

60 (City of London) HAA Regt

(WO 171/4906)

January 1945

Lt Col G. G. O. Lyons, MBE, RA [Joined 30 Dec)

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of events and Information	References to Appendices
NIJMEGEN	1		B Tp 168 Bty relieved of River WAAL Def commitment and moved to HS I in AA Def and Gd Role. Regt in AA Def of NIJMEGEN and bridges and in Gd Role.	
	10/11		Guns of certain Tps fired during the night to prevent freezing of eqpts.	
	17		Regtl party proceeded to MALINES to collect Predictors AA No. 10 & IFF Mk. III (directional Interim) Eqpt.	
	22/31		Regtl training on Predictor AA No. 10 commenced. Cpts (IG) Powell and Anderson and WO.II (AIG) Avory att from 21 Army Gp Practice Camp to assist in trg.	
	25/31		Regtl trg of Potential OsFC carried out under IFC 74 AA Bde and Regtl TIFC.	
	25		Capt J.F.Newton (148011) , 206 HAA Bty, posted to 46 R.H.U.	
	26		Capt L.M.Daltrey (145932), 169 HAA Bty, promoted A/Maj and posted to 115 HAA Regt. Lt J.P.Foulds (296535), 206 HAA Bty, promoted A/Capt.	
	30/31		Amn dumping programme commenced and continuing.	
			During month 17 new gun barrels were fitted, to replace worn barrels.	
			The Regt engaged enemy aircraft on a number of occasions and ground shooting occurred daily in support 49 (WR) Div.	

Weather: Frost 1-9-Jan; V Cold 10-11; Cold 12-14; Snow 15-18; Stormy 19; Snow 20-30; Thaw 31.

Locations¹:

RHQ	730606
168 BHQ	709621
A Tp	730646

¹ Nord de Guerre grid qE

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B Tp	720606
169 BHQ	741560
C Tp	713612
D Tp	711651
206 BHQ	695630
E Tp	693628
F Tp	687642

February 1945

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of events and Information	References to Appendices
NIJMEGEN	1		Regt in AA role in def of brs and in gd role. Trg on Pred AA No 10 contd	
	6		A Tp 168/60 HAA Regt Waggon Lines moved to BHQ NIJMEGEN in view of rise of R WAAL and flood water already reaching rds around A Tp posn.	
			B, C & E Tps placed under op comd 115 HAA Regt for gd shooting in support of op 'VERITABLE'. 355/115 HAA Regt placed under comd this Regt. The reason for this was that arcs of fire of these Tps were suitable for use of Fuze VT.97 and all such posns were placed under comd 115 HAA Regt.	
	7		Conference of Bty Comds on fire plan for 30 Corps op 'VERITABLE'.	
	8		Op 'VERITABLE'. Tps of this Regt fired 3836 rds fuze 206, 3128 rds fuze 223, 1516 rds fuze VT.97 (used for the first time by this Regt). The Regt participated in the preliminary bombardment 0500-1200 hrs and in the main bombardment in support 3 Cdn Div 1700-0500 hours. Trouble was experienced during the night owing to heavy rain detonating rds fuze 223 in flight and preventing use of this type of amn.	
			Orders received from 74 AA Bde that DIVERS are not to be engaged.	
			New Eqpt RADAR AA NO.10 Mk.II rec'd by A Tp 168/60 HAA Regt in place of eqpt condemned.	
	9		A Tp cut off by flooding of R WAAL. DUKW service organised to provide supplies.	
	10		All Tps revert to comd of own Btys. 365 HAA Bty revert to comd 115 HAA Regt.	
	15		Capt D.B.C.Conoley RA assumed comd 169 HAA Bty during absence on leave to UK of Maj F.L.M Rundall RA.	
	17		Small but steady rise of floods surrounding A Tp posn during the week. UKW services operating to maintain supplies.	

