**AUSTRALIAN AND NEW ZEALAND ARMY CORP (ANZACS)**

**ANZAC RIFLE PLATOON 1965 – 1971**

Patrolling was the cornerstone of 1 Australian Task Force’s (1ATF’s) operations in Phuoc Tuy Province. Rather than wait behind the wire for the Viet Cong to launch attacks on the Task Force base, the Australians sought to control the area around Nui Dat, denying the Viet Cong any element of surprise and making it difficult for them to move undetected.

**SPECIAL RULES/NATIONAL CHARACTERISTICS**

**Command Dice: 5**

**Silent Patrolling**

When deploying from Jump off Points, regular troops deploy within 9” and elite troops within 12”. Enemy forces attempting to Ambush an ANZAC force must deploy further than 10” from any ANZAC infantry unit.

**Scout Group**

ANZAC scout groups may move with 1D6 or 2D6 and assume a Tactical stance at the end of their

movement. If they are within line of sight of their Section Leader he can activate them for one

Command Initiative without being in command range. Gain +1 on spotting rolls. Can be detached from the section and enter the table on their own.

**Five Rounds Rapid**

When a Leader is attached to a rifle Team and uses two or more Command Initiatives to activate that Team, he may add that many D6 to the Team’s firing dice to reflect his controlling their rapid fire.

**Jungle Trained NEW!**

Patrol Markers use 14” as both their move distance and the distance from a friendly Patrol Marker within which they must remain. Other than this additional 2” they operate as normal Patrol Markers.

Australian troops are rated as stubborn.

"stubborn troops in defence, ignore a defeat by 1 and fight again immediately.

"Stubborn troops in Close Combat ignore any

Shock inflicted during combat, i.e. they do not

ignore Shock inflicted prior to combat.

**Infantry Platoon**

Troop Type: Regular

Platoon Force rating: +4

Command Dice: 5

| Force Morale | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Command Dice | 2 |  | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| Morale |  | J |  |  |  |

| **PLATOON HEADQUARTERS** |
| --- |
| 1 x Lt, Senior Leader with F1 SMG  1 x Platoon Sergeant, Senior Leader with L1A1 SLR  1x Radio Operator with F1 SMG  1x Orderly with L1A1 SLR |

| **Sections 1-3** | | |
| --- | --- | --- |
| 1 x Corporal, Junior Leader with L1A1 SLR | | |
| **Scout group**  1 x Scout with F1 SMG  1 x Scout with L1A1 SLR | **Gun Group**  1 x Lance Corporal, Team Leader L1A1 SLR and M-79  1 x GPMG M-60 with 2 Crew | **Assault Group**  3 x Rifleman with L1A1 SLR |

**Options**

1 Rifleman in the assault Group may have a M-79 instead of the Lance Corporal.

From 1967 you may replace any F1 SMGs with M16A1 assault rifles.

The Plt Sgt can be allocated a 66mm LAW for 1 pt.

The Launcher Grenade L1A1 and Adaptor Grenade Projector M1A2 were both used with the L1A1 to fire the M26 hand Grenade . “lessons from Vietnam 65-71” Australian Training Information Bulletin #69. As used by the 6 RAR in 1969.

**Alternative Infantry Platoon 1969+**

Troop Type: Regular

Platoon Force rating: +8

Command Dice: 5

| Force Morale | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5+ |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Command Dice | 2 |  | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| Morale |  | J |  |  |  |

| **Half Patrol** | | |
| --- | --- | --- |
| 1x Lt Senior Leader with M16A1or L1A1  1x Radio Operator with M16A1 | | |
| **Sections 1-2** | | |
| 1 x Corporal, Junior Leader with M16A1 | | |
| **Scout group**  2 x Scouts with M16A1 | **Gun Group**  1 x Lance Corporal, Team Leader L1A1 SLR and M-79  1 x GPMG M-60 with 2 Crew | **Assault Group**  3 x Rifleman with L1A1 SLR |

| **Half Patrol** | | |
| --- | --- | --- |
| Sgt Senior Leader with M16A1 or L1A1  1x Radio Operator with M16A1 | | |
| **Sections 3-4** | | |
| 1 x Corporal, Junior Leader with M16A1 | | |
| **Scout group**  2 x Scouts with M16A1 | **Gun Group**  1 x Lance Corporal, Team Leader  L1A1 SLR and M-79  1 x GPMG M-60 with 2 Crew | **Assault Group**  3 x Rifleman with L1A1 SLR |

**Options**

1 Rifleman in the assault Group may have an M-79 instead of the Lance Corporal.

The Plt Sgt can be allocated a 66mm LAW for 1 pt.

The Launcher Grenade L1A1 and Adaptor Grenade Projector M1A2 were both used with the L1A1 to fire the M26 hand Grenade . “lessons from Vietnam 65-71” Australian Training Information Bulletin #69. As used by the 6 RAR in 1969

