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COMMANDERS DIARY
OF

.....103 Fd Bty RAA.....
(Unit or Formation)

Name of Commanding Officer..Maj W. J. SLOCOMBE, RAA

From...1.Sep.63..... to.....30.Sep.63.....

Signature of OC unit or Senior staff officer

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MAJ
BTY COMD 103 FD BTY RAA

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Unit/Formation. 103. Fd. Bty. RAA.....

Commanding Officer

.Major. W. J. SLOCOMBE. RAA...

Month and Year.. Sep. 63.....

Place and Grid Reference	Day of month	Hour	Event or information	Annex letter and enclosure number
BRINCHANG	1		Battery Routine Orders Part 1 Nos 268 - 273	H - 1
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TENGAH	2		235747 Capt M C CRAWFORD attended FAC Course at BAF TENGAH	
NEGRI SEMBILAN	5 - 7		17 GURDIV Driving Championships	
TERENDAK	6		17 GURDIV Swimming Championships Minor Units Swimming 103 Bty Second. Minor Units Water Polo 103 Bty defeated by Bde HQ 7 - 4 in the final	
TERENDAK	9		Battery Routine Orders Part 1 Nos 274 - 276	H - 2
TERENDAK	11	1400	Guildford Trophy Inter Troop Cricket match won by Comd Tp by 14 runs	

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Month and Year.....

Place and Grid Reference	Day of month	Hour	Event or information	Annex letter and enclosure number
TERENDAK	12 - 13		Regimental Command Post Exercise	
TERENDAK	12		Offrs Mess Dining in Night.	
TERENDAK	12		Battery Routine Orders Part 1 Nos 277 - 280	H - 3
TERENDAK	13		Battery Routine Orders Part 1 Nos 281 - 282	H - 4
	15 - 20		Ex "DOVETAIL II" at ASAHAN	H - 8
	21		Battery Routine Orders Part 1 Nos 283 - 286	H - 5
	21		Maj MYERS from DRA. Branch AHQ visited 103 Bty	
	22 - 28		235147 Capt. M G CRAWFORD attended Ex "BIGWHEEL" in Northern MALAYA - a combined ex with the Q R I H	

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Month and Year.....

Place and Grid Reference	Day of month	Hour	Event or information	Annex letter and enclosure number
TERENDAK	26		Battery Routine Orders Part 1 Nos 287 - 291	H - 6
			Hockey - won by Gun Tp 5 - 2	
			Basketball - won by Gun Tp 50 - 34	
TERENDAK	27		Battery Routine Orders Part 1 Nos 292 - 294	H - 7
			103 Fd Bty Detachment Cup Competition. This Competition was won by D Sub. under the command of Sgt JOHNSON for the second successive year.	
TERENDAK	30	1300	103 Fd Bty pers attending 45 Regt Practice Camp departed for ASAHAN.	
TERENDAK	30	1530	GUILDFORD Trophy Volleyball - Comd Tp defeated Gun Tp 2 - 0	

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

ROUTINE ORDERS PART I

by

Maj W J SLOCOMBE RAA

Officer Commanding 103 Fd Bty RAA

BRINCHANG

1 Sep 63

Numbers:- 268 - 273

268. DAILY ROUTINE

	Work Days	Rest Days
Revielle	0615 hrs	0715 hrs
Breakfast	0700 hrs	0800 hrs
Inspection of Barracks	0740 hrs	
Tp Parade (Paluarine)	0750 hrs	0845 hrs
Sick Parade	0800 hrs	0900 hrs
Period 1	0800 - 0840 hrs	
" 2	0845 - 0925 hrs	
" 3	0930 - 1010 hrs	
Morning Tea	1010 - 1040 hrs	1000 - 1030 hrs
Period 4	1040 - 1110 hrs	
" 5	1115 - 1210 hrs	
Lunch	1230 - 1300 hrs	1200 - 1230 hrs
Sports Parade	1400 - 1600 hrs	
Guard Mounting	1730 hrs	0900 hrs
Telephone Picquet	1730 hrs	0900 hrs
Retreat	1800 hrs	
Evening Meal	1800 hrs	1730 hrs
Leave Parade	1845 hrs	0900 - 1100 - 1400 - 1845
Town Picquet Mount	1900 hrs	1900 hrs
Leave Truck Departs	1900 hrs	
Tattoo	2200 hrs	2200 hrs
Lights Out	2300 hrs	2300 hrs