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	20		Floods diminishing but A Tp still being supplied by DUKWs.	
	21		74 AA Bde IFC visited D Tp 169 AA Bty for lecture to radar NCOs and Offrs. D Tp carrying out rd construction on gun site.	
	24		168 BCP and A Tp W/L shelled from approx. 1130-1530 hrs. Casualties 1 OR killed, 3 wounded. 8 motor vehs and 3 m/cycles damaged and put out of action by shell splinters. Damaged vehs repaired by unit Wksp. C/B fire carried out during shelling.	
			BHQ 168 HAA Bty and A Tp W/L moved to new location (748608).	
			BCP remained in action.	
	26		BCP 168 HAA Bty moved to new location (748608)	
	31		Floods diminishing but 168 HAA Bty still being supplied by DUKWs.	
			Little enemy air activity during the month was confined mainly to recce and nuisance sorties by Me 109's and 262's. Op 'VERITABLE' proceeded without interference from GAF. Increase in DIVER activity over area, including nos in pairs. In view of tp concs in area, orders were received on 8 Feb that DIVERS were not to be engaged. This order still remains in force. Regt continue to fire in support 49 Div. Trg on No.10 Pred and daily work on posns also carried out.	

How was unit employed? AA Def NIJMEGEN brs. Gd shooting daily in support 2 Cdn Corps.

Strength 893-896 men.

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206 BHQ	695630
E Tp	693628
F Tp	687642

Weather: 1-2 Feb Thaw / Mild / Windy; 3-13 Rain; 14 Fine; 15-17 Dull; 18 Rain; 19-20 Dull; 21-22 Fine; 23 Dull; 24 Fair; 25 Windy; 26 Fine; 27-28 Dull.

A Tp Mk II Radar Det detached.

168 Bty strength 282-286 men.

169 Bty strength 281-284 men.

206 Bty strength 301-304 men (Maj A R Reeve commanding)

APPENDIX E – VERITABLE Task table

Notes on Task Tables

1. GEN

(a) All regts will compute all tasks allotted to them in task tables.

(b) All fd and med regts will compute all tasks not grouped under code names which are within range.

(c) Tasks on call will be ordered by code names specifying “once”, “twice”, etc.

i.e. “CALGARY” twice – meaning fire CALGARY for four minutes continuously.

Or – tgt number and scale etc.

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9. Task Table No 8

(a) AA tasks have priority call on whole regt.

(b) CB tasks have priority call on one bty.

(8139 numbered targets with map ref and height (m) given)

74 AA BDE OO No. 4.

OPERATION 'VERITABLE'

(Infm contained in appendices A, B and C will not be reproduced)

6 FEB 1945

INFORMATION

1. Enemy

The enemy has constructed three main lines of def on the REICHSWALD front – a fwd line, the SIEGFRIED line, and the HOCHWALD 'lay back' line. The present enemy posns are in the nature of strong outposts to the main DIEGFRIED defs and are being manned in str. These outposts are organised in two lines. In the first, depth from outposts to rear coys is about 2,000 yds and an average bn front is 1,500 yds. Behind this is a second line running NORTH from the R MAAS at 7648 along the WESTERN edge of the RECHSWALD and then to KRANENBURG. Further EAST is an elaborate trench system and an A tk ditch, forming an adv posn in front of the NUTTERDEN area which is the SIEGFRIED line. This trench system continues through the forest to HEKKENS 8347 and then is a SE direction. The HOCHWALD "lay back" line is a recently constructed def line which runs from REES 9752 to 0446, where it continues SOUTH past the HOCHWALD forest towards GELDERN 0125.

Enemy str in the fwd area is estimated at approx. ten bns which make up 84 Div plus some additional tps.

Eight bns hold the fwd line with dispositions as follows. Most strongly held areas are the KIERBERG woods 7451 and WYLER 7858. In each of these areas defending the main EAST – WEST rds in both cases is a bn. NORTH of WYLER on the low-lying swampy ground up to R WAAL is a further bn, and one holds a similar posn SOUTH of the KIERBERG feature to the river. Between the two strong points mentioned there are four bns deployed in the central sector of the front.

