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Commanding Officer Major W.T. Morgan

Month and Year June 1944

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	References to Appendices
West Grinstead	12th	June	'44. Capt. A.R.P. Hall appointed REME Technical Advisor to 15 (S) Division Residues.	
do	25th	June	'44 Waterproofing of our vehicles completed.	
do	27th	June	'44 Visited by Major Smith, O.C. 15 (S) Division Residues.	
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Month and Year July 1944

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West Grinstead	6th	July	'44. Main Workshops departed from West Grinstead, Sussex, and proceeded to Marshalling Area at Brentwood, Essex. The party consisted of 5 Officers and 164 O.Rs.	
Brentwood	8th	July	'44. Departed from Brentwood and embarked at Tilbury Dock.	
Tilbury Dock	9th	July	'44. Sailed from Tilbury at 1945 hrs in convoy.	
	10th	July	'44. Arrived off Normandy beach-head 2400 hrs.	
	11th	July	'44. Remained off beach-head unable to disembark due to heavy seas.	
	12th	July	'44. Disembarked at Juno Beach, Normandy, and proceeded to St. Croix-sur-Mer where de-waterproofing was carried out. Departed from St. Croix-sur-Mer and proceeded to St. Croix des Tonnes, 894739.	
St. Croix des Tonnes	13th	July	'44. Enemy air raid on beach-head during night.	
do	19th	July	'44. Capt A.R.P. Hall and 16 O.Rs (Wksps residue) joined main Wksps., from United Kingdom.	
do	23rd	July	'44. Workshops moved to new location at Balleroy, 697702. Enemy shelled area night 23/24 July. Enemy aircraft also active during night.	
St. Croix des Tonnes	26th	July	'44. Lieut. Fox and inspection team proceeded to 227 Bde H.Q.	
do	29th	July	'44. Unit moved to new location in Bois de Baugy, 699683. Lieut. Madeley and 2 O.Rs established Report Centre at La Martiniere, 704614. Area shelled by enemy at night.	
Bois de Baugy	30th	July	'44. Unit moved to Sedouet, 703658.	

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Month and Year August '44

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	References to Appendices
Sedouet	1 August		'44. Lieut. Madeley and 20 O.Rs returned to main Workshops from Report Centre. Enemy aircraft bombed area during the night.	
do	4 August		'44. Unit moved to new location south of Caumont.	
Caumont	18 August		'44. Advance Party proceeded to new location at Avenay, M.R. 014489.	
do	19 August		'44. Main body proceeded to Avenay via Villers Bocage and Evrecy.	
Avenay	20 August		'44. Advance Party proceeded to new location at Fresney le Vieux, M.R. 016849. Enemy aircraft bombed area at night.	
do	21 August		'44. Main party proceeded to Fresney le Vieux via Aunaye-sur-Orne.	
Fresney le Vieux	23 Aug		'44. Advanced Workshop Detachment under Capt. W.H. Briggs sent forward. Lieut. Madeley and 2 O.Rs established Report Centre at Falaise.	
do	24 August		'44. Main Workshops moved to Ussy via Bois de Halbout.	
Ussy	25 August		'44. Main Workshops moved to Barcquet M.R. 9873 via Falaise, Trun, Vimoutiers and Beaumont le Roger. Harboured at Vimoutiers night 25/26th.	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	References to Appendices
Barcquet	2nd September		'44. Unit moved to Ande sur Seine via Le Nieuborg and Louviers.	
Ande sur Seine	4th September		'44. Main body proceeded to Rougefay, M.R. 0402, via Les Andelys, Morgny, Gournay, Grand Villiers and Poix, Hornoy, Airaines, Langpre sur Somme and Auxi le Chateau. Harboured for night 4 - 5 September '44 at Honroy M.R. 8155.	
Rougefay	10th September		'44. Capt. Fielding, Capt. Briggs and Lieut. Madeley accepted surrender of 2 German soldiers (1 officer and 1 N.C.O.). Prisoners taken to P.O.W. cage at Doullens.	
Rougefay	11th September		'44. Unit moved to new location at Londerzeel, N.W. of Brussels via Lens, Carvin, Hens and Ninove.	
Londerzeel	12th September		'44. Unit moved to Zechim, N.E. of Brussels.	
Zechim	14th September		'44. Report Centre established at rd junc M.R. 0487 S.W. of Gheel. Lieut. Madeley and 2 O.Rs.	
Zechim	26th September		'44. Unit moved to Eindhoven M.R. 426185 via Veerle, Lommel and Veldhoven.	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	References to Appendices
Eindhoven.	2nd October		'44. Unit moved to Helmond M.R. 560229 via Geldrop.	
Helmond.	28th October		'44. Enemy air activity over Unit area during the evening.	
Helmond.	29th October		'44. Enemy air activity over Unit area during the evening.	
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Commanding Officer Capt. A.R.P. Hall.