269. CANTEEN TIMINGS

Work Days	Rest Days
1010 - 1040 Dry	1000 - 1030 hrs Dry
1210 - 1245 "	1100 - 1200 hrs Wet & Dry
1600 - 1745 Wet & Dry	1600 - 1730 hrs " "
1830 - 2230 "	" 1830 - 2230 hrs " "

270. SPORT

1. The following will arrange games and look after Sporting gear while in BRINCHANG:-

Lbdr GLOVER	Hockey
Bdr BLANCHONLETTE	Football
Gnr WILLIAMS	Basketball
Sgt WILLS	Tennis
Lbdr MUSGROVE	Cricket
Bdr SPARK	Volleyball
Lbdr ROTHERO	Soft Ball
BQMS	Golf

271. DUTIES BRINCHANG

<u>Guard Commander</u>	<u>Guard 2 I/C</u>
Sun 1 Sep 63 Bdr CLANDINEN	Lbdr DIBLEY
Mon 2 Sep 63 Bdr PTOLOMEY	Lbdr GLOVER
Tue 3 Sep 63 Bdr STEEL	Lbdr McCARTHY
Wed 4 Sep 63 Bdr RUSSELL	Lbdr ROTHERO
Thu 5 Sep 63 Bdr WHALLEY	Lcpl TATE
Fri 6 Sep 63 Bdr DUNN	Cpl KOLLIAS
Sat 7 Sep 63 Bdr MATHESON	Lbdr HOGGAN

Town Picquet

Sun 1 Sep 63 Sgt TILBROOK
Mon 2 Sep 63 Sgt STEELE
Tue 3 Sep 63 Sgt BEGG
Wed 4 Sep 63 Sgt GALLAGHER
Thu 5 Sep 63 Sgt TILBROOK
Fri 6 Sep 63 Sgt BEGG
Sat 7 Sep 63 Bdr BLANCHONLETTE

Duty Troop

Sun 1 Sep 63 Gun Troop
Mon 2 Sep 63 Comd Troop
Tue 3 Sep 63 Gun Troop
Wed 4 Sep 63 Comd Troop
Thu 5 Sep 63 Gun Troop
Fri 6 Sep 63 Comd Troop
Sat 7 Sep 63 Gun Troop

272. DRESS BRINCHANG CAMP

1. All personnel proceeding into CAMERON HIGHLANDS or TANAH RATA township in uniform will wear hats KF.

273 BOUNDS CAMERON HIGHLANDS

1. IN BOUNDS

- a. BRINCHANG. The main road through BRINCHANG is in bounds for access to camps and properties NORTH of BRINCHANG only.
- b. TANAH RATA. The following places are in bounds and are recommended for use by Forces Personnel.

- (1) Cameron Hotel
 - (2) Chip Seng Hotel
 - (3) The Indian Hotel
 - (4) Highlands Cafe
 - (5) Eastern Hotel
 - (6) Federal Hotel
 - (7) Government Rest House
 - (8) Cameron Highlands Hotel
 - (9) Smoke House Inn
- } To the rank of Sgt and
} above only.

