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NAVAL AND MILITARY DEFENCE FORCE.

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ADJUTANT.F.I.D.F.

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FALKLAND ISIANDS DEFENCE FORCE. PROGRAMME OF TRAINING.

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# FALKLAND ISLANDS DEFENCE FORCE PROGRAMME OF INDOOR WINTER TRAINING FROM 1st APRIL TO 30TH SEPT 1933

## WEEKLY FROM IST APRIL TO 3IST MAY 1933

Monday 7 to 8.p.m. Recruits Drill 8 to IO.p.m. Miniature Rifle Shooting.

Tuesday 7 to 8.p.m. Gymnastic Class 8 to IO.p.m. Badminton

Wednesday 7 to 8.p.m. Refreshing Course on Drill, Weapon
Training and Tactics for Junior Officers
and N.C.O's. 8 to Io.p.m. M.R. Shooting

Thursday 7 to 8.n.m. Gymnastic Class 8 to 10.n.m. Badminton

Friday 7 to 8.p.m. Recruits Drill 8 to 10.p.m. Miniature Rifle Shooting

Saturday 7 to IO.P.M. Badminton.

## WEEKLY FROM IST JUNE TO FOTH SEPTEMBER 1933

7 to 8.p.m. No.I. Platoon Monday 8 to IO.P.M. Miniature Rifle Shooting Gymnastic Class Tuesday 7 to 8.p.m. 8 to Io.n.m. Badminton Wednesday Vickers Machine Gun Instruction 7 to 8.n.m. ----do----Ambulance Class. Miniature Rifle Shooting 8 to 10.n.m. Gymnastic Class 7 to 8.n.m. Thursday Badminton. 8 to 10.n.m. No.2. Platoon Friday 7 to 8.n.m. 8 to 10. n.m. Miniature Rifle Shooting Saturday 7 to 10.p.m. Badminton.

N.B. Owing to the formation of the Artillery and Vickers Machine Gun Sections, members of No.3. Platoon will now put in their annual compliment of drills with No.1. or No.2. Platoons, according to which Platoon

they have been posted to for Drill purposes The Platoon as a whole still remains within the Force.

Band Practice I am to make arrangements with Corporal.F.O'Sullivan so that he and the members of the Brass Band will have every facility during the winter months to do their Band practice.

Junior Officers & N.C.O's refreshing class of Instruction.

The object of this course, which will be the same as is carried out in the Territorial Army at home previous to Section and Platoon training commencing, willbe. To refresh the memories of the instructors in Drill, Weapon Training and Tactics. Also at the end of the course an examination will be held to pass out N.C.O's for Promotion.

I am, Sir,

yours obediently.

A malla\_ Lieut & Adjutant: F.I. Defence Force.

## 10th March 1933

Headquarters Falkland Islands Defence Force S T A N L E Y.

To,
The Hon,
Colonial Secretary
S T A N L E Y.

Sir. Submitted- herewith please my proposed programme of Indoor Winter Training for the Falkland Islands Defence Force.

Mala, Lieut & Adjutant F.I. Defence Force.

## MINUTE.

3rd April

1933

To

The Adjutant From

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

Falkland Islands Defence Force

STANLEY

OFFICERS AND NON-COMMISSIONED OFFICERS REFRESHING SUBJECT: CLASS OF INSTRUCTION.

> Sir. Submitted, a copy per attached has been forwarded to each Officer and Non-Commissioned of the Defence Force.

I am, Sir, yours obediently

Lieut & Adjutant. F.I.D.F.

Officers and Non-Commissioned officers of The Falkland Islands Defence Force I consider it is essential that we should have a few hours instruction in Drill previous to Platoon Training commencing. I have drawn up a brisf course which I will conduct in the nature of a Refreshing Course in Drill, Reapon Training, Bayonet Training, Lewis Gun Training and Tactics ics.

The Class will meet on Wednerdays wookly and will be of one hours duration.

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Port Stanley 3rd April 1933 Lient & Adjutant.
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81	th DRILL	NIGHT	Reading and memorise the Miscellaneous Signals	Sending the Miscellaneous Signals by members of the Class. The Class to write down the Signals.
9-	thDRILL	NIGHT	Reading the alphabet by Lucas Daylight Signalling Lamp.	Sending the Alphabet by Lucas Lamp. Members of the Class to send and Read.
10	th DRILL	NIGHT	By Lucas Lamp (Test Group Message) vide Sec.97.2., page 199.5.T.	By Lucas Lamp Sending Test Group Message. Members of the Class to send and Read.
II.	th DRILL	NIGHT	Classification Test by Lucas Lamp. The Class in pairs to take messages sent by the Signalling Officer, vide Sec. 97,4. pages 200 & 201.	DittO
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To

From THE ADJUTANT

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

FALKLAND ISLANDS DEFENCE FORCE

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## TRAINING OF THE "SIGNAL" SECTION, FALKLAND ISLANDS SUBJECT: -

Sir, One defect in our organization which was very much in evidence during the Tactical Exercise with H.M.S. Durban on the night of 9/IOth February 1933 was: Our inter-communication by Visual Signalling.

2.On Service or during Tactical Exercises when Platcons are detached it is essential that a Trained Signalman should be present with the Platoon to keep up intercommunication with Headquarters.

3. The Personel of the "Signal" Section at present is:-

2nd Lieut.F.W.Byron (Signalling Officer) Pte .G.Butcher

.A. Beardmore

.T.D. Evans

.M. Creece 11

.W.D.Jones .H.Slade .H.Thomas

With the exception of Mr. Byron and Pte.G. Butcher none of the remainder have had any practical experience in Sending or Reading Messages by Visual Signalling. Pte. H. Slade has a practical knowledge of the Morse Code, sending and reading by Key. Ptes, Beardmore and Thomas have had brief instruction in sending and reading.

