Discovering Daylesford State School’s ANZACs

Unravelling the Honor Board by Daylesford Primary Students
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The research for this book was completed by the Grade five and six students of Daylesford Primary School in November 2014, under the guidance of Dr. Jenene Burke and Pre-Service Teachers, Federation University Australia:

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Foreword

It is with great pleasure that we launch Discovering Daylesford State School’s ANZACs to coincide with the centenary of the First World War. Daylesford Primary School is steeped in history and our World War 1 honour board has now been unravelled thanks to an invaluable partnership with the Faculty of Education and Arts at Federation University Australia.

In what we believe to be a first in a Victorian State Primary School and possibly a first in Australia, we entered into a partnership with the University, who enabled the placement of five pre-service teachers, who worked one to one with our grade 5 and 6 students, over 21 days.

This resulted in excellent research being completed by our students, as they were guided and supported through the process by the pre-service teachers. Primary historical documents such as service records, letters home, newspaper articles, enlistment papers and some photographs have been uncovered and a selection of these items have been included in this book.

Sadly, not all 218 soldiers have been identified. This explains why some profiles have the name of the soldier and no other details. If you can help by providing further information about any of our soldiers, please contact the school.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Dr Jenene Burke for her dedication to this project and the pre-service teachers. The partnership with local RSL member Keith Pyers, who sowed the seed two years ago by saying “wouldn’t it be good if we knew a little more about these blokes’ as he stood under the school honour board in our foyer, has been invaluable. Judy Files from the Daylesford Historical Society has also assisted our research, as has Robert Taylor from the Daylesford CFA. The Ballarat Gold Museum has also supplied photos of soldiers.

I would also like to acknowledge and thank Nicole Wassell, our very talented Visual Arts teacher, who embraced the concept that our students could supply us with student artistic impressions of some of the soldiers for whom we do not have photographic memorabilia.

Finally, thank you to the students of Daylesford Primary School who have worked on this project with such enthusiasm, interest and endeavour. We have now revealed an almost forgotten chapter of Daylesford Primary School’s history with a vast and varied series of fascinating stories.

Peter Burke

Principal, Daylesford Primary School
Let me say that Daylesford Primary School is a special place for me. My wife, Rosalind, taught there for ten years and, in 1975, when she was Acting Principal, she engaged me to compile a Centenary History of School 1609.

In recent years, through my work in the R.S.L., I have had very pleasant exposure to the school and its culture. I have addressed the Primary School’s ANZAC Assembly for the past 4 years and have judged the students’ ANZAC writing competition which is funded by Daylesford R.S.L.

In 2012 I spoke to the students about Gus Pearce, an ex-student whose soldier portrait which I had renovated back in 1975, hangs in the foyer. He had been a reporter with “The Advocate”, but went to war and was killed and buried in Belgium in 1917.

In 2013 I spoke of the over 200 ex-students whose names are listed on the Honour Board and suggested that, with ANZAC’s Centenary coming in 2 years, it would be good to research their stories in the national archives.

In 2014 I told them of our warm links with Villers-Bretonneaux in France which were forged by our soldiers in 1917 and 1918 but cemented by Victorian schoolchildren raising money to re-build their school. It is still called ‘Victoria School’ and it stands on Melbourne Street. Mr. John Grant of Daylesford Technical School carved exquisite blackwood capitols for the pillars in the school assembly hall. The carvings feature Australian fauna and flora.

Through the kindness of Dr Jenene Burke (the Principal’s wife) five Pre-Service Teachers were sent to Daylesford Primary School for three weeks. Christie Critchley, Maryanne Deller, Fiona Lindsay, Shannen Mennen and Kailey Scott worked one on one with the students of Grades 5 and 6 researching the records of over 200 of our soldiers.

I am overjoyed and immensely grateful for this massive research.

Their work will ensure that Daylesford remembers its local volunteers. I hope that this book will inspire others to research the stories of soldiers listed on the Honour Boards of a dozen other local schools, most of which are now closed. These Honour Boards are proudly displayed and cared for at the Daylesford R.S.L.

Keith Pyers
Daylesford RSL
The Research Project

Over a period of three weeks we had the pleasure of working with the grade five and six students of Daylesford Primary School. During this time we discovered the ANZACs who are listed on the honour board that adorns the entrance of the school. We embarked on a roller coaster with many triumphs along the way as we uncovered enlistment forms and letters.

We would like to stress that each and every one of the students involved gave it their all. The amount of work found and documented in no way reflects on the students’ efforts, only the information at hand.

We had a fantastic time working with the school, the students, the staff, the RSL and those within the community who told us their stories and supported this project. We thank everyone involved and hope you enjoy reading what we have uncovered.

Christie Critchley
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Kailey Scott

Pre-Service Teachers, Federation University Australia
Student Artist’s Impression of an ANZAC
Daylesford State School Honour Board

Photograph by Kyle Barnes
Student Artist’s Impression of an ANZAC soldier

by Charlotte
J. T. Aldrich
D. Allen
A. Anderson
G. Anderson
A. Anson
P. Armstrong
W. L. Atkinson
A. A. D. Barkas
J. Bath
F. T. Bell
J. T. Bell
N. Bell
J. Berrigan
H. J. Berryman
F. Bird
A. Bissett
F. Bissett
W. Bissett
J. L. Bodinnar
W. T. Bodinnar
C. Booth
R. Bryan
E. Buchan
J. Bushby
P. Butcher
J. Campbell
W. Campbell
J. H. Capstick
C. Carpenter
J. Cary
C. Catton
A. Chaplain
P. A. Chatfield
L. T. Cherry
N. B. Chisholm
A. Clayfield
E. Clayfield
J. Clayfield
J. Clogan
C. W. Connell
W. Connell
F. Coon
T. Cory
L. Coutts
W. Coutts
J. F. Cugley
H. Cummings
J. Cummings
N. R. Curry
N. Davies
R. E. Densem
N. De Willemeoff
R. Dickson
A. E. Doherty
G. Dolphin
A. Drummond
E. Drummond
T. Dunhill
E. A. Edwards
H. C. Edwards
H. F. Edwards
L. Edwards
V. Every
H. Ferguson
L. Ferguson
C. Ferrari
G. E. Freeman
J. Fretwell
J. Fumberger
A. Gabriel
T. A. Gay
A. Graham
R. Graham
R. S. Graham
T. Graham
T. Graham
W. Graham
F. Green
R. Green
W. T. V. Green
F. T. Guest
K. Hamilton
R. Hamilton
C. Harris
G. M. Harris
I. Harris
W. S. Harvey
A. J. Heywood
L. Hinchliffe
J. C. Hoath
M. Hoath
J. W. Hocking
G. Hughan
P. C. Iles
S. Isherwood
E. Jones
E. E. Jones
F. L. Jones
R. W. Jones
E. Kidd
A. C. King
A. E. King
H. J. King
J. King
C. W. Kinsman
G. Kirby
R. Kirby
W. Lawry
G. Leopold
A. G. Light
J. Light
R. Lilley
C. C. Martin
G. H. Major
C. D. Matheson
J. F. Matherson
W. R. Matherson
P. McGuinness
T. McGuinness
C. McKnes
B. McKinnon
R. McKinnon
C. McLeod
C. Metcalfe
W. R. Mills
A. Mitchell
W. L. Morgan
G. Murphy
J. P. Mutton
A. Muxworthy
D. Muxworthy
T. Muxworthy
F. J. Nelson
J. Newton
H. Nichol
J. Nicol
G. A. Norris
H. Nove
W. R. Oliver
A. Oliver
H. O’Neill
J. O’Neill
H. T. Osborne
C. Parkinson
W. Patterson
B. Peacock
W. J. Peacock
G. A. Pearce
F. Pound
A. Pretty
F. Pretty
L. Quick
J. L. Randell
J. Rea
H. Respini
H. Reynolds
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D. Richards
J. Richards
L. F. Richards
A. J. Robb
D. Robertson
J. Robertson
M. C. Robson
P. Robson
C. Rochstein
F. Rochstein
A. E. Rowe
H. Rowe
J. F. Rowe
R. Rowe
T. A. Rowe
C. Saloway
T. Scascighini
N. Shaw
S. Shaw
B. Shellard
A. E. Sibbison
G. M. Sibbison
H. H. Sibbison
J. V. Sibbison
V. Simpson
S. Springfield
H. Steinhauser
A. Sullivan
F. Tatti
H. Tatti
S. Tatti
R. Tennant
H. Thorsen
C. Tognini
W. Tognini
S. J. Tongway
H. E. Trembath
C. H. Trotter
S. Ussher
F. Vale
S. R. Veale
R. Verey
H. Victor
P. Wagstaff
A. E. Wallis
V. Wallis
W. Wardle
R. Warren
H. Weitzel
L. C. Wetzel
F. Wheeler
H. Wheeler
N. Wheeler
F. H. Whitten
G. Whitten
P. Wilkin
F. Willard
R. Wilson
R. A. Wilson
W. A. Zeis
W. Zimmerm
Student Artist’s Impression of an ANZAC soldier
Introduction

The ‘Unravelling the honour board’ project has revealed some intriguing insights into the lives and times of some former Daylesford State School (DSS) students, the school itself and the Daylesford community. Ready access to primary historical documents over the internet from sites such as the Australian War Memorial (AWM) Collection, the National Archives of Australia (NAA), and the National Libraries of Australia (NLA) has meant that the Daylesford Primary School (DPS) students have been able to engage in a process of reading, interpreting and drawing conclusions from original historical documents in their own classrooms. This research has provided a unique opportunity for them to investigate what happened to the DSS students of over one hundred years ago who enlisted in the First World War.

Our initial examination of the honour board provoked several questions, many of which we have been able to answer. We wondered who constructed the board, who the individuals listed are, why the names are listed in an apparent random order, how the names were selected, if the names all belong to former students and whether the names of any women are listed.

Our historical sources

We have not been fully successful in revealing the identities of all 218 names. As only the initials and surnames are provided on the honour board, it is impossible to positively identify all the soldiers after nearly a century has passed. While I am convinced that, in most instances, the soldiers we have matched to the names are accurate, in several cases we have gone with our ‘best guess’. To identify those listed on the board, primarily we looked for evidence in enlistment records for soldiers who had been born near Daylesford, enlisted near Daylesford, or gave their private or parents’ address as near Daylesford, figuring that these soldiers were likely to have attended the local State School. Unfortunately the DSS student records do not extend back beyond 1903 and by that year most of the future ANZACs had already left the school. We were able to find clear evidence that some soldiers we profiled did attend the school. Also, with the information we have regarding some students who attended the school from 1903 onwards, we have been able to match their younger siblings from the same address and parents to a soldier’s Australian Imperial Force (A.I.F) documents. In order to match identities with the names on the honour board we searched for soldiers using original A.I.F. records, newspapers from the time, genealogical records, school records, Daylesford Historical Society records and some local knowledge.

Design and construction of the DSS honour board

According to an article, published in the Daylesford Advocate of 26th May 1916, the honour board was designed by Mr Grant, Art Master of the Daylesford Technical School and Mr P.F. Wilkin, Sloyd-Master of the State School and was crafted in the sloyd room at the school. Sloyd was a subject where students were involved in handcraft, particularly from wood. Mr (Percy Frederick) Wilkin himself enlisted in
the war soon after the board was unveiled, in January of 1917, and consequently his own name was later added to the board. The Advocate article goes on to describe that the board is made from locally grown blockwood (presumably blackwood), and that it is ‘classic in its simplicity and beauty of design’. Mr. D. Geddes, a former student, was credited with crafting the decorative columns from timber donated by Mr. G. Freeman. Notably, one of the soldiers named on the board, who was killed in France in August 1916, was George Eliot Freeman, son of George Isaac Freeman, who may have been the Mr. G. Freeman who donated the timber. The article stated that the board reflected ‘the greatest credit on Messrs Wilkin, Grant, Geddes and the boys who helped to make it’. A former teacher of DSS, Mr Ward Jones apparently conducted the search for the names of former students who enlisted and had ‘kindly prepared it as far as possible from records available’. One of the names on the board was Randell Ward Jones, (the son of William Ward Jones), who enlisted in September 1915, and Randell may have been related to the former teacher, possibly being his son.

The unveiling of the board and configuration of the names

The first ANZAC ceremony at the school was held on Thursday 20th April 1916 and soon after, at the State Schools’ Patriotic Carnival on 21st September 1916, the honour board was unveiled by the Chairman of the School Committee, Mr Elvish. The first 111 names (with 30 to be added) appeared on the board at the unveiling. Note that these are the names that currently appear in the bottom section in the three left hand columns, from J.T. Aldrich to W.A. Zeis. This confirms that the top section of the board was a later addition. The ceremony was attended by ‘Lady Peacock [wife of Sir Alexander Peacock], Mrs Holden, the mayor and councillors [of Daylesford], the Rev. S. McGowan, T. Collins, and Father Byrne, members of the school committee and other prominent citizens’. There was a military presence provided by the school cadets as ‘the Senior Cadets saluted and presented arms as the board was unveiled’. The State Schools’ Patriotic Carnival was a substantial affair which involved a large attendance of parents and children:

‘In the classrooms were arranged stalls, and every description of bazaar novelties were in profusion, all of which were tastefully decorated, and the smiling attendants were kept busy throughout the afternoon and evening’.

The event included Lady Peacock performing the crowning of the ‘carnival queens’, who were attended by their ‘maids of honour and trainbearers’ and who came from several of the surrounding schools. Dulcie Gibson from Daylesford S.S was ‘Queen of Flowers’ and her maids of honour were Les Stellard, Gwennie Metzner, Gertie Young, M. Geddes, Myrza Best and Nellie Demsey, with Vera Roberts and Verna Eddy as trainbearers. The entire event raised more than £90 for the Daylesford State School patriotic fund, which in those days was a tidy sum of money. It is shocking by today’s standards that school children were so openly involved in raising money to support the war.

By ANZAC Day 1918 the names on the board numbered 151, 46 of whom were stated to have ‘paid the supreme sacrifice’. By ANZAC Day 1918 the board was said to contain 156 names, seen in the bottom section of the board in the right hand column. In 1919 the name count was 195 accounting for most of the names in the top section, which was a later addition. Of these 195, 66 were listed as war casualties.
Additional names, contributing to the final total of 218, would have been added after this date.

**Untraceable and omitted soldiers**

For 15 of the soldiers we were able to find little or no information. For two of the listed names (William Connell and Charles Harris) we have provided the profiles of two possible soldiers who had the same name and welcome any assistance in choosing which profile is correct.

We have added two soldiers to the book who we believe were missed from the board and for whom we have irrefutable evidence that they were former scholars. For the listed ‘L. Edwards’ we have provided two soldiers’ profiles for Leslie Edwards and believe that both should have been on the board. We have evidence from the local papers that four Edwards brothers enlisted, which accounts for E.A., H.F., H.C. and L. (Leslie) Edwards. There was another Daylesford Primary student called Lesley Edwards, enlistment number 2357, who was killed in action in France. In 1918, his stepmother, Jessie Edwards, donated an enlarged framed photo of him to the school (because he was a former student) (Daylesford Advocate, 29/10/1918, p. 3), and everyone at the time would have assumed that his name was already on the board as L. Edwards. The second soldier whose photo was also donated to the school in 1918, and who is not accounted for on the honour board, is Private Alfred Leslie King, no. 4533. There is A.C. King and A.E. King and it is possible that one of these listings has the second initial incorrect and should be A.J. King. Nonetheless, we have found profiles for A.C. and A.E. King who might possibly have attended DSS.

The ‘School Roll of the Fallen’ as reported in the Daylesford Advocate of 26th April 1918 (p. 3) includes the names of some soldiers who do not appear on the honour board, so we conclude that further names have been missed. Some of the ex-DSS soldiers that we believe are missing from the board are: Clyde Andrew; Thomas Bell; John Grogan; Eric Edwards; Lesley Edwards; Leslie King; E. Reece; Charles Patterson; and George Patterson, (all listed in the ‘School roll of the fallen’ as published in Daylesford Advocate, Yandoit, Glenlyon and Eganstown Chronicle of 29/4/1918, (page 3) and the Daylesford Advocate, Yandoit, Glenlyon and Eganstown Chronicle of 27/4/1918) and while there is a strong argument for adding these soldiers to our list we have not done so at this stage. We have also collected evidence of some men who were reported in various articles in the local press to be former DSS students, and also some brothers of those listed on the board who are not, which leads us to conclude that the honour board is incomplete. For instance, 763 (William) Norman Butcher is the brother of Percy Butcher who is listed on the board. Norman’s record on the A.I.F. Project website gives his school as State School Daylesford, Victoria but we are currently unsure of the data source the A.I.F. Project used to make such a claim.

There are some discrepancies between the spelling of the names we have found and the names on the board. If we consider how the list was constructed - by a former teacher from school records, no doubt checking against the lists published in the papers, and from word of mouth in the local community, it may not have been accurate in the first place. Remember that while some former scholars may have attended the school ten years previously, some may have attended the school as
many as 40 years previously. Many soldiers and their families had moved away from Daylesford at the time of their enlistment. It is not surprising that there are 15 names for whom we could find little to no information. We appeal to the local community to assist us. These names are: N. Bell; J. Campbell; J. Cary; J. Catton; A. Drummond; E. Drummond; T. Graham (This name appears twice, probably by accident.); E.E. Jones; J. Light; C. McInnes; W.R. Mills; J. Richards; H. Nichol; J. Nicol and A. Sullivan. The profiles of these soldiers appear in the following pages with few details given.

DSS teachers who enlisted
At least two men listed on the board, Percy Frederick Wilkin and Samuel Tong-way, were teachers at DSS or the associated Daylesford Higher Elementary School and were probably not former students. About eight men listed on the board provided their occupation on enlistment as ‘teacher’ and further research into Education Department records may identify other DSS teachers who served.

Women who enlisted
As far as we can tell none of the names belong to women and further inquiries have been fruitless in identifying any women who enlisted as being former DSS students, despite our best efforts. Charles Henry Saloway’s sister, Olive Emma Saloway, enlisted in the Australian Nursing Service (ANS), but as their father, the Reverend Henry Saloway, a Methodist minister, was only stationed in Daylesford for about three years, we are not sure if Olive ever attended DSS.

Family connections
In terms of local families, we have been able to identify 31 sets of brothers on the honour board. These include four Sibbison brothers, Gazeley Magnus, Horace Hubert, Alfred Ernest and James Valentine; four Edwards brothers, Ted, Herbert, Harry and Les; and four Graham brothers, who were the sons of Charles Graham and Elizabeth Graham of Victoria Park - William George, Roy Stewart, Thomas and Robert.

Arch Muxworthy enlisted, as did his cousins, David and Thomas. Thomas and David’s father, Thomas Muxworthy, senior, also joined up a week after his youngest son David, and in the same unit. Father and son travelled overseas on the same transport, the *Warilda* A69. Frank Tatti and Henry Martin Tatti enlisted as did their uncle Sebastian (Relli) Tatti and all three were former students.

Three Bissett brothers, George Frederick, William and Andrew, and three Wheeler brothers, Hector Wharton, Norman Ralph, and Francis Henry Columbo are listed on the board.

Pairs of brothers include Robert Alexander Anderson and George John Anderson; Jack Langdon Bodinnar and William Thomas Bodinnar; Edward Clayfield and Arthur James Clayfield; William Phillip Coutts and Stanley Coutts; Hugh Cumming and John Cumming; Herbert Wilson Ferguson and Leslie James Ferguson; George John and Melville Clifford Hoath; John William King and Alfred Leslie King (note
that Alfred Leslie is not listed on the honour board); Charles Daniel Matheson and
John Franklin Matheson; Percy Alexander McGuiness and Thomas Clifford
McGuinness; Benjamin Duncan McKinnon and Ralph Hugh McKinnon; Harry
O’Neill and Joseph O’Neill; Frederick Victor Pretty and Alfred Pretty, who were
both killed at Gallipoli 17 days apart; Daniel and Leslie Oswald Francis Richards;
James Henry Robertson and David Norman Robertson; Percy Robson and Mathew
Clareville Robson; Fritz Rochstein and Karl Rochstein; Alfred Ernest Rowe and
Richard Warren Rowe; Thomas Andrew Rowe and James Frederick Rowe; Norman
Frederick Shaw and Stanley Bruce Shaw; Charles Tognini and William Tognini;
Alfred Ernest Wallace and Vincent Wallace; Harry Conrad Wetzel and Leslie
Christopher Wetzel; George Henry Whitten and Frederick Harper Whitten; Robert
Allan Wilson and Richard Wilson. The Butcher brothers, mentioned earlier, have
not been included in this count.

There are likely to be others who are members of the same family, who are less
obvious and that we have not identified, and we would be delighted if members of
the community could provide information about such relationships.

The DSS collection of Old Scholars

Daylesford State School was reported in the *Daylesford Advocate* to have an
extensive collection of photographs of ‘old scholars’, which was suspected to be the
‘largest number of photos of any upcountry school’. Most of these photos were of
soldiers who had been killed and, as the article points out, all had been given to the
school by ‘parents and friends’.

Of the ceremony to unveil photographs in October 1918 the article in the Advocate
(p. 3) stated:

‘The ceremony will be short and simple, and will be held in the largest room
of the school, probably the infant room in which these men, then chubby little
youngsters, sat and laid the foundations of careers, which rang true to the
highest and noblest test of citizenship’.

So far we have been able to identify that photographs of Captain Bert Peacock and
F.T.A Rowe (Ballarat Courier 18/11/1918), Private Graham, Private C.H. Trotter,
Private Alfred Leslie King, Private James Frederick Rowe, Private Leslie Edwards,
Signaller William A. Zeis (Daylesford Advocate, 29/10/1918) and Horace Herbert
Sibbison (Ballarat Courier 19/08/1918) were among those in the collection.

Photographs of Harold Trembath and Alfred Ernest Rowe were added to the
collection later (Daylesford Advocate 18/12/1919). A Ballarat Courier article
published in late December 1918 reports that Eric Trembath who was described as
‘a young scholar’ of DSS, unveiled the photograph of his ‘hero brother’, the late 2nd
Corporate Harold F. Trembath (son of Cr. E. Trembath) who was reported to have
been killed by a shell ‘whilst voluntarily carrying a wounded officer back to the
dressing station’. The unveiling of this photo was to represent the unveiling of all
the photos in the school collection.

The Advocate (15/10/1918) reported William Graham’s parents’ wishes in their
donation of their photograph:
‘They desired that their gift should simply be in the school as an incentive to the youth of the town, and as a memorial to an old boy, who untrained to military calling, had felt the call of duty and had readily responded’ (p. 3).

The Graham photo is described as ‘unique’ in that it:

‘…shows the soldier in the familiar khaki and characteristic slouch hat of the Australian forces. The original of the picture was a snapshot sent home from the actual battlefield; the soldier is standing among the trees of Polygon Wood in northern France – the forest of many corners – near which he met his death on 19th August, 1918’.

An article published in the Ballarat Star of 21st December 1918 puts the number of ‘enlarged portraits of old Daylesford schoolboys who have fought in the war for liberty, and forming a picture gallery of heroes that marks an epoch in history’ at around 30. Regrettably these photos are no longer at the school and their whereabouts is unknown.


We release our research to the public as a ‘work in progress’ and hope to spend the next 12 months collecting additional information on the soldiers who have been researched in this book. Please contact the school if you have further information, letters or photographs to add to the collection. We intend publishing an amended, second edition in time for ANZAC Day 2016.

Jenene Burke, Ph.D.

Faculty of Education and Arts, Federation University Australia
THE HONOR BOARD

Mr Elvish and his confreres of the school committee are particularly proud of the new Honor Board which has just been completed, and on which 120 names of old scholars who have enlisted are to be inscribed in two columns, leaving a third for those yet to do honor to themselves and to the school. The board was designed by Mr Grant, art-master of the Technical School, in conjunction with Mr P. F. Wilkin, Sloyd-master at the State school. It is made of locally grown blockwood, and is classic in its simplicity and beauty of design. The timber was graciously given by Mr G. Freeman, and the columns were turned by Mr D. Geddes, an old boy of number 1609. The school crest occupies the centre of the upper arch, and here the motto, Semper meliora is printed in gold leaf. Beneath is the appropriate text from Horace—"Dulce et decorum est pro patria mori."

The board was made principally in the slyod room at the State school, and reflects the greatest credit on Messrs Wilkin, Grant, Geddes and the boys who helped to make it. It was displayed in the Town Hall at the opening of the concert in the evening.
Student Artist’s Impression of an ANZAC
John Thomas Aldrich (J.T. Aldrich)

Service Number 3190
Rank Private
Unit 29th Battalion, 7th Reinforcements (July - December 1916)
Date of Enlistment 26th February 1916
Age 20 years 4 months
Fate Wounded in action on 27th January 1917 and subsequently died of the same wounds later that same day. John is buried at the Burnafay Wood British Cemetery, Montauban, France.

Embarkment Date: 4th July 1916
Place: Melbourne
Ship: HMAT Berrima A35

Previous Employment Labourer
Address Musk Vale, Daylesford
Next of Kin James Grant Aldrich (father)

Physical Description Height: 5 feet 9 inches
Eyes: Blue
Hair: Brown

Medals Awarded the Victory Medal on 21st February 1923
Awarded the British War Medal on 23rd March 1922

Points of Interest
• A letter was sent to the next of kin on 20th February 1917 stating that John had been wounded in action and that his recovery was reported as satisfactory. He had, in fact, been dead for almost a month.
• Religion: Church of England.

by Austin Eaton
John Thomas Aldrich – Letter of Advice for Casualty

Letter advising James Aldrich of his son’s injury

David John Wilson Allen (D. Allen)

Service Number 60874
Rank Private
Unit 5th Infantry Battalion (1st to 17th Reinforcements) (March-November 1918)
Date of Enlistment 8th March 1918
Age 29 years 6 months
Date of Birth: 20th August 1888
Fate Returned to Australia on 24th November 1919.
Embarkment Date: 31 August 1918
Place: Melbourne
Ship: HMAT Barambah A37
Previous employment Farmer
Address Yarrowee Parade, Ballarat
Next of Kin Samuel Allen (father)
Physical Description Height: 5 feet 7 inches
Eyes: Brown
Hair: Black
David had a scar on his left groin.
Medals Awarded the British War Medal on 1st February 1920
Awarded the Victory Medal on 1st February 1920
Points of Interest
• David was admitted to hospital on several occasions suffering Influenza
• Religion: Methodist

by Maya Anscombe
David John Wilson Allen - Description

I have been informed that if I make any false statement I commit an offence against the Defence Act 1903-1917 and War Precautions Act 1914–1916.

David John Allen, Recruit.

Description of Allen

Age 29 years 6 months.
Height 5 feet 7 inches.
Weight 153 lbs.
Chest Measurements 37-1/2 inches.
Complexion Sallow
Eyes Brown
Hair Black
Religious Denomination

Distinctive Marks.

Vacc 3 L arm
Scar L hand

CERTIFICATE OF MEDICAL EXAMINATION.

I have examined the above-named person, and find that he does not present any of the following conditions, viz.:

Scleritis; phthisis; syphilis; impaired constitution; defective intelligence; defects of vision, voice, or hearing; hernia; hemorrhoids; varicose veins, beyond a limited extent; marked varicocele with unusually pendent testicle; inveterate cutaneous disease; chronic ulcers; traces of corporal punishment; contracted or deformed chest; abnormal curvature of spine; or any other disease or physical defect calculated to unfit him for the duties of a soldier.

He can see the required distance with either eye; his heart and lungs are healthy; he has the free use of his joints and limbs; and he declares he is not subject to fits of any description.

I consider him fit for active service.

Date 8 March 1918
Place Melbourne

Signature of Examining Medical Officer.

**George John Anderson** (G. Anderson)

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<td>29th February 1916</td>
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<tr>
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| Embarkment     | Date: 4th April 1916  
|                | Place: Melbourne  
|                | Ship: HMAT Euripides A14 |
| Previous Employment | Bootmaker |
| Address        | Vincent Street, Daylesford |
| Next of Kin    | Margaret Green (aunt) |
| Physical Description | Height: 5 feet 5 inches  
|                  | Complexion: Fair  
|                  | Eyes: Brown  
|                  | Hair: Dark |
| Medals         | Awarded the British War Medal on 19th October 1921  
|                | Awarded the Victory Medal on 19th October 1921 |
| Points of Interest |  
|                  | • George missed his older brother Robert so much that he lied about his age and enlisted in the army.  
|                  | • Robert is also listed on the DPS honour board.  
|                  | • George also fought in World War 2.  
|                  | • The Anderson’s mother died young so their Aunt Margaret Green and her husband John Green raised them.  
|                  | • George is honoured on the Daylesford Methodist Church honour board  
|                  | • George was still alive in June 1959 when he applied to the AIF for repatriation benefits.  
|                  | • Religion: Presbyterian |

*By Gabi Kaye*
Area Officer 7 A.B.

7th Oct. 1919.

Officer in Charge, Base Records.

Will you kindly enter "Record of Service with the A.I.F." in C.M./Form No. 7 of John George Anderson who is now discharged.

He is desirous of re-instatement in his former position as a 2nd Lieut in the Baylesford Coy of Senior Cadets.

O. & M. Lieut,
Area Officer 7 A.B.

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JR. MIL.

Area Officer, 7 A.B., Drill Hall, Market Street, Kyneton, Vic.

Record Book No. 7 relating to No. 1654, Pte. G. J. Anderson, 55th Battalion, will be returned to your Area as soon as the necessary entries are completed.

2/12/19.
Melbourne.

Officer 1/3 Base Records.

George John Anderson – Embarkation

Troops prior to boarding HMAT Euripides (A14) at Port Melbourne 4th April 1916 (above and below)

**Robert Alexander Anderson** (A. Anderson)

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<td>Rank</td>
<td>Private who was promoted to Sergeant</td>
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<td>Date of Enlistment</td>
<td>8th January 1915</td>
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<tr>
<td>Age</td>
<td>20 years</td>
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<tr>
<td>Fate</td>
<td>Returned to Australia on 24th March 1919</td>
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| Embarkment      | Date: 17th April 1915  
Place: Melbourne  
Ship: HMAT Hororata A20 |
| Previous employment | Ironmonger |
| Address         | Vincent St, Daylesford |
| Next of Kin     | Mrs Margaret Green (Aunt) |
| Physical Description | Height: 5 feet 5 inches  
Complexion: Fair  
Eyes: Blue  
Hair: Brown |
| Medals          | Awarded the British War Medal on 25th April 1922  
Awarded the Victory Medal on 25th April 1922  
Awarded the Star Medal on 29th May 1920 |
| Points of Interest | Elder brother of George John Anderson who is also listed on the DPS honour board (as G. Anderson).  
Place of birth is given as Bullarto. Known as Alex.  
Spent the majority of his journey in France following Gallipoli.  
Robert received an honourable mention commending his courageous leadership while under heavy fire during an attack.  
His name is listed on the Daylesford Methodist Church honour board.  
Religion: Presbyterian. |

by Gabi Kaye
Robert Alexander Anderson - Methodist Church honour board.

Daylesford Methodist Church honour board.

Location: Duke Street and Central Springs Road, Daylesford Uniting Church, Daylesford, Victoria.

Monument Designer: George Freeman
Alexander David Anson (A. Anson)

Service Number 13031
Rank Private promoted to Corporal
Unit 10th Field Ambulance (May-June, 1916)
Date of Enlistment 1st September 1915
Age 25 years 6 months
Fate Returned to Australia on 1st May 1919 and was later discharged on 23rd June 1919.
Emarkment Date: 3rd June 1916
Place: Melbourne
Ship: HMAT Persic A34
Previous Employment Butcher
Address Albert Street, Daylesford
Next of Kin Alexander Robert Anson (father)
Physical Description Height: 5 feet 6 inches
Complexion: Ruddy
Eyes: Blue
Hair: Light brown
Points of Interest • Alexander’s family ran the Albert Street Butcher’s Shop in Daylesford.
• The Daylesford RSL has a collection of his letters written while he was at the war. Great primary resource from a Miss R. Wilkinson asking for departure details of Alexander and when his ship would be due to arrive in Australia after the war.
• He had previously been rejected for service due to corns on feet.
• Religion: Presbyterian

by Jaida Berridge
Alexander David Anson – Photograph

Source: Daylesford Historical Society
Dear Sir,

Would you forward the information of Soldier:
Captain A. D. Anson, 13031.
11 Field Ambulance. whether he has left England for India if so by what boat and when due in Melbourne.

[Signature]

Maj R. Wilkinson

[Postmark: May 21, 1915]
**Percival Richard Armstrong (P. Armstrong)**

**Service Number** 468, then 212

**Rank** Private promoted to Lance Corporal at Gallipoli, 31st May 1915, and later to Sapper, then Sergeant

**Unit** 7th Batallion
Transferred to 4th Sig Coy, AMD in 22nd July 1915
5th Lighthorse Signal Troop

**Date of Enlistment** 15th August 1914

**Age** 19 years 1 month

**Fate** Returned to Australia on board the Argyllshire January 1919

**Embarkment** Date: 19th October 1914
Place: Melbourne
Ship: HMAT Hororata A20

**Previous Employment** Postal employee

**Address** Leggatt Street, Daylesford

**Next of Kin** Walter Armstrong (father), Moonee Ponds
Sister Miss Stella Armstrong, Sutton House, Daylesford

**Physical Description** Height: 5 feet 8 ½ inches
Chest measurement: 34 inches
Complexion: Fresh
Eyes: Hazel
Hair: Light auburn

**Medals** Awarded the 1914-1915 Star on 30th August 1920
Awarded the British War Medal on 11th July 1921
Awarded the Victory Medal

**Points of Interest**
- Two years in Junior Cadets, two years in Senior Cadets, and one year in Citizen Forces
- Spent time in hospital sick with dysentery and later lumbago.
- There were two Percy Armstrongs who enlisted in the A.I.F. It is not clear which one is listed on the honour board.
- Religion: Church of England

**William Leslie Atkinson (W.L. Atkinson)**

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<td>Unit</td>
<td>15th Infantry Battalion (December 1914)</td>
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<td>Date of Enlistment</td>
<td>16th October 1914</td>
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<tr>
<td>Age</td>
<td>20 years 5 months. Born Daylesford.</td>
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<td>Returned to Australia on 25th January 1919</td>
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<td>Date: 22nd December 1914</td>
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<td>Fitter</td>
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<td>Address</td>
<td>Musk Vale Lane, Daylesford</td>
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<td>Next of Kin</td>
<td>R. Atkinson</td>
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<tr>
<td>Physical Description</td>
<td>Height: 5 foot 11 inches</td>
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<td>Complexion: Dark</td>
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<td>Eyes: Brown</td>
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<td>Hair: Black</td>
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<td>William had tattoo marks on his left arm.</td>
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<td>Medals</td>
<td>Awarded the British War Medal</td>
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<td>Awarded the Victory Medal</td>
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<td>(No dates are provided)</td>
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<tr>
<td>Points of Interest</td>
<td>Received punishment for not obeying orders, showing defiance to superiors and using inappropriate language. Pleased not guilty but was found guilty of both.</td>
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<td>Spent time in both Malta and Gallipoli.</td>
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<td>Religion: Church of England</td>
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by James Murray-Phelan
William Leslie Atkinson – Excerpt from Record

![Image of Casualty Form Active Service]

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**Report**

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<th>Period of promotion, transfers, promotion, recess, sickness, absence, etc., during active service as entered on Army Form 373.</th>
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<td>4/7/16</td>
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<td>F.G.C.I. held at Shereka, Kharga, Egypt. 29/4/16 President Major V.V. Dickson R.A.</td>
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**Remarks**

- A.A. Sect. 9(1) When on active service Disobeying in such a manner as to show a wilful defiance of authority a lawful command given personally by his superior officer in the execution of his office, in that he at Qara on 11/4/16 when ordered by Captain Naylor P.W., his commanding officer, to stand to his camel refused to do so.

**Sentence**


**Note:** The C-in-C directs that the sentence of 9 months I.H.L. to be put into execution, Sgd. W. Percy, Major for D.A.G., G.H.Q., Executive, 22/4/16.

Alfred (Alf) Barkas (A.A.D. Barkas)

Service Number: 3265
Rank: Private
Unit: 38th Infantry Battalion, 7th and 8th Reinforcements (February – December 1917)
Enlistment date: 30th October 1917
Age: 18 years 4 months
Fate: Discharged on 7th May 1919 deemed medically unfit due to deafness caused by a prolonged ear infection.

Emarkment: Date: 22nd December 1917
Place: Melbourne
Ship: HMAT Ulysses A38

Previous employment: Farmer
Address: Smith Street, Daylesford
Next of Kin: George Barkas (father)

Physical Description:
Height: 5 feet 4 inches
Complexion: Fair
Eyes: Brown
Hair: Brown
Alfred had a scar on his right temple.

Medals:
Awarded the British War Medal on 19th October 1921
Awarded the Victory Medal (date not available)

Points of interest:
• Suffered from otitis media (inflammation of the middle ear).
• Alfred needed permission to go to war as he was 18 and a half.
• Two more Barkas from Daylesford enlisted in the A.I.F, Gabriel and William, but neither appears on the honour board. They may not have been students of DSS. Younger sisters Bertha and Ruby and younger brothers Wilfred and Howard, did attend the school.
• Religion: Church of England

By Lachlan May
Alfred Barkas – Excerpt from Record

HMAT Ulysses A38 at Port Melbourne 23rd December 1917

John Henry Bath (J. Bath)

Service Number 6299

Rank Private

Unit 27th and late 28th Battalion, 13th to 18th Reinforcements (June-December 1916)

Date of Enlistment 20th October 1916

Age 32 years 6 months. Born Daylesford.

Fate Discharged on 6th April 1919

Emarkment Date: 23 December 1916
Place: Fremantle
Ship: HMAT Berrima A35

Previous Employment Machineman

Address Black Boy Hill, Western Australia

Next of Kin Mrs Rose Bath (wife)

Physical Description Height: 5 feet 8 inches
Complexion: Fair
Hair: Brown
Eyes: Brown

Medals Awarded the British War Medal
Awarded the Victory Medal
(Date awarded not available)

Points of Interest
• Spent time in the Beaufort War Hospital suffering from a condition of the left knee.
• Daylesford was continually spelt as ‘Dalesford’ on his enlistment papers.
• Was living in Western Australia at time of enlistment.
• Religion- Methodist.

by Gabi Kaye
John Henry Bath – Notification of Address

In all communications regimental number, rank, full name, and unit of soldier referred to are to be stated.

Madam, now beg
Bath,
Beaufort War Hospital Bristol England, 3/9/18,
Syphilis left knee actual condition not stated.
I have been reported
No. 6299A Private J. H. Bath,
28th Battalion,
His postal address will be -

Australian Imperial Force,
Abroad.
Don't fail to send charge of your address to
Base Records, Melbourne.
In the absence of further reports it is to be assumed that satisfactory progress is being maintained but anything later received will be promptly transmitted, it being clearly understood that if no further advice is forwarded this department has no more information to supply.

Yours faithfully,

Major,

Fredrick Thomas Bell (F.T. Bell)

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<td>Date: 14th April 1915</td>
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<td>Miner</td>
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<td>Address</td>
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<td>Next of Kin</td>
<td>Mary Bell (mother)</td>
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<td>Physical Description</td>
<td>Complexion: Fair</td>
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<td>Points of Interest</td>
<td>• Frederick was based in France for the majority of his time in the war</td>
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<td>• His personal service records have some public primary sources (letters from mother)</td>
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<td>• In 1968 he was living in Fitzroy with his daughter, Cec Bell, who wrote a letter requesting the ANZAC medal for her father.</td>
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<td>• Religion: Presbyterian</td>
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by Mitchel Vendy
To Senator Pearce

Dear Sir,

Could you give me any further particulars about my son (1st Lt. J. Bell, D.S.O., 1917) who was wounded. We received a letter from the Defence Department about two weeks ago stating he was wounded but up to the present date we have heard nothing further. As I am very anxious about him, I thought you might be able to let me know which hospital he is lying at, and what is the nature of his wound. I am looking forward to hearing from you as soon as possible.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs. Mary Bell
Waylefield

# John Thomas Bell (J.T. Bell)

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<tr>
<td>Age</td>
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<tr>
<td>Fate</td>
<td>Captured prisoner of war. John was released and returned to Australia on 5th March 1919.</td>
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| Embarkment     | Date: 10th May 1915  
|                | Place: Melbourne  
|                | Ship: HMAT Ulysses |
| Previous Employment | Labourer |
| Address        | Cemetery Road, Daylesford |
| Next of Kin    | Mrs J.T. Bell  
|                | Had a daughter, May Bell. |

**Physical Description**

- Height: 5 feet 3 inches
- Complexion: Fair
- Eyes: Grey
- Hair: Fair
- John had two distinctive moles on the root of his neck and a scar on the right buttocks.

**Medals**

- Awarded the British War Medal on 9th March 1921
- Awarded the Star Medal on 8th July 1920
- Awarded the Victory Medal (date not available)

**Points of interest**

- Was officially a Prisoner of War (dated 20th February 1917).
- Received a gunshot wound to right thigh on 13th August 1916.
- Repeatedly suffered from tonsillitis.
- A photo of a soldier who could be John is available.
- Religion: Baptist.
Studio portrait of three Australian Prisoners of War (POW).

Identified on left is 5573 Private (Pte) Leslie Bernard Crisp, 18th Battalion from Crookwell, NSW and in centre is 2694 Pte Robert Hugh Leister, 53rd Battalion from Parkes, NSW. Soldier on right is J. Bell and probably one of the following: 1407 Pte James Foster Bell, No 1 Mining Corps from Camden, NSW; 6218 Pte James Henry Bell, 8th Battalion from Ballarat, Victoria; 6232 John Robert Bell, 4th Battalion from Narandera, NSW; or 34 Pte John Thomas Bell, 22nd Battalion, from Daylesford, Victoria. .... One of a series of over 400 photographs sent by Australian POWs in German camps to Miss M. E. Chomley, Secretary, Prisoners Department, Australian-British Red Cross Society, London. Original album housed in AWM Research Centre at RC00864, Album image number 301.

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John Edward Berrigan (J. Berrigan)

Service Number: 119

Rank: Trooper

Unit: 8th Light Horse Regiment

Date of Enlistment: 12th September 1914

Age: 19 years 4 months

Fate: Returned to Australia on 2nd September 1916 due to a gunshot wound to the thorax, chest and abdomen and was discharged on 25th March 1917.

Embarkment: Date: 25th February 1915
Place: Victoria
Ship: HMAT Star of Victoria

Previous employment: Snicker

Address: 424 Victoria Street, East Brunswick

Next of Kin: A. E. Lithgow (sister)

Physical Description: Height: 5 feet 7 inches
Complexion: Fair
Eyes: Blue
Hair: Brown

John had a distinctive horizontal scar on his left eyebrow and a scar on left hip.

Points of interest:
- John had spent two years in the senior cadets before he enlisted.
- His sister wrote consent for John to be deployed to the Western Front.
- His discharge papers were reportedly stolen.
- Religion: Baptist

by Lachlan May
John Edward Berrigan – Casualty Record

Harold James Berryman (H.J. Berryman)

Service Number

Rank Officer in the Navy

Unit Transport wireless operator. Was the chief Marconi operator on the Carawa.

Date of Enlistment 22nd May 1916, after qualifying as a first class telegraph operator.

Age 21 years

Fate Died of pneumonic influenza in December 1918, aged 24, at sea near Fremantle on the steamer Carawa.

Embarkment

Previous employment Parcels clerk at the Daylesford Railway Station then Telegraph operator at Spencer Street Railway Station and Bendigo before enlisting.

Address Hill Street, Daylesford

Next of Kin Mr William. H. Berryman, a locomotive driver at the Daylesford Railway Station

Physical Description

Medals

Points of Interest Sister was Doris I. Berryman, born 12th May 1906, who attended DSS in October 1911. Harold had spent two weeks on furlough in Daylesford in October 1918.
To cite the value of the facilities offered by the Technical School to students who wish to continue their studies beyond the ordinary State School curriculum we might refer, to just one more instance which has been brought under our notice. After about six months’ tuition under Mr M. B. Challen, director of the local Technical School, Master Harold J. Berryman (son of Mr W. J. Berryman, locomotive driver at the local railway station) qualified as a first-class telegraph operator, and two or three years ago was engaged by the Railway Department in that capacity at Spencer Street. Whilst employed there the ambitious young man, with the assistance of a friend, continued his studies in wireless telegraphy, and after a test at the principal wireless station in the Domain, he passed his examination with much credit. Then he offered his services to the Naval Department, and being accepted, he reported on duty at the Williamstown Naval Depot on Monday. The probabilities are that he will be transferred as wireless operator to the first transport that leaves these shores with the next batch of soldiers. He is only 21 years of age, and as a boy could see the advantages within his reach at the local Technical School. The fact that the fees for tuition are 10s per term speaks for itself. Many scores of jobs similar to that attained by Mr Berryman await the industrious boy who attends Mr Challen’s classes, and yet, we are sorry to write, a great number of parents fail to recognise the cheap facilities.


Frederick Lyell Bird (F. Bird)

Service Number 7203
Rank Private
Unit 6 Infantry Battalion - 24 and 25 Reinforcements (February-August 1917)
Date of Enlistment 19th August 1916
Age 18
Fate Returned to Australia 10th March 1918
Embarkment Date: 19th February 1917 10th March 1918
Place: Melbourne
Ship: HMAT Ballarat A70
Previous employment Baker
Address 272 Bridge Road, North Richmond
Next of Kin F. C. Bird (father)

Physical Description

Medals

Points of Interest • A report in the Daylesford Advocate, in June 1914, puts Frederick in Daylesford. He would have been 16 at the time.
• Religion: Church of England
Andrew Bisset (A. Bissett)

Service Number 4150

Rank Private promoted to Lance Corporal

Unit 5th Infantry Battalion, 13 - 23 Reinforcements December 1915 - November 1916)

Date of Enlistment 26th July 1915

Age 25 years 6 months

Fate Returned to Australia on 28th March 1919 and was discharged on 6th July 1919

Embarkment Date: 29th December 1915
Place: Melbourne
Ship: HMAT Demosthenes A64

Previous employment Labourer

Address Grenville Street, Daylesford

Next of Kin Elizabeth Bisset (mother) of Victoria Street, Daylesford
Father was Andrew Bisset (father)

Physical Description Height: 5 feet 7 inches
Complexion: Fresh
Eyes: Brown
Andrew had a distinctive scar above his right and left eye.

Medals Awarded the British War Medal on 19th October 1921
Awarded the Victory Medal on 14th August 1923

Points of Interest • Suffered from shell shock on 28th of July 1916 and was gassed on 31st of August 1918 and subsequently required a hospital stay.
• A letter from Mrs Elizabeth Bisset confirms that Andrew, Fredrick and William, all of whom are listed in the DPS honour board, are brothers.
• The Bisset surname is spelt ‘Bissett’ on the honour board.
• Religion: Roman Catholic.

by Austin Eaton
Andrew Bisset - Photograph

Portait of Private Andrew Bisset

Andrew Bisset - Excerpt from Letter

George Fredrick Bisset (F. Bissett)

Service number 5984

Rank Private promoted to Lance Corporal, appointed Corporal on 24th August 1916

Unit 7th Infantry Battalion

Date of Enlistment 14th February 1916

Age 18 years 5 months

Fate Returned to Australia on 31st March 1919

Embarkment Date: 28th July 1916
Place: Melbourne
Ship: HMAT Themistocles A32

Previous employment Engineer

Address Born at Bullarto, now residing in Melbourne. C/- Mrs. Milnes, Mont Albert Road, Canterbury.

Next of Kin Mr Andrew Bisset (father), Colvin Grove, Hawthorn (later moved to 25 Smart St, Hawthorn).

Physical Description Height: 5 feet 9 inches
Complexion: Dark
Eyes: Brown
Hair: Dark Brown
Fredrick had two distinctive scars on his forehead and a scar on his left temple.

Medals Awarded the Military Medal on 14th May 1919
Awarded the British War Medal on 20th July 1921
Awarded the Victory Medal on 14th August 1923

Points of Interest • Received a gunshot wound to the head on 7th May 1917.
• Received an honourable mention for courage and leadership while his battalion was under heavy machine gun fire.
• Brother of Andrew and William who are also listed on the DPS honour board.
• ‘Bisset’ is spelt ‘Bissett’ on the honour board.
• Religion: Presbyterian
On 9.8.18 during the attack on enemy position between the villages of VAUVILLERS and LIMONES L/Cpl Bisset displayed great bravery and much skill. Under heavy military gun fire he skilfully lead his section forward and successfully brought them to the objective.

In doing this he was regardless of personal danger and frequently exposed himself to heavy enemy machine gun fire. His example was not only of the greatest value to his own section, but was inspiring to all around him. And served materially to encourage all ranks forward over a most difficult and dangerous area, and under most galling frontal and enfilade fire from the enemy.