**SUPPORT LISTS**

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| **LIST ONE** |
| --- |
| Stretcher Bearer (Treated as Medical Orderly) (1) |
| Barbed Wire (2) |
| Minefield (3) |
| Series 2 Landrover, no crew |
| OC (Adjutant) (1) |
| Entrenchments for one *Team* |
| Add one M72 LAW (7) |
| Add an extra M60 to one section only (1) |
| Add a two Man RAE Splinter Team (3) \*\* |
| Replace x2 riflemen in assault group with an M60 with two Crew (3) **NZ Only 69+** |
| Fit one Grenade Launcher to one SLR in assault group (3) |
| Trip Flare |
| **LIST TWO** |
| Roadblock (1) |
| Pre-Game Barrage |
| Ambush (2) |
| Add extra GPMG M60 with 3 crew to the Platoon (2) |
| Green Vietnamese PSDF Squad of 4+D6 men with obsolete weapons |
| **LIST THREE** |
| Assault Pioneer Flamethrower Team, 2 men (1) |
| Green ARVN PF Squad of 10 men with rifles |
| **LIST FOUR** |
| Combat Engineer Team (3x ST/MTs) with Junior Leader (1)\*\* |
| Recce Patrol of 4 men and a Junior Leader |
| MMG (M60) on tripod mount with Junior Leader and 3 crew on or off table (2) |
| Massive Preliminary Bombardment |
| NZ Mortar Fire controller with 81mm mortar section **NZ Only** **69+** |
| M113 with mounted .50cal, Junior Leader and 1 crew. |
| M125 81mm Mortar Carrier (2) Junior Leader and 3 crew |
| M18 Claymore Mine (3) |
| Dog Tracker Section (**67+**) |
| Green ARVN RF Squad of 7 men with J/L |
| **LIST FIVE** |
| ANZAC Infantry Regular Squad with Junior Leader (1) |
| M113 with T50 turret 50/30 junior leader and 1 crew (**67+**) |
| M113 wit T50 turret with twin 30’s junior leader and 1 crew (**67+**) |
| M113 with M74C Turret with twin 30’s junior leader and 1 crew (**66+**) |
| ANZAC Forward Observer and 81mm mortar section x2 tubes (1) |
| M113 FSV with Junior leader and 2 crew. (**71+**) |
| ARVN Regular Squad with Junior Leader (1 |
| M2HB .50 cal HMG on tripod with Junior Leader and 3  Crew on or off table (1) |
| **LIST SIX** |
| Artillery Fire Mission (1) |
| **LIST EIGHT** |
| 90mm Recoilless Rifle with 3 crew and Junior Leader. (1) |
| M101 105mm Howitzer with 5 crew and Junior leader |
| **LIST NINE** |
| 106mm Recoilless Rifle with 3 crew and Junior Leader (1) |
| **LIST TEN** |
| Series 2 Landrover SWB with 106mm RCL with 3 crew and JL |
| Elite SASR Patrol of 5 men |
| **LIST ELEVEN** |
| UH1 H Bushranger **67+** |
| **LIST TWELVE** |
| Centurion MK 5/1 with Junior Leader and 3 crew |

Supports in RED can be chosen up to a max of two weapons as they come from the Company HQ support section.

Supports in BLUE can only be chosen when defending a FSB

Supports in Green can only be picked when doing convoy escorts

Popular Force “PF” Squad of 10 men with M1 garand rifles no junior leader

Regional Force “RF” Squad of seven men with one junior leader armed with M1 or M16 rifles (69+) and a M79

Popular Self Defence Force “PSDF” Squad of 4+D6 armed with a mix of SMGs and M1 Carbines/Garands etc..

Above information taken from

<https://vietnam.unsw.adfa.edu.au/the-arvn-was-their-performance-misunderstood/>

**M79 and M72 do not reduce cover in areas of bamboo due to premature detonation or inability to penetrate through it.**

**\*\*(RAE) Engineer Sapper teams** were 2 man teams either a “ST” splinter team or “MT” Mini Team. The Combat Engineer Team “CET” consisted of three two man teams. All armed with rifles for personnel protection, six Tear gas and six Smoke Grenades and 10Kg of demo charges. MT’s had body armour and helmets issued along with Mine Detectors. CET could be a mix of ST and MT. MTs usually worked alongside Tanks and APCs.

CETs were usually allocated as one CET per platoon or one ST per section.

A splinter team can act as a Mine clearance, Demo or Wire Cutting Team.

Can detect hidden bunker, tunnel entrances and mines within 3”

| **Combat Engineer Team** | | |
| --- | --- | --- |
| **1x J/L with L1A1 SLR** | | |
| **Engineer Splinter Team**  1 x J/L with F1 SMG  1 x Engineer with L1A1 SLR | **Engineer Splinter Team**  1 x Engineer with F1 SMG  1 x Engineer with L1A1 SLR | **Engineer Splinter Team**  1 x Engineer with F1 SMG  1 x Engineer with L1A1 SLR |

**69+** replace F1 SMGs with M16s

**Tear Gas.**  Tear gas grenades act as a normal grenade in terms of how it is deployed. It hits as for normal grenades but can, however, only cause Shock. All Shock and Kill results are therefore counted as Shock. In addition, the total is multiplied by 1.5.

**History of the 1 field Squadron Group, Royal Australian Engineers 1965 -1972**

**TRIP FLARES:** Detected on 3+ if moving tactically or 5+ if moving normally. If roll fails the flare ignites, lighting up targets out to 12”. Paraflares may be fired as a *Task*. Place the marker and scatter as per off table plunging fire. Round is assumed to be 12” above the marker. All units within LOS of the flare are now treated as if they are in one level better lighting condition. Illumination lasts for 1D3+3 phases or until the end of the turn.

**FLAK VEST:** Ignore first kill from explosives.

**UH 1H Bushranger 67+**

Twin Miniguns MG 14**\***, seven barrelled rockets HE 6 plus twin M60 door gunners FP 6. 32 Pts 11 SP

**Off-Table Assets**

Off-table assets are available to shoot-in an attack from a position off table.

The weapon activates on a Command Dice roll of 5, firing as though at long range.

When this weapon first fires, the player must place a marker on the table edge. This may not be moved for the rest of the game and all firing uses this as the point from which there must be a Line of Sight to the target and determines what cover the target is in from that point.

When an Off-Table asset is activated on a 5, the dice may not be used to increase the number of Chain of Command points. An Off-Table asset may never be engaged by enemy fire. However, its line of sight may be blocked by smoke or a mortar barrage.

**Massive Preliminary Bombardment**

Stuka rule.

**NZ 81mm Mortar Section**

New Zealand troops from V and W Companies had a two tube mortar section allocated at Company HQ level. The section contained two 81mm mortar tubes. It covers a 12” x 12” fire zone. FP 4 per each team in the zone.

**Artillery Fire Mission**

A Senior Leader can call in an off board Arty Fire Mission as long as the radio Operator is still functioning. It covers an 18 x 18” fire zone. FP 5 per each team in the zone. Call for fire as per the rules.

**5 man ELITE SASR Patrol**

Consists of a Junior Leader with an M16, two patrol members with L2A1 cut down auto rifles and two patrol members with M16 with a 40mm UGL.

**TRIP FLARES:** Detected on 3+ if moving tactically or 5+ if moving normally. If roll fails the flare ignites, lighting up targets out to 12”.

