was received, fulfilling portion of the Extract requirements.

Tentage was increased by 19 E.P.I.P. tents, transferred from the 2/1 Aust.M.G.Bn., but tables and other accommodation stores still remained unprocurable.

The Control Post was handed over to the 3 Aust.A.A.Regt. on 18 Dec 41.

Vegetable supplies improved slightly, cabbages becoming portion of the rations. Potatoes, however, remained scarce, and some were purchased out of unit funds. Several lots of milk and sausages were found to be unfit for consumption and necessitated replacement.

Extensive arrangements were made for the Christmas Season, and per medium of unit purchases and A.A.C.S. gifts, together with comforts supplied by the Unit Auxiliary, the Christmas Dinner was exceptionally good. For the first time the whole unit dined together.

Difficulty was still experienced with regard to obtaining large size Uniforms, S.D., Ordnance being unable to supply them.

  
.....Capt.  
Q.M.

WAR DIARY (MEDICAL)For Month Of DECEMBER, 1941

10 Dec 41 : On 8 Dec the first batch of personnel for dental treatment went to REHOVOT. It was decided to seek the help of a private dentist in an attempt to have some of the dental work carried out. Dr Finkenstein, in REHOVOT, was interviewed and an arrangement made with him for 16 men to come up on Mon, Wed and Fri of each week, the expense to be borne by Unit funds. Unnecessary as this may seem, the expenditure was advised so that personnel could receive adequate treatment for their teeth. Charges were to be on a fixed scale -- 5/- for a filling, 2/- for an extraction, & varying charges for denture work. The standard of treatment was found to be very high. The expenditure was felt to be justified in view of the improbability of much being done by the existing dental services. The first day's work involved an expenditure of £8/17/-. At another interview on 9 Dec the arrangement was changed to a flat rate of 8/- per man. All men speak very highly of the treatment received. Today for instance 20 men in two relays of 10 each attended him for treatment.

Coy Medical Stores - A list is being prepared by Coy medical orderlies & from this it is hoped to arrive at a standard kit.

Inoculations. A return from all Coys reveals 16 TAB, 52 TT outstanding injections yet to be given. These will shortly be given. Blood grouping shows no deficiencies.

Records - The card index system is now in operation. Each card shows the dental fitness as at Nov 41 plus all major illnesses & medical details. Unfortunately many of the details from the early days of the unit will take much time and work to copy up. Minor illnesses are copied into the AB 39 but not on to the card. Copies of consultation reports are forwarded to O i/c Records, 2 Echelon.

14 Dec 41:

Weekly Sick Report for week ending 13 Dec 41

New sick, av daily	17.4
Diarrhoea	0.5
Infectious & contagious	6.3
Feet	2.5
Other ailments	8.0
Daily sick rate	2.4
Daily evac hosp rate	0.16

17 Dec 41

Football injuries are taking a heavy toll. In the past three weeks there have been 5 evacuations to hospital & 22 men unfit for full duty as a result of football. The cause of this high casualty rate is difficult to assess.

URTIs are increasing in number. Many simple colds are prevalent, and tonsillitides and tracheo-bronchitis in small numbers still occur.

An occasional case of jaundice and pediculi pubis.

Dental - About 80 men have received treatment up to date at the civil dentist at a cost to the unit of ca LP 36. The class of treatment has been excellent. Efforts are being made to get some denture work performed at the dental centre.

Transport - Experiments in packing and loading are being carried out.

24 Dec 41 :

Terrestrial rain for days & days. Facilities exist for personnel to dry wet clothing.

Sickness - The incidence of URTIs has risen. Most are of the mild type which does not persist for more than a day or so.

Weekly Sick Report for week ending 20 Dec 41

for week ending 27 Dec

New sick av daily	17.2	8.8
Diarrhoea	.28	<del>XXX</del>
Infectious & contagious	7.4	4.7
Feet	2.1	0.4
Other ailments	7	4.0
Daily sick rate, all cases	5.23%	Total sick - 20.7 men
Daily evac hosp rate	.23%	(12 men) 0.13%
V.D.	1 case	Mumps 1 case

Pediculi pubis - 3 cases

Most prevalent disease - URTI.