Major General
Commanding 1st. Australian Division

by Luke Warden-Hommel

| Date    | From whom received | Record of promotion, reductions, transfers, commissions, etc., having some service, as required on Army Form 11/1 Army Form A.3, or in other official documents, The authority to be copied in this case. | From whom received | Record of promotion, reductions, transfers, commissions, etc., having some service, as required on Army Form 11/1 Army Form A.3, or in other official documents, The authority to be copied in this case. | Place of Casualty | Date of Casualty | Remarks
|---------|-------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------|-----------------|---------|
| 7-9-18  | University loan    | Col. Adam. Bissett | Epping | 7.9.18 | H.P. 248
| 22-9-18 | Indigent          | Trans, 3rd Anzac. | Yeo | 22.9.18 | H.P. 84
| 7-10-18 | Away from Camp    | Raised to the 2. Light. | Auckland | 7.10.18 | 14220
| 2-10-18 | 24th Sep. 1918    | This shows 2nd A.D. & D.C. | England | 2.10.18 | 28.9.20
| 1-11-18 | Cameron Wight    | Field Marshal, 2nd Anzac. | England | 1-11-18 | 21694.19
| 30-10-18 | No. 1 Con. Bissett | Col. Mahood from No. 2 Con. Bissett | No. 3 Con. Bissett | 30.10.18 | 21694.19
| 2-11-18 | No. 1 Con. Bissett | Col. Mahood from No. 2 Con. Bissett | England | 2-11.18 | 21694.19
| 5-11-18 | Maj. Sir J. | Admitted to Hospital | No. 1 Com. | 5-11.18 | 21694.19
| 2-11-18 | No. 1 Con. Bissett | Maj. Sir J. | England | 2-11.18 | 21694.19
| 3/1-19 | Returned to Australia | per Kyren | England | 3/1-19 | 21694.19
| 12-5-19 | Disembarked, Melbourne | England | England | 12-5.19 | 21694.19

William (Bill) Bisset (W. Bissett)

Service number 11
Rank Promoted to Sergeant on 18th August 1916
Unit 57th Infantry Battalion
Date of Enlistment 15th August 1914
Age 19 years 9 months
Fate Returned to Australia on 23rd October 1918
Emarkment Date: 21st October 1914
Place: Melbourne
Ship: HMAT Orvieto A3
Previous employment Carpenter
Address Victoria Street West, Daylesford
Next of Kin Andrew Bisset (father) 2 Steel Saw Mills, Warburton, Victoria.
Physical Description Height: 5 feet 10 inches
Complexion: Fair
Eyes: Brown
Hair: Dark
Medals Awarded the British War Medal on 25th July 1921
Awarded the Star Medal on 24th April 1920
Awarded the Victory Medal (no date available)
Points of Interest • Brother of Andrew and Frederick Bisset who are also
listed on the DPS honour board.
• 'Bisset' is spelt 'Bissett' on the honour board
• Religion: Presbyterian

by Luke Warden- Hommel
# William (Bill) Bisset – Service and Casualty Record

![Service and Casualty Form Part II](image-url)

Jack Langdon Bodinnar (J.L. Bodinnar)

Service Number
World War 1: 555
World War 2: V504078

Rank
Private promoted to Corporal on 4th May 1915

Unit
22nd Infantry Battalion (May 1915)

Date of Enlistment
10th February 1915

Age
19 years 8 months. Born Daylesford

Fate
Returned to Australia on 15th April 1919

Embarment
Date: 10th May 1915
Place: Melbourne
Ship: HMAT Ulysses

Previous employment
WWI: Sawyer
Pre-WWII: Furniture Salesmen

Address
Perrins Street, Daylesford

Next of Kin
WWI: Mrs J. Bodinnar (mother)
WWII: Eliza Bodinnar (wife)

Physical Description
Height: 5 feet 6 inches
Complexion: Fair
Eyes: Greyish blue
Hair: Fair

Medals
Awarded the Victory Medal on 25th April 1922
Awarded the British War Medal on 6th April 1921
Awarded the Star Medal on 24th November 1920

Points of Interest
• Fought in both World War 1 and World War 2.
• Married Eliza after he arrived back in Australia from World War 1.
• Wrote a letter from the front concerning the incorrect spelling of his surname on official documents and was worried that his family would not know if something was to happen to him.
• Jack is the older brother of William Bodinnar who is also listed on the DPS honour board.
• Died on 16th July 1957.

by Daniel White
Jack Langdon Bodinnar – Personal Service records

Personal Service Records are filed together which consists of documents for both WW1 and WW2.
**William Thomas Bodinnar** (W.T. Bodinnar)

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<td>Age</td>
<td>18 years 2 months</td>
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<td>Reported missing in action on 5th August 1916 and was reported to have been killed in action on 26th November 1917 (Western Front, France).</td>
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<td>Date: 5th October 1915</td>
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<td>Previous employment</td>
<td>Grocer</td>
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<td>Address</td>
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<td>Next of Kin</td>
<td>Mrs Keziah Bodinnar (mother)</td>
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<td>Father, James Bodinnar was living in Melbourne.</td>
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<td>William had four distinctive vaccination marks left arm and two moles on his back and buttocks.</td>
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<td>Awarded the Victory Medal (date not available)</td>
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<td>Points of Interest</td>
<td>File contains a lot of letters from the next of kin looking for information as William was reported missing for over a year before being confirmed as deceased.</td>
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<td>William is the younger brother of Jack Langdon Bodinnar who is also listed on the DPS honour board.</td>
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<td>William’s medals were sent to his father despite that he listed his mother as next of kin on his enlistment papers. The Deceased Soldiers Estates Act 1918 dictated that medals must go to a soldier’s father in the first instance.</td>
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*by Daniel White*
William Thomas Bodinnar – Letter from General Birdwood

Letter from General Sir William R. Birdwood to Mrs Keziah Bodinnar in response to her inquiries about the fate of her son, William Thomas Bodinnar.

Letter retrieved from: www.naa.gov.au
William Thomas Bodinnar, digital copy, page 43.

Informal portrait of General Sir William R. Birdwood mounted on his horse in a lane near Grevillers, France, on 22 May 1917.

Photograph and text retrieved from the Australian War Memorial website: http://www.awm.gov.au/collection/E00483/
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<td>School teacher</td>
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<td>34 Blessington Street, St. Kilda</td>
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<td>Selina Booth (mother)</td>
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<td>Awarded the Victory Medal on 15th October 1923</td>
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<td>Points of Interest</td>
<td>Five years of Junior cadets training.</td>
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<td>Wounded in action (wound to arm) while serving in France on 28th August 1918.</td>
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<td>In 1919 he listed his address as ‘State School 1117 Briagolong’, which is near Sale in Gippsland.</td>
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by Juliette Scanlan
Charles Edward Booth – Application for Commission in A.I.F.

Charles Edward Booth's application for a commission as an officer in the A.I.F.

Robert Sturrock Bryan (R. Bryan)

Service number 4445

Rank Private promoted to Lance Corporal of the 46th Infantry Battalion

Unit 5th Infantry Battalion and 46th Infantry Battalion

Date of Enlistment 21st August 1915

Age 19 years 10 months

Fate Discharged from service on 18th February 1918 due to a gunshot wound he received to the leg.

Embarkment Date: 28th of January 1916
Place: Melbourne
Ship: HMAT Themistocles A32

Previous employment Stonemason

Address King Street, Wombat Flat, Daylesford.

Next of Kin Margaret Bryan (mother) (father deceased)

Physical Description Height: 5 feet 5 inches
Complexion: Ruddy
Eyes: Blue
Hair: Dark brown

Robert had four distinctive vaccination marks on his left arm, two moles on his neck and right cheek, and a scar on his right shin.

Medals Awarded the British War Medal on 19th October 1921
Awarded the Victory Medal on 12th January 1923

Points of Interest • A gunshot wound to the leg deemed Robert medically unfit to continue his service.
• Active service in France.
• Robert had an older brother James who was also involved in the War. There is no record of James attending Daylesford Primary School and therefore he is not on the honour board.
• Religion- Presbyterian.
• Highest education level is stated as the sixth class.
• Three years of senior cadets.

by Juliette Scanlan
Robert Sturrock Bryan – Student Artist’s Impression
Eric Thomas Buchanan (E. Buchanan)

Service Number 4143
Rank Private
Unit 7th Australian Infantry Battalion (13 – 23 Reinforcements December 1915-November 1916, transferred to C Company 7th Battalion.
Date of Enlistment 6th July 1915
Age 18 years 2 months on enlistment papers, but 16 years on Roll of Honour card. Born Walhalla.
Fate Killed in action, in the field, France on 25th July 1916 at Villers-Bretonneux Memorial, Villers-Bretonneux, Picardie, France.
Embarkment Date: 29th December 1915
Place: Melbourne
Ship: Demosthenes
Previous employment Clerk
Address 42 Clara Street, South Yarra
Next of Kin Mr. Thomas Buchanan (father)
Mother was Lucy Buchanan
Physical Description Height: 6 feet 2 inches
Complexion: Fresh
Eyes: Brown
Hair: Dark Brown
He had a scar on his right leg, two vaccination marks on his left arm and a rash on both legs.
Medals Awarded the British War Medal
Awarded the Victory Medal on 21st October 1921
Points of Interest • Place of association given in AWM Roll of Honour cards as Daylesford and A.I.F. Project provides school as DSS.
• E. Buchanan was listed on the Daylesford Methodist Church Honour Board.
• Had spent four years in the senior cadets
• Religion: Methodist

by Austin Eaton
James (Jim) Bushby (J. Bushby)

Service Number 12255
Rank Private promoted to Driver on 8th March 1916
Unit 10th Field Ambulance
Date of Enlistment 7th August 1915
Age 23 years 11 months
Fate Discharged on 26th August 1919
Embarkment Date: 20th June 1916
Place: Melbourne
Ship: HMAT Runic A54
Previous employment Stonecutter
Address Smith Street, Daylesford (father)
Changed to Duke Street, Daylesford (wife)
Next of Kin Mr Harry Bushby (father)
Mrs Ellen Blanche Bushby (wife)
Physical Description Height: 5 feet 5 inches
Complexion: Fresh
Eyes: Blue
Hair: Dark brown
James had three distinctive vaccination marks on his left arm.
Medals Awarded the British War Medal on 8th January 1923
Awarded the Victory Medal on 3rd January 1923
Points of Interest • Place of service was France.
• It appears that James married Ellen after he enlisted.
• James served a five year apprenticeship as a stonecutter in Daylesford before he enlisted.
• Religion: Church of England.

by Kiara Clifton
James (Jim) Bushby – Student Artist’s Impression

by Eammon and Tom
Percy Ballington Butcher (P. Butcher)

Service Number 3780

Rank Private promoted to Lance Corporal

Unit 17th Battalion, 9th Reinforcements

Date of Enlistment 18th October 1915 at Sydney, NSW.

Age 30 years. Born Daylesford.

Fate Returned to Australia on 4th July 1919 on a family ship 'Dunvegan Castle' with his new wife, and was discharged on 6th February 1920 deemed medically unfit (disability) due to sinusitis right antrum. Died 17th August 1943.

Embarkment Date: 20th January 1916
Place: Sydney
Ship: HMAT Runic A54

Previous employment Painter

Address Muckleford, Victoria.

Next of Kin W. Butcher (father)

Physical Description Height: 5 feet 3 inches
Complexion: Fair
Eyes: Grey
Hair: Light

Medals Awarded the British War Medal (date not available)
Awarded the Victory Medal (date not available)

Points of Interest • Reported injuries on 9th November 1916 and 12th November 1917 suffering shell shock.
• Spent the majority time of his service in Belgium and France.
• Percy married Minnie Smith, a 26 year old photographer’s assistant, in the Church of Scotland Arbroath, Forfar, Scotland on 18th March 1919. He was charged with being A.W.L. from 24th to 26th March and forfeited two days’ pay as penalty.
• His brother William Norman Butcher enlisted but is not listed on the DSS honour board.
• Religion: Presbyterian.

by Whun Sornwanna
Percy Ballington Butcher – Service Record

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<td>Enembarked at Alexandria to join B.F.P.</td>
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<td>3/3/16</td>
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<td>10/1/16</td>
<td>Rejoined unit from hospital sick.</td>
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<td>WOUNDED IN ACTION FRANCE.</td>
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<td>22/11/16</td>
<td>Reembarked for England.</td>
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<td>Discharged from lat. A.A.M. Marcellin to Durland and report Wareham 2/12.</td>
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<td>Marched into No. 3. C.D. H. R. from Wareham.</td>
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<td>Proceeded overseas to France via Southampton.</td>
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<td>To 5th A.F.A. Belgium Rheumatism.</td>
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<td>Transferred to 3rd A.A. M. Dartford from Brook War H. L.</td>
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<td>Granted extension of leave.</td>
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<td>AWARDED admittance. Total four. 2 days pay.</td>
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<td>Due to report H. G. London but detained for duty as A.D. A.M. of the S.S. London.</td>
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<td>Granted leave to 25/4/19, with pay up to 20/3/19.</td>
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<td>Adm. Queen’s Hospital, Sidcup, ex 94th.</td>
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<td>Granted leave to 27/4/19 and instructed to report Queen’s Hospital Sidcup on expiration of leave.</td>
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<td>3/5/19</td>
<td>G.B.W. face and Jaw.</td>
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Percy Ballington Butcher – Wedding Certificate

Portrait of Private Percy Ballington Butcher and Private William Norman (Norman) Butcher

Studio portrait of 763 Private (Pte) William Norman (Norman) Butcher, 24th Battalion, left, and his brother 3780 Pte Percy Ballington Butcher, 17th Battalion. The brothers met up in England in 1917 where they were both sent for recuperation.

Portrait retrieved from the Australian War Memorial website: http://www.awm.gov.au/collection/P08968.001/
**James Campbell (J. Campbell)**

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William Campbell (W. Campbell)

Service Number 5057

Rank Sapper

Unit 2nd Field Company Engineers, 13th Reinforcement

Date of Enlistment 22nd July 1915

Age 21 years 3 months

Fate Discharged on 18th May 1919

Embarkment Date: 7th December 1915
Place: Sydney
Ship: HMAT Berrima A35

Previous employment Saddler

Address Hill Street, Daylesford

Next of Kin Mr Archibald Campbell (father)

Physical Description Height: 5 feet 8 inches
Complexion: Dark
Eyes: Green
Hair: Dark brown
Eyes: Green
William had distinctive scars below his knee and another above his face.

Medals Awarded the Distinguished Conduct Medal on 17th June 1919
Awarded the British War Medal on 2nd October 1922
Awarded the Victory Medal on 2nd October 1922

Points of Interest • Received an honourable mention on 8th August 1918 for his courage while under attack by 50 Germans to which retrieved a machine gun. Ultimately the Germans waved a white flag and surrendered. He saved a number of lives during this battle.
• William received accidental gunshot wounds to his leg and arm on 6th April 1916.
• While injured he was charged with a crime of damaging the property of a French inhabitant while drunk and received 28 days field punishment.
• Religion: Presbyterian.

by Joe Vivian
The Distinguished Conduct Medal has ranked as a superior decoration to the Military Medal. It was the second highest award for gallantry in action (after the Victoria Cross) for all army ranks below commissioned officers for distinguished conduct in the field.

John Hamilton Capstick (J.H. Capstick)

Service Number 61124
Rank Private
Unit 6th Infantry Battalion, 1 to 17 (VIC) Reinforcements (March - November 1918)
Date of Enlistment 20th May 1918 at Melbourne
Age 18 years 7 months. Born 2nd October 1899 at Northcote, Victoria.
Fate Returned to Australia from service on 13th November 1919. Died on 29th October 1920 in the Military Ward of the Austin Hospital Melbourne as a result of the effects of war service.
Embarkment Date: 31st August 1918
Place: Melbourne
Ship: HMAT Barambah A37
Previous employment Clerk, at a private firm.
Address 34 Davis Street, North Carlton.
Next of Kin Mr John Capstick, 29 Broomfield Avenue, Alphington, amended to C/- P.O. Lexton.
Mother, Agnes Capstick, (formerly Airey) was deceased.
Irene Scholefield (only sister), Baptist Manse, Edward Street, Shepparton.
Physical Description Height: 5 feet 10 inches
Eyes: Blue
Hair: Fair
Complexion: Fair
Small scar on the right knee and four vaccination marks on the left arm.
Medals Awarded the British War Medal (date not available)
Points of Interest • Listed in DSS enrolment records.
• Attended Senior Cadets.
• John had ongoing adenoid troubles throughout the war which led to hospital visits due to frequent nosebleeds.
• Worked in the War Graves detachment in 1919.
• Religion: Presbyterian

by Ben English
**John Hamilton Capstick – Transport Ship**

In this picture, taken on 27th June 1916, shows ‘the troopship HMAT Barambah (A37) being towed from the wharf at Port Melbourne. A large crowd of well wishers stands on the wharf”. (This was not the day that John left Australia, however this was the exact ship that he ventured on to serve Australia.)

### Claude Carpenter (C. Carpenter)

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| Date of Enlistment | Date: 7th January 1915  
                     | Place: Melbourne  
                     | Ship: HMAT Wiltshire A18 |
| Age            | 22 years 11 months |
| Fate           | Killed in action on 13th October 1915 in Belgium. Memorial: Buttes New British Cemetery, Polygon Wood, Zonnebeke, Ypres, Flanders, Belgium. |
| Embarkment     | 14th April 1915 |
| Previous employment | Blacksmith |
| Address        | Fraser St, Daylesford |
| Next of Kin    | Grace Carpenter (mother) |
| Physical Description/markings | Height: 5 feet 6 inches  
                               | Complexion: Fair  
                               | Eyes: Blue  
                               | Hair: Brown  
                               | Claude had two distinctive scars on his upper right arm. |
| Medals         | Awarded the Star Medal on 7th October 1920  
                               | Awarded the British War Medal on 10th September 1921  
                               | Awarded the Victory Medal on 10th September 1921 |
| Points of Interest | • Was wounded in action with a gunshot wound to the left hand (survived the injury).  
                          • Disciplined for absent without leave. Claude received 21 days hard labour as punishment.  
                          • Religion: Presbyterian. |

by Logan Bolton
Claude Carpenter - Description

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<td>Weight 136 lbs.</td>
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**CERTIFICATE OF MEDICAL EXAMINATION.**

I have examined the above-named person, and find that he does not present any of the following conditions, viz.:

- Sorefula; phthisis; syphilis; impaired constitution; defective intelligence; defects of vision, voice, or hearing; hernia; hemorrhoids; varicose veins, beyond a limited extent; marked varicocele with unusually pendent testicle; inveterate cutaneous disease; chronic ulcers; traces of corporal punishment, or evidence of having been marked with the letters D. or B.C.; contracted or deformed chest; abnormal curvature of spine; or any other disease or physical defect calculated to unfit him for the duties of a soldier.

He can see the required distance with either eye; his heart and lungs are healthy; he has the free use of his joints and limbs; and he declares he is not subject to fits of any description.

I consider him fit for active service.

**Date** 7/11/15

**Place** [Signature]
J. Cary

Service Number

Rank

Unit

Date of Enlistment

Age

Fate

Embarkment

Previous employment

Address

Next of Kin

Physical Description

Medals

Points of Interest
J. Catton

Service Number

Rank

Unit

Date of Enlistment

Age

Fate

Embarkment

Previous employment

Address

Next of Kin

Physical Description

Medals

Points of Interest
  • Possibly
    5716 James Thomas Catton, 102 Peel Street, Kew, 22\textsuperscript{nd} Battalion, 15\textsuperscript{th} Reinforcement, or
    499 John Catton, 62 Disraeli Street, Kew, 29\textsuperscript{th} Battalion
**Thomas Alfred (Alf) Chaplain (A. Chaplain)**

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| **Embarkment**     | Date: 24th May 1915  
Place: Tasmania  
Ship: HMAT Ascanius |
| **Previous employment** | Labourer |
| **Address**        | Victoria Street, Daylesford |
| **Next of Kin**    | Hannah Chaplain (mother) |
| **Physical Description** | Height: 5 feet 3 inches  
Complexion: Fair  
Eyes: Blue  
Thomas had a distinctive scar on his abdomen. |
| **Medals**         | Awarded the Star Medal on the 8th December 1920 |
| **Points of Interest** | • Preferred name is Alfred. His middle name is used as his first initial (A) on the DPS honour board and he signs his name ‘A. Chaplain’.  
• Religion: Methodist |

by Lachlan Russell
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Phillip Angwin Chatfield (P.A. Chatfield)

Service Number 1822
Rank Private
Unit 46th Battalion, 2nd Reinforcements
Date of Enlistment 18th August 1915
Age 19 years 9 months. Born Daylesford.
Fate Discharged 12th May 1919, returned to Australia. Died on
12th December 1955 at the age of 60. Buried at the
Daylesford Cemetery.
Embarkment Date: 4th April 1916
Place: Melbourne
Ship: HMAT Euripides
Previous employment Engine Driver
Address Leggatt Street, Daylesford
Next of Kin Francis William Chatfield (father)
Physical Description Height: 5 feet 10 inches
Complexion: Fair
Eyes: Brown
Hair: Brown
Medals Awarded the British War Medal on 11th April 1921
Awarded the Victory Medal on 15th June 1921
Points of Interest • Spent two years in the Citizen Forces before enlisting.
• Served at the Western Front.
• Religion: Church of England.

by Lachlan Russell
Receipt for British War Medal


British War Medal 1914-1920.

‘Instituted by King George V in 1919 to mark the end of World War I and record the service given’. The British War Medal 1914-20 was awarded to those in the army who ‘entered theatres of war during specified periods or left places of residence and rendered approved service overseas’.

Luke Tarver Cherry (L.T. Cherry)

Service number 3391
Rank Sapper
Unit 55th Battalion, 9th Reinforcements
Date of Enlistment 30th December 1916 in Sydney.
Age 37 years. Born Daylesford.
Fate Discharged on 9th March 1919
Embarkment Date: 24th January 1917
Place: Sydney
Ship- HMAT Anchises A68
Previous employment Wharf constructor
Address 73 Carey Street, Leichhardt, NSW
Next of Kin Mrs Kate Cherry (wife)
Physical Description Height: 5 feet 6 inches
Hair: Brown
Eyes: Brown
Complexion: Dark
Luke had two distinctive scars below his left and right nipples
Medals Awarded the British War Medal (date not provided)
Awarded the Victory Medal (date not provided)
Points of Interest • There was confusion around the wife of Luke Cherry as it was believed that she had died six years prior to the war and yet was listed as the next of kin. Possibly remarried.
• His two children were left with his brother John when he enlisted.
• Religion: Church of England.

by Viydee Gledhill
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William Bryan Chisholm (N.B. Chisholm)

Service number 1003

Rank Sergeant

Unit 4th Australian Field Ambulance

Date of Enlistment 19th October 1914 at Melbourne

Age 24 years 2 months

Fate Killed in Action on 6th May 1917 in France, aged 26 years. Buried at Dartmoor Cemetery, Becordel-Becourt, France.

Embarkment Date: 22nd December 1914
Place: Melbourne
Ship: HMAT Berrima A35

Previous employment Locomotive Fireman

Address 35 Fawkner Street, South Yarra

Next of Kin Roderick Chisholm (father)

Physical Description Height: 5 feet 6 inches
Complexion: Fresh
Eyes: Dark grey
Hair: Dark brown
William had two distinctive vaccination marks on his left arm

Medals Awarded the British War Medal (date not available)
Awarded the Victory Medal (date not available)
Awarded the Star Medal (date not available)

Points of Interest • Photo Available
• His preferred name was Bryan.
• Suffered from influenza during service.
• Initials are N.B on the Daylesford Primary School honour board.
• Religion: Presbyterian

By Alex Dales
William Bryan Chisholm

Portrait of William Bryan Chisholm.

Retrieved from Australian War Memorial Collection:
Arthur James Clayfield (A. Clayfield)

Service Number 103

Rank Sapper promoted to 2nd Corporal

Unit 2 FCE (Field Company Engineers) (October 1914)

Date of Enlistment 20th August 1914 at Melbourne.

Age 25 years 10 months. Born Melbourne.

Fate Discharged on 14th May 1917 and returned to Australia

Emarkment Date: 21st October 1914
Place: Melbourne
Ship: HMAT Orvieto A3

Previous employment Bricklayer

Address Victoria Road, Malvern

Next of Kin John Clayfield (father)

Physical Description Height: 5 feet 6 inches
Complexion: Fair
Eyes: Grey
Arthur had two distinctive vaccination marks.

Medals
Awarded the Star Medal on 25th April 1920
Awarded the Victory Medal on 25th April 1922
Awarded the British War Medal on 25th April 1922

Points of Interest
• Based in France.
• Went to hospital sick on many occasions and had a tooth removed.
• It is likely that Arthur James and Edward Clayfield (both listed on the DPS honour board) were brothers. Edward was killed in action.
• Religion: Methodist.

by Holly Murphy
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Edward Clayfield (E. Clayfield)

Service Number 3015
Rank Sapper
Unit Australian Engineers, 5th Field Company
Date of Enlistment 30th September 1915 at Melbourne.
Age 33 years. Born Prahran, Victoria
Fate Killed in action on 29th July 1916 in France.
Memorial: Villers-Bretonneux Memorial, France.
Embarment Date: 24th November 1915
Place: Melbourne
Ship: HMAT Ceramic A40
Previous employment Architect
Address 24 Victoria Road, Malvern and father later moved to 18 Service Street, Caulfield
Next of Kin John Clayfield (father)
Physical Description Height: 5 feet 7 inches
Complexion: Fair
Eyes: Blue
Hair: Dark
Edward had a distinctive mole on his stomach and a scar on his right thigh.
Medals Awarded the British War Medal on 16th December 1921
Awarded the Star Medal on 9th September 1920
Awarded the Victory Medal on 16th December 1921
Points of Interest
• His personal effects left to his next of kin included a lot of hygiene equipment.
• Photo available from the War Memorial.
• It is likely that Edward and Arthur James Clayfield were brothers. Arthur James was discharged, returning to Australia in 1917.
• Religion: Church of England.

by Ben Tsaptsalis
Edward Clayfield - Portrait

Portrait of Edward Clayfield. Melbourne, 26 July 1916. Note that Edward was killed on 29th July 1916, which casts some doubt on the date or location of the photo.

Photograph retrieved from the Australian War Memorial website: http://www.awm.gov.au/collection/P05631.001/
John (Jack) Clayfield (J. Clayfield)

Service Number 5319

Rank 23rd Battalion, 14th Reinforcements

Unit Private

Date of Enlistment 25th March 1916 at Melbourne.

Age 24 years 5 months. Born Daylesford.

Fate Killed in action on 24th April 1918 in France. Memorial: Notes: Buried at Henencourt Communal Cemetery.

Embarkment Date: Date: 1st August 1916
Place: Melbourne
Ship: HMAT Miltiades A28

Previous employment Bricklayer

Address Duke Street, Daylesford

Next of Kin George Clayfield (father), a builder.

Physical Description Height: 5 feet 5 inches
Complexion: Medium
Eyes: Brown
Hair: Black
John had three distinctive vaccination marks on his left arm and a scar on his right knee.

Medals Awarded the British War Medal on 20th May 1922
Awarded the Victory Medal on 20th May 1922

Points of Interest • Sustained a gunshot wound to his left knee on 5th May 1917.
• Several Clayfield children from this family attended DSS, including Daisy (born 1899), Frank (born 1901) and Linda (born 1904)
• Was wounded in action on 4th October 1917.

by Holly Murphy
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Jack McIntyre Clogan (J. Clogan)

Service Number 4462

Rank Private

Unit 6th Battalion, 14th Reinforcements

Date of Enlistment 15th September 1915

Age 20 years 11 months

Fate Killed in action on 26th August 1916 at the Battle of Pozieres. Memorial: Etaples Military Cemetery, Etaples, Nord Pas de Calais, France, Plot 10, Row A, Grave 5A.

Embarkment Date: 28th January 1919
Place: Melbourne
Ship: HMAT Themistocles A32

Previous employment Baker

Address East Street, Daylesford.

Next of Kin John Clogan (father)
His mother was Elizabeth Clogan.

Physical Description Height: 5 feet 7 inches
Complexion: Fresh
Eyes: Blue
Hair: Dark
Jack had a distinctive mole on his left armpit and a scar on his left forearm.

Medals Awarded the British War Medal on 8th January 1922
Awarded the Victory Medal on 8th January 1922

Points of interest
• Had completed two and a half years of Senior Cadets
• Wounded in action on 22nd August 1916 (shell shock).
• Suffered from pneumonia during his time in service.
• Religion: Methodist.

by Viydee Gledhill
Studio portrait of 4462 Private (Pte) Jack McIntyre Clogan, 14th Reinforcements, 6th Battalion, of Daylesford, Vic, and another unidentified soldier. Pte Clogan enlisted on 15 September 1915 and embarked aboard HMAT Themistocles on 28 January 1916. On 26 August 1916 he died at St Johns Hospital in Etaples, France, as a result of wounds sustained in the Battle of Pozieres. The photo was taken on 25 January 1916.

George Walter Connell (G.W. Connell)

Service Number 1924

Rank Private

Unit 5th Infantry Battalion, 1st to 12th Reinforcements (December 1914 - November 1915)

Date of Enlistment 8th January 1915

Age 18 years 4 months. Born Daylesford.

Fate Discharged after receiving a gunshot wound to the head on 11th May 1916. Address after discharge was 419 Spencer Street, West Melbourne.

Embarkment Date: 17th April 1915
Place: Melbourne
Ship: HMAT Hororata A20

Previous employment Labourer

Address Hill Street, Daylesford

Next of Kin Mother (name was not provided)

Physical Description/markings Height: 5 foot 9 inches
Complexion: Fair
Eyes: Brown
Hair: Brown
Distinctive marks: Pigmented scar just below outer side of left groin.

Medals Awarded the British War Medal
Awarded the Victory Medal
Awarded the 1914-1915 Star Medal

Points of Interest • Wounded in action while serving at Gallipoli on two occasions.
• Received a gunshot wound to the head on 27th March 1916 which deemed George medically unfit to continue service.
• Religion: Roman Catholic.
George Walter Connell – Request for Discharge

by Ivory Kilbourne

William Henry James Connell\(^1\) (W. Connell)

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| Embarkment     | Date: 29\(^{th}\) January 1916  
|                | Place: Melbourne  
|                | Ship: HMAT Themistocles A32 |
| Previous       | Clerk |
| Employment     | Clerk |
| Address        | West Street, Daylesford |
| Next of Kin    | Amy Eliza Connell (mother) |
| Physical Description | Height: 5 feet 5 inches  
|                | Complexion: Dark  
|                | Eyes: Brown  
|                | Hair: Dark brown  
|                | William had two moles on his right cheek and a scar on his left knee. |
| Medals         | Awarded the British War Medal on 19\(^{th}\) September 1923  
|                | Awarded the Victory Medal on 19\(^{th}\) September 1923 |
| Points of Interest | • There are two William Connells from Daylesford who enlisted, so we have provided details for both.  
|                | • Papers contained letters from William’s mother (Amy).  
|                | • William’s mother had to give consent for him to enlist.  
|                | • Served four years of Senior Cadets.  
|                | • Served two months of Citizens Forces prior to enlisting.  
|                | • Served in Middle East.  
|                | • Religion: Roman Catholic. |

by Ivory Kilbourne
William Henry James Connell – Letter of Consent

William Hascot Connell² (W. Connell)

Service Number: 1679
Rank: Private
Unit: 46th Battalion
Date of Enlistment: 12th January 1916 at Bendigo.
Age: 21 years 3 months. Born Daylesford.
Fate: Returned to Australia and medically discharged 30th August 1917.
Embarkment: Date: 4th April 1916
Place: Melbourne
Ship: HMAT Euripides A14
Previous Employment: Farm labourer
Address: Hill Street, Daylesford.
Later Hazelthorn Street, Wonthaggi, Victoria.
Next of Kin: Mrs. Isobel Connell (mother)
Physical Description: Height: 5 feet 4 inches
Complexion: Fair
Eyes: Brown
Hair: Brown
Medals: Awarded the British War Medal
Awarded the Victory Medal
Points of Interest
- There are two William Connells from Daylesford who enlisted, so we have provided details for both.
- Had previously served with the 66th Infantry.
- Discharged due to eye problems.
- Was likely the brother of George William Connell who is also named on the honour board.
- Religion: Roman Catholic.
Fredrick James Coon (F. Coon)

Service Number 3626
Rank Private
Unit 3rd Pioneer Battalion, 4th Reinforcements
Date of Enlistment 1st October 1917 at Warragul, Victoria.
Age 22 years. Born in 1st September 1895 in Ararat.
Fate Discharged on 10th August 1918
Embarkment Date: 21 November 1917
Place: Melbourne
Ship: HMAT Nestor A71
Previous Employment Labourer (motor driving)
Address Warragul, Victoria
Next of Kin Jesse Coon (sister), East Malvern
(parenst were Joseph Coon and Caroline Walters.
Physical Description Height: 4 feet 11 inches
Complexion: Dark
Eyes: Yellow brown
Hair: Black
Medals Awarded the British War Medal on 28th February 1923
Awarded the Victory Medal on 28th February 1923
Points of Interest • He had applied previously at Trafalgar but was rejected previously due to his height.
• Sick with influenza on 27th November 1918.
• Fredrick was discharged due to prolonged tonsillitis, which was causing chest pain and exhaustion. It has been suggested that this became a long term problem and affected his work prior to enlistment.
• Religion: Methodist

by Darcy Mifsud
To Deputy Commissioner of Repatriation

Dear Sir,

Would it be possible for me to procure a duplicate of my discharge as mine was destroyed with some of my belongings in a fire at Mildura. So I would be greatful if I could have one at the earliest oppurtunity.

I am yours,

Faithfully,

Fred J. Coon

Reg No 3626 3rd Pnks
Theodore Horatio Cory (T. Cory)

Service Number 16799

Rank Private promoted to 2nd Lieutenant on 1st October 1920

Unit 21 Infantry Battalion – 19th and 20th Reinforcements (May-November 1917)

Date of Enlistment 15th March 1917

Age 33 years 10 months
Born 16th October 1882

Fate Returned to Australia on 28th August 1918
Discharged on 14th May 1920

Embarkment Date: 11th May 1917
Place: Melbourne
Ship: HMAT Ascanius A11

Previous employment School teacher

Address 1a Byron St, Moonee Ponds

Next of Kin Mary Catherine Cory (wife)
She moved address to 80 Strathalbyn Street, Kew.

Physical Description Height: 5 feet 6 inches
Complexion: Fair
Eyes: Grey
Hair: Black grey
Theodore had three vaccination marks on his left arm.

Medals Awarded the British War Medal on 18th August 1923
Awarded the Victory Medal on 18th August 1923

Points of Interest • Completed a teacher’s First Class Certificate. He was one subject short of completing the Bachelor of Arts degree and one year short of his Diploma of Education at Melbourne University.
• He had experience as a Cadet Instructor at Kyneton and at a Non-Commissioned Officer’s School at Port Melbourne.
• Was possibly a teacher at DSS.
• Based in France for the majority of his time in the war.
• Wounded in action on 16th April 1918 (significant wound to the face). Experienced blindness in the left eye as a result.
• Religion: Methodist.

by Ben Tsaptsalis
Dear Madam,

I forward herewith form of Commission issued by the British War Office covering the appointment of your husband Lieutenant T. H. Cory, 21st Battalion, as a temporary 2nd Lieutenant in the Regular Forces of the British Army, for retention against the time of his return from active service. This refers to his first appointment to commission, and not to his present rank. Will you kindly let me know whether same comes liable to battle by signing and returning the attached receipt form.

Yours faithfully,

J. M. Lean,
Major,
Office 44/5 Base Records.

Mrs. M. G. Cory,
KILMORE, VIC.
Stanley Coutts (L. Coutts)

Service Number 5358

Rank Private

Unit 14th Battalion, 17th Reinforcements

Date of Enlistment February 12th 1916 at Mount Prospect

Age 18 years

Fate Killed in Action ‘In the field France’ on 29th August 1916. Memorial: Villers-Bretonneux, Picardie, France

Embarkment Date: 4th April 1916
Place: Melbourne
Ship: HMAT Euripides A14

Previous Employment Brick maker

Address Victoria Park, Daylesford.

Next of Kin William Coutts (father)

Physical Description Height: 5 feet 6 inches
Complexion: Fresh
Eyes: Blue
Hair: Wavy dark brown
Stanley had a distinctive scar on his inner left forearm, a scar on his left breast and four moles on his abdomen, under his right arm pit, several on his neck and two on his right shoulder blade.

Medals Awarded the British War Medal on 13th July 1923
Awarded the Victory Medal on 9th March 1924

Points of interest • It is likely that Stanley and William Coutts were brothers as they provided the same person as next of kin. Both were 18 years old when they enlisted ten months apart. It’s possible one was lying about his age.
• Stanley had been in the senior cadets for two years.

by Lily Fox

William Phillip Coutts (W. Coutts)

Service Number 7216
Rank Private
Unit 7th Infantry Battalion
Date of Enlistment 22nd December 1916
Age 18 years
Fate Discharged on 9th January 1919
Embarkment Date: 19th February 1917
Place: Melbourne
Ship: HMAT Ballarat A70
Previous Employment Grocer
Address Vincent Street, Daylesford
Next of Kin William Coutts (father). His mother was Mary Coutts.
Physical Description Complexion: Fresh
Eyes: Brown
Hair: Brown
William had a scar on his right shin and a scar on his right buttock.
Medals Awarded the British War Medal
Awarded the Victory Medal
Points of Interest • It is likely that Stanley and William Coutts were brothers as they provided the same person as next of kin. Both were 18 years old when they enlisted ten months apart.
• It’s possible one was lying about his age.
• Fought on the Western Front.
• William had been in the senior cadets for four years before he enlisted.
• William had a number of hospital visits, including for a gunshot wound to his jaw in August 1918.
• Religion: Church of England.

by Lily Fox
William Phillip Coutts - Description

Description of COUTTS, William Phillip on Enlistment.

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DISTINCTIVE MARKS.

Fits 4 L arm
Scars on R shin.
Boil scar on R buttok.

CERTIFICATE OF MEDICAL EXAMINATION.

I have examined the above-named person, and find that he does not present any of the following conditions, viz.:

Sorefula; phthisis; syphilis; impaired constitution; defective intelligence; defects of vision, voice, or hearing; hernia; haemorrhoids; varicose veins, beyond a limited extent; marked varices; with unusually pendent testicle; inveterate cutaneous disease; chronic ulcers; traces of corporal punishment; contracted or deformed chest; abnormal curvature of spine; or any other disease or physical defect calculated to unfit him for the duties of a soldier.

He can see the required distance with either eye; his heart and lungs are healthy; he has the free use of his joints and limbs; and he declares he is not subject to fits of any description.

I consider him fit for active service.

Date: 16-12-16

Place: Marylebone

Signed by Dr. Little.

Signature of Examining Medical Officer.

# James Fredrick Cugley (J.F. Cugley)

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<td>Private promoted to Lance Corporal on 12\textsuperscript{th} January 1916</td>
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<td>Unit</td>
<td>22\textsuperscript{nd} Infantry Battalion (May 1915)</td>
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<td>18\textsuperscript{th} September 1914</td>
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<tr>
<td>Age</td>
<td>28 years 3 months. Born Daylesford.</td>
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<td>Fate</td>
<td>James survived the war and was discharged on 24\textsuperscript{th} August 1919.</td>
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| Embarkment     | Date: 10\textsuperscript{th} May 1915  
|                | Place: Melbourne  
|                | Ship: HMAT Ulysses A38. |
| Previous Employment | Skilled labourer. |
| Address        | 196 Albert Street, Port Melbourne |
| Next of Kin    | Agnes Cugley (mother) |
| Physical Description | Height: 5 feet 5 inches  
|                  | Complexion: Fair  
|                  | Eyes: Grey  
|                  | Hair: Dark brown  
|                  | James had a distinctive scar on his right knee. |
| Medals         | Awarded the Meritorious Medal (MSM) on 18\textsuperscript{th} April 1919 and an honourable mention in Sir D. Haig’s dispatch.  
|                | Awarded the British War Medal on 9\textsuperscript{th} of May 1921.  
|                | Awarded the Star Medal on 5\textsuperscript{th} July 1920  
|                | Awarded the Victory Medal on 26\textsuperscript{th} July 192 |
| Points of Interest | • Fought at Gallipoli for 16 weeks.  
|                  | • Was wounded on 27\textsuperscript{th} July 1918 when he was gassed.  
|                  | • Religion: Church of England. |

By Caprice Scott
Hepburn Springs
via Geelong Vic.

To the Officer in Charge Central Army Records
Albert Park.

Sir,
I hereby make application
for the Anzac Medallion for which I am
elegible.
I served for sixteen weeks on Gallipoli
and was at the evacuation.

Receipt acknowledged

Yours faithfully,

No 77: CH. M.S. James F. Cugley
2nd Bn. A.I.F.

James Frederick Cugley
### Hugh Cumming (H. Cummings)

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<td>4 FAB [Field Artillery Brigade] (November 1915) 1st Reinforcements</td>
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<tr>
<td>Age</td>
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<td>Fate</td>
<td>Discharged on 22nd August 1919</td>
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| Embarkment           | Date: 18th November 1915  
Place: Melbourne  
Ship: HMAT Wiltshire A18 |
| Previous employment  | Block Recorder, Victorian Railways |
| Address              | Springs Road, Daylesford |
| Next of Kin          | Christina Cumming (mother), C/- Ophir House, Springs Road, Daylesford. |
| Physical Description | Height: 5 feet 4 inches  
Complexion: Fresh  
Eyes: Brown  
Hair: Dark brown  
Hugh had four distinctive vaccination marks on his left arm a scar on his buttock and a scar on his right leg above his knee. |
| Medals               | Awarded the British War Medal on 9th March 1921  
Awarded the Victory Medal on 9th March 1921 |
| Points of Interest   | • Place of enlistment was ‘Shepherd’s Flat, near Daylesford, Victoria’.  
• Joined the Senior Cadets of 18 months  
• Brother of John Cumming, who is also listed on the DPS honour board.  
• Surname is written as ‘Cummings’ on the school honour board.  
• Religion: Presbyterian. |

*by Alex Dale*
Hugh Cumming - Letter

71 Carlisle Street
St.Kilda.
23-I-40

The Officer in Charge,
Medals Section,
A.I.F. War Records Department,
Canberra.

Dear Sir,
I have come into the possession of the three
war medals of
No.4753 Gunner H. Cumming
Fourth Field Artillery Brigade.
I should like them to be restored to him, if
he is still alive, and have been referred to Canberra
by the Bammacks people here,
I am, dear Sir,
Faithfully yours

Eric W. Moorhead
John Cumming (J. Cummings)

Service number 5805

Rank Private

Unit 6th Infantry Battalion - 13 to 18 Reinforcements (December 1915 - July 1916)

Date of Enlistment 26th April 1916

Age 18 years 1 month.
Date of birth: 27 July 1898

Fate Returned to Australia 12th May 1919

Embarkment Date: 3rd July 1916
Place: Melbourne
Ship: HMAT Ayrshire A33

Previous Employment Labourer

Address Springs Road, Daylesford

Next of Kin Christine Cumming (mother), Springs Road, Daylesford.

Physical Description Height: 5 feet 6 inches
Complexion: Fair
Eyes: Hazel
Hair: Black
John has four vaccination marks on his right arm, and a scar on his right hip.

Medals Awarded the British War Medal on 14th September 1923
Awarded the Victory Medal on 14th September 1923

Points of Interest
- He visited the hospital sick with influenza.
- His name on the DPS honour board is listed as ‘Cummings’ but his last name is actually Cumming.
- He had one brother, Hugh, who is also listed on the school honour board.
- Place of enlistment was ‘Shepherd’s Flat, near Daylesford, Victoria’.
- Reapplied for his certificate of discharge after a fire destroyed his house and contents in 1939.
- Religion: Presbyterian.

by Alex Dales
John Cumming – Enlistment Form

John Cumming – Photograph

Portrait of John Cumming, 3 July 1916

John Cumming – Photograph

Portrait of John Cumming (right) and Private Edgar George Morris, 3 July 1916

William Raymond (Ray) Curry – (N.R. Curry)

Service Number 3279

Rank Private

Unit 37th Infantry Battalion then transferred to 39th Infantry Battalion

Date of Enlistment 18th September 1917

Age 28 years 5 months

Fate Wounded in action 12th August 1918, was sick in hospital with influenza in France on the 26th October 1918. Returned to Australia 4th July 1919.

Embarkment Date: 22nd December 1917
Place: Melbourne
Ship: HMAT Ulysses A38

Previous employment Farmer

Address Musk via Daylesford, VIC

Next of Kin Mr William Henry Curry (father)

Physical Description Height: 5 feet 10 inches
Eyes: Blue
Hair: Brown
Complexion: Fresh
William had three vaccination marks on his right arm, and a mole on his shoulder blade.

Medals Awarded the Victory Medal on 5th September 1923
Awarded the British War Medal

Points of Interest • William’s discharge papers were destroyed by mice and he requested a replacement on 28th March 1933.
• Religion: Church of England.

by Rio Wright
William Raymond (Ray) Curry – Embarkation Photographs

"Ulysses" A38 leaving Port Melbourne 22nd December 1917

Norman Stanley Davies (N. Davies)

Service Number 324

Rank Private, promoted to Lance Corporal

Unit 5th Infantry Battalion

Date of Enlistment 15th August 1914

Age 19 years 8 months

Fate Was admitted to hospital in Malta on 4th September 1915 with laryngitis. Was wounded in action in France 25th July 1915 with a gunshot wound to his left thigh. Norman returned to Australia on the H.T. Ulysses on 13th February 1917 as a result of his gunshot wound and was discharged on 24th May 1917. Died on 24th September 1927.

Embarkment Date: 21st October 1914
Place: Melbourne
Ship: HMAT Orvieto A3

Previous employment Driver

Address Smith Creek, Daylesford and following the war address was listed as King Street, Daylesford.

Next of Kin Mary Davies (mother). Mrs N. Davies (may be his wife)

Physical Description Height: 5 feet 9 inches
Eyes: Grey
Hair: Fair
Complexion: Fair

Medals Awarded the 1914-15 Star on 21st October 1920
Awarded the British War Medal on 11th March 1922
Awarded the Victory Medal

Points of Interest • Received a war pension of £1 per fortnight starting from the 25th May 1917.
• When Norman returned to Australia, on his physical description it was listed that he had a tattoo on his right arm, a scar on his right elbow and a scar on his left thigh.
• Seems like Norman didn’t return to his mother after he was discharged as she sent a few letters asking for him.
• Religion: Presbyterian.

by Rio Wright
Richard Elworthy Densem (R.E.Densem)

Service Number 1347

Rank Private transferred to Mustered Driver and later Gunner

Unit 13th Light Horse Regiment, later this unit changed to the 2nd Divisional Ammunition Column.

Date of Enlistment 6th July 1915

Age 21 years

Fate Wounded in action 8th October 1917 in Belgium with a gunshot wound to the face, thigh and right foot considered severe. Returned to Australia 27th April 1919.

Embarkment Date: 23rd November 1915
Place: Melbourne
Ship: HMAT Ceramic A40

Previous Employment Electrician

Address Mill Street Daylesford, after the war Richard’s address is listed as 261 Bay Street, North Brighton.

Next of Kin Richard Densem (father)

Physical Description Height: 5 feet 8 inches
Eyes: Blue
Hair: Dark brown
Complexion: Fresh
Richard had two vaccinations in his left arm, moles on his right cheek and neck, and a scar on his right calf.

Medals Awarded the British War Medal on 9th March 1921
Awarded the Victory Medal on 26th April 1923
Awarded the 1914-15 Star on 8th July 1920

Points of Interest • Took leave in Paris for 18 days.
• Served in the 5th Battalion Volunteer Cadets for three years.
• Religion: Methodist.

by Miles Wilkinson
Richard Elworthy Densem - Embarkation

Troops boarding HMAT Ceramic (A40). A tarpaulin has been hung from the gangway. Port Melbourne 23 November 1915.

Troops on the wharf prior to boarding HMAT Ceramic (A40).
Norman Julius De Willimoff (N. De Willemoff)

Also known as: Norman Campbell McLeod

Service Number 1630
Rank Private
Unit 6th Infantry Battalion – 3rd Reinforcements
Date of Enlistment 16th December 1914 at Redfern, Sydney
Age 24 years
Fate Killed in action on 8th May 1915 at Gallipoli. Memorial at Helles Memorial, Cape Helles, Gallipoli Peninsula, Canakkale Province in Turkey.
Embarkment Date: 19th February 1915
Place: Melbourne
Ship: HMAT Runic A54
Previous Employment Labourer
Address East Street, Daylesford
Next of Kin Bessie Clogan (Aunt on mother’s side). His parents, Emile Julius and Margaret Ellen De Willimoff of Sydney were listed as deceased.
Physical Description Height: 5 feet 7½ inches
Eyes: Hazel
Hair: Black
Complexion: Dark
Norman had a scar on his left knee and a mole on right cheek
Medals Awarded the 1914-15 Star on 6th January 1921
Awarded the British War Medal
Awarded the Victory Medal
Points of Interest • Different spelling of the name on the DPS honour board compared with service papers, which is spelled ‘De Willemoff’ and on the records it is ‘De Willimoff’.
• He had two names on the records with N. De Willimoff and N. McLeod.
• Religion: Presbyterian.

by Jorja Mobbs
Norman Julius De Willimoff – Student Artist’s Impression

NORMAL JULIUS DE WILLIMOFF  SN.1630

by Jessie McKay
Norman Campbell McLeod’s will.


Reginald George (Reg) Dickson (R. Dickson)

Service Number 531
Rank Sapper
Unit 1st Mining Corps
Was transferred to the 2nd Tunnelling Company
Date of Enlistment 16th September 1915
Age 21 years 5 months
Fate Returned to Australia on 21st December 1919

Embarkment
Date: 20th February 1916
Place: Sydney
Ship: HMAT Ulysses A38

Previous Employment Driver

Address PO Daylesford, Victoria, later 137 Stanley Street, West Melbourne, then 56 Newell Street, Footscray.

Next of Kin George Dickson (father) (Mother deceased)

Physical Description Height: 5 feet 7 inches
Eyes: Blue
Hair: Dark brown
Complexion: Fresh
Reginald had three vaccination marks on his left arm, a mole on his neck and a scar on his right knee.

Medals
Awarded the British War Medal on 23rd June 1921
Awarded the Victory Medal on 5th May 1922

Points of Interest
- His preferred name was George.
- Spent two years in the senior cadets 66th Battalion in Castlemaine.
- On 23rd August 1916 was wounded in action with a gunshot wound to right leg. The wounds were considered severe.
- Leave granted in 1919 to work as a motor driver in London.
- On 20th July, four months before his return to Australia, he married Marie Silvester at St. Andrew’s Parish Church in Stockwell, London. He returned to Australia with Marie on a family ship, Orontes.
- Religion: Presbyterian.

by Jorja Mobbs
Reginald George Dickson – Student Artist’s Impression

by James C and Michael
Albert Ernest Doherty (A.E. Doherty)

Service Number 2581
Rank Private, promoted to Lance Corporal, and then to Corporal
Unit 46th Infantry Battalion
Date of Enlistment 31st May 1915
Age 25 years 10 months
Fate Returned to Australia 18th May 1919.

Embankment
Date: 15th September 1915
Place: Melbourne
Ship: SS Makarini

Previous Employment Teamster (truck driver)
Address Stanbridge Street, Daylesford
Next of Kin Annie Doherty (mother)

Physical Description Height: 5 feet 4 ¼ inches
Eyes: Green-grey
Hair: Light brown
Complexion: Mid
Distinctive Marks: Two vaccination marks in left arm, scar on left shin, mole on the small left side of back, burn scar on chest and birth mark on left back

Medals
Awarded the Victory Medal on 18th August 1923
Awarded the 1914-15 Star on 2nd August 1921
Awarded the British War Medal on 9th May 1921

Points of Interest
• Was at Gallipoli on the 13th November 1915.
• Served in France.
• Religion: Church of England.

by Ryan Thiesz
Albert Ernest Doherty - Medals

## Gordon Hine Dolphin (G. Dolphin)

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<td><strong>Age</strong></td>
<td>23 years</td>
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<td><strong>Fate</strong></td>
<td>On 8th May, Gordon re-joined his Battalion at Gallipoli after being in hospital with influenza. Gordon was sent home from Suez on 10th June 1916 with a valgus ankle and flat feet. Discharged on 20th October 1916. Gordon had died by the 15th April 1967, as seen in a letter from his wife.</td>
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| **Embarkment**     | Date: 19th October 1914  
Place: Melbourne  
Ship: HMAT Hororata A20 |
| **Previous employment** | Engine driver |
| **Address**        | West Street, Daylesford |
| **Next of Kin**    | James Dolphin (father)  
Mrs. Ida Gertrude Myrtle Dolphin (wife) |
| **Physical Description** | Height: 5 feet 8 inches  
Eyes: Green  
Hair: Dark  
Complexion: Fair  
Gordon had one vaccination mark. |
| **Medals**         | Awarded the 1914-15 Star on 5th July 1920  
Awarded the British War Medal on 21st March 1921  
Awarded the Victory Medal on 4th April 1923 |

### Points of Interest
- Was in the Senior Cadets for two and a half years, and in the Junior Cadets for five years.
- Was admitted to hospital in Heliopolis with a venereal disease on the 31st of May 1915.
- His father James Dolphin died in 1915, aged 82, while Gordon was away at the war.
- Religion: Church of England.

*by Miles Wilkinson*
A photograph of 'Daylesford's first volunteers' for the war. Gordon Dolphin, back row, first from left, is the only one who is listed on the DPS honour board.


