

W. A. H. STURDY

H. Q. DIV. F. 210 R. 3

1st Aust. Div.

91

Next of Kin (wife)

Mrs. V. A. H. STURDEE

PANGALORE

St. Georges Rd

NORTH FITZROY

MELBOURNE

VICTORIA

AUSTRALIA.

Sun 25/4/15

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4.50 ^{3rd} Bde landed on beach
mid way between First & 9th
Hut & Kaba Tape after 1st
onet charges won the ridge
2nd Bde followed then
1st Bde.

We landed
off Munnawasha about 9 am
1st ~~2nd~~ 2nd + 3 F.Co. all ashore
by this. 1st came ashore
with 2nd Bde & made tracks
on N side, 2nd F.Co. on South.
Col & about noon went S.
along beach to look for
water & found some. Williams
getting water supply ready
3 F.Co. track making with
1 F.Co.

afternoon spent
in assisting with pier &
getting wounded off. Beach
crowded with wounded most
of Bus suffered severely especially
in Officers. Night rather

uneasy roused several times
stones arriving in afternoon.

Shrapnel hit me in groin but
did not penetrate.

Mon 26th 3 Coy making
roads & getting stores
ashore Shrapnel pretty
considerable

Tues 27th 1 FCo. making position
on plateau above N point
of beach 3 FCo. making
track 2 FCo. stores &
tracks water supply.

watering of Army Corps carried
out from water tanks into
tanks then into tin tins & taken
up on ponies. (b) Williams
water hole, Dawkins water hole
& water on N. side.

Wed 28th General Store
& duty on beach
Corps making Roads
entrenchments etc

Thurs 29th

Morning in investigating Turkish
land grenades. Afternoon
to right flank to see about
wire entanglements around
guns

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Fri 30th Stores & stores etc in am
with 9 Turkish Bombs to 4th
Bde HQ. & instructed Les in
their use. Saw Lock on his
water hole. Had tea with
him. Arranging for bombs
to be made in evening
Col Carey VC, D.E. Naval Bde & 1st
1st F.Co. 2 sections with H2 Div.
2nd section pier
2nd F.Co. Wire entanglements stores
3 F.Co. Track near RMH position
RmH RE disembarked during evening
cannibal came ashore with
Rif.

Sat May 1st 6.15 am. With des-
-patch to Cloggie in gully near
Locks water hole. Shrapnel
very heavy 5 men 3 F.Co hit in comm

95 marooned in dugout till 9.
Hit by sniper on right arm
but not penetrated. Stores
+ states in am. Stores
+ general jobs.

1 F.Co. making tracks
+ trenches. water

2 F.Co. buttalements + Fack
for gunners

3 F.Co. resting after night
work

Sum 2 F.Co. in evening

2/5/15 Collecting picks shovel
bags etc odd jobs
all day.

1 F.Co 3 sections with 1st Bde
entrenching 1 sect water

2 F.Co. with 2nd Bde Shingle
erect position rock
to when water

3 F.Co. 2 sections with
3rd Bde 2 section
on beach making
bombs, clearing up
piers + tools etc

evening to try with messengers
etc

Col out all day around
position

mon
3/5/15 Issuing stores all 96
day. Coys as for 2/5/15
Parties 2nd 13th Coy Sapping
trench in front of line.
Lt. Huntley seriously injured
during night 3/4th at 1st def
Bde. Col around position
all day.

thurs
4/5/15 Lt. Huntley 410 men to Gaba
Tapa in early morning
refused to surrender
issuing stores (stock sand
bags gave out & cliffs
had to be scoured for them.
Huntley died 1/2 an hour after
admission to hospital

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Coy 5 as for 2/5/15
5/5/15 State to AAG. 1st Ecu
gathering sand bags nearly
all day. 2nd Bde went
South. Companies as on
previous day. Sapping
etc progressing on right of
1st Bde.
Letter sent / sent cable by post

20p
6/5/15 Censoring letters. Barge
load sand bags arrived
getting them issued. Shrapnel
from Kaba Tapa unhealed beach
wood under thorns killed.
1/5 Coy 3rd to N. 2 Div. Other
coys as before.