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**Tracker Dog Sect 67+**

**Attached from the A/Tk Platoon**

1x Jnr Leader SLR or M16

1x 2iC with Radio and M16

2x Visual Trackers with M16 and 1x M79

2x Dog handlers each with a Black labrador

1x M60 and Two Crew

Visual Trackers get +1 to spot booby traps within 3” of their location.

Dog Teams can spot booby traps within 3” of their location, **offtable** dog teams can be placed between an ambusher and ambushee, the ambusher must deploy 12” further away from the dog team.

**Claymores**

Support option for Free World Forces.

Claymores can be taken as an additional support option upgrade to a Free World Force when an Entrenchment or the Ambush support option is taken at a cost of 4 points per claymore.

If taken as an Ambush upgrade then a maximum of 2 claymores can be taken.

If taken as an Entrenchment upgrade then 1 claymore per Entrenchment up to a maximum of 3 claymores total can be taken.

When Used as part of an Ambush:

* The claymore does not require a separate activation and is fired first.
* Deploy with a 90 degree arc aimed the same as overwatch from the unit activating.

When deployed as part of an entrenchment:

* Deploy with a 90 degree arc aimed the same as overwatch from the unit activating when the entrenchment is deployed.
* Claymore is fired by using 1 leader initiative or by a chain of command dice interruption.

Firepower 4d6 per target team or 8d6 per target squad for squads without teams.

Weapon effect as follows measuring from the attacking players unit to the closest part of the target unit:

* 0 to 4 inches - Safety Zone (BBA). No effect.
* 4+ to 8 inches - Target auto hit roll for effect.
* 8+ to 12 inches - 4+ to hit.
* 12+ to 16" - 5+ to hit.

All hit effects subject to terrain cover.

Shock results are doubled and target unit is pinned temporarily until end of next phase similar to effects against Fire Support

**Assault Pioneer Platoon**

Gain +1 for spotting Booby traps

Troop Type: Regular

Platoon Force rating: +5

Command Dice: 5

| Force Morale | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5+ |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Command Dice | 2 |  | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| Morale |  | J |  |  |  |

| **PLATOON HEADQUARTERS** |
| --- |
| 1 x Lt, Senior Leader with F1 SMG  1 x Platoon Sergeant, Senior Leader with L1A1 SLR  1x Radio Operator with F1 SMG  1x Orderly with L1A1 SLR |

| **Pioneer Sections 1-3** | | |
| --- | --- | --- |
| 1 x Corporal, Junior Leader with F1 SMG | | |
| **Scout group**  1 x Scout with F1 SMG  1 x Scout with L1A1 SLR | **Gun Group**  1 x Lance Corporal, Team Leader L1A1 SLR and M-79  1 x GPMG M-60 with 2 Crew | **Assault Group**  3 x Rifleman with L1A1 SLR |

**Options**

1 Rifleman in Rifle Group may have an M-79 instead of Lance Corporal.

From 1967 may replace any F1 SMGs with M16A1 assault rifles.

The Plt Sgt can be allocated a 66mm LAW for 1 pt.

Can convert x3 men from any assault group into a mine clearance, wire cutting or a demo team for no cost.

Can convert the scout group Into a flamethrower team for one point.

Each Pioneer section has x3 hand grenades and x3 smoke grenades

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| **LIST ONE** |
| --- |
| Stretcher Bearer (Treated as Medical Orderly) (1) |
| Two Man RAE Splinter Team (3) \*\* |
| Minefield (3) |
| Barbed Wire (2) |
| Minefield (3) |
| Jeep, no crew |
| OC (Adjutant) (1) |
| Entrenchments for one *Team* |
| M72 LAW (7) |
| Add a Satchel Charge to a section (3) |
| Fit a Grenade Launcher to one SLR in assault group |
| Fit a Dozer blade to a Centurion Tank (1) |
| Add Tear gas grenades to a section |
| **LIST TWO** |
| Roadblock (1) |
| Pre-Game Barrage |
| Ambush (1) |
| Fire Mission (3) |
| Green ARVN PF Squad of 10 men with rifles |
| Add extra GPMG M60 with 3 crew to the Platoon (2) |
| **LIST THREE** |
| Assault Pioneer Flamethrower Team, 4 men (1) |
| Green ARVN RF Squad of 7 men with J/L |
| **LIST FOUR** |
| Assault Pioneer Section (2 teams) with a Junior Leader (1) |
| MMG (M60) on tripod mount with Junior Leader and 3 crew on or off table (2) |
| Massive Preliminary Bombardment |
| M18 Claymore Mine (3) |
| M113 with mounted .50cal, Junior Leader and 1 crew. 66+ |
| Dog Tracker Section (67+) |
| **LIST FIVE** |
| ANZAC Regular Section with Junior Leader (1) |
| M113 with T50 turret 50/30 junior leader and 1 crew(67+) |
| M113 wit T50 turret with twin 30’s junior leader and 1 crew (67+) |
| M113 with M74C Turret with twin 30’s junior leader and 1 crew(66+) |
| Forward Observer and 81mm mortar section (1) |
| **LIST SIX** |
| Fire Mission 105mm (1) |
| **LIST TEN** |
| US M48 Patton with Mine rollers CS 92T(1) 70+ |
| **LIST TWELVE** |
| Centurion Mk5/1 Tank |
| **LIST FIFTEEN** |
| 1x Cavalry Section of 3x M113 with M47C **67+** |
| 1x Cavalry Section of 1x M113 with T50/30 and 2x T50/30 **67+** |

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History of the 1 field Squadron Group, Royal Australian Engineers 1965 -1972

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**Recce Platoon 5 RAR 1966**

**SPECIAL RULES/NATIONAL CHARACTERISTICS**

**Command Dice: 5**

**Silent Patrolling**

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**Jungle Trained NEW!**

Patrol Markers use 14” as both their move distance and the distance from a friendly Patrol Marker within which they must remain. Other than this additional 2” they operate as normal Patrol Markers.

**Improved Comms**

A Senior Leader S/L can activate a Junior Leader J/L out of Line of sight as long as there is a working radio at both ends.

As usually operating way ahead of their parent battalion. Both S/L’s can operate as a Forward Observer and call in fire missions as long as the Platoon HQ RTO radio is still working.

