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Army Form C.2118

**WAR DIARY**

or

Unit 119th Light Anti Aircraft Regiment R.A.

**~~INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY~~**

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Month and Year June 1944

Commanding Officer Lt Col J.F. Young RA

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	References to Appendices
Lancing	1		Training & preparing for impending operations.	
Sussex	2		Nothing to report	
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	4		" " "	
	5		Special code word for wireless silence sent to Btys 2300 hrs.	
	6		Soon after midnight 5/6 large numbers of gliders and tp carrying a/c passed overhead towards French Coast. About 0130 hrs LO returns from ADGB and with message that operations had commenced. All gunsites notified of special recognition features of friendly a/c. At 1700 hrs C.O. briefed all officers on operations.	JY
	7		Nothing to report	
	8		" " "	
Lancing	10		Just before midnight 10/11 message received calling for LO to Sussex Dis on behalf OC SP Tp. B Tp 390 Bty moved off to Marshalling Area 1315 hrs 11 June.	
	11		Message recd calling for LO to Sussex Dis 1200 hrs 11 June. Orders received for G Tp & F Tp to move 0430 12th. RHQ BHQs 391 & 392 to move with ACDHI Tps at 0600 hrs 13th.	JY
	13		Moved to Marshalling Area 18th arrived evening	
	14		Still in Marshalling Area Weather fair	
	15		" " " " " "	
London Docks	16		Moved in two groups to Docks and embarked RHQ, 391 BHQ & A, C, D tp on MT 76 (S81) and 392 BHQ with I tp and a few extras on S.59. Sailed during night to SOUTHEND, waited for convoy which moved off 17th.	
	17		Weather perfect no excitement arrived off French Coast near COURSEULLES at 2100 hrs.	
	18		Weather deteriorated high seas cannot land Enemy bombing slight at night	

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	23		Weather improved transferred to an LST and landed at approx 1800 hrs. Some vehicle casualties. German pilotless plane passed over in direction of German lines at 1740! RHQ established at <del>St. Gabriel</del> Esquay sur Seulles.	
France	24		Moved RHQ to Cully at 1435 hrs. Weather good. Much friendly a/c activity.	
	25		Still at Cully. 2i/c (Maj Murphy in charge of mixed party recceing & clearing path for Bty to move fwd. Weather uncertain.	
	26		Div committed to attack. One officer (Lt Neate) wounded by mortar while working with 2i/cs party. One OR killed & 3 wounded. Rained hard during evening & night 26/27. RHQ established Putot en Bessin 1630 hrs	JY
	27		Weather changeable. Some enemy air activity	
	28		Still at Putot en Bessin. One SP 40mm of G Tp received direct hit from mortar. 3 ORs killed, one wounded. B Tp disposed of 3 enemy snipers and captured another.	
Putot en Bessin	29		Heavy gunfire at 0300 presumed directed at SW flank. Heavy enemy counter attack in CHEUX area repulsed, fwd sub unit withdrawn into A TK posns.	
	30		Tps redeployed in former posns. Indications that enemy was to counter attack again. One ME 109 hit and believed to have crashed. Two tps 392 Bty moved fwd to protect air OP. Enemy conc S of ODON successfully engaged by Fd Arty with no interference by E/AC.	JY