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Dental : The work is still going ahead and it should not now be long before nearly all the work has been completed.

Sickness- Either during or since the torrential rains the increase in URTIs has not been nearly as great as expected. The majority of cases is not severe. Football injuries are very much less, but to offset this not so much football is being played.

Stretcher-bearers - Four new stretcher bearers have joined the unit from the Training Bn. Their training appears to be up to standard as a result of a school at AAMC Tng Wing before joining the Unit.

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# WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

Army Form C.2118  
(adapted.)

(Erase heading not required)

Unit 77 LAD det 2/2<sup>nd</sup> Aust MG Bn

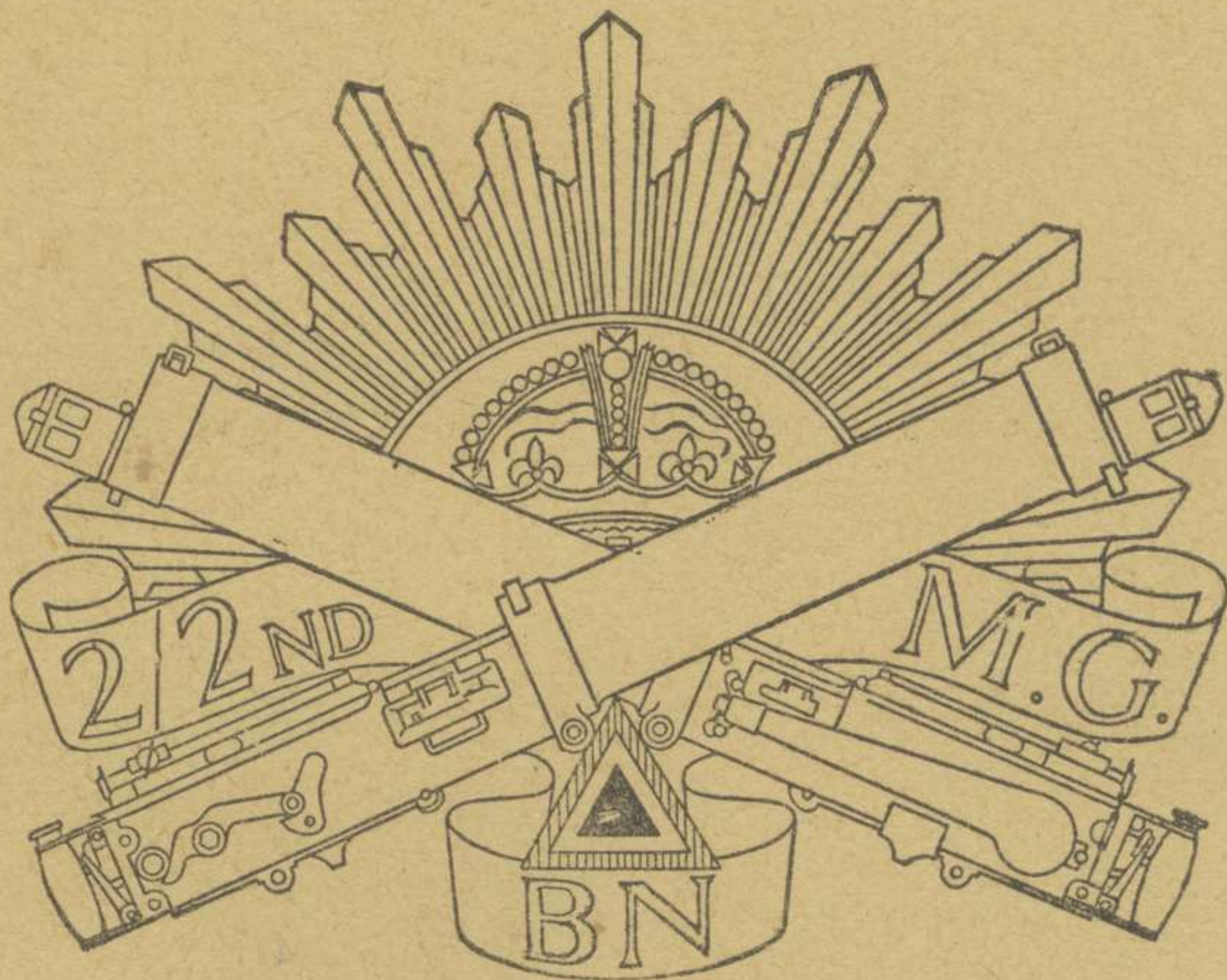
Date and Time.—From 1 Dec 1941

To 31 Dec 1941

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Castina	3/12/41		Making large coal burning heater + railing for 2/2 <sup>nd</sup> MG office Mess.	
	5/12/41		M.T. School for officers + NCO's operation, routine maintenance and inspection. Theory + practice.	
	11/12/41			
	12/12/41		Pte Sullivan W. marched in from 2/2 <sup>nd</sup> MG Bn.	
	13/12/41		Pte Lilley R. marched out. All personnel were trained in Respirator Drill.	
	14/12/41		Making large coal burning heater for Mess Writing + Recreation Room.	
	16/12/41		Gas Chamber test of all Respirators carried out.	
	17/12/41		Rifle Drill + Exercise practice for coming Bn Parade.	
	18/12/41		Practice Bn Parade, Morning + afternoon.	
	19/12/41		Bn Parade + inspection by Maj General Moorhead.	
	20/12/41		Installed coal burning heater in 9 <sup>th</sup> Div H.Q. for General's Divisional Staff Mess.	
	22/12/41		Breakdown Waggon assisted to pull 32 <sup>nd</sup> Bn truck out of bog.	
	23/12/41		Pte, G. H. H. Coleman, A.H. Spack, V.S. Weidman, L.C. Larkin on strength.	
	25/12/41		Recovered unit which washed off bridge by flood waters.	
	27/12/41		Making framework + set of rollers to accommodate several lecture maps for G.O. 2/2 <sup>nd</sup> MG Bn.	

*[Signature]*  
FOR.

O.C. No. 77 D.A.D.



