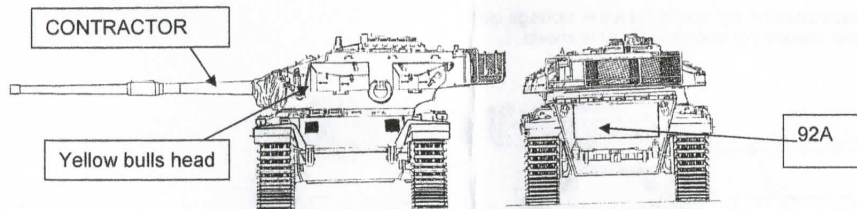


Contractor ARN 169071 (Centurion Bulldozer) A Squadron February 1970



Contractor was a dozer tank and the barrel name was mounted just forward of the mantlet on the barrel and only on the drivers side. The yellow bull's head was mounted centrally on the forward face of the front stowage bin (loaders side of the turret)

These markings are based on the best available information available at the time of production. If you have more definitive information about markings on these or other Centurion tanks in Vietnam, please contact us on [info@mhe aust.com.au](mailto:info@mhe aust.com.au)

#### References:

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## Mouse Armour Decals

1/35 scale Decals  
MAD602  
Australian Centurion Tanks in  
Vietnam 1968-1970

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#### Background

The Australian Centurion that served in South Vietnam during 1968-71 and displayed a range of standard and colorful artwork as markings. The decals allow for four? specific vehicles to be decalced and sufficient additional army registration numbers (ARN) to make other vehicles if known. Best reference for Australian centurions in Vietnam is Military Briefs 3 available from [www.mhe aust.com.au](http://www.mhe aust.com.au).

#### Tools

Handy tools would include a sharp model knife and a set of fine nose tweezers and decal setting solution.

#### Decal Application.

These decals are printed onto a single sheet of decal paper. This means that you will need to carefully cut through the decal sheet for each decal and then soak it in cold water. The decal will separate from the decal paper fairly quickly – so be watchful. The decal can then be slid on to the model. Be aware that if the model has been painted with matt paints some decal softening solution will need to be applied to avoid the trapping of air under the decal itself and thus eliminate "silvering" of the decals.

#### Positioning the decals

There were some standard markings.

The army registration number appeared on the glacis (top left) and rear 100 gallon fuel tank (top right). The arm of service marking both front and back – when facing the tank top right of the additional armour on the glacis and Callsigns were generally carried on the rear fuel tank and on the centre of the stowage basket. When on the stowage basket they were painted onto sheets of metal plate. In model form 10thou sheet can be used. Some carried callsigns in both these positions and some only in one of the two places.

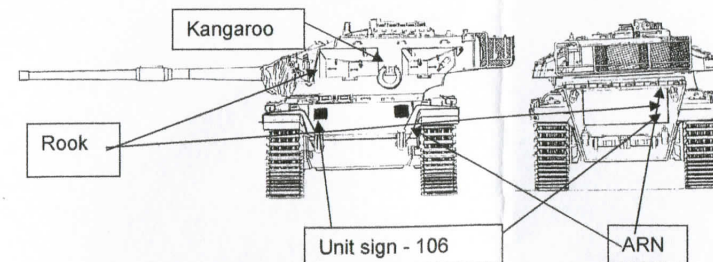
#### General

ARN and RAAC flash were generally seen on the fuel tank in the right hand side top corner

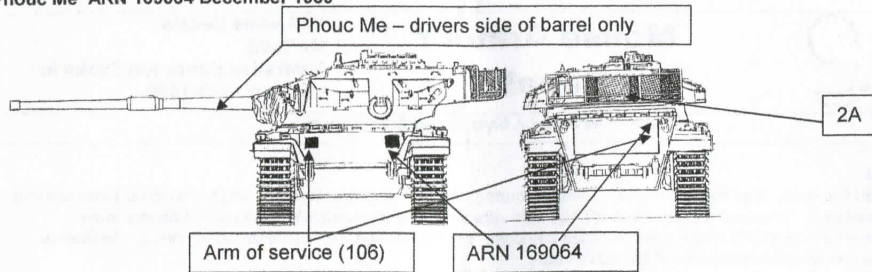
Rook – 1 troop emblem 1970/71 and seen displayed on the forward face of the front bin (loaders side) and on the rear of the fuel tank.

Kangaroo with umbrella – 1 Troop emblem 1968 and seen on the side of the turret between the two bins above the pistol port.

#### General placement of standard markings

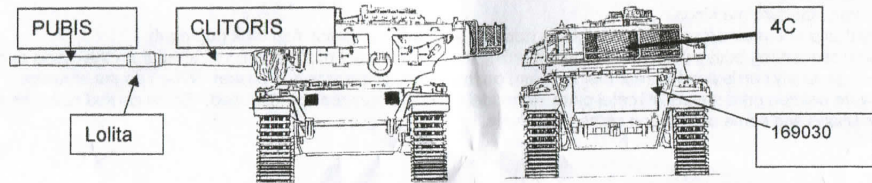


Phouc Me ARN 169064 December 1969



2A was situated on a piece of metal on the turret stowage basket. Place the decal on a piece of olive drab painted 10 thou plastic and when dry cut to size at attach. Phouc Me was forward of mantlet and only of the drivers side of the barrel.

Lolita ARN 169030 A Squadron January 1970



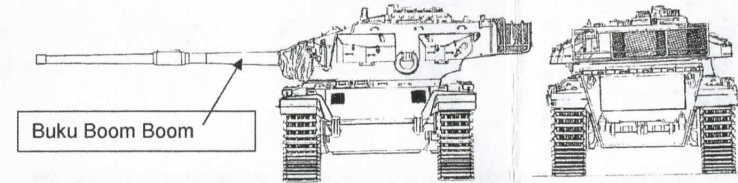
Lolita is mounted centrally on the bore evacuator - non drivers side only  
 Clitoris is on the barrel between the mantlet and the bore evacuator - drivers side only  
 Pubis is on the barrel centrally between the bore evacuator and the end of the barrel - driver's side only  
 4C is on the rear of the turret basket. Place the decal on a piece of 10 thou plastic sheet and when dry cut to size and attache to the turret basket. ARN 169030

Clitoris Pubis as a barrel name was only seen on this tank for a very short time before the crew was ordered to remove the barrel art.

Buku Boom Boom ARN 169007 B Squadron June 1969

Remove the Roman II and then match it with ARN 169007. Later the same name with the Roman II and quotation marks in place was used on Centurion ARN 169071. The barrel name was on both sides of the barrel as far as can be ascertained.

Callsign 24A was placed on the rear of the turret stowage bin  
 Other markings in standard positions as far as is known.



Buku Boom Boom II ARN 169071 B Squadron October 1969

Make up the ARN by using the spare numbers provided. Barrel name seen on both sides and is located closer to the bore evacuator than the mantlet.

Callsign 24A was placed on the rear of the turret stowage bin.  
 Other markings in standard positions as far as is known.