2. OUT OF BOUNDS

a. TANAH RATA

- (1) The rear premises of all shops.
 - (2) Krishna Bawan Restaurant.
 - (3) " " Hotel
 - (4) The Government Rest House
 - (5) The Cameron Highlands Hotel
 - (6) The Smoke House Inn
 - (7) The village of TANAH RATA is OUT OF BOUNDS to all ORs after 2300 hrs, unless on duty or in possession of a late pass.
- } To all ranks below Sgt
}

S. S. S. S. S. Maj
BC 103 Fd Bty RAA

30 Aug 63

TRAINING INSTRUCTION BRINCHANG
WEAPON TRAINING 30 AUG - 7 SEP

General

1. 103 Fd Bty RAA will carry out TOET's training and testing on the 3 Sep, 5 Sep and 6 Sep.

Aim

2. a. To qualify personnel in TOET's for the 64/65 period.
b. To revise personnel in small arms in use within the Bty.

Method

3. a. Personnel instruction will be carried out during the first 3 periods.
b. Personnel will be tested during period 4 - 5.
c. The bty will be broken into 3 groups and will cover one of the 3 weapons on each day.

Briefing

4. There will be a briefing at 0930 hrs 2 Sep in the Bty Ord Room area. ALL instructors will attend.

Storeman

5. Sgt TILBROOK will be present 15 mins before commencement of work and until all stores have been returned.

Weapons

- | | | | |
|----|----|-----------|----|
| 6. | a. | Brens | 6 |
| | b. | OMC | 20 |
| | c. | SLR | 30 |
| | d. | Mags Bren | 48 |
| | e. | " OMC | 20 |
| | f. | " SLR | 40 |

Instructors

7. Chief Instr Lt BERTRAM
- | <u>SLR</u> | <u>BREN</u> | <u>OMC</u> |
|---------------|------------------|--------------|
| Sgt GALLAGHER | Sgt BEGG | Sgt WILLS |
| " ARNOLD | " ST ELE | Bdr SPARK |
| Bdr PTOLOMEY | Bdr BLANCHONETTE | Bdr MATHESON |
| " CLENDINEN | " DUNN | |

Maj
BC 103 Fd Bty RAA

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

ROUTINE ORDERS PART 1

by

Maj W J SLOCOMBE RAA

Officer Commanding 103 Fd Bty RAA

Camp TERENDAK

9 Sep 63

Numbers 274- 276

274. DUTIES

Battery Duty NCO

Mon 9 Sep 63	Lbdr McCARTHY
Tue 10 Sep 63	Lbdr ROBINSON M
Wed 11 Sep 63	Lbdr DIBLEY
Thu 12 Sep 63	Lbdr COLE
Fri 13 Sep 63	Lbdr ROTHERO
Sat 14 Sep 63	Bdr SPARK
Sun 15 Sep 63	Bdr RUSSELL

NCO I/C MARCHING RELIEF

Mon 9 Sep 63	Lbdr LAWSON
Sun 15 Sep 63	Bdr WHALLEY

275. RED CROSS

1. All families are reminded of the existence of an AUSTRALIAN Red Cross girl, Miss McLAUCHLAN, who is available to assist in any family problems such as :-

- Care of children while mother is in hospital.
- Advice and help to mothers and wives.
- Any other personal family matters.

2. Miss McLAUCHLAN may be contacted at her office at MRS for any assistance required.

276. CANTEEN OPENING HOURS

1. The JRC will open during the following hours with immediate effect:-

	<u>WEEKDAYS</u>		<u>SAT - SUN and HOLIDAYS</u>	
Mens Canteen	Wet Bar	Dry Bar	Wet Bar	Dry Bar
	-	1000-1100	-	1000-1100
	-	1245-1345	1245-1345	1245-1600
	1800-2200	1800-2200	1800-2200	1800-2200
JNCOs Mess	-	1000-1100	-	1000-1100
	-	1245-1345	1245-1400	1245-1600
	1800-2230	1800-2230	1800-2230	1800-2230
			(Sat only 2300)	

2. The Wet Bar will always be cleared 30 mins after closing time.

W J Slocombe Maj
BC 103 Fd Bty RAA

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Camp TEREENDAK

12 Sep 63

Numbers: 277- 280

277. CIVIL LABOUR WD PASSES

1. Married personnel will instruct their Amahs etc to hand in their WD passes to Civil Labour Office as soon as possible in order to effect amendment from 26 RA to 45 Regt RA.