Gordon Hine Dolphin - Photograph
E. Drummond

Service Number

Rank

Unit

Date of Enlistment

Age

Fate

Embarkment

Previous employment

Address

Next of Kin

Physical Description

Medals

Points of Interest
Thomas Peel Dunhill (T. Dunhill)

Service Number Medical Officer, Surgeon
Rank Lieutenant Colonel then promoted to Colonel and later Major.
Unit 1st Australian General Hospital
Date of Enlistment 19th October 1914
Age 38 years, born on 3rd December 1876 at Tragowel, near Kerang.
Fate Was admitted to hospital on 10th March 1915 with acute tonsillitis, streptococcal and acute nephritis. He was discharged on 2nd April but was still sick on 17th April, when a report was written. Was admitted to hospital in France for five days with influenza on 22nd December 1917. Returned to Australia on 11th November 1919. He died in 1957.
Embarkment Date: 21st November 1914
Place: Brisbane
Ship: HMAT Kyarra A55
Previous employment Doctor
Address “Tragowel” Wallace Avenue, Toorak
Next of Kin Edith Florence Dunhill (wife)
Physical Description Height: 5 feet and 6½ inches
Eyes: Hazel
Hair: Black
Complexion: Dark
Thomas had scar on his left knee and a mole on right cheek.
Medals Awarded the Order of St Michael and St George - CMG
Received three Mentions in Despatches Awards and received two Oak Leaves, one small and one large to represent these.
Awarded the British War Medal on 5th November 1923
Awarded the Victory Medal on 5th November 1923
Awarded the 1914-15 Star on 5th May 1920
Points of Interest • On 18th April, Thomas was considered unfit to treat patients as he still had symptoms of tonsillitis and nephritis.
• As of 30th June 1915 Thomas was considered to be fit for service.
• Religion: Methodist

by Masha Milosh
Thomas Peel Dunhill – Further Information

- After his father died when Thomas was a boy, his mother married William Lawry, a miner, and moved to Daylesford.
- He studied Pharmacy and then Medicine, graduating in 1903. He worked at the Melbourne Hospital and at St Vincent’s Hospital before going on to a surgical career.
- He was commissioned as a Captain in the Australian Army Corps in 1906.
- He enlisted in the A.I.F in World War One and was appointed to the 1st General Imperial Hospital.
- He returned to Australia briefly after the war before being appointed to surgical team at St. Bartholomew’s Hospital in London.
- He was appointed surgeon to King George V in 1928, and later King Edward VIII, King George VI and finally Queen Elizabeth II.
- He participated in World War Two as a consultant to the A.I.F and in emergency wartime medical services.
- He was knighted and became Sir Thomas Dunhill.
- He is likely to be Daylesford Primary School’s most famous former student.

A complete biography can be found at: http://adb.anu.edu.au/biography/dunhill-sir-thomas-peel-6046

Group portrait of the Administrative Staff of the 1st Australian General Hospital (1AGH). Left to right, back row: Private (Pte) Barker; Pte Owen. Middle row: Sergeant (Sgt) J. E. B. Price, NCO in charge Regimental Office and Orderly Room; Pte Christensen; Lance Corporal (L Cpl) J. H. Terry; Pte Shepherd, Clerk; Pte White, Clerk; Pte Gardiner, Clerk. Front row: Cpl G. D. Brown, NCO in charge Records Office; Captain H. S. Bush, Surgeon No. 1 Surgical team for CCS duty; Colonel (Col) T. P. Dunhill, Consulting Surgeon, Rouen Base; Col J. A. Dick, Commanding Officer, 1AGH; Major E. S. Harrison, Registrar and Adjutant, 1AGH; L Cpl F. U. Nutting, NCO in charge General Office. The photograph was taken in Haute-Normandie, Seine Maritime, Rouen in France.

Photograph retrieved from the Australian War Memorial website: https://www.awm.gov.au/collection/E03441/
Photographic Portrait of Sir Thomas Peel Dunhill, taken in 1952 by Walter Stoneman

Edward Albert (Ted) Edwards (E.A. Edwards)

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<td>Age</td>
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<td>Returned to Australia from Italy on 8th October 1918 and was discharged on 22nd February 1919. Died on 15 June 1946.</td>
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| Embarkment     | Date: 20th October 1914  
Place: Hobart  
Ship: HMAT Geelong A2 |
| Previous Employment | Miner |
| Address        | Daylesford |
| Next of Kin    | Edward Edwards (father) |
| Physical Description | Height: 5 feet 9 inches  
Eyes: Bluish  
Hair: Brown  
Complexion: Fair  
Edward had a scar on his right wrist. |
| Medals         | He was recommended for and awarded the Military Medal  
Awarded the British War Medal on 20th June 1921  
Awarded the 1914-15 Star on 23rd October 1920 |
| Points of Interest | • Was at Gallipoli in August 1915.  
• His name was in the Commonwealth Australia Gazette 2nd May 1918 on page 1036, position 84, and the London Gazette on 17th December 1917 on page 13197 position 150.  
• Was sick in hospital often.  
• Acted as Corporal on many occasions.  
• Was the brother of Herbert Edwards, and Harry Edwards who are also on our Honour Board. The two brothers Herbert and Edward both enlisted on the same day in Pontville in Tasmania. Other siblings are Alfred, Bob, Percy, Watson, Alice and Bess.  
• Religion: Church of England. |

by Ciaran Harraghy
Edward Albert (Ted) Edwards – Student Artist’s Impression

by Wileny
Edward Albert (Ted) Edwards – Military Medal

RETURNING ANZAC

Lance-Corporal E.A Edwards (who enlisted in another state) is included in the M list of returning ANZACs.

Excerpt from *The Daylesford Advocate*, Tuesday 10th December 1918.

Harold Claude (Harry) Edwards (H.C. Edwards)

Service Number 2805

Rank Private

Unit 29th Infantry Battalion

Date of Enlistment 5th March 1916

Age 21 years 2 months

Fate Was wounded in action 6th April 1917 and then died one day later on 7th April in the field in France. Harold is buried in the Bancourt British Cemetery, Plot I, Row H, Grave no. 6, Picardie, France.

Embarkment Date: 14th March 1916
Place: Melbourne
Ship: HMAT Anchises A68

Previous Employment Butter maker, had worked at the local butter factory for five years.

Address Railway Station, Daylesford (possibly Italian Hill) and then later updated to West Street, Daylesford.

Next of Kin Edward Edwards (father). He was the sixth son of the family. Mother, Mrs Elizabeth Edwards, was deceased.

Physical Description Height: 5 feet 5 inches
Eyes: Brown
Hair: Brown
Complexion: Medium
Harold had no distinctive marks.

Medals Awarded the British War Medal on the 17th April 1924
Awarded the Victory Medal on 23rd February 1923

Points of Interest • Served six months in the training area 66B of the Senior Cadets.
• Harry's effects were passed on to his father.
• He was the sixth son in his family.
• He was the brother of Herbert Francis Edwards, and Edward Albert (Ted) Edwards who are also on our Honour Board. Other siblings are Bob, Percy, Watson, Alice and Bess.
• Had the nickname “Curly”.
• Religion: Methodist.

by Anna Santurini
A letter from Edward Edwards, the father of the three Edwards boys. This is in regard to Herbert Francis and Harold Claude Edwards and their deaths and recovery of their personal effects.


These were Harold Claude’s personal effects, released to his father.

Excerpts from the Australian Red Cross Society Wounded and Missing Enquiry Bureau file on the wounding and resulting death of Harold Claude Edwards. These are eye witness accounts of fellow soldiers of the incident.
Harold Claude (Harry) Edwards

PRIVATE HARRY EDWARDS KILLED

—On Wednesday last the relatives of Private Harold Claude (Harry) Edwards, who had been fighting for the Empire at the front in France, received word that he had been killed in battle. The gallant soldier was only 21 years of age, and was a native of this district. He was the sixth son of Mr Edward Edwards and the late Mrs Elizabeth Edwards, of Italian Hill, Daylesford. This family gave generously of its sons to the country's cause, as another son, Herbert, was killed in action, and two others, Ted and Leslie, are on active service. The other sons are Messrs Bob, Percy and Watson Edwards and the daughters are Misses Alice and Bess Edwards. Private Harry Edwards was a splendid type of a man and was universally respected and esteemed for his generous qualities and kindliness of heart. For 5 years he was employed at the local butter factory and won golden opinions from the manager, Mr J. P. Crockett, and the directors. General sympathy will be felt for the bereaved relatives in their great sorrow. The flag was flown at the Town Hall in respect to the memory of the young soldier.

Herbert Francis Edwards (H.F. Edwards)

Service Number 1179

Rank Private promoted to Corporal and then to Sergeant

Unit 15th Infantry Battalion

Date of Enlistment 17th September 1914 at Pontville, Tasmania

Age 23 years 6 months

Fate Was killed in action “In the Field” in France on 6th August 1916. Memorialised at the Villers-Bretonneux Memorial, Villers-Bretonneux, Picardie, France. Herbert has no known grave.

Embarkment Date: 22nd December 1914
Place: Melbourne
Ship: HMAT Ceramic A40

Previous Employment Miner

Address Daylesford

Next of Kin Edward Edwards (father)

Physical Description Height: 6 feet 1½ inches
Eyes: Bluish
Hair: Brown
Complexion: Fair
Herbert had a scar on the outer side of his right forearm.

Medals Awarded the British War Medal on 1st August 1921
Awarded the Victory Medal and 1914-15 Star

Points of Interest • Was admitted to hospital sick with rheumatism on 15th October 1915.
• Was the brother of Herbert and Harry Edwards who are also on our Honour Board. The two brothers, Herbert and Edward, both enlisted on the same day in Pontville in Tasmania. Other siblings were Bob, Percy, Watson, Alice and Bess.
• Religion: Church of England.

by Anna Santurini
Herbert Francis Edwards – Troop Ship

SS Ceramic and Berrima at Port Melbourne. From the collection of 1914 Driver Mechanic Sydney Oscar Everett. December 1914.

Leslie Edwards (L. Edwards)

Service Number 2359
Rank Private
Unit 23rd Infantry Battalion, 5th Reinforcements
Date of Enlistment 13th July 1915
Age 21
Fate Was killed in action in France on 27th July 1916. He is memorialised at the Villers-Bretonneux Memorial, M.R. 26. Part II. C-F. Leslie has no known grave.
Embarkment Date: 29th September 1915
From: Melbourne
Ship: RMS Osterley
Previous Employment Cycle Mechanic
Address Mother was at 126 Commercial Road, Prahran and was relocated to The Loyal Hand of Friendship Lodge M.U.I.C.O.F. in Doctors Gully, Daylesford and all letters were under the care of Mrs Murray. Another two addresses in the records were one in King Street in Daylesford and one in Wombat Flat, Daylesford.
Next of Kin Mrs Jessie Edwards (foster mother). Mother died during childbirth and Leslie was brought up as Mrs Edwards's son and in a letter she stated that he “never knew anything to the contrary” so may not have known he was a foster child.
Physical Description Height: 5 feet 6 inches
Eyes: Blue
Hair: Dark
Complexion: Medium
Medals Awarded the 1914-15 Star on 2nd December 1920
Awarded the British War Medal
Awarded the Victory Medal on 26th January 1923
Points of Interest
• Was in the Citizen Forces before enlisting.
• Some of Leslie’s effects that were given to his mother included:
a wallet, note book, postcards, photos, letters, a pair of mittens, cards, a writing pad and a set of “House” games.
• Leslie’s mother donated an enlarged photographic portrait of him to DSS after the war.
• Religion: Methodist

by Ciaran Harraghy
Leslie Edwards – Letter

This is a letter from Jessie Edwards, Leslie’s foster mother, explaining their relationship and how she had brought him up as her own son.

Leslie Victor Edwards (L. Edwards)

Service Number 6420
Rank Private promoted to Lance Corporal
Unit 20th Battalion
Date of Enlistment Cootamundra
Age 22 years 9 months, born Daylesford
Fate Leslie returned to Australia on the City of York in 1919 and was discharged on 6th April.

Embarkment Date: 9th September 1916 From: Sydney Ship: Euripides
Previous Employment Laborer
Address Daylesford
Next of Kin Edward Edwards (father)

Physical Description Height: 5 feet 9 inches
Eyes: Brown
Hair: Brown
Complexion: Dark
He had a scar old and an old burn on his epigastrium.

Medals Awarded the British War Medal on 19th October 1921
Awarded the Victory Medal

Points of Interest • It’s likely that Leslie was the brother of Herbert, Ted and Harry Edwards who are also on the Honour Board so that makes it likely that he is one who attended DSS. Other siblings were Bob, Percy, Watson, Alice and Bess.
• Lived at Main Road, Winchelsea, after the war.
• Religion: Methodist

by Ciaran Harraghy
Victor Francis Every (V. Every)

Service Number 3295

Rank Private

Unit 37th Battalion-7 and 8 Reinforcements (February-December 1917)

Date of Enlistment 3rd September 1917

Age 18 years 3 months

Fate Was wounded and then killed in action on 1st September 1918 in France, stated as gassed. Victor was originally buried in the Curlu French Military Cemetery, but was later exhumed and re-interred in Hem Farm Military Cemetery, Hem-Monacu, Peronne, Picardie, France, Plot 2, Row D, Grave 6.

Embarkment Date: 22nd December 1917
Place: Melbourne
Ship: HMAT Ulysses A38

Previous Employment Labourer

Address Hepburn Springs, via Daylesford VIC

Next of Kin Charles Every (father) Lillian Every (mother)

Physical Description Height: 5 feet 4½ inches
Eyes: Grey
Hair: Brown
Complexion: Fair
Had four vaccination marks in his right arm, a mole on the nape of his neck and a birthmark on the top of right chest.

Medals Awarded the British War Medal on 24th June 1921
Awarded the Victory Medal on 26th May 1923

Points of Interest • Trained in the senior cadets for two years.
• His effects returned to his father were a safety razor, a leather case, three wallets, photos, cards, a money belt, a notebook and a note case.
• His sister Florence Every, born 2nd May 1901, attended DSS. Her father was Charles Every, a miner, of Spring Creek. She had previously attended Hepburn SS. She left the school on 31st April 1915.
• Religion: Methodist.

by Ryan Thiesz
Herbert Wilson Ferguson (H. Ferguson)

Service Number 1814

Rank Private, then promoted to Gunner, and then to Driver

Unit 8th Light Horse Regiment, then transferred to the 11th Field Artillery Brigade.

Date of Enlistment 27th July 1915

Age 23 years 1 month

Fate Returned to Australia 18th July 1919. Died after service on 10th November 1919 from pneumonia.

Embarkment Date: 18th January 1916
Place: Melbourne
Ship: HMAT Vestalia A44

Previous Employment Farmer

Address Italian Hill, Daylesford

Next of Kin James Ferguson (father)

Physical Description Height: 5 feet 11½ inches
Eyes: Blue
Hair: Brown
Complexion: Fresh
Herbert had four vaccination marks on his left arm, a scar on the right side of his stomach and a scar on his left chest.

Medals Awarded the British War Medal on 4th November
Awarded the Victory Medal on 16th February 1923

Points of Interest • Was the brother of James Leslie Ferguson who is also on our Honour Board.
• Returned to Australia on the ship Takada.
• Middle name is sometimes listed as William.
• Religion: Presbyterian.

by Holly Scoble
This letter discusses the death of Herbert due to pneumonia and his funeral arrangements for a gun carriage.

Leslie James Ferguson (L. Ferguson)

Service Number 6811

Rank Private

Unit 21st Infantry Battalion then transferred to the 4th Machine Gun Battalion

Date of Enlistment 16th September 1916

Age 25 years 5 months

Fate Returned to Australia on 18th July 1919.

Embarkment Date: 11th May 1917
Place: Melbourne
Ship: HMAT Ascanius A11

Previous employment Farmer

Address Italian Hill, Daylesford

Next of Kin James Ferguson (father)

Physical Description Height: 5 feet 8 inches
Eyes: Blue
Hair: Dark brown
Complexion: Medium
James had four vaccination marks on his left arm and scars on both knees.

Medals Awarded the Victory Medal on 8th May 1923
Awarded the British War Medal on 19th October 1921

Points of Interest • Was the brother of Herbert Wilson Ferguson who is also on our Honour Board.
• Returned to Australia on the same date and the same ship “Takada” as his brother, so we can assume they travelled home together.
• Eliza Ferguson, born 16th February 1901, attended DSS. Her mother was Mary A. Ferguson of Italian Hill, occupation: domestic duties. Eliza left the school on 22nd February 1915.
• Religion: Presbyterian.

by Holly Scoble
# Charles Ferrari (C. Ferrari)

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<td>Rank</td>
<td>Sapper, promoted to Lance Corporal, later Corporal, and then to Sergeant.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Unit</td>
<td>Was in the Mining Corps no. 5 with the 1st Reinforcements, Mining Corps no. 4 and Mining Corps no. 6. Was also in the 3rd and 2nd Tunnelling Companies.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Date of Enlistment</td>
<td>13th March 1916</td>
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<tr>
<td>Age</td>
<td>30 years 4 months</td>
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<tr>
<td>Fate</td>
<td>Returned to Australia on 31st March 1919. Died at age 75 on the 18th March 1961 and is buried in the Daylesford Cemetery.</td>
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| Embarkment     | Date: 25th May 1916  
|                | Place: Melbourne  
|                | Ship: HMAT Warilda A69 |
| Previous Employment | Labourer in the mines |
| Address        | 64 Burwood Road, Hawthorn |
| Next of Kin    | Eliza Jane Ferrari (wife)  
|                | His father was a ‘naturalized British subject born in Switzerland’. |
| Physical Description | Height: 5 feet 4¼ inches  
|                | Eyes: Brown  
|                | Hair: Brown  
|                | Complexion: Fresh  
|                | Charles had three vaccination marks on his left arm. |
| Medals         | Awarded the Military Medal on 18th February 1919  
|                | Awarded the British War Medal  
|                | Awarded the Victory Medal |
| Points of interest | • Served on the Western Front.  
|                | • Saved a bridge from blowing up and received a Military Medal for bravery in the field.  
|                | • Religion: Roman Catholic. |

by Manny Nicols
Charles Ferrari – Photograph

Source: Daylesford Historical Society
Charles Ferrari – Military Medal

[Document image]


[Document image]

George Eliot Freeman (G.E. Freeman)

Service Number 4192
Rank Private
Unit 46th Infantry Battalion
Date of Enlistment 14th August 1915
Age 22 years 11 months
Fate Received a gunshot wound to the head on 14th August 1916 in the field in France and died on 16th September 1916. Buried in grave 12 of the Australian Section of the Wandsworth Cemetery in London.

Embarkment Date: 26th December 1915
Place: Melbourne
Ship: HMAT Demosthenes A64

Previous Employment Joiner and Draftsman
Address West Street, Daylesford (original address before father’s death), updated to 8 McArthur Street, Malvern.
Next of Kin George Isaac Freeman (father – deceased 7th January 1919) and Mrs Kathleen Howard Freeman (mother).

Physical Description Height: 5 feet 5¾ inches
Eyes: Grey
Hair: Brown
Complexion: Fresh
George had four vaccination marks on his left arm, a scar on his left upper leg, a scar on his forehead and a scar on his left hand.

Medals
Awarded the Victory Medal on 20th February 1923
Awarded the British War Medal on 21st October 1921

Points of Interest
• Was in A Company in the 20th Castlemaine Depot Battalion camp.
• George’s body was originally buried in the Wandsworth Cemetery, Grave Site B.19, Grave Number F.30. but his body was exhumed and re-interred in his final resting place.
• Religion: Church of England.

by Manny Nicols
George Eliot Freeman – Personal Effects

Australian Imperial Force.

Inventory of Effects of The Late 4192 Pte Freeman G.E. 46th Bn. A.I.F.

Number and Description of Packages One.

Date Despatched

Contents of Package Webb Belt containing Badges, Buttons, Leather Belt with Knife attached, Hair Brush and Comb, 2 Razors in Case, Shaving Brush and Soap, Pipe, Prayer Book, Pocket Wallet, Scissors, Pencil, Cartridge Case, Identity Disc, Wrist Watch and Strap, Metal Ring, Letters and Postcards.

(Father) G.I. Freeman, West Street, Daylesford, Victoria.

No. of Package 01/11/16

National Archives of Australia

John Dewdney Fretwell (J. Fretwell)

Service Number 4499
Rank Private
Unit 6th Battalion, 14th Reinforcements
Date of Enlistment 14th September 1915
Age 22 years 6 months. Born Daylesford.
Fate Killed in action in the field on 19th August 1916 in France. Commemorated on Australian National Memorial, Villers-Bretonneux, France.

Embarkment Date: 28th January 1916
Place: Melbourne
Ship: A32 Themistocles

Previous Employment Clerk
Address Sister’s address was 42 Blenheim Street, St Kilda
Next of Kin Miss Elfreda D. Fretwell (sister) and F. R. Fretwell (older brother)
His parents were Roger Robert and Elfrida Fretwell were deceased.

Physical Description Height: 5 feet and 7½ inches
Eyes: Brown
Hair: Dark brown
Complexion: Sallow
John had a scar on his left knee, a mole on his neck, and four vaccination marks on his left arm.

Medals
Awarded the British War Medal on 15th February 1923
Awarded the Victory Medal on 18th May 1924

Points of Interest
• Served one year in the lcadets and three years in the junior cadets
• As with most medals being issued to next of kin being a sister or mother, Miss Elfreda D. Fretwell was asked to list the eldest brother who was F.R. Fretwell. In the end Elfreda was given the medals.
• John’s effects given to his sister were a note book, a wallet, photos, three hankerchiefs, two knee protectors, housewife, two military books, testament, letters, scissors and a strap.
• A war pension of £1 per fortnight was granted to John’s sister Elfreda from the 23rd of November 1916.
• It seems like there may have been a lost brother along the way by the name of Robert Edward Dewdney Fretwell, as Elfreda mentions him in a letter.
• Religion: Church of England.

by Pasca Hewat
The Bank of Victoria Limited
Toora, 25th Nov. 1911.

Officer in Charge
Dare Records
Melbourne

Dear Sir,

I, to Hugg Private J D Fretwell
in response to your letter of 22nd in December
I hereby authorize you

To my sister Mrs.
J D Fretwell loan
medals or anything

I am, yours truly,

[Signature]

National Archives of Australia
NAA: B2435, FRETWELL J D

Jack Fumberger (J. Fumberger)

Service Number 796
Rank Private
Unit Began with the 2nd Machine Gun Company 11th – 15th reinforcements and then moved to the 4th Machine Gun Battalion.
Date of Enlistment 24th January 1917
Age 24 years 3 months
Fate Returned to Australia on 6th September 1919 on the ship *Pakeha*.
Embarkment Date: 26th November 1917
Place: Melbourne
Ship: SS Indarra
Previous Employment Linesman
Address Daylesford, Victoria
Next of Kin Harry Fumberger (father)
Physical Description Height: 5 feet 11½ inches
Eyes: Brown
Hair: Black
Complexion: Medium
Jack had a scar on his right knee, a mole on his chest and moles on the back of his neck.
Medals Awarded the British War Medal on 10th October 1921
Awarded the Victory Medal on 3rd October 1923
Points of Interest • Religion: Church of England

by Pasca Hewat
### Allan Francis Hayward Gabriel (A. Gabriel)

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<td>Rank</td>
<td>Lance Corporal promoted to Corporal and then later promoted to Sergeant and later to Lieutenant. Was also a temporary Company Sergeant-Major.</td>
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<td>Unit</td>
<td>23rd Infantry Battalion</td>
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<td>Date of Enlistment</td>
<td>15th June 1915 at Melbourne.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Age</td>
<td>20 years 3 months. Born Ballarat.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Fate</td>
<td>Was admitted to hospital in France on 5th August 1917 with laryngitis. Was wounded in action on 1st September 1918 in France with a gunshot wound to his buttocks. On 5th September 1918, Allan was invalided to the U.K. Returned to Australia from England on Ceramic on 25th January 1919.</td>
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| Embarkment     | Date: 26th August 1915  
Place: Melbourne  
Ship: HMAT Anchises A68 |
| Previous Employment | Teacher |
| Address        | Humffray Street South, Ballarat |
| Next of Kin    | Mrs L. Gabriel (mother) c/o Mrs Lepp |
| Physical Description | Height: 5 feet 6¼ inches  
Eyes: Brown  
Hair: Dark brown  
Complexion: Fresh  
Allan had three vaccination marks on his left arm, a scar on his abdomen, a scar on his left leg and a scar on his left knee. |
| Medals         | Awarded the Military Medal on 31st October 1917  
Awarded the British War Medal on 15th April 1921  
Awarded the Victory Medal on 25th April 1922  
Awarded the 1914-15 Star on 1st September 1920 |
| Points of Interest | • Served in the citizen forces for two years and nine months in the 66th Battalion as Corporal, Acting Sergeant. Also served in the senior cadets for four years.  
• Religion: Church of England. |

by Masha Milosh
Allan Francis Hayward Gabriel – Military Medal

Dear Madam,

I have much pleasure in forwarding hereunder copy of extract from Fourth Supplement, No. 30476, to the "London Gazette," dated 11th January, 1918, relating to the conspicuous services rendered by the undermentioned member of the Australian Imperial Force.

AWARDED THE MILITARY MEDAL.

"HIS MAJESTY THE KING has been graciously pleased to approve of the award of the Military Medal for bravery in the field to the undermentioned:—

No. 1927 Sergeant (temporary Company Sergeant-Major) A. F. H. GABRIEL."

The above has been promulgated in "Commonwealth of Australia Gazette," No. 76, dated 23rd May, 1918.

Mrs. L. Gabriel,
C/o Mr. Legg,
Humphrey Street,
South Ballarat,
VICTORIA.

Yours faithfully,
Capt. for Major,
Officer i/c Base Records.

National Archives of Australia


Thomas Andrew Gay (T.A. Gay)

Service Number 2653
Rank Private and was temporarily a Corporal
Unit 22nd Infantry Battalion – 6th Reinforcement
Date of Enlistment 17th July 1915 at Melbourne. Attempted to enlist on 17th August 1914 but was rejected because of a broken foot.
Age 22 years 10 months. Born Port Melbourne.
Fate Returned to Australia on Plassy on 25th October 1919
Embarkment Date: 27th October 1915
Place: Melbourne
Ship: HMAT Ulysses A38
Previous Employment Carter or Driver
Address 138 Charles Street, Northcote
Next of Kin 1914: Mrs Elizabeth Gay (mother), later in 1915: Mrs Elizabeth Meades. His mother remarried.
Physical Description Height: 6 feet ¾ inch
Eyes: Blue
Hair: Brown
Complexion: Clear
Thomas had a tattoo of a ship on his right forearm and a scar on the back of his left wrist.
Medals Awarded the Victory Medal on 30th April 1922
Awarded the British War Medal on 19th May 1921
Awarded the 1914-15 Star
Points of Interest • A.I.E.F for three months.
• Volunteer Cadets for five years.
• On 3rd August 1916 was wounded in action in France.
• Went to hospital due to shell shock.
• Photo of ‘T. Gay’ taken in Australia dated 12th October 1915 in AWM collection ref. DASEY2277.
• Religion: Church of England.

by Taya Gust
Portrait of a soldier named T. Gay (possibly Thomas Gay) around 12 October 1915, taken in Melbourne or Seymour Victoria.

Retrieved from the Australian War Memorial
James Alexander Graham (A. Graham)

Service Number 2374

Rank Private, promoted to Corporal, then to Sergeant

Unit 17th Battalion

Date of Enlistment 22nd July 1915 at Liverpool, NSW.

Age 21 years 1 month. Born Eganstown.

Fate Returned to Australia invalided 22nd January 1919 and was discharged on 8th March 1919. After the war he resided at 747 Drummond Street, North Carlton. Died 22nd June 1985.

Embarkment Date: 5th October 1915
Place: Sydney
Ship: HMAT Themistocles A32

Previous employment Farm hand or Ploughman

Address 129 Riversdale Road, Hawthorn, Victoria, later 59 Tongue Street, Yarraville, then 57 Bond Street, Ballarat East.

Next of Kin Mrs Margaret Elizabeth Ling (sister)

Physical Description Height: 5 feet 7¼ inches
Complexion: Dark
Eyes: Brown
Hair: Brown

Medals Awarded the French Croix de Guerre on 27th March 1918
Awarded the 1914-1915 Star
Awarded the Military Medal
Awarded the Victory Medal

Points of Interest • He sent his French medal home to his sister for safekeeping.
• Wounded in action in France, receiving a schrapnel wound to the right leg in October 1917 and a gunshot wound to the neck in October 1918.
• Religion: Church of England
James Alexander Graham – Croix de Guerre


Robert Graham (R. Graham)

Service Number 4812

Rank Private, then changed roles to Driver

Unit 29th Battalion and the 13th Reinforcements. Was transferred to the 38th Infantry Battalion, then transferred to the 104th H. Battery. Robert was also in the 4th Field Artillery Brigade.

Date of Enlistment 23rd March 1917. Also attempted enlistment on 25th October 1915 but was rejected.

Age 22 years 3 months

Fate Was discharged on 26th August 1919 and Robert decided to stay on overseas. He then returned to Australia on 30th September 1920.

Embarkment Date: 21st June 1917
Place: Melbourne
Ship: HMAT Suevic A29

Previous Employment Blacksmith. On first enlistment form, Robert stated that he was an apprentice blacksmith for 18 months with Joseph Kinsman

Address Victoria Park, Daylesford

Next of Kin Charles Graham (father)

Physical Description Height: 5 feet 5 inches
Eyes: Brown
Hair: Dark
Complexion: Dark
Robert had four vaccination marks on his left arm and a scalpel scar from an operation

Medals He received a N.M.E Certificate on 26th March 1920
Awarded the Victory Medal on 15th September (year unknown).
Awarded the British War Medal on 19th October 1921

Points of Interest • Enlisted previously in 1915 at the age of 20 and was discharged for refusing to have an operation on his ingrown toenail.
• Served previously in the 14th of the 8th Light Horse.
• Granted leave in 1918 to work in Bullgill, Cumberland, UK.
• Married Mary Marshall in Cockermouth, Cumberland on the 27th of September 1919, a month after he was discharged.
• Returned to Australia on a family ship, the Beltana on 14th August 1920, accompanied by his wife and child.
• Robert was one of seven sons of Charles and Elizabeth Graham. Three of his brothers are on the Honour Board, those being R. Graham, T. Graham and W.G. Graham.
• Religion: Church of England

by Cooper Harwood
Robert Graham – Marriage Certificate

Robert Graham – Particulars of Service

PARTICULARS OF SERVICE IN THE A.I.F. IN CONNECTION WITH

ROBERT GRAHAM

(Late of address: Victoria Park, WOLLONGONG)

ISSUED TO DEPARTMENT OF ARMS & ARTILLERY - St Kilda Road,

MELBOURNE.


Ser. No.: 168275

Date: 26/10/15

Enlisted in the A.I.F.

25/3/16

Discharged from the A.I.F. in Melbourne. - M.U.

Disability: Improving toe nail.


10/4/17

Enlisted in the A.I.F.

25/4/17

Embarked for Active Service Abroad.

15/7/17

Admitted to Sh Asia hospital, at Gav, - Prilley.

14/7/17

Discharged from hospital.

20/7/17

Disembarked at Liverpool.

25/8/17

Marched into 5th T.C. Dn. Harrods from Australia.

17/10/17

Admitted to Camp Hospital, Harrods. - Sick.

15/11/17

Marched into 8th T.C. Dn, Harrods from Camp Hospital.

19/11/17

Marched into 15th T.C. En. Colford.

27/12/17

Proceeded overseas to France ex England.

20/12/17

Marched into A.I.B. Dn, Roullette.

3/1/18

Taken on strength of 6th Battalion.

4/1/18

Transferred to 36th Bn. Battery.

25/11/18

Returned to France ex England.

25/12/18

Rejoined 6th Bn. Ex. Ex.

9/2/19

Marched out for return to Australia.

7/3/19

Marched into No. 2 Group, England ex France.

26/6/19

Granted leave to 26/6/19 with pay. Reason, Farming.

ATTENDANT - J. Hanes, Queensland House, Bulli, New South Wales.

26/6/19

Reported to HQ, London and granted embarkation leave and to report to Sutton Veny on 10/6/19.

26/6/19

Still on indefinite leave.

1/12/19

Left England for return to Australia per H.T. "BELTANA".

14/1/20

Disembarked at Melbourne.

30/9/20

Discharged from the A.I.F. in Melbourne. - Termination of period of enlistment.

Copies of A.H. Form D2 and C.M. Form D2 and extract from A.H. Form D1, attached. No other medical papers are available.

Captain,

Melbourne.

Officer in charge Records,

National Archives of Australia.
Roy Stewart Graham (R.S. Graham)

Service Number 19
Rank Private promoted to Driver
Unit 9th Infantry Battalion
Date of Enlistment 26th August 1914
Age 24 years 3 months
Fate Was admitted to hospital for two days on 27th July 1915 for an injury to his arm.

Was discharged to return to Australia on 16th September 1915 due to defective eyesight in both eyes with the left eye being the worst. His eyes were also aggravated by the sand, wind and heat in Egypt. Roy was also diagnosed with neurasthenia, some symptoms of which are classified under the category of neurosis today.

He returned to Australia on 27th January 1916.

Embarkment Date: 24th September 1914
Place: Brisbane
Ship: HMAT Rangatira A22

Previous Employment Motor Driver
Address Victoria Park, Daylesford
Next of Kin Elizabeth Graham (mother)
Physical Description Height: 5 feet 7½ inches
Eyes: Grey
Hair: Black
Complexion: Dark

Medals Awarded the 1914-15 Star on 29th September 1920
Awarded the Victory Medal
Awarded the British War Medal

Points of Interest • Was in the 11th Light Horse Regiment before the war.
• His middle name is sometimes listed as “Stuart” or “Smart”
• Roy Stewart was one of seven sons of Charles and Elizabeth Graham. Three of his brothers are on the Honour Board, those being R. Graham, T. Graham and W.G. Graham.
• Religion: Presbyterian

by Flint Harley
This is the medical form showing the soldier’s condition and the opinion of the Doctor at the Hospital in Brisbane, following Graham’s return to Australia.

Thomas (Tom) Graham (T. Graham)

Service Number 67

Rank Private then promoted to Gunner. Was also listed as a Trooper

Unit 13th Light Horse Regiment

Date of Enlistment 17th December 1914

Age 18 years 2 months

Fate Returned to Australia on 1st February 1919.

Embarkment Date: 28th August 1915
Place: Melbourne
Ship: HMAT Persic A34

Previous Employment Plasterer

Address Victoria Park, Daylesford

Next of Kin Mrs Graham (mother)

Physical Description Height: 5 feet 7½ inches
Eyes: Blue
Hair: Fair
Complexion: Fair
Thomas had no distinctive marks.

Medals Awarded the 1914-15 Star on 25th September 1920
Awarded the Victory Medal on 25th May 1922
Awarded the British War Medal on 7th June 1921
Thomas Graham was awarded the Military Medal for gallant conduct when on patrol duty.

Points of interest • Previously served in the Senior Cadets.
• Was admitted to Hospital during the war for malaria and influenza.
• Thomas was one of seven sons of Charles and Elizabeth Graham. Three of his brothers are on the Honour Board, those being R. Graham, T. Graham and W.G. Graham.
• T. Graham appears twice on the honour board, but we think it should only appear once.
• Religion: Presbyterian.

by Cooper Harwood
Thomas Graham – Military Medal

This was taken from the Australian War Memorial Collection, Honours and Awards (Recommendations) for Thomas Graham. http://static.awm.gov.au/images/collection/pdf/RCDIG1068816--3_.pdf
William George Graham (W. Graham)

Service Number 2181

Rank Private and then was later appointed Driver

Unit 57th Infantry Battalion, 4th Reinforcements

Date of Enlistment 1st April 1916

Age 30 years 4 months

Fate He was killed in action 19th October 1917 by a shell in on Menin Road Ypres, Belgium, and was buried in a small cemetery on the roadside. His body was later exhumed and re-interred in the White House Cemetery, St Jean-les-Ypres, Belgium in Plot 3, Row S, Grave 26.

Embarkment Date: 1st August 1916
Place: Melbourne
Ship: HMAT Orsova

Previous Employment Boundary Rider

Address Victoria Park, Daylesford

Next of Kin Charles Graham (father)

Physical Description Height: 5 feet 5½ inches
Eyes: Grey
Hair: Black
Complexion: Fresh
William had two vaccination marks on his right arm and a scar on his right thigh and groin.

Medals
Awarded the Victory Medal 23rd March 1923
Awarded the British War Medal 31st March 1922

Points of Interest
• Was admitted to hospital for influenza in 1916.
• William George was one of seven sons of Charles and Elizabeth Graham. Three of his brothers are on the Honour Board, those being R. Graham, T. Graham and R.S. Graham.
• Religion: Church of England.

by Flint Harley
William George Graham - Portrait

Studio portrait of 2181 Private (Pte) William George Graham, 47th Battalion by the Darge Photographic Company

William George Graham - Burial

Page 3 of The Australian Red Cross Society Wounded and Missing Enquiry Bureau. Discovered on the Australian War Memorial website.

This document shows the information on the movement of William George’s remains from where they were originally buried to his final resting place in the White House Cemetery, St Jean-les-Ypres in Belgium.

SOLDIER'S HOPEFUL LETTER. - Mr and Mrs Charles Graham, of Victoria Park, on Wednesday received a letter, written by their late son, Driver W. G. Graham, on the 29th of September. It will be remembered that it was only the other day that Mr and Mrs Graham received word that their son had been killed in action on the 19th of October. In the letter received by his parents on Wednesday, the young soldier stated that he had seen his brother Tom, who is in the Light Horse, and that both of them were alright and expected to return home safe when the war was over.

This letter is from Mrs Elizabeth Graham, wife of Charles Graham, a health inspector of Victoria Park, Daylesford, and mother of William George, Thomas, Roy Stewart and Robert Graham. (The younger son who was considered too young to enlist was Donald Graham who was born on 9th December 1900 and the youngest son was James Hector who was born in 1907). Sisters were Nancy (born 1902) and Lucy (born 1905).

Graham brothers – Newspaper Report

what grounds had the lad attended parades since the alleged granting of exemption, if exemption as applied for by the father had been granted?

Mr Graham—He says that Lieut. Dettmann wrote to him that he would have to make up some deficient time re rifle shooting at the butts, and that he attended in that belief.

Mr Bartold—In his letter to the Defence Department (a copy of which I have before me) Mr Graham mentions the fact that he has four sons at the front with the A.I.F., and that this defendant is the only son who can assist him at home, the next son being only nine years of age. I think that the Department would be disposed to favorably consider such a request under the circumstances.

Mr Graham—I took a mail contract, relying on this lad’s assistance, as I thought that one of the other boys might come back crippled, in which case I would have some light employment for him. I will be in a difficulty if this lad is taken from me.

Lieut. Fraser said that he had no alternative but to prosecute.

Mr Bartold—I don’t wish to do anything harsh so will adjourn the case until the 19th of June, so that meantime doubts as to the period of exemption granted can be cleared up.
Harry Franklyn Green (F. Green)

Service Number  N/A
Rank  Captain
Unit  Australian Army Medical Corps
Appointed AMC Medical Officer, 23rd Batallion on 13th February 1915
Date of Enlistment  14th February 1914
Age  25 years 3 months. Born 7th November 1889. Native of Daylesford.
Fate  Died of wounds 29th November 1915 at 6th Field Ambulance Hospital, Gallipoli. Killed by shrapnel to chest. Buried at Brown’s Dip and later reinterred at Lone Pine Cemetery Gallipoli Peninsula, Canakkale Province, Turkey, plot 1, row C, grave 4.

Emarkment  Date: 10th May 1915
Place: Melbourne
Ship: HMAT Euripides

Previous Employment  Medical Practitioner
Address  218 Punt Road, Prahran

Next of Kin  Charles H. Green (father), 218 Punt Road, Prahran, later corner of Kooyong Road and Dandenong Road, Malvern. Mother Mary Green.

Physical Description  Height: 5 feet 9 inches
Chest Measurement: 35

Medals  Awarded the 1914 Star 13th September 1920
Awarded the Victory Medal 6th January 1923

Points of Interest  • M.B. Ch.B. Melbourne University
• In his will dated 28th August 1915, Franklyn left his property and effects to his sister, Adela Green.
• His AWM memorial card state that his ‘place of association’ is Daylesford.
• His name (Dr. Franklin Green) is provided in a list of men who were former students of Daylesford in the ‘School roll of the Fallen’ as read at publicly by the DSS principal and reported in the Daylesford Advocate of 26th April 1918.
• Religion: Methodist.

by Taya Gust
Group portrait of officers of the 23rd Battalion taken on board HMAT Euripides en route to Egypt Taken at sea on 30th May 1915

From left to right: Front row; Second Lieutenant (2nd Lt) Leslie Glen Addison; Lieutenant (Lt) Ernest Ederblom King; Lt Douglas Barnes; Lt Albert Valentine Dwyer; 2nd Lt John Archer Lorimer; 2nd row; Lt Arthur Herbert Kennedy; Captain (Capt) George Hodges Knox; Lieutenant-Colonel George Frederick Morton; Lt Eric Thomas Brind; Capt Matthew Baird; Capt William Brazenor; 3rd row; 2nd Lt George Archer Jaques; Lt John Edward Lloyd; Lt Frank Morris; 2nd Lt Irving Russell Flett; Lt Edward John Gaynor; 2nd Lt Walter James Galbraith; 2nd Lt Frederick Henry Ward; 2nd Lt Robert Goldthorpe Raws; Capt Harry Franklin Green (Medical Officer, died of wounds 29 November 1915); 2nd Lt Hugh Campbell Gemmell MacIndoe; 2nd Lt Percy George Rupert Parkes; Lt Duncan Beith; 2nd Lt Reginald Edric Hain; 2nd Lt John McNabb Main; unidentified Chaplain: back row; Lt Timothy Bernard Farrell; Lt MacDonald; 2nd Lt John Pascoe; 2nd Lt John Hughes Drummond; 2nd Lt Edward John Howells; Lt Hugh Marcell Conran; 2nd Lt Bertram Atkinson.

Retrieved from the Australian War Memorial
Robert Alexander Green (R. Green)

Service Number 573
Rank Sapper
Unit First mining corps
Transferred to Second Tunnelling Company
Date of Enlistment 20th July 1915
Age 40 years 5 months. Place of birth: Daylesford.
Fate Admitted to hospital from a gas shell wound in the field on 15th March 1918. Discharged from hospital on 24th April 1918. Returned to Australia on 12th May 1918. Died on 4th October 1925.
Embarkment Date: 20th February 1916
From: Sydney
Ship: HMAT Ulysses A38
Previous employment Miner
Address “Yanga” Lala, Warburton, VIC
Next of Kin Miss Lella Graham (friend)
Physical Description Height: 5 feet 9 inches
Eyes: Blue
Hair: Grey
Complexion: Sallow
Robert had three vaccination marks, a mole on his abdomen and was noted to have had a hairy chest.

Medals Awarded the Victory Medal on 11th September 1922
Awarded the British War Medal on 11th September 1922
Points of Interest • He was in the rifle club for seven years and the Militia Company at Albert Park for two years.
• Was evacuated on 14th March 1918 as a result of his suffering from gas wounds.
• A reason for his discharge from the gassing was premature senility and had cardio-vascular changes; his eyes were much affected which suggests that the gas used was chlorine gas.
• He was ordered reading glasses for the damage to his eyes.
• Was considered permanently unfit for general service and temporarily unfit for home service.
• He may have lied about his age (given as 40) on enlistment – 1918 records give his age as 50.
• Religion: Presbyterian.

by William Glen
Dear Madam,

I now beg to advise you that Sapper E. A. Green, has been admitted at 25/3/18 to Richmond Military Hospital, England (Casualty as wounded). His postal address will be Casull.

No. 573 Sapper E. A. Green, 2nd Tunnlgs. Coy.,
Australian Imperial Force,
Abroad.

In the absence of further reports it is to be assumed that satisfactory progress is being maintained, but anything later received will be promptly transmitted, it being clearly understood that if no further advice is forwarded this department has no more information to supply.

Yours faithfully,

J. M. Lean, Major,
Office in Charge, Base Records.

National Archives of Australia
NAA: B2485, GREEN R. A.


**William Thomas Vivian Green (W.T.V. Green)**

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<td>Age</td>
<td>18 years 10 months. Place of birth: Daylesford.</td>
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<td>Fate</td>
<td>On 18th May 1917 Green was wounded in action in France. Received gun shot wounds, to both arms, left thigh and left eye and then lost that eye. On 3rd January 1918 he was considered unfit for further service as a result of these injuries. Returned to Australia on Suevic in 1919.</td>
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| Embarkment     | Date: 29th December 1915  
Place: Melbourne  
Ship: HMAT Demosthenes A64 |
| Previous employment | Motor mechanic |
| Address        | Victoria Street, Daylesford |
| Next of Kin    | William Henry Green (father) |
| Physical Description | Height: 5 feet 4 inches  
Eyes: Dark brown  
Hair: Dark  
Complexion: Dark  
Vivian had three vaccination marks on his left arm and a mole on his left cheek. |
| Medals         | Awarded the Silver War Badge on 22nd February 1918.  
Awarded the Victory Medal on 23rd November 1922.  
Awarded the British War Medal on 23rd November 1922. |
| Points of Interest | • His preferred name was Vivian.  
• Vivian was in the 66th Battalion of the Citizen Forces.  
• After the 3rd November 1918 he took up employment in the munitions when he became medically unfit for service.  
• Religion: Church of England. |

_by William Glen_
William Thomas Vivian Green – Discharge

[Image of a discharge document from the Australian Imperial Force]

The accompanying War Badge and Certificate
No. A.13636 are forwarded herewith to

Mr. W.T.V. Green, C/o Austn. Munition Workers
Australia House, Strand.
in respect of military service as Private

No. 4202, 12th Battalion, A.I.F.

The Badge will be worn on the right breast or on the right lapel of the jacket, but not in Naval or Military uniform.

Duplicates of the Badge and Certificate cannot be issued under any circumstances.

Receipt of the same should be acknowledged hereon.

Received Silver War Badge & Certificate No. A.13636

Signature

Date 22/Dec/1918

Address 961 St Paul's Avenue, Cricklewood

National Archives of Australia NAA: B2455, GREEN WTV
**Frank Trenery Guest** *(F.T. Guest)*

Also known as: Frank William Pearce

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<td>Age</td>
<td>21 years 4 months</td>
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<td>Fate</td>
<td>Killed in action on 14th April 1918 in France. No known grave. Commemorated at the Australian National War Memorial, Villers-Bretonneux in France.</td>
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| Embarkment     | Date: 2nd November 1915  
|                | Place: Sydney  
|                | Ship: HMAT Euripides A14 |
| Previous       | Blacksmith |
| Employment     | |
| Address        | Batman Street, West Melbourne (address of cousin)  
|                | 91 Tennyson Street, Essendon (address of mother) |
| Next of Kin    | Mother was Mrs Guest. Father was Thomas W Guest, possibly deceased. When Frank enlisted in NSW under the name Pearce, he listed his cousin F. Pearce as his brother and next of kin. |
| Physical Description | Height: 5 feet 6½ inches  
|                  | Eyes: Grey and listed as good  
|                  | Hair: Fair  
|                  | Complexion: Fair |
| Medals         | Awarded the 1914-15 Star in October 1920  
|                | Awarded the Victory Medal on 20th December 1922  
|                | Awarded the British War Medal on 23rd September 1921 |
| Points of Interest | • Was in hospital in February 1916 in Cairo with an ingrown toenail.  
|                  | • Was in the Royal Australian Navy under the name Frank Trenery Guest for three years from which he deserted around the 16th May 1915. He then enlisted in the Australian Imperial Force on the 17th August under the name Frank William Pearce.  
|                  | • Religion: Methodist. |

by Ryley Wallace
FRANK TRENERY GUEST - Confession

I, FRANK TRENERY GUEST, now being No 8406a Pte. FREDERICK WILLIAM PEARCE of the AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE, do hereby confess that I was in the Australian Navy on H.M.S. "ENCOUNTER", and I absented myself from the H.M.S. "ENCOUNTER" on or about 16th May 1915 and that I fraudulently enlisted in the AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE on the 17th day of August 1915 at SYDNEY.

Signed this third day of June 1916.

Frank Trenery Guest

Conn. Lieut. Colonel.

Commanding 5th Battalion, A.I.F.

Signature of soldier.

Frank Trenery Guest.

Declared before me at SAINTS, FRANCE, this third day of June 1916.

Signature of J.T.

Conn. 5th Battalion, A.I.F.
1st Infy Brigade.

Application for dispensing with trial in case of No 5406a FRANK TRENER GUEST.

This man belonged to the Royal Australian Navy for about 3 years from which he deserted on or about 16th May 1915. He subsequently joined the Australian Imperial Force on 17th August 1915 under the name of FREDERICK WILLIAM PEARCE, since when he has been of excellent behaviour.

I beg to recommend that trial be dispensed with in his case.

Signed: Lieutenant Colonel

Comm. 3rd Battalion, A.I.F.

4-8-16.

Keith Hamilton (K. Hamilton)

Service Number

Rank Midshipman

Unit HMS Australia, Australian Navy

Date of Enlistment Not known

Age Not known

Fate Not known

Embarkment

Previous Employment

Address Raglan Street, Daylesford

Next of Kin Hannah Hamilton (mother) who died 16th July 1918. Father was David Hamilton (deceased). Brothers and sisters: Max, Frank, Douglas, Mrs. Yale, Mrs. Aickin, Mrs. Shrapnel, Mrs. Paton-Cook, Mrs. Pascoe and Mrs. Loakes (deceased).

Physical Description

Medals

Points of Interest • Served on Tiengara and Cerberus
DEATH OF MRS HAMILTON.

One of our oldest and most esteemed residents, Mrs Hannah Hamilton, of Raglan street, passed away on Tuesday evening. Mrs Hamilton had not been enjoying her usual vigorous health for nearly a year past and for about six weeks had been confined to her bed suffering from an attack of pleurisy. She had seemed rather improved on Tuesday, but towards the close of the afternoon her condition suddenly became very serious, and the end, which was very peaceful and serene, came at about half past five o'clock. Mrs Hamilton had passed her 67th birthday a few months ago. She was a native of Stockport, on the border of the counties of Chester and Lancaster, England, and was only six years of age when her father, the late Mr William Henshaw, brought his wife and family to Victoria. He was a contractor, and after carrying out various works during a period of something over a year that he remained in Geelong came to Daylesford. Amongst other buildings which Mr Henshaw erected in Daylesford were the first Post Office and the first Savings Bank both, years ago, demolished. Mrs Hamilton spent the remainder of her life in this town. She married when she was twenty years of age, her husband, Mr David Hamilton, who died about two years and nine months ago, being a member of the firm of Hamilton Bros., who in Daylesford’s palmy days were in business in a big way as booksellers, stationers, newsagents and piano warehouses. A family of four sons and five daughters survives. The sons are Private Frank Hamilton, who is attached to the Medical Army Corps at the Base Hospital, Melbourne; Mr Max Hamilton, the well-known local insurance agent and gold buyer; Mr Douglas Hamilton, of Singapore, and Mr Keith Hamilton, of the Australian Navy. The daughters are Mrs Vule, of Traralgar; Mrs Aicken, of Auckland, New Zealand; Mrs Sharpes; (who came from Melbourne to attend her mother during her illness and will shortly be departing to rejoin her husband in Singapore); Mrs Paton Cook, of Queensla (whose husband is well-known in Daylesford, having for some years managed McMillan’s, now Mr R. Marshall’s, store in Vincent street, and who was always very prominent in social movements during his residence in the town); and Mrs Pascoe, of Malvern. Another daughter, Mrs Lucas, who was very popular in this district died some years ago.