In res are known to be a police bn in the area NORTH of the main KRANENBURG – CLEVE rd up to the river, occupying the villages, and an engr bn is situated in the KRANENBURG area, possibly with the role of manning the A Tk ditch defs.

Concrete defs appear on the NUTTERDEN feature. WEST of this, none are visible except for some possible concrete shelters around AA sites.

2. Own Tps

(a) General

- (i) 30 Corps is to destroy the enemy between R MAAS and R RHINE and break through in a SOUTHERLY direction between these two rivers.
- (ii) 30 Corps is attacking with five divs up as under –
 - From RIGHT to LEFT : 51 (H) Div
 - 53 (W) Div
 - 15 (S) Div

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2 Cdn Div

3 Cdn Div

RESERVE AND FOLLOW UP : Gds Armd Div

43 Div

(b) Tasks of Fmns

See appx 'A' – issued to Regts only – this will NOT be reproduced.

3. Corps Bdys

(a) RIGHT with 8 Corps (wef 1000 hrs D minus 1)

All incl 30 Corps – rd and rly crossing 755403 – thence rly to rd and rly crossing 717485 - R MAAS at 722492 – thence excl R MAAS to 765477 – incl R NIERS to 821449 – all incl HOMMERSUM 823441 – rd to HASSUM 850437 – cross-rds 896428 – cross-rds 907417.

Note : This bdy will be modified as battle progresses.

(b) LEFT with 2 Cdn Corps (operative 1000 hrs D minus 1)

All to 30 Corps – GRAVE br – incl MAPLE LEAF route to rd junc 690609 – cross-rds 706608 – rd junc 707614 – cross-rds 715614 – rd junc 719608 – cross-rds 732610 – rd and rly junc 734616 – thence along rly to R HETMEER 733617 – thence to R WAAL 717630 and EAST along that river to EMMERICH.

4. Dty Btys

See Appx 'B' issued to Regts only – this will NOT be reproduced.

5. RA Order of Battle

(a) See Appx 'C' issued to Regts only – this will NOT be reproduced.

(b) The following total arty is engaged –

Fd Regts	-	24
Med Regts	-	18
Hy Regts	-	5
Super Hy Regts	-	1
HAA Regts	-	4

INTENTION

6. 74 AA Bde will sp 30 Corps with 60 HAA Regt and 115 HAA Regt without prejudice to primary AA role.

METHOD

7. Primary AA Role

The AA role will remain the primary role of both 60 and 115 HAA Regts and all AA tgts will be engaged under the normal rules of engagement. Should guns be engaged on a ground task they will leave it.

8. Fireplan

(a) Extracts of 30 Corps outline fireplan , in which HAA regts are taking part, are attached as Appx 'D'.

(b) Full details will be issued separately to 60 and 115 HAA Regts.

9. Grouping

For the op HAA tps are grouped as under for the purposes of op control:-

60 HAA Regt	115 HAA Regt
169 HAA Bty – HN3, HN4	361 HAA Bty – HN3, HN6
206 HAA Bty – HN7	367 HAA Bty – HS2
365 HAA Bty – HS4	168 HAA Bty – HS1, HN5

10. O.Ps

One O.P., for observation of airbursts, will be deployed by 115 HAA Regt in 3 Cdn Div area.

11. V.T. Fuzes

V.T. Fuzes will not be fired on D Day between 0830 hrs and 1730 hrs without reference to this HQ.

12. Reference para 29 of 74 Bde SOI No 1. This arrangement will cease wef commencement of control by 74 AA Bde. Time to be notified later.

13. Victor Targets

Victor Targets will be engaged by all guns within range that are –

- (i) Not engaged in an AA role.
- (ii) Not engaged on DF or guaranteed time programmes except CB and CM.
- (iii) Superimposed on timed programme.

14. AA

(a) Rules of Engagement. See this HQ message GO-1 of 051330A.

(b) States of Readiness. See this HQ letter 21-1-68 of 5 Feb 45.

(c) For Corps and Div LAA Regts early warning will be broadcast from 156 AAOR wef 0900 hrs D-1.