278. WELFARE

1. The Padres Office is now situated in the 2nd consulting room in the MI Room.
2. Anyone wishing to contact the Padre should do so at his office.

279. KIT EXCHANGES

1. With effect Fri 13 Sep 63 the fol items will be added to the free exchange list.
 - a. Towels
 - b. Green Underwear
 - c. Socks Grey (NO stocks at present)
2. The max exchange permitted per person will be two of each item per calendar month.

280. RATIONS

1. 103 Fd Bty RAA is hereby warned in for rations from Sun 15 Sep 63 to Fri 20 Sep 63 both dates incl.

Maj
BC 103 Fd Bty RAA

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

ROUTINE ORDERS PART 1

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Officer Commanding 103 Fd Bty RAA

Camp TERENDAK

13 Sep 63

Numbers: 281 - 282

281. DUTIES

1. Battery Duty NCO

Tue 17 Sep 63	Lbdr ROBINSON M	Tue 24 Sep 63	Lbdr DIBLEY
Wed 18 Sep 63	Bdr DRUMMOND	Wed 25 Sep 63	Bdr WHALLEY
Thu 19 Sep 63	Bdr VANDYKE	Thu 26 Sep 63	Bdr BLANCHONETTE
Fri 20 Sep 63	Lbdr McCARTHY	Fri 27 Sep 63	Lbdr DURNFORD
Sat 21 Sep 63	Bdr HALL	Sat 28 Sep 63	Bdr PARKER
Sun 22 Sep 63	Lbdr STARKIE	Sun 29 Sep 63	Bdr PTOLOMEY
Mon 23 Sep 63	Lbdr LAWSON	Mon 30 Sep 63	Lbdr COLE

2. NCO I/C Marching Relief

Sat 21 Sep 63 Bdr CLENDINEN
Tue 24 Sep 63 Bdr STOCKWELL
Fri 27 Sep 63 Bdr PEARSON

3. NCO I/C Fire Picquet

Fri 20 Sep 63 Lbdr ROBERTSON
Mon 23 Sep 63 Lbdr ROTHERO
Fri 27 Sep 63 Bdr SPARK

282. DUTIES REAR DETAILS

1. Bdr RUSSELL I/C Fire Picquet 1600 hrs 14 Sep 63 to 1600 hrs 15 Sep 63.
2. Lowen Cinema NCO 15 Sep 63 Lbdr ROBINSON.
3. Fire Picquet 0800 hrs 15 Sep 63 to 1600 hrs 15 Sep 63.