"I said to a man who stood at the gate of the year: Give me light that I may tread safely into the unknown. And he replied: Go out into the darkness and put your hand into the hand of God. That shall be to you better than light and safer than any known way — — —"

CHRISTMAS

PALESTINE 1941



*To the Officers and Men of the Battalion –*

*We have now been away from our native shores for 12 months, during which time we have all got to know one another intimately. We have shared together the joys and the troubles of life in the Middle East, and the friendships which we have made are such that they will survive, not only this war, but our lifetime.*

*We have worked hard and played hard, and have, I believe, reached the stage where we can honestly say, 'We are an efficient fighting unit'. If we can only get a go at the Huns, we shall be home for next Christmas!*

*Thank you all for your work and co-operation, and I take this opportunity to wish you all "A merry Christmas—and Home in the New Year!"*

**E. Macarthur Onslow** Major/  
for Lt-Col  
Commanding 2/2 Aust. M. G. Bn.

# M. G. XMAS FOLLIES

(AND OTHER MISTAKES)

Monday — 22 Dec. 1941 — 1945 (hrs)

## GOD SAVE THE KING

### 1. Beaumont's Band Wagon Goes to Town

Georgie Beaumont	Piano Accordeon
Les Nicholson	} . . . . . Banjo - Mandolin
Snowy MacIntosh	
Arthur Proudfoot	
Charlie Armitage	
Max Bannah	Ukulele
Ray Lynch	Guitar

### 2. Greetings from Major G. A. McL Searle

### 3. "A Matter of Moments"

The Scene . . . . . A "Bomb-Happy" ward  
in any AGH.

The Players ;

Patient	Bill Matheson
Nurse	Toni Cadell
The Nuts	Fred Court and Doug Wyllie

### 4. Ray Lynch in Melodious Moments with the Guitar.

### 5. Chicago Fairy Story as told by Snashall Bill Matheson to "Baby" Toni Cadell.

### 6. Bertie Brooks, Our Golden Voiced Baritone

### 7. "Scotch Without Soda"

Ray Clugston	Pipes
Lyn Dymock	Drums

### 8. Here Comes the Soda! Georgie Beaumont and Jim Cuddihy

### 9. General Folin' & Squad, with Geoff Hutchison, Fred Court and Doug Wyllie

### 10. Bill Matheson Wants to be a Jockey.

### 11. Cookhouse Cadence, Georgie and his Groanboy.

## INTERVAL - 10 MINS

12. **Songster Geoff Hutchison** with Paddy Webb at the Piano,

13. **"Double Exposure"**

Doug Wyllie . . . . . Husband

Toni Cadell . . . . . Wife

Fred Court . . . . . Photographer

14. **Jack Hawkins** renders two Favorites.