- 4. Previously with the exception of a few lessons during the Drill Season of 1931, the "Signal" Section have had no organized instruction in Signalling.
- 5. The lay out of our Inter-communications between Detachments and Headquarters made by Mr Byron on the night of the Tactical Exercise I consider perfect and correct, but we lack trained personel in Visual Signall -ing.
- 6. To counter-act this defect I submit for approval a sequence of Training which I have drawn up with the Signalling Officer for the first years work of the Clas I would recommend that Pte.G. Butcher be promoted to the Rank of Corporal and that he would assist Mr. Byron in the instruction of the Class.

7. At our disposal we have:-

One Buzzer Call Key.

Two Daylight Electric Signalling Lanps., all in good and serviceable condition.

8. During the indoor Training Season which continues from the first week in June to the end of September, I would suggest that the Class should meet at the Drill Hall for Instruction under the Signalling Officer at 7.p.m. on Wednesday nights weekly. The instruction to last for one hour.

I am, Sir, yours obediently

Lieut & Adjutant. F.I. Defence Force.



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### MINUTE.

24th January

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To

From The Adjutant

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY.

Falkland Islands Defence Force

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

Stanley, Falkland Islands

## SUBJECT: ANNUAL FIRING WITH BALL AMMUNITION FOR MEMBERS OF THE VICKERS MACHINE GUN SECTION OF THE DEFENCE FORCE

Sir,

If His Excellency the Acting Governor approves, I propose taking the members of the Vickers Machine Gun & Section to the vicinity of MULLET CREEK on Saturday and g Sunday the 3rd and 4th February to do their annual trainin with Ball ammunition.

The Hon, Director of Public Works has kindly agreed to furnish me with a six wheeler Motor Lorry to convey the Guns, amminition, tent and the mens' kit, to the Stone Kraal behind Sappers Hill where we are to camp for the week-end.

My programme of training will be as follows:

Saturday 3rd February Leave the Drill Hall about 6.p.j.

On arrival at the Stone Kraal the Section will pitch the Tent. The guns will then be taken to a Gun position which I have selected overlooking Mullet Creek. The guns will be mounted on their Zero lines and will be ranged on a target, they will then be set up for night firing.

After dark, say about IO.p.m., the Section will muster at the Gun position when night firing will be carried out with the assistance of Tracer Bullets.

## Sunday 4th February

The Section will parade at 8.a.m. and muster at the Gun position. Instruction with bail ammunition at various targets by Direct and Indirect methods will be carried out up to I2, Noon.

The Section will return to Stanley during the afternoon.

I append a Machine Gun Range Table or Chart showing the ranges and the locality in which the exercises will be carried out.

I suggest publishing in the "Penguin"; for the information of the General Public, that Machine Gun firing will be carried out on the dates stated in the vicinity of Mullet Creek.

Every precaution will be taken before fire is opened to ensure that the field of fire is clear



and continous observation kept up by the use of a powerful Range Finder telescope and a Director instrument both of which have a wide view of vision.

During firing a Large Red Flag will be flown at the Gun Position.

The members of the Vickers Machine Gun Section are all very keen to attend this week-end practice camp. Training with the Vickers Gun on the limited space available on the Rifle Range does not justify the expenditure of amounition required.

I am, Sir, yours obediently

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## 8th February 1934

Headquarters
Falkland Islands Defence Force
Stanley, Falkland Islands.

SUBJECT: REPORT ON THE TRAINING CARRIED OUT BY THE MEMBERS OF THE DEFENCE FORCE DURING THE TRAINING SEASON I 9 3 3.

Sir,

GENERAL

The past season was a very successful one from a training point of view. It also was a very busy onc. During the season the Force took part in a Night Operation, a Review, and the new formed Artillery Section in addition to having practical experience on the gun position during the Night Operation also carried out Sub-calibre shooting with the gun on Sappers Hill.

The Vickers Machine Gun Section of which the full compliment have carried out their elementary handling with Ball ammunition, were also present at the Hight Operation. Owing to adverse weather conditions this unit was unable to carry out their shooting practices at Mullet Creek lact week-end. It is my intention when the weather clears to carry out the firing in the near future.

VOLUMTARY PARADES

- 2. In addition to the Drills, Parades and Exercises shown on the attached list, a Voluntary Class of Instruction in Drill, Weapon Training, and Tactics was formed for Officers and N.C.O's The Class met on one night weekly and continued for seven weeks.
- A Gymnastic Class was also formed, but the numbers who attended did not justify continuing with the class, so it was abandoned.

The Brass Band under Conductor.F.O'Sulliva put in a large number of voluntary attendances at practice during the training season, and were very efficient on the various parades at which they attended.

TRAINING

- 3. The Drills during the Training Season were well attended. Only three members being returned as inefficient. As regards Out-door parades, the attendances could be better.
- 4. Owing to members not turning out when squaded with their Platoons, Class Firing this year was prolonged. Additional visits had to be made to the Rifle Range on this account. The bad season for Peat cutting may have been partly to blame for this. With a view to higher efficiency in rifle shooting i changed the Class firing course this year. There was more failures this year, yet the average was quite good, and the new course appears to be popular.

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TRAINING (CONTINUED) 5. The Lewis Gunners put in their Annual firing with the Gun, and the results were very satisfactory.

6. The Officers, Lewis and Vickers Gunners put in their Annual Revolver shooting and all qualified with the exception of one member of the Vickers Machine Gun Section.

7. The Artillery Section received very valuable instruction from Lieut Commander Dickinson of H.M.S. Dauntless. I witnessed the Sub-calibra shooting from Sappers Hill. The shooting was very good, all ranks were very keen and carried out their duties very well.

EFFICIENCY AWARDS

No.3. Platoon being the most efficient Platoon were awarded the "Coutts" Cup for I 9 3 3.