Gnr HAACK
" SMAILES
" SALES
" McCORMACK
" NIELSON
" STOTT

4. Guard 15 Sep 63

Gnr HAACK
" SMAILES
" SALES
" McCORMACK
" NIELSON
" STOTT
" TORY
" WILLIAMS
" MILLS

5. Arms Kote

Sun 15 Sep 63 Gnr XUEREB C
Mon 16 Sep 63 Gnr CAMPBELL

6. Kitchen from Reveille Sun 15 Sep to finish of Breakfast.

Gnr HAACK
" SMAILES
" SALES

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Camp TERENDAK

21 Sep 63

Numbers 283 - 286

283. The following pers have qualified in TOETs and PWTs for 1964/65:-

		BREN	SLR	OMC
WO2	DEWHURST P	P	P	P
WO2	YENCH D G	P	P	P
Sgt	ARNOLD K E	P	P	P
"	BEGG D R E	P	P	P
"	GALLAGHER W	P	P	P
"	WILLS N E	P	P	P
"	TILBROOK K R	P	P	P
"	SHIELDS R W P	P	P	P
"	JAMES D G	P	P	P
Bdr	BLANCHONETTE D A	P	P	P
"	CLENDINEN A W	P	P	P
"	DUNN	P	P	P
"	PTOLOMEY M	P	P	P
"	RUSSELL B	P	P	P
"	STEEL P R	P	P	P
"	STOCKWELL N	P	P	P
"	SPARK D E	P	P	P
"	VANDYKE M	P	P	P
Lbdr	DIBLEY N	P	P	P
"	GLOVER G C	P	P	P
"	McCARTHY N F	P	P	P
"	HOGGAN I S	P	P	P
"	ROBERTSON P K	P	P	P
"	ROTHERO R M'	P	P	P
Gdr	BOSTOCK N L J	P	P	P
"	CORBETT J	P	P	P
"	COWARD R C	P	P	P
"	CRANE R E	P	P	P
"	CZIKA S J	P	P	P
"	DICKSON D W	P	P	P
"	DELL T C	P	P	P
"	DAVY J W	P	P	P
"	EDWARDS G B	P	P	P
"	FLATTERS C J	P	P	P
"	GAFFNEY L J	P	P	P
"	GARBELLINI K E	P	P	P
"	GLIDDEN B	P	P	P
"	GREEN J A	P	P	P
"	HEWETT L J	P	P	P
"	HOWARD N L	P	P	P
"	JOBSON T K	P	P	P
"	JOHNSTON V J	P	P	P
"	LUNNEY N	P	P	P
"	McCORMACK J	P	P	P
"	MUSGRAVE M J	P	P	P

	BREN	SLR	OMC
Gnr MEREDITH R	P	P	P
" McDOWELL B J	P	P	P
" NIELSEN V I	P	P	P
" PAGE T D	P	P	P
" PEEL L	P	P	P
" RANSON B	P	P	P
" SALVADOR H L	P	P	P
" SMALLWOOD R J	P	P	P
" SNEDDON I C W	P	P	P
" SALES R J	P	P	P
" STONE J J	P	P	P
" SMAILES G S	P	P	P
" STOTT E	P	P	P
" SMITH L A	P	P	P
" SUMMERSFORD D	P	P	P
" TAYLOR L O	P	P	P

284. DUTIES AMENDMENTS

1. NCO I/C Marching Relief

Tue 24 Sep 63 Delete Bdr STOCKWELL
Insert Bdr DUNN

Fri 27 Sep 63 Delete Bdr PEARSON
Insert Bdr VANDYKE

2. Battery Duty NCO

Mon 23 Sep 63 Delete Lbdr LAWSON
Insert Lbdr COLE

Mon 30 Sep 63 Delete Lbdr COLE
Insert Lbdr LAWSON

285. RETURN OF EQUIPMENT

1. The items to be returned on RTA are listed below:-

- a. Ropes Toggle
- b. Bags Food
- c. Machete }
Golock W/Sheath }
- d. Line Rotproof
- e. Stone Sharpener
- f. Bag Pack W/Proof
- g. Bag Water Filter
- h. Poncho
- j. Complete '44 Pattern Webbing.

2. All pers are to ensure that they have the complete scale of eqpt to hand in plus all items on F12.

3. They are to purchase all deficient items plus any items they desire to use in AUST from the Regt Q Store on days allotted and are NOT to pay for deficiencies on handing in eqpt prior to RTA.

286. LAYERS TESTS

The fol pers qual 2nd Class Layer 29 Aug 63:-

- 4317 Sgt K R TILBROOK
- 25135 Sgt N E WILLS.

[Signature] Maj
BC 103 Fd Bty RAA

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

ROUTINE ORDERS PART 1

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Officer Commanding 103 Fd Bty RAA

Camp TERENDAK

26 Sep 63

Numbers 287 - 291

287. DOGS

1. RABIES - a fatal disease transmitted through dogs, is now confirmed in MALAYSIA. All units in TERENDAK Camp are exercising an intensive all out effort to exterminate all stray dogs (i.e. one without a collar - or one with a collar but with no licence disc) in the area.
2. All ranks are expected to co-operate in the catching of stray dogs. Captives should be taken to the area in the rear of the Gd Room for subsequent disposal.
3. Heads of families will ensure that their families are warned of the existence of the disease and where a dog is owned to ensure that the dog (correctly registered) is kept clear of contact with strays.