Robert Charles Gordon Hamilton (R. Hamilton)

Service Number 6106
Rank Private promoted to Lance Corporal, and then to Corporal and then to Sergeant and then to Lieutenant.
Unit 5th Battalion – 19th Reinforcements
Date of Enlistment 8th August 1915
Age 28 years 6 months
Fate Returned to Australia on 11th November 1919 on the ship Marathon.
Embarkment Date: 28th July 1916
Place: Melbourne
Ship: HMAT Themistocles A32
Previous Employment Bank Clerk
Address 20 Malakoff Street, Malvern, Victoria
Next of Kin James Hamilton (father) and Hilda Kathleen Hamilton (wife)
Physical Description Height: 6 feet 2 inches
Eyes: Brown
Hair: Dark
Complexion: Fresh
Robert had moles below his shoulder and on his stomach, a scar on his left shin and four vaccination marks on left arm.
Medals Awarded the British War Medal
Awarded the Victory Medal
Points of Interest • Was in the volunteer cadets in Daylesford for three years.
• On 14th June 1918 was wounded in action with a gunshot wound to the right arm and the scalp. The wounds were considered severe.
• Religion: Presbyterian.

by Conner Bourke
Robert Charles Gordon Hamilton

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Gustav Miles Llewellyn (Gus) Harris (G.M. Harris)

Service Number 54913
Rank Private
Unit 59th Battalion
Date of Enlistment 6th September 1917 at Daylesford
Age 17 years 11 months. Born 5th October 1899 at Bairnsdale, Victoria. Birth certificate was produced to prove age.
Fate Returned to Australia on Plassy, 5th September 1919. Discharged 10th October 1919. In 1923 was living at 65 Beaconsfield Parade, South Melbourne. In 1942 was living at ‘Rokeby’ David Street, Albury.

Embarkment Date: 5th June 1918
Place: Sydney
Ship: Orontes

Previous employment Labourer
Address Jubilee Lake, Daylesford
Next of Kin William Lewis Harris, a grocer.
Mother was Elizabeth Harris, formerly Woodburn

Physical Description Height: 5 feet 6 inches
Chest measurement: 33/35 inches
Complexion: Fair
Eyes: Blue
Hair: Brown
Scar below right knee.

Medals Awarded the British War Medal on 10th October 1941

Points of Interest
- Enrolment records at DSS confirm that Gus was a former student. The family moved to Daylesford from Middle Park, Melbourne.
- Gus spent four years in cadets before enlisting.
- He signed his name ‘Gus’ on his enlistment papers.
- Papers were marked ‘not to embark until 1/4/1918’ (due to his young age at enlistment).
- In August and November 1918 he was ill with tonsillitis and influenza.
- Religion: Church of England.
Charles Harris¹ (C. Harris)

Service Number 2386
Rank Private
Unit 24th Infantry Battalion
Date of Enlistment 17th of July 1915 at Ballarat
Age 23 years

Embarkment Date: 29th September 1915
Location: Melbourne
Ship: RMS Ostrely

Previous Employment Labourer

Address 9 Wills Street, Ballarat

Next of Kin Mrs Catherine Rose Phillips (sister)

Physical Description
Height: 5 feet 6¼ inches
Eyes: Blue
Hair: Brown
Complexion: Fair
Charles had no distinctive marks.

Medals
Awarded the 1914-15 Star on the 12th of September 1922
Awarded the British War Medal on the 12th of September 1922
Awarded the Victory Medal
Awarded the Military Medal ‘for services rendered in recent fighting at Pozieres’ on 2nd September 1916.

Points of Interest
- Parents Rose Harris and Charles Harris were deceased.
- There were two men called Charles Harris either of whom might be the one listed on the DPS honour board.
- Religion: Methodist.

by Conner Bourke
Dear Madam,

I am directed by the Honourable The Minister to say it is with feelings of admiration at the gallantry of a brave Australian soldier who nobly laid down his life in the service of our King and Country, that I am to forward to you, as the next-of-kin of the late No. 2306 Private C. Harris, 24th Battalion, Australian Imperial Force, the Military Medal which His Majesty The King has been graciously pleased to award that gallant soldier for conspicuous bravery and devotion to duty in the field while serving with the Australian Imperial Expeditionary Force.

I am also to ask that you accept his deep personal sympathy in the loss, which, not only you, but the Australian Army has sustained by the death of Private Harris whose magnificent conduct on the field of battle helped to earn for our Australian soldiers a fame which will endure as long as memory lasts.

Will you kindly let me know whether this comes safely to hand by signing and returning the attached receipt slip?

Yours faithfully,

Major,
Officer i/o Base Records.

Mrs. G. Phillips,
9 Wills St.,
Ballarat East.
Charles Harris² (C. Harris)

Service Number 905
Rank Private
Unit 21st Infantry Battalion
Date of Enlistment April 6th 1915 at Daylesford
Age 25 years. Born at Winchelsea. ‘Native of Dean’s Marsh’
Fate On the 14th of November 1915 Charles died on the Gallipoli Peninsula, from shrapnel wounds received in action. Buried in Shrapnel Valley Cemetery, Gallipoli. Plot 2, Row E, Grave 1.
Embarkment Date: 10th May 1915
From: Melbourne
Ship: HMAT Ulysses A38
Previous Employment Labourer
Address Father’s address: Polworth Street, East Colac, Victoria
Next of Kin Benjamin Harris (father), Colac, Victoria.
When father had died by 1922, and next of kin passed to his eldest brother, Thomas George Harris.
Mother, Ann Harris, was deceased before the war.
Physical Description Height: 5 feet 6¼ inches
Eyes: Brown
Hair: Ruddy
Complexion: Fair
Charles had a small scar on his buttocks, a scar on the middle joint on his right little finger and numerous pimple spots on his back and right shoulder.
Medals
Awarded the 1914-15 Star on 5th November 1920
Awarded the British War Medal on 17th January 1922
Awarded the Victory Medal on 17th January 1922
Points of Interest
- Charles’ effects were returned to his father and they were a disc (identification), a chain, wallet, letters, two religious books, cards, two knives, belt, purse and coins, testament and a prayer book.
- Religion: Salvation Army.

by Ryley Wallace
Ivor Francis Harris (I. Harris)

Service Number 4125
Rank Private
Unit 22nd Infantry Battalion
Date of Enlistment 24th January 1916 at Melbourne
Age 28 years 4 months. Born Daylesford.
Fate Returned to Australia on 7th July 1919. Died on 3rd May 1968 in Melbourne.
Embarkment Date: 7th March 1916
From: Melbourne
Ship: HMAT Wiltshire A18
Previous employment Commercial Traveller
Address 39 Brighton Street, Richmond
Next of Kin Alice Maud Harris (wife)
Physical Description Height: 5 feet 4¾ inches
Eyes: Grey
Hair: Brown
Complexion: Medium
Ivor had four vaccination marks on his right arm.
Medals Received the British War Medal on the 5th of October 1921
Also received the Victory Medal
Points of Interest • Was sick to hospital often.
• Wounded in action in France 9th July 1916, receiving a gun-shot wound to the elbow.
• Admitted to hospital for mental illness in December 1916.
• Religion: Presbyterian.

by Conner Bourke
Ivor Francis Harris

Information about Ivor’s movements was sent home to his wife.


Group photo with Ivor Harris (in uniform). Taken in Richmond on 5 Sept 1919.
Photograph courtesy of Robert Taylor
**William Stanley Harvey (W.S. Harvey)**

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<td>Age</td>
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<td>Height: 5 feet 6(1/4) inches</td>
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<td>William had four vaccination marks on his left arm and a scar on his lip.</td>
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<td>• William served two years in the senior cadets</td>
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<td>• He served two years in the 49(^{th}) Battalion of the citizen forces.</td>
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<td>• Religion: Methodist.</td>
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*by Sean Armstrong*
Jack Arthur Heywood (A.J. Heywood)

Service Number  913
Rank            Gunner, promoted to Bombardier, 12th March 1916 and eventually Second Lieutenant.
Unit            2nd Field Artillery Brigade, Battery 4
Date of Enlistment  18th August 1914 at St Kilda.
Age             22 years 4 months.
Born Bairnsdale, Victoria 18th August 1892.
Fate            Returned to Australia on 11th December 1918.
Address after the war was James Street West, Toowoomba, Queensland.
Embarkment      Date: 20th October 1914.
Place: Melbourne, Victoria
Ship: Shropshire A9
Previous employment  Electrician, apprenticed to E. Slyternian, an electrician, in Bendigo for three years.
Address         Heywood's Sandhurst Palace, Bendigo, Victoria
Next of Kin      W.D. Heywood (father)
Physical Description  Height: 5 feet 6 inches
Complexion: Fair
Eyes: Blue
Hair: Light Brown
Medals         Awarded the 1914-1915 Star
               Awarded the British War Medal
               Awarded the Victory Medal
Points of Interest  • Mr. Fred Heywood, battery manager, Millar Street, Daylesford was his brother.
               • The AIF Project gives his schooling as Daylesford State School and Bendigo School of Mines.
               • A.J. Heywood has a tree in the Daylesford Avenue of Honour, on the East side of the roadway, planted by his nephew, Master Scott Heywood of Daylesford.
               • Received a gunshot wound to the thigh at ANZAC Cove and was wounded again in France in 1917.
               • Served at Gallipoli, Belgium and France.
Gunner J. Heywood, in a recent letter to his brother, Mr F. Heywood of this town; states that the food that the troops are receiving at Gallipoli is of the best. Roast beef five times a week, bacon and porridge every morning, are the chief items of the weekly menu. It is quite refreshing to read of this testimony as to the good food supplied, more especially when it is given by those in the firing line, and is a big contrast to some of the complaints recently published in the newspapers. Gunner Heywood was one of the first men to land a big gun on Gallipoli at the landing of the Australians, and was in action for seven days when he received a wound which "kept him quiet" for about a month, after which he again took his place in the artillery.

## Leslie Elizah Hinchcliffe (L. Hinchcliffe)

**Service Number** 472  
**Rank** Private  
**Unit** 8\textsuperscript{th} Infantry Battalion then transferred to the 46\textsuperscript{th} Infantry Battalion  
**Date of Enlistment** 14\textsuperscript{th} February 1916  
**Age** 23 years 4 months  
**Fate** Was killed in action in the field in France on 15\textsuperscript{th} November 1916. Leslie was buried by his comrades in a shell hole, close to the trench in which he was killed, there was no grave marking as the platoon was under fire.  
**Embarkment** Date: 27\textsuperscript{th} May 1916  
From: Melbourne  
Ship: HMAT Ascanius A11  
**Previous Employment** Motor Driver  
**Address** Little Street, Daylesford  
**Next of Kin** John Hinchcliffe (father)  
**Physical Description** Height: 5 feet 4 inches  
Eyes: Blue  
Hair: Black  
Complexion: Dark  
Leslie had three vaccination marks on his left arm and a scar on his right thigh.  
**Medals** Awarded the Victory Medal on 6\textsuperscript{th} March 1923  
Awarded the British War Medal on 23\textsuperscript{rd} July 1924  
**Points of Interest**  
- Has many accounts of his death from fellow soldiers some of whom were close to Leslie.  
- Personal effects of his identity disc, writing wallet, pocket book and photos were given to his father but some other items were not retrieved.  
- Religion: Church of England.  

\textit{by Sean Naylor}
Leslie Elizah Hinchcliffe - Photograph

Photographic portrait of Private Leslie Hinchcliffe. 46th Battalion

 Leslie Elizah Hinchcliffe - Letter


Australian Red Cross Society wounded and missing. Enquiry Bureau files, 1914-1918 War 1DRL/0428. 472 Private Leslie Elizah Hinchcliffe. 46th Battalion 1340408K.
Private Leslie Hinchcliffe Writes.

Mr and Mrs J. Hinchcliffe, of Little Street, Daylesford, have recently received several interesting communications from their son, Private Leslie Hinchcliffe. The young soldier met his brother, Private Lionel Arthur Hinchcliffe, in England.

Writing from Perham Downs Camp, Salisbury Plains, on 4th September, he speaks of a big Zeppelin raid that had been made on London suburbs by German airmen, between two and three o'clock in the morning. Two of the man of his company had been up at London and had seen the airships. British guns were going off In all directions and one of our airships brought down a Zeppelin with machine gun fire. Fourteen bodies were found amongst the burning debris. Air raiders approached to within four miles of the camp a short time previously. He had met several Daylesford lads.

Writing on the 13th of September, Private Hinchcliffe stated that his battalion was to leave for the front in France on the 16th of September. He and his companions had been transferred from the 39th battalion to the 8th battalion of the 2nd brigade. The reason for the transfer was that not enough men were enlisting in Australia. He thought that conscription would be favorably considered by the troops there. On a post card dated September 18 the young soldier stated that he had arrived in France. They were camped not far from the firing line and would go there shortly. The country was not so pretty as England. An interesting souvenir sent on by Private Hinchcliffe is a neat little booklet entitled "Poems' from the Dardanelles" written by members of the Australian Expeditionary Forces and printed on the Transport 'Themistocles.'
John George Hoath (J.C. Hoath)

Service Number 4217B

Rank Private

Unit 6th Infantry Battalion – 13th Reinforcements

Date of Enlistment 30th July 1915

Age 20 years 11 months. Born Daylesford.

Fate Returned to Australia on 2nd March 1919

Emarkment Date: 29th December 1915
Place: Melbourne
Ship: HMAT Demosthenes A64

Previous Employment Blacksmith

Address Sailors Hill, Daylesford

Next of Kin Elizabeth Hoath (mother) and William Hoath (father)

Physical Description Height: 5 feet 10 inches
Eyes: Brown
Hair: Dark
Complexion: Dark
John had four vaccination marks on his left arm, a scar on his left forearm and a mark on his big left toe

Medals Awarded the British War Medal on 19th October 1921
Awarded the Victory Medal on 5th September 1922

Points of Interest
• Was an apprentice for three years at Newland Blacksmith.
• Was in the Daylesford senior cadets for two years.
• Wounded in action twice by gas shells.
• Name on the honour board is spelled J.C. Hoath. the “C” may have been a misreading of “G” when writing the names on the board.
• Melville Hoath and John George Hoath, both listed on the DPS honour board, are unlikely to be brothers.
• Religion: Church of England.

by Brooke Cowan
John George Hoath – Student Artist’s Impression

by Mika and Beth
Melville Clifford Hoath (M. Hoath)

Service Number 3366
Rank Private, was promoted to Lance Corporal and then to Corporal
Unit 7th Infantry Battalion – 11th Reinforcement
Date of Enlistment 9th September 1915
Age 20 years 6 months
Fate Returned to Australia on 23rd March 1919 on the Hospital Transport ship Czar with injuries specified as a gunshot wound to left hip and bullet wound to the back.

Embarkment Date: 11th October 1915
Place: Melbourne
Ship: HMAT Nestor A71

Previous Employment Ironmonger
Address Leggatt Street, Daylesford
Next of Kin Margaret Hoath (mother)

Physical Description Height: 5 feet 11¼ inches
Eyes: Brown
Hair: Fair
Complexion: Fair
Hoath had two moles, one on the small of his back and one on his right shoulder.

Medals Awarded the 1914-15 Star
Awarded the British War Medal
Awarded the Victory Medal on 20th March 1924

Points of Interest • Had an apprenticeship in Daylesford with Mr A. McKindy for five years.
• Served in the 66th Infantry Regiment of the Citizen Military Forces.
• Punished for smoking whilst a sentry at sea, forfeited 14 days Field Punishment No. 2.
• Wounded in action in France on 27th July 1916 with a gunshot wound to the head, considered as slight.
• Was wounded again on 13th June 1918 with a gunshot wound and shrapnel wounds to left side and abdomen.
• Religion: Methodist.

by Brooke Cowan
Melville Clifford Hoath – Photograph

Portait of Melville Clifford Hoath

## John Walter Hocking (J.W. Hocking)

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<tr>
<td>Age</td>
<td>18 years</td>
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<td>Fate</td>
<td>John was wounded in action in France with a gunshot to his right buttocks on 1st September 1916. He returned to Australia on the ship Zealandia as a member of the Army Veterinary Corps on 11th May 1919.</td>
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| Embarkment       | Date: 14th March 1916  
From: Melbourne  
Ship: HMAT Anchises A68 |
| Previous Employment | Miner     |
| Address          | Little Street, Daylesford |
| Next of Kin      | Simon Hocking (father) and Harriet Hocking (mother) |
| Physical Description | Height: 5 feet 5¼ inches  
Eyes: Grey  
Hair: Brown  
Complexion: Medium  
John had two vaccination marks on his left arm, a mole on the left side of his neck and a scar on his left cheek. |
| Medals           | Awarded the British War Medal on 19th October 1921  
Awarded the Victory Medal on 20th July 1923 |
| Points of Interest |  
• It seems that John was unable to write as for his signature he writes an x noted as “his mark”  
• John was returned to Australia as he was suffering syphilis and needed further treatment and was transferred to the Langwarrin Camp.  
• On the return to Australia on the ship Zealandia, John was admitted to the ship’s hospital with epilepsy.  
• On 2nd September 1919, it was noted that John had not been present at his bed at the hospital since the 12th August 1919 and therefore a warrant for his arrest was made on the grounds of desertion.  
• John died on 8th March 1947, aged 49 and is believed to be buried in the Daylesford Cemetery.  
• Religion: Methodist. |

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*by Sean Armstrong*
C.M. Form A.23.
(Revised 1.5.1914.)

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES.

PROCEEDINGS OF a COURSE OF INQUIRY
assembled at No. 16 Australian General Hospital.

on the 2nd day of September 1919.

by order of Lieut-Colonel G. Nicholls, C.C.

for the purpose of enquiring into and reporting on the alleged absence without leave of No. 4837, Private Hocking John, 46th Battalion, and to assess value of kit in his possession at time of alleged desertion.

PRESIDENT:
Captain Johnston L.W.

MEMBERS:
Captain Stott R.G.

Sargent Shiel S.W.

The Court having assembled pursuant to order, proceeded to take evidence on oath:

1st WITNESS: William McNeil having been duly sworn states:—
I am a Sergeant in Home Service at present in charge of Block 11 at No. 16 Australian General Hospital, Echuca. My duties include the marking of Attendance Rolls of Patients in the block. Pte. Hocking is shown as absent from 11 a.m. on 12-8-19, and he has not been present at any Parade or Check since that date.

2nd WITNESS: William Lovecott having been duly sworn states:—
I am a Sergeant in Home Service at present doing duty at Headquarters No. 16 Australian General Hospital, Echuca. My duties include the keeping of records of patients absent without leave from the Hospital. Pte. Hocking John is shown as absent without leave from 12-8-19. On 12-5-19 I prepared a Warrant for his arrest which was issued on the same date. I issued this Warrant and the Warrant for his arrest is still in force.

3rd WITNESS...Charles C.A. BLACKBURN having been duly sworn states—
I am a Staff Sergeant in Home Service at present doing duty in Quartermaster's Office at No.16 Australian General Hospital Macleod. My duties include the issue of Kite and necessaries. No issues are made to Patients while in Hospital, nor is any record held at this Hospital of any issues having been made to Pte HOCKING since his return from Overseas.

F.I.W. E.G.

The Court having duly considered the evidence find that

(1) Pte. HOCKING John, No. 4837, 46th Battalion, has been absent without leave from No.16 Australian General Hospital since 12-8-19 and is still so absent without leave, and further,
(2) that no issues of Kit have been made to him while a Patient at No.16 Australian General Hospital, nor is any record held at this Hospital of any issues having been made to Private HOCKING John, since his return from Overseas.

RECOMMENDATION

The Court recommend that Pte. HOCKING John, No. 4837, 46th Battalion be struck off strength of No.16 Australian General Hospital as a Desertor as from 7-9-19.

President.

Captain.

Member.

Member.

CONCUR.

Lieut. Colonel.

Officer Commanding.

No.16 Australian General Hospital, Macleod.

NAA: B2455, HOCKING J.4837

George Alfred Joseph Hughan (G. Hughan)

Service Number 5714
Rank Private
Unit 24th Infantry Battalion – 13-18 Reinforcements
Date of Enlistment 24th April 1916
Age 27 years 1 month, born West Melbourne.
Fate Returned to Australia on 19th July 1919.
Died July 1938
Embarkment Date: 25th September 1916
Place: Melbourne
Ship HMAT Shropshire A9
Previous employment Labourer
Address 25 Smith Street, Thornbury
Next of Kin Mrs. Ann Lily Hughan (wife)
Physical Description Height: 5 feet 5½ inches
Complexion: Dark
Eyes: Brown
Hair: Black
Had tattoos on both forearms and a scar on the left side of his mouth.
Medals
Awarded the Victory Medal
Awarded the British War Medal
Points of Interest
• Has a tree planted in his honour in the Daylesford Avenue of honour on the east side of the roadway.
• Previously spent 2½ years in A.I.R before his term expired.
• Wounded in action in France on 4th May 1917 (gunshot wound to the left knee) and then gassed in France on 21st March 1918.
• Religion: Church of England
Percy Conrad Iles (P.C Iles)

Service Number 3325
Rank Private
Unit 37th Battalion – 8th Reinforcements
Date of Enlistment 10th September 1917
Age 18 years 4 months
Fate Was wounded in action in the field, in France on 14th July 1918 with multiple gunshot wounds. Was taken back to England as an invalid to hospital and then returned to Australia on the Hospital Transport Ship Ulysses on 18th January 1919. Discharged on 25th March 1919 as medically unfit.

Embarkment Date: 22nd December 1917
Place: Melbourne
Ship: HMAT Ulysses A38

Previous Employment Boot maker
Address Queensberry Street, Daylesford
Next of Kin Sarah Wetzel (mother, originally was Iles but then divorced).

Physical Description Height: 5 feet 3 inches
Eyes: Brown
Hair: Reddy brown
Complexion: Ruddy
Percy had three vaccination marks in his left arm and a small scar on his right knee.

Medals Awarded the British War Medal on 20th October 1921 Awarded the Victory Medal on 18th April 1923

Points of Interest • Percy was in the junior cadets for four years
• Mother and Father divorced
• Religion: not stated

by Sean Naylor
Commonwealth of Australia

STATUTORY DECLARATION

I, Percy Conrad Iles,

of 821 Bluff Road, Sandringham 58

(Victoria)

do solemnly and sincerely declare:

1. THAT I served in the Australian Military Forces, and my particulars were as follows:

Regimental Army No. 3325

Rank. Private

Unit. 37th Batt.

2. THAT I have lost the Badge issued to me by the Department of Defence.

3. THAT the circumstances under which the said loss occurred are as under:

Before this last event I wore and took care of my Service Badge. I lost it in a car accident or while at work. I have not been able to replace it since.

4. THAT to the best of my knowledge and belief the said Badge:

is not in the hands of any other person on my behalf or with my consent.

AND I make this solemn declaration by virtue of the Statutory Declarations Act 1911-1922, conscientiously believing the statement contained therein to be true in every particular.

Signature of person making declaration.

DECLARED AT Melbourne the Twenty-first day of June 1947 before me:

Signature of J.P. or Commissioner for Declarations.

NOTE: Any person who wilfully makes a false statement in a Statutory Declaration is guilty of an indictable offence, and is liable to imprisonment, with or without hard labour, for four years.

HERE INSERT:

1. Place and date of birth:

Darlingford 27.5.1889

Required for identification purposes only.

2. Name and address and relationship of next-of-kin on enlistment:

Ernest Huges, 316 Goodsbery Street, Darlingford

N.B.—This Form should be completed in all respects, otherwise unavoidable delay may arise in dealing with applicant’s request.

National Archives of Australia

NAA: B2455, ILES PERCY CONRAD

Stanley Isherwood (S. Isherwood)

Service Number 740
Rank Private
Unit 6th Reinforcements 24th Battalion
Date of Enlistment 15th March 1915
Age 18 years 5 months
Fate Was wounded in action with a gunshot wound to the back on 3rd May 1917 in France. Returned to Australia on the ship Kashmir on 30th April 1919.

Embarkment Left from Melbourne
Previous Employment Labourer
Address Vincent Street, N. Daylesford, Victoria
Next of Kin Fred Isherwood (brother)

Physical Description Height: 5 feet 7¾ inches
Eyes: Blue
Hair: Light brown
Complexion: Fair
Stanley had a scar on his left knee.

Medals Awarded the 1914-15 Star on 1st June 1920
Received the British War Medal on 23rd June 1921
Received the Victory Medal on 22nd March 1923

Points of Interest • Stanley was enlisted in compulsory training since he was fourteen.
• Was admitted to hospital in January 1918 and transferred back to England with laryngitis, then returned to the field in France in October 1918.
• Religion: Church of England.

by Lachlan Taylor
Photographic portrait of Stanley Isherwood

**Edward Jones (E. Jones)**

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| Unit          | 46th Infantry Battalion  
Edward was later transferred to the 29th Infantry Battalion - 2nd reinforcements (November 1915 - April 1916). |
| Date of Enlistment | 7th July 1915 at Melbourne |
| Age           | 20 years 2 months. Born Daylesford. |
| Fate          | Edward was killed in action on 16th August 1916 in France, aged 21.  
He is buried in the Rue-Petillon Military Cemetery, Fleurbaix, Bethune, Nord Pas de Calais, France. |
| Embarkment    | Date: 29th October 1915  
Place: Melbourne  
Ship: HMAT Demosthenes A64 |
| Previous Employment | Labourer |
| Address       | Daynton Street, Kyneton, Victoria |
| Next of Kin   | Annie Jones (mother) |
| Physical Description | Height: 5 feet 5 inches  
Weight: 9 stone 4 lbs  
Chest measurement: 34 inches  
Complexion: Ruddy  
Eye colour: Blue  
Hair colour: Dark brown  
Edward had four vaccinations marks on his arm. |
| Medals        | Awarded the Victory Medal on 24th February 1923  
Awarded the British War Medal |
| Points of Interest | • Edward is buried in plot 1, row L, grave 35.  
• Effects he had when he was killed included two identity discs, a ring, regimental colours, purse, wallet, photos, cards, testament and a pen.  
• He had been in Egypt on 6th March 1916.  
• Religion: Church of England. |

by Kaiah McCahon
Edward Jones – Student Artist’s Impression

EDWARD JONES SN. 1731
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Frank Llewelyn Jones (F.L. Jones)

Service Number 3560
Rank Private
Unit 41st Infantry Battalion - 7 to 9 Reinforcements (February-June 1917)
Date of Enlistment 6th October 1917
Age 34 years 11 months. Born at Daylesford. His birthday was 14th October 1883
Fate Frank returned to Australia on 3rd May 1919 Discharged on 9th July 1919
Embarkment Date: 2nd March 1918 Place: Sydney Ship: SS Ormonde
Previous Employment Clerk
Address Jackson Street, Eagle Junction, Brisbane, Queensland
Next of Kin Dorothy Mary Jones (wife)
Physical Description Height: 6 feet 3 inches Weight: 202 lbs Chest measurement: 37-42 inches Complexion: Dark Eye colour: Brown Hair colour: Dark Frank was deemed dentally fit and had 2 vaccination marks on his left arm.

Medals
Awarded the Victory Medal Awarded the British War Medal

Points of Interest
• Served at the Western Front.
• Frank had severe Bronchitis and was treated at The King George Hospital, London in March 1919. By the 10th April he was reported to have started to get better.
• By 3rd May 1919 Frank disembarked from Liverpool for Australia having found his heart and lungs recovered and clear.
• Religion: Church of England.

by Adam Pasahidis
Frank Llewelyn Jones – Student Artist’s Impression

FRANK LLWELYN JONES SN. 3560

by Lucy and Viven
Randell Ward Jones (R. W. Jones)

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<td>He returned to Australia on 10th March 1918 from England. Discharged on 18th July 1918.</td>
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| Embarkment     | Date: 8th February 1916  
Place: Melbourne  
Ship: HMAT Warilda A69 |
| Previous employment | Clerk |
| Address        | Daly Street, Daylesford, Victoria |
| Next of Kin    | William Ward Jones (father) |
| Physical Description | Height: 5 feet 8 inches  
Weight: 11 lbs  
Complexion: Fresh  
Eyes: Grey  
Hair: Auburn  
Randell had two vaccination marks on his left arm, a scar on the left side of his breast and a scar on his right calf. |
| Medals         | Awarded the Victory medal on 26th March 1923  
Awarded the British War medal on 14th July 1921 |
| Points of Interest | • Randell was wounded on 5th June 1916 in France. Here he received injuries to both his chest and legs. In the report it said ‘Complains of pain in chest and gets tired very easily’.  
• Wound in leg, not good condition, slight tachycardia, Randell was deemed unfit for service.  
• Randell was the Graham Dux medallist in 1901 at Daylesford State School.  
• It is possible that his father, Mr Ward Jones, was a former teacher at DSS and compiled the list of soldiers for the honour board.  
• Religion: Church of England. |

by Conor Malone
Ernest Kidd (E. Kidd)

Service Number 251
Rank Private
Unit 17th Australian Infantry Battalion
Date of Enlistment 28th January 1915
Age 23 years 11 months
Ernest was born on 12th January 1881.

Fate
Ernest was killed in action on 27th August 1915 at Gallipoli, Ottoman Empire.
He is buried in the Lone Pine Memorial, Gallipoli Peninsula, Canakkale Province, Turkey.

Embarkment
Date: 12 May 1915
Place: Sydney
Ship: HMAT Themistocles A32

Previous Employment
Salesman

Address
66 Merton Street, Rozelle, Sydney, New South Wales

Next of Kin
Sophia Louisa Kidd (mother), who married and became Sophia Louisa Rider during the war.

Physical Description
Height: 5 feet 7½ inches
Weight: 9 stone
Complexion: Fair
Eye colour: Blue
Hair colour: Fair
Ernest had a hare lip scar.

Medals
Awarded the 1914-15 Star on the 6th of December, 1920
Awarded the Victory Medal
Awarded the British War Medal

Points of Interest
• Ernest was wounded on 27th August 1915, and died as a result of the same wound on the same day
• His personal effects were given to his mother, Mrs. Kidd. They included two brushes, a leather case, a pipe case, a testament, an Arabic book, a balaclava cap, a metal chain and one trinket.
• Religion: Presbyterian.

by Nellie Ferguson
Alfred Charles King (A.C. King)

Service Number 233
Rank Gunner
Alfred was later promoted to Lance Corporal
Unit 6th Machine Gun Company - 2nd to 9th Reinforcements
Date of Enlistment 5th April 1916
Age 18 years
Fate Alfred returned to Australia on 14th September 1919. He was discharged on 6th November 1919.
Embarkment Date: 4th May 1916
Place: Melbourne
Ship: HMAT Port Lincoln A17
Previous Employment Blacksmith
Address Hospital Street, Daylesford, Victoria
Next of Kin Charles A. King (father)
Mother is Mary King.
Physical Description Height: 5 feet 7 inches
Weight: 122 lbs
Complexion: Fresh
Eye colour: Brown
Hair colour: Brown
Alfred had a mole between his shoulder blades, another on his lower chest and a vaccination mark on his left arm.
Medals Awarded the British War Medal on 29th August 1921
Awarded the Victory Medal
Awarded the Military Medal in October 1917.
Points of Interest • Alfred was granted leave to England on 16th July 1917.
• During Alfred’s time of leave he married Gladys May Holmes on 21st July 1917.
• He formally applied to have his next of kin changed to Gladys May Holmes.
• Religion: Church of England.

by William Lelong
Alfred Charles King – Photograph

Source: Daylesford Historical Society
INVESTED WITH A MILITARY MEDAL.

—Signaller A.C. King, son of Mr and Mrs Chas. King, of Hospital Street, Daylesford, has written to his parents that he has become invested with a military medal, having gained it in action at the war front in France on the 19th of September. With the customary modest vagueness of Australian heroes he states that he doesn't know why he got it.

Alfred Ernest King (A.E. King)

Service Number 1695
Rank Private
Unit 22nd Infantry Battalion - 2nd Reinforcements
46th Infantry Battalion - 6 to 9 Reinforcements
Date of Enlistment 23rd April 1915
Age 18 years 3 months
Fate Returned from Australia on 19th October 1916
Returned to Australia on 21st December 1919
Embarkment Date: 16th July 1915
Place: Melbourne
Ship: HMAT Demosthenes A64
Previous Employment Groom
Address Hard Hills, Creswick, Victoria
Next of Kin Jane King (mother)
Physical Description Height: 5 feet 4½ inches
Weight: 119 lbs
Eye colour: Dark blue
Hair colour: Dark brown
Alfred had two vaccination marks on his left arm, two small
scars on inner side of left thigh, just above knee, a small scar
on the outer side of his left calf, a vertical scar on the outer
side of his left thigh just above knee, and a small round scar
on the inner side of his right calf about four inches below his
knee. Alfred also had a transverse scar across the sole of left
foot.
It was also noted on the second enlistment that Alfred had a
bullet wound to the back his head and on the sole of his left
foot.
Medals Awarded the Victory Medal on 25th of April, 1922
Awarded the British War Medal on 19th of July 1921
Awarded the 1914-15 Star on 3rd November 1920
Points of Interest

- Alfred was slightly wounded on 19th September 1915 and as a result he was admitted to hospital.
- He was shot and wounded his left foot on 25th September 1915.
- On 28th February 1916 Alfred had to forfeit 48 days’ pay for absence.
- Alfred married Hilda Alice Moore on 23rd September 1918.
- Alfred lost his medals on 20th September 1939 and had to pay 12 shillings and 9 pence to replace them.
- Religion: Methodist

It appears that Alfred re-enlisted on the 4th of October 1916, a year after previously enlisting, however he remained 18 years of age. A second service number was noted 2797. We could not confirm whether this is the same person with incorrect forms or another person.

by Nioka Newton
Alfred Leslie King (not listed on board – A.E. King?)

Service Number 4533
Rank Private
Unit 58th Battalion
Date of Enlistment 4th August 1915 at Daylesford
Age 22 years 4 months. Born Daylesford.
Fate Wounded in action in the field, France on 1st December 1916 and died the same day at the 14th Australian Field Ambulance. He was buried N.E. of Deville Wood, ¾ mile from Flers and 2¼ miles N.W. of Comblies and reinterred Les Bouefs Guards Cemetery, near Bapaume, Plot 4 Row 1, Grave 8.
Embarkment Date: 28th January 1916
Place: Melbourne
Ship: HMAT Themistocles
Previous Employment Farmer
Address Wills Square, Daylesford or Howe Street, Daylesford
Next of Kin John William King (father)
And later H.J King (brother) c/- National Bank, Warrnambool.
Physical Description Height: 5 feet 11 inches
Complexion: Dark
Eyes: Brown
Hair: Brown
He had a mole on his left breast.
Private H.G. Ogden described him as ‘short, stout, dark, a splendid generous man, nicknamed Jack’ in the Red Cross File.
Medals Awarded the Victory Medal
Awarded the British War Medal

- A photo of Alfred was donated to the school in 1918 so he was, without doubt, a former scholar. It is possible that the listing for A.E. King should have been A.L. King.
- Was absent without leave from his billet in France for two nights in November 1916 and was penalised 17 days’ pay.
- His fiancée Miss Foristal of Castlemaine applied to the army for Alfred Leslie’s personal effects. As there was no will the items were sent to his father.
- His brother John William is listed on the DSS honour board.
- Religion: Church of England.
Herbert Joseph (Herb) King (H.J. King)

Service Number 415

Rank Herbert began as a Private, he was later promoted to Corporal and then again to Second Lieutenant on 2nd August 1916.

Unit 22nd Infantry Battalion

Date of Enlistment 27th January 1915

Age 24 years

Fate Herbert returned to Australia on 11th February 1919.

Embarkment Date: 10 May 1915
Place: Melbourne
Ship: HMAT Ulysses A38

Previous Employment Bank clerk

Address Lavers Hill

Next of Kin James William King, Daylesford, Victoria

Physical Description Height: 5 feet 10 inches
Weight: 154 lbs
Complexion: Dark
Eye colour: Grey
Hair colour: Black

Medals Awarded the British War Medal on 14th March 1921
Awarded the Victory Medal on 25th April 1922
Awarded the 1914-15 Star

Points of Interest • He was admitted to the Fargo Military Hospital, England on 28th April 1917 with appendicitis (mild).
• Herbert received a gunshot wound (mild) on 1st September 1918; he was later admitted to the French Hospital, France.
• Religion: Church of England.

by William Lelong
Photographic Portrait of Herbert Joseph King

Retrieved from the Australian War Memorial
Herbert Joseph King – Student Artist’s Impression

by Coco and Kira
John William King (J. King)

Service Number 2701

Rank Private

Unit 46th Battalion

Date of Enlistment 12th August 1916 at Melbourne and previously on 27th September 1915 at Daylesford.

Age 27 years 1 month. Born Daylesford

Fate Jack returned to Australia on 22nd December 1918 where he received a medical discharge.

Embarkment Date: 22nd October 1916
Place: Melbourne
Ship: HMAT Port Lincoln

Previous Employment Grocer

Address Howe Street, Daylesford

Next of Kin John William King (father)

Physical Description Height: 5 feet 8½ inches
Weight: 152 pounds
Complexion: Mid
Eye colour: Brown
Hair colour: Brown or Auburn
He had a scar on his right knee.

Medals Awarded the British War Medal
Awarded the Victory Medal

Points of Interest
• He had previously spent 245 days in the A.I.F. before receiving a medical discharge on 2nd July 1916 for defective eyesight.
• His younger brother Alfred Leslie King also served in the war.
• Served at the Western Front where he was wounded, gassed on 20th September 1918. He was blinded for eight days with vomiting and chest and abdomen pain as a result. He was also hospitalised for venereal disease in 1917.
• Religion: Church of England

by Jonas Paar
Cyril William Kinsman (C.W. Kinsman)

Service Number 1919

Rank Began as a Private, he was then promoted to Lance Corporal on 25th October 1915 and later to Acting Sergeant Major.

Unit 22nd Infantry Battalion

Date of Enlistment 17th June 1915

Age 28 years 1 month. Born Daylesford.

Fate Cyril returned left England on 7th February 1919 and arrived in Australia on 31st March 1919. He was discharged after being recommended as permanently unfit.

Embarkment Date: 26 August 1915
Place: Melbourne
Ship: HMAT Anchises A68

Previous Employment Clerk (Public Service)

Address 229 Don Street, Bendigo, Victoria

Next of kin Eloise Catherine Kinsman (wife)

Physical Description Height: 5 feet 8 inches
Chest measurement: 34 inches
Complexion: Dark
Eye colour: Grey
Hair colour: Light brown
Cyril had a mole on the left side of his abdomen and another on the front of his left shoulder.

Medals Awarded the Victory Medal on 24th April 1923
Awarded the British War Medal on 8th June 1921

Points of Interest • Cyril was admitted to hospital with a sprained ankle on 4th February 1916.
• He was also admitted to the Royal Herbert Hospital with pyrexia of an unknown origin, considered severe, on 25th May 1918.
• Reported convalescent on 21st of June 1918.
• Cyril was also admitted to the 3rd Scottish General Hospital suffering from trench fever on 27th July 1918.
• Religion: Methodist

by Nellie Ferguson
Geoffrey Hasson Kirby (G. Kirby)  
Also spelt “Hassem”

Service Number 795

Rank Private

Unit 4th LHR (Light Horse Regiment)  
Geoffrey was later transferred to the 1st Australian Division Cyclist Corps on 20th March 1916.

Date of Enlistment 3rd December 1914

Age 18 years 2 months

Fate Geoffrey returned to Australia on 12th November 1916  
Discharged on 5th March 1917

Embarkment Date: 3rd February 1915  
Place: Melbourne  
Ship: HMAT Katuna A13

Previous Employment Milkman

Address Daylesford, Victoria

Next of Kin Mrs Kirby (mother), Cemetery Road, Daylesford, Victoria

Physical Description Height: 5 feet 4 inches  
Chest measurement: 33½ inches  
Complexion: Fair  
Eye colour: Brown  
Hair colour: Brown

Medals Awarded the Victory Medal on 29th April 1939  
Awarded the 1914-15 Star on 19th August 1920  
Awarded the British War Medal on 8th March 1921

Points of Interest • He received a shrapnel injury to his knee on 30th August 1915. He was admitted to the 2nd Australian General Hospital.  
• Geoffrey was admitted to the first Australian General Hospital, Heliopolis on 6th February 1916 with mild influenza.  
• He re-joined regiment (Heliopolis) on 26th February 1916.  
• Geoffrey was admitted to the 14th Stationary Hospital, Wimereaux, France, 7th July 1916 diagnosed with Cerobro Spinal Fever.  
• Religion: Church of England.

by Atticus Jonas
Geoffrey Hasson Kirby – Photograph

Source: Daylesford Historical Society
Geoffrey Hasson Kirby – Student Artist’s Impression

by Ruby and Eve
Robert Lester Kirby (R. Kirby)

Service Number 7680
Rank Private
Unit 3rd Australian General Hospital Reinforcements (Special Medical Raf.)
Robert was later transferred to the 4th Field Ambulance on 15th October 1915 and again to the 12th Field Ambulance on 29th February 1916.
Robert was appointed Driver on 15th December 1915.

Date of Enlistment 17th May 1915
Age 23 years 2 months
Fate Robert returned to Australia on 24th January 1918. Discharged on 10th September 1918.

Embarkment Date: 27th September 1915
Place: Melbourne
Ship: HMAT Hororata A20

Previous Employment Machine Assembler
Address Daylesford, Victoria
Next of Kin William Kirby (father)

Physical Description Height: 5 feet 6¾ inches
Weight: 9 stone
Complexion: Fresh
Eye colour: Hazel
Hair colour: Dark
Robert had a scar on his left leg.

Medals Awarded the 1914-15 Star on 21st February 1920
Awarded the British War Medal on 21st August 1921
Awarded the Victory Medal on 6th January 1923

Points of Interest • Robert was reported wounded on the 9th of November, 1917, with a gunshot wound to his left knee and a fractured femur.
• Religion: Church of England.

by Atticus Jonas
Robert Lester Kirby – Photograph

Photograph of Robert Lester Kirby taken around 25 August 1915

William Sydney Lawry (W. Lawry)

Service Number 3296
Rank Sapper
Unit 6th Field Company Engineers
Date of Enlistment 11th October 1915
Age 27 years 8 months
Fate William left Portland on 5th March 1919 on the 'Nevasa' to return to Australia. Discharged on 17th June 1919

Embarkment Date: 24th November 1915
Place: Sydney
Ship: HMAT Ceramic A40

Previous Employment Engine driver
Address Raglan Street, Daylesford, Victoria
Next of Kin Annie Lawry (mother), Frazer Street, Daylesford, Victoria

Physical Description Height: 5 feet 11½ inches
Weight: 11 stone
Complexion: Fresh
Eye colour: Blue
Hair colour: Brown
William had a mole on his right shoulder and mole on the back of his neck.

Medals Awarded the British War Medal on 8th July 1921
Awarded the 1914-15 Star on 2nd May 1920
Awarded the Victory Medal

Points of Interest • William was captured on 23rd August 1916 in Pozieres (France). He was later interned at 'Munster' Dulmen, Germany.
• Repatriated from Germany to England and arrived in Dover, England on 2nd December 1918.
• Religion: Church of England (at time of enlistment yet documented as Methodist in 1919).

by Nioka Newton
William Sydney Lawry – Prisoner of War

"Prisoner of War."

Interned Münster.

"We are all in good health and our parcels coming regularly. We are celebrating "Australia Day" in the good old way."

Cert. by extract from letter received from men dated 26.1.18.

London.
25,2,18.

July 23 1916

Sapper Lawry came from Tasmania. They were sent out from Tom's Cut towards the German firing line surveying. About 10 a.m. on Wednesday, July 23rd, they walked into the Germans and were made prisoners without being wounded as far as informant could see.

Informant: Phillip Bick. 6581.
No.3 Stationary Hospital (Canadian)
BOULOGNE. Sept.1st.1916. AAFW

**Edward Charles Leopold (C. Leopold)**

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<td>23(^{rd}) Infantry Battalion - 1 to 8 Reinforcements (May 1915 - January 1916)</td>
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<td>10(^{th}) July 1915 at Daylesford</td>
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<td>Salesman</td>
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<td>24 Fitzgerald Street, South Yarra, Victoria, later 5 Armadale Street, Armadale, Victoria</td>
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<td>Mr Leopold (father)</td>
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<td>Physical Description</td>
<td>Height: 5 feet 6½ inches Weight: 10 stone Chest measurement: 32/36 inches Complexion: Pale Eye colour: Grey Hair colour: Light brown Edward had four vaccination marks on his right arm, a mole on the right side of his neck and a mole on his chin.</td>
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<td>Awarded the 1914-15 Star on 23(^{rd}) November 1920</td>
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| Points of Interest   | • Edward was shot and wounded in his left wrist and left shoulder. He was transferred to No. 2 Casualty station in France on 24\(^{th}\) June 1916.  
                         • He failed to tell officials of a change in address which resulted in eight days detention on 25\(^{th}\) November 1916.  
                         • Edward went to hospital sick on 13\(^{th}\) October 1917. He was also diagnosed with shellshock on 7\(^{th}\) December 1917.  
                         • On the honour board it is written ‘C. Leopold’. It is not uncommon for people to be addressed by their middle name.  
                         • Religious denomination: Methodist. |

*by Kaiah McCahon*
Edward Charles Leopold – Notification of Injury

Albert George Light (A.G. Light)

Service Number 1781

Rank Private

Unit 7th Infantry Battalion

Date of Enlistment 6th January 1915 at Daylesford

Age 19 years 7 months

Fate Albert was discharged on 26th March 1919

Embarkment Date: 14th April 1915
Place: Melbourne
Ship: HMAT Wiltshire A18

Previous Employment Miner

Address Kidds Gully, Daylesford, Victoria

Next of Kin Jane Light (mother).
His father was John Light, an engineer.

Physical Description
Height: 5 feet 8 inches
Weight: 140 lbs
Complexion: Tan
Hair colour: Brown
Eye Colour: Grey
Complexion: Tan
Albert had a scar three inches long by a quarter of an inch wide on his right forearm.

Medals
Awarded the British War Medal on 19th May 1921
Awarded the Victory Medal on 5th November 1923
Awarded the 1914-15 Star on 25th May 1920

Points of Interest
- A younger brother, Clarence (born 1904), attended DSS.
- Albert went to hospital in Cardiff, Wales on 21st August 1915 because a bomb wounded his left leg.
- He fought in Egypt on 23rd February 1916.
- He went to hospital sick in France on 8th July 1916.
- On 13th September 1918 Albert was reported to be getting better. He received a gunshot wound his face and legs on 13th August 1918.
- Albert married Ruth Harris, a munitions worker from Manchester, on 4th November 1918.
- Religion: C.S.

by Jonas Paar
**Albert George Light – Marriage Certificate**

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Administrative Headquarters, LONDON, S.W.1.

**CERTIFIED EXTRACT OF A MARRIAGE CERTIFICATE RELATING TO:**

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<td>Spinster</td>
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<th>John Light</th>
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Marriage solemnized at Parish Church St. Marys, according to the rites and
Ceremonies of Established Church, by T.H. Stentell.

Married by: Thomas Henry STENTELL. Date of Marriage: 4-11-19.
Registrar's Reference (i.e., Entry No., etc.) 6.S.

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Verified by General Registry Office.

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Extracted from Marriage Certificate by: P. Metcalf. Date.
Certified correct and checked by: " " " " " "

Checked with Records. Date.

National Archives of Australia

J. Light

Service Number

Rank

Unit

Date of Enlistment  Had joined up by April 1916

Age

Fate

Embarkment

Previous employment

Address

Next of Kin

Physical Description

Medals

Points of Interest
  • Initials could be J.C.
  • Possibly related to Albert George Light who is named on the honour board. A younger brother, Clarence (born 1904) attended DSS. Parents were John, an engineer, and Jane Light of Kidd’s Gully, Daylesford.
  • J. Light junior was involved in amateur boxing
Richard Lilley (R. Lilley)

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<td>Richard was reported missing in action on 11th April 1917 and was later confirmed killed in action on the same day. He is buried in Villers-Bretonneux Memorial, Villers-Bretonneux, Picardie, France.</td>
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<td>Richard had three vaccination marks on his left arm. He also had a scar on his left buttock.</td>
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<td>• Richard was admitted to a French hospital with a gunshot wound to his foot on 3rd September.</td>
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by Rebecca Quick
George Henry Major (G.H. Major)

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<td>George was killed in action on 17th August 1916 in France. He was aged 27 years old. He is buried in the Villers-Bretonneux Memorial, Villers-Bretonneux, Picardie, France.</td>
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<td>James Major (father), Stanbridge Street, Daylesford, Victoria</td>
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<tr>
<td>Physical</td>
<td>Height: 5 feet 5¾ inches Weight: 9 stone Complexion: Sallow Eyes: Brown Hair: Dark</td>
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<td>Description</td>
<td>George had 3 vaccination marks on his left arm, a scar on his left forearm and another scar on his left thigh.</td>
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<td>Points of Interest</td>
<td>• He received a plaque and king’s message on 13th January 1922. • George’s personal effects included a comb, brush, military book, scarf, cards, mittens, prayer book, note book, letters and an Egyptian souvenir. • Religion: Church of England.</td>
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by Saxon Barnes
George Henry Major – Student Artist’s Impression

by Maddisyn Tsaptsalis
Charles Connell Martin (C.C. Martin)

Service Number: 730
Rank: Private
Unit: 7th Infantry Battalion
Date of Enlistment: 21st August, 1914
Age: 21 years 8 months

Fate: Charles was killed in action on 29th May 1915 in Gallipoli, Ottoman Empire, aged 22. He is buried in Lone Pine Memorial, Gallipoli Peninsula, Canakkale Province, Turkey.

Embarkment: Date: 19th October 1914
Place: Melbourne
Ship: HMAT Hororata A20

Previous employment: Blacksmith

Address: Raglan Street, Daylesford, Victoria

Next of Kin: Andrew Clark Martin (father)

Physical Description: Height: 5 feet 9 inches
Weight: 10 stone
Chest Measurement: 35½ inches
Complexion: Bright
Eye Colour: Blue
Hair Colour: Brown

Medals: Awarded the 1914-15 Star on 7th October 1920
Awarded the British War Medal
Awarded the Victory Medal

Points of Interest:
- His family and friends called him Charlie.
- Charles was previously reported missing and later reported killed in action on 29th May 1915.
- He was killed by a gunshot wound to his chest.
- Charles’s mother was not notified about Charles’s death. She only knew that her son was missing, as a result she was very distressed.
- Charles’s effects included; letters, razor, comb, scissors, metal watched (damaged), brush and belt.
- Religion: Presbyterian

by Kaiah McCahon
Charles Connell Martin – Student Artist’s Impression

by Kaityn and Lucinda
Charles Daniel Matheson (C.D. Matheson)

Service Number 8198

Rank Began as a Private and was transferred into the Field Ambulance and became a Driver

Unit 4th Field Ambulance

Date of Enlistment 10th July 1915 at Daylesford, Victoria

Age 22 years 4 months

Fate Charles returned to Australia on 18th July 1919 and was discharged on 12th September 1919. He died on 14th August 1988.

Embarkment Date: 18th October 1915
Place: Melbourne
Ship: HMAT Port Lincoln

Previous Employment Carter

Address Grenville Street, Daylesford, Victoria

Next of Kin Mary Jane Matheson (mother)

Physical Description Height: 5 feet 4 inches
Weight: 156 lbs
Chest measurement: 36 inches
Complexion: Dark
Eye colour: Grey
Hair colour: Dark
Charles had four vaccination scars on his arm, he also had a scar on his left hip.