Corpl.F.O'Sullivan for General Efficiency and for the hard work he put in instructing the members of the Brass Band was awarded the Efficiency Shield for 1933.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant

WM Cula Lieut & Adjutant. F. I. Defence Force.

THE HON, COLONIAL SECRETARY STANLEY, FALKLAND ISLANDS.

## MINUTE.

5th March

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To

From The Adjutant

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

Falkland Islands Defence Force Stanley, Falkland Islands,

SUBJECT: - VICKERS MACHINE GUN SECTION : - ANNUAL FIRING

Sir,

As was previously arranged the members of the Vickers Machine Gun Section carried out their Annual Firing in the vicinity of MULLET CREEK during the week-end 3rd and 4th March 1934.

The Section with their guns, tents and camp equipment left Stanley by Motor Lorry at 6.p.m. on Saturday 3rd March, and returned about 12, Noon on Sunday 4th March.

The tents were pitched and camp set up under the high rocks to the South of the Stone Kraal. The Section then proceeded to the Gun Position and mounted the guns on their Zero Lines. The guns, after ranging on a pre-arranged target, distance, 2,000 yards were set up for Night Firing, e.g., fitted with night sights, and deflection bar foresight. Electric Lamps replaced the day time aiming post.

Night firing was carried out between the hours of 9, and 10, p.m. The demonstration was satisfactory in every way. A strong wind was blowing from the South West. Allowance was made on the deflection bar foresignt for the wind. The Tracer bullets which burned and showed up clearly could be traced all the way to the target.

On the Sunday morning in addition to a demonstration on the use of the Indirect Fire instruments, each member of the Section fired his Annual course with the Gun. During the whole time the Guns were in action not a member of the public entered the fire zone. The area was also clear of animals.

The undermentioned members of the Section qualified and may wear the M.G.Badge for one year:-

Sergt.L.W.Aldridge Sergt.J.R.Gleadell Pte's.G.Pallini, B.Fleuret, H.Jennings, G.Pearson, J.Petterssen, J.Smith, B.N.Biggs, C.Henricksen, W.T.Aldridge, W.J.Halliday.

am,
Sir,
yours obediently.

F.I. Defence Force.

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Hanley. 0 5/3/34.

Dear Major allan, Band meeting finished up fairly well. Watto definitely finished up, but I am not worrying over that, think that vacancy can easily be lovercome I am arranging a practice shortly after the middle of the month. I did a little be arranging of Instruments after you left also. The bond is now: Cornets: - Fo's ullivan, an Jummers, I. Coleman,

Hoummers.

D. athins Vacant, (Lemporarily) Barilone Tenor Horn J. Fattersion Euxhonium, 6. V Summers? Trombone I Veersow.

As you had them! Hope to be successful this time I dolulhour

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# PROPOSED SEQUENCE OF TRAINING FOR THE DEFENCE FORCE BURING THE DRILL SEASON I 9 3 4

## N.C.O'S CLASS OF INSTRUCTION

Wednesday night weekly from 7 to 8.p.m., commencing on Wednesday 4th April, and continue until Wednesday 30th May, nine attendances.

I consider this instruction which combines, Squad drill, Arm drill, Musketry and Bayonet Training essential to the N.C.O's as it is really a refresher to the minds of the N.C.O's preparatory to Platoon drill commencing.

It also is an opportunity for selected members to pass out as N.C.O's.

## RECRUITS

An application for Recruits has been published and if a Class can be formed, I suggest that drill for the class be carried out as follows: On Monday and Friday nights weekly, commencing on Friday 6th April, and continue until Friday 1st June. Hours for drill 7.to8.p.m.

The Recruits would then be able to commence drill with their respective Platoons.

## ANNUAL DRILL FOR TRAINED MEMBERS

NO.1.PLATOON Monday night weekly from 7 to 8.p.m., commencing on Monday 11th June.

NO.2.PLATOON Friday night weekly from 7 to 8.p.m., commencing on Friday 8th June.

For Sporting purposes No.3. Platoon still exists although they do not drill actually as a Platoon. Those members of No.3. Platoon who do not belong to the Artillery or Machine Gun Sections will do their drill with No.1.or 2. Platoons. This arrangement worked satisfactory during last drill season.

## SIGNAL SECTION

Tuesday night weekly from 6 to 7.p.m., commencing on Tuesday 5th June.

Last drill season the section confined their training to reading and sending Morse Code by an improvised Electric Daylight Signalling Lamp.

This season in addition to practice with the above, I suggest that the section have instruction in Semaphore.

## MACHINE GUN SECTION

Last season I7 members attended the full course of instruction in Vickers Machine Gun Training. Out of this number I2 actually qualified as Vickers Gunners, the remaining five although they qualified in elementary handling, did not fire the required course to qualify as gunners.

MACHINE GUN SECTION(continued)

I propose that they drill as a Section on one night weekly, Wednesday from 7 to 8.p.m., commencing on Wednesday 6th June.

ARTILLERY SECTION Provided that the Practice Loader Shed is erected in time. That the Section will drill on Wednesday night weekly from 7 to 8.p.m., commencing on Wednesday 6th June.

AMPBULANCE SECTION

The Section which previously had an proviously had an an an analysis has now been reduced the section which previously had an analysis has now been reduced the section which previously had an analysis has now been reduced the section. establishment of I2 members has now been reduced to one Sergt and five members. Casualties occured as under: 3 members resigned

I left the Colony

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I was discharged for misconduct I Joined the Artillery Section I Joined the Vickers Machine Gun Section I member recently enrolled (J.W. Grierson)

Before serious training in Stretcher work, bandaging etc, could be undertaken, it would be necessary to recruit the Section up to the establishment of I2 Members from men who are over age for enrolling in the infantry branch of the Force.

