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**NOVEMBER**

**STILIS, GREECE**

- Nov 1st Lt B Spencer, Lt WR Ginger and 27 OR proceeded on LIAP 30. 2 OR proceeded on Class "A" Release (A/S Gp 21). "H"Q" Coy held dance in Athens.
- Nov 2nd 48 OR posted from No 1 CRU, and taken on strength of Bn. 11 OR rejoined Bn ex-LIAP. Major AWF Paskins, MC discharged from 72 Gen Hosp and assumed appointment of Bn 2 i/c. Major CW Deayton-Groom relinquished appointment of Bn 2 i/c.  
Issued: LIAP and DOMCOL.
- Nov 3rd Bn Football Team played 10 Inf Bde Wksps (4 Div League). Result Won 3 - 0
- Nov 4th Short History of Bn (North Africa and Italy) completed.
- Nov 5th Bn Rugby Team v 2 DCLI (Friendly) Result: Lost 3 – 12.  
Issued: BRO – Postal Delay
- Nov 6th Issued: Release A/S Gp 22.
- Nov 7th Camp Construction: Officers' Mess Cookhouse Oven completed. Sgts Mess held dance in Athens. Football v 97 Gen Hosp (Friendly) Result: Won 6 – 1.  
Issued: LIAP 32
- Nov 8th Special Order of Day from Acting Supreme Allied Commander received and copies issued to Coys.  
Camp Construction: Bad weather started with heavy rains. Electrical stores drawn. Football: Bn "B" Team v 116 Pro Coy CMP Result: Lost 2 – 0 (Friendly).  
Issued: BRO – Christmas Committee and Sports Notices. Guards. Late Meals – Drivers.
- Nov. 9th Outstation Guards relieved in accordance with Appendix G6. Capt. JD Paulett (RMO) and 50 OR proceeded on LIAP 32. 1 OR despatched on Class "B" Release and struck off strength of Bn. "HQ" Coy held dance in Athens.  
Camp Construction: "HQ" Coy lines commenced. Guard Room foundations laid.
- Nov 10th 14 OR despatched on Release (A/S Gp 22) and struck off strength of Bn.  
Camp Construction: Strong wind damaged Nissen frameworks.
- Nov 11th Capt. JG Quarrel posted to Bn and taken on strength. 4 OR rejoined Bn ex-LIAP. Brigade Church parade held at 1030hrs in "Falmouth Packet" (DCLI Canteen). 3 Offrs and 50 OR attended from this Bn.
- Nov 12th Issued: Winter Stores. Release – A/S Gp 23
- Nov 13th Issued: Torches.

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- Nov 14th      Camp Construction: 3 huts up in "HQ" Coy lines. Guardroom and preparation room ribs up. Officers' cookhouse inner sheeting completed. Sgts Mess dance held in Athens. Hockey v 97 Gen Hosp (Friendly) Result: Lost 2 – 1. Football v 97 Gen Hosp (Friendly) Result: Lost 5 – 1  
Issued: A/S Gp 31 – forecast of release. Guards.
- Nov 15th      Capt. RL Bates admitted 72 Gen Hosp (Sick). Detachment of 2 mortars carried out demonstration at Greek National Guard School, Kifissia.  
Issued: Entertainment Notice.
- Nov 16th      Outstation Guards relieved in accordance with App G.  
Issued: Guards.
- Nov 17th      22 OR despatched on Class "A" Release (A/S Gp 23) and struck off strength.
- Nov 18th      3 OR despatched on Class "B" Release and struck off strength. 44 OR rejoined Bn ex-LIAP
- Nov 19th      Issued: Football.
- Nov 20th      Capt. RL Bates discharged 72 Gen Hosp. 1 OR despatched on Class "B" Release, and struck off strength of Bn.  
Camp Construction: Dining hall dug out. Wallplates laid for batmen & officers' sleeping quarters.  
Issued : LIAP 33
- Nov 21st      Bn Football Team travelled to Khalkis to play 2 RNF (4 Div League game).  
Result: Won 4 – 1. Hockey v 2 DCLI (Friendly) Result: Won 3-1. Sgts Mess held dance in Athens.  
Issued: Guards.
- Nov 23rd      Lt NJ Evans rejoined Bn from Sports Course No 5, Italy. 1 OR despatched on Compassionate Reversion to UK and struck off strength of B. 20 OR despatched on LIAP 33. HQ Coy held dance in Athens.  
Issued: Operational Order No 5.
- Nov 24<sup>th</sup>      Outstation Guards relieved as per instructions in App G 19. 35 OR rejoined Bn ex-LIAP  
Issued: Bn Showers.
- Nov 25th      Parade held in Bn Canteen at 0930 hrs.
- Nov 26th      Issued: Warning Order calling forward A/S Gp 24.
- Nov 27th      Brigade Commander visited Bn and inspected Bn area.  
Camp Construction: Main Ablution hut complete.  
Football v 4 Recce Regt (4 Div League) Result: Won 2 – 0. Darts v Royal Navy.

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Bn won by 2 legs to 1.

Nov 28th Camp Construction: Commenced construction of 24' Dining Hall. Sgts Mess held dance in Athens. Issued: Release. Guards.

Nov 29th Camp Construction: Commenced Romney Hut for PRI.  
Hockey v 50 RTR (Friendly) Result: Lost 2 – 0. LF(G) Boxing Semi-Final. 10 Inf Bde v 28 Bde. Result 10 Bde won by 1 point. Representatives: Cpl Ellis won – KO. Pte Stanley won – on points. Cpl Berry won – on points. Pte Newbury lost – knocked out.

Issued: Class “B” Release (Personnel) subsequently did not accept Class “B” Release, and remained with Bn to await early release in Class “A”

Nov 30th Football v 18 Fd Pk (4 Div League) Result: Won 5 - 1

### EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITIES

Owing to the drain on personnel brought about by Release, LIAP, and Bn commitments, the number of Officers and Other Ranks available to take advantage of Educational Facilities offered has been small, but good has been done nevertheless. Three men are doing full-time study – from 8 am 'till 5 pm daily for examinations (Forces Preliminary and Police Entrance), which they hope to take early in 1946. They are studying Maths, English, French, History and General Knowledge. The Library is rapidly increasing in numbers, and now includes the former PRI Library. The standard of books contained in the Education Library is very high, and the selection a wide one. It is very well patronised by All Ranks. The Athens Historical Course – a Course to give Service personnel an opportunity to study Ancient Greek Civilisation at its source – has proved very popular. 11 applications have already been made to attend. 4 have already attended. Private study in the evening is becoming more popular, and the Library is generally quite full. There are 22 away on outside courses, the highest number in the Bde, and at present this is the only Bn in the Bde with Forces Preliminary Candidates.