Medals Awarded the British War Medal
Awarded the Victory Medal
Awarded the 1914-15 Star on 18th January 1921

Points of Interest
• Charles went to hospital sick on 27th October 1915.
• He was wounded by a gunshot wound to his neck on 20th October 1917.
• His younger brother, John Franklin Matheson, is also listed on the DPS honour board.
• Religion: Methodist.

by Lachlan Sim
**Charles Daniel Matheson – Service and Casualty form**

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<td>Carter</td>
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**Handwritten Note**

Ben Barrie
Healesville
22nd 11th 23

Officers in Charge Base Records,

Dear Sir,

As I am camped some fourteen miles from Healesville I would be greatly indebted to you if you would kindly forward medals to address on other side.

Thanking you for your kind attentions,

I am

Wen Sir

Yours Very Truly,

Charles W. Matheson

John Franklin Matheson (J.F. Matherson)

Service Number 3006

Rank Private

Unit 38th Infantry Battalion - 7 and 8 reinforcements. He was later transferred to the 40th Battalion.

Date of Enlistment 9th November 1916 at Daylesford, Victoria

Age 21 years 1 month

Fate John returned to Australia from England on 31st March 1919. Discharged on 21st June 1919.

Embarkment Date: 19th February 1917
Place: Melbourne
Ship: HMAT Ballarat A70

Previous Employment Bootmaker

Address Grenville Street, Daylesford, Victoria

Next of Kin Mary J. Matheson (mother), Daylesford, Victoria. Father deceased.

Physical Description Height: 5 feet 6 inches
Weight: 142 lbs
Complexion: Fresh
Eye colour: Blue
Hair colour: Black
John had two vaccination scars in his left arm.

Medals Awarded the British War Medal on 27th September 1922
Awarded the Victory Medal on 27th September 1922

Points of Interest • John was wounded in action on 24th August 1918. He received a gunshot wound to his right thigh. John was discharged from the French Hospital on 3rd September 1918.
• His surname is misspelt on the honour board as ‘Matherson’
• His older brother, Charles Daniel Matheson is also listed on the DPS honour board.
• Religion: Methodist.

by Alex Gervasoni
John Franklin Matheson – Student Artist’s Impression
John Franklin Matheson - Letter

Walter Ronald Matheson (W.R. Matherson)

Service Number 5138

Rank Walter began as a Private. He was then promoted to Corporal and later to Lance Sergeant.

Unit 5th Infantry Battalion - 16th Reinforcements. He was transferred to the 57th Infantry Battalion during his service.

Date of Enlistment 10th January 1916 at Melbourne Town Hall

Age 24 years 5 months

Fate Walter left England to return to Australia on 19th April 1919 and reached Melbourne 8th June 1919. He died on 20th May 1956.

Embarkment Date: 1st April 1916 Place: Melbourne Ship: HMAT Suffolk A23

Previous Employment Labourer

Address 85 Baker Street, North Richmond, Victoria

Next of Kin Elsie Elizabeth Matheson (wife) Father was Hugh Matheson of Stanhope Street, Daylesford.

Physical Description Height: 5 feet 5 inches Weight: 159½ lbs Complexion: Fresh Eyes: Brown Hair: Light brown Walter had a scar behind his left knee, an operation scar on his left side of groin and one scar on his left toe. Walter also had a mole behind his neck and mole behind his left shoulder blade

Medals Awarded the RS Medal on 14th January 1929 Awarded the Victory Medal on 14th July 1922 Awarded the British War Medal on 14th July 1922

Points of Interest • Wounded in action on 26th September 1917. • Walter was admitted to the 25th Field Ambulance experiencing pyrexia of unknown origin on 25th April 1918. • His name was misspelt on the honour board as ‘Matherson’ • Religion: Presbyterian

by Alex Gervasoni
Walter Ronald Matheson – Service Record


Percy Alexander McGuinness (P. McGuinness)

Service Number  Did not receive a service number as was rejected for service.

Rank  Private

Unit  14th Depot

Date of Enlistment  12th July 1915

Age  21 years

Fate  Discharged after medical examination considered unfit for service for right flatfoot, a result of an injury from an axe in 1910 to a tendon in the right foot.

Emarkment  Considered unfit for service

Previous employment  Miner

Address  Kidd's Gully, Daylesford

Next of Kin  George McGuinness (father) and Sarah McGuinness (mother)

Physical Description  Height: 5 feet 4½ inches
                      Eyes: Blue
                      Hair: Brown
                      Complexion: Fair
                      Percy had a scar on stomach and was right flatfooted.

Medals  Did not serve

Points of Interest  • Was in the Citizen Forces, 66th Battalion for 3 years.
                    • Was rejected service after medical examination, first considered fit for service, but then was found to be right flatfooted and could not stand on the toes of his right foot.
                    • Was the older brother of Thomas McGuinness who is also on our honour board.
                    • Religion: Church of England.

by Ben Arklay
Percy Alexander McGuinness – Student Artist’s Impression

PERCY ALEXANDER MC GUINESS SN.......
Percy Alexander McGuinness – Medical Discharge

Reference your D.C.R. B15/400/1609 of the 8th instant, covering report Captain E.H. Crawford on Private P.A. McGuinness.

This Officer is to be informed that he is not to allow himself to be rushed, each recruit is to be thoroughly examined. A man passed as fit, afterwards found to be unfit, is a heavy expense to the country, and every care must be exercised by the examining Medical Officers.

1804

Director General, A.A.E.

National Archives of Australia

Percy Alexander McGuinness – Medical Discharge

Captain F. B. Crawford, Victoria Street, BALLARAT EAST. On the 12th July 1915 on examination and passed as fit for active service, Private P. A. McGuinness. This man was afterwards examined by a Medical Board and recommended for discharge on account of a flat foot. Please furnish a report as to why you passed this man for active service.

M. G. Hunter
Adjutant to P.M.O., 3rd M.D.

To Capt F. B. Crawford, A.M.E.

In your communication I have no recollection of the man you mention. The examination made when the big raid was on at Ballarat, and we were fighting through about 200 a day we were trying not to lose any of the men. I was not with the men. However, I am afraid my memory cannot carry me that far back.

P.M.O., 3rd M.D. — Forwarded.

6. 1. 16.

M. G. Hunter
Major, A.M.C.

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# Thomas Clifford McGuinness (T. McGuinness)

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<tr>
<td>Unit</td>
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<td>Age</td>
<td>19 years 8 months</td>
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<td>Fate</td>
<td>Killed in Action in France on 22nd July 1918. Buried in the Villers-Bretonneux Military Cemetery (Plot X, Row B, Grave No. I), Fouilloy, France.</td>
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| Embarkment     | Date: 16th July 1915  
|                | From: Melbourne  
|                | Ship: HMAT Demosthenes A64 |
| Previous Employment | Miner |
| Address        | Kidds Gully, Daylesford |
| Next of Kin    | George McGuinness (father) and Sarah McGuinness (mother) |
| Physical Description | Height: 5 feet 4 inches  
|                  | Eyes: Dark blue  
|                  | Hair: Light brown  
|                  | Complexion: Fresh  
|                  | McGuinness had a flat pigmented mole between the under edge right shoulder blade bone and a small mole at the back of his right armpit. |
| Medals         | Awarded the 1914-15 Star,  
|                | Awarded the British War Medal  
|                | Awarded the Victory Medal on 22nd June 1922.  
|                | Received the Belgian Croix de Guerre on 16th February 1918. |
| Points of Interest | • Was in junior cadets in Daylesford and St. Kilda for three years, and was in the Citizen Forces 66th Battalion in Daylesford for one year.  
|                  | • He was the younger brother of P. McGuinness who is also on our honour board.  
|                  | • On 25th May 1916 was absent without leave from 2:30 am to 8:50pm and was using obscene language and refused to give his name. He had to serve field punishment for 14 days.  
|                  | • Religion: Methodist |

by Ben Arklay
Thomas Clifford McGuinness - Photograph

Studio Portrait of Thomas Clifford McGuinness

# Benjamin Duncan (Ben) McKinnon (B. McKinnon)

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<tr>
<td>Age</td>
<td>26 years 6 months</td>
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<td>Fate</td>
<td>He returned to Australia from England on 14th December 1918.</td>
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| Embarkment     | Date: 19th October 1914  
Place: Melbourne  
Ship: HMAT Hororata A20 |
| Previous Employment | Engine driver |
| Address        | Hepburn, Victoria |
| Next of Kin    | Duncan McKinnon (father), Postmaster, Hepburn Springs  
Mother was Mrs. M. McKinnon. |
| Physical Description | Height: 5 feet 10 inches  
Weight: 11 stone  
Complexion: Darkish  
Eye colour: Blue  
Hair colour: Darkish brown |
| Medals         | Awarded the 1914-15 Star  
Awarded the British War Medal  
Awarded the Victory Medal |
| Points on Interest | • Benjamin was shot and wound in his left shoulder and buttock on 29th May 1915. He was transferred to the military hospital, Malta on 4th June 1915 and was later admitted to the Royal Victoria Hospital, England on 20th June 1915.  
• Benjamin’s younger brother, Ralph Hugh McKinnon is also listed on the honour board. Another brother, Duncan (born 1901), attended DSS.  
• Religion: Presbyterian. |

by Caitlin Robertson
Australian War Memorial, first World War Embarkation Rolls. Benjamin Duncan McKinnon.

Ralph Hugh McKinnon (R. McKinnon)

Service Number 2383

Rank Private, was promoted to Captain on 20th April 1916 in France

Unit 7th Infantry Battalion

Date of Enlistment 1st May 1915

Age 20 years 10 months

Fate Ralph returned to Australia on 14th February 1919 after being deemed medically unfit. Discharged on 8th April 1919.

Embarkment Date: 16th July 1915
Place: Melbourne
Ship: HMAT Demosthenes A64

Previous Employment Carpenter

Address Hepburn (near Daylesford), Victoria

Next of Kin Mrs. M. McKinnon (mother)
Father was Councillor Duncan McKinnon, Postmaster, Hepburn Springs.

Physical Description Height: 5 feet 5½ inches
Weight: 140 lbs
Completion: Darkish
Eyes: Brown
Hair: Brown
Ralph had a scar on the back of his hip.

Medals Awarded the 1914-15 Star on 8th of July 1920
Awarded the British War Medal on 9th March 1921
Awarded the Victory Medal on 25th April 1922
Awarded the Military Medal for Bravery on 25th May 1918

Points of Interest • Ralph was a Sergeant in the Citizen Forces.
• Ralph was admitted to hospital from the 1st to the 3rd October 1915 with diarrhoea.
• He was sick in hospital on 6th February and 22nd March 1917.
• He was admitted to an English hospital on 30th August 1918 as a result of being gassed.
• Ralph’s older brother, Benjamin Duncan McKinnon is also listed on the honour board. Another brother, Duncan (born 1901), attended DSS.
• Religion: Presbyterian.

by Clayton Tranter
Four enlistments for active service were made with the Mayor, Cr Walton, on Monday, and the men have been sent on to Dr Liddle for medical examination. Among local residents who lately passed the medical test are Messrs Ralph H. Mc'Kinnon, Hepburn; and H. Noye and Harry Wetzel, of Daylesford. Since the departure of those who joined the first contingent, there have been 60 enlistments from Daylesford, and the town and immediate locality has contributed 90 men to the cause of the Empire. Mr Ralph Mc'Kinnon, who was a sergeant in the Citizen Forces, is the second son of Cr D. Mc'Kinnon who has joined the Australian Forces. Private B. D. Mc'Kinnon, the other son, is with the Forces in the Dardanelles.
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by Caitlin Robertson
Charles James McLeod – Photographic Portrait

Photographic Portrait of Charles James McLeod

DAYLESFORD SOLDIER’S DEATH. (1917, April 3).
Clyde Metcalf (C. Metcalfe)

Service Number 3080

Rank
Began as a Private, he was then promoted to Acting Sergeant on 4th March 1916.

Unit
7th Infantry Battalion – 9 to 12 Reinforcements (September – November 1915)
Clyde was later transferred to the 59th Infantry Battalion on 26th February 1918.

Date of Enlistment 10th July 1915

Age 23 years 5 months

Fate He returned to Australia.

Embarkment
Date: 29th September 1915
Place: Melbourne
Ship: RMS Osterley

Previous Employment Motor mechanic

Address Not discovered

Next of Kin R. Metcalf (father), Daylesford, Victoria

Physical Description
Height: 5 feet and 6 inches
Chest measurement: 36/37½ inches
Complexion: Sallow
Eye colour: Grey
Hair colour: Brown hair
Clyde had four vaccination marks on his right arm and two moles on his back.

Medals
Awarded the 1914-15 Star on 23rd April 1921
Awarded the Victory Medal on 26th April 1923
Awarded the British War Medal on 26th April 1923

Points of Interest
• Clyde embarked to join B.E.P Kinfauns Castle Alexandria, Egypt on the 18th June 1916.
• He was transferred to 9th British Red Cross Hospital, Calais, having received a gunshot wound to the back of his legs on 21st July 1916.
• Clyde was wounded in action in France on 19th July 1918.
• Recorded and spelt differently on the honour board as Metcalfe - on enlistment forms the ‘e’ is dropped.
• Religion: Church of England

by Blossom Izard
Clyde Metcalf – Photographic Portrait

Portrait of Clyde Metcalf

Photo retrieved from the Australian War Memorial.
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Archibald Lamond Mitchell (A. Mitchell)

Service Number 721
Rank Private
Unit 7th Infantry Battalion (October 1914)
Archibald re-enlisted on the 28th Reinforcement (March 1917)
Date of Enlistment Archibald enlisted and served twice during the First World War, the first time on 25th August 1914 and again on 6th March 1917.
Age 23 years 2 months
Fate He returned to Australia on both occasions; first on 17th April 1916 and again on 22nd July 1919.
Embarkment Date: 19th October 1914
Place: Melbourne
Ship: HMAT Hororata A20
Previous Employment Miner
Address Smith’s Creek, Daylesford, Victoria
Next of Kin Robert Alexander Mitchell (father)
Physical Description Height: 5 feet 2 inches
Weight: 10 stone
Complexion: Tan
Eye colour: Blue
Hair colour: Fair
Medals
Awarded the 1914-15 Star on 25th May 1920
Awarded the British War Medal on 14th July 1921
Awarded the Victory Medal
Points of Interest
• He was wounded by shrapnel in his foot in Gallipoli on the 25th April 1915.
• During the period between serving overseas Archibald served at home (beginning on 14th August 1916 at the age of 25 years 1 month)
• His medals were destroyed by fire and were requested to be replaced
• Religion: Presbyterian

by Conor Malone
William Ernest Lewis Morgan (W.L. Morgan)

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<tr>
<td>Age</td>
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<td>William returned to Australia on 21st April 1919. Discharged on 21st August 1919.</td>
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<td>Labourer</td>
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<td>Address</td>
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<td>Catherine Morgan (mother)</td>
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<td>Physical Description</td>
<td>Height: 6 feet 3¼ inches Chest measurements: 29-33 inches Complexion: Fresh Eye colour: Blue Hair colour: Reddish</td>
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<td>Points of Interest</td>
<td>• William went sick to hospital in France on 20th May 1917 and again on 18th December 1917. • Religion: Roman Catholic.</td>
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by Adam Pasahidis
George St Clair Murphy (G. Murphy)

Service Number 7107
Rank Private
Unit 5th Infantry Battalion - 13 to 23 reinforcements
Date of Enlistment 10th October 1916
Age 21 years 1 month
Fate George returned to Australia on 9th February 1919
Discharged 11th May 1919
Emarkment Date: 23 November 1916
Place: Melbourne
Ship: HMAT Hororata A20
Previous Employment Carter
Address Raglan Street, Daylesford, Victoria
Next of Kin Robert Murphy (father), Daylesford, Victoria
Physical Description Height: 5 feet 8 inches
Weight: 146 lbs
Complexion:
Eye colour: Blue
Hair colour: Brown
George had four vaccination marks on his left arm, a mole below his left breast and a scar on his left buttock.

Medals Awarded the British War Medal in October 1921
Awarded the Victory Medal

Points of Interest • He was in France on 8th May 1917.
• George was wounded in action in the field on 26th September 1917. He received a gunshot wound in his left hand (mild); George was treated in the Reading War Hospital, England.
• George was admitted to the Kitchener Military Hospital in France on 27th June 1918 with a sprained ankle.
• Religion Roman Catholic

by Blossom Izard
# James Frederick Mutton (J.F. Mutton)

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| Unit           | 46th Infantry Battalion - 6 to 9 Reinforcements (October 1916-May 1917)  
13th Australian Field Ambulance |
| Date of Enlistment | 25th August 1916 |
| Age            | 18 years |
| Fate           | James returned to Australia on 1st November 1919 from England. Discharged 29th January 1920. |
| Embarkment     | Date: 20th October 1916  
Place: Melbourne  
Ship: HMAT Port Lincoln A17 |
| Previous Employment | Farm hand |
| Address        | Muskvale, Daylesford, Victoria |
| Next of Kin    | John Smith (friend), Melbourne, Victoria |
| Physical Description | Height: 5 feet 4¼ inches  
Weight: 115 lbs  
Chest measurement: 30.34 inches  
Completion: Mid  
Eye colour: Brown  
Hair colour: Black  
James had four vaccination marks on his left arm and a mole on his abdomen. |
| Medals         | Awarded the British War Medal  
Awarded the Victory Medal |
| Points of Interest | • James was admitted to hospital a number of times throughout his service including on 17th March 1917 with influenza, and again on 4th April 1918; he was admitted to the Connaught General Hospital with slight Coryza (the inflammation of the mucous membrane in the nose).  
• He married Marjorie James in England on 20th March, 1919.  
• Religion: Church of England. |

by Orlando Parker
James Frederick Mutton – Artist’s Impression

by Nikita and Jessica
Archelaus Ackland Muxworthy (A. Muxworthy)

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<td>59th Infantry Battalion - 2nd to 5th Reinforcements (May to September, 1916)</td>
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<td>Date of Enlistment</td>
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<td>Age</td>
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<td>Fate</td>
<td>Archelaus died on 16th October 1917 in Belgium aged 25 years. He is buried in the Menin Gate Memorial, Ypres, Flanders, Belgium.</td>
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<td>Physical Description</td>
<td>Height: 5 feet 3 inches</td>
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<td>Weight: 112 lbs</td>
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<td>• Archelaus went to hospital because he was sick on 29th January 1917.</td>
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<td>• He was also admitted to hospital on 2nd February 1917 and was diagnosed with suspected mumps.</td>
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<td>• Religion: Baptist.</td>
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by Astrid Visser
PRIVATE A. A, MUXWORTHY PASSES. On Tuesday, Mr V. J. Salter, of Daylesford Baptist Church, received a wire from the Defence Department, asking him to break the sad news to Mr A. Muxworthy, of Millar Street, that his only son, Private Archelaus A. Muxworthy, had been killed in action at the war front in France, on October the 16th. The young soldier left Australia sixteen months ago, and had been for twelve months in France. He was for five and a half years engaged on the Ajax battery and afterwards went to Melbourne and was employed in McPherson's iron mongery establishment, North Melbourne. He was a native of Daylesford and was only 25 years of age. He was a magnificent type of an Australian, being true, honorable and generous in all his doings, and deservedly held the love and regard of all who knew him. Townspeople and residents of all the surrounding districts will sorrow and sympathise with Mr. Muxworthy in his great bereavement. The flag at the Town Hall was flown on Tuesday at half mast in respect to the memory of the gallant young soldier. This (Friday) morning Mr. Muxworthy received a post-card, bearing the representation of a butterfly and the date the 4th of October. The young man had written 'To my dear father from his soldier boy," and stated that he was quite well.

## David George Muxworthy (D. Muxworthy)

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<td>Rank</td>
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<td>Mining Corps No.5, Tunnelling Company (May 1916)</td>
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<td>18th February 1916 at Melbourne</td>
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<td>Age</td>
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<td>Fate</td>
<td>David was discharged on 18th October 1920.</td>
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| Embarkment     | Date: 25th May 1916  
Place: Melbourne  
Ship: HMAT Warlida A69 |
| Previous Employment | Bricklayer |
| Address        | Sailor's Hill, Daylesford, Victoria |
| Next of Kin    | Thomas Muxworthy (father) Sailor’s Hill, Daylesford, Victoria |
| Physical Description | Height: 5 feet 9 inches  
Weight: 122 lbs  
Complexion: Fresh  
Eye colour: Hazel  
Hair colour: Brown  
David had a scar below his right knee and a mole on his left shoulder. |
| Medals         | Awarded the British War Medal on 19th June 1925  
Awarded the Victory Medal |
| Points of Interest | • He was admitted to hospital on the 21st March 1917 and 17th October 1917 due to sickness  
• David was wounded in action on 27th February 1918  
• He went to London when he wasn’t granted leave and was punished because of it.  
• David is the younger brother of Thomas Muxworthy who is also listed on the DPS honour board. His father, Sapper Thomas Muxworthy, a widower, also served, enlisting on 28th February 1916, at the age of 44 years. David and his father were both in the same company and travelled overseas on the same ship.  
• David got married to Ada Elizabeth Crewe on 25th August 1919.  
• Religion: Baptist |

by Astrid Visser
David George Muxworthy – Marriage Certificate

Thomas Muxworthy (T. Muxworthy)

Service Number 3193
Rank Private
Unit 21st Infantry Battalion 1-12 Reinforcements (June - April 1916)
Date of Enlistment 5th July 1915 at Melbourne
Age 21 years 9 months
Fate Thomas returned to Australia on 17th March 1919.
Embarkment Date: 18 November 1915
Place: Melbourne
Ship: HMAT Wiltshire A18
Previous Employment Miner
Address Sailor's Hill, Daylesford, Victoria
Next of Kin Thomas Muxwothy (father)
Physical Description Height: 5 feet 8 inches
Weight: 142 pounds
Chest measurement: 33 inches
Complexion: Fair
Eye colour: Grey
Hair colour: Fair
Thomas had four vaccination marks on his left arm, a scar on his left hip, swollen joints in his left foot and a scar on right shin.

Medals
Awarded the 1914-15 Star on 2nd May 1923
Awarded the British War Medal on 2nd February 1923
Awarded the Victory Medal on 5th May 1923

Points of Interest
- Thomas was admitted to Helippolis hospital with influenza on 15th January 1918.
- He was wounded in action on 29th September 1918.
- He received a gunshot wound to his buttock, which was noted as mild, on 16th October 1918.
- Thomas was reported seriously ill on 1st November 1918.
- Thomas is the older brother of David George Muxworthy who is also listed on the DPS honour board. His father, Sapper Thomas Muxworthy, a widower, also served, enlisting in February 1916, at the age of 44 years.
- He was baptised.

by Hugo Horvat
Thomas Muxworthy – Photographic Portrait

Portrait of Thomas Muxworthy

Francis James Nelson (F.J. Nelson)

Service Number 1170
Rank Private
Unit 22nd Infantry Battalion (May 1915)
Date of Enlistment 15th February 1915
Age 18 years 2 months. Born Daylesford.
Embarkment Date: 10th May 1915
Place: Melbourne
Ship: HMAT Ulysses A38
Previous Employment Farmer
Address Not discovered
Next of Kin Brother, John Nelson (who also joined the war)
Physical Description Height: 5 feet 4½ inches
Weight: 128 lbs
Chest measurement: 33½ inches
Complexion: Fair
Eyes: Grey
Hair: Brown
Francis had a small scar on the side of his right knee, a scar on the back of his left calf and a mole on his left armpit.
Medals Awarded the 1914-15 Star on 15th June 1920
Awarded the Victory Medal on 5th December 1922
Awarded the British War Medal on 5th December 1922
Points of Interest • Francis received a gunshot wound to his right elbow on 16th November 1916.
• He also received a gunshot wound to his right shoulder and chest on 10th October 1917.
• Religion: Not discovered

by Clayton Tranter
James Henry Newton (J. Newton)

Service Number 35848
Rank Gunner
Unit 7th Field Artillery Brigade 27-35 reinforcements (November 1917 - June 1918)
Date of Enlistment 29th September 1916
Age 28 years 8 months
Fate James returned to Australia on 20th June 1919.
Emarkment Date: 9th November 1917
Place: Melbourne
Ship: HMAT Port Sydney A15
Previous Employment Farmer
Address Musk Creek, Victoria
Next of Kin Elsie Elizabeth Newton (wife), Raglan Street, Daylesford. Father was James Newton of Musk Creek.
Physical Description Height: 5 feet 9¼ inches
Weight: 168 lbs
Chest measurement: 37/39 inches
Complexion: Mid
Eye colour: Hazel
Hair colour: Brown
James had two vaccination marks on his left arm, a scar above his right knee, a mole on his left cheek and a mole on the back of his neck.
Medals Awarded the British War Medal on 20th October 1921
Awarded the Victory Medal on 16th March 1923
Points of Interest • Religion: Methodist

by Conor Malone
James Henry Newton – Student Artist’s Impression

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Jack Nicol (J. Nicol)

Service Number

Rank

Unit

Date of Enlistment

Age

Fate

Listed on the school roll of the fallen

Embarkment

Previous employment

Address

Next of Kin

Physical Description

Medals

Points of Interest

Has a dedicated tree in the Daylesford Avenue of Honour

George Arnold Norris (G.A. Norris)

Service Number 2685

Rank He began as a Private and was later promoted to Lance Corporal.

Unit 2nd Pioneer Battalion

Date of Enlistment 26th April 1916

Age 19 years 1 month. Born Eganstown.

Fate George returned to Australia in 1922 from England via the S.S Euripides. He was discharged on 1st October 1922.

Embarkment Date: 18th September 1916
Place: Melbourne
Ship: HMAT Karroo A10

Previous Employment Farm Labourer

Address Eganstown, Victoria

Next of Kin John James Norris (father)

Physical Description Height: 5 feet 7½ inches
Weight: 149 inches
Complexion: Fresh
Eye colour: Blue
Hair colour: Fair
George had 3 vaccination marks on his left arm, a scar on his left and right knee.

Medals Awarded the Victory Medal
Awarded the British War Medal

Points of Interest • On 27th April 1918 George was wounded. The inquiry stated that he was injured because a bullet was fired at a hare by an unknown person. George was there for wounded accidentally. The shot hit him in the scalp and didn’t kill him. The same bullet wounded Private Steel, Service No. 2712.
• George got married in Edinburgh on 4th July 1918 to Helen L Soutter.
• After the war George worked within the Australian Graves Services, until 1922 when he returned to Australia.
• Religion: Baptist.

by Hugo Horvat
George Arnold Norris – Student Artist’s Impression

GEORGE ARNOLD NORRIS SN.2685

by Bernie Kelly
Henry Fitzwilliam Noye (H. Noye)

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| Embarkment     | Date: 28 June 1915  
Place: Melbourne  
Ship: HMAT Berrima A35 |
| Previous employment | Grocer's assistant |
| Address        | Victoria Street, Daylesford |
| Next of Kin    | Mrs. Margaret J. Noye (mother) |
| Physical Description | Height: 5 feet 6¼ inches  
Chest measurement: 36¾ inches  
Complexion: Dark  
Eyes: Brown  
Hair: Dark  
Distinctive marks: Old scars on inner side of middle of left upper arm, on point of left elbow, also on back, on third small bone of middle finger of right hand. Also above and below left knee cap. Old cut on scalp a hand's breadth behind left ear. |
| Medals         | Awarded the 1915 Star  
Awarded the British War Medal on 23rd May 1923  
Awarded the Victory Medal on 23rd May 1923 |
| Points of Interest |  
• Previously in the Citizen’s Forces.  
• On 14th December 1915 he was hospitalised with slight frostbite to his toes.  
• He was promoted to Lance Corporal and then later demoted to Private after being A.W.L. overnight.  
• Younger siblings who attended DSS were Herbert (born 1902), Myrtle (born 1904) and Robert (born 1907).  
• Religion: Church of England. |
Henry Fitzwilliam Noye – Student Artist’s Impression

by Eliza Oriah
Robert William Oliver (W.R. Oliver)

Service Number 3360

Rank Private

Unit 37th Infantry Battalion - 7 and 8 Reinforcements (February to December 1917.

Date of Enlistment 7th October 1917 at Daylesford

Age 19 years 2 months. Born 2nd July 1898.

Fate Robert was killed in action on 26th August 1918 in France, at the age of 20. Robert is buried in Tincourt New British Cemetery, Tincourt, Picardie in France.

Embarkment Date: 22nd December 1917
Place: Melbourne
Ship: HMAT Ulysses A38

Previous Employment Farmer

Address Wombat Flat, Daylesford, Victoria

Next of Kin Joshua Oliver (father). His mother was Cornelia Oliver.

Physical Description Height: 5 feet 7½ inches
Weight: 144 lbs
Chest measurement: 31/33¼
Complexion: Fair
Eye colour: Brown/grey
Hair colour: Brown
Robert had a pigmented mole in the centre of his back.

Medals Awarded the British War Medal
Awarded the Victory Medal

Points of Interest
• He was rejected for service in 1915 due to his chest measurement.
• Moved to the front (France) from England on 9th May 1918 before being killed in action.
• Robert’s personal effects included a safety razor (damaged) and letters.
• He left all of his property to his mother, Nelia Oliver
• The honour board had spelt his initials W.R. Oliver.
• Religion: Church of England.
Robert William Oliver – Birth Certificate


Alexander Thomas Olver (A. Olver)

Service Number 3362
Rank Private
Unit 37th Infantry Battalion - 7th and 8th Reinforcements, between February to December 1917.
Date of Enlistment 2nd October 1917 at Daylesford
Age 19 years
Fate Alexander was killed in action on 10th August 1918 in France. He was originally buried in an ‘isolated grave 1 mile SSE of Royart, 9¼ miles ESE of Corbie’ and later moved to the Heath Cemetery, Harbonnieres, Picardie, France.
Embarkment Date: 22nd December 1917 Place: Melbourne Ship: HMAT Ulysses A38
Previous employment Butcher
Address Ruthven Street, Daylesford, Victoria
Next of Kin Thomas Olver (father)
Physical Description Height: 5 feet 8 inches Weight: 145 lbs Chest measurement: 35.37 inches Complexion: Dark Eye colour: Grey Hair colour: Dark Alexander had two vaccination marks on his left arm
Medals Awarded the Victory Medal Awarded the British War Medal
Points of Interest • Joined his unit France on 19th May 1918. • On his death he bequeathed all of his property and effects to his mother, Bobina Ellen Olver. • Religion: Methodist.

by Ben Levens

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WILL

In the vent of my death I give beheld of my
property effects to my Mother Ebonie Olver
Ruthven Street, Daylesford, in the State of Victoria

A. T. Olver
Private No. 3362
Australian Imperial Force.
December 14th 1917.

Certified to be a true copy of the Will of No. 3362
Private A. T. Olver, 37th Battalion, lodged with the officer
in Charge, Base Records, upon embarkation for Active
Service Abroad.

Checked by: [Signature]

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Dear Sir,

With reference to the report of the regrettable loss of your son, the late No. 3553, Private A. T. Olver, 37th Battalion, I am now in receipt of advice which shows that he was killed in action in France on 10.8.18, and was buried in an isolated grave, one mile South South East of Proyart, and 0.6 miles East South East of Corbie.

In all cases where members of the A.I.F. are buried in isolated graves, the remains are to be re-interred in the nearest military cemetery. This work is done in the presence of a Chaplain with the greatest care and reverence.

The utmost care and attention is being devoted to the graves of our fallen soldiers, and photographs are being taken as soon as possible for transmission to next-of-kine.

These additional details are furnished by direction, it being the policy of the Department to forward all information received in connection with deaths of members of the Australian Imperial Force.

Yours faithfully,

Mr. T. Olver,
Ruthven Street,
DAYLESFORD,
Victoria.

Officer i/c Base Records.

NAA: B2455. OLVER ALEXANDER THOMAS
George Joseph O’Neill (J. O’Neill)

Service Number 5515

Rank Private

Unit 4th Field Ambulance

Date of Enlistment 5th May 1915 in Melbourne

Age 18 years on 5th May 1915. Born at Coburg.

Fate Returned to Australia on 25th May 1919, on Port Macquarie discharged 18th July 1919.
Married Etty Lane O’Neill after the war and was living in Canberra. Died 27th May 1967.

Embarkment Date: 10th September 1915
Place: Melbourne
Ship: HMAT Star of Victoria A16

Previous employment Clerk

Address 19 Wilson Street, Moonee Ponds

Next of Kin Hugh Joseph O’Neill, formerly Clerk of Petty Sessions in Daylesford from 1910-1914

Physical Description Height: 5 feet 8 inches
Complexion: Fresh
Eyes: Brown
Hair: Dark Brown
Appendical scar right side. Scar right knee.

Medals Awarded the Diploma for Belgian Croix de Guerre 4th April 1919.
Awarded the 1914-1915 Star on 7th July 1920.
Awarded the Victory medal
Awarded the British War Medal on 12th May 1921.

Points of Interest • Had spent three years in the senior cadets.
• Religion: Roman Catholic
Members of the 4th Reinforcements, 6th Field Ambulance prior to boarding HMAT Star of Victoria (A16).

Identified by the name on his kitbag is, front row far right, 5514 Private (Pte) William Ernest Kiel. According to the Embarkation Roll others in the group are probably 5511 Pte Raymond Fairhurst Cormack, 5512 Pte Edwin Augustus Esdaile, 5513 Pte William George Johnson, **5515 Pte George Joseph O’Neill** and 5516 Pte John Joseph Stafford.

George Joseph O'Neill- Belgian Croix de Guerre

A.A.M.C. Brigade  4th Australian Division  AUSTRALIAN Corps.  6-10-18 Date of Recommendation

4th Australian Field Ambulance A.A.M.C.

5515 PRIVATE GEORGE JOSEPH O’NEILL

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty, at VAIRE-sur-CORBIE at about 5 a.m., 6th August 1918 where the 15th Aust. Inf. Battn. (to which this bearer was attached) was in a position of readiness. The bivouacs in which the Battalion was staying were heavily shelled for two hours by enemy artillery, and this man dressed and collected the wounded under the heavy barrage. He was also one of the bearer squad who carried the wounded back to the Dressing Station. Again, in the attack on CERISY on 8th August, 1918, he carried back wounded in the face of very heavy machine-gun and artillery fire.

This man has been a stretcher-bearer ever since the 4th Australian Division landed in FRANCE and has at all times by his contempt for danger, his untiring devotion to duty, his cheerful disposition, set a fine example to his fellow bearers.

I consider this man deserving of special recognition.

(S.g.d.) KENNETH SMITH, Colonel  
A.D.R.S. 4th Australian Division

(S.g.d.) E. G SINCLAIR-MACLAGAN, Major-General  
Commanding 4th Australian Division

Recommended by  
(Sgd) A.J. MCDONALD, Major  
Acing C.O. 4th Australian Field Ambulance

BELGIAN CROIX de GUERRE

Henry Francis (Harry) O’Neill - (H. O’Neill)

Service Number 491

Rank Promoted to Lance Corporal on 31st May 1915 and then to Signalling Corporal on 12th March 1916 and finally to Lieutenant.

Unit 7th Battalion

Date of Enlistment 5th August 1914 at Moonee Ponds in Melbourne

Age 19 years 2 months. Born Middle Park, Melbourne.

Fate Returned to Australia on Nestor 1st November 1919.

Embarkment Date:
Place:
Ship:

Previous employment Telephone mechanic

Address Court House, Essendon, Victoria

Next of Kin Hugh Joseph O’Neill, formerly Clerk of Petty Sessions in Daylesford from 1910-1914

Physical Description Height: 5 feet 8 inches
Complexion: Fresh
Eyes: Brown
Hair: Brown

Medals Awarded the 1914-1915 Star on 24th April 1920
Awarded the Victory medal 15th September 1922
Awarded the British War Medal on 10th September 1922.

Points of Interest • Spent two years in junior cadets, two years in senior cadets and one year in the Citizen Forces.
• Was at the landing and evacuation at Gallipoli and Hospitalised with scabies.
• His father sent a letter to the Minister of the Crown seeking information about his son.
• His son Michael Hugh O’Neill, applied for the Gallipoli Medal on his behalf in 1967.
• Was granted 75 days’ leave abroad.
• Religion: Roman Catholic.
"DANDIES, BUT BRAVE KIDS."

Signaller H. O'Neill, of the 7th Battalion, who is a son of Mr H. J. O'Neill, formerly clerk of court at Daylesford, writes to a friend regarding a visit he and some comrades paid to a troopship after the Lone Pine fight, when they had a good dinner, and, metaphorically, took their hats off to a conceited middy, as Australians now admire all British seamen.

"We were given a holiday to get some stores," he writes, "and visited the vessel. After some trouble we got luncheon passes from the purser. We then strolled into the officers' mess and had soup, roast muttop and baked potatoes, cold tongue and mashed potatoes, and Snowden pudding and cheese. This, you must remember, after we had been for 24 hours in trenches, where we had 340 killed and wounded.

"We were greatly amused at the awful 'dog' which a middy, aged 17, put on. The way he walked through about 40 'non-coms.' looking over their heads, is hard to describe. He resembled a conceited girl with his white shoes and white duck uniform. But we thought of those kids in charge of the pinnares who ran us ashore that morning at Anzac, and recalled their marvellous coolness under the hot fire. They might be dandies, but you can't beat those English kids for pluck. Two of them won Victoria Crosses in the Anzac landing."
Harold Thomas Osborne (H. T. Osborne)

Service Number 2511

Rank Began as a Private, he was later promoted to Acting Sergeant.

Unit 29th Infantry Battalion - 1 to 6 Reinforcements (November 1915 –April 1916).

Date of Enlistment 2nd August 1915

Age 23 years 9 months

Fate Harold returned to Australia on 4th August 1917 and was discharged on 3rd November 1917.

Emarkment Date: 14th March 1916
Place: Melbourne
Ship: HMAT Anchises A68

Previous Employment Clerk

Address 19 Francis Street, Ascot Vale, Victoria

Next of Kin W J Osborne (father), who was previously a teacher at DSS.

Physical Description Height: 5 feet 5 inches
Weight: 8 stone
Complexion: Sallow
Eye colour: Grey
Hair colour: Black
Harold had a scar on his hip, two moles on the centre of his back and a mole on his little toe on his right foot.

Medals Awarded the British War Medal on 18th May 1921
Awarded the Victory Medal on 9th February 1923

Points of Interest • Harold went to hospital sick in the field on 3rd November 1916.
• He was wounded in action in France on 1st May 1917.
• His leg was severely injured by a shell and had to be amputated.
• Religion: Church of England

by Lachlan Sim
Christopher Parkinson (C. Parkinson)

Service Number  2156  
Rank  Private  
Unit  3rd Reinforcements 2nd Pioneer Battalion  
Date of Enlistment  4th April 1916  
Age  23 years 11 months  
Fate  Died of a gunshot wound to abdomen in Belgium on 22nd December 1917. Christopher was buried in the Trois-Arbres Cemetery, Steenwerck in plot 2, row C, grave 16.  
Embarkment  Date: 6 June 1916  
Place: Melbourne  
Ship: HMAT Wandilla A62  
Previous Employment  Carpenter  
Address  Bridport Street, Daylesford  
Next of Kin  Ellen Parkinson (mother)  
Physical Description  Height: 5 feet 7¼ inches  
Eyes: Blue  
Hair: Brown  
Complexion: Sallow  
Christopher had a mole on his right shoulder blade and his left abdomen and two moles on the back of his neck. He also had a brown stain above his right buttock.  
Medals  Awarded the British War Medal on 10th October 1922  
Awarded the Victory Medal on 21st March 1923  
Points of Interest  • Had influenza before leaving Australia and was in hospital for six days. Christopher also had influenza during the war.  
• Was found to be absent without leave in Cape Town and was fined one day’s pay.  
• Rejected first time he tried to enlist for his chest measurements.  
• When his kit was to be returned to Australia, the ship carrying it sank along with all its cargo.  
• Religion: Church of England.  

by Lachlan Sim
Letter outlining the forwarding of Parkinson’s personal effects.


Letter outlining the fate of the “Barunga” and Parkinson’s personal effects.

William Alexander Patterson (W. Patterson)

Service Number 4463

Rank Private, appointed to Lance Corporal on 26th November 1916

Unit 8th Battalion
11th Battalion (23rd Reinforcements)

Date of Enlistment 19th August 1914 at Dimboola.

Age 20 years. Born Buangor.

Fate William was reported missing in action near Zonnebeke, Belgium while waiting to take part in an attack on 4th October 1917. An inquest later ruled that he had been killed in action on that same day. There is no known grave. His memorial is located at Menin Gate Memorial, Ypres, Flanders, Belgium.

Embarkment Date: 21st March 1915
Place: Melbourne
Ship: RMS Malwa

Previous Employment School Teacher

Address Shepherds Flat,

Next of Kin William Henry Patterson (father) of Shepherd’s Flat, Daylesford, Victoria who died in 1918.
Oscar S. Patterson (brother)

Physical Description Height: 5 feet 10 inches
Eyes: Brown
Hair: Dark Brown
Complexion: Pale
William had scars on both shins. Scars on right shoulder.
Extensive acne on chest and back.

Medals Awarded the British War medal on 18th January 1922.
Awarded the Star medal on 22nd November 1920.
William was also awarded the Victory medal.

Points of Interest • William was in senior cadets for two years before enlisting.
• He was never married.
• Whilst fighting, William lost his attestation papers and was forced to return to Egypt for a period until he received new ones. He was also admitted to hospital for a period suffering from a septic toe after fighting at Gallipoli.
• Religion: Presbyterian

by Otto Saunders
William Alexander Patterson. Photograph from the Australian War Memorial Site believed to have been taken in Melbourne in 1916.

# Bertie Peacock (B. Peacock)

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| Unit           | 22nd Battalion  
                 | 57th Battalion |
| Date of Enlistment | 15th February 1915 at Melbourne |
| Age            | 18 years 8 months |
| Fate           | Returned to Australia on 21st March 1919 |
| Embarkment Date | 10th May 1915  
  Place: Melbourne  
  Ship: HMAT Ulysses |
| Previous Employment | Draper |
| Address        | Grenville Street, Daylesford, Victoria |
| Next of Kin    | Mary Jane Peacock (mother) |
| Physical Description | Height: 5 feet 6 inches  
                         | Eyes: Blue  
                         | Hair: Dark brown  
                         | Complexion: Fresh |
| Medals         | Awarded the Military Cross on 1st February 1919  
                 | Awarded the 1914-15 Star on 10th June 1920  
                 | Awarded the British War Medal on 9th March 1921  
                 | Awarded the Victory Medal on 12th July 1922 |
| Points of Interest | He was awarded the Military Cross in 1919 for displaying 'great gallantry and determination in the difficult operation of crossing the Somme'.  
                 | Severely reprimanded in 1916 in Court Martial proceedings instituted on 18th March 1916 by A.I.F.  
                 | Appointed as Temporary Warrant officer, British Army on 28th May 1917.  
                 | Bertie was transferred on 9th April 1916 from the 22nd Battalion to the 57th Battalion where he later became Captain.  
                 | Second lieutenant 21st September 1915, Lieutenant on 16th August 1916, Captain 1st November 1917.  
                 | Posted to 15th Training Battalion in Spain.  
                 | Religion: Presbyterian. |

by Rohan Clay
Bertie Peacock - Portrait

Portrait of Company Sergeant Major Bertie Peacock thought to be taken in Melbourne in May 1915.

BASE RECORDS OFFICE, A.I.F.,
10th July, 1919.

Dear Madam,

I have much pleasure in forwarding hereunder copy of extract from Supplement No. 5156 to the London Gazette, dated 31st January, 1919, relating to the conspicuous services rendered by the undermentioned member of the Australian Imperial Force.

AWARDED THE MILITARY CROSS.

* HIS MAJESTY THE KING has been graciously pleased to approve of the above award to the undermentioned in recognition of gallantry and devotion to duty in the field:

Captain BERTIE PEACOCK.

During the period 30th August to 5th September, 1918, he displayed great gallantry and determination in the difficult operation of crossing the Somme. He led two patrols under heavy fire in unsuccessful attempts to find a passage through the marsh, and again, a third time, he was driven back by intense machine-gun fire. He was in temporary command of a battalion which had suffered heavy casualties in officers, and, making a fourth attempt he at last succeeded in working to the eastern edge of the swamp, and driving the enemy from his posts, thus securing the passage of the river. His gallantry under fire and persevering energy were worthy of the highest praise.

The above has been promulgated in Commonwealth of Australia Gazette, No. 67, dated 5th June, 1919.

Yours faithfully,

Mrs. M. J. Peacock,
Grenville Street,
Daylesford,
VICTORIA.

Major,
Office i/c Base Records.
The British Military Cross was instituted on 28 December 1914 as a means of formally recognizing the courage of junior officers during wartime (officially for "gallantry in the field" for those of the rank of Captain and below). During the First World War 37,081 MCs were awarded.

William James Peacock (W.J. Peacock)

Service Number 3355/55
Rank Private
Unit 29th Battalion (14th to 20th Reinforcements)
Date of Enlistment 28th August 1915
Age 29 years 5 months
Fate William was discharged on 1st September 1916. He died on 7th April 1936.
Embarkment Date: 10th November 1915
Place: Melbourne
Ship: HMAT Ascanius A11
Previous Employment Miner
Address Vincent Street, Daylesford
Next of Kin James Andrew Peacock (father)
Physical Description Height: 5 feet 6½ inches
Eyes: Blue
Hair: Dark
Complexion: Fair
William had two scars on his left leg, and vaccination marks on his left arm.
Medals Not available
Points of Interest • William was in the school cadets for three years before he enlisted in the War.
• During training, he went AWL for a period.
• William was found to be unable to do his work. He was deemed unfit for service and was discharged around a year after joining, and many months of training at Broadmeadows.
• Some records show that William embarked on a ship in 1915, however, it is unknown if this is correct. Other records show that he remained in Australia over his service.
• Religion: Presbyterian

by Josh Wade
William James Peacock


Agustine Kinsman Pearce (G.A. Pearce)

Service Number 4823

Rank Private
Was promoted to Temporary Vice Corporal on 1st June 1917
Promoted to Corporal on 8th September 1917

Unit 21st Battalion (12th Reinforcements)

Date of Enlistment 17th January 1916

Age 21 years. Born Daylesford.

Fate Killed in action in Belgium on 21st September 1917

Agustine’s grave can be found at Poelcapelle British Cemetery, Flanders, Belgium. He was buried in Plot 60, Row A, Grave 18.

Embarkment Date: 4th April 1916
Place: Melbourne
Ship: H.T. Euripides

Previous Employment Printer

Address 1 Charles Street, St Kilda, Victoria

Next of Kin Ellen Pearce (mother).
His father was John Pearce. Agustine also had one brother and four sisters.

Physical Description Height: 5 feet 6 inches
Eyes: Brown
Hair: Brown
Complexion: Fresh

Medals Awarded the British War Medal
Awarded the Victory Medal
Awarded the 1914-15 Star on 22nd June 1922

Points of Interest • Agustin spent three years in the 66th Battalion of the Senior Cadets before he enlisted in the A.I.F.
• He was admitted to hospital in France for a case of mumps.
• Augustine has also been noted in the records as ‘Agustin’ and ‘Gustave’. He was also known as ‘Gus’.
• Religion: Church of England

by Otto Saunders
Agustine Kinsman Pearce - Portrait

Corporal Augustin Pearce.
CORPORAL A. K. PEARCE PASSES.

On Tuesday, the relatives of Corporal A. K. (Gus) Pearce, a young soldier from Daylesford, received official information that he had been killed on the 21st of September in action at the war front in France, the sad news being broken by Canon Pennicott, of Christ Church, St. Kilda, to his mother, Mrs E. Pearce, of Charles Street, St. Kilda. Corporal Pearce served articles in the “Advocate” office, as a compositor, and on the attainment of his 21st birthday, on the 17th of January, 1916, at once enlisted, this having been his third attempt to join the colours. He sailed in the “Euripides,” on April the 3rd of the same year, and went first to Egypt, and then to England, and embarked from the latter country on the night of November, 1916, for France. From then until his death he took part in all the big “stunts” at the front. He gained a Lance-Corporal’s stripe whilst camped on Salisbury Plains and his corporal’s badge on the battlefield on the 1st of June last. He was a native of Lauriston and was only six years of age when the family came to Daylesford. He was educated at Daylesford State School. He was for five years employed on the “Advocate,” and was very bright, intelligent and capable, being a great favourite with all of the staff. He was very popular amongst all who knew him and was a very fine type of all that was good, honorable and upright. He will be mourned by a wide circle of friends. Mrs James McQueen, junr., of Legatt Street, is one of his sisters and there are three others. His only brother is Mr F. R. Pearce, of Westbourne Grove, Northcote. The flags at the State School and the Town Hall were flown in respect to his memory.

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| **Embarkment**           | Date: 5th June 1916  
Place: Sydney  
Ship: HMAT Borda A30 |
| **Previous Employment**  | Grocer's Assistant |
| **Address**              | 296 St Kilda Street, Garden Vale, Victoria |
| **Next of Kin**          | Elinor Rose Pound (wife)  
His foster father was Mr. A Campbell of Wombat Flat. |
| **Physical Description** | Height: 5 feet 1½ inches  
Eyes: Brown  
Hair: Black  
Complexion: Dark  
Frederick had a mole beneath his collar bone, on the right side of his body. |
| **Medals**               | Awarded the British War Medal on 6th October 1922  
Awarded the Victory Medal on the 31st March 1923 |
| **Points of Interest**   | • Frederick became ill while in France, and was admitted to hospital.  
• He was charged by the AIF for going out of bounds of his training station, and was punished with 168 hours of detention.  
• According to Frederick’s friends, he had married only a few days before departing for the war.  
• Frederick was also nicknamed ‘Poundie’ due to his height.  
• Religion: Presbyterian |

by Josh Wade
Frederick Pound – Inquest

Above is a transcript from the Inquest into Frederick Pound’s death, taken from the Australian Red Cross Wounded and Missing Enquiry Bureau Files.


“Killed 8.6.17” F. Pound 1981

I saw him badly wounded at Messines. He was caught by a shell, pieces of which hit him about the head and body. I was speaking to him for a few minutes and went away to get the stretcher bearer to carry him to the dressing station, but when they came for him he was dead. He was in a carrying party at the time, I knew him very well, he came from Hampton near Melbourne, and left there with me by the S.S. “Borda” A 30 which sailed on 3.6.16. I do not know place of burial and I cannot refer to anyone for details.

Informant:- Cpl.T.Nelson 1968
46th Battn. B.Coy. 5th Pltn
3rd A A.Hospital
Dartford.

Informant:- Cpl.T.Nelson 1968
46th Battn. B.Coy. 5th Pltn
3rd A A.Hospital
Dartford.
Alfred Pretty (A. Pretty)

Service Number 127
Rank Private
Unit 6th Battalion
Date of Enlistment 19th August 1914
Age 23 years 5 months
Fate Alfred was wounded in action, receiving a gunshot wound to the head whilst at Gallipoli. He died in Alexandria less than a week later, on 19th May 1915. Alfred is buried in Row M, Grave No. 125, Chatby War Memorial Cemetery Egypt.

Embarkment Date: 19th October 1914
Place: Melbourne
Ship: HMAT Hororata A20

Previous Employment Carpenter

Address 57 Westgarth Street, Northcote South, Victoria

Next of Kin Robert Pretty (father) of Daylesford

Physical Description
Height: 5 feet 10 inches
Eyes: Grey
Hair: Dark brown
Complexion: Clear
Alfred had a birthmark on his left elbow.

Medals
Awarded the 1914-15 Star on 31st August 1920
Awarded the Victory Medal on 17th July 1922
Awarded the British War Medal

Points of Interest
• Alfred was in a rifle club before he enlisted.
• He is believed to be the brother of Fred Pretty, who was also killed in action at Gallipoli.
• The photo on the next page may not be of Alfred as he had been killed a year before it was reportedly taken.
• Religion: Wesleyan

by Cloe Hunt
Frederick Victor Pretty (F. Pretty)

Service Number 111
Rank Private
Unit 16th Battalion
Date of Enlistment 7th September 1914
Age 24 years 7 months. Native of Daylesford.