#### BRASS BAND

Had a meeting of the Band on Monday 5th March with a view to re-organization and fixing the nights for practice during the incoming drill season. There was a full muster of members. This was necessary owing to a few changes amongst the personnel since last season with the exception of the Baritone all the other instruments have been alloted to members (see letter from Corpl.F.O'Sullivan.

The new Bass and Tenor Drum ordered from Messrs Henry Potter & Sons arrived by the Renia del Pacifico. The band is now complete with serviceable instruments.

MINIATURE RIFLE CLUB

The Range will be available for Mednesday and Friday practice after drill on Monday, Wednesday and Friday nights weekly. The Annual General Meeting will be held during thes month.

BADMINTON CLUB for If the hall is not required drill purposes on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday nights it may be used for Gymnastics and Badminton.

I am, Sir, yours obediently.

www. Lieut & Adjutant. F.I. Defence Force.

#### MINUTE.

12th March

1934

To

The Adjutant From

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,

Falkland Islands Defence Force

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

Stanley, Falkland Islands

Sir. Submitted, proposed sequence of training for the Falkland Islands Defence Force for Season 1934, submitted for the approval of His Excellency the Acting Governor.

am, Sir, yours obediently

- WM alla Lieut & Adjutant

F.T. Defence Force.

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I4th December 1934.

Headquarters
Falkland Islands Defence Force
Stanley, Falkland Islands.

The Adjutants' Report on the Defence Force Annual Class Firing.

Sir,

year on 28th October, when I2 Recruits fired their Recruit

No's, I, 2, and 3. Platoons and a party of casuals put in their firing on the 4th and 18th November, 2nd, 9th and 13th December. With the exception that No.3. Platoon had to abandon their shoot on Sunday 2nd December after they had fired two practices, the weather throughout the season was all that could be desired for Service shooting.

Cut of a total of IOI members available, 94 members fired. They classified as under:

Marksmen IOO points or over, highest possible score I2O points

Pte.L.Reive II5 Sergt.J.J.Harries II4 Ptc.H.H.Sedgwick II4 Lieut.A.I.Fleuret IIC Pte.W.T.Aldridge IO5 Capt.W.M.Allan IO7 Pte.E.J.HcAtasney IO7 Pte.J.Petterssen IO6 A.H.Hills IO6 R.L.Robson IO9 Corpl.R.Campbell IO4 Corpl.C.H.Thomson IO4 Corpl.M.Luxton IO3 Pte.J.W.Crierson IOI Pte.D.Atkins IOO Sergt.J.R.Gleadell IOO Pte.W.McAtasney IOO.

Best Shot of the Defence Force : Pte.L.Reive II5
Best shot amongst the Sergeants : Sergt.J.J. Harries II4.

# DEFENCE FORCE AVERAGE AT STANLEY

Number qualified..........82
Points scored...........7455
Average.................90.9

Best shooting Platoon.....No.3.Platoon.

## DOUGLAS STATION

Douglas Station through their Class Firing with the following

Number exercised 8
Points scored 691
Average.....86.3

Marksman: Lt.R. Greenshields IOI Ist Class Shots..... 3
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yours obediently,

The Hon Colonial Secretary Stanley

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W. M. CAPTAIN. ADJUTAIT. F. I. DEFENCE FORCE

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## 20th December 1934.

Headquarters
Falkland Islands Defence Force
Stanley, Falkland Islands.

SUBJECT: REPORT ON THE TRAINING CARRIED OUT BY THE MEMBERS OF THE DEFENCE FORCE DURING THE TRAINING SEASON I 9 3 4.

Sir,

The training season just completed was one of the best we have had during the past six seasons. IOS members were returned as efficient at drill, and 82 members qualified at Musketry. I7 Recruits were enrolled and qualified at drill.

The drills parades and musketry also the Field Exercise carried out with H.M.S. Exeter was well attended.

Voluntary Parades

GIMERAL

In addition to the Drills, Parades and Exercises shown on the attached list, a voluntary class of instruction in Drill, Weapon training and tactics was formed for N.C.O's and was well attended.

The Brass Pard under Corpl.F.O'Sullivan since its re-organisation has put in a large number of voluntary attendances at practice during the year. In appreciation of their services and the fine show that they made on the Armistice Day parade I made a small grant to each member of the Band from Defence Force Funds.

Training

The Indoor training Drills were very well attended indeed. Only one member being returne as inefficient. As regards the outside parades and exercises the attendance was all that could be desired, a great improvement on previous years.

As I have previously reported the Class Firing was well carried out this season. Members turned out with their Platoons, a marked improvement in the marksmanship has been the result as members were coached by their respective Platoon and Section Commanders. IZ members failed to qualify.

I6 Lewis Gunners fired and qualified with the Lewis Gun. 3 Officers and 20 Vickers and Lewis Gunners fired the annual revolver course and qualified.

The Vickers Gun Section will carry out a week-end shoot early in the New Year.

Efficiency Awards

Mo.2. Platoon being the most efficient Platoon they were awarded the "Coutts" Cup for 1934.



#### Efficiency Awards

Private.J.M. Campbell has been awarded the "Efficiency Shield", for General Efficiency. Private Campbell is a very efficient Volunteer and never misses a parade or drill.

In conclusion I wish to thank Lieut.A.I. Fleuret and 2nd Lieut.L.W.Aldridge both very capable officers for their assistance and co-operation in everything appertaining to the wellfare and general efficiency of the Defence Force. I appreciate their assistance very much.

I consider that the Esprit-de-Corps within the Force has never been better since I took over Instructor than it is now.

I am, Sir, yours obediently,

Wwalla Captain. F.I.Defence Force.

The Hon Colonial Secretary. Stanley. PROPOSED SEQUENCE OF TRAINING FOR THE MEMBERS OF THE FALKLAND ISLANDS DEFENCE FORCE DURING THE INDOOR TRAINING SEASON I 9 3 5.