97 7/5/15 Fri States stores etc.
Party cutting mine
shelters in gully until 2pm
then to hospital + made
shelters for them. met 2nd
cousin in RMD. Capt Bage
killed in front of firing line.
wound recommending a position
3pm. Capt Lewis had
arm broken in one deep out
sitting on my bunk by Singapore
sent off to hospital ship - movie
went with him

Completing shelters for Hosp
after tea
1st Coy with 1st Bde (1 sect on beach
water etc)
2nd sapping water
3rd Coy on right - 2 sect with H2

8/5/15 Sat. Stores & stores +
correspondence all
day. Bages Body recovered
during night & we buried
him just above South Point
of beach where most of
the burials have taken place.
He was buried at sunset.

Coy as before

9/5/15 Sun Getting in stores
messing stores etc. & super
vising party (out) cutting
recesses for 18 par amm.
Corresp. Coy as before

10/5/15 censoring letters recip⁹⁸
all morning. Stores etc
in all not much selling on
beach generally quiet. NZ
report to have taken two French
but had swimmers again
letters from George, Martin & others
Coy's as before

11/5/15 States recip. Stores
etc W.D. Dow came
ashore about 7 p.m.
Coy's as before

12/5/15 States & squaring up
1st F Coy returns Lt Dawkins
killed on the beach by SASAPUL
in an EY Store badly bombarded
Some stores injured. Dawkins
buried in cemetery at 5th Pt.
at 7.30 getting Infantry fatigue
party digging recesses.
Coy's as before
~~W.D. Dow came ashore~~

13/5/15 To store with working
party. cresp. stores
spoke to me. Call & lies on
phone in evening
Coy's as before

14/5/15 Pows. was on stores. Stores
in all water barges gave out
all transports gone. went up
to Tocks Docks to see about
water. Every along
to buy or store to issue clothes

99 Les got captaincy + James
2/24! Letter rpe to George
re to Hunter + W. R. R. R.

15/5/15 Bob is inspected Frack
over deck on STM ANZAC
Cove Stores states etc
Col had arm broken
by sniper 12-30 near
10th Bn. Seeing after him
getting him off warned
that Maitlyn for duty.
Les came to tea to D/HQ.
re plan with Tim Les
is celebrated his promotion
with a drop + named for
honor. Col went to
H.S. Gascon. Les sleep
in our dugout.

16/5/15 To store + odd jobs
states promotions etc
Napier got leg badly smashed
up previously have to be
amputated

17/5/15 Cutting Frack up
sniper fully. stores
etc

18/5/15 T Do
Big attack by Turks during
night. Turks 7000 casualties 500 US

19/5/15 W Do

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20/5/15 Stores etc to see Martyn
then had a look at Saps saw
elogue lunch then Saps dug out.

F 21/5/15 Track stores

S 22/5/15 Cutting platforms for 4 days
reserve ration storm
during night
Letters.

S 23/5/15 Stores etc Track.
IFC 1 Sect to Beach

24/5/15 Amastree 7.30 am to 4.30 pm
Stores track
1 Sect to Beach

25/5/15 "Triumph" torpedoed 12.20 pm
Heeled over in 10 minutes upside down
1/2 hour 50 drowned off Kava type
Stores 1-2 Sect track.

26/5/15 Stores etc in am
To 2nd Sect track wells in aft also
DPTQ re piping loop holes
32 reinforcements & returns arrived
7 pm To Major Martyn 8-11 pm

27/5/15 Major Martyn 8-11 pm
Capitelle office work in
am Stores Track & DPTQ in
aft. stores etc

28/5/15 Censoring all am Letters from G.M.
P.M.S. Supervising Discharge of
F

529/15/15 Same as
101 30/1/15

530/1/15 Supervising Shrapnel Gully
communication stores etc

M 31/5/15 Lts Middleton Potter, Moore & E
reputed. stores & censoring
letters in an Shrapnel
moore are covered ways in Shrapnel
Gully. D.H.Q. in evening orders
to shift to D.H.Q.