Fate Fred was declared missing at Gallipoli. He was later pronounced killed in action on 3rd May 1915. There is no known grave for Fred, however he is memorialised at Lone Pine Memorial, Gallipoli Peninsula, Canakkale Province, Turkey.

Embarkment Date: 22nd December 1914
Place: Melbourne
Ship: HMAT Ceramic A40

Previous Employment Sleeper Hewer

Address Not available
Next of Kin Robert J. Pretty (father)

Physical Description Height: 5 feet 10 inches
Eyes: Blue
Hair: Black
Complexion: Dark

Medals Awarded the Victory Medal on 29th September 1922
Awarded the 1914-15 Star on 6th September 1920
Awarded the British War Medal.

Points of Interest • Fred is believed to be the brother of Alfred Pretty, who also died at Gallipoli.
• He had been a member of the military police at the Heliopolis camp and was well respected.
• Though his body was never found, an inquiry carried out by the Red Cross suggested that he was shot in the back when carrying out orders to retreat from a trench at Gallipoli. The retreat went wrong, and Pretty, along with an estimated 770 of 900 soldiers in his battalion were killed or wounded.
• Religion: Methodist.

by Cloe Hunt
Frederick Victor Pretty – Student Artist’s Impression

FREDERICK VICTOR PRETTY SN. 111

by Chloe

Witness says that when they were about to evacuate the trench on top of Dead Man’s Ridge early on the morning of Monday 3rd May, Pretty jumped out of the trench in front of him and was shot by a bullet in the left side of the back about the waist. Witness thinks it must have been an explosive bullet because it made a whole about as big as witness’s fist. Witness bandaged him and left him in charge of a Red Cross Stretcher-bearer of the Marines. He never saw him again. Pretty came from West Australia and had been a military policeman in the camp at Heliopolis and was a very good fellow.

Tel-el-Kебir

Above is a transcript from the Inquest into Frederick Victor Pretty’s death, taken from the Australian Red Cross Wounded and Missing Enquiry Bureau Files.

Frederick Victor Pretty – Inquest

M. 2/5/15: Pretty, Pte. F.V. No. 111

Witness says that Pretty went out in the charge on to Dead Man’s Ridge on the night of 2nd to 3rd May, 1915, and did not turn up in the morning. Nothing further can be ascertained about him they believe. On that occasion the Battalion went out about 900 strong and only came back with 130 – at least only 130 answered the Roll Call next morning.

Witness – Hunnerston, Lt.H.S., 16th A.I.F.
also – Turner, C.H.S., W., No. 1104, B Coy. 16 A.I.F.
Burrowes, Sgt.Mjr.W., No. 52, B Coy. 16 A.I.F.

Tel-el-Kebir

Above is a transcript from the Inquest into Frederick Victor Pretty’s death, taken from the Australian Red Cross Wounded and Missing Inquiry Bureau Files.


Mr R. J, Pretty, formerly of Daylesford, and now of Northcote, is in receipt of a telegram from Colonel Hawker to the effect that his son (Private F. V. Pretty) had been killed in action on May 2nd, 1915. A Court of Inquiry had previously reported that the young soldier was missing. The message received by Mr Pretty conveyed the sympathy of the King and Queen and Commonwealth in the sad loss sustained.

Leslie Arthur Quick (L. Quick)

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<td>Unit</td>
<td>8th Light Horse Brigade</td>
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<td>28th September 1914</td>
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<tr>
<td>Age</td>
<td>27 years 3 months</td>
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<td>Fate</td>
<td>Leslie was discharged on 10th September 1916 due to a fractured foot. He returned to Australia not long after.</td>
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| Embarkment     | Date: 25th February 1915  
Place: Melbourne  
Ship: HMAT Star of Victoria A16 |
| Previous Employment | Grocer         |
| Address        | Vincent Street, Daylesford, Victoria |
| Next of Kin    | William John Quick (father) |
| Physical Description | Height: 5 feet 6½ inches  
Eyes: Hazel  
Hair: Dark brown  
Complexion: Medium  
Leslie had four vaccination marks on his right forearm, and a scar behind his left knee. |
| Medals         | Awarded the 1914-15 Star on 29th June 1920  
Awarded the British War Medal on 15th March 1921  
Awarded the Victory Medal |
| Points of Interest | • Leslie was sick in hospital at periods with tonsillitis, varicocele, and hydrocele whilst serving in the army.  
• He went AWL for one night whilst in hospital, and was made to forfeit one day’s pay.  
• Leslie was discharged from the AIF when a horse fell on his left foot at Gallipoli, fracturing his first metatarsal bone.  
• Religion: Church of England |

by Sean Gervasoni
Leslie Arthur Quick – Medical History

James Llewellyn Randell (J.L. Randell)

Service Number 36913

Rank Private
Gunner

Unit Field Artillery Brigade (27th to 35th Reinforcements)

Date of Enlistment 12th February 1917

Age 35 years 10 months. Born Creswick.

Fate Returned to Australia on 14th March 1919.

Embarkment Date: 9th November 1917
Place: Melbourne
Ship: HMAT Port Sydney A15

Previous Employment Grazier

Address Newlyn, Victoria

Next of Kin James Randell (father)

Physical Description Height: 6 feet 1¼ inches
Eyes: Blue
Hair: Fair
Complexion: Fair

Medals Awarded the Victory Medal on 27th June 1923

Points of Interest
• James trained with the Light Horse Brigade in Maribyrnong before he departed for Europe.
• He was hospitalised with conjunctivitis and pharyngitis whilst serving overseas. James was also hospitalised twice with gas shell poisoning, once in England and once in France.
• Religion: Church of England.

by Sean Gervasoni
James Llewellyn Randell – Student Artist’s Impression

by Lulu and Jas
James Llewellyn Randell – Medical Report

Joseph Rea (J. Rea)

Service Number 2646
Rank Private
2nd Air Mechanic
Unit Flying Corps (Special Draft No. 2)
Date of Enlistment 19th November 1917
Age 29 years 7 months. Born Daylesford.
Fate Joseph returned to Australia on 6th May 1919.
Embarkment Date: 22nd December 1917
Place: Melbourne
Ship: HMAT A38 Ulysses
Previous Employment Telephone mechanic
Address 19 Aberdeen Street, Auburn, VIC
Next of Kin Isabella Rea (wife)
Physical Description Height: 5 feet 7 ½ inches
Eyes: Grey
Hair: Brown
Complexion: Sallow
Medals Awarded the British War Medal
Points of Interest • Rea contracted Bronchitis and was in hospital for nine
days while at war.
• Religion: Presbyterian

by Romy Streat
Joseph Rea - Records

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Part of Joseph Rea’s Military Service Transcript, showing reports of his departure from Australia, and training as part of the Australian Flying Corps. Also shown is a report of his admittance to hospital after contracting Bronchitis.

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| Unit           | 59th Battalion  
57th Battalion (2nd to 5th Reinforcements) |
| Date of Enlistment | 11th February 1916 |
| Age            | 23 years 8 months |
| Fate           | Harry was killed in action in France on 25th April 1918. |
|                | He is buried in Plot 3, Row Q, Grave 15, Adelaide British Cemetery, near Villers-Bretonneux, France. |
| Embarkment     | Date: 4th April 1916  
Place: Melbourne  
Ship: HMAT Euripides A14 |
| Previous Employment | Miner       |
| Address        | Daylesford   |
| Next of Kin    | Charlie Respini (brother)123 Hanbury Street, Kalgoorlie, W.A. |
| Physical Description | Height: 5 feet 8¾ inches  
Eyes: Blue  
Hair: Blue  
Complexion: Fair |
| Medals         | Awarded the British War Medal  
Awarded the Victory Medal on 10th March 1923 |
| Points of Interest | • Harry was admitted to hospital several times with influenza and myalgia. He was later injured during battle with shrapnel wounds on his thighs and legs, and spent around three months in various hospitals as a result.  
• Religion: Church of England. |

by Romy Streat
Harry Respini – Student Artist’s Impression

by Jackson and Max
An excerpt from the Military Service Records of Harry Respini, showing records of his admission to hospitals for a range of conditions. He was admitted for influenza, myalgia and gunshot wounds to his left leg.

Harry Bertram Reynolds (H. Reynolds)

Service Number 2026
Rank Private
Unit 6th Battalion (5th Reinforcements)
Date of Enlistment 2nd March 1915
Age 22 years 9 months
Fate Harry was killed in action on 7th August 1915 at Gallipoli.

Embarkment Date: 17th April 1915
Place: Melbourne
Ship: HMAT Hororata A20

Previous Employment Packer
Address Albert Street, Daylesford, VIC
Next of Kin Richard Reynolds (father)

Physical Description Height: 5 feet 11 inches
Eyes: Brown
Hair: Dark brown
Complexion: Dark
Harry had a dimple on his chin, a mole on one of his shoulder blades, and one vaccination mark on his left arm.

Medals
Awarded the 1914-15 Star on 9th September 1920
Awarded the Victory Medal on 27th October 1922
Awarded the British War Medal

Points of Interest
• Harry was reported wounded and missing on 9th August 1915. It wasn’t until many months later that a court ruled that he had died two days before this report.
• James Reynolds is also listed on the DPS honour board and he does not seem to be related to Harry.
• Religion: Methodist

by Thomas Macklin
Part of the Active Service Records of Harry Bertram Reynolds.

Harry was killed in action just a few months after joining the Australian Infantry Forces, though it took a court of enquiry over 8 months to eventually rule that he had been killed in action at Gallipoli.

# James William Reynolds (_ Reynolds)_

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| Unit           | 4th Battalion  
                8th Battalion |
| Date of Enlistment | 18th August 1914 |
| Age            | 21 years 4 months |
| Fate           | James was killed in action whilst at Gallipoli. His date of death is recorded as the 25th of April 1915.  
                James is believed to be buried at Shell Green Cemetery, Gallipoli Peninsula, Canakkale Province, Turkey. |
| Embarkment     | Date: 19th October 1914  
                Place: Melbourne  
                Ship: HMAT Benalla A24 |
| Previous Employment | Groom |
| Address        | Flagstaff Hotel, Maryborough, Victoria.  
                Stanbridge Street, Daylesford. |
| Next of Kin    | Mrs McKenzie (sister)  
                J.B. Reynolds (father) |
| Physical Description | Height: 5 feet 4½ inches  
                        Eyes: Grey  
                        Hair: Brown  
                        Complexion: Fair  
                        James had a scar on his left hand. |
| Medals         | Awarded the 1914-15 Star  
                Awarded the British War Medal  
                Awarded the Victory Medal |
| Points of Interest | • James gave two next of kin on his enlistment forms. His father, J.B. Reynolds from Daylesford, and his sister, Mrs. McKenzie from Flagstaff Hotel, Maryborough.  
                            • Harry Reynolds is also listed on the DPS honour board and he does not seem to be related to James.  
                            • Religion: Roman Catholic |

*by Thomas Macklin*
James William Reynolds - Portrait

Image retrieved from The Australian War Memorial photographs: http://www.awm.gov.au/
Daniel (Dan) Richards (D. Richards)

Service Number 19712
Rank Private
Gunner/ Driver
Unit 8th Battalion (29th Battery)
Date of Enlistment 28th December 1915 at Melbourne.
Age 35 years 8 months. Born Daylesford.
Fate He returned to Victoria on the 19th February 1919 and died in February 1949.
Embarkment Date: 20th May 1916
Place: Melbourne
Ship: HMAT Medic A7
Previous Employment Driver
Address 65 Buckley Street, Essendon, Victoria
Next of Kin Josiah James Richards (father)
Physical Description Height: 5 feet 7¼ inches
Eyes: Blue
Hair: Brown
Complexion: Medium
Medals Awarded the Victory Medal on 11th July 1922
Awarded the British War Medal on 30th April 1921
Points of Interest • Daniel had two brothers, Josiah and Leslie. Leslie enlisted and was killed in France in 1918. Josiah Richards set up the ‘J. Richards Award’, to honour the three brothers, as an annual award to recognise the academic achievements of girls at DSS. This award is still offered at the school.
Daniel served on the Western Front in France.
• Daniel was A.W.L. for a period of time during the war.
• Religion: Roman Catholic

by Kira Dawson
Daniel (Dan) Richards – Photograph

Source: Daylesford Historical Society
Daniel (Dan) Richards – Enlistment papers

J. Richards

Service Number
Rank
Unit
Date of Enlistment
Age
Fate
Embarkment
Previous employment
Address
Next of Kin
Physical Description

Medals

Points of Interest
## Leslie Oswald Francis Richards (L.F. Richards)

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<td>Date of Enlistment</td>
<td>10\textsuperscript{th} September 1914 at Bendigo</td>
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<td>Age</td>
<td>21 years 3 months. Born Daylesford.</td>
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<td>Fate</td>
<td>Leslie died of a gunshot wound to his abdomen and groin received in battle in France, on the 14\textsuperscript{th} June 1918. He is buried in Plot II, Row D, Grave No. 29, Ebblinghem Military Cemetery, Nord, France.</td>
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### Embarkment
- Date: 21\textsuperscript{st} October 1914
- Place: Melbourne
- Ship: A3 Orvieto

### Previous Employment
- Engineer

### Address
- 65 Buckley Street, Moonee Ponds, VIC, changed on 14\textsuperscript{th} August 1917 to Mrs. Gert. Richards, C/- Mrs. Kimpston, 84 Stanton Street, Mile End, Portsmouth, England, then 21 Hertford Street, Landport.

### Next of Kin
- Mrs Mary Richards (mother)

### Physical Description
- Height: 5 feet 10 inches
- Eyes: Grey
- Hair: Black
- Complexion: Dark

### Medals
- Awarded the 1914-15 Star
- Awarded the British War Medal
- Awarded the Victory Medal

### Points of Interest
- Leslie was in the first wave of men to enlist in the war and survived the first landings in Gallipoli.
- He was hospitalised with a knife wound to his hand during his service in Gallipoli. He became very sick soon after with enteric fever and bronchitis and was readmitted to hospital, which he was in and out of regularly throughout the war.
- Leslie went AWL many times during his service, most notably, for a week in England on two separate occasions during 1916.
- He married Gertrude during his time in service.
- He fought in France on the Western Front and was killed a few months before the end of the war.
- He is the brother of Daniel Richards and Josiah Richards. Daniel enlisted and survived the war. Josiah Richards set up the ‘J. Richards Award’, to honour the three brothers, as an annual academic award for the most successful girl at DSS. This award is still offered at the school.
- Religion: Free Thinker

*by Kira Dawson*
AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE
Base Records Office, A.I.F.
Victoria Barracks.
MELBOURNE.
9th Nov. 1915

Madam,

The following is an extract from a Nominal
Roll of sick and wounded received by post dated
31st July
who landed at Malta
Squad No. 1029 Private L.J.F. Richards, 5th Battalion,
suffering from diarrhoea and cold.
You are already aware that he has since been admitted
to Hospital, London.

Any further reports received will be promptly
reported to you.

Yours faithfully,

J. M. LEAN.
Captain,
Officer in Charge of Base Records.

Leslie Oswald Francis Richards

Arthur John Robb (A.J. Robb)

Service Number 2215

Rank Private
Signaller

Unit 1st Light Horse Train Regiment
2nd Australian Light Horse Regiment

Date of Enlistment 18th October 1915 in Cairns, North Queensland

Age 18 years 1 month
Born: 25th November 1898

Fate Returned to Australia on the 18th of March 1919

Embarkment Date: 28th of March 1916
Place: Brisbane
Ship: HMAT Commonwealth A73

Previous Employment Electrician

Address Daly Street, Daylesford

Next of Kin John Robert Robb (father)

Physical Description Height: 5 feet 7½ inches
Eyes: Hazel
Hair: Light brown
Complexion: Dark
Arthur had three vaccination marks on his left arm and a scar on his left elbow.

Medals Awarded the British War Medal
Awarded the Victory Medal

Points of Interest
• Arthur was in hospital for a period of time with diarrhoea.
• He served most of his time in Egypt and was stationed at a school for a period of time at the end of service.
• Although Arthur wrote that he was 18 when he enlisted, in a later letter he admitted that he was only 16 and had lied about his age.
• Religion: Presbyterian.

by Andromeda Bell
Arthur John Robb – Letter

David Norman Robertson (D. Robertson)

Service Number  28  
1555  
264

Rank  
Gunner  
Driver  
Saddler

Unit  
12th Field Artillery Brigade  
David was later transferred into the 2nd Field Artillery Brigade

Date of Enlistment  9th October 1914

Age  
37 years 5 months. Born Daylesford.

Fate  
David returned to Australia on 23rd September 1918.  
David reportedly died on 14th April 1938.

Embarkment  
Date: 20th November 1914  
Place: Melbourne  
Ship: HMAT Shropshire A9

Previous Employment  
Plumber, had previously been apprenticed to John Robertson, Daylesford.

Address  
23 St George Road, North Fitzroy, Victoria

Next of Kin  
Mrs. Elizabeth Robertson

Physical Description  
Height: 5 feet 10 inches  
Eyes: Blue  
Hair: Fair and greyish  
Complexion: Fair

Medals  
Awarded the 1914-15 Star on 28th October 1920  
Awarded the British War Medal  
Awarded the Victory Medal

Points of Interest  
• David had previously attempted to enlist in the A.I.F. but was rejected as medically unfit. He succeeded in enlisting just a few months later.  
• David and James Robertson, who is also listed on the honour board are brothers.  
• David had spent twelve months overseas in South Africa (perhaps the Boer War?) and was discharged at his own request.  
• He was in hospital with a fever during his service.  
• David went on leave during service to the United Kingdom. He was there for only a couple of weeks in late 1917, then re-joined his battalion in France.  
• Religion: Presbyterian.

by Rohan Clay
David Norman Robertson – Attestation paper

James Henry Robertson (J. Robertson)

Service Number 1708

Rank Private Driver

Unit 3rd Tunnelling Company, Australian Mining Corps

Date of Enlistment 17th March 1916 at Beaufort.

Age 41 years 3 months. Born Daylesford.

Fate James returned to Australia on 20th October 1919.

Embarkment Date: 27th May 1916
Place: Melbourne
Ship: HMAT Ascanius A11

Previous Employment Plumber

Address 6 Clarence Street, Geelong West, Victoria

Next of Kin Mrs J.H. Robertson (wife)

Physical Description Height: 5 feet 8 inches
Eyes: Grey-blue
Hair: Fair
Complexion: Fair

Medals Awarded the Victory Medal on 10th July 1922
Awarded the British War Medal

Points of Interest • James was forced to forfeit one day's pay for neglecting to attend parade for fatigue.
• He worked in an ammunitions workshop in England for a while, before he proceeded overseas to France.
• He had spent 12 months in the militia.
• James is the younger brother of David Robinson who is also listed on the honour board.
• Religion: Presbyterian

by Andromeda Bell
**James Henry Robertson** – Service and Casualty Form

Part of James Henry Robertson’s Service and Casualty Report.

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by Eric Kelly
Mathew Clareville Robson – Photograph

Matt Robson, aged 18.

Photo provided by Brenda Johns
Mathew Clareville Robson - (Postcard Home)

Both sides of a postcard, dated 18th July 1917, sent by Matt Robson from England to home while he was on active service.

Photo provided by Brenda Johns
Mathew Clareville Robson – Student Artist’s Impression

MATHEW CLAREVILLE ROBSON SN.7302

by Sienna and Henry
**Percy Robson** (P. Robson)

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<td>21 years 1 month</td>
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<td>Percy was wounded at Gallipoli and then declared missing. He was later ruled killed in action on 5th June 1916. Percy is not known to have a grave, however, he is memorialised at the Lone Pine Memorial, Gallipoli, Turkey.</td>
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<td>Edward Robson (father)</td>
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<td>• Percy was killed during the first part of the ANZAC campaign. He reportedly died beside another soldier from Daylesford, Private W. Menadue. Yet another Daylesford soldier and former DSS student, Private G. Dolphin, was nearby at the time, and gave his account of Percy’s death.</td>
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<td>• Percy’s younger brother Mathew is also listed on the DPS honour board.</td>
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<td>• A younger brother James (born 1900) attended DSS.</td>
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<td>• Religion: Church of England.</td>
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by Eric Kelly
Percy Robson – Photograph

Photo provided by Brenda Johns
Percy Robson – Casualty Report

COPY.

7 A.I.F.  Robson
W & M 25.4.15.

Robson was killed on the Wednesday night after the landing (25th April). A shell came over and burst, a piece cut through his neck and he died in a couple of minutes. Witness did not see this happen, but Corporal Holland, C Coy, 7th Battalion, did. Witness knew Robson well and enquired of Holland soon after the reported casualty. Robson was a short, stout fellow. He came from Daylesford, Victoria. Holland is still with his battalion.

Luna Park Hospital, Heliopolis.

S.A.
April 5th, 1916
Cairo.

Fritz Sainsbery Rochstein (F. Rochstein)

Service Number 1856/1858

Rank Sergeant

Unit 7th Battalion
      3rd Camel Corps
      1st Light Horse Regiment

Date of Enlistment Fritz enlisted in the A.I.F. twice during the war. He first enlisted on 7th August 1914. He enlisted a second time after returning to Australia on 15th February 1917.

Age 18 years 8 months (at first enlistment)

Fate Returned to Australia in 1916 due to wounds received in battle. He re-enlisted early in 1917 and eventually returned to Australia on 8th July 1919 aboard the ‘Malta’.

Embarkment Date: 10th May 1917
         Place: Melbourne
         Ship: HMAT Boorara A42

Previous Employment School Teacher

Address Vincent Street, Daylesford, Victoria

Next of Kin Samuel R. Rochstein (father)

Physical Description Height: 5 feet 10 inches
               Eyes: Blue
               Hair: Dark brown
               Complexion: Fair
               Fritz also had a scar on his neck and left leg.

Medals Awarded the 1914-15 Star on 15th September 1922
         Awarded the British War Medal
         Awarded the Victory Medal

Points of Interest • Fritz was wounded in the back and leg within a few months of arriving at Gallipoli. Later, he was shot in the toe, and received a bomb wound to his leg, forcing him to return to Australia in 1916. He re-enlisted in 1917.
• Fritz is the brother of Karl Sainsbury Rochstein who is also listed on the honour board.
• Before enlisting in the A.I.F., Fritz spent 3 years in the Volunteer Cadets.
• Religion: Church of England.

by Carly Elderfield
Fritz Sainsbery Rochstein – Attestation paper

Fritz Rochstein’s Second Enlistment form.

Karl Sainsbury Rochstein (K. Rochstein)

Service Number 2038

Rank Private

Unit 21st Battalion (3rd Reinforcements)

Date of Enlistment 16th June 1915

Age 18 years

Fate Karl died of wounds on 17th July 1918. He was buried at St Pierre Cemetery, Amiens, Picardie, France.

Embarkment Date: 25th August 1915
Place: Melbourne
Ship: HMAT Anchises A68

Previous Employment Baker

Address Vincent Street, Daylesford, Victoria

Next of Kin Alice Rochstein (mother)
Samuel Redstone Rochstein (father)

Physical Description Height: 5 feet 8 inches
Eyes: Grey
Hair: Light brown
Complexion: Fair

Medals Awarded the British War Medal
Awarded the Victory Medal
Awarded the 1914-15 Star

Points of Interest
- Karl was in and out of hospital with sickness during his service. He his left hand was wounded on the battlefield at France. He was later wounded again in France and died of his wounds.
- Karl was in the Volunteer Cadets before he joined the AIF.
- He was fined four days’ pay while in France, when he left his post for a day without consent (AWL).
- Karl’s older brother, Fritz Sainsbury Rochstein, is also listed on the DPS honour board. Fritz survived the war.
- Religion: Church of England.

by Carly Elderfield
Karl Sainsbury Rochstein - Portrait

Portrait of Karl Rochstein, Melbourne, Victoria, circa August 1915.

### Alfred Ernest Rowe (A.E. Rowe)

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<td>Australian Medical Corps (A.M.C.) August Reinforcements</td>
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<td><strong>Date of Enlistment</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Age</strong></td>
<td>18 years</td>
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<td><strong>Fate</strong></td>
<td>Alfred was wounded in France on 24th April 1918 when he was shot in the left knee. He was granted leave in 1919 to study at a School of Building in London for four months. He returned not long after on 22nd December 1916.</td>
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| **Embarkment**     | Date: 25th September 1916  
Place: Melbourne  
Ship: HMAT Shropshire A9 |
| **Previous Employment** | Carpenter and joiner |
| **Address**        | Duke Street, South Daylesford, Victoria |
| **Next of Kin**    | W.H. Rowe (father) |
| **Physical Description** | Height: 5 feet 6 inches  
Eyes: Blue  
Hair: Light brown  
Complexion: Medium |
| **Medals**         | Awarded the British War Medal.  
Awarded the Victory Medal. |
| **Points of Interest** | Before enlisting in the A.I.F. Alfred had been in cadets for 4 years.  
He was arrested in London for entering court and obstructing police duty. However, when found guilty and fined, he could not pay, so was instead was paraded in front of other troops and released.  
Alfred is the younger brother of Richard Warren Rowe who is also named on the honour board.  
Religion: Methodist. |

by Liam O'Conal
Alfred Ernest Rowe – Record

An extract from the military service records of Alfred Ernest Rowe, showing an offence he committed and his punishment. Also shown is a period of leave that Alfred undertook in order to study a Building and Construction course in London.

Hugh Rowe (H. Rowe)

Service Number 1314

Rank Private

Unit 4th Field Ambulance
22nd Depot

Date of Enlistment 1st Enlistment: 11th September 1914
2nd Enlistment: 11th December 1916

Age 1st Enlistment: 32 years. Born Daylesford.
2nd Enlistment: 35 years 6 months

Fate Hugh became very sick during his first period of service, and was sent back to Australia on 24th May 1916, where he re-enlisted for Home Service a few months later. He was discharged from Home Service on 4th January 1917.

Embarkment Date: 30th December 1914
Place: Fremantle
Ship: HMAT Ajana A31

Previous Employment Bootmaker

Address Midland Junction, W.A.

Next of Kin Mary Rowe (wife)

Physical Description Height: 5 feet 5 inches
Eyes: Blue
Hair: Auburn
Complexion: Fresh

Medals Awarded the 1914-15 Star
Awarded the British War Medal
Awarded the Victory Medal

Points of Interest • Hugh was in the 4th Field Ambulance brigade for two years and 23 days during his first enlistment. He was discharged due to rheumatic fever and a diseased heart which he was constantly in hospital for.
• Hugh didn't have his original teeth. Dental notes show that he had a set of false teeth instead.
• He was fined during his first enlistment for drunken behaviour.
• Hugh passed away only a couple of years after he was discharged from service.
• Religion: Methodist

by Finlay Loft
Hugh Rowe’s Medical Examination Report.

James Frederick (Fred) Rowe (J.F. Rowe)

Service Number 5778
Rank Private
Unit 14th Battalion (18th reinforcements)
Date of Enlistment 15th February 1916
Age 22 years 4 months
Fate James received a bullet wound to the abdomen while fighting in France. He died of wounds several days later on 18th April 1917.

James is buried at Grevillers British Cemetery, Pas de Calais, France.

Embarkment Date: 6th May 1916
Place: Melbourne
Ship: HMAT Port Lincoln A17

Previous Employment Farmer

Address Sullivan Street, Daylesford, Victoria

Next of Kin John Rowe (father)
Mary Anne Rowe (mother).

Physical Description Height: 5 feet 3 ½ inches
Eyes: Brown
Hair: Brown
Complexion: Fresh
James had scars on his left forearm, left knee, and left eye.
He also had four vaccination marks on his left arm.

Medals Awarded the British War Medal.
Awarded the Victory Medal on the 14th of June, 1923.

Points of Interest • Fred is the younger brother of Thomas Andrew Rowe who is also listed on the honour board.
• Religion: Methodist

by Liam O’Conal
James Frederick Rowe - Field Service.


## Richard Warren (Warren) Rowe (R. Rowe)

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| Rank          | 1. Private, Signaller, promoted to Corporal at Gallipoli  
|               | 2. 3rd District Records Officer, promoted to Warrant Officer II  |
| Unit          | 1. 6th Battalion  
|               | 2. Area Records Office  |
| Date of Enlistment | 1. 17th August 1914  
|                | 2. 18th June 1940, discharged in 1947  |
| Age           | 1. 23 years  
|               | 2. 49 years 4 months, date birth 18th February 1891, at Daylesford.  |
| Fate          | 1. Discharged in London 8th May 1917 as medically unfit. Address was 229 London Road, Croydon.  
| Embarkment    | Date: 19 October 1914  
|               | Place: Melbourne  
|               | Ship: HMAT Hororata A20  |
| Previous Employment | Salesman  |
| Address       | 1. Duke Street, Daylesford  
|               | 2. 58 Nimmo Street, Noble Park  |
| Next of Kin   | 1. William Rowe (father)  
|               | 2. Alice Lilian Rowe (wife)  |
| Physical Description | Height: 5 feet 9  
|                 | Eyes: Grey  
|                 | Hair: Brown  
|                 | Complexion: Fair/Medium  |
| Medals        | Awarded the British War Medal.  
|               | Awarded the Victory Medal on 15th July 1923  
|               | Awarded the 1914-1915 Star  
|               | Awarded the War Medal  
|               | Awarded the ASM  |
| Points of Interest | 1. Richard is the brother of Alfred Ernest Rowe.  
|                  | 2. Was injured at Gallipoli.  
|                  | 3. Hospitalised with 'heart trouble' in 1915.  
|                  | 4. Enlisted again in World War Two.  
|                  | 5. Applied for a job in the A.I.F, in 1943 where knowledge of the Dutch East Indies was required. Warren stated that he had resided for eight years in rubber plantations in Dutch West Borneo and was fluent in Malay and had knowledge of Javanese language.  

by Finlay Loft
Richard Warren Rowe – Application for Position in WW2

Warren’s file photographs taken when he enlisted in World War Two in 1940 (right), and his letter of application for a role in World War Two (below).

Thomas Andrew Rowe (T.A. Rowe)

Service Number 4581
Rank Private, later promoted to Lance Corporal Farrier
Unit 8th Battalion (14th Reinforcements)
Date of Enlistment 20th September 1915
Age 24 years
Fate Thomas was discharged at the end of the war, on 19th June, 1919. He returned to Australia on 17th July 1919.

Embarkment Date: 28th January 1916
Place: Melbourne
Ship: HMAT Themistocles A32
Previous Employment Blacksmith
Address Frazer Street, Daylesford, Victoria
Next of Kin John Rowe (father)
Physical Description Height: 5 feet 6 inches
Eyes: Blue
Hair: Brown
Complexion: Sallow
Thomas also had three vaccination marks on his left arm, a scar on his back, and multiple moles on his chest and back.

Medals Awarded the British War Medal
Awarded the Victory Medal on 7th May 1924, which Thomas asked to be posted to his home address.

Points of Interest • Thomas was forced to forfeit 21 days’ pay when he refused to go on guard duty.
• He was also forced to forfeit three days’ pay on a separate occasion when he was caught urinating inside someone’s house, presumably whilst drunk.
• Thomas was admitted to hospital with diarrhoea twice whilst in Egypt, over a span of two weeks.
• Thomas is the older brother of James Frederick Rowe who is also listed on the honour board.
• Religion: Methodist.

by Otto Saunders
Thomas Andrew Rowe – Records

Charles Henry Saloway (C. Saloway)

Service Number  2186
Rank  Private
Unit  7th Battalion
Date of Enlistment  6th March 1915
Age  26 years 1 month

Fate  Charles went missing at Lone Pine, Gallipoli, during battle. He was later ruled to have been killed on either the 8th or 9th August 1915. His remains were undiscovered until 1922, when they were exhumed and reburied. He is now buried at No. 12, Row X, Lone Pine Cemetery Gallipoli Peninsula, Turkey.

Embarkment  Date: 17th June 1915
Place: Melbourne
Ship: HMAT Wandilla A62

Previous Employment  Salesman

Address  63 Campbell Road, Upper Hawthorn, Victoria

Next of Kin  Reverend Henry Saloway (father), a previous Methodist Minister at Daylesford.
Annie Ellen Saloway (mother), Percy, Ruby, Edith, Ivy, Olive, Leila and Dora (siblings).

Physical Description  Height: 5 feet 9 inches
Eyes: Blue
Hair: Brown
Complexion: Medium
Charles had a mole on his left shoulder. He also had a scar on the first finger of his left hand.

Medals  Awarded the 1914-15 Star on 23rd September 1920
Awarded the Victory Medal on 5th January 1922
Awarded the British War Medal

Points of Interest  
• Charles had a sister who also enlisted in the war as a nurse. Her name was Olive Emma Saloway.
• Charles' father was a Methodist Minister.
• Charles' body was identified as his own when his name was found in a bible he had been carrying.
• Religion: Methodist.

by Franki Harvey
Charles Henry Saloway - letter

Extrait from Arthur Plume, St George Hospital, Malta, Aug 1915

"I am the luckiest man alive. I only got a bullet through the wrist. I have had enough of it. Poor George Pratt & Saloway were killed. I don't know how Toby Jackson & the others got on. I don't give them much of a chance, to last time I saw Toby he was throwing bombs. I can tell you we were put in the hottest place on the battlefield. Out of 140 of us that left Melbourne, I think there is about 30 of us alive. I was only 5 yards from the Turk that shot me. You might believe me but the trenches are only a few yards apart. I could write for a week on it, but I will be able to tell you all when I come home." .......

"Muline is here too, he says soon he'll be all right." 

"My right arm has got a bullet through the right arm. Mine is the left." .......

"You can send the 'Age' over with how casualties should be told. I don't know how Toby & the others got on."

I hereby certify that the above is a true copy of a letter received from my brother, Private Arthur James Pirrie, No 2/126, 6th Battalion, 7th Batt 2nd Infantry

Mr & Mrs Doherty
49 Paisley Street
Tobermory

Witness
Mrs & Mr Doherty
16 Paris St
Yarraville

11/2/16"
The letter on the previous page is one written by Arthur Pinney, a soldier who fought alongside Charles Saloway in the 7th Battalion. The letter reads as follows:

... "I am the luckiest man alive. I only got a bullet through the wrist. I have had enough of it. Poor George Pratt and Saloway were killed. I don’t know how Tabo Jackson & the others got on. I don’t give them much of a chance, the last time I saw Tabo he was throwing bombs. I can tell you we were put in the hottest place on the battlefield. Out of 140 of us that left Melbourne I think there is about 30 of us alive. I was only 5 yards from the Turk that shot me. You mighten believe me but the trenches are only a few yards apart. I could write for a week on it, but I will be able to tell you it all when I come home”....

“Mullin is here too, he will soon be all right”... My mate has got a bullet through the right arm & mine is the left...

“You can send the “age” over with how Casualties. I would like to know how Tabo & the others got on”

This letter was retrieved from http://discoveringanzacs.naa.gov.au/ Charles Henry Saloway, digital copy, page 64.

The second letter shown on the following page is another letter written by Vernon Mullin, another Private that served in the same battalion as Charles. The letter reads:

“I was only in the fighting line ½ an hour when I was hurt. I was on guard all Sunday night- at 6 am on Monday we were all ordered to the firing line. At 9 am I was in the Hospital Boat. We left the Dardanelles the same night about 6 & called at Enioss- Hence we were at Lemnos where 200 got off they were only slightly wounded. We arrived at Malta 14th Aug.

Poor Charlie Saloway & George Prat got Killed & we don’t know where Moran or Jackson are. You do not know how much I miss Charlie we had been like brothers all the way”.

Extract from letter of Vernon Mullin to his mother
St George Hospital, Malta 15th Aug 15

"I was only in the fighting line for an hour when I was hurt. I was on guard all Sunday night - at 6 am on Monday we were all ordered to the firing line at 9 am I was in the Hospital Boat. We left the Saratoga the same night about 6 - called at Enos - thence we went to Lemnos where 200 got off - they were only slightly wounded. We arrived at Malta 14th Aug.

Poor Charlie Saloway & George Pratt got killed - I don't know where Moran or Jackson are - you don't know how much I miss Charlie we have been like brothers all the way."

I hereby certify that the above is a true copy of a letter received by me from my son, Pvt. T. J. Mullin, No 2163, 6th Infantry 7th Batt 2nd Infantry Regiment 7th Div.

Sgd. T. Jullin

Witness 14th Winder St.

Helen Hitchcock
11/2/16
Thomas Norman Scascighini (T. Scascighini)

Service Number 224

Rank Private
Transferred to the ANZAC Police Corps on 3rd April 1916
Promoted to Lance Corporal on 13th May 1917

Unit 5th Battalion
ANZAC Police Corps

Date of Enlistment 17th August 1914

Age 21 years 6 months

Fate Thomas returned to Australia on 31st January 1919.

Embarkment Date: 21st October 1914
Place: Melbourne
Ship: HMAT Orvieto A3

Previous Employment Plumber

Address Smith’s Creek, Daylesford, Victoria

Next of Kin Mrs M. Scascighini, Stanhope Street, Daylesford

Physical Description Height: 5 feet 7½ inches
Eyes: Grey
Hair: Dark
Complexion: Fresh

Medals Awarded the 1914-15 Star on 24th April 1920
Awarded the British War Medal on 28th April 1921
Awarded the Victory Medal on the 5th May 1922
Awarded two Oak Leaves (mentioned in dispatches emblem) on 21st September 1920

Points of Interest • Before Thomas enlisted in the A.I.F. he was in the 52nd Infantry for two and a half years.
• Thomas received a gunshot wound to his left hand whilst at Gallipoli, and was transferred to a hospital in Alexandria.
• He was later admitted to another hospital for his teeth.
• Thomas was noted for his good work as a stretcher bearer whilst at Gallipoli. He was also mentioned in Sir Douglas Haig’s despatches of 9th April 1917 for his dedication to service and bringing back information to officers that helped them advance.
• Religion: Presbyterian.

by Franki Harvey

21 February 1918, Belgium: Ypres Area, Loere, Western Front

Lance Corporal Thomas Norman Scascighini is the third from the left in the back row.


Dear Madam,

I have much pleasure in forwarding hereunder copy of extract from Second Supplement No. 30187 to the London Gazette dated 1st June, 1917, relating to the exemplary services rendered by No. 224 Private T. N. Scascighini, A.I.E.A. Provost Corps.

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MENTIONED IN DISPATCH

The following is in continuation of Sir Douglas Haig’s Dispatch of 8th April, submitting names deserving of special mention, published in the London Gazette, of Tuesday, 15th May, 1917:

No. 224 Private THOMAS NORMAN SCASCIGHINI.

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The above has been promulgated in Commonwealth of Australia Gazette, No. 169 of 4th October, 1917.

Yours faithfully,

Major.

Officer 1/6 Base Records.

Mrs. M. Scascighini,
Smith Creek,
Daylesford, VIC.

Stanley Bruce Shaw (S. Shaw)

Service Number 605 A
Rank Private
Unit 10th M.G. Coy
3rd M.G. Coy
Date of Enlistment 19th October 1916
Age 24 years 2 months. Born Dalesford.
Fate Stanley was discharged from the A.I.F. on 9th August 1919, and returned to Australia.
Embarkment Date: 17th January 1917
Place: Melbourne
Ship: RMS Omrah
Previous Employment Blacksmith
Address Daylesford, Victoria
Next of Kin John Shaw (father)
Physical Description Height: 5 feet 4½ inches
Eyes: Brown
Hair: Black
Complexion: Fresh
Stanley had four vaccination marks on his left arm and a scar on his right knee.

Medals Awarded the British War Medal on 18th September 1922.
Awarded the Victory Medal on 18th September 1922.

Points of Interest • Stanley was forced to forfeit one day’s pay when he overstay a leave pass at Belton Park for a day. He later committed another offence when he went A.W.L. for two days, and was forced to forfeit a further two days’ pay.
• He was wounded in action with a gunshot wound to the right arm whilst in France on 4th October 1917. It was deemed serious and Stanley was sent to a Hospital in England to recover.
• Stanley’s older brother Norman is also listed on the DPS honour board.
• Religion: Presbyterian.

by Ochre Wooden-Wolfs
Stanley Bruce Shaw – Clinical Chart

A clinical chart showing a doctor's notes on Stanley Shaw's temperature (in Fahrenheit), whilst he was admitted to hospital with Trench Fever in September 1918. Stanley remained in hospital for five days with the illness.

Norman Frederick Shaw (N. Shaw)

Service Number 688

Rank Private

Unit 20th Battalion
5th Machine Gun Coy (12th Reinforcements)

Date of Enlistment 1st December 1916

Age 31 years 1 month

Fate Norman was wounded in action, when he was shot in the chest. He was debilitated from the wound and sent back to Australia on 12th May 1918.

Emarkment Date: 21st of June 1917
Place: Melbourne
Ship: HMAT Suevic A29

Previous Employment Iron moulder

Address Jamieson Street, Daylesford, Victoria

Next of Kin John Shaw (father)

Physical Description Height: 5 feet 5 inches
Eyes: Brown
Hair: Dark brown
Complexion: Dark
Norman had a wart on his left shoulder.

Medals Awarded the British War Medal.
Awarded the Victory Medal.

Points of Interest • Before he enlisted in the A.I.F., Norman had already done 30 days military training.
• Norman’s younger brother Stanley is also listed on the DPS honour board.
• Religion: Presbyterian

by Ochre Wooden-Wolfs
**Bruce Shellard** (B. Shellard)

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<td>15th G.S. (Vic) Reinforcements (March - November 1918)</td>
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<td>Born 27\textsuperscript{th} July 1898</td>
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<td>Fate</td>
<td>Bruce was discharged on 1\textsuperscript{st} February 1919 and returned to Australia shortly after.</td>
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<td>Embarkment</td>
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<td>Place: Adelaide</td>
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<td>Previous Employment</td>
<td>Student (teacher)</td>
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<td>Address</td>
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<td>Richmond Wall Shellard (father), a local soliciter.</td>
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<td>Physical Description</td>
<td>Height: 5 feet 10 inches</td>
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<td>Bruce had a mole on the left side of his neck.</td>
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<td>Medals</td>
<td>Awarded the British War Medal on 20\textsuperscript{th} October 1921</td>
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<td>Points of Interest</td>
<td>• Bruce is listed as a DSS student in the Pupil’s Register of 1903.</td>
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<td>• Bruce had been in the senior cadets for five years before enlisting in the A.I.F. He had spent two of these years as a second lieutenant in the 66\textsuperscript{th} Battalion, in Daylesford.</td>
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<td>• He was presented with a ‘smoker’s outfit and wallet’ at a send-off gathering in the A.N.A Hall in Daylesford.</td>
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<td>• Bruce was hospitalised for a knee injury and fits only a few months after enlisting. He was held back at Broadmeadows camp with only light duties given to him until he recovered. He didn’t leave Australia until the end of the war.</td>
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<td>• Religion: Presbyterian</td>
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by Tommy McKay
A page from Bruce Shellard’s enlistment forms, requesting confirmation of his age and parental consent to enter the Australian Infantry Force.

A form sent to Richmond Wall Shellard, requesting that he confirm his son’s age and details. Parents who were sent this form could object to their sons entering the A.I.F.

SEND OFF TO SOLDIER.— On Monday evening a large gathering of friends of Private Bruce Shellard (son of Mr. R. V. Shellard, the well-known solicitor), assembled in the A.N.A. Hall for the purpose of wishing him God-speed prior to his departure for the front in France. A highly enjoyable time was spent in social fashion, and presentations of a smokers outfit and wallet were made on behalf of his friends by Mr. Castell, and by Mr Hands on behalf of the Snap Shots League. Private Shellard suitably responded. Refreshments were served and the singing of the National Anthem brought the proceedings to a close. The young soldier will probably sail for the front during the latter part of next week.
**Alfred Ernest Sibbison (A.E. Sibbison)**

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<td>Private</td>
<td>46th Battalion</td>
<td>15th March 1916</td>
<td>29 years 11 months. Born Daylesford.</td>
<td>Alfred returned to Australia on 19th June 1919.</td>
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**Embarkment**
- Date: 7th September 1916
- Place: Melbourne
- Ship: HMAT Port Sydney A15

**Previous Employment**
- Dredge hand

**Address**
- Liverpool Street, Geelong North, Victoria

**Next of Kin**
- Mary Jane Sibbison (wife)

**Physical Description**
- Height: 5 feet 7 inches
- Eyes: Blue
- Hair: Brown
- Complexion: Dark

**Medals**
- Awarded the British War Medal on 2nd May 1922
- Awarded the Victory Medal on 22nd March 1923

**Points of Interest**
- Alfred had been in the R.A.A. for a year before he enlisted in the A.I.F.
- Alfred is the eldest of four Sibbison brothers, Alfred Ernest, Horace Herbert, Gazeley Magnus and James Valentine who enlisted in World War 1.
- Alfred was shot in the right buttock whilst fighting in France.
- Religion: Methodist

by Lachlan Rouse
Alfred Ernest Sibbison – Newspaper Report

FOUR SONS ENLIST – DAYLESFORD NATIVES HELP NATION

Four sons of Mr. J. Sibbison, of Daylesford, have enlisted for active service...

...Private A. Sibbison, who is a native of Daylesford, is 29 years of age. He was a member of the football club and brass band at Daylesford before enlisting, and was employed by the Geelong Harbor Trust. He was a member of Mr. Bailey's choir which secured first prize at the South Street (Ballarat) competitions in 1914-15...


NEWS OF GEELONG AND DISTRICT SOLDIERS

Mrs. Sibbison, of 8 Liverpool Street, North Geelong, learns that her husband, Pte. A. F. Sibbison is returning by the transport, Mittiades, due 4th August.

Gazeley Magnus Sibbison (G.M. Sibbison)

Service Number 2224/ 513
Rank Private
Promoted to Corporal
Unit 2nd Pioneer Battalion
Date of Enlistment 13th March 1915
Age 29 years 3 months. Born Daylesford.
Fate Returned to Australia on 1st February 1919.
Embarkment Date: 6th June 1916
Place: Melbourne
Ship: HMAT Wandilla A62
Previous Employment Club Steward
Address 45 Elizabeth Street, Geelong
Next of Kin Eva Sibbison (wife)
Physical Description Height: 5 feet 7 3/8 inches
Eyes: Blue
Hair: Light brown
Complexion:
Gazeley had a small mole on upper left thigh.
Medals Awarded the British War Medal on 25th August 1921
Awarded the Victory Medal on 15th June 1922
Points of Interest • Gazeley was in and out of hospital with syphilis during his service.
• Gazeley is the third eldest of four Sibbison brothers who enlisted in World War 1, all of whom are listed on the DSS honour board. His brothers were Alfred Ernest, Horace Hubert, and James Valentine.
• He went A.W.L. for six hours one day during his service, and was forced to forfeit one day's pay as punishment.
Religion: Methodist

by Lachlan Rouse
Gazeley Magnus Sibbison – Student Artist’s Impression

by Josephine and Lauren
Part of Gazeley Sibbison’s A.I.F. Records showing his admissions to hospital for syphilis. Shown on this form is the course of treatment Gazeley undertook whilst in hospital, ten injections each of a product called ‘606’ and Mercury. Also seen is a declaration signed by Gazeley declaring he will continue treatment.


Private G. Sibbison was born at Daylesford, and is 24 years of age. He was a printer, and enlisted at Geelong.

**Horace Herbert Sibbison (H.H. Sibbison)**

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| **Embarkment**     | Date: 8\textsuperscript{th} May 1915  
                      Place: Melbourne  
                      Ship: HMAT Ulysses A38 |
| **Previous employment** | Blacksmith |
| **Address**        | Stanbridge Street, Daylesford Victoria |
| **Next of Kin**    | Mary Jane Sibbison, formerly Wallis (mother). Father was John Sibbison. |
| **Physical Description** | Height: 5 feet 7½ inches  
                      Eyes: Grey  
                      Hair: Black  
                      Complexion: Dark  
                      Horace had a scar that was two inches long on his cheek. |
| **Medals**         | Awarded the 1914-15 Star on 8\textsuperscript{th} December 1920  
                      Awarded the British War Medal  
                      Awarded the Victory Medal on 25\textsuperscript{th} November 1922 |
| **Points of Interest** | • Horace received a gunshot wound to the shoulder while in battle in France. He eventually recovered and went back to battle.  
                      • Horace was placed in command of the 6\textsuperscript{th} Training Battalion for a period of a few weeks, when they were stationed at a bombing school in Lyndhurst.  
                      • Horace is the second eldest of four Sibbison brothers, Alfred, Gazeley and James Valentine, and who enlisted in World War 1 and are named on the DSS honour board.  
                      • Religion: Methodist. |

by Tommy McKay
Horace Herbert Sibbison – Photographic Portrait

Portrait of Horace Herbert Sibbison

28th October, 1919.

Dear Sir,

I have to acknowledge receipt of your communication of the 24th October and regret to inform you that Lieutenant Horace Herbert SIBBISON, 21st Battalion, was killed in action on 14.4.18 and No. 5101 Sergeant William Willmott, 21st Battalion, died of wounds on 14.4.18.

According to advice received from abroad, the late Sergeant Willmott was wounded in action on 16th April, 1918, and admitted to the 20th Casualty Clearing Station, France, where he died the same day as a result of his wounds (gunshot wound shoulder and chest). He was buried on the 15th April at Signacourt British Cemetery, Lens, France.

The only information received here regarding the death of the late Lieutenant Sibbison is to the effect that he was killed in France during a raid on the enemy trenches from the Lavieville Posts.

Yours faithfully,

Major,

Officer i/c Base Records.

Mr. J. Carroll,  
28 Elizabeth Street,  
Sydney, N.S.W.
Horace Herbert Sibbison – Newspaper report

PARTICULARS OF LIEUT. HORACE SIBBISON’S DEATH.

Mrs J. Sibbison of Stanbridge Street has received the following consoling letter regarding the death of her son, Lieut. Horace Sibbison, who was killed whilst fighting at the war front in France:-

Australian Imperial Forces.

21st Battalion Headquarters,
18th April 1918.

Mrs. J Sibbison,
Stanbridge Street,
Daylesford, Victoria.

- Dear Madam,- Long ere this letter reaches you the report of your son’s death will have been published. Words prove inadequate to express all that I would like to say with regard to the strength and beauty of your son’s character. He was beloved by all, which is a wonderful achievement for any man in the army where, amid trying conditions, a man’s true character appears much more on the surface than in the quiet life of peace time. Not only was your son beloved by all, but he had gained the respect of all by his uprightness of life. Lieut. Sibbison was the officer in charge of a small raiding party which left our trenches on the morning of the 14th inst. During this raid he was wounded, but carried on with his task, cheering and encouraging his men by his example, until he was hit by a bullet. Death was instantaneous. By his resource and his ability casualties were greatly minimised in this raid. His capabilities in handling men and their remarkable confidence in him marked your son as an officer of exceptional type. Not only in this exploit, but in all his work in the unit he manifested the highest traditions of manhood, courage and self-sacrifice. Duty was his watchword, and the surreptitious performance of the same his sole endeavour. Both officers and men of the battalion mourn with you in your great loss. Both as an officer and a man the loss of Lt. Sibbison will be deeply felt in this unit. Through his long service and splendid career he has left behind an impeccable record which will live in the minds of many, inspiring others to emulation of his achievements.

Yours sincerely

Lt. Duggan, Lieut. Col
Commanding 21st Battalion.'


PRIVATE HORACE SIBBISON WRITES: Constable Sibbison of Coburg has received the following letter from his brother at the front. Private Horace Sibbison, No. 512. 21st Battalion: 5.9.15.