RECRUITS CLASS An application for Recruits has been published and if a Class can be formed, I suggest that drill for the Class be carried OF INSTRUCTION out on Monday and Friday nights weekly, commencing on Monday 19th March, and continue weekly until Monday 13th May.

#### N.C.O's Annual CLASS OF INSTRUCTION

I consider this annual instruction which combines Squad drill, arm Drill, Musketery and Bayonet training essential to the N.C.O's as it is really a refresher to the minds of the N.C.O's preparatory to Platoon drill commen-eing. It is also an opportunity for selec-ted members to pass out as N.C.O's.

The Class to meet on one night weekly (Wednesday) from 7 to 8.p.m., commencing on Wednesday 3rd April and continue until Wednesday 29th May.

#### ANNUAL TRAINING FOR TRAINED MEMBERS

No.I.Platoon: Monday night weekly from 7 to 8.p.m., commencing on Monday

3rd June 1935.

No.2.Platoon: Friday night weekly from 7 to 8.p.m., commencing on Friday 7th June 1935.

No.3. Platoon: Those members of No.3. Platoon who do not belong to the Machine Gun, or Artillery Sections, will put in their drills as detailed, either with No. I., or No. 2. Platóons.

N.B. For Recreation purposes No.3. Platoon still exists although they do not actually drill as a Platoon. The above arrangement has worked satisfactory during the past two drill seasons.

#### VICKERS MACHINE GUN SECTION

The Section will attend for Section drill on Mechine Cun Duties on Wednesday night weekly, commencing on Wednesday 5th June at 7.p.m.

SIGNAL SECTION The Section will attend for Signalling Instruction on Tuesday night weekly, commencing SIGNAL SECTION (continued)

on Tuesday 4th June from 6.p.m. to 7.p.m. Training will inlude, Reading and Sending in Morse Code with the Daylight Electric Signalling Lamps, and Semaphore with Flags

ARTILLERY SECTION

The Section will meet on one night weekly (Wednesday) commencing on Wednesday 5th June, and will be instructed in 6" Gun duties, or on the Practice Loader from 7.pm to 8.p.m.

AMBULANCE SECTION

The Ambulance Section which is composed of members who are past the age to serve as Active members of the Force is now few in numbers, i.e. six members. Last training season I gave them instruction on the use of the First Field Dressing and Stretcher Drill. I do not propose to set a drill night for this section until later on in the drill season.

BRASS BAND

In addition to their annual drills the members of the Brass Band under Corporal F.O'Sullivan put in voluntary instruction and practice with their Insturments. The Brass Band is very efficient.

MINIATURE RIFLE CLUB

The Miniature Rifle Club which is open to Active and Retired Members of the Defence Force and have a membership of 55 have previously used the Miniature Rifle Range in the Drill Hall on three nights weekly from the Ist April until the end of September. I allot the hall for their benefit from after drill till IO.p.m. This year I Suggest Monday, Nednesday and Friday from Monday Ist April.

BADMINTON CLUB

The Badminton Club is formed from members of the Force, their wives and any of the ladies of Stanley who may be nominated to become members. When the hall has not been required for drill I have previously alotted the hall for Badminton from 8.p.m. to IO.p.m. on three nights weekly. This year I suggest Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday night weekly.

I have the honour to be

Sir,

your obedient servant

Adjutant. F. I. Defence Force.

# FALKLAND ISLANDS DEFENCE FORCE

### ANNUAL REFRESHING COURSE OF INSTRUCTION FOR N.C.O'S

DAY AND DATE

NATURE OF INSTRUCTION

WEDNESDAY 3RD APRIL

The Class working as a Squad without Arms, repeating the words of command as required in the various movements in close order drill.

WEDNESDAY IOTH APRIL

Arm Drill; The Class working as a Squad with Arms, the N.C.O's alternately taking command.

WEDNESDAY 17TH APRIL

Bayonet Training; Squad Formations, "On-Guard" Points, Parries, and High Port.
The Adjutant will take the instruction.

WEDNESDAY 24TH APRIL

Bayonet Training; as above but the N.C.O's will take the instruction.

WEDNESDAY 55F MAY

Bayonet Training; Work with the Dunmies Instruction by N.C.O's

WEDNESDAY 8TH MAY

LECTURE ON TACTICS BY THE ADJUTANT:
PLATOON AND SECTION FORMATIONS IN THE
ATTACK.

WEDNESDAY 15th May

LECTURE ON TACTICS BY THE ADJUTANT:
PLATOON AND SECTION FORMATIONS IN
DEFENCE.

WEDNESDAY 22nd & 29th May

At the disposal of the O.C.

# FALKLAND ISLANDS DEFENCE FORCE

# ANNUAL INDOOR TRAINING (12, DRILLS) SEQUENCE OF TRAINING

DRILL	NATURE OF TRAINING
I	DRILL WITHOUT ARMS
2	DRILL WITHOUT ARMS
3	ARM DRILL
4	ARM DRILL
5	BAYONET TRAINING Squad Formation - "On - Guard" High Port, and Points
6	BAYONET TRAININGWith Dummies.
<b>7</b> 8	MusketryPositions, Loading and Unloading.  "Aiming and Firing, with a short lecture on the care of arms.
9	Lecture: Tactics,: The Platoon in the Defence.
IO	Lecture: Tactics,: The Platoon in the Attack.
11)	At the O.C's Disposal

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# FALKLAND ISLANDS DEFENCE FORCE