15. AOP

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One LAA gun per tp will be detailed to follow any AOP within range.

INTERCOM

16. Shelreps – no change.
17. Pass words – see Appx 'E' attached.
18. H Hour - 1030 HRS 8 FEB 45.
19. Synchronisation - last pip of BBC
20. Met - Corps met will be issued to HAA Regts at four hourly intervals wef 2300 hrs D-1.

March 1945

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of events and Information	References to Appendices
NIJMEGEN	8		Regt fired 824 rounds in support 49 (WR) Div Op "REGENTS PARK".	Appx "E" att.
	10		Floods diminishing and rd to A Tp open to traffic. DUKW service suspended.	
	19		On move of 10 Med Regt RA from area, this Regt and 115 HAA Regt only Med regts in sup of 49 Div. Regt manned OP and F Tp placed under direct control of Regt Comd Post. Amn expenditure permitted increased to 960 rounds per day.	
	20		E Tp relieved of R WAAL def commitment and re-deployed in AA role. Preparation of new gun posn on the "Island" commenced.	
	23		Lt M.D.Holloway (181651) admitted to hospital and struck off strength of Regt.	
	26		E Tp re-deployed in AA and ground role on new posn on the "Island".	
	29		Amn dumping programme commenced for first Cdn Army Op "DESTROYER".	
	30		Maj A.R.Reeve proceeded on UK leave. Capt R.E.Barham assumed cmd 206 HAA Bty.	
	31		Amn dumping programme completed – 5120 rds fuze 208 to Regt posns.	
	25		Enemy aircraft engaged during night 25/26. Regt awarded ½ Cat I claim.	

During month enemy air activity light.

All Btys of Regt fired daily in ground role, often between 500 and 1000 rounds in a day.

Trg on Pred AA No.10 continued.

Daily work carried out on posns and rd bldg.

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9 Offrs and 335 O.Rs of this Regt who disembarked BLA in June '44 not yet proceeded on UK leave.

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12/3: E Tp at 704630.

20/3: E Tp at 718612

26/3: E Tp at 721660

Weather: 1 Mar Fine; 2 Sun / Snow; 3 Fine; 4 Dull; 5 Rain; 6 Dull; 7 Fair; 8 Rain; 9 Dull; 10-12 Fair; 13-16 Fine; 17 Cold; 18-25 Fine; 26-27 Dull; 28-29 Fine; 30-31 Dull.

April 1945

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of events and Information	References to Appendices
NIJMEGEN	2		Regt fired in gd role in support 1 Cdn Army Op "DESTROYER".	
	5		Regt took over sole responsibility for AA def NIJMEGEN. CO becomes AADC NIJMEGEN.	
	9		Maj A.R.Reeve returned from priv leave UK and resumed comd 206 HAA Bty.	
	12-13		Regt fired in gd role in support 1 Cdn AGRA fire plan "TOILET" for Ops "CHINK" and "ANGER".	
	16		Up to this date the Regt had been engaged daily in firing in gd role in support 49 (WR) Div and 1 Cdn Corps in the ops which resulted in the clearing of the "Island", the	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of events and Information	References to Appendices
			capture of ARNHEM and the advance of 1 Cdn Army into HOLLAND. After this date the Regt was not able to engage, as all tgts were out of range.	
	16-17		Mines course for Offrs & NCOs by RE Instr Team 1 Cdn Army.	
	18		Btys ceased to be employed in gd role. Bty Comd Posts stood down.	
	26		<p>Maj P.A.Lingard, OC 168 Bty, proceeded on priv leave UK. Comd devolved on Capt G.L.Holmes RA. During month, trg carried out on Piat, Bren, Rifle and Sten on ranges constructed by Btys. Lectures delivered on Mines by instructors who attended course by RE Instr Team. Lectures delivered to all tps by 74 AA Bde Educn Offr on Army Educn Scheme. Census taken within Regt of instruction required by all ranks.</p> <p>To date, HM The King has been graciously pleased to approve the following awards in respect of the period since the Regt disembarked in NWE theatre.</p> <p>Maj (T/Lt.Col)(A/Brigadier) M.B.Turner (34406) ex-Comd Offr 60 HAA Regt – The Distinguished Service Order.</p> <p>Capt(D0) S.W.Woodman (131987) – The Most Excellent Order of the British Empire.</p> <p>Capt(D0) S.W.Woodman (131987)) Mentions-</p> <p>Lt (T/Capt) J.F.Jones (131987)) in-</p> <p>1870151 L/Sgt A.B.Tinker) Despatches</p> <p>The following awards have been conferred by the French authorities and HM The King has granted unrestricted permission for the acceptance and wearing of the decorations:- Lt P.C.Robinson (230318) – Croix de Guerre with Silver Star; 1870151 L/Sgt A.B.Tinker – Croix de Guerre with Bronze Star;</p>	
	6		Lt Col G G O Lyons, MBE, RA proceeded on priv leave UK and comd devolved upon Maj E A Brown RA, 2IC 60 HAA Regt.	
	15		Lt Col G G O Lyons, MBE, RA returned from priv leave and resumed comd.	