15. **"The Master Stroke"**

Toni Cadell . . . . . Wife

Doug Wyllie . . . . . Husband

Bill Matheson . . . . . Doctor

and "Spike"

16. **We Let You in on Our Xmas Party**

Those Invited (Beer, Bombs and Business Permitting).

Lieut F. R. K. Staniland, Geoff ("Hotcha") Hutchison

"Goldfish" Jim Cuddihy, "Appy" George Beaumont

Jack Hawkins Paddy ("Shorty") Webb, and The

Band Wagon (If Waggin)

### *Auld Lang Syne*

*Good-Night Everybody and a Merry Xmas and a  
Happy New Year to You.*

GUILTY OF PRODUCTION, S/Sjt Jim Cuddihy and Pte Geoff Hutchison; STAGE MANAGER, Etc. Etc., Cpl. Bill Hutchison and Pte Fred Wiseman; WORKS OF ART (?), Sjt Bill Sewell and Pte Teddy MacMaw; SPARKS AND SPOTS, Pte Nev. Chisholm; IVORY THUMPER, Pte Paddy Webb; GOWNS from the Best Clothes Lines in the Middle East; SOUND EFFECTS by "Hutch"

— — — containers 3 galls (2), Buckets L, G. (1), etc.

# SPORTS DAY

TUESDAY 23rd DECEMBER 1941

## Event

100 YARDS (1330 hrs.),—Sjt. Rowe, Pte Oliver, K. B. (A); Campbell, Cameron (B); Nicholson, Paterson (C); McDonald, Goodman (D); Adamthwaite, Banning (H. Q.)

ONE MILE (1340 hrs.), — Capt. Wheatley, Pte Riley (A); Mills, Myers, (B) Cpl. Kelly, Pte Staines (B) Ptes. Watts, Went (D); Cpl. Fisk, Pte. Stacey (H. Q.)

TUG OF WAR (First Heat, 1355 hrs.; Semi-finals, 1440 hrs., Final 1600 hrs. Two byes to be drawn in first heat).

TEAMS : — H. Q. 1 (Ptes. Maitland, Hoogwerf, Alabaster, Flowers, L/Cpl. Brown, Sjt. Kienzle, Ptes. Fairfax, Sanders, H.Q. 2 (Ptes. Kelaher Jones, Sjt. Shearwood, Cpl. Keech, Ptes. Decker, Thrust, Shoveller, Naughton). A. Coy. (Sjt. Longhurst, Capt. Searle, Ptes. Challis, Kelaher, J. Matheson, Sjt. Hughes, Cpls. Miller, Dudgeon). B. Coy. (Rudkin, White, Neuhaus, Watson, Berry, Capt. Dawson, Keihne, Cpl. Horan) C. Coy (Lieut. Varley Brandrick, Buchanan, Runge, Ross, Nicholson. Fisher, Webster). D. Coy. (L/Sjt. Lee, Boyd, E. Porter, Perry, E. G. Cpl. Beech, McNae, Cave).

WHEELBARROW RACE (1400 hrs.)

(HIGH JUMP (1410 hrs.).—Capt. Wheatley, Boydell, Plank, Green, Nimmo. Stiling, (A). Cameron, Robinson, Ranaldi, Hawkins, Bickett, Horan (B) Brandrick, Walker, (C). White. Lee, Luscombe, (D). Bendall, Kienzle, Street. (H. Q.)

220 YARDS (1420 hrs.). — Rowe, Oliver, (A). Campbell, Freeman (B) Collins, Buchanan, (C). Morgan, Cole, (D). Maitland, Flowers (H.Q.)

SACK RACE (1430 hrs.)

880 YARDS (1455 hrs.) — Colver, Miller, (A) Villers, Myers (B). List. Garret, Kelly, (C), MacDonald, Prentiss, (D), Tressider, Walters (H, Q.)