Australian troops are rated as stubborn.

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"Stubborn troops in Close Combat ignore any

Shock inflicted during combat, i.e. they do not

ignore Shock inflicted prior to combat.

Troop Type: Regular

Platoon Force rating:

Command Dice: 5

| Force Morale | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5+ |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Command Dice | 2 |  | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| Morale |  | J |  |  |  |

All troops may move with 1D6 or 2D6 and assume a Tactical stance at the end of their

movement. Get +1 on all spotting rolls.

| **PLATOON HEADQUARTERS** |
| --- |
| 1 x Lt, Senior Leader with L1A1 SLR  1 x Platoon Sergeant, Senior Leader with L1A1 SLR & M79  2x Radio Operator with L1A1 SLR  1x Fwd Scout with L1A1 SLR  1x Tail End Charlie (Plt Medic) with L1A1 SLR |

| **Patrols 1-3** | | |
| --- | --- | --- |
| 1 x Corporal, Superior Junior Leader with L1A1 SLR & M79 | | |
| 1x Fwd Scout with M16  1x RTO with SLR  1x Gunner with M60  1x Tail End Charlie (Patrol medic) with M16 | | |

**Options**

1 Rifleman in a patrol may have the M-79 instead of the Corporal.

Replace any L1A1 SLRs with M16A1 assault rifles.

Due to the freedom to carry as much ammo as possible double amount of grenades carried

**SUPPORT LISTS**

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| **LIST ONE** |
| --- |
| Two Man RAE Splinter Team (3) \*\* |
| Entrenchments for one *Patrol (4)* |
| One M72 LAW per section (3) |
| Give the Platoon Sgt a M72 LAW (1) |
| **LIST TWO** |
| Red Dice |
| Claymore Mine |
| Roadblock (1) |
| Pre-Game Barrage |
| Ambush (2) |
| **LIST THREE** |
| **LIST FOUR** |
| Claymore Mine (3) |
| Recce Patrol of 5 men with Junior Leader |
| Dog Tracker Section **(67+)** |
| **LIST FIVE** |
| ANZAC Regular Section with Junior Leader (1) |
| **LIST SIX** |
| 105mm Artillery Fire Mission (1) |
| **LIST EIGHT** |
| **LIST NINE** |

**SASR 1966+**

**SPECIAL RULES/NATIONAL CHARACTERISTICS**

Troop Type: Elite

Platoon Force rating: +10

Command Dice: 5

| Force Morale | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Command Dice |  | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| Morale | J |  |  |  |

**Stubborn and Aggressive**

**Silent Patrolling**

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All troops may move with 1D6 or 2D6 and assume a Tactical stance at the end of their

movement. If they are within line of sight of their Section Leader he can activate them for one

Command Initiative without being in command range.

**Improved Comms**

S/L can activate a J/L out of Line of sight as long as there is a working radio at both ends.

As usually operating way ahead of their parent battalion. Both S/L can operate as a Forward Observer and call in fire missions as long as the battalion RTO radio is still working.

| **PLATOON HEADQUARTERS** |
| --- |
| 1 x Capt, Superior Senior Leader with M16 or L1A1 SLR  1 x Lt, Senior Leader with M16 or L1A1 SLR  1x Radio Operator with M16 or L1A1 SLR  1x Platoon Medic M16 |

| **Patrols 1-6** | | |
| --- | --- | --- |
| 1 x Patrol Commander SGT, Superior Junior Leader with M16 | | |
| 1x RTO with M16/XM148 UGL  1x Patrol Member with L2A1 Auto Rifle  1x Patrol Medic M16/XM148 UGL  1x Patrol Member with L2A1 Auto Rifle | | |

**Options**

Due to the freedom to carry as much ammo as possible, double the amount of grenades carried.

**SUPPORT LISTS**

The numbers in brackets refer to the maximum number that can be taken per platoon.

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| **LIST ONE** |
| --- |
| Replace any M16 with a CAR 15 |
| M72 LAW (6) |
| Fit a XM148 40mm UGL to any L2A1, M16 or L34A1 (3) |
| Replace any weapon with a L34A1 Suppressed SMG |
| Swap one weapon system for a M14 DMR (1) |
| **LIST TWO** |
| Roadblock (1) |
| Swap a L2A1 auto rifle with an M60 class as a single crew |
| Ambush (2) |
| Red Dice |
| **LIST THREE** |
| Sniper Team |
| **LIST FOUR** |
| Claymore Mine (3) |
| ANZAC Recce Patrol of 5 men with Junior Leader |
| Dog Tracker Section **(67+)** |
| **LIST FIVE** |
| Fire Mission 105mm (1) |
| **LIST ELEVEN** |
| UH1 H Bushranger **67+** |

**Suppressors.** If playing a scenario in which the other side needs to be alerted to their presence, there is only a chance if they are within 6" and score 4+ on a D6.

Troop Type:

Platoon Force rating:

Command Dice:

| **COMPANY HEADQUARTERS** |
| --- |
| 1 x Maj, Ranking Senior Leader with F1 SMG or M16  1 x Company Sergeant Major (CSM), Senior Leader with L1A1 SLR  1x Radio Operator with F1 SMG/M16  1x Runner with SLR  1x Arty FOO with F1 SMG or M16  1x FOO RTO with F1 SMG or M16 |

| **LIST ONE** |
| --- |
| Series 2 SWB Landrover (1) |
| Give a M72 LAW to CSM (1) |
| Medic with SLR |
| Tracker with M16 and Dog |
| Two Man RAE Splinter Team (3) \*\* |
| **LIST TWO** |
|  |
| **LIST THREE** |
|  |
| **LIST FOUR** |
| Combat Engineer Team (3x MTs) with Junior Leader (1)\*\* |
| M113 T30/30 (1) **69+** |
| M113 M47C (1) **67-69** |
| **LIST FIVE** |
| M113A1 (1) |
| M113 T50/30 (1) **69+** |