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206 BHQ	695630
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F Tp	687642

Weather: 1 Dull; 2-3 Rain; 4-6 Dull; 7 Fine; 8-9 Dull; 10-13 Fine; 14 Dull; 15-20 Fine; 21-23 Rain; 24-26 Sun; 27 Rain; 28 Fine; 29-30 Rain.

May 1945

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of events and Information	References to Appendices
	1		Unit in AA def of NIJMEGEN and bridges under comd 74 AA Bde.	
	2		In view of fact that 74 AA Bde is preparing to move to N Holland on duties other than AA. The Regt as senior HAA Regt in the theatre comes under comd 101 AA Bde in def of Rhine crossings. Farewell visit from Bde Comd 74 AA Bde. The Regt having been under comd 74 AA Bde since entering Field Army in Feb 1942.	
	3		Regt moved to EMMERICH and district in def Rhine crossings relieving 115 HAA Regt. In action by 1800 hrs.	
	5		Cease fire ordered on 21 A Gp front. Guns and gun dets proceeded to SUCHTELN area to fire Victory Salvo at HQ 21 A Gp. Salvoe 21 rds p.g. fired by 23 guns at 1500 hrs in presence of MGRA 21 A Gp and reps of Press. Guns returned to EMMERICH in the evening but did not deploy. Radar watch maintained.	
	6-7		An account of the Victory Salvoe and the history of the Regt throughout the war appeared in the British Press.	
	9		VE Day	
	12		Radar watch stood down.	
	19		The Regt proceeded to area ST GILLES-WAES to come under comd 75 AA Bde as the only AA Bde remaining in AA role. 60 HAA Wksp Sec REME ceases to be under comd.	
	21		103 HAA Wksp Det REME comes under comd.	
	24		The Regt detailed to provide gun and gun det for SHAEF exhibition in Antwerp. Preparation of gun commenced.	
	27		Exhibition gun proceeded to Antwerp after inspection by Comd Offr.	
	25		6 Eqpts AA Radar No 3 Mk 5B and 9 Predictors AA No 10 taken over by the Regt from 116 HAA Regt. Eqpt rendered surplus returned to B70 Airfield.	
	31		Trg on new equipment commenced under IFC, IG and AIFC from 200 AA Practice	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of events and Information	References to Appendices
			Camp.	
			During month – training and general maintenance. ABCA and educational activities and recreational activities continued.	