288. LOSS OF ID CARDS

1. The loss of AB 2603/4 and Australian equivalent is a prevalent offence and will be treated as such. All ranks must exercise extreme care in safeguarding these items at all times.

289. DRESS

1. When a man is excused boots, the issue type sandals or hockey boots may be worn but NOT "flip flops" unless specifically ordered by the RMO.

290. RATIONS

1. 103 Fd Bty RAA is warned in for rations from Tue 1 Oct 63 to Thu 10 Oct 63.

291. BATTERY STANDOWN

1. Sat 28 Sep 63 is a Bty stand-down day.

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BC 103 Fd Bty RAA

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Officer Commanding 103 Fd Bty RAA

Camp TERENDAK

27 Sep 63

Numbers 292 - 294

292. DUTIES

1. Regt Guard Commander & ROS

Sun 29 Sep 63	Sgt TILBROOK
Mon 30 Sep 63	Sgt WILLS
Tue 1 Oct 63	Sgt HENDERSON
Wed 2 Oct 63	Sgt HAMER
Thu 3 Oct 63	Sgt WILTSHIRE
Fri 4 Oct 63	Sgt BEGG
Sat 5 Oct 63	Sgt JOHNSON
Sun 6 Oct 63	Sgt ANNETTE
Mon 7 Oct 63	Sgt CAMPBELL
Tue 8 Oct 63	Sgt JAMES
Wed 9 Oct 63	Sgt SHIELDS
Thu 10 Oct 63	Sgt EDWARDS (70 Bty)
Fri 11 Oct 63	Sgt HAMER

2. NCO I/C Marching Relief

Sun 29 Sep 63	Lbdr GLOVER
Mon 30 Sep 63	Bdr WHALLEY
Tue 1 Oct 63	Lbdr McCARTHY
Wed 2 Oct 63	Bdr RUSSELL

3. Bty Duty NCO & Fire Picquet NCO

Sun 29 Sep 63	Bdr PTOLOMEY
Mon 30 Sep 63	Lbdr LAWSON
Tue 1 Oct 63	Bdr HALL
Wed 2 Oct 63	Lbdr ROTHERO

4. Canteen NCO

1 - 6 Oct 63 Bdr CLENDINEN
7 - 13 Oct 63 Bdr SPARK

293. PREVALENT OFFENCES

1. The following offences are prevalent offences in existence in this Brigade/Garrison:-

Loss of ID Cards
Offences of Fraud and Forgery
Offences involving a civilian or civilian property
Speeding

294. GUILDFORD TROPHY RESULTS

1. Hockey. Gun Tp defeated Comd Tp 5 - 2
2. Basketball. Gun Tp defeated Comd Tp 50 - 34

Maj
BC 103 Fd Bty RAA

103 Fd Bty RAA
45 Regt RA
Camp TERENDAK
MALACCA

Sep 63

Distr below

ARTY DEMO AND EX "DOVETAIL TWO"
-15 - 20 Sep 63

Maps: MALAYA 1:25000 ASAHAN Range
MALAYA 1 in to 1 mile Sheet 114.

General

1. 103 Fd Bty RAA will take part in a 28 COMWEL Inf Bde Gp demo and ex in the ASAHAN Range area from 15 - 20 Sep 63.

Aim

2. Ex "DOVETAIL TWO" has the fol aims:-
 - a. To practice FACs.
 - b. To give practice in tgt indication for air strikes.
 - c. To practice OP parties in requesting air strikes.