BROAD JUMP (1500 hrs.) — Stiling, Boorman, Oliver, Rowe, Wakeham, Challis, (A) Rinaldi, Hawkins, Cameron, Campbell, (B); Lynch, May, (C). Morrow, Goodman, White, Luscombe, Cave, (D), Murphy, Fiske, Ling, Street. (H. Q.)

OBSTACLE RACE (1510 hrs.)

440 YARDS (1525 hrs.) — Wakeham, Oliver, (A); Love, Cameron, (B); Hunt, Denson, (C); Morgan, Cave, (D); Potts, Kienzle, (H. Q.)

CROSS COUNTRY (3 Miles) (1540 hrs.) — Boucher, Rymer, Riley Starkey, McMaw, Hutchinson, (A); Rinaldi, Maher, (B); Lieut. Garret, Ptes. Waters, Aspinall, Benson, Lynch, Hunt, Proudfoot, Ford, Fawcett, (C); Goodman, King, Mansfield, Clugston, Ellis, (D); Fitzsimmons, Burt, Gibson (H. Q.)

THREE LEGGED RACE (1540 hrs.)

HOP-STEP & JUMP (1550 hrs.) — Stiling, Oliver, Plank, Rove, Boughton, Boorman, (A); Rinaldi, Campbell, Cameron, Hawkins, Bickett, Gibson, (B); May, Elliot, (C); Morgan, Sturdee, White, (D); Adamthwaite, Russel, Sreet, Kienzle, (H. Q.).

RELAY RACE (100x220x440x100) (1615 hrs.) — Oliver, K. B. Colver, Oliver, C. E. Rowe (A No. 1), Boorman, Stiling, Wakeham Connolly (A No. 2). Johnson, Hawkins, George, Smith (B No. 1) Campbell, Gibson, Ward, Bergwanna, (B No. 2). Nicholson, Paterson. Collins, Hunt, (C No. 1). Rose, Valadian, Ellis, MacDonald (D No. 1) White, Hilton, Cave, Goodman (D No. 2). Adamthwaite, Flower, Bendall, Banning, (HQ No. 1), Brown, Maitland, Kienzle, Potts (HQ No. 2).

OFFICERS RELAY (100x100x100) (1630 hrs.) — Capt. Wheatley, Lieuts, Cochrane and Wragge (A Coy); Lieuts Lavan. Cameron, Ferguson and Tippet (B Coy, one to be omitted); Lieuts Mitchell, Stuart and Garrett (C Coy); Lieuts Crist, Cameron, Brereton (D); Capt Bulteau, Lieuts Farquhar, Nicholas (HQ Coy).

**POINTS SCORE:** Five points will be awarded for first place in each event, three points to second, and one point to third. Winning football team in soccer and seven-a-side Rugby will score 10 points for their Coy. Trophy for winning Company.

## KICKING THE FOOTBALL

This event will be decided on Wednesday, immediately before the final of the Seven-a-Side Rugby competition. Kick will be made from the 25 line on Rugby field, and may be punt, place or drop-kick.

## S O C C E R

Monday 22 December 0945 hours  
30 minutes each way. 1345 hours

- HQ COY :** Ptes Cochran, Essery, Oakes, Murray, Wells, L/Sjt Davidson, WOii Cullen, Ptes Adamthwaite, Burt, Urquhart.  
Reserves: Pte Alabaster, Sjt Lord.
- A COY :** Ptes Kent, Hunt, Wynn, Ticehurst, Sjt Cockram, Ptes Hoggan, Wakeham, Henderson, Watson, Claye, White.  
Reserves : Ptes Collier, Murray, Bäuer, Riley, Ihlein.
- B COY :** Graham, Geaney, Maher, Rinaldi, Shove, Rushby, Cameron, Freeman, Hayes, Harrison, Campbell, D. E.
- C COY :** Solomon. Pearson. Geale. Anderson. Carling. Martin. Howard. McGuire. Waters. Milliken. Lt Varley.
- D COY :** No. 1 team : Bardell; Boyd. E. R.; Watts; Penny; Perry; Hoskins; Timms; Miles; Rose. Morgan; Crommelln.
- C COY :** No. 2 team : Lee; Cooper; New. McDougall; Boyd H. F.; Cox; Sturdee; Flanagan; Corban; White; Valadian  
Reserves for both teams: Montgomery; Luscombe; Diflo; Heath.