Just a few lines to let you know I am safe and well. We had a novel experience on our way to the front. We got torpedoed by a submarine. It was rather exciting for a while but the troops behaved well and there were very few lives lost. Most of the ones who were killed were below at the time and near the spot where we got hit so they did not have any chance but the majority of us were on deck cleaning our rifles and fixing up our kits ready to go ashore. When we heard the explosion they all seemed to know what happened and all calmly dropped what they were doing and went below for their lifebelts, as if it was an every-day occurrence. We got hit in a very good part for us and all the boats were lowered. I was one of the last off and got picked up safely. A lot of gunboats and destroyers answered our wireless call. And were very soon on the scene. They can travel [illegible]. They got our ship safely into port and nearly all of our stuff is alright. We have a lot to be thankful for by getting off with our lives without anything else.”

Horace Herbert Sibbison – Newspaper report


FOUR SONS ENLIST
DAYLESFORD NATIVES HELP NATION

Four sons of Mr. J. Sibbison, of Daylesford, have enlisted for active service...

...Private H. Sibbison, of the 21st Battalion, was born at Daylesford, and is 27 years of age. He was a member of the Daylesford cricket and football clubs, and the fire brigade and the brass band, and was the leading bass singer in Daylesford Methodist choir. He was also a member of the Yarra Street church choir and Mr. Bailey’s competition choir. He was on the transport Southland when it was torpedoed, and was one of the last three[ sic] leave the ship. After having been in the water for two hours he was picked up. He was with his battalion at ANZAC until the evacuation.

James Valentine Sibbison (J.V. Sibbison)

Service Number

Rank

Unit

Date of Enlistment  Enlisted in Melbourne prior to 18th March 1916

Age  Born in 1895

Fate

Embarkment  Date:
Place:
Ship:

Previous Employment  Painter

Address  Stanbridge Street, Daylesford

Next of Kin  Mother was Mary Jane Sibbison.
Father was John Sibbison

Physical Description

Medals

Points of Interest  • No papers available but he possibly enlisted in 1914 if he spent his 21st birthday in camp as the newspaper report suggests.
• Valentine is the youngest of four Sibbison brothers, Alfred Ernest, Horace Hubert, and Gazeley Magnus, who enlisted in World War 1 and are named on the DSS honour board.
• Member of the Brunswick Brass Band.
FOUR SONS ENLIST

DAYLESFORD NATIVES HELP NATION

Four sons of Mr. J. Sibbison, of Daylesford, have enlisted for active service...

...Private V. Sibbison was also born at Daylesford, and celebrated his 21st birthday in camp. He followed the occupation of a painter, and he was a member of the Brunswick Brass Band.

Gregory Hugh Simpson (V. Simpson)

Service Number 684

Rank Private

Unit 6th Machine Gun Company

Date of Enlistment 20th February 1917

Age 18 years 6 months. Born Carlton, Victoria.

Fate Returned to Australia on 10th January 1918.

Embarkment Date: 21st June 1917
Place: Melbourne
Ship: HMAT Suevic A29

Previous Employment Cabinet maker, apprenticed to M.K Cox & Co, Melbourne, 1915-1916

Address Little Street, Daylesford

Next of Kin Mrs. Eliza Simpson (mother)

Physical Description Height: 5 feet 6½ inches
Eyes: Brown
Hair: Light brown
Complexion: Fair
He had a half-moon scar on his right shin, a scar under his left shoulder blade. A slight degree of flat feet which were not seen as a disability.

Medals Awarded the British War Medal
Awarded the Victory Medal

Points of Interest • He was discharged because of his flat feet, declared unfit for general service but fit for home service.
• Religion: Methodist

by Liam Mrsic
STATUTORY DECLARATION.

I, a Gregory Hugh Simpson of Little Street, Daylesford, declare that I have obtained my mother's consent to embark with the Australian Imperial Force on Active Service Abroad, notwithstanding that I have not attained the age of 19 years.

And I make this solemn declaration by virtue of the Statutory Declarations Act 1911 conscientiously believing the statements contained therein to be true in every particular.

Declared at Seymour, the seventeenth day of June 1917, before me.

[Signature]

A Commissioner of the Supreme Court of Victoria for Taking Affidavits.

NOTE—Any person who wilfully makes a false statement in a Statutory Declaration is guilty of an indictable offence, and is liable to imprisonment, with or without hard labour, for four years.
John James Shelton Springfield (S. Springfield)

Service Number  81017
Rank             Private
Unit             At Broadmeadows Recruitment Depot awaiting mobilisation.
Date of Enlistment 21st October 1918 at St Kilda
Age              18 years 7 months, born Eganstown 28th March 1900.
Fate             Discharged 24th December 1918 after 65 days in consequence of demobilisation of A.I.F.

Embarkment

Previous Employment Rubber worker
Address           2A Jackson Street, St Kilda, Victoria
Next of Kin       Samuel A. Springfield (father), formerly a labourer from Eganstown
                  His mother was Ruth Springfield.

Physical Description
Height: 5 feet 7¼ inches
Eyes: Brown
Hair: Dark brown
Complexion: Dark
He had four vaccination scars on his left arm.

Medals           none

Points of Interest
• His younger brother Jeffrey, born 18th September 1903 attended DSS.
• Had been in the Senior Cadets for two years
• Religion: Methodist

by Liam Mrsic
Harold Charles William Steinhauser (H. Steinhauser)

Service Number 21132
Rank Private
Sapper
Unit 3rd Division Signal Company
Date of Enlistment 24th August 1917
Age 19 years 6 months
Fate Harold survived the war, and was discharged on 11th July 1920.
Embarkment Date: 28th February 1918
Place: Melbourne
Ship: HMAT A71 Nestor
Previous Employment Cordial manufacturer
Address Millar Street, Daylesford, Victoria
Next of Kin Mr Joseph William Steinhauser (father)
Physical Description Height: 5 feet 7½ inches
Eyes: Brown
Hair: Dark
Complexion: Dark
Harold had two vaccination marks on his left arm, a scar on his elbow, and further scars on his left knee and left shoulder.
Medals Awarded the Victory Medal
Awarded the British War Medal
Points of Interest • Harold spent four years in the senior cadets, and one year in the B.F. Infantry before enlisting in the war.
• He went on leave twice during his service, once in 1918 for three months, and a second time from 29th September 1919 to 30th June 1920. He returned to Australia shortly after his second leave, with a wife.
• Harold died in Australia in 1962.
• Religion: Church of England.

by Chace Petkovic
Harold Charles William Steinhauser – Student Artist’s Impression

HAROLD CHARLES WILLIAM STEINHAUSER SN. 21132

by Anna and Niamh
Dear Sir,

The Victoria League in W.A. has received from Mr. J. S. Spiers of Guildford, Surrey, England, an inquiry concerning an Australian named Steinhausen (or it might be Steinhause) who, according to his Spiers, was with the "A.I.F. R.B. Signals" and were injured in hospital No. 9, Reading, during the 1914-18 War. Mr. Spiers, who wants to get in touch with Steinhause, concerning some immigration matters.

I do not know which State Steinhausen came from, but says he has already enquired in Scotland and South Australia without success.

Could you inform me if you have a record of this Steinhause (or Steinhause) or know his address? If so, I would be obliged if you would allow me to have it.

I might explain that enquiries of various kinds come to the League arising out of the distribution of our gifts and tracts in England, and we like to help where it is possible to do so.

Awaiting your reply,

Yours faithfully,

[Signature]

Chairman, British Policy Committee
Victoria League in W.A.
The Officer-In-Charge,
Base Records
National War Memorial

Canberra

Dear Sir, the Victoria League in IV.a. has received from a Mr. J. M. Spiers of Guildford, Surrey, England, an enquiry concerning an Australian named Steinhauser (or it might be Steinhausen) who, according to Mr. Spiers, was with the “A.I.F. R. E. Signals” and whom Spiers met in Hospital No. 8 Rouen, during the 1914-18 War. Mr. Spiers, who wants to get in touch with Steinhauser concerning some emigration matter, does not know which state Steinhauser came from but says he has already enquired in Queensland and South Australia without success.

Could you inform me if you have a record of this Steinhauser (or Steinhausen) or know his address? If so, I would be obliged if you could allow me to have it.

I might explain that enquiries of various kinds come to the League, arising out of the distribution of our gift foodstuffs in England, and we like to help when it is possible to do so.

Awaiting your reply,
Yours faithfully,
Friat (?) J. Wood
Chairman, British Relief Committee
Victoria League in IV.a.

Eileen Sullivan, born 18\textsuperscript{th} April 1902 attended DSS, having transferred from Golden Point PS. Her father was Michael J Sullivan, a miner of Stanley Street, Daylesford. Her sister, Mavis Rebecca Sullivan, born 21\textsuperscript{st} July 1908 was enrolled at DSS on 5\textsuperscript{th} October 1915. By then the family was living in Stanhope Street. Two local Sullivans who enlisted were J. Sullivan and D. Sullivan of Eganstown.
## Frank Tatti (F. Tatti)

### Service Number
6146

### Rank
Private
Was later promoted to Lance Corporal on 6th August 1916

### Unit
8th Battalion

### Date of Enlistment
12th April 1916

### Age
22 years

### Fate
Frank was killed in action in Belgium on 20th September 1917. His name is recorded on the Menin Gate Memorial, Ypres, Belgium.

### Embarkment
Date: 28th July 1916
Place: Melbourne
Ship: HMAT Themistocles A32

### Previous Employment
Miner

### Address
Kidd’s Gully, Daylesford, Victoria

### Next of Kin
Mary Ann Tatti (mother)

### Physical Description
Height: 5 feet 7 inches
Eyes: Grey
Hair: Brown
Complexion: Fair
Frank had four vaccination marks on his left arm, a scar on his elbow, bad vision, and was missing a finger.

### Medals
Awarded the Victory Medal on 30th March 1923
Awarded the British War Medal

### Points of Interest
- Frank was in the Citizens Forces for one year before he enlisted in the A.I.F.
- He had previously been rejected for military service due to his missing finger.
- Frank went A.W.L. in France for two days and was forced to forfeit a total of 30 days' pay as a result.
- A Star of David was originally inscribed upon Frank’s grave marker. His mother wrote to the graves commission to ask that it be replaced with a cross instead.
- His older brother Henry Martin, and his uncle Sebastian (Relli), are also listed on the DPS honour board.
- Religion: Church of England.

by Eleanor Murray-Phelan
Frank Tatti - Portrait

Portrait of Frank Tatti, circa 1915

KILLED AT THE FRONT

Word was received here on Saturday that Private F. Tatti has been killed at the front in France, and general sympathy is felt with his mother, Mrs Tatti, of Vincent Street north. The deceased brave soldier was 22 years of age, and a brother of Private Harry Tatti, who lost his leg on the battlefield and was awarded the Military Medal for bravery. His uncle, Relli Tatti, was killed some time ago in France, so this family have shared heavily in the sorrows of war.
Henry Martin (Harry) Tatti (H. Tatti)

Service Number 3273

Rank Private
Was later promoted to Lance Corporal on 6th August 1916

Unit 22nd Battalion

Date of Enlistment 15th July 1915 at Melbourne

Age 23 years 3 months. Born Daylesford.

Fate Henry was discharged from the A.I.F. due to debility, when he was shot in both legs and had to have his left leg amputated. He returned home to Australia on 12th February 1917.

Embarkment Date: 26th November 1915
Place: Melbourne
Ship: HMAT Commonwealth A73

Previous Employment Miner

Address Daylesford, Victoria

Next of Kin Mary Ann Tatti (mother)

Physical Description Height: 5 feet 8 inches
Eyes: Blue
Hair: Brown
Complexion: Pale
Henry had four vaccination marks on his left arm, and scars on both of his kneecaps.

Medals
Awarded the Military Medal on 16th September 1916
Awarded the British War Medal.
Awarded the Victory Medal.

Points of Interest
• Henry was forced to forfeit 28 days' pay when he refused to obey an order to extinguish a light after lights out.
• Henry was wounded on the battlefield at France when he was shot in the thigh and right ankle. His left leg was amputated and he was forced to return to Australia.
• He was discharged from the A.I.F. for a period of time when he was training at camp in Seymour, due to the death of his father.
• Henry was the eldest of his brothers, with the youngest being only four when Henry joined the A.I.F. His younger brother Frank, and his uncle Sebastian (Relli), are also listed on the DPS honour board.
• Religion: Church of England

by Eleanor Murray-Phelan
Excerpt from Henry Martin Tatti’s Service Records, with entries reporting his being wounded in France, and the final amputation of his leg followed by his discharge back to Australia. Also reported is Henry’s receiving of the Military Medal on the 6th September 1916.

DAYLESFORD SOLDIER’S CAREER.

Sebastian Tatti (S. Tatti)

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| Unit           | 12th Battalion Infantry  
52nd Battalion  
13th Ambulance Battalion |
| Date of Enlistment | 10th September 1914 |
| Age            | 31 years 8 months |
| Fate           | Sebastian was killed in action in France on 27th March 1917. He was buried at Vaulx Hill Cemetery, Vaulx, Picardie, France. |
| Embarkment     | Date: 2nd November 1914  
Place: Fremantle  
Ship: HMAT Medic A7 |
| Previous Employment | Miner |
| Address        | Daylesford, Victoria |
| Next of Kin    | Mrs M. Tatti |
| Physical Description | Height: 5 feet 9½ inches  
Eyes: Blue  
Hair: Black  
Complexion: Dark |
| Medals         | Awarded the Victory Medal  
Awarded the British War Medal  
Awarded the Star Medal |
| Points of Interest |  
• Sebastian was hospitalised for a period while in Gallipoli when he received a shot gun wound to the ear. He was later hospitalised with influenza.  
• Sebastian committed several offences whilst in the military. He ran away from service for two months and was penalised with one year imprisonment and fined 423 days' pay. He was also penalised for refusing to parade.  
• His nephews Frank and Harry, are also listed on the DPS honour board.  
• Sebastian was also known as ‘Relli’.  
• Religion: Roman Catholic. |

by Chace Petkovic
Sebastian Tatti - Portrait

Portrait of Sebastian Tatti taken in London in 1916

Image can be found at: http://www.awm.gov.au/collection/P08974.001
Richard Tennant (R. Tennant)

Service Number 1319

Rank Private

Unit 19th Infantry Battalion

Date of Enlistment 19th February 1915

Age 40 years 1 month

Fate On 28th June 1918 Richard was wounded in action in France when he was gassed. Richard returned to Australia on 31st December 1918, and was discharged from the Australian Imperial Force on 6th April 1919.


Embarkment Date: 25th June 1915
Place: Melbourne
Ship: HMAT Ceramic A40

Previous Employment Labourer

Address Trail Street, Wagga, NSW.

Next of Kin Emma Ruskin (friend)

Physical Description Height: 5 feet 6½ inches
Eyes: Grey
Hair: Dark
Complexion: Dark

Medals Awarded the British War Medal
Awarded the Victory Medal
Awarded the 1914-15 Star (dates not discovered)

Points of Interest • Richard was kicked by a horse on two separate occasions.
• He also contracted influenza on 13th October 1916.
• Religion: Church of England.

by Miles Wilkinson
LETTER FROM THE FRONT

The following letters have been received by Mrs Dwan, of Daylesford, from her soldier brother, R. Tennant, at the front:

Reading, England
June 23, 1918

"I received your loving letter yesterday and was pleased to hear from you. I wrote you two or three letters, but they must have gone astray. You will, I know, excuse this short note when you know I am in hospital almost blind. I got hit with a gas shell in France about a month ago, which blinded me and burnt me all over, besides giving me a dose of bronchitis. But my luck is good, and I can see a little out of both eyes now."

June 28, 1918

"As this is one of my good days I will try a few lines. I am slowly recovering, but cannot see much. My burns are all right, only my eyes and a little weakness troubling me. I am sorry about poor Harry, and more so because he was in my division and never very far from me, and I never knew it. I was in the same battle. It must have been the Menin Road battle, near Ypres, last September and October. We lost a lot of men there. I was always asking the 6th Brigade if any Daylesford chaps were among them, but could not find any. I spent 14 days' holiday in England and Scotland some months back. Went to Yorkshire (Leeds) and there are Tennants there by the score, but of course I had nothing to go on to see if they were relatives. When I get well I will have a run up again. It is a fine place, and I had a great time there. Kidd's Gully has done its share in this war, and I am sorry they paid so dearly for it. I do not know if (...)"
Richard Tennant - Letter

I will go back to France or not. I think I have done my share, as I have had over 3 ½ years in khaki, 3 years of that being spent in the trenches. Six weeks from the date we left Sydney we were taking Hill 60 from the Turks with the help of the British navy, and since then have not had more than six weeks military idleness. I got boarded for a job at the base in France, but the Y.M.C.A talked me over to take on their canteen work. I did the buying of stores for the 5th Brigade and serving at the counter. It was better than trenches but you were always under shell fire. When our brigade was in the trenches we used to run free cocoa and cigarettes and biscuits as near the front line as the heads would let us. That is how I got gassed. The shell hit 5000 cigarettes I had for the boys. I bet they had a blow out of biscuits and cigarettes out of my dug out when I was taken away.”

July 18, 1918

“Just a line to let you know I am still alive and doing fairly well. My eyes are not well yet, they are very weak and do not seem to improve. My back also keeps breaking out and I have to get two hot baths a day with dressing. It is the poison gas working out. The doctor says it is only a matter of time and it will be all right, but I do not like my eyes as it is two months now since I was gassed. I can knock about, and at times can see very well, but it is only for a little while. We were driven out to Sir Charles Russell’s estate the other day to tea and enjoyed it very much, but I had to turn down a nice trip today on account of it being one of my ‘blind days’. I am a little better this evening and tomorrow I may be able to read some of the newspapers, and next day ‘blind again’. I have just been (...)

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Richard Tennant - Letter

marked out of here to go to the Australian Aux. Hospital at Dartford. I might be able to work aboard for "Aussie" out of it from there. One thing is certain I have done my share of fighting and it will not be my fault if I go back to France. I hope you are all well. There is such a lot of influenza here. It is a nice town; the Thames runs through it and crowds of people take advantage of the boating, swimming and fishing. I am sending photo taken in hospital clothes; I took off my glasses and shade, but could not look at the camera. Remember me to all, and tell them I am all right and will soon be in good old Aussie again as fit as ever."

In a letter, dated 20th of July, to his niece, Miss Lalie Dwan, Private Tennant states that he was not sorry he was at the war, as he knew he was doing something for all his dear ones in good old Australia, which every fit man should be doing, and he was sure they would if they could realise the horrible tortures which the Belgian and French women and poor little children have had to endure at the hands of the brutal Bosche. With the exception of shrapnel scratches and getting buried a couple of times he at last got a gas shell all to himself. When they were taking him away an officer told him if he got to England to try his best to keep out of France. He would take his advice, and, if possible, get his 6 months' leave in Aussie. His eyes were not improving, and he could not go out in the sun without very dark glasses, but the sight was stronger inside. He feared the sight was injured, and was going to the Australian Auxiliary Hospital to demand to see an eye specialist. Possibly, that (…)
Richard Tennant - Letter

(...) would mean Australia or a Base job for him; he hoped the former. He received two hot baths a day before they dress his back where the poison gas kept working out. It was not sore, but itched very much, and said that it was worse than the "chats" in France. He supposed that Kidd’s Gully was a bit different now to what it used to be in the old mining days. The only thing about reading was Huntly and Palmer’s biscuit factory and the river Thames, which was beautiful at that particular part. However, it was always the same, his eyes preventing him from enjoying its beauties.

ROUGH DIARY.

The following is a rough diary of Private Tennant’s service with the A.I.F.:-

Enlisted February 1915.
Landed Gallipoli August, 1915.
Evacuated Gallipoli December 24, 1915.
Back to Egypt January, 1916.
At Tel-el-Kebir and crossed Suez for Defences on the Linia Peninsula same month.
Landed in France with first Australian troops in March, 1916.
Got damaged a bit at Pozieres July and August, 1916.
Got trench fever and rheumatism and went to England in November, 1916.
Was in the Ypres battles of September and October, 1917.
Had fight in Bullecourt in May, 1917.
Joined Y.M.C.A. Canteen June, 1917.
Volunteered for supplying front line with free cigarettes, cocoa and biscuits for one month and got wounded with gas shell on May 27, 1918.

Henry James Thorsen (H. Thorsen)

Service Number 14018

Rank Lance Corporal

Unit The 3rd Australian Casualty Clearing Station

Date of Enlistment 14th August 1914

Age 21 years 4 months

Fate Henry was wounded on 21st August 1917 with a gunshot wound to the chest. He then died in France on 22nd August, 1917. He is buried in the Lijssenthoek Military Cemetery, in Belgium. His grave is located in plot 18 (XVIII), row B, grave number 10a. His headstone reads, “In the memory of the beloved son of Mr & Mrs Thorsen of Daylesford Vic.”

Embarkment Date: 5th June 1916
Place: Sydney
Ship: HMAT Borda A30

Previous Employment Draper (he sold textiles)

Address Leggatt Street, Daylesford

Next of Kin Thorwald Thorsen (father)

Physical Description
 Height: 5 feet 6 ½ inches
 Eyes: Blue
 Hair: Light brown
 Complexion: Sallow
 He also had a scar on the back of his neck.

Medals Awarded the British War Medal
Awarded the Victory Medal (date not discovered).

Points of Interest
• Henry’s effects were given to his mother, Harriet Jane Thorsen.
• Henry was a cadet for two years and was also in the Citizens Forces for two years.
• Religion: Church of England.

by Miles Wilkinson
Outdoor group portrait of six members of the Army Medical Corps sitting outside their tent. Included in the group but position not known is 14018 Lance Corporal (L Cpl) Henry James Thorsen, 3rd Australian Casualty Clearing Station from Daylesford, Victoria. A 21 year old draper prior to enlisting on 14 August 1915, he embarked for overseas from Sydney on 5 June 1916 aboard HMA Borda. After further training in England, he deployed to France on 27 September 1916. L Cpl Thorsen was wounded in action at Brandhoek, Belgium on 21 August 1917 and died of his wounds the next day. He is buried in the Lijssenthoek Military Cemetery, Belgium. This is one of a series of photographs taken by the Darge Photographic Company which had the concession to take photographs at the Broadmeadows and Seymour army camps during the First World War.


DEATH OF LANCE-CORPORAL THORSEN,

During the week the Defence Department notified Canon Carrington of the death of Lance Corporal Henry James Thorsen, second son of Mr and Mrs T. A. Thorsen, of Leggatt Street, Daylesford, and asked him to break the sad news to the parents. This Canon Carrington did with deep sorrow, as the young man had been a greatly beloved member of his congregation. The young soldier’s death, which occurred on the 22nd of August last, was due to gunshot wounds, received in the chest whilst fighting at the front in France. He was only 23 years and 4 months of age. He was for some years secretary of Christ Church Sunday School, and was a member of the Church of England Men’s Society. He was very popular because of his kindly, modest manner and generous character, and will be deeply mourned by many friends in Daylesford.
MEMORIAL SERVICE AT CHRIST CHURCH
THE LATE LANCE-CORPORAL
HENRY THORSEN

At Christ Church on Sunday evening, Sept. 23, a special In Memoriam service was held for the late Lance-Corporal Henry Thorsen, who died of a gunshot wound in the chest on August 22nd last. There was a large congregation at the very impressive service. The church was draped in black and with a flag on the pulpit. The anthem “what are these that are arranged in white” was sympathetically rendered by the choir and Mr. Lees played the Dead March at the conclusion.

The Rector took for his subject—“These are they that came out of great tribulation and have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb, therefore are they before the throne of God.”

The preacher pointed out that these words have a primary reference to some particular tribulation or ordeal through which the multitude now seen cleansed, victorious and rejoicing, had come. But the words also are true in a wider sense of either hosts or individuals who have passed through darkness and tempest here and have found in their time the gates of bliss opened by the blood of the Lamb.

They were met that night to commemorate one who out of the tribulation of this terrible war had been called to higher service to stand in the presence of his Lord and Master who he faithfully served. Henry Thorsen grew up in Daylesford in close association with our church and Sunday School as an earnest and active member. He was a decided Christian bringing his religion into his daily life. His employers speak in the highest terms of his character and...
...conduct. In his home he was an almost ideal son, one who thought far more of what he could do for others than he did of his own pleasures. When the war broke out he felt it his duty to take part so entered the Army Medical Corps in which he soon made rapid progress and won the confidence of his senior officers.

A clergyman who saw much of him in the Ballarat Camp, in a letter to Henry's mother, said - "We thought the worst of him, he was such a clean-living, straight-going and wholesome sort of boy. You must be proud to be the mother of such a hero, a lad who was brave and manly and yet so gentle and courteous. He had the true Christian spirit and was such a man as our country can ill afford to lose."

To know that Henry Thorsen had won such affection, respect and commendation from those who knew him here, must be a great consolation to those who mourn his loss. But to know that he would hear the words of commendation, "Well done, good and faithful servant, enter thou into the joy of thy Lord," was a far greater comfort. We believe he will share in the blessing pictured in this wonderful vision. "They shall hunger no more, neither thirst any more... for the lamb which is in the midst of the throne shall feed them, and shall lead them unto living fountains of waters, and God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes." The rector concluded by drawing attention to the second great message of this vision. By what right did that great host gain admission to the presence of God? How were they made fit? It was not their courage, valor, self-sacrifice, or sufferings in a righteous cause. They were made white by the blood of the Lamb, by the sacrifice of Jesus Christ the Lamb of God.

"I ask them whence their victory came,
They with united breath
Ascribe their conquest to the Lamb,
Their triumph to His death."

God does not overlook or forget the courage and self-sacrifice of His servants, but they themselves can only think of Him who loved us and washed us from our sins in His own blood. That sacrifice was the only key to open the door of heaven to them, and also to us who hope to share with them the happiness of the Redeemed.

MEMORIAL SERVICE AT CHRIST CHURCH. (1917, September 25).
**Charles Tognini (C. Tognini)**

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<tr>
<td>Rank</td>
<td>Private</td>
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<tr>
<td>Unit</td>
<td>16th Infantry Battalion (13th Reinforcements)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Date of Enlistment</td>
<td>21st September 1915</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Age</td>
<td>29 years 1 month</td>
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<tr>
<td>Fate</td>
<td>He was admitted to hospital in France on 31st January 1917 when he was shot in the right thigh and the left leg. He had to have an operation to clean his wounds, however his leg did not need to be amputated. He was deemed medically unfit and returned to Australia.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Embarkment</td>
<td>Date: 29th January 1916</td>
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<tr>
<td>Previous employment</td>
<td>Shopkeeper</td>
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<tr>
<td>Address</td>
<td>Bunbury, Western Australia.</td>
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<td>Next of Kin</td>
<td>Elizabeth Howe Tognini (mother)</td>
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<tr>
<td>Physical Description</td>
<td>Height: 5 feet 6 inches</td>
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<tr>
<td>Medals</td>
<td>Awarded the Distinguished Conduct Medal for his devotion to duty on 21st August 1916.</td>
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<td>Points of interest</td>
<td>- Charles was recommended for a Distinguished Conduct Medal after he courageously and cheerfully patrolled the front during the night. Charles remained in his position, despite a gunshot wound to his leg, until he was stretchered back to camp.</td>
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*by Miles Simshaw*
Charles Tognini – Student Artist’s Impression

by Josiah and Tyson
At POZIERES as a Battalion Scout he worked courageously in patrolling the front during the night of August 5th/6th 1916, when he occupied an advanced position about 50 yards from POZIERES HILL. His work during the whole time was most courageously and cheerfully carried out even after being badly wounded in the leg. He remained in the position until brought in by stretcher bearers on the morning of August 6th 1916.

(sgd) MAJOR GENERAL
15th Sept. 1916.
Comdg., 4th AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

Has a large wound in the R thigh postero-laterally which interferes with action of his flexors of the knee on a/e both of scarring and loss of muscle tissue. The wound in L leg is small but he complains of numbness of L foot. There is no nerve injury.
13. What is his present condition?
Weight should be given in all cases where it is likely to afford evidence of the progress of the disability.
As described

14. If the disability is an injury, was it caused
(a) In action? Yes
(b) On paid service? No
(c) On duty? No
(d) Off duty? No

15. Was a Court of Inquiry held on the injury?
No

16. Was an operation performed? If so, what?
Yes, cleaning of wound

17. If not, was an operation advised and declined?
Not applicable

18. In case of loss or decay of tooth, in the loss of teeth the result of wounds, injury or disease, directly attributable to active service?
No loss

19. Do you recommend
(a) Discharge as permanently unfit, No
(b) Change to England? Australia No

I have satisfied myself of the general accuracy of this report, and concur therewith,

Officer in charge of case.

Station

Date

*Loss of teeth in, or immediately after, active service, should be attributed thence, unless there is evidence that it is due to some other cause.
† Delete this word if no exception are to be made.
Finding – that he is permanently unfit for general and temporarily for home service.
William Tognini (W. Tognini)

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<th>Service Number</th>
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<tr>
<td>Rank</td>
<td>Gunner</td>
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<tr>
<td>Unit</td>
<td>1st Field Artillery Brigade</td>
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<tr>
<td>Date of Enlistment</td>
<td>11th December 1915</td>
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<tr>
<td>Age</td>
<td>22 years 7 months</td>
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<tr>
<td>Fate</td>
<td>He was killed in action in France on 21st August 1918. William is buried in France at the Heath Cemetery, Harbonnieres, France. His grave is located in plot 1, row C, grave number 18. His headstone reads “Australia mourns/her hero’s fate/who died to bring her fame”.</td>
</tr>
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| Embarkment      | Date: 27th May  
Place: Melbourne  
Ship: HMAT Ascanius A11 |
| Previous Employment | Labourer |
| Address         | Maribyrnong Road, Footscray, Victoria |
| Next of Kin     | James Tognini (father) |
| Physical Description | Height: 5 feet 7 ¼ inches  
Eyes: Grey  
Hair: Dark brown  
Complexion: Pale  
He also had a scar on his right shin and a small mole behind his left shoulder. |
| Medals          | Awarded the British War Medal  
Awarded the Victory medal on 8th March 1923. No record could be found stating who had collected the medals for William. |

Points of Interest

- His mother asked for the Star of David to be placed on his memorial plaque.
- He was absent without leave for 1 day and as a result, forfeited 2 days of pay.
- William is the younger brother of Charles Tognini, whose name also appears on the DPS honour board.
- Religion: Church of England.

By Miles Simshaw
William Tognini – Student Artist’s Impression

WILLIAM TOGNINI  SN.16065

by Cort and Lachlan
Dear Madam,

It is noted that on Circular Form "A" completed by you in respect of your son, the late No. 1065 Gunner W. Tognini, 1st Field Artillery Brigade, you have stated you desire to have the Star of David incised.

Perhaps you do not know that this is the customary emblem of the Jewish faith, and as the late soldier was a member of the Church of England, it is thought you would prefer to have the Cross inscribed.

Please advise this office on the matter as early as possible.

Yours faithfully,

Major.

Officer i/c Base Records.

Mrs E. H. Tognini,
Bridge Hotel
FOOT SCRAY, V.
GUNNER W. TOGNINI KILLED – Much sorrow was expressed in Daylesford on Wednesday morning when the sad news became known that Gunner William Tognini, youngest son of Mr and Mrs James Tognini, formerly of Daylesford, but now of Footscray, and brother of Messrs John and Charles Tognini, of this town, had been killed at the war front in France. The sorrowful intelligence was conveyed to the young soldier’s parents by the Church of England clergyman at Footscray, who had been requested to do so by the Defence authorities, and the date of death was given as the 24th August. Gunner Tognini was a native of Daylesford and was a great favorite with all who knew him by reason of his bright, kindly nature and manliness of character. He had been for two and a half years on active service. The flag at the Town Hall was flown at half-mast on Wednesday in respect to the young soldier’s memory.
# Samuel John Tong-way (S.J. Tongway)

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<td><strong>Rank</strong></td>
<td>Samuel began as a Private but was made a Sapper on the 22nd November 1918.</td>
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<td><strong>Unit</strong></td>
<td>Army Medical Corps – General Reinforcements (August 1915 – November 1918) 5th Division Signals Company</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Date of Enlistment</strong></td>
<td>6th June 1917 at Melbourne</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Age</strong></td>
<td>22 years 8 months, born 25 August 1894</td>
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<td><strong>Fate</strong></td>
<td>He made it home in February 1920 and continued his career as a teacher, eventually becoming a Principal. Died on 10th April 1988.</td>
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<td><strong>Embarkment Date</strong></td>
<td>8th May 1918</td>
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<td><strong>Place</strong></td>
<td>Sydney</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Ship</strong></td>
<td>RMS Osterley</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Previous Employment</strong></td>
<td>High school teacher, graduated with Diploma of Education, from University of Melbourne Teacher's College, January 1915.</td>
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<td><strong>Address</strong></td>
<td>Young Street, Ballarat East, Victoria</td>
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<td><strong>Next of Kin</strong></td>
<td>Reverend John T. Tong-way (father), Presbyterian Minister  His mother was Mary Tong-way.</td>
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<td><strong>Physical Description</strong></td>
<td>Height: 5 feet 3 inches  Eyes: Brown  Hair: Dark  Complexion: Dark</td>
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<td><strong>Medals</strong></td>
<td>Awarded the British War Medal on 10th October 1921</td>
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| **Points of Interest** | • His name is spelt “Tongway” on the board, however this is incorrect, as his last name is hyphenated. Samuel’s last name can also be spelt as “Tong way”.  
• It appears that Samuel was a teacher, not a student, at Daylesford Higher Elementary School.  
• Samuel was in the Senior Cadets for two years.  
• Religion: Presbyterian |

by Tayah Jack
Samuel John Tong-way – Letter to Medal Distribution

Officer in charge
Medal Distribution,

Dear Sir
I’m writing to make enquiries re my Victory Medal – probably as my General Service medal contained a mistake re my unit, there must have been misunderstanding re the Victory Medal – in the G.S.M is inscribed a/corp. S J Tongway A.A.M.C well if you look up my record, it will show that I embarked, transferred to the Signallers and joined the 5th Divisional Signal Coy. in France. My particulars will be under
NO 19531 Sapper S.J. Tong-way, 5th Div. Sig. Coy
Yours truly
SJ Tong-way

Dear Sir,

I have to acknowledge receipt of your communication of the 28th December, and to advise that you are not eligible for the award of the Victory Medal as you did not serve on the strength of a unit in a theatre of war. France and Belgium ceased to be regarded as a theatre of war on 11.11.18, and therefore the Unit shown on your British War Medal is the one with which you embarked from Australia.

However, it is noted that you were subsequently transferred to and taken on strength of the 5th Divisional Signal Company in France on 7.12.18, and if you care to return the Medal to this Office at your own expense there will be no objection to having the inscription amended.

Yours faithfully,

Mr. S.J. Tong-Way,
6 Young Street,
BALLARAT EAST, V.

Captain,
Officer 1/c Base Records.
Dear Sir,

I have to acknowledge receipt of your communication of the 28th December, and to advice that you are not eligible for the award of the Victory Medal as you did not serve on the strength of a unit in a theatre of war on 11.11.18, and therefore the Unit shown on your British War Medal is the one with which you embarked from Australia.

However, it is noted that you were subsequently transferred to and taken on strength of the 5th Divisional Signal Company in France on 7.12.18, and if you care to return the Medal to this office at your own expense there will be no objection to having the inscription amended.

Yours faithfully,

Captain,
Officer. i/c Base Records.

Harold Edwin Trembath (H.E. Trembath)

Service Number 5918

Rank Harold began as a Private, but was promoted to 2nd Corporal on 1st of September 1917, when he worked in the Australian Pay Office because he was sick. However, he was demoted back to Private 2nd April 1918 when he returned to the field.

Unit 22nd Infantry Battalion (16th Reinforcements)

Date of Enlistment 12th February 1916

Age 19 years 4 months

Fate Harold died on 1st September 1918 in France. He was killed by a bursting shell whilst he was helping a wounded soldier back to the dressing station. Harold is buried in the Peronne Communal Cemetery Extension, Peronne, Picardie, France. Harold’s grave is number 2 located in row A of the 5th plot. His headstone reads, “Our noble Harold/ Died saving an officer/ Greater love hath no man”.

Embarkment Date: 2nd October 1916
Place: Melbourne
Ship: HMAT Nestor A71

Previous Employment Bank clerk, employed at the Savings Bank head office, Melbourne.

Address Vincent Street, Daylesford

Next of Kin Edward Trembath (father)

Physical Description Height: 5 feet 3 ¼ inches
Eyes: Grey
Hair: Brown
Complexion: Fresh
He also had a mole near his left ear and on his right shoulder.

Medals Awarded the Victory Medal
Awarded the British War Medal (dates not discovered).
His medals were given to his father.

Points of Interest • He went to hospital 9th January 1917 because he had colic.
• He was originally buried near Mont-St-Quentin.
• Religion: Methodist.

by Tayah Jack
Harold Edwin Trembath - Student Artist's Impression

by Evelyn and Alyssa

HAROLD JOHN TREMBATH  SN. 5918
General Pau.
Chairman
French Mission to Australia.

October 28th 1918

Dear General,

I am writing you in reference to a matter that is very near to our hearts and if you can render us any assistance when you return to France we will ever be grateful. Our brave son Harold was killed in action on 1st September 1918 near Mont-St-Quentin. We have just received a letter from Lieutenant J.K. Greene (or Greene) of Q22 Coy stating that he was killed by a bursting shell whilst voluntarily assisting to carry a wounded officer back to the dressing station and that they buried him near Mont-St-Quentin and a cross had been erected. Kindly ascertain when in France, whether my brave boy has been buried in a Cemetery outside the town or in a field. If you will only see that his grave is protected and if possible have erected a small stone to his memory, the expense of which I am willing to defray, we will never forget your kindness. My Hero Son was indeed Brave. He left a splendid position in the State Savings Bank Melbourne to fight in the cause of liberty. Always a true hearted boy.
His rank, name etc are as follows.
Private Harold Edwin Trembath No 5918 - 22nd Battalion
Australian Imperial Forces. But he held the rank of
temp/ 2nd Corporal for about 12 months when in London
in the Australian Pay Office on "Home Service" because of
illness.
Lieut Greeve has addressed him as Edward instead of Harold
Edwin. Probably the name be Edward on the cross over the
grave but Harold Edwin is correct:
An acknowledgement will greatly oblige.
I trust that your mission to Australia will be a "marked"
success.

Yours faithfully,

Edward Trembath

Councillor of the Borough
of DAYLESFORD.
Melbourne, 30th October, 1918.

Mr E. Trembath,
Councillor of the Borough of Daylesford,
Albert Street,
Daylesford.

Dear Sir,

I have to thank you for your letter of the 28th instant and note your enquiry re your brave son who was killed in action on the 1st September, 1918 near Mont-St-Quentin.

I congratulate you on your having had a son who has proved himself a hero and has given his life for his country in the cause of justice.

France has always had great respect for those who have fallen on her soil and are buried beneath it.

You may rest assured that the French people will think it a sacred trust left in their hands by the parents of Australian heroes to protect and look after their last resting place.

On our return to France we will do the best we can to see that your request is complied with.

Again sympathising with you and also thanking you for your very good wishes.

Very cordially yours,

[Signature]

[Translation]

Remerci de votre lettre du 28, j’ai pris bonne note de votre demande concernant votre brave fils qui fut tué le ler. Septembre 1918 près du Mont St. Quentin.

Félicitations d’avoir eu un tel fils qui a fait preuve d’héroïsme en donnant sa vie pour son pays dans la cause de la justice.

France a toujours un grand respect pour ceux qui sont tombés sur son sol et qui y sont enterrés.

Vous pouvez être rassuré que le Peuple Français se chargera de cette œuvre sacrée qui leur a été laissée entre les mains par les parents australiens et protégeront leur dernière place de repos.

A notre retour en France nous ferons le nécessaire à votre demande.

Sympathisant avec vous et vous remerciant de vos bons souhaits.
Charles Henry (Harry) Trotter (C.H. Trotter)

Service Number: 7091
Rank: Private
Unit: 5th Infantry Battalion (23rd Reinforcements)
Date of Enlistment: 3rd October 1916
Age: 31 years 6 months
Fate: He died due to gas poisoning on 27th April 1918. Charles is buried in grave number 17 located in plot one, row A, of the Caestre Military Cemetery, Caestre, Nord Pas de Calais, France. His gravestone reads “Loved son of Mrs Trotter/ Daylesford, Victoria/ Pro Patria”.

Embarkment: Date: 23rd November 1916
Place: Melbourne
Ship: HMAT Hororata A20

Previous Employment: Engine driver
Address: Specimen Hill, Daylesford
Next of Kin: Sarah Jane Trotter (mother)

Physical Description: Height: 5 feet 7¼ inches
Eyes: Blue
Hair: Auburn
Complexion: Fresh
He also had a scar on his left knee and on the back of his neck.

Medals: Awarded the Victory Medal on 30th April 1923
Awarded the British War Medal on 30th April 1923. These were collected by his mother.

Points of Interest: • Charles was hospitalised for 92 days with influenza.
• He went missing for a day and then lost two days’ pay as a result.
• His mother requested her son’s soldier’s kit, however this was denied, although she did receive his personal effects.
• He is referred to as “Harry Trotter” in the local paper.
• Religion: Church of England

by Jaida Berridge
DC.

9th July 1919.

Dear Madam,

With reference to your communication, an extract of which has been referred to this Office by the Officer in Charge Deceased Soldiers' Section, I have to advise that no personal effects of your son, the late No. 7091 Private C.H. Trotter, 5th Battalion, have been received at this Office to date.

As advised in my communication of the 10th May last, a package of this soldier's effects was included in the consignment shipped from England per the ill-fated "Barunga". According to the inventory now to hand this package contained:

Ex 3rd Echelon, France, 29.5.18.

Testament, Metal Mirror, Metal Cigarette Case, 2 Wallets, Photo case, Letters, Photos, Cards, Silver watch and strap, Handkerchief, Purse, Disc, Coin.

No hope can be entertained of these articles being recovered.

The kit bag, being part of the military equipment and the property of the Government, would not be returned, but any articles of sentimental value would be extracted and forwarded. In the event of any of your son's property coming to hand at a later date, it will be promptly transmitted to you.

Mrs. S.J. Trotter, 
Specimen Hall, 
DAYLESFORD, V.

Yours faithfully,

Major.

Officer i/c Base Records.
The sad news was received last Wednesday by Canon Carrington, of Christ Church, that Private Harry Trotter, son of Mrs Trotter, of Specimen Hill, and grandson of ex-Councillor M.D Woodburn, had died at the war front in France on the 27th of April from gas poisoning. Canon Carrington very sorrowfully performed the sad task of breaking the news to the bereaved relatives. The young soldier left for the scene of battle in October, 1916. He was a Daylesford district native, having been born at Specimen Hill, and was 33 years of age. He was single. He was a nephew of Mayor W. L and Mrs Harris. Prior to proceeding to the war he followed the profession of an engine driver. He was a fine young fellow, of very honourable, excellent principles, and leaves a large circle of sorrowing friends.

Stanley Alexander Ussher (S. Ussher)

Service Number 3805

Rank Sapper

Unit 4th Tunnelling Company
      5th Tunnelling Company
      6th Tunnelling Company

Date of Enlistment 24th January 1916 at Melbourne.

Age 22 years 3 months. Born Daylesford

Fate Stanley returned to Australia on 22nd of October 1917. On the 24th November 1917, he was discharged as medically unfit with bronchitis and debility. He later died on 13th June 1948.

Embarkment Date: 25th May 1916
Place: Melbourne
Ship: HMAT Warilda A69

Previous Employment Accountant

Address 53 Saint Phillip Street, East Brunswick, Victoria

Next of Kin Bessie Leitch (mother)
His father was deceased.

Physical Description Height: 5 feet 11½ inches
Eyes: Brown
Hair: Brown
Complexion: Dark

Medals Awarded the British War Medal on 27th April 1921
Awarded the Victory Medal on 6th of June 1922

Points of Interest • He was reported as absent on 20th April 1917 and returned on 30th April 1917. As a result he lost 23 days’ of pay.
• He spent 112 days in hospital.
• Religion: Presbyterian

by Rohan Singaram
Stanley Alexander Ussher – Student Artist’s Impression
PARTICULARS OF SERVICE IN THE A.I.F. IN CONNECTION WITH
ex-No.3809, Sgr. Stanley Alex. USSHER, 5th Tunnelling Coy.

ISSUED TO DEPARTMENT OF REPATRIATION, ST. VILDA ROAD, MELBOURNE.


✓ 29. 5.16. Embarked for Active Service abroad.
✓ 30. 8.16. Marched into 2nd A.B.D.D.
✓ 11. 9.16. Admitted 26th General Hospital Staples - D.A.H.
✓ 29. 9.16. Admitted to Bagthorpe Military Hospital - Bronchitis.
✓ 14.10.16. Transferred to General Hospital, Nottingham - Nasal Operation.
✓ 27.10.16. Discharged from Hospital and granted furlough till 12.12.16.
✓ 12.12.16. Admitted to let A.D.H. Bulford - V.D.
✓ 2. 4.17. Discharged to duty.
✓ 3. 4.17. Total V.D. period:- 112 days.
✓ 3. 5.17. OFFICIAL: Being A.W.L. from 8 p.m. on 20.4.17. to 8 p.m. on 30.4.17.
✓ 11. 5.17. AWARDED: 10 days P.P. No.2. Time awaiting trial 7 days.
✓ 12. 5.17. Total forfeit 23 days pay.
✓ 19. 5.17. Marched into Camp Headquarters, Perham Downs.
✓ 27. 8.17. Left England for return to Australia per H.T. "PAKEHA".
✓ 22.10.17. Disembarked at Melbourne.
✓ 24.11.17. Discharged from the A.I.F. at Melbourne - Medically Unfit.
Disability - Bronchitis and Debility.

Army Form B.176, B.179 (3) with encl., C.O.I. Form (2), Army Form I.1287 and V.D. Card attached.

Captain.
Officer i/c Base Records.
Frederick William Vale (F. Vale)

Service Number 4797

Rank Sapper

Unit 3rd Tunnelling Company
      4th Tunnelling Company
      5th Tunnelling Company

Date of Enlistment 11th April 1916 at Claremont, Tasmania.

Age 39 years and 3 months. Born Ballarat.

Fate He returned to Australia on 25th August 1917 after he was declared medically unfit due to a heart problem.

Embarkment Date: 25th May 1916
Place: Melbourne
Ship: HMAT Warilda A69

Previous Employment Engine Driver

Address Clarence point, West Tamar, Tasmania

Next of Kin Mary Vale (wife)

Physical Description Height: 5 feet and 9 ½ inches
Eyes: Blue
Hair: Brown
Complexion: Fair

He also had scars on the front of his left knee, on the inside of his right leg and above his ankle.

Medals Awarded the British War Medal on 29th June 1921
Awarded the Victory Medal

Points of Interest • He was born in Ballarat.
• It was noted on his medical report that he had lost one stone (6.3 kilograms) whilst serving in England.
• Religion: Presbyterian.

by Rohan Singaram
22nd October, 1917.

27807

Dear Madam,

In reply to your letter of the 17th instant, I have to advise that the transport by which your brother, No. 9797 Sapper F. W. Vale, 3rd Tunnelling Company, is reported to be returning is due at Melbourne on Thursday next, the 25th inst. He will then proceed to Tasmania unless he has obtained permission to stay in this State.

Yours faithfully,

Officer i/o Base Records.

Major

Mrs. A. E. Coldstone,
48 Swanston Street,
GERLONG, Vic.
Samuel Roy Veale (S.R. Veale)

Service Number V79245
Rank Private
Unit 1st Depot Battalion
Date of Enlistment 10th August 1918 at Melbourne.
Age 22 years 5 months. Born Ballarat.
Fate He was discharged on 24th of December 1918.
Embarkment He never left Australia.
Previous Employment Sailor
Address 81 Errol Street, North Melbourne
Next of Kin Elizabeth Veale (mother)
Physical Description Height: 5 feet 2 inches
Eyes: Brown
Hair: Black
Complexion: Dark
He also had a scar on his right shin.
Medals N/A

Points of interest • He was rejected for service once for being too small.
• He was born on 1st March 1896.
• Samuel served for a total of 137 days.
• Religion: Baptist.

by Brooke Cowan
Samuel Roy Veale – Physical Description and Medical Examination

I have been informed that if I make any false statement I commit an offence against the Defence Act 1903-1917 and War Precautions Act 1914-1916.

Samuel Roy Veale, Recruit.

Description of VEALE

Age 22 years 5 months.
Height 5 feet 2 inches.
Weight 11½ lbs.
Chest Measurement 31½ inches.
Complexion Black.
Eyes Brown.
Hair Black.
Religious Denomination Presbyterian.

DISTINCTIVE MARKS.

Vaes - 3rd Arm
Scars - Right Shoulder

CERTIFICATE OF MEDICAL EXAMINATION.

I have examined the above-named person, and find that he does not present any of the following conditions, viz.:

Sorefoot, phthisis, syphilis, impaired constitution, defective intelligence; defects of vision, voice, or hearing; hernia; hemorrhoids; varicose veins, beyond a limited extent; marked varicocele with unusually pendent testicle; invertebrate cutaneous disease; chronic ulcers; traces of corporal punishment; contracted or deformed chest; abnormal curvature of spine; or any other disease or physical defect calculated to unfit him for the duties of a soldier.

He can see the required distance with either eye; his heart and lungs are healthy; he has the free use of his joints and limbs; and he can do what is required of him by any description.

I consider him fit for active service.

Date 12th August 1914
Place Melbourne

Signature of Examining Medical Officer.

CERTIFICATE OF COMMANDING OFFICER.

I certify that this Attestation of the above-named person is correct, and that the required forms have been complied with. I accordingly approve, and appoint him to

RECRUIT DEPOT BATTALION

Date 27 Aug 1914
Place Broadmeadows Camp

Commanding
Roland Frederick Verey (R. Verey)

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<td>• He was once rejected for enlistment because of his teeth.</td>
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<td>• He went on leave from 29th January 1919 to 12th February 1919.</td>
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<td>• He served in France and Belgium as part of the nursing staff.</td>
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<td>• Religion: Methodist.</td>
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by Brooke Cowan
Roland Frederick Verey – Student Artist’s Impression

by William Hunt
A SOLDIER’S LETTER.

Miss Zeis, of Perrin Street, Daylesford, has received the following letter in her capacity as president of the Daylesford Soldier’s Sunshine Club. The writer is the son of Mr and Mrs F. Verey, well known and esteemed residents of this town:—

France, 23/7/18

Dear Miss Zeis and other members of the D.S.S.C.

A parcel forwarded by you arrived today for which I thank you very much and which was indeed appreciated. As we are at present having a short rest I will take this opportunity, which may not be available later, and acknowledge straight away. We, who have for a while left Daylesford to live in this distant land, appreciate very fully the thoughtfulness and kindness bestowed upon us by the friends who “Keep the Home Fires Burning” in our “Land of the Wattle”. Last Sunday I met three Daylesford boys, and we spent a most enjoyable afternoon recalling past reminiscences. This occasional meeting of friends forms a pleasant break in the life we are accustomed to over here. Up to the present I am still “going strong”, and with this I will close, again thanking you for your gift and good wishes. With best wishes for the future success of your club, from sincerely yours.

R. F. VEREY
Henry Edward (Harry) Victor (H. Victor)

Service Number G/7574
Rank Lance Corporal
Unit 2nd Battalion of the Middlesex Regiment
Date of Enlistment Not discovered
Age Not discovered
Fate Killed in action 1st July 1916. Henry’s body was not recovered and as such, his final resting place remains unknown. However he is memorialized at the Thiepval Memorial in France.