Timetable

3. The outline sequence of events is as fols:-
 - a. Phase 1

15 Sep 63	-	Move to ASAHAN, deploy area L. BC and OP parties to Hutted Camp.
16 Sep 63	-	Comm testing and rehearsal arty demo incl regn if nec.
17 Sep 63	-	Arty demo and tgt indication. Bty less BC, OP parties, CP and two guns return TERENDAK PM.
 - b. Phase 2

18-19 Sep 63-	-	Tgt indication BE Smk. Two guns only, CP and guns return TERENDAK PM 19 Sep 63.
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 - c. Phase 3

20 Sep 63	-	BC and OP parties tac ex with 1KOLI, details later. Return TERENDAK PM.
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Safety

4. Gun Tp will provide own safety offrs for all shooting on 16, 17, 18 and 19 Sep 63.

FACs

5. Capt CRAWFORD and Capt MORRIS, 176 Bty RA attached, will direct ac on 17, 18 and 19 Sep 63 as directed by 28 Bde HQ. They will carry nec ground panels in their vehs.

Briefing

6. Briefing for all offrs will take place the evening before ea phase begins. Timings later.

Adm

7. Separate Adm Instr issued.

Comd and Sig

8. Separate Sig Instr issued.

9. BC's orders 0850 hrs 15 Sep 63.

W. K. ... Maj
BC 103 Fd Bty RAA

Distr

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Capt MORRIS, 176 Bty

BC

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103 Fd Bty RAA
45 Regt RA
Camp TERENDAK
MALACCA

Sep 63

Distribution

See below.

103 Fd Bty RAA SUB SECTION COMPETITION - 1963

GENERAL

- 1. This competition will be held on Fri 27 Sep 63.

TESTS

- 2. The competition will cover the following tests:-
 - a. Man-handling.
 - b. Stripping and assembling and loading into ½ ton trailers.
 - c. Gun drill.
- 3. The results of watermanship from the 26 Regt RA Sub Section competition will be taken into consideration in deciding the final placings.

LOCATIONS

- 4. The manhandling and stripping and assembling tests will be conducted in the Basketball Court area.
- 5. The man handling will be conducted in the quarry area on Sandham's Way.

TIMINGS

- 6. Prior to morning tea, Left Sec detachment will complete the gun drill and stripping and assembling tests.
- 7. At the same time, Right Sec detachments will complete the manhandling test.
- 8. After morning tea, sections will change round.
- 9. Skeleton timings are attached as Annex 'A'.

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- 10. Dress for all tests will be jungle greens LESS basic webbing.

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Annex A to 103 Fd B. RAA
Sub Section Comp 1963
Dated 25 Sep 63

SKELETON TIMINGS

DETACHMENT	GUN DRILL	STRIPPING AND ASSEMBLING	QUARRY
A	1030	1100	0815
B	1050	1120	0845
C	1115	1140	0915
D	0800	0830	1030
E	0820	0850	1100
F	0845	0910	1130

103 Pd Bty RAA
45 Regt RA
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TRAINING REPORT - SEPTEMBER 63

General

1. The information in this report covers the training and administrative events in which 103 Pd Bty RAA participated during the month of September.
2. The months activities are dealt with under as follows:-
 - a. Training General.
 - b. Administration.
 - c. Sport and Social Events.

Training General

3. 45 Regt Training. Throughout September 103 Bty assisted the remainder of the Regt in jungle training. The Bty also provided on when the regt exercised in the field.
4. Exercise "DOVETAIL TWO"
 - a. The aims of this exercise, which was held at ASAHAN from 15 - 20 Sep were:-
 - (1) To practice FACs.
 - (2) To give practice in tgt indication for air strikes.
 - (3) To practice OP parties in requesting air strikes.
 - b. Owing to poor visibility only a small number of air strikes were carried out during the three days.
 - c. On 17 Sep 103 Bty also took part in a firepower demo for Staff College candidates.
 - d. During "DOVETAIL TWO" Capt I G DARLINGTON and Lt J H TOWBLEY spent three days in HMS "ARK ROYAL".
 - e. The instruction is shown as Annex 'A'.
5. Regt CP Exercise. This was conducted by 45 Regt on 12 and 13 Sep.