Locations:

	3/5/45	19/5/45
RHQ	912567	J.499982
168 BHQ	958630	527970
A Tp	000622	528972
B Tp	948614	524974
169 BHQ	912571	482917
C Tp	932620	478974
D Tp	905580	480973
206 BHQ	962560	529972
E Tp	956574	529972
F Tp	988582	420960

Weather: 1 Fair; 2-5 Wet; 6 Fair; 7 Warm; 8-10 Sultry; 11-14 Hot; 15-16 Fine; 17 Wet; 18-22 Fine; 23-24 Wet; 25-26 Fine; 27-28 Fair; 29-30 Wet; 31 Fair

June 1945

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of events and Information	References to Appendices
ST GILLES- WAES	1-4		Maintenance of vehs and eqpt preparatory to move to Prac Camp. Preparatory Course on 11 MFS and Radar AA No 3 Mk V for oftrs and NCOs under IFC and IG from 200 Prac Camp.	
	5		Regt moved to 200 Prac Camp. RHQ and Btys at NIEUPOINT – H.5193. Guns and eqpt put into action at Firing Point same day.	
NIEUPOINT	6		Anniversary of D-Day observed as a holiday throughout Regt.	
	21		Orders recd from 21 A Gp for Regt to reorganise on W.E. EU/210/1.	
	23		Reorganisation complete. Progress Report to Higher Authy. Capt TA Christie (279352) RAMC posted to 105 (Br) Gen Hosp and SOS this unit. Capt AWC Lobban (185094) RAMC posted to this Regt from 105 (Br) Gen Hosp.	
	25		Lt MD Hollowy (186656) RA posted to this Regt from 32 REU. Regt practising daily at	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of events and Information	References to Appendices	
			200 Prac Camp under IsG and IsFC. Details of firing:-		
			% in ½° circle of rds		
Rds Recorded	Effective	Fired	Recorded	Hits	No of rds per hit
3298	1809	51	54	47	74
			HM The King has been graciously pleased to approve that the following personnel of this Regt be Mentioned in recognition of gallant and distinguished services in NW Europe:- Maj P A Lingard (71742) RA, 168 th HAA Bty RA 1437516 WO II Rogers NJD, 168 th HAA Bty RA 1460944 L/Sgt Lake PA, 206 th HAA Bty RA		

Locations: (Old locations held for return of Regt after Practice Camp)

RHQ	J.499982
168 BHQ	527970
A Tp	528972
B Tp	524974
169 BHQ	482917
C Tp	478974
D Tp	480973
206 BHQ	529972
E Tp	529972
F Tp	420960

Weather: 1 Fair; 2-4 Fine; 5 Fair; 6-9 Fine; 10 Fair; 11 Dull; 12-14 Fair; 15-19 Fine; 20 Fair; 21-26 Fine; 27 Fair; 28 Dull; 29-30 Fine.

July 1945

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of events and Information	References to Appendices
ST GILLES-WAES	1-5		Trial deployments with new eqpt carried out from Practice Camp by all Btys.	
	9		RHQ, 169 and 206 Btys returned by rd to area ST. GILLES-VRASENE. 168 Bty remained at 200 Prac Camp for further week of trg.	
	15		168 Bty returned to former posns area VRASENE. 206 Bty moved to 200 Prac Camp for	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of events and Information	References to Appendices
			further fortnight's trg.	
	23		Maj AR Reeve, OC 206 Bty, severely injured in motor accident and admitted to 115 (Br) Gen Hosp. Capt RE Barham assumed comd 206 Bty.	
	26		Trials carried out by 206 Bty at 200 Prac Camp on 3.7" gun equipped with new type pickets and spades.	
	29		206 Bty returned to base from 200 Prac Camp and were replaced by 169 Bty.	
	30		Capt A Lobban RAMC posted to 105 (Br) Gen Hosp. Cap J Maughan RAMC posted to this unit from 6 L of C Sub Area Pool.	
			During the month a number of educational instructors from the Regt attended courses at BRUSSELS and 75 AA Bde Educn School. Recreational trg and maintenance and painting of guns and vehs carried out. The barrels of guns were also changed.	