**APC Section Long Tan 66**

Troop Type: Regular

Platoon Force rating: -2

Command Dice: 5

| Force Morale | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5+ |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Command Dice | 2 |  | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| Morale |  | J |  |  |  |

| **Cav Section** | |
| --- | --- |
| 1x M113A1 with Senior Leader | |
| 2x M113A1 with Junior Leader | |

**Cav Section 67+**

Troop Type: Regular

Platoon Force rating: 0

Command Dice: 5

| Force Morale | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5+ |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Command Dice | 2 |  | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| Morale |  | J |  |  |  |

| **Cav Section** | |
| --- | --- |
| 1x M113A1 with Senior Leader | |
| 2x M113A1 with M47C Turret with Junior Leader | |

**Cav Section 69+**

Troop Type: Regular

Platoon Force rating: 0

Command Dice: 5

| Force Morale | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5+ |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Command Dice | 2 |  | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| Morale |  | J |  |  |  |

| **Cav Section** | |
| --- | --- |
| 1x M113 T50/30 turret with Senior Leader | |
| 2x M113 T30/30 Turret with Junior Leader | |

**Tank Troop 68+**

Troop Type: Regular

Platoon Force rating: +16

Command Dice: 5

| Force Morale | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5+ |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Command Dice | 2 |  | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| Morale |  | J |  |  |  |

| **Tank Troop** | |
| --- | --- |
| 1x Centurion Mk5/1 with Senior Leader | |
| 3x Centurion Mk5/1 Turret with Junior Leader | |

| **LIST ONE** |
| --- |
| Fit Dozer Blade to one Tank |
| Two Man RAE Mini Team (1) \*\* |
|  |
| **LIST TWO** |
|  |
| **LIST FOUR** |
| Combat Engineer Team (3x MTs) with Junior Leader (1)\*\* |
| Engineer Team |
| Centurion AVLB |
| Centurion ARV used by MTs for transport |
| M113 Fitters Track |
| **LIST FIVE** |
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\*\*(RAE) Engineer Sapper teams were 2 man teams either “ST” splinter teams or “MT” Mini Teams and the Combat Engineer Team “CET” consisted of three two man teams. All armed with rifles for personnel protection, six Tear gas and six Smoke Grenades and 10Kg of demo charges. MT’s had body armour and helmets issued along with Mine Detectors. CET could be a mix of ST and MT. MTs usually worked alongside Tanks and APCs. CETs were usually allocated as one CET per platoon or one ST per section.

**Tank Half Troop 68+**

Troop Type: Regular

Platoon Force rating: +4

Command Dice: 5

| Force Morale | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5+ |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Command Dice | 2 |  | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| Morale |  | J |  |  |  |

| **Tank Troop** | |
| --- | --- |
| 1x Centurion Mk5/1 with Senior Leader | |
| 1x Centurion Mk5/1 Turret with Junior Leader | |

| **LIST ONE** |
| --- |
| Fit Dozer Blade to one tank |
| Two Man RAE Mini Team (1) \*\* |
|  |
| **LIST TWO** |
|  |
| **LIST FOUR** |
| Combat Engineer Team (3x MTs) with Junior Leader (1)\*\* |
| Centurion AVLB |
| Centurion ARV used by Engineer Mini Teams for transport |
| M113 Fitters Track |

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**3rd Cavalry Recce Troop Aug 71**

Troop Type: Regular

Platoon Force rating: +4

Command Dice: 5

| Force Morale | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5+ |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Command Dice | 2 |  | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| Morale |  | J |  |  |  |

| **Recce Troop** | |
| --- | --- |
| 1x M113A1 with Senior Leader | |
| 2x M113 FSV with Junior Leader | |
| 2x M113 T50/30 with Junior Leader | |

**http://anzacsteel.hobbyvista.com/Armoured%20Vehicles/m113a1fsvph\_1.htm**

**A’ Squadron, 3rd Cavalry Regiment - Organisation – January 1967**

**By Shane Lovell (Updated)**

The Australian Armoured Personnel Carrier squadron based in South Vietnam from June 1966 until November 1971 displayed a number of organisational changes based on the number of armoured vehicles available and the tasks required. The following table displays one such organisation, that of A Squadron, 3rd Cavalry Regiment as recorded in January 1967. At this time the Squadron establishment was limited to 3 APC Troops, here numbered 2,3 and 4. The table below provides details of the unit organisation, M113A1 and variant registration numbers, callsigns and armament.

APC vehicle armament is split between pintle mounted M2 HB .50 calibre machine guns and M74C turrets mounting two .30 calibre machine guns. Commencing September 1966, all Alpha and Bravo callsigns in each of the APC sections were fitted with M74C turrets. This was finalised in December 1966 and it is believed it had been completed by January 1967 mounting twin .30 calibre machine guns. The remainder of the squadron's vehicles retained the pintle mounted M2 HB .50 calibre machine gun, except the M577A1 Armoured Command Vehicle which was armed with an 7.62 mm M60 General Purpose Machine Gun.

**Squadron Headquarters**

| **577.gif (1045 bytes)**0A  ACV 134456 | m113s.gif (1052 bytes)9  APC 134220 | m113s.gif (1052 bytes)9E  APC 134199 |
| --- | --- | --- |
| m113s.gif (1052 bytes)98  APC 134154 | 579.gif (1068 bytes)98A  134377 | Fitters tracks were part of SHQ troop until 1 Nove '68 when they went out with the troops to the bush. (GMV) |

**2 Troop (Tp Leader 0A has three crew, Operator manning a pintle MG in rear compartment)**

| **m113s.gif (1052 bytes)**20A  134196 | m113s.gif (1052 bytes)20B  134190 | Troop Headquarters |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| m113s.gif (1052 bytes)21  134171 | m74.gif (1043 bytes)21A  134177 | m74.gif (1043 bytes)21B  134178 | 1 Section |
| m113s.gif (1052 bytes)22  134209 | m74.gif (1043 bytes)22A  134182 | m74.gif (1043 bytes)22B  134168 | 2 Section |
| m113s.gif (1052 bytes)23  134199 | m74.gif (1043 bytes)23A  134200 | m74.gif (1043 bytes)23B  134206 | 3 Section |