1/6/15 Selecting site for Engr H.Q.
work at D.H.Q. stores etc
to D.H.Q. in evening

W 2/6/15 Stores etc D.H.Q. ~~to~~ Lt
Moore on new deep out
at D.H.Q. May Mosley
arrived 2pm. went off
with Martyn around trenches
moved to D.H.Q. Correspondence.

3/6/15 To 1st Bde with May M. Lt Col
Talbot. Trenches with McCall
attended to Courtney Post. back
for lunch 2pm. Corresp. shown up
Piquette Platform galloping to store.
messages etc in evening
Store handed over to Williams

4/6/15 Around 3rd Bde trenches &
proposed roads with May M. only
to 3rd Bde D.H.Q. & around trenches
with Braggadeci. Lunch 2pm
censoring letters. Corresp. 5.45
to 1st Bde in demolition of Trench
McG. returned with Col White
Corresp in evening. Attack on
Quinn's Post by us at 11 pm

5/6/15

S 5/6/15 writing up diary (war) &
arrangements BTHQ. to store
about 6 p.m. Major. M. 5
1st Bde re water & saps etc. 102

6/6/15 writing up War and diary
arrangements with BTHQ
Major M. around position &
Conference with 20 p.m. re
new system of the trenches

M 7/6/15 Censoring letters (6 to 9 p.m.)
in am.
Major M. around position
Corresp in evening

T 8/6/15 Major M. to Cape Helles for
stores & general
corresp. routine work
officer in evening.

W 9/6/15. Very day odd jobs Claggie
to lunch & slept here all
aft. Tyn. back for Aft tea
Lt. M. on discovery to have gone off

T 10/6/15 Major M. returned from Helles
6 p.m. corresp etc. in afternoon
in am. Choked supper with Peter

F 11/6/15 Censoring letters all morning
store in aft.

S 12/6/15 Conference at 10 p.m. at 10 p.m.
all morning read lunch there

S 12/6/15 Building enlarged dug out
corresp in evening 10 p.m. Street

M 14/6/15 Censoring letters & corresp
in am. M.O. around
position. Down to hospital

T 15/6/15 office all day no clerk
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W 16/6/15 office in around beach with
Q Brauer for Eids for restoration
much excellent D unalut
came ashore

T 17/6/15 office removing letters
~~at day To covered way 2 ft.~~
~~had tea with taken away~~
~~at 10 AM~~

F 18/6/15 8am. Starting working
party covered way near 2nd Farm
confering with anyone re sluffing
ATIZAC Itg. clearing Hoops etc 9-11
cursing removing middleton stuff jobs

S 19/6/15 Dow reported back
making arrangements
re ^{sluffing} Hoopstone plate
old jobs L. 9.30 AM E.

Sun 20/6/15 office to store re Hoopstone
sailed, to ANZAC to put down
old jobs

M 21/6/15 store removing all
thin. Stone etc

W 22/6/15 To store, covered way
near 2nd Farm saw Pater
up monash to see Jack re
wells to Braund this re
back to 1st LH yarned to
Rugby lunch at 2 PM
To 3rd Farm saw Les re
administ sea with them
Saw Cyppie got back 8pm

W 23/6/15 office all day saw after
yarned to sig of office in
evening. 104

24/6/15 office censoring all
morning. took over job
from Muddleton 11 am of
making Hop Dugouts. Saw
Letter in aft. to store & odd jobs

25/6/15. pm. Getting started on Hop
F job to store covered way near
2F Amv. saw Peter. office

14/9/15 Hop job covered way in oven
9 am. (Hop job no party turned
up till 10 Cloggie Savage
26/6/15 came read paper

27/6/15 Hop job store odd jobs

28/6/15 Hop job censoring in am.
with lock up to walls tea with
2F Coy then on to see Cloggie

29/6/15 got back 12 min. Demon. in light H
Hospital job stores
smoke attack during evening

30/6/15 Hospital job stores

1/7/15 Hop job censoring all day
Took around in evening JCR

2/7/15 Hop job started 5-9 am 1 pm
censoring

















