Embarkment Not discovered
Previous Employment Journalist
Address Not discovered
Next of Kin Father was George Victor of the Raglan Hotel
Physical Description Not discovered
Religion Not discovered
Medals Not discovered

Points of Interest
- Henry previously worked as a journalist at the “Daylesford Herald” before leaving to work in Hong Kong at the “Hong Kong Free Press”.
- Henry did not serve under the Australian Imperial Forces, instead, he served under the United Kingdom. This is why there is little information about him.
- Henry enlisted as “Henry Edward Victor”, however the local paper uses the name “Harry” instead.
- Another Daylesford soldier was George Henry Victor, jnr. He enlisted in Melbourne prior to 18th March 1916, however very little information can found about him.

by Tasha Robinson
Mr Geo. Victor, of the Raglan hotel is in receipt of a letter from the editor of the "Hong Kong Weekly Press" and a copy of that journal containing a report of a special prayer and thanksgiving service for the whole of the Empire, read at St. John's Cathedral, Hong Kong on 6th January. Included was a special prayer for the fallen heroes in the war. Amongst the names to which special reference was made was that of the late H.E. Victor (son of Mr Victor), who at the time of enlisting held an important position on the "Weekly Press". In the paper the following lines on "Hong Kong's roll of honour" are published, which the editor states in his letter to Mr Victor were "inspired by the memory of wife and self of the last visit paid them by their old and valued friend (Private Victor) before he sailed on the trooper":

"We the names read slow in sad succession,
Those four and thirty souls who went to fight,
Those four and thirty souls whose proud confession
Of loyalty has swelled the great procession
Of men who died for triumph of the right.

A little band the seeds of honor sowing,
In death's rank garden, ploughed by gun and sword,
But mighty springs the plant, in lusty growing,
With blossoms pure and stainless, brightly glowing,
Their proof of labor and their great reward."
And by-and-by, when war and time are ended,
And vast eternity begins her reign,
The workmen who so well the seeding tended,
So well our little island’s fame defended,
Shall have their names read boldly forth again.
But not in man’s slim halls of worship ringing,
Shall sound each name in grand majestic calm!
And as they march where victory’s choirs are singing,
The fair white blossom of earth’s honour bringing
The Great Head Gardener shall bestow the palm.

G.J.

Hong Kong, 6th January, 1918.

The late Private Victor before leaving Victoria for Hong Kong was connected with the staff of the now defunct “Daylesford Herald,” on which journal he served his apprenticeship.
**Percy William Wagstaff** (P. Wagstaff)

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<td>Rank</td>
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| Unit           | 2nd Tunnelling Company  
|               | 5th Tunnelling Company |
| Date of Enlistment | 22nd February 1916 |
| Age            | 35 years 4 months. Born Daylesford. |
| Fate           | Percy served in France, returned to Australia on 22nd July 1919.  
|               | Died 8th July 1941 |
| Embarkment     | Date: 25th May 1916  
|               | Place: Melbourne  
|               | Ship: HMAT Warilda A69 |
| Previous Employment | Mining engineer |
| Address        | 77 Allingham Street, Golden Square, Victoria |
| Next of Kin    | Florence Esther Wagstaff (wife) |
| Physical Description | Height: 5 feet 8 inches  
|               | Eyes: Blue  
|               | Hair: Auburn  
|               | Complexion: Fair |
| Medals         | Awarded the French Croix de Guerre on 15th October 1918  
|               | He also received the French Medaille de Sauvetage en Vermeil.  
|               | Awarded the British War Medal  
|               | Awarded the Victory Medal on 2nd October 1922. |
| Points of Interest | He served in the 2nd Battalion, 8th Australian Infantry Regiment and the 67th Australian Infantry for a total of nine years, including six years as an NCO.  
|               | He was born on 8th October 1880.  
|               | After an explosion in France, Percy conducted a rescue mission and assisted in retrieving wounded soldiers and the bodies of the deceased. He was mentioned in dispatches by Lt. Gen. Sir W.R. Birdwood for excellent work in the field.  
|               | Religion: Church of England. |

by Hugo Horvat
Percy William Wagstaff – Photograph

Captain Wagstaff (named below) is likely to be Percy Wagstaff. France: Picardie, Somme, Albert Bapaume Area, Bapaume. Photo dated 25 March 1917.

The Town Hall was blown up about midnight, while two companies of the 22nd Battalion were on the march up from Le Sars to billet in the Town Hall. They arrived to be immediately given the task of removing the debris from the street. Unidentified company with shovels digging amidst the ruins, which took days. At left back, second line in, overlooking the excavation, is Captain Wagstaff, Tunnelling Company. Standing in front of ruined buildings, second from right, is Brigadier General Martin CMG DSO.

The Croix de Guerre was instituted in April 1915 to commemorate those who were mentioned in dispatches. It was awarded to all ranks, officers included, and officers and men of allied forces who were mentioned in French dispatches.

The Medaille de Sauvetage (the Medal of Honour) (France) for Acts of Courage and Dedication is awarded to a person who risks their life by coming to the aid of one or more persons whose lives are in danger. There are four classes of this medal, Bronze, Silver, Silver Gilt and Gold. Captain Percy Wagstaffe was awarded the Medaille de Sauvetage en Vermeil. The Vermeil Medal is awarded with great reserve, for acts of immense bravery and to holders of at least two Silver Medals. The Vermeil grade of the medal was awarded to only 26 Australians during World War 1.
Dear Madam,


CONGRATULATORY

The Army Corps Commander wishes to express his appreciation of the conduct of Captain P.W. Wagstaff, 2nd Tunnelling Company, attached 2nd Divisional Engineers for the following excellent work which has been brought to his notice by the French Mission.

As the result of a recent explosion two French Deputies and some soldiers were buried. Captain Wagstaff at his own personal risk, and under most difficult circumstances, directed the work of rescue day and night, with the result that some of the soldiers were rescued alive, and the bodies of the Deputies were recovered.

The above has been promulgated in Military Order No.290 of 30th June, 1917.

Yours faithfully,
Major.
Officer i/c Base Records

Re Honours & Awards to members of the A.I.F

Adjutant General.
The following extract from a communication received from the Military Adviser, London, is forwarded in favour of notation in your Part II A.M.F. List: -

"I have to advise that a notification has been received from the War Office that the undermentioned have been awarded the Medaille de Sauvetage by the French Authorities. Unrestricted permission to accept and wear this medal has been granted but the award will not be published in the London Gazette.

En Bronze – 14832 Cpl. Chas. Em. Wilson, Aust Engrs.


According to the records held at this Branch, the correct regimental particulars of the above-named are as follows: -

14832 Cpl. WILSON, Chas. Wm. Rudolph, A.M.T.S.
167 Spr. OZARD, Hillary Robert, 6th B.G.R.O. Coy

22/2/1922
Major,
Officer i/c Base Records

Alfred Ernest Wallis (A.E. Wallis)

Service Number 774

Rank Private

Unit Alfred served in the 24th Battalion (Depot) from 7th April 1916 until 25th April 1916. He also served in the 3rd District Guard. Upon his final enlistment, he served in Home Service in Langwarrin from 20th March 1917 until 4th July 1917.

Date of Enlistment V33087 – 25th March 1916
V63257 – 20th March 1917
V67962 – 19th July 1917

Age V33087 – 21 years 9 months
V63257 – 22 years 9 months
V67962 – 23 years 1 month

Fate Alfred never served outside of Australia. He was only cleared for Home Service because he had chronic trachoma and defective eyesight.

Emarkment He did not leave Australia.

Previous Employment Miner

Address Whilst single – West Street, Daylesford, Victoria
Once married – 33 Brunswick Street, Fitzroy, Victoria

Next of Kin Whilst single – Elizabeth Mary Wallis (mother)
Once married – Ella Mary Wallis (wife)

Physical Description Height: 5 feet 8 ½ inches
Eyes: Bluish grey
Hair: Black
Complexion: Medium
He also had a scar on his left knee, right shin and forehead.

Medals Did not receive any medals.

Points of Interest • He served 358 days in the Australian Imperial Force with 107 days of Home Service.
• He served in the 19th Light Horse Brigade in Ararat.
• He was the younger brother of Vincent Wallis, who is also listed on the DPS honour board.
• Alfred was admitted to the Claremont Mental Hospital in 1957.
• Religion: Church of England.

by Ryan Coleiro
## Alfred Ernest Wallis – Medical Report of an Invalid (page 1)

### Detailed Medical History of an Invalid

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<td>Private</td>
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<td>WALLIS, Alfred Ernest</td>
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### Disease or Disability

**Defective Binocular Vision, Trachoma**

Long-standing, irreducible.

**In childhood**

**Place of Origin of Disability**

Bayesford

**Give the essential facts of the history of the disability, noting entries on the Medical History Sheet.**

*When a child had sore eyes and has had trouble with them ever since. Vision left eye 6/29 right eye 6/18. Trachoma (chronic) persists.*

**Give your opinion as to the causation of the Disability.**

**Trachoma When a Child**

*Not applicable*

**What is his present condition?**

**Chronic Trachoma with defective Vision**

(Weight should be given in all cases where it is likely to affect evidence of the progress of the disability.)

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13. Has the disease been aggravated by—
   (a) Intemperance? No
   or
   (b) Misconduct? No

14. If the disability is a wound or other injury, was it caused—
   (a) In action? Not applicable
   (b) On field service? Not applicable
   (c) On duty? Not applicable
   (d) Off duty? Not applicable

15. Was a Court of Inquiry held on the injury?
   If so—(a) When?
   (b) Where?
   (c) Opinion

16. Was any special treatment employed? If so, state what it was
   Lotions & Caustic to Conjunctiva

17. Was an operation performed? If so, what? No

18. If not, was an operation advised and declined? No

19. In cases of loss or decay of teeth—
   (a) Is the loss of teeth the result of wounds, injury, or disease, directly attributable to active service
   Not applicable

20. Do you recommend him for—
   (a) Discharge as permanently unfit? Yes
   or
   (b) For change to another State? No

Medical Officer in Charge of the Case.
Opinion of the Medical Board.

21. State how the Board concurs with the answers to Questions 7-20. [44. “in toto,” “partially” or “not at all.”

In toto

22. The Board will describe the pathological condition present at the time of examination by the Board.

Defective Vision and Chronic Trachoma

23. (a) State whether the disability is the result of (i) active service, (ii) climate, or (iii) ordinary military service.

No No No

(b) If due to one of these causes, to what specific conditions do the Board attribute it?

Not applicable

24. Is the disability permanent?

Yes

especially as regards—

(a) Military service?

Yes

(b) Previous occupation?

No

(c) Other occupations?

No

25. If not permanent, what is its probable maximum duration?

Not applicable

26. To what extent is his capacity for earning a full livelihood in the general labour market lessened at present?

Not at all.

27. If an operation was advised and declined, was the refusal unreasonable?

Not applicable

28. Do you recommend him for—

(a) Discharge as permanently unfit?

Yes

or

(b) For change to another State?

29. General Recommendations:

(a) Is he at present fit for discharge to earn his living?

Yes

(b) Does he require further treatment to restore him to health?

No

(c) If so, what does the Board recommend?

Not applicable

(d) Any other Recommendations:

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(As Board members may not for compensation or reasons the patient may be so informed, as to may make bona fide application. But he is to be informed of the same time that final decisions come with the War Pensions Board.)

Signatures:

Station

Langwarrin

Date

18th March 1919

Approved

Station

Date

Director-General Medical Services.
Vincent Wallis (V. Wallis)

Service Number  2837
Rank  Private
Unit  28th Infantry Battalion (6th Reinforcements)
      32nd Infantry Battalion
Date of Enlistment  7th August 1915
Age  26 years 5 months
Fate  He was declared missing in action on 20th August 1916. Vincent was later announced as killed in action in France on 20th July 1916 by the Court of Inquiry. Vincent’s body was never recovered and thus his grave site is unknown. Vincent’s name however is located on panel 6 of the V.C Corner Australian Cemetery and Memorial, Fromelles, France.

Embarkment  Date: 2nd November 1915
            Place: Fremantle
            Ship: HMAT Ulyssess A38
Previous Employment  Miner
Address  Kalgoorlie, Western Australian
Next of Kin  Elizabeth Wallis (mother), West Street, Daylesford
Physical Description  Height: 5 feet 4 inches
                      Eyes: Brown
                      Hair: Dark
                      Complexion: Dark
Medals  Awarded the British War Medal on 23rd December 1921.
        Awarded the Victory Medal on 3rd January 1923.
        As Vincent was deceased, his medals were given to his mother, Elizabeth Wallis.

Points of Interest  • He had been a gardener for four years.
                    • He broke out of camp at 2pm and remained absent until 9pm.
                    • He was admitted to hospital on 2nd March 1916, because he had a septic leg.
                    • He was the older brother of Alfred Wallis, who is also listed on the DPS honour board.
                    • Religion: Methodist

by Hugo Horvat
BEREAVEMENT NOTICE

MRS M. WALLIS and Family desire to thank their many kind friends, also Daylesford Brass Band for expressions of sympathy, letters, cards and visits received during their recent and sad bereavement in the loss of a loved son and brother, Private V. Wallis, killed in action in France.

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Daylesford.
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Photographic Portrait of Vincent Wallis
Courtesy of Robert Taylor
William Wardle (W. Wardle)

Service Number 3359

Rank Private

Unit 29th Infantry Battalion
      32nd Infantry Battalion

Date of Enlistment 30th June 1916 at Broadmeadows.

Age 20 years. Born Daylesford.

Fate He returned to Australia on 15th March 1919

Embarkment Date: 4th July 1916
              Place: Melbourne
              Ship: HMAT Berrima A35

Previous Employment Pastry cook

Address 45 Charles Street, Prahran, Victoria

Next of Kin Thomas Wardle (father)

Physical Description Height: 5 feet 5 inches
                         Eyes: Grey
                         Hair: Light
                         Complexion: Fair

Medals Awarded the British War Medal
        Awarded the Victory Medal on 10th May 1923

Points of Interest • He was recorded as being absent without leave three times.
                   • William forwarded four shillings of his pay to his mother, upon his own request.
                   • Religion: Methodist.

by Ryan Coleiro
William Wardle – Student Artist’s Impression

by Harry and Sachin
Prahran
April 1/4/15

To the Warrant Officer

Dear Sir

This is to notify that we are giving our consent to our son William Wardle to volunteer

Yours truly
T Wardle

I certify to my father’s signature:
W Wardle
Richard Ernest Warren (R. Warren)

Service Number 17890

Rank He was appointed to Driver on 20th October 1917, however on 21st November 1917, he reverted back to Private because he was sick in hospital.

Unit 14th Australian General Hospital  
Australian Camel Field Ambulance

Date of Enlistment 31st May 1916

Age 34 years 6 months

Fate Richard returned to Australia on 24th of December 1918 and was formally discharged on 8th January 1919. He was discharged because he was declared medically unfit due to illness.

Embarkment Date: 31st August 1917  
Place: Sydney  
Ship: HMAT Wiltshire A18

Previous Employment Grocer

Address Queensberry Street, Daylesford, Victoria

Next of Kin Bessie Warren (wife)

Physical Description Height: 5 feet 3 ½ inches  
Eyes: Blue  
Hair: Black  
Complexion: Medium

Medals Awarded the British War Medal on 20th October 1921  
Awarded the Victory Medal on 20th April 1923

Points of Interest  
• Richard served in Egypt.  
• He was hospitalised for renal colic and was later declared medically unfit.  
• Religion: Methodist

by Tasha Robinson
Richard Ernest Warren – Student Artist’s Impression

by Adrian and Axel
To Base Records

from

No 17890 R.E Warren Pte

Richard Ernest Warren

Queensbury St

March 7 1919

Dear Sir,

Would you kindly let me have the dates of my time in 14th A.G.H at Port Said. I was admitted July 24th 1918 and invalided home landing in Melbourne 24th December 1918 and was discharged January 8th 1919. The reason I am asking for them is because we are paying interest on borrowed money, and I have sent my son and daughter the monthly 18/- per week pension to live on, and I want the money to live on. We have no means to live on except the pension, and I am asking for the dates so I can send the money in due time. I have been discharged from Base Records and I want the money to live on. The only reason I am asking for the dates is because I have been discharged from Base Records and I want the money to live on. I have been discharged from Base Records and I want the money to live on. I have been discharged from Base Records and I want the money to live on.

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Yours Sincerely

R.E Warren Pte

No 17890 R.E Warren Pte
Henry (Harry) Conrad Wetzel (H. Weitzel)

Service Number 1200

Rank Harry began as a private but was promoted to a Lance Corporal on 2nd June 1917, and then promoted to temporary Corporal on 23rd July 1917.

Unit 22nd Infantry Battalion

Date of Enlistment 10th April 1915

Age 19 years

Fate Harry was killed in action on 17th September 1917 in Belgium. He is buried in plot 3, row A, grave 20 in the Bedford House Cemetery, Belgium. His headstone reads “In loving memory/of our dear son/duty nobly done”.

Embarkment Date: 10th May 1915 Place: Melbourne Ship: HMAT Ulysses A38

Previous Employment Labourer

Address Queensberry Street, Daylesford, Victoria.

Next of Kin Conrad Wetzel (father)

Physical Description Height: 5 feet 8 inches Eyes: Brown Hair: Brown Complexion: Fair He also had a scar on his forearm and both of his knees.

Medals Awarded the British War Medal on 25th November 1920 Awarded the Victory Medal on 30th November 1922 Awarded the 1914-15 Star. His medals were given to his father.

Points of Interest • He received a severe injury to his back, via a gunshot wound and was admitted to hospital on 2nd August 1916. • Harry enrolled under the name “Henry”, however is also referred to as “Harry” and signed his name as Harry. • Starting on 22nd January 1917 Harry was absent without leave for 88 days. • On the school honour board, “Wetzel” is spelt as “Weitzel”. • His younger brother, Leslie Christopher Wetzel, is also listed on the DPS honour board. • Religion: Church of England.

by Blake Harris
Henry Conrad (Harry) Wetzel - Portrait

Portrait of Henry Conrad (Harry) Wetzel

GALLANT YOUNG SOLDIER’S DEATH.

The relatives of Corporal Henry Conrad Wetzel, second son of Mr Conrad Henry Wetzel, of Queensberry Street, Daylesford, and the late Mrs Margaret Wetzel, recently received word that the gallant young soldier had been killed whilst fighting at the war front in France. The flag at the Town Hall was flown at half-mast on Monday in respect to the young hero’s memory. It was on the 8th of May, 1914, two years and five months ago, that Corporal Wetzel went to the front. He was only a private then, but courageous conduct and devotion to duty had since won him promotion, first to the rank of Lance-Corporal and then to Corporal. He was on Gallipoli until the evacuation, and also saw service in Mesopotamia and took part in the great Pozieres fight. Whilst on Gallipoli he was blown up in a great explosion but fortunately escaped without any very serious hurt. He was wounded whilst fighting in France, but on recovering returned to the trenches and was again wounded and again went back. He was buried twice during the Pozieres fight by earth upheavals caused by big shell explosions. He was killed on the 17th of September. He was only 21 years of age, having attained his majority last May. He will be mourned by many sorrowing friends in Daylesford and district.
Leslie Christopher Wetzel (L.C. Wetzel)

Service Number 3408
Rank Private
Unit 37th Infantry Battalion (8th Reinforcements)
Date of Enlistment 20th September 1917
Age 19 years 7 months
Fate On 9th September 1918, Leslie was reported as wounded in action after being gassed. He returned to Australia on 25th January 1919.

Embarkment
Date: 22nd December 1917
Place: Melbourne
Ship: HMAT Ulysses A38

Previous Employment Miner
Address Queensberry Street, Daylesford, Victoria.
Next of Kin Conrad Wetzel (father)

Physical Description
Height: 5 feet 8 ¾ inches
Eyes: Brown
Hair: Brown
Complexion: Brown
He had a mark on his left arm and a scar on his left knee.

Medals
Awarded the British War Medal
Awarded the Victory Medal on 10th of May 1923

Points of Interest
• His older brother, Harry Conrad Wetzel, who is also listed on the DPS honour board, had previously been killed in action.
• Leslie embarked on the same ship, HMAT Ulysses A38, that his brother, had embarked on two years before.
• One the school honour board, “Wetzel” is spelt incorrectly as “Weitzel”.
• Religion: Church of England.

by Blake Harris
Leslie Christopher Wetzel - Portrait

Photo taken by the Darge Photographic Company in Broadmeadows, Melbourne on 18 May 1917. It is not clear which soldier is Private Wetzel however we suspect he is the soldier on the right. Photo retrieved from: www.awm.gov.au, reference number, DA17924.
Leslie Christopher Wetzel – Parental Permission Form

Francis Henry Colombo (Frank) Wheeler (F. Wheeler)

Service Number 1038

Rank Frank began as a Private, however was promoted to temporary Corporal on 30th January 1917. On 22nd March 1917, Francis was promoted to Corporal and finally, became a Lance Sergeant on 25th August 1917.

Unit 17th Infantry Battalion

Date of Enlistment 19th February 1915

Age 31 years. Born Daylesford.

Fate On 9th October 1917 Frank was reported missing in Belgium and later declared killed in action. Originally, Frank was buried by the 43rd Infantry Battalion; however his grave site could not be located. Francis is now memorialized at Menin Gate Memorial, Ypres, France.

Embarkment Date: 12th May 1915 Place: Sydney Ship: HMAT Themistocles A32

Previous Employment Stockman

Address Victoria Street, Warragul, Victoria

Next of Kin Henry Shepherd Wheeler (father)

Physical Description Height: 5 feet 7¾ inches Eyes: Brown Hair: Dark Complexion: Dark

Medals Awarded the British War Medal Awarded the Victory Medal on 17th March 1923. Awarded the 1914-15 Star. His medals were given to his father, Henry Shepherd Wheeler.

Points of Interest • On 16th August 1915, Francis landed at Gallipoli. • He was admitted to hospital for “trench feet” on 4th April 1917. • In his will, Frank left 100 pounds to Miss Nellie Perkins of Inverell, NSW and the rest of his property to his mother. • Frank’s two younger brothers, Hector and Norman are also listed on the DPS honour board. • Religion: Church of England

by Lizzie Lewis
Francis Henry Colombo Wheeler – Student Artist’s Impression

by Josh Nunn
Francis Henry Colombo Wheeler – Red Cross Wounded and Missing Report

17th Battn. 
A.I.F. 

WHEELER. 
L/Sgt. F.H.C. 1038.

"Killed in Action 9-10-17"

L/Sgt Wheeler left the support line at Passchendaele to secure some rations and was killed by shell fire. His body was eventually found and buried by the 43rd Battalion. 
His personal belongings were forwarded by our Battalion Hqrs to his next of kin on the 2nd December 1917. Have made inquiries and can find no foundation to the report of another Sergeant being wounded with Sgt Wheeler and we understand that Sgt Wheeler left for the rations dump by himself.

Letter from:- F.G. Ray, Lieut. 
C.C. 17th Battalion. C. Coy. 
15-11-18.

Note:- This reply was sent attached to our letter to Sgt McDonald.

Hector Wharton Wheeler (H. Wheeler)

Service Number 2249

Rank Private

Unit 22nd Infantry Battalion (4th Reinforcements)

Date of Enlistment 8th July 1915 at Melbourne.

Age 29 years 10 months. Born Rochester.

Fate Hector had a heart problem (Vernacular Disease of the Heart, V.D.H) and was discharged in Melbourne on 18th January 1917.

Embarkment Date: 27th September 1915
Place: Melbourne
Ship: HMAT Hororata

Previous Employment Chemist’s assistant

Address George Street, Warragul, Victoria

Next of Kin Henry Shepherd Wheeler (father)

Physical Description Height: 5 feet 6 inches
Eyes: Blue
Hair: Brown
Complexion: Fresh
He also had a scar on his right knee and a birth mark on his left shoulder.

Medals Awarded the British War Medal on 9th November 1921
Awarded the 1914-15 Star on 7th December 1920

Points of Interest
• Hector requested that he be discharged from the A.I.F.
• He was diagnosed with shell shock whilst serving in France.
• Hector's brothers, Frank and Norman are also listed on the DPS honour board.
• Religion: Church of England.

by Bella Jack
Hector Wharton Wheeler – Medical Report (page 1)

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<td>31 years</td>
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<td>5. Enlisted</td>
<td>on June 1915.</td>
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MEDICAL HISTORY OF THE INVALID.

Note.—The answers to the following questions are to be filled in by the Medical Officer by whom the soldier is brought forward. In answering them he will carefully discriminate between the man’s uncorrected statements on his case and reported evidence furnished by his documents, military and medical. He will also carefully discriminate cases entirely due to nervous disease.

8. Date and place of origin of the disability...

Invalided August 2nd 1916.

Etapes.

9. Give concisely the essential facts of the causation and history of the disability, noting entries on the Medical History Sheet bearing on the case, and give your opinion, in cases where it applies, as to what part military service has taken in its production.

Was under Dr. Stawell with similar trouble for 3 years 1910 - 1913 and before that had frequent dyspepsia.

Had Scarlet Fever 20 years ago.

Diphtheria 16 years ago.
**Hector Wharton Wheeler** – Medical Report (page 2)

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<td>F. 120. Heart beats to nipple line, systolic murmur present. Thyroid enlarged.</td>
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<td>16. In the case only of men who served in South Africa between the 11th October, 1899, and 31st May, 1902. Did he receive any hospital treatment in South Africa during the South African War; if so, for what diseases, in what hospitals, and at what approximate dates?</td>
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<td>17. Do you recommend—</td>
<td>Yes</td>
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E. S. Allan
Major
Medical Officer in charge of case.

I have satisfied myself of the general accuracy of this report, and concur therewith, except:

(Sgd.) Ramsay Webb Lt. Col.
Medical Officer in charge of Hospital.

Date Sept. 11th 1916.

* Loss of teeth, or, immediately after, active service, should be attributed thereto, unless there is evidence that it is due to some other cause.
* Delete this word if no exceptions are to be made.
### OPINION OF THE MEDICAL BOARD.

15. Is the disability the result of ordinary military service, active service, or climate? If so, to what specific conditions does the Board attribute it?

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**NOT APPLICABLE**

19. Has the disability been aggravated by—

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**NO**

20. Is the disability permanent?

**YES**

21. If not permanent, what is its probable minimum duration?

*(To be stated in months)*

22. To what extent is his capacity for earning a full livelihood in the general labour market limited at present?

*(In defining the extent of his inability to earn a livelihood estimate it at 1, 2, or 3/4, or total incapacity.)*

**NONE**

23. If an operation was advised and declined, was the refusal unreasonable?

**NOT APPLICABLE**

24. Does the Board recommend—

(a) Discharge, as permanently unfit; or
(b) Change to England?

**FINDING—Permanently unfit for General service and unfit for Home Service.**

**Signature**

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(SGD) E.S. ALLAN Major, President.


Date Sept. 22nd 1916

Approved—

Station Head Quarters

Date 2nd October 1916

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W. BAUER Major

E.W. FERGUSON Capt.

(SGD) D. MACKENZIE Major

Administrative Medical Officer.
REQUEST FOR DISCHARGE.

I, No. 1249, Rank: Private

NAME: Hector Wharton Wheeler
UNIT: 22 Battalion

request that my discharge from the Australian Imperial Forces be granted immediately. On receipt of my discharge, I release the Defence Department from any further payments except pension.

I understand my claim for pension will be considered after my discharge has been issued.

Signature: Hector Wharton Wheeler

Witness: H. Whyte

Address: Victoria Street, Warragul

G.14578.
Norman Ralph Wheeler (N. Wheeler)

Service Number 8071
Rank Driver
Unit 6th Field Artillery Brigade
Date of Enlistment 8th July 1915 at Melbourne.
Age 25 years 6 months. Born Bullarto.
Fate Norman was declared an invalid after complaining of pain in his left knee joint. He was sent for X-rays however the X-ray report was clear. Norman returned home and was discharged on 3rd September 1919 as medically unfit.

Embarkment
Date: 24th November 1915
Place: Melbourne
Ship: HMAT Botanist A59

Previous Employment Station manager

Address Warragul

Next of Kin H.S. Wheeler (father)

Physical Description
Height: 5 feet 10 inches
Eyes: Brown
Hair: Black
Complexion: Dark
He had a mole above his right knee and on his back as well as a scar on his right thigh.

Medals
Awarded the British War Medal
Awarded the Victory Medal in March 1929
He also received the 1914-15 Star.

Points of Interest
• He was rejected for service once due to this teeth.
• On 22nd November 1916 Norman was admitted to hospital for influenza.
• He was admitted to hospital with gastro on 27th May 1917.
• He was admitted to hospital for tonsillitis in France on the 12th September 1917.
• Norman’s two older brothers, Hector and Frank, are also listed on the DPS honour board.
• Religion: Church of England

by Bella Jack
Norman Ralph Wheeler – Student Artist’s Impression

NORMAN RALPH WHEELER  SN. 8071
**Frederick Harper Whitten (F.H. Whitten)**

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<td>21\textsuperscript{st} Infantry Battalion (11\textsuperscript{th} Reinforcements) Transferred to the Australian Postal Corps on 8\textsuperscript{th} November 1918.</td>
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<td>Date of Enlistment</td>
<td>20\textsuperscript{th} January 1916 at Brunswick</td>
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<tr>
<td>Age</td>
<td>22 years</td>
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<td>Fate</td>
<td>Frederick returned home on 5\textsuperscript{th} April 1919.</td>
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<td>Embarkment</td>
<td>Date: 29\textsuperscript{th} March 1916 Place: Melbourne Ship: HMAT Orontes</td>
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<td>Previous</td>
<td>Baker</td>
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<td>Address</td>
<td>2 Mary Street, Brunswick, Melbourne</td>
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<td>Next of Kin</td>
<td>Margaret Whitten (mother)</td>
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<td>Physical</td>
<td>Height: 5 feet 8 inches Eyes: Blue Hair: Fair Complexion: Fair He also had a mole on his right rump.</td>
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<td>Medals</td>
<td>Awarded the British War Medal on 26\textsuperscript{th} April 1921 Awarded the Victory Medal on 10\textsuperscript{th} June 1922</td>
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<td>Points of Interest</td>
<td>• He was born in Flemington, Melbourne • Frederick’s last name is constantly spelt without the ‘h’ • He spent 87 days in hospital receiving treatment for an illness. • His younger brother, George, is also listed on the DPS honour board. • Religion: Methodist</td>
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by Keaton Dickenson-Bray
Frederick Harper Whitten – Student Artist’s Impression

by Francesca and Giselle
George Henry Whitten (G. Whitten)

Service Number 5781

Rank He began as a Private, but was altered to Driver on 5th March 1919. He reverted back to Private on 10th April 1919.

Unit 5th Infantry Battalion (17th Reinforcements) but was transferred to the 1st Pioneers Battalion on 27th July 1916.

Date of Enlistment 10th March 1916

Age 18 years 2 months

Fate He was discharged on 10th September 1919

Embarkment Date: 4th April 1916
Place: Melbourne
Ship: HMAT Euripides A14

Previous Employment Labourer

Address 2 Mary Street, Brunswick, Melbourne

Next of Kin Margaret Whitten (mother)

Physical Description Height: 5 feet 7½ inches
Eyes: Brown
Hair: Dark brown
Complexion: Sallow
He also had a mole on his back and a scar on both of his knee caps.

Medals Awarded the British War Medal on 17th May 1921
Awarded the Victory Medal (date not discovered)

Points of Interest • He was born in the Parish of Cut-paw-paw, Yarraville.
• He had been in Senior Cadets for three years.
• George received a shell wound in his right shoulder on 1st October 1916, whilst serving in France.
• He was admitted to hospital with dysentery on 23rd December 1916.
• He was also admitted to hospital on three occasions for influenza.
• His older brother, Frederick, is also listed on the DPS honour board.
• Religion: Methodist.

by Keaton Dickson-Bray
George Henry Whitten – Student Artist’s Impression

by Sophie and Ruby
Percy Frederick Wilkin (P. Wilkin)

Service Number 7324

Rank Enlisted as a Private, but was promoted to Lance Corporal. He was demoted back to Private on 22nd November 1917. On 20th April 1918 he was promoted to Lance Corporal and then promoted to temporary Corporal on 27th November 1918. Finally, Percy reverted back to Lance Corporal on 16th January 1918.

Unit 8th Infantry Battalion (24th Reinforcements)

Date of Enlistment 10th January 1917 at Castlemaine

Age 21 years 11 months

Fate He returned to Australia on 2nd March 1919 and was discharged from the A.I.F on 1st April 1919.

Embarkment Date: 19th February 1917
Place: Melbourne
Ship: HMAT Ballarat A70

Previous Employment Teacher

Address Vincent Street South, Daylesford

Next of Kin Wilhemina J. Wilkin (wife)

Physical Description Height: 5 feet 10 inches
Eyes: Blue
Hair: Fair
Complexion: Fair
He also wore dentures.

Medals Awarded the Military Medal for ‘conspicuous gallantry’ on 23rd August 1918.
Awarded the British War Medal on 27th February 1922.
Awarded the Victory Medal.

Points of Interest • Before he enlisted Percy was a teacher (the Sloyd-master) at DSS and was responsible for helping to design and construct the honour board.
• On 25th August 1918 he was wounded in action when he was poisoned by a gas shell.
• After his platoon officer was killed, Percy led his platoon to safety, capturing enemy crews and obtaining their machine guns. This is why he was awarded the Military Medal.
• He was gassed twice.
• Religion: Baptist

by Bella Jack
Percy Frederick Wilkin – Student Artist’s Impression

by Zach and Banjo
For conspicuous gallantry during the attack on HERLEVILLE WOOD near CHUIGNES on 23rd Aug. 1918, after his platoon officer had been killed L/Cpl. WILKIN took charge of his platoon and led them on to the objective with great skill and courage. During the advance his two Lewis Guns were knocked out and he was held up by enemy machine gun fire. He pushed forward with only two men and rushed an enemy machine gun nest capturing two guns and taking the crews prisoners. He then allotted teams to the guns from his platoon and took them forward in the advance in place of his disabled gun. By pushing forward from time to time in advance of the line with these guns he lent invaluable assistance to other parts of the line by bringing enfilade machine gun fire to bear on the enemy. His courage and initiative greatly facilitated the advance.

Major General.
Commanding 1st Australian Division.

Fredrick George Leopold Willard (F. Willard)

Service Number 2837

Rank Private

Unit Enlisting in the 23rd Infantry Battalion (6th Reinforcements), Frederick was then transferred to the 58th Infantry Battalion where he served from 23rd February 1916 until 14th March 1916, where he was then transferred to the 57th Infantry Battalion.

Date of Enlistment 14th July 1915 at Melbourne.

Age 30 years 11 months. Born Daylesford.

Fate Discharged on 26th September 1916 due to knee cap instability (lax patella).

Embarkment Date: 27th October 1915
Place: Melbourne
Ship: HMAT Ulysses A38

Previous Employment Vocalist

Address Lygon Street, Carlton, Victoria

Next of Kin Mrs A. Willard (mother)

Physical Description Height: 5 feet 8 inches
Complexion: Fresh
Eyes: Grey
Hair: Dark brown
He also had four vaccination marks on his left arm and a scar just below his right knee

Medals Awarded the 1914-15 Star on 14th September 1921

Points of Interest • He spent four years in the Daylesford Junior Cadets.
• Discharged due to an injury which occurred, by accident, at camp.
• Religion: Church of England.

by Joe Vivian
**For War Pension Purposes.**

**DUPLICATE**

**Army Form B. 179.**

**PROCEEDINGS OF A MEDICAL BOARD ON AN INVALID.**

- **Station:** No.3. Aux. Hospt. Cairo
- **Date:** 31.3.16.

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<td>3. Name</td>
<td>WILLARD F.G.L.</td>
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<td>4. Age last birthday</td>
<td>31 years</td>
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<td>5. Born</td>
<td>on 16th July 1915.</td>
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<td>6. At</td>
<td>Melbourne Victoria.</td>
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<td>7. Disability</td>
<td>Synovitis of Knee joint.</td>
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<td>Vocalist.</td>
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**MEDICAL HISTORY OF THE INVALID.**

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| 8. Date and place of origin of the disability | August 1915.
|---------------------------------------------| Seymour Victoria. |

9. Give concisely the essential facts of the causation and history of the disability, noting entries on the Medical History Sheet bearing on the case, and give your opinion, in cases where it applies, as to what part military service has taken in its production:

Slipped and fell in camp crossing gutter.

Knee swelled up for a few days and since that time has always been a nuisance.

Knee feels weak after long standing. Swells after heavy marching.

Injury

Not applicable.
Frederick George Leopold Willard- Medical Board Report
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<td>Patient cannot undertake any severe exercise without having trouble from his knee. Otherwise healthy.</td>
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<td>Weight should be given in all cases when it is likely to afford evidence of the progress of the disability.</td>
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<td>12. Was a Court of Inquiry held on the injury?</td>
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(Spc) W. M. Kay Capt.
Medical Officer in charge of case.

I have satisfied myself of the general accuracy of this report, and concur therewith, except:

Station: 3rd Aux Hospital
Date: 2nd April 1916

(Spc) T. H. Chas. Gray Lient Col.
Medical Officer in charge of Hospital.

* Loss of teeth on, or immediately after, active service, should be attributed thereto, unless there is evidence that it is due to some other reason.

† Delete this word if no exceptions are to be made.

### Richard (Dick) Wilson (R. Wilson)

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<td>He died on 20th April 1917 in the Sydney Hall Military Hospital, Weymouth, England, from a disease called pernicious anaemia at the age of 21. The disease was attributed to an electric shock he received while boarding a train in France. Richard is buried in Melcombe Regis Cemetery, Dorset, England. His grave is located in plot 3, row C, grave number 2557. His headstone reads “In fond memory of our brave soldier/R.M &amp; E.M Wilson &amp; Family”.</td>
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<th>Previous Employment</th>
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| Address         | Albert Street, Daylesford, Victoria |

| Next of Kin      | Robert Nimmo Wilson (father) |

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<td>He also had a scar on his right knee, his back, his left side and his nose.</td>
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| Medals            | Awarded the British War Medal on 15th July 1921 |

| Points of interest | He had previously held an apprenticeship. |
|--------------------| He spent two and a half years in Senior Cadets and joined the Citizens Forces. |
|                    | He contracted influenza. |
|                    | His older brother, Robert Allan Wilson, who is also listed on the DPS honour board, had to collect Richard’s medal. |
|                    | Religion: Presbyterian |

by Yemaya Greenwood
Richard (Dick) Wilson – Student Artist’s Impression

by Aleesha and Sebasten
Richard (Dick) Wilson – Red Cross Wounded and Missing Report

Pte. Wilson was admitted to the Sidney Hall Military Hospital, Weymouth on March 4th 1917 suffering from middle ear disease and extreme anaemia. He stated that ever since he came in contact with a live wire rail in France some months previously, he had been getting steadily weaker and more pallid and he attributed his illness to the electric shock. Examination of the patient's blood revealed the fact that the anaemia was "pernicious" in character. Arsenic was prescribed, but in spite of treatment, patient's condition got steadily worse. He suffered no pain, but was troubled with shortness of breath for which inhalations of oxygen were given. He became more and more drowsy and finally died in a state of coma April 19th, 1917. He was buried in the Melcombe Regis Cemetery, Weymouth on 23.4.17, the funeral being carried out by No. 2 Aust. Command Depot Weymouth.

Letter from: -
The M.O.
Sidney Hall Hospital

"Died of Illness"

PARTICULARS OF THE DEATH OF A DAYLESFORD SOLDIER.

Some weeks ago the cables announced the death of Private Dick Wilson, second son of Mr R. Wilson, of Albert Streets. Particulars of his end have been furnished to his parents by the Matron of the Weymouth hospital, where he expired by two Army Chaplains, a Salvation Army officer, a visitor to the wounded soldiers, and a Major’s wife.

Before giving extracts from these letters we purpose recounting a few incidents (furnished by the young soldier himself) which led to his fatal illness.

Some weeks after leaving Victoria he wrote from England saying that he had been in Suez, Alexandra and Tel-el-Keber. He spent five days there, with the thermometer at 120 degrees in the coolest spot available, and was glad when he could leave the heat and dust storms of that part of the world behind him. Great caution had to be exercised when passing through the Mediterranean Sea, as at the time his boat was there three others had been sunk by the enemy. He had a peep at Malta, went thence to Marseilles, proceeded up the Valley of the Rhone, through lovely country, till near Paris, where he branched off for Havre. This was a very long, but enjoyable journey, occupying two days and three nights. He trained for some time on Salisbury Plain, where the rain poured down almost incessantly. While there he met lots of his Daylesford acquaintances, also Chaplain Hume Robertson, Chaplain Smiley (of the Presbyterian denomination), and Officer Harewood (of the Salvation Army). All three knew something about Daylesford, having spent some time in this town.
In letters of more recent date, Private Wilson mentioned that he was in hospital suffering from poverty of blood and otitis media. He described the hospital as, prior to the war, military quarters, a two-storey building of 16 large rooms, containing 10 beds in each. He described his trouble, after the otitis media was overcome, as a sweated gland, with soreness of the neck, an opening in the outer ear which swelled up. It had been lanced three times by the specialist in attendance. He attributed his long illness to an electric shock sustained while passing through France. At a railway siding where the troops had alighted for lunch he stood on the rail of an electric train to get into his carriage, not knowing that these tubes which are about 12 inches above the railroad, are used instead of overhead wires, and are charged with electricity. Having on a pair of thin sandals, which he had been using on the boat, he felt the shock rather severely, as it knocked him down, but beyond a certain numbness, experienced no ill effects, and did not connect his illness with the incidents until the hospital staff explained that the excessive bleeding at the nose, from which he suffered for weeks, was partly, if not wholly, the result of the shock. After the excessive bleeding his remaining blood was too poor, consequently the wound would not heal. The matron who sympathised with the bereaved family diagnosed his complaint as pernicious anaemia. A lady who is a regular visitor to the hospital described the soldier as a cheerful, bright patient, whose poorness of blood made him peculiarly susceptible to cold. She added that the severe winter had tried the stamina of many Australians; that the matron, a dear little woman, who is kindness itself, did all she could for their comfort and recovery, and that the medical superintendent was remarkable for his skill and humanity, making the patients as comfortable as circumstances would permit. Some of the nurses are more considerate than others, but every care is taken of patients, and they do not appear to want for anything.
My dear Mrs Wilson,

Long before this letter reaches you, you will have had official notice of the death of your son. I have been constantly visiting him since I wrote to you when he first entered Sydney Hall Hospital. Three days before his death I was in the Hospital, and had a good chat with him. I really thought he would pull through, alright. That was Monday and Tuesday of last week. On Friday I went in again, and on entering the balcony ward where he was I noticed his bed empty. I said, "Where is Wilson?" His hospital ward mate said "He died this morning, Sir." I was thunderstruck. The strain had been too much for his heart, and our Heavenly Father relieved him from his daily struggle and took him to be with himself. I found Sister Marshall, a very nice nurse, who was on duty when he passed away, and feeling on his behalf, I went to his bedside five minutes before he died, and at his request she gave him a drink and stroked his forehead while his spirit took its flight.

The exact time was 3.40 a.m. on Friday, April 20th, 1917. I have just come back to camp from his funeral, and at once sat down to write you this letter. This is the first warm bright day we have had this year. Your boy had a really beautiful funeral. The Depot Band attended, also the firing party (about 220 soldiers), and two of his best hospital mates, in addition to several officers, including myself. At the cemetery, which is in a sweet, quiet part of Weymouth, a simple, nice service was conducted by the Church of England Chaplain, a Rev. G.H. Pitts-Owen, of Sydney (Captain Chaplain of the A.I.F.).

After the prayer and reading we sang the first and last verses of Hymn 30 in a little Church of England book. Feeling you would like the very book used at the service, I kept the one I used, and will post it to you. The day was just such a day as you will have in Daylesford about the end of September. The birds were twittering in the trees and I thought of you, and have prayed that God will bless you, and comfort you in this hour of sorrow. Had you been here you could not have wished for a nicer funeral for your son, nor for a nicer coffin. My prayers are with you all, and may our Heavenly Father bless you. I hope your loved ones at home and yourself are earnestly serving God, and enjoying the knowledge of his salvation. Remember God so loved the world that he sent his only begotten son to redeem us and procure our Salvation, after confessing our sin to God. I conclude with kindest regards. Your boy was loved by his hospital chums, and the two who went to the funeral were really not strong enough to do so; others wanted to go but a General was visiting the hospital that afternoon and no man was allowed out.

Yours for Christ and duty,

(Signed) ERNEST J. HAREWOOD,
of Ballarat, Salvation Officer with the A.I.F., England.

With deepest sympathy,
Yours for Christ and duty

(signet) ERNEST J. HAREWOOD,
of Ballarat, Salvation Officer with the A.I.F., England.
Private Wilson seems to have been popular wherever he went, as while he was working at his trade as baker, in Northcote, Victoria, he made scores of friends in Church, Sunday School and social societies. The secretary of the Fairfield Gymnasium Club wrote a letter of condolence to the Wilson family, in which he said that by the death of Private Dick Wilson the club had sustained a sad loss; he was a popular member, liked by the instructor and members, and was a youth with whom they had all been proud to associate. He (the writer) remarked: “It was a sweet thought that he had answered the call to arms, along with so many of our hero members.”

Deceased had been expected home; he had cabled news to that effect last October, but had a relapse and later Chaplain Smiley wrote, saying he seemed to be making a wonderful recovery; though he never thought he would when first he saw him, and when strong enough would be taken back to Australia where they hoped his own native air would aid his recovery. He was very weak and bore his illness without complaint. An effective service was held in the Methodist Church, Fairfield, which Private Wilson attended, in memory of him. The honour roll there bears his name, and its Union Jack draped the pulpit on the occasion.
**Robert Alan Wilson (R.A. Wilson)**

**Service Number** 3684

**Rank** Robert began as a Private but was promoted to Lance Corporal.

**Unit** 57th Infantry Battalion

**Date of Enlistment** 19th July 1915

**Age** 21 years 5 months

**Fate** Robert returned to Australia and was discharged from the Australian Imperial Force.

**Embarkment**
- **Date:** 5th January 1916
- **Place:** Melbourne
- **Ship:** HMAT Afric A19

**Previous Employment** Operating Porter

**Address** Albert Street, Daylesford

**Next of Kin** Elizabeth M. Wilson (mother)

**Physical Description** Not discovered

**Medals**
- Awarded the Military Medal for conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty near Villers Bretonneux, France on 8th August 1918.
- Awarded the British War Medal on 11th April 1921
- Awarded the Victory Medal on 14th March 1922

**Points of Interest**
- He repaired a phone line, several times, whilst under machine gun fire.
- He paid ten pounds to replace his Military Medal.
- All three of his medals, along with some cash, were stolen from his safe at the Donnybrook Railway Station
- He was admitted to hospital for sore feet on 30th March 1916.
- His younger brother Dick (R. Wilson) is also listed on the DPS honour board.
- Religion: Presbyterian

by Yemaya Greenwood
During the advance East of VILLERS BRETONNEUX on 8th August 1918, these two signallers displayed conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. On the 8th August a telephone line was laid to connect the final objective with rear Battalion station. This line was of the utmost importance to Brigade and was frequently cut by hostile shelling. The enemy kept up a constant bombardment of the captured area and swept the forward area with machine gun fire. These two men repeatedly went out under this fire and effected repairs to the line. Again on the morning of 9th August they several times repeated the performance and restored communication at a very critical period when a new advance had commenced and the news was of great value. Their disregard of personal danger and devotion to duty merit recognition.

(Sgd) J. TALBOT HOBBS. MAJOR GENERAL.
Commanding 5th AUSTRALIAN DIVISION

Robert Alan Wilson – Letter to Base Records

Office of the
Base Records Office
Victoria Barracks
Melbourne

Dear Sirs,

Have you any trace of the following Medals issued to me as a military Medal:

Victory Medal
British War Medal

The above three medals were stolen from safe of Donnybrook Rail Station together with a considerable amount of cash etc. during 1925 or 1926. I could get the exact date if it was required from the Railway Dept. of which I am an Employee. If same are not on hand at yours, would you please advise me the best way in which I could obtain duplicates of same, if that is possible.

Yours sincerely,

R. A. Wilson

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Officer In Charge
Base Records Office
Victorian Barracks
Melbourne

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Yours Sincerely

R.A Wilson

3684 R.A. WILSON
57th Batt
15 Bgde
A.I.F

William Alexander Zeis (W.A. Zeis)

Service Number  He did not receive a service number
Rank  Private
Unit  20th Depot Battalion
Date of Enlistment  Not discovered
Age  21 years 2 months
Fate  He died in the Castlemaine Hospital of tuberculosis of the lung, and larynx and exhaustion on 6th July 1916. He is buried in the Daylesford Cemetery.
Embarkment  Did not leave Australia
Previous Employment  Clerk
Address  Perrin Street, Daylesford
Next of Kin  Alexandria Aniss (mother). Her husband was Thomas Aniss.
Physical Description  Height: 5 feet 8 inches
                      Eyes: Brown
                      Hair: Brown
                      Complexion: Fair
                      He also had a flesh mark on his lower back.
Medals  He did not receive any medals.
Points of Interest  • He served in the Citizens Forces for 10 months
                    • He went to Signal School from 14th September 1915 until he was transferred to hospital on 7th December 1915.
                    • His younger sister, Myrtle, born 14th August 1899, attended DSS.
                    • Religion: Presbyterian.

by Carly Elderfield
William Alexander Zeis – Memoriam

ZEIS – In loving memory of our dear son and brother, Signaller W.A. Zeis (Willie), who died at Castlemaine Hospital, July 6, 1916, and loving grandson of Mrs Gane, loving stepson of Pte T. Anniss, A.I.F., and loving fiancée of Daisy Harriman, Bendigo, late of Castlemaine.

His King and Country called him,
The call was not in vain,
On Australia’s roll of honor
You will find dear Willie’s name.

Just when his life was brightest,
Just when his hopes were best,
He was called from this world of sorrow
To a home of eternal rest.

“He tried to do his duty; but God knew best”

Inserted by his loving mother, sisters, brother and his fiancée.

Family Notices. (1918, July 5).
**William Ernest Zimmer (W. Zimmer)**

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<td><strong>Age</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Fate</strong></td>
<td>William was discharged in Melbourne from the Australian Imperial Forces on 16th May 1919 as he was declared medically unfit having received a gunshot wound to his left arm.</td>
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| **Embarkment**     | Date: 8th February 1916  
Place: Melbourne  
Ship: HMAT Warilda A69 |
| **Previous Employment** | Blacksmith |
| **Address**        | 42 Napier Street, South Melbourne |
| **Next of Kin**    | William John Zimmer (father) |
| **Physical Description** | Height: 5 feet 6½ inches  
Eyes: Hazel  
Hair: Dark brown  
He also had moles on the back of his neck. |
| **Medals**         | Awarded the British War medal on 16th September 1922  
Awarded the Victory medal on 16th September 1922 |
| **Points of Interest** | • His right foot was wounded on 7th August 1916.  
• He was admitted to hospital for a septic knee (right) on 17th March 1918.  
• He was absent without leave and had to forfeit a total of 42 days’ of pay.  
• On 19th August 1918 he was shot in the face and left forearm.  
• Religion: Methodist. |

by Carly Elderfield
William Ernest Zimmer – Student Artist’s Impression
William Ernest Zimmer – Particulars of Service in the AIF

PARTICULARS OF SERVICE IN THE A.I.F. IN CONNECTION WITH