**3 Troop (Tp Leader 0A has three crew, Operator manning a pintle MG in rear compartment)**

| **m113s.gif (1052 bytes)**30A  134186 | m113s.gif (1052 bytes)30B  134152 | Troop Headquarters |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| m113s.gif (1052 bytes)31  134155 | m74.gif (1043 bytes)31A  134160 | m74.gif (1043 bytes)31B  134148 | 1 Section |
| m113s.gif (1052 bytes)32  134164 | m74.gif (1043 bytes)32A  134144 | m74.gif (1043 bytes)32B  134145 | 2 Section |
| m113s.gif (1052 bytes)33  134184 | m74.gif (1043 bytes)33A  134161 | m74.gif (1043 bytes)33B  134332 | 3 Section |

**4 Troop (Tp Leader 0A has three crew, Operator manning a pintle MG in rear compartment)**

| **m113s.gif (1052 bytes)**40A  134192 | m113s.gif (1052 bytes)40B  134172 | Troop Headquarters |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| m113s.gif (1052 bytes)41  134202 | m74.gif (1043 bytes)41A  134165 | m74.gif (1043 bytes)41B  134330 | 1 Section |
| m113s.gif (1052 bytes)42  134198 | m74.gif (1043 bytes)42A  134211 | m74.gif (1043 bytes)42B  134218 | 2 Section |
| m113s.gif (1052 bytes)43  134201 | m74.gif (1043 bytes)43A  134175 | m74.gif (1043 bytes)43B  134222 | 3 Section |

**Support Arms Troop**

| **125.gif (1045 bytes)**81A  134419 APC(M) | m113s.gif (1052 bytes)81B  134190 | 1 Section |
| --- | --- | --- |
| 125.gif (1045 bytes)82A  134418 APC(M) | 125.gif (1045 bytes)82B  134422 APC(M) | 2 Section |

**Long Tan carriers 18 August 1966**

**Background**

The first ten M113A1 APCs were sent to South Vietnam to support Australian troops and arrived in Vietnam on 27 May 1965. The first machine gun shields were fitted in mid June 1965. The machine gun shields were to provide a degree of protection for the commander.

A further eight carriers were sent to South Vietnam (including two M125A1 81mm mortars carriers) in September 1965. It was not until May 1966 that a further delivery of 26 carriers was sent to South Vietnam arriving in May 1966. These additional carriers were to bolster 1 Australian Task Force (1 ATF) then establish its new operational base at Nui Dat.

The Situation

The task force began arriving at Nui Dat during April and June 1966. From 17 May to 15 June, United States and Australian forces secured the area around Nui Dat during Operation Hardihood.

The Vietcong operated at will in Phouc Tuy province for some years and 1 ATF was a serious threat to their control of the province. To counter this threat the Vietcong reacted by using local force D445 Regiment and 5th VC Division to attack the new base.

The Nui Dat base was heavily mortared on the night of 16/17 August and B Company 6 RAR was sent out to locate the source of the enemy mortars in the Long Tan rubber plantation. B Company was then ordered to return to base. D company was then sent to locate the enemy. At 3.40pm 18 August 1966 D Company 6 Royal Australian Regiment (RAR) was ambushed and engaged by a superior force of D445 Regiment Viet Cong troops in the rubber plantation of Long Tan.

From an armoured force of 44 M113A1 carriers ten carriers were deployed to carry A Company 6 RAR to assist D Company 6 RAR. Ten of the carriers had been in service since May 1965 and were overdue for a major overhaul. It should be noted that Centurion tanks did not arrive until February 1968.

Lt Francis Adrian Roberts had orders "To convey A Company 6 RAR to join D Company and break up the attack". To achieve this order 3 troop 1st APC Squadron equipped with M113A1 APCs together with several APCs from 2 troop conveyed A company 6RAR to the Long Tan rubber plantation. Two of the carriers (30B,33A) returned to Nui Dat to collect the 6 RAR commanding officer and his HQ group and return to Long Tan rubber plantation.

The 2 troop APCs went into battle without gun shields leaving the crew commanders fully exposed. The 3 troop carriers were equipped with gun shields. Callsign 39M was an APC fitted out as an ambulance and was commanded by Corporal John Carter. Cpl Carter was awarded a medal for knocking out a 57mm recoilless rifle after his 50 cal machine gun jammed and used the driver’s Owen gun to kill the enemy crew, thus drawing more enemy fire to his APC.

The carriers were:

| **CALLSIGN** | **ARN\*** | **COMMANDER** |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **30A** | **134186** | **Lt FA Roberts** | **Mentioned in dispatches** |
| **30B** | **134152** | **2Lt IC Savage** |  |
| **32** | **134164** | **Sgt RE Richards** | **Vietnamese Cross of Gallantry with Silver Star** |
| **32B** | **134145** | **Cpl RJ Cross** |  |
| **33A** | **134161** | **Cpl P Fottrill** |  |
| **33B** | **134332** | **CPL JJ O’Shae** |  |
| **39M** | **134260** | **Cpl JA Carter** | **Distinguished Conduct Medal** |
| **23** | **134200** | **CPL JT O’Reilly** |  |
| **23A** | **134168** | **Cpl PE Clements** | **Vietnamese Cross of Gallantry with Gold Star** |
| **23B** | **134206** | **LCpl WG Smith** |  |

**Note: \*** The Army Recognition Numbers (ARNs) are based on a mileage return for October 1966 and assumed to be the same as two months before.

The M113A1 carrier had a crew of two with the commander in the commander’s cupola with one .50 inch calibre machine gun and one driver. The driver’s personal weapon at this time was an Owen submachine gun. The vehicle could carry up to ten troops internally. Some but not all of the APCs fitted with RT68 radios (part of the AN/GRC7 and 8 radio sets) as well as PRC25 infantry backpack radios.

It was not until October 1966 that all of 1 APC Squadron APCs were fitted with the AN/VRC 12, ANGRC 125 and Vehicle intercommunications (VIC-1) systems. Part of this system was the AT-912/ VRC antennae which were quite different from the later AS-1729 VRC antennae that were used well into the 1980s.