August 1945

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of events and Information	References to Appendices
ST. GILLES-WAES	8		Capt JL Higgins SOS Unit on Class B Release. Lt AT Clark admitted 108 (Br) Gen Hosp.	
	12		169 Bty returned to base from 200 RA Prac Camp (AA) and were replaced by 168 Bty.	
	15-16		Holiday for end of hostilities in Far East.	
	18		Lt AT Clark discharged from hosp and rejoined unit; posted to RHQ as Sigs Offr. Lt GE Teverson posted to 206 Bty.	
	23		168 Bty returned from 200 Prac Camp.	
	29		Party of 100 all ranks visited Battlefield of Waterloo.	
	31		Unit prepares to move to area ERPS-QUERBS nr BRUSSELS. During the month the unit engaged on maint & painting of eqpt and Educational and Recreational trg. The following promotions of offr took place during the month:- 97314 T/Capt RE Barham to be A/Maj wef 23 Jul 45. 155183 W/Lt FC Adams to be A/Capt wef 23 Jul 45. 180846 W/Lt SG Austin to be to be A/Capt wef 1 Aug 45 (as Unit Edn Offr) 198859 W/Lt E Robinson to be A/Capt wef 7 Aug 45 (& posted to 168 Bty).	

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			HM The King has been graciously pleased to approve the award of the British Empire Medal (Military Division), in recognition of galland and distinguished service in North West Europe, to the undermentioned:- No.881471 Bdr JH Stanley, RHQ 60 (City of London) HAA Regt. RA.	

Locations:

RHQ	J.499982
168 BHQ	527970
A Tp	528972
B Tp	524974
169 BHQ	482971
C Tp	478974
D Tp	480973
206 BHQ	529972
E Tp	529972
F Tp	420970

Weather: 1-8 Fine; 9 Wet; 10 Dull; 11-12 Fine; 13-16 Dull; 17-18 Fine; 19-20 Dull; 21-23 Wet; 24 Dull; 25 Fair; 26-29 Fine; 30 Wet; 31 Dull.

September 1945

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of events and Information	References to Appendices
ERPS-QUERBS	1		RHQ and 206 Bty moved to winter locns in area ERPS-QUERBS.	
	3		168 and 169 Btys moved from area ST GILLES to winter locns in same area.	
	13		Capt D Conoley RA released with Group 14 and SOS Regt.	
	14		Capt J Maugham RAMC posted to 1 S. Lancs Bn from Regt. Capt R Shanks RAMC posted from 1 S Lancs Bn to the Regt in his place.	
	16		Lt Col GGO Lyons MBE proceeded UK on leave. Major E Brown RA in comd.	
	20		Regimental soccer team drew 1 goal all with a strong side of 86 HAA Regt RA.	
	26		75 AA Bde Sports Day. The Bde Cup was easily won by the Regt, with 49 points to 29 points for the runner-up.	
	28		Lt R Hibberdine released with Group 15 SOS the Regt.	
			During the month Educational classes in English, Maths, Art, Bookeeping, Boot	

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			Repairing, French, Motor Mechanics, Carpentry, Wireless etc held under org of Regt School. Other personnel attending technical classes with Bde REME Wksp. Site construction and training of cooks carried out. 1506411 W/BSM Williams L awarded MBE for gallant and distinguished services in N W Europe. 14268751 Gnr Fraser P) Awarded C-in-C 1525502 Sgt Glenister J) Certificates for 873420 Gnr Vandervennin E) gallantry in N W 1427714 Brd Burrett A) Europe.	

Locations:

RHQ	J.763603
168 Bty	J.788538
169 Bty	J.784555
206 Bty	J.795592

Weather: 1-4 Warm; 5 Wet; 6 Warm; 7 Dull; 8-10 Fine; 11-18 Warm; 19 Wet; 20 Fair; 21 Dull; 22-25 Fair; 26 Dull; 27 Fair; 28 Wet; 29-30 Fair.

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ERPS-QUERBS	1		Maintenance of Eqpt, Recreational Trng, and Educational Classes under the Regimental School continue.	
EVERBERG	5		RHQ moves to EVERBERG (MR J.779571) Bty locns unchanged.	
	7		Maj E Brown (Second in Command) and Capt G Holmes struck off strength on proceeding to Class A Release.	
	9		Educational tour of battlefield of WATERLOO.	
	13		Lts E Spedding and J Harper struck off strength on proceeding to Class A Release.	
	14		Lts H Brown and F Ibbotson posted to the Regt.	
	15		T/Maj F Thorne posted to Regt as Second in Command.	
	21		LT A Clarke struck off strength on proceeding Class A Release.	
	23		Regt warned to be prepared to move to GERMANY. Advance parties move to area OSNABRUCK.	