Exercise "BIG WHEEL" One OP party was sent from 103 Bty to this exercise. The exercise was conducted by the Queens Royal Irish Hussars and consisted of a squadron group withdrawal from KEDAH into PERAK against a live enemy provided by the Federation Army.

7. Courses

- a. FAC Course. Capt M C CRAWFORD completed an FAC Course held at RAF TENGAH from 2 - 12 Sep.
- b. Malay Colloquial Course. Bdr B A PARKER qualified in this course which was conducted by PETC from 17 Aug to 20 Sep.
- c. Basketball Officials Course. Bdr F R PEARSON and Gnr R J CLARKE and G GODFREY qualified in this course held at the FARELF School of Physical Training from 31 Aug to 14 Sep.

8. BRINCHANG. 103 Bty trained at BRINCHANG from 1 - 8 Sep. The period was spent in qualifying the bty in TeOET and PWTs for the year 1964/65.

9. 17 Gurkha Division Driving Championships. 103 Bty put two vehicles in the championships which were held from 5 - 7 Sep. However unfortunately one vehicle broke down and the second vehicle exceeded the time limit and was eliminated.

10. Detachment Cup Competition

- a. The Detachment Cup Competition was held on Friday 27 Sep and resulted in a win for Sgt JOHNSON's "B" Sub-section for the second successive year. "P" Sub-section, commanded by Sgt BEGG, was second.
- b. The competition consisted of three sections:-
 - (1) Man-handling.
 - (2) Stripping, assembling and loading into a $\frac{1}{2}$ ton trailer.
 - (3) Gun drill.
- c. Annex 'B' shows the instructions for the competition.

11. Equipment 105mm Howitzer L5

- a. A letter dated 26 Sep on defects with this equipment was forwarded to DRA.
- b. The trial, mentioned in para 7 B, is in fact now being carried out by 70 Bty RA and NOT 103 Bty. A report on this trial will be forwarded separately.

12. Visits. Maj A C MYERS RAA, DRA AHQ visited the bty on 28 Sep 63.

Administration

13. Vehicles. The Bty Vehicle State is attached as Annex 'C'.

14. Eqpt. The Deficient Eqpt State is attached as Annex 'D'.

Handover to 102 Fd Bty RAA. The programme for handover is as follows:-

- a. 21 Oct - 1 Nov handover stocktake 103 Fd Bty/102 Fd Bty.
- b. 28 Oct - 1 Nov REME insp of guns, vehicles, comms eqpt and instruments.
- c. 1 Nov 103 Fd Bty ceases to be operational.
- d. 4 Nov 103 Fd Bty hands over administrative responsibility to 102 Fd Bty.
- e. 13 - 15 Nov handover between Bty Comds and signing of Handover Certificate.

Sport

16. 17 Gurkha Division Swimming and Water Polo Championships. 103 Bty competed in the minor units section of these championships. In the swimming the bty was beaten by 11 points by 208 Signals Squadron and in the water polo final 28 Bde HQ defeated 103 Bty 7 goals to 4.

17. GUILDFORD Trophy. 4 sports for the GUILDFORD Trophy were played in Sep. The results were:-

- a. Cricket. Comd Tp defeated Gun Tp by 14 runs.
- b. Hockey. Gun Tp won, the score being 5 - 2.
- c. Basketball. Gun Tp defeated Comd Tp 50 points to 34.
- d. Volleyball. Comd Tp won 2 games to nil.

18. QUEEN'S MEDAL Elimination Shoot. This was held on the TERENDAK 600 yd range on 30 Sep. 103 Bty were placed third, Gnr McGUINESS and Cfn SMITH and fourth, Gnr BOSTOCK.

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ANNEXES

Annex 'A'	-	Exercise "DOVETAIL TWO"
Annex 'B'	-	Subsection Competition 1963.
Annex 'C'	-	Vehicle State
Annex 'D'	-	Deficient Eqpt State