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| The later AS-1729/VRC  This was replacing the in service AT-912 | The earlier AT912/VRC.  The antennae base (AB-719 was seen on Australian M113A1 APC as late as February 1969 (Normie Rowe's APC) but by this time it was being replaced by the AS-1729/VRC. | This image shows the style and position of callsign and army registration number on the left rear of the Long Tan APCs.  The steel rod frame for the rear mounted jerrycans can also be seen. Also just visible is the 50 cal ammunition liner simply sitting on the hull roof.  Photo Credit AWM |

**Modelling a Long Tan M113A1 APC**

You will need a M113A1 kit with the Australian modifications. This includes the hull roof with fuel cap inspection plate and cargo hatch filter box. Internally there was 25mm of foam blanket glued to the hull roof. The initial jerrycans on the rear of the hull were held in place by webbing straps. These rotted quite quickly in the Vietnamese climate and jerrycans were held in a metal rod basket (see image below). The earlier antennas should also be fitted.

**Vehicle markings**

Not surprisingly there are very few images of Long Tan carriers taken on the day. This summary of markings is based on markings photographed during the period July to August 1966 and fit the official requirement for markings.

Each vehicle had a large callsign on the rear ramp and ARNs on the front left (in front of the driver) on the glacis plate and on the left rear hull. They had a small version of the call sign on both sides of the hull and above the rear ARN. A small white kangaroo just below the bilge pump outlet near the driver.

The right glacis plate had the "unit baggage, stores and equipment" marking. In the case of 1 APC Squadron this was 1125. This was the number over three coloured bars. These are not often seen in images.

The top right corner of the trim vane had the dimensional and weight measurements of the M113A1 APC necessary for transporting via ships to Vietnam. This eventually wore off over time.

The APCs were still painted in US olive drab and did not change to Australian Olive drab lustreless until late 1967.

**The Army Headquarters (AHQ) Belly Uparmouring Project by Shane Lovell**

Commencing 15 August 1970, all Australian M113A1s in South Vietnam were progressively fitted with four modifications under the AHQ Belly Uparmouring Project. Fitting of the modifications was primarily undertaken by 106th Field Workshop, Royal Australia Electrical and Mechanical Engineer at Nui Dat.

The project involved the fitting of hull length belly armour, a collapsible drivers footrest, right hand sponson armour (left hand sponson armour had been fitted to all M113A1 from mid 1969) and repositioning of the drivers hatch.

The project was undertaken as a high priority to decrease vehicle and personnel casualties suffered from Viet Cong anti vehicle mines.

The M113A1 variants in service in South Vietnam when the project occurred were M113A1 Armoured Personnel Carriers APC, M125A1 81mm mortar vehicles APC(M), M113A1 Fitters vehicles APC(F) AND M577A1 Armoured Command Vehicles ACV.

The project was completed in early November 1970. Subsequently, the modifications were also fitted to all replacement vehicles, including Fire Support Vehicles (FSV) prior to their issue to combat units.

The following tables identify the majority of M113A1s modified between August and November 1970

**Headquarters, 1st Australian Task Force (Note 1)**

| Army RegistrationNumber | Vehicle Type | Callsign | Radio Configuration | Weapon | Completed Week Ending |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 134469 | ACV | 85 | RT 524 X 4 /125 | GPMG | ? |
| 134470 | ACV | 85A | 49/125/125 | GPMG | 9/10/70 |
| 134465 | ACV | 85B | RT 524 X 3 /125 | GPMG | ? |
| 134457 | ACV | 85C | 125/106/47  Teleprinters | GPMG | ? |
| 134472 | ACV | 85D | 46/125 | GPMG | 18/09/70 |

**A Squadron, 1st Armoured Regiment**

| **Army RegistrationNumber** | **Vehicle Type** | **Callsign** | **Radio Configuration** | **Weapon** | **Completed Week Ending** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Squadron Headquarters** | | | | | |
| **134174** | **APC** | **0A** |  |  | **16/10/70** |
| **134344** | **APC** | **0B** |  |  | **16/10/70** |
| **134459** | **ACV** | **0C** |  | **GPMG** | **9/10/70** |
| **Light Aid Detachment** | | | | | |
| **134372** | **APC (F)** | **8A** |  | **.50** | **23/10/70** |
| **134371** | **APC (F)** | **8C** | **46** | **.50** | **16/10/70** |
| **134375** | **APC (F)** | **8E** |  | **.50** | **9/10/70** |

**106 Field Workshop, Royal Australian Electrical and Mechanical Engineers**

| **Army RegistrationNumber** | **Vehicle Type** | **Callsign** | **Radio Configuration** | **Weapon** | **Completed Week Ending** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **134370** | **APC (F)** |  |  | **.50** | **16/10/70** |

**Unknown Unit (Possibly the theatre reserve held by 2nd Advance Ordnance Depot)**

| **Army RegistrationNumber** | **Vehicle Type** | **Callsign** | **Radio Configuration** | **Weapon** | **Completed Week Ending** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **134238** | **APC** | **?** | **?** | **?** | **21/08/70** |
| **134364** | **APC** | **?** | **?** | **?** | **30/10/70** |

**1st Field Squadron, Royal Australian Engineers (Note 2)**

| **Army RegistrationNumber** | **Vehicle Type** | **Callsign** | **Radio Configuration** | **Weapon** | **Completed Week Ending** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **134377** | **APC (F)** |  |  | **.50** | **9/10/70** |