ANNUAL INDOOR TRAINING F	OR THE MACHINE GUN SECTION (12, DRILLS)
DAY & DATE	NATURE OF INSTRUCTION
WEDNESDAY 5TH JUNE	THE MECHANISM: CHAPTER V. HANDROOK for the .303-invickers machine GUN-  9a) Loading. (b) unloading.  Para, 22 and 24.
WEDNESDAY 12TH JUNE	the class to name each part.  Assembling to be done in the same manner.
wednesday 19TH JUNE	Ditto Numbers of the class selected to strip and replace different parts of the mechanism.
WEDNESDAY 26TH JUNE	Ditto Stoppages, page IIO of the Handbook; No. I. stoppage Indication, probable cause, Prevention of Recurrence. No. 2. Stoppageas above. Each member of the class to indicate and rectify the stoppages.
WEDNESDAY 3RD JULY	Ditto Stoppages, page, II3, I4, and I5, as above.
WEDNESDAY IOTH JULY	Drill and Drill duties; Take Post, Mount Gun, Dismount Gun: duties of No'8, 1,2,%,3.
WEDNESDAY 17TH JULY	DRILL: ACTION, cease fire, Clear Gun, Stand clear.
WEDNESDAY 24thJULD	DRILL: Adjust <b>gra</b> sights, lay gun, tapping sideways and oblique.
WEDNESDAY 31ST JULY	TESTS OF ELEMENTARY GUN DRILL, S.A.T. Vol, III Chap, IV Sec 25.
WEDNESDAY 7TH AUGUST ) WEDNESDAY I4TH AUGUST )	At the disposal of the M.G.Officer

N.B. It is left to the O.C.Artillery Section, and the N.C.O in charge of the Signal Section to set their own programme of training.

MINUTE.

(It is requested that, in any reference, to this minute, the above Number and the date may be quoted.)

Ist March 1935

From The Adjutant

Falkland Islands Defence Force

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

To

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

Submitted for the Approval of His Excellency The Governor and Commander-in-Chief.

M. M. DULCA Captain.
Adjutant, F. I. Defence Force.

### Ist March 1935.

Headquarters
Falkland Islands Defence Force
Stanley, Falkland Islands.

#### PROGRAMME OF TRAINING

Weather permitting the members of the Vickers Machine Gun Section will carry out their Annual Machine Gun firing on the Rifle Ranges, Stanley on Saturday and Sunday 9th and 10th March 1935.

Con Saturday the Section will leave the Drill Hall about 6.p.m., and will mount the guns on the Gun Line which will be on the high rocks above the second green on the Golf Course.

About IO.p.m., the Section will be instructed in the use of night sights when a few bursts will be fired to demonstrate the use of the "Tracer" bullet.

#### Sunday 10th March

Firing will commence about 8.a.m. when instruction in, ranging, traversing, and the use of the instruments for Indirect fire will be carried out at specially prepared targets which will consist of "nests" of tiles situated on the Rifle Range.

The Section will stay in the Range Pavilion on Saturday and Sunday.

The exercises will be completed by 12, Noon on Sunday.

I have the honour to be your obedient servant,

Adjutant, F. I. Defence Force.

The Colonial Secretary Stanley, Falkland Islands.

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# REPORT ON THE PART TAKEN BY MEMBERS OF THE FALKLAND ISLANDS DEFENCE FORCE AT THE BISLEY MEETING I 9 3 4.

Working on the form shown by members at the weekend Practice Shoots on the Rifle Range, the Committee
were of the opinion that, if the right men were selected
a good show would be put up this year at Bisley in the
Junior Kolapore and MacKinnon competitions.

View

With a \ to the selection of a team, names were called for of those members of the Rifle Association who were desirous of going to Bisley. The undermentioned submitted their names and the Committee put them forward to the Bisley Selection Conmittee.

Lieut.A.I.Fleuret (a)
Sergt.J.R.Gleadell (b)
Pte.J.M.Campbell (c)
".E.J.McAtasney
".W.T.Aldridge
".L.Reive.

- (a) Lieut.A.I.Fleuret was proceeding home on leave.
- (b) Sergt.J.R.Gleadell in making application stated that if he was selected as one of the team he would be unable to proceed to Bisley unless the allowance in his respect be increased by £25. His reason for this request was: That he had recently bought ground and erected a house, and that he would require to make allowance for his wife and family. Sergt Gleadell was a member of the winning team in 1930.

Before submitting the names of candidates to the Bisley Selection Committee I made a suggestion, to His Excellency the Acting Governor, that, if Gleadell who was showing excellent form and would be an asset to the team, was selected, that the additional £25 be taken from Defence Force Funds. His Excellency approved of this.

(c) Private.J.M.Campbell was a member of the Bisley team 1933, but as he was at present unemployed he again offered his services.

A meeting of the Bisley Selection Committee under the chairmanship of the Hon, M.C. Craigie-Halkett was held in the Colonial Secretary's Office on Wednesday 2nd May 1934, when the following team to represent the Colony in the Junior Kolapore and MacKinnon competitions at Bisley was selected:

Lieut.A.I.Fleuret (Captain)

Sergt.J.R.Gleadell

Pte.E.J.McAtasney

".L.Reive

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No votes were recorded in respect of J.M.Campbel by seven votes to two, W.T.Aldridge was selected as reserve.



The members of the committee present in addition to the chairman were: Lieut.W.M.Allan, Mr.A.Newing(Hon Treasurer), and Messrs A.H.Hills, H.H.Sedgwick, L.Reive, E.J.McAtasney & J.R.Gleadell.

The team selected sailed for home by the S.S. Lafonia on Saturday 26th May. Mr.Fleuret who had previously proceeded on leave joined the team at Bisley.

The main objective of the team when they arrived at Bisley was to train, and train hard to get acclimatised to the conditions at Bisley. A suitable Coach was the next consideration. Major Wright who coached the team to victory in 1930, although he tried hard again this year, admitted that he was not fit, and suggested that a younger man be engaged. Mr. Fleuret was fortunate in getting the services of Mr. Alex, Martin to coach the team in the Kolapore, but he was unable to do so in the Mackinnon owing to a previous engagement.