Referees: Chap R. Bird.  
Lt. R. Varley.  
Sjt. Cockram.  
Pte H. Moores.

# SPORTS OFFICIALS

## Marshal

R. S. M. Maguire, R.

## Asst Marshal

S/Sjt Brooks, H. J.

## Announcer

S/Sjt Cuddihy, J.

## Judges

### Flat Events

Major E. Macarthur Onslow

Major G. A. Mc. Lintock Seerle

Capt. H. B. Staniland

### Broad Jump

Capt. C. M. Hayes

### Hop, Step & Jump

Capt. B. P. Dawson

### High Jump

Capt. C. Williams

CSM Nabbs, J. W.

### Novelty Events

Capt. W. M. M. Stephens

Lieut F. A. Varley

CSM Weinstein, A.

## Timekeepers

Lieut J. A. Mitchell

Lieut Cochrane

## Starters

L/Sjt Lee, L.

Pte Smith, R.

## O. C. Scores

Pte Oakes, E. E.

# FOOTBALL

## Seven-a-Side

Teams play 7 minutes each way.

HQ COY. — No. 1: W. Nicholas, Brown, Bendall, Marsden, Davis, Kienzle, Devine. No. 2: Scott, Coleman, Hoogwerf, Potts, Maitland, Adamthwaite, Smith. No. 3: Campbell, Tompsett, Hartton, Tracey, Heather, Tressider. Cust. No. 4: Murray, Thrush, Browne, Christian, Roche, Jones, Sloss. Reserves: Farr, Flower, Boyle, Ling.

A COY. — No. 1: Miller, Plank, Starkey, Oliver, K. B. Oliver, C. E., Boorman, Rowe, C.; No. 2: P. K. Searle, Hughes, Green, Cadell, Colver, Boughton, Chinnery. No. 3: Hutchison, W., Shephard, D., Palmer, E. Ramsay, Wyllie, Connolly, Sjt, Cockram. No. 4: Longhurst, Cutcliffe, Snodgrass, Nimmo, Challis, Stiling, Davy. Reserves: Staniland, K. Wragge, Kelaher, Matheson, J. Cochrane, McLaurin, Bailey, Sirl.

B COY. — No. 1: Bristow, Horan, Ward, Hopkins, Hayes, Cameron, Bickett. No. 2: Nieuhaus, Kiehne, Luff, Gibson, Villiers, Robinson, K. B., Harrison. No. 3: Hunter, Ferguson, Purdon, Davis, Freeman, Inglis, Smith, J. No. 4: Bromhead, McVey, Lowe, Robertson, G. Mackay, George, Cameron.

C COY. — No. 1: Collins, O'Brien, Thompson, May, Mickelborough, Coughlin, Garrett. No. 2: Fawcett, Lynch, Ford, Kelly, Hobday, Nixon, Twible. No. 3: Bolton, Elliott, Malpass, Grieve, Webster, Buchanan, Thornton. No. 4: Carling, Varley, Day, Somerville, Hunt, Cpaphle, Geale.

D COY. — No. 1: Lee, Howe, H, Watts, Perry, Morgan, Crommelin, Cummings. No. 2: Carstens, Wallen, White, Shrieve, Boyd, New, Valadian. No. 3: Helion, Morrow, Taylor, Watson, Hoskins, Munro, Bardell. No. 4: King, Cherry, Bannah, Dymock, Penny, Bushell, Timms.

Referees: L/Sjt Norman, Ptes Oakes, Bromhead, McKew.



# CHRISTMAS DAY

Holy Communion 0730 hrs Reading Room  
Christmas Service 0900 hrs Canteen Building

## Christmas Dinner

1300 hrs

### M E N U

Roast Turkey — Roast Pork

Brown Sauce

Baked Potatoes — Green Peas

Cauliflower

White Sauce

Christmas Pudding — Brandy Sauce

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Beer Soft Drinks Nuts

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## Boxing Day

Friday, December 26, 1941

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