**B Squadron, 3rd Cavalry Regiment**

| **Army RegistrationNumber** | **Vehicle Type** | **Callsign** | **Radio Configuration** | **Weapon** | **Completed Week Ending** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Squadron Headquarters** | | | | | |
| **134361** | **APC** | **9** | **49/125/125** | **50/30** | **?** |
| **134341** | **APC** | **9A** | **46/125** | **30/30** | **?** |
| **134269** | **APC** | **9E** | **49/125/125** | **50/30** | **?** |
| **134456** | **ACV** | **0A** | **49/125/125/**  **125/106** | **GPMG** | **?** |
| **1 Troop** | | | | | |
| **134318** | **APC** | **10A** | **49/125** | **50/30** | **9/10/70** |
| **134160** | **APC** | **10B** | **49/125** | **50/30** | **?** |
| **134338** | **APC** | **19J** | **46/125** | **50/30** | **28/08/70** |
| **134268** | **APC** | **19M** | **46/125** | **30/30** | **28/08/70** |
| **134345** | **APC** | **11** | **46/125** | **50/30** | **?** |
| **134357** | **APC** | **11A** | **46/125** | **30/30** | **14/08/70** |
| **135353** | **APC** | **11B** | **46/125** | **30/30** | **14/08/70** |
| **134300** | **APC** | **12** | **46/125** | **50/30** | **?** |
| **134285** | **APC** | **12A** | **46/125** | **30/30** | **21/08/70** |
| **134240** | **APC** | **12B** | **46/125** | **30/30** | **21/08/70** |
| **134314** | **APC** | **13** | **46/125** | **50/30** | **?** |
| **134339** | **APC** | **13A** | **46/125** | **30/30** | **28/08/70** |
| **134354** | **APC** | **13B** | **46/125** | **30/30** | **?** |
| **2 Troop** | | | | | |
| **134350** | **APC** | **20A** | **49/125** | **50/30** | **?** |
| **134290** | **APC** | **20B** | **49/125** | **50/30** | **?** |
| **134281** | **APC** | **29J** | **46/125** | **30/30** | **?** |
| **134177** | **APC** | **29M** | **46/125** | **30/30** | **18/09/70** |
| **134306** | **APC** | **21** | **46/125** | **50/30** | **28/08/70** |
| **134248** | **APC** | **21A** | **46/125** | **30/30** | **?** |
| **134352** | **APC** | **21B** | **46/125** | **50/30** | **28/08/70** |
| **134356** | **APC** | **22** | **46/125** | **30/30** | **?** |
| **134246** | **APC** | **22A** | **46/125** | **30/30** | **11/09/70** |
| **134293** | **APC** | **22B** | **46/125** | **30/30** | **11/09/70** |
| **134260** | **APC** | **23** | **46/125** | **50/30** | **21/08/70** |
| **134258** | **APC** | **23A** | **46/125** | **30/30** | **?** |
| **134358** | **APC** | **23B** | **46/125** | **30/30** | **?** |
| **3 Troop** | | | | | |
| **134253** | **APC** | **30A** | **49/125** | **50/30** | **11/09/70** |
| **134150** | **APC** | **30B** | **49/125** | **50/30** | **18/09/70** |
| **134348** | **APC** | **39J** | **46/125** | **30/30** | **18/09/70** |
| **?** |  | **39M** |  |  | **?** |
| **?** |  | **31** |  |  | **?** |
| **134243** | **APC** | **31A** | **46/125** | **30/30** | **04/09/70** |
| **134284** | **APC** | **31A** | **46/125** | **50/30** | **4/09/70** |
| **134355** | **APC** | **31B** | **46/125** | **30/30** | **?** |
| **134349** | **APC** | **32** | **46/125** | **30/30** | **11/09/70** |
| **134342** | **APC** | **32A** | **46/125** | **30/30** | **?** |
| **134245** | **APC** | **32B** | **46/125** | **30/30** | **11/09/70** |
| **134359** | **APC** | **33** | **46/125** | **30/30** | **?** |
| **134272** | **APC** | **33A** | **46/125** | **30/30** | **21/08/70** |
| **134252** | **APC** | **33B** | **46/125** | **30/30** | **21/08/70** |
|  | | | | | |
| **134288** | **APC** | **84** | **49/125** | **50/30** | **?** |
| **134274** | **APC** | **84A** | **46/125** | **30/30** | **4/09/70** |
| **134299** | **APC** | **84B** | **46/125** | **30/30** | **4/09/70** |
| **134428** | **APC(M)** | **81** | **46/125** | **.50** | **?** |
| **134419** | **APC(M)** | **81A** | **46/125** | **.50** | **28/08/70** |
| **134423** | **APC(M)** | **82** | **46/125** | **.50** | **18/09/70** |
| **?** | **APC(M)** | **82A** | **46/125** | **.50** | **?** |
| **134422** | **APC(M)** | **83A** | **46/125** | **.50** | **?** |
| **134427** | **APC(M)** | **83** | **46/125** | **.50** | **11/09/70** |
| **Support Arms Troop** | | | | | |
| **134343** | **APC** | **86** | **49/125** | **50/30** | **4/09/70** |
| **134363** | **APC** | **86A** | **46/125** | **30/30** | **4/09/70** |
| **134287** | **APC** | **86B** | **46/125** | **30/30** | **?** |
| **Light Aid Detachment** | | | | | |
| **134369** | **APC (F)** | **98A** | **46/125** | **.50** | **?** |
| **134381** | **APC (F)** | **98** | **46/125** | **.50** | **?** |
| **134387** | **APC (F)** | **98B** | **46/125** | **.50** | **?** |

**Note 1:**

**The Armoured Command Vehicles allowed HQ 1 ATF to deploy into the field from Nui Dat as required. Each vehicle had a specific function:**

| **ARN** | **Function** |
| --- | --- |
| **134469** | **Operations Command Post** |
| **134465** | **Artillery Fire Support Coordination Centre** |
| **134470** | **Air Support Command Post** |
| **134457** | **Signals Command Post** |

**Note 2:**

**The table for 1 Field Squadron, Royal Australian Engineers does not include ARNs 134267 and 134226 as these vehicles were not officially issued to the unit. These were diverted to 1 Fd Sqn instead of returning to Australia after being declared ‘beyond local repair’. They were modified for use as improvised mine clearing vehicles.**

**Abbreviations**

**Communications Equipment**

**46 - AN/VRC 46 (1 X RT 524)**

**49 - AN/VRC 49 (2 X RT 524)**

**106 - AN/GRC 106**

**125 - AN/GRC 125**

**Vehicle Armament**

**GPMG General Purpose Machine Gun M60 7.62 mm**

**.50 M2 HB .50 calibre machine gun on a pintle mount with a gun shield**

**50/30 M2 HB .50 calibre machine gun and L3A3 .30 machine gun within a T50 turret**

**30/30 Two L3A3 .30 calibre machine gun within a T50 turret**

**It was common for the L3A3 .30 calibre machine gun to be mounted on the T50 roof on an improvised mounting.**