At 900 yards in the MacKinnon Lieut. Andrews coached the team, he was assisted by Mr Middlemas at I,000 yards. This competition was won by the Sierra Leone Team with a score of 354, our team were third with I4 points behing Sierra Leone

It was suggested previous to the departure of the team, that a team register be purchased and all practice shoots of the team at Bisley, also the scores made in the competitions be recorded for future reference. This was done by Mr Fleuret (book enclosed)

By a pre-arranged code the results arrived on the day of the shoot. For reference see "Penguin"

Result of MacKinnon----Friday 20th July 1934
" " Kolapore----Saturday 21st July 1934
King'sCup at Bisley----Wednesday 25th July 1934.
Kolapore Celebration Friday 27th July 1934.
" Tuesday 31st July 1934.

In addition to the many practice shoots, the members of the team took part in many of the Bisley competitions and won a good sum in Prize Money. The list was as under:

The Junior Kolapore Competition: £25, to the team making highest aggregate score

His Majesty the King's Prize : Badge & £3.

Pte.E.J.McAtasney Score

"Alexandra" 200 & 600 yards :£2.J.R.Gleadell, 66 £1.L.Reive 63

"Alexandra"Consolation Sweeps Class.X.

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"All-Comers' Aggregate" Reserved Prizes	£I, E. J. McAtasney	Score 310
The "Clementi-Smith Memorial" 200,500 & 600 yards	£I, E.J. McAtasney	116
The "Conan Doyle 300 & 500 yards	£I E.J.McAtasney	68
"Corporation of City of London"	Class,M. £I, A. I. Fleuret Class, T. £I, A. I. Fleuret	43
"Daily Telegraph"	£I,L.Reive	47
"Daily Telegraph" Consolation Sweeps	Class,M. £I,A.I.Fleuret Class,T, £I,A.I.Fleuret	<b>4</b> 6
"Donegall"Challenge Cup	£I, £. J. McAtasney	<b>4</b> 8
"Duke of Cambridge"	£2, E.J. McAtasney Class, M. £I, L. Reive	49 45
"Duke of Cambridge" Consolation Sweeps	Class, M. £I, L. Reive Class, T. £I, A. I. Fleuret Class, M. A. I. Fleuret, £I.	44
"King's Prize" Consolation Sweeps	£I, A. I. Fleuret	95
The "Kinnaird" Service Sights	£5-15, E.J. McAtasney (Highest possible so 4 men tied for Ist	ore)
The 'N.R.A.Journal	Class, M & T. £I, J.R.Gleadell £I, A.I.Fleuret £1. L.REIVE	94 93 93
The "Northland"	£I, A. I. Fleuret	66
The "St George's Challenge Vase	£I,L.Reive	66
"Southern Railway" Service sight championship Aggregate	£I,E.J.McAtasney	32
The "Times" consolation Sweeps	Class, M. £I, L. Reive	47
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To celebrate Officially the winning of the Junior Kolapore Cup, and the safe return of the members of the victorious team, a dance was held in the Town Hall on

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their return, a full report of which was published in the "Penguin" of Wednesday 31st October 1934.

I have the honour, to be, Sir,

your obedient servant,

Adjutant.F.I.Defence Force

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The Colonial Secretary
Stanley, Falkland Islands.

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#### 12th March 1935.

Headquarters
Falkland Islands Defence Force
Stanley, Falkland Islands.

#### VICKERS MACHINE GUN TRAINING

Sir,

As previously arranged the Section used the Rifle Range Pavilion as a rendezvous and carried out the Annual Machine Gun firing on the 9th and 10th March.

On Saturday night the guns were mounted on a position on the high rocks to the South of Sullivan House and zeroed on a target on the North side of the Harbour to the West of Ferry Cove, range I300 yards. After ranging, night sights were fitted to the guns, himing Posts and lamps were put out and the guns zeroed for night firing.

At IO.p.m. fire was opened on the target, a ratio of one tracer bullet to three ordinary bullets being used in the machine gun belts. There being very little wind and a clear atmosphere, the line of fire almost to the target could be traced, as the tracer bullet showed up so clearly.

The conditions on Sunday morning were very bad. A Strong wind was blowing from the North West supplemente d by almost continous heavy squalls. Taking into consideration the adverse weather, the results obtained during the firing were very encouraging. Indirect fire was carried out on a "nest" of tiles on Sapper Hill, the Quadrant angle used, being, 5°, range to target: 1270 yards.

The guns were then set up for Direct fire, each member of the Section alternately taking up the duties of Mo's, I, 2 or 3, on the guns. Instruction was given in; Ranging, traversing right and left, oblique, and the swinging traverse. The targets which were "Nests" of tiles painted white, I2" x I5" set in rows one yard apart did not come up to expectations. When a hit was made on a plate, instead of shattering the tile, the bullet passed right through. Visibility being bad and strikes being hard to pick up at ranges over 600 yards, it was difficult even whilst using tracer to record bursts on the target as the bullets buried themselves in the wet peat soil.

On vewing the targets next day I was able to observe that all the targets were well straddled and many hits recoded on the tiles. The undermentioned members attended and qualified for their Machine Gun Badge:

Corporal.B.Fleuret Pte.C.Henricksen Pte.G.Pearson Pte.W.Gleadell Pte.E.J.McAtasney Pte.J.Petterssen ".W.T.Aldridge".B.N.Biggs Pte.A.Etheridge ".W.J.Halliday".H.Jennings ".R.L.Robson

The following were unable to attend: 2nd Lieut.L.W.Aldridge Sergt.J.R.Gleadell Pte.G.Pallini Pte.J.Smith.

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I attach a rough "field range card" showing the gun positions and targets engaged.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
your obedient servant,

Adjutant.F.I. Defence Force.

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY
STANLEY, FALKLAND ISLANDS.

