

Second World War Unit War Diary – 7th Bn. Cheshire Regiment - Davey

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WAR DIARY
OF
INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY
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Unit..... 7 Cheshire
Commanding Officer..... Lt Col. C. C.

Month and Year..... Jan 44

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	References to Appendix
	20		several counter attacks on points 201 798966 fighting in this area again very fierce and bitter throughout the day	
	0845		M.T.O. arrived and informed P.M. 2/c that Capt. Raynor had been unable to cross river to A Coy's forward HQ that night and had crossed first light to-day. He also reported supply situation in hand although some difficulty was being experienced in getting sufficient water to the front platoons.	
	0900		B Coy TAC HQ reported to be at 806955	
	1000		C Coy moved forward to concentration area,	
	21	0700	C Coy arrived concentration area south of MINTURNO	

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	21	0845	Adjutant crossed river to visit B Coy. Sporadic shelling. G.C. B Coy reported that the company had worked extremely well and that platoons were now improving the positions they had occupied.	
	1230		Two platoons H. Coy dispersed at 795954 and 797951. Coy HQ established at 836953.	
	1330		Personal message from S.W. Comd received.	J. 5.
	1730		Two platoons H. Coy rushed into action during a fierce enemy counter attack on M. NATALE. Very rapid action by one platoon, guns were in action and firing seven minutes after order had been received. This platoon had approximately 500' of uphill country to cross to reach their position.	

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	21	1745	One platoon C. Coy in action area 779956.	
		1815	One platoon D Coy carried out harassing shoot in enemy position in Point 156 776966.	
	22	0830	Bridge Control HQ reported moving to C.H.HOLE M 8789.	
		0900	Rec'd B Coy HQ reported at 836953.	
		1030	One platoon H. Coy fired by observation at enemy on N.W. end of Point 172 M 783965.	
		1100	The Commanding Officer sent a personal message of congratulation to all ranks of the battalion.	J. 6.
		1200	C. Coy reported one casualty.	
		1455	H. Coy reported all platoons in action.	
		1640	One platoon D. Coy fired by observation on small waste S.E. end of Point 156 M 778966.	

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RETURN OF OFFICERS

For Week Ending 29 Jan '44

COUNTING AGAINST W.E.

(Total to agree with column 3 of Part A)

5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Name and Initials	Parent Corps or Regiment	Date taken on Strength	Whether present with unit	Appointment held	Date Assumed present Appointment	Remarks, including how employed if absent from unit
S. BURNELL	RWK	2-10-39	Yes	CO	8-4-43	
D. MURPHY	Devon	18-10-43		2IC	18-10-43	
S. SCOTT	Shropshire	1-9-39		AC 'C' Coy	1-2-41	
R. TOLCHARD	Devon	10-10-39		AC 'B' Coy	7-6-43	
P. ELLWOOD	Shropshire	1-9-39		AC 'D' Coy	18-12-42	
R. T. SARCHET		15-6-40		Adlft	14-12-43	
A. W. RAYNER		1-7-41		AC 'A' Coy	20-1-44	
T. D. SIDDALL		1-5-41				
A. S. FEARSON		15-4-41		MTG	1-7-42	
R. GOR		1-5-41				
M. S. Mc SHANE		18-7-42				
A. C. HARRIS		18-7-40				
A. M. HARRAL		18-7-40				
G. T. JAMES		18-7-40		SO	1-7-42	
N. A. CARTART		1-8-41				
M. K. MANN		1-3-41				
C. P. FOULSEN		15-8-41				
R. E. HAMILTON		1-12-41				
W. A. HAPGOOD-STICKLAND		1-12-41				
F. WHITE		1-12-41		IO	6-2-43	Brune
D. A. NOAD		10-10-43	No			
M. C. SEACOMBE		22-1-44	Yes			
T. RIMMER		22-1-44				
M. G. SARSON		22-1-44				
C. E. BAKER		27-7-43				
T. KENWORTHY		3-10-43				
T. J. ROBINSON		29-1-44				
A. CLARK		29-1-44				
J. ARNOLD-WILSON		29-1-44				
R. OSBORNE		5-3-42		QM	5-3-42	

(C) OFFICERS ATTACHED FOR DUTY IN EXCESS OF W.E.

Name and Initials	Regt. or Corps	Date of attachment	Nature of attachment
E. A. BIRKS	RATAC	13-8-43	RMO

ns, etc., of Reinforcements required

5 line
 (Signature of Comm)
 Lt - Col

(Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is)

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