Month and Year November 1944

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	References to Appendices
HELMOND	3rd November		'44. Two enemy aircraft attacked area at 1530 hrs. Bombs dropped in vicinity of workshops. Lieut. Fox and 5 O.Rs opened Report Centre at ASTEN M.R. 619135.	
	9th November		'44. Report Centre moved to SLOT M.R. 674137.	
	17th November		'44. Col. McAvoy, D.D.M.E. 8 Corps visited Workshops.	
	19th November		'44. Enemy aircraft bombed area at 1320 hrs. No damage or casualties to Workshops or personnel.	
	25th November		'44. Major W.T. Morgan relinquished command of Workshops and was posted to 101 R.H.U. Capt. A.R.P. Hall assumed command.	
	27th November		'44. Enemy aircraft attacked area at 1100 hrs. No damage or casualties to Workshops or personnel. One enemy aircraft shot down.	
	29th November		'44. ASM Field and 20 O.Rs as Advance Party, proceeded to new location at ULFTERHOOK M.R. 819156. Report Centre moved to PANNINGEN M.R. 777049.	
			ARP Hall Capt., O.C., 227 (H) Inf Bde Wksps., R.E.M.E.	

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Commanding Officer Major A.R.P. Hall

Month and Year DECEMBER 1944

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	References to Appendices
HELMOND	3rd December		44. Report Centre moved to MAASBREE M.R. 829082.	
	5th December		44. Wksps moved to ULFTERHOOK M.R. 819159.	
ULFTERHOOK	21 December		44. Wksps moved to CAULILLE, BELGIUM. M.R. 4590.	
CAULILLE	23 December		44. Wksps moved to HELMOND M.R. 546215.	
ARP Hall Major, O.C., 227 (H) Inf Bde Wksps., R.E.M.E.				

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Commanding Officer Major A.R.P. Hall

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	References to Appendices
HELMOND	1st January		'45. Enemy aircraft attacked area. No damage or casualties. ARP Hall Major, O.C., 227 (H) Inf Bde Wksps., R.E.M.E.	

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Month and Year February 1945.

Commanding Officer Major A.R.P. Hall

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	References to Appendices
Helmond.	Feb. 22	45.	<p>A.W.D. under Capt. Briggs moved to Cleve (Germany) M.R. 9055 on operation "Veritable".</p> <p style="text-align: right;">WH Briggs Capt for O.C., 227 (H) Inf Bde Workshop, R.E.M.E.</p>	

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Month and Year March 45.

Commanding Officer Major A.R.P. Hall

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	References to Appendices
Helmond. (HOLLAND)	March. 1		A.W.D. moved forward to Bedburg M.R. 9353.	
	4		A.W.D. rejoined Main Workshops at Helmond.	
	10		Workshops moved to MOL (Belgium) M.R. 0795. Capt. A.D.G. Arch posted to this Unit from 34 R.H.U.	
Mol.	16		Advance party proceeded to new location at SONSBECK (Germany) M.R. 057357.	
	20		Main workshop moved to Sonsbeck prior to operation "Torchlight".	
	25		Report Centre under Capt. A.D.G. Arch est at 157470.	
			WH Briggs Capt for O.C., 227 (H) Inf Bde Workshop, R.E.M.E.	

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Month and Year April 1945

Commanding Officer Major A.R.P. Hall

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	References to Appendices
Sonsbeck	8 April 45		Wksps moved to Warmsen M.R. 762294 on route Xanten, Bocholt, Bockem, Osterwick, Altenberge, Greven, Osnabroeck, Lubbeck and Taveslot. Harboured night 8/9th at Greven. Report Centre rejoined main Wksps.	
Warmsen	10 April 45		Enemy aircraft (2 ME 109s) strafed Wksps at approx 2030 hrs. Slight damage to 2 vehicles, cookhouse and roof fired. Casualties to personnel as follows :- No. 14629436 Cfn Craddock C. - wounded in left arm evacuated to 23 F.D.S. No. 10668359 Dvr Zeraschi F. - wounded in right arm, trivial remains at duty. Burgomaster handed over 1 German POW who was escorted to POW Cage at Kellelem.	
Warmsen	11 April 45		3 Germans surrendered, escorted to POW Cage at Kellelem. Report Centre under Lieut C.H. Fox established at Warnsdorf M.R. 151273.	
Warmsen	12 April 45		1 German O.R. surrendered, escorted to POW Cage at Kellelem.	
Warmsen	13 April 45		2 German O.Rs surrendered and were escorted to POW Cage at Celle.	
Warmsen	21 April 45		Wksps moved to Scharnhorst M.R. 718617 via Wunstorf, Neustadt, Celle and Eschede.	
Scharnhorst	24 April 45		2 German O.Rs surrendered, escorted to POW Cage at Luneburg. Report Centre under Lieut Fox returned to Wksps.	
Scharnhorst	26 April 45		2 German Officers surrendered and were taken to POW Cage at Celle.	
Scharnhorst	27 April 45		Capt. A.D.G. Arch established Report Centre at M.R. 797218 prior to operation 'ENTERPRISE'.	
Scharnhorst	29 April 45		Wksps moved to M.R. S.796259 1 mile west of Bardowick, via Uelzen & Luneburg.	
Nr Bardowick	30 April 45		Enemy air activity over area. No casualties or damage. ARP Hall Major, O.C., 227 (H) Inf Bde Wksps., R.E.M.E.	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	References to Appendices
Nr Bardowick	2 May 45		Wksps moved to Krummel M.R. 793396.	
	31 May 45		Unit moved to Lubeck via Hamburg. No. 7678427 S/Sjt Newport F.C. died in hospital as a result of injuries received in motor cycle accident. ARP Hall Major, O.C., 227 (H) Inf Bde Wksps., R.E.M.E.	