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# FALFLAND ISLANDS DEFENCE FORCE

### M.C.O'S CLASS OF INSTRUCTION

During the month of April and May the Class met on Wednesdays' weekly. Instruction in Drill and lectures on Tactics was given by the Adjutant. Weenness was shown throughout, and the attendance was good. The following

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M.C.O's and selected Privates attended 2nd Lieut.L.W.Aldridge	: 2
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Port Stanley 16/5/35 Wmalla Captain.
Adjutant.F.1. Defence Force.

is requested that, in any reference to this minute. the above Number and the date may be anoted.)

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Stanley, Falkland Islands.

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To

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

Submitted- Report on the M.C.O's Class of Instruction.

I beg to also submit the name of Pte.D.G'Sullivan whom I consider would make a good N.C.O, to be promoted to the rank of Corporal, and to be posted to No.7. Rifle Section, in room of Corporal J. Lanning who has now been permanently posted to the Police.

Private O'Sulliven attended the 1.0.0's classes, he is a keen volunteer, has a good word of command, and should make a good N. C. O.

W. W. alla Captain.
Adjutant.F.I. Defence Force.

#### 4th February 1936

Headquarters,
Falkland Islands Defence Force,
Stanley, Falkland Islands.

SUBJECT: PEPORT OF THE TRAINING CARRIED CUT BY THE LEMBERS OF THE DEFENCE FORCE DURING THE TRAINING SEASON I 9 Z 5.

OFFERAL.

Sir,

I have the honour to submit a report on the 1935 Training Season, just completed. The numbers returned as efficient are much below the averages of previous years. This is partially due to members taking up employment in the Camp, at Sealing or on the Whaling stations. Four members resigned during the year. Four Recruits enrolled, of whom three completed their training.

2. In addition to the usual out-door parades, which were well attended two special musters of the Force took place during the year. On 10th February a Guard of Monour mustered at the Government Dockyard and was inspected by Mis Excellency H. Henniker-Heaton, Bsc. C.M.C., Governor and Commander-in-Chief, on his arrival in the Dolony. On 6th May a full muster of the Force took place on Government Paddock when a Ceremonial Parade on the occasion of the Jubilee of Mis Majesty Ming George. V. The Ir Prass Pand was at full strength on both occasions.

Z. The Defence Force this year did not have the opportunity of taking part in a Field Exercise. During the last week of August, the Annual Inspection of Platoons for the award of the "Coutts" cup took place. The inspection was carried out by His Excellency the Sovernor and Commander-In-Chief who bindly consented to act as Inspecting Officer.

4. The 7, Pourder, Notchkiss B.L. Naval Bun which was stored in the Custom Shed was assembled and mounted on Victory Green. In addition to being used as a Saluting Bun, the members of the Artillery Section have carried out some good target practice at a target on the rocks at the other side of the harbour.

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VOLUMTARY PARADES

In addition to the drills and parades shown on the attached list, a voluntary class of instruction in drill, weapon training and tactics for N.C.O's was again held this year. The same keenness was shown, and the parades were well attended.

2. I had great hopes that the Frass Fand under Corpl F.O'Sullivan after the re-organization in 1934 had come to stay. Regular weekly practices were held and everything was going well. On the three occasions on which they were out, e,g, ICth

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Joth February, 6th May and Zrd of June, their playing was all that could be desired and they were undoubtably an asset to the Force. I regret very much to record that the members handed in their instruments to the Acting Commanding Officer on 17th July, and submitted a letter explaining the circumstances through the Fand Conductor to the Acting Commanding Officer. I am hopeful, however, that it will be possible to re-organize the Fand.

### TRUING

The Indoor Training Drills were well attended.

Eighty one members were returned as efficient. As
I have previously reported the Class Firing was
well carried out. Sixty seven members cualified,
Fifteen members failed to cualify. Three Officers,
and Eighteen Vickers and Lowis Gunners fired the
Revolver Course. Eleven Lewis Gunners fired the
Lewis Gun Course. The Vickers Gun Section held
a Week-end Camp and were given instruction with
Tall argunition in, night firing, and Field Exercises
by day. The Artillery Section in addition to
the firing carried out on Victory Green put in
loading instruction with the Practice Loader at
the Drill Hall. Disnalling Instruction commenced
but owing to members leaving Stanley, the instruction
on was not completed. It will be necessary during
the ensuing season to re-organise this unit.

2. Lieut.W.G. Edmunds gave voluntary instruction to the members of the Ambulance Section in bandaging and stretcher work.

3. No.2. Platoon, were again, for the second year awarded the "Coutts" cup for being the most efficient Platoon.

4. In conclusion I wish to thank Lieut....I.Fleuret for the efficient manner in which he carried on the work of the Force during my absence on leave, also to thank 2/Lieut.I....Idridge and Lieut A.I. Fleuret for their assistance and grateful co-operation in everything appertaining to the well-fare and general efficiency of the Defence Force. I appreciate their assistance very much.

I am, Gir, yours obediently,

WM/Wla Captain.
Adjutant: F. I. Defence Force.

The Officer Commanding
The Falkland Islands Defence Force.

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Roll of Active Members of the Defence Force showing their attendance at Parades and qualifications at training for 1925.

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F.I.D.F. Headquarters.

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

April 15th, 1936.

The Honourable,

The Colonial Secretary.

Sir,

The report on the Training of the Falkland Islands
Defence Force is at red 49.

- 2. When the returns relating to the training in Musketry and Drill were submitted I gave the possible reasons for the lower standard of efficiency and I have nothing furth -er to add for the present.
- 3. Since the report at red 49 was prepared I have caused a notice to be published calling for volunteers to take up duty in the Band and I am glad to be able to report that almost every member who resigned from the Band has returned and expressed a willingness to continue practice.

A meeting is being arranged at which I hope to make such arrangements as are necessary to establish the Band on a sound footing.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Major.

O.C. F.I.D.F.