General
The current manuscript looks to determine the leading body site of injury and primary cause of injury in part-time soldiers within the Australian Army Reserve. The specific purpose within this manuscript was to identify leading injuries in the lower extremity. The research fills a gap in the current literature on army reservist in relation to injury rates and causes. While the manuscript is well written, I do believe it needs significant revisions before it can be published.

COMMENTS
General
Throughout the abstract and manuscript, you alternate between hyphenating full-time and part-time and not hyphenating. Please be consistent and hyphenate when grammatically correct.

Abstract
Page 1, Line 18: Sentence doesn’t make sense and should end with a period.

Page 1, Line 21: Target, intrinsic and extrinsic approached… I believe you mean approaches.

Introduction
Page 1, Line 38-41: This sentence is confusing and long. Consider rewriting and dividing into 2 sentences.

Page 1, Line 44-47: This sentence is very long and doesn’t read well. Split into 2 different sentences.

Methods
Page 3 Line 107-114: Your explanation is extremely confusing about your calculations for injury incidence. You also never make any rational for why you do this calculation for full-time soldiers when examining part-time reservist.

Page 3, Line 133 & 134: Authorisation should be authorization.

Results
Page 4, Line 147-148: Not sure where you came up with the 38.4% of MPI and 37.2% of all injuries. That doesn’t match anything in Table 1. You may need to explain this further for the reader to make a connection if those numbers are correct.

Page 4, Line 152-153: “Due to the knee being the most…” In the next paragraph you talk about the second most common area of injury is the back. The back isn’t listed anywhere in your tables and most do not include back injuries as part of the lower extremity. Just remove that information.

Page 4, Table 2: You are missing a close parenthesis ) after the 80.8%.

Page 6, Line 184-195: Your discussion on rank is confusing. Either report this data in relation to years of service, or combine the data and report as trainee, enlisted, or officer. This probably
makes the most sense since these 3 categories have significantly different levels of fitness requirements to complete their jobs.

**Discussion**

Page 7 Line 207: While your % match Table 1, they do not match the information mentioned in the comment above. This leads to confusion during reading.

Page 7, Line 215: “…findings of this study in which the ankle was…” Just missing the ‘t’ in the.

Page 7, Line 225: remove additional space between military personnel, most commonly involve.

Page 7, Line 226: add a comma between ‘meniscus’ and ‘and ligaments’.

Page 7, Line 228: add a comma between ‘infantry service’ and ‘and prior hip injury’.

Page 8, Lines 235-254: You use the word “carriage” several times. While the use is technically correct, the word “carriage” is not the common English language word that would be used in these cases. Recommend revising sentences to use the word ‘carry’ or ‘carrying’.

Page 8, Line 239: What is a preferably tactical scenarios? Consider revising sentence to make this more understandable.

Page 8, Line 239: Delete the extra space between sentences.

Page 8, Line 261: Remove the word ‘chronic’ from the sentence.