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	26		Regt moves. Staged night at NIJMEGEN. Capt J Jones (Adjt) posted to 86 HAA Regt on promotion to Major. Capt R G Burns posted to Regt as Adjutant.	
	27		All light Tpt reached new locn at GEORGEMARIENHUTTE. Regt under comd 305 Inf Bde. Guns and Eqpt staged night at RHEINE.	
	28		Guns and Eqpt arrived new locn. Major R Barham struck off strength of unit on proceeding Class A Release. Capt E Kilner assumed comd 206 Bty.	
	29		Regt took over occupational duties area S Osnabruck.	

November 1945

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of events and Information	References to Appendices
GEORGS MARIEN HUTTE	4		Rear parties from location Brussels Area rejoined units.	
	8		Lt M D Holloway struck off unit strength on proceeding on class B release.	
	17		T/Capt E S Kilner promoted A/Major.	
	19		REME Insprction [sic] Parties prepare equipment for Heavy Care and Maintenance prior to storage.	
	22		Lt E Evans struck off unit strength on proceeding on class A release.	
	30		Lt P J C Robinson struck off unit strength on proceeding on class A release.	
			Throughout the month Guards, Squatter Guards, Patrols and Mobile Columns were provided in accordance with occupational requirements. First Light searches were carried out in the Regimental Area to check on Undischarged Wehrmacht. Educational Courses continued throughout the month.	

December 1945

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of events and Information	References to Appendices
Georgs- marien-hutte	4		Lt R I Knight. SOS Unit on proceeding Class 'A' Release.	
	6		Lt D G Bevis. Dispatched to RA Depot for compassionate reversion to UK est, and indefinite Release.	

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	11		Lt G E Teverson. Promoted A/Capt wef 8 Nov 45 75 AA Bde Order 76. Dtd 20 Nov 45.	
	13		Lt R M Menzies. Posted to RA Depot sos unit on reversion to {HE} compassionate grounds. A/Capt S G Austen Promoted T/Capt WO Orders 11B 48. 29 Nov 45.	
	16		T/Capt R G Burns. Authority for appointment to Adj this unit. Appendix 'A' GRO116 (1886) Dtd 7 Dec 45.	
	18		Lt C P Eden. Posted to unit from 52 RHU. 206 Bty WEF 16 Dec 45. Authy 2E/BAOR/ORG/c/70115/5044. Lt K W F Beardmore SOS unit and despatched for Class 'B' Release. R Brown.	
	27		Maj P A Lingard) Mentioned in Despatches. Maj F L M Rundall) London Gazette Supplement Capt E S Kilner) No 37340 Dtd 8 Nov 45.	
	30		Capt J A P Mackenzie) Posted to unit from 52 RHU Lt W F G Catchsides) and TOS 29 Dec 45. 2E/BAOR/ORG/C/70155/5004/RABKA.	
	30		Lt W H Skinner) Posted to unit from 52 RHU Lt B F Cunningham) and TOS 29 Dec 45. 45/ARTY/701 23 Dec 45.	
	General		Occupational Duties, Guards, Squatter Guards, Patrols and Mobile Columns Educational Courses continue.	

Regimental Strength

Month	Start	End	Max	Min
Jan 1945	900	898 ²	900	892
Feb 1945	903	894	905	893
Mar 1945	898	895	901	895
Apr 1945	895	877	900	877
May 1945	877	877	881	874

² Actually 20th – sheet 2 missing.

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Month	Start	End	Max	Min
Jun 1945	877	874	877	874
Jul 1945	879	881	881	874
Aug 1945	890	916	916	889
Sep 1945	915	896	915	896
Oct 1945	884	852	884	852
Nov 1945	856	765	856	751
Dec 1945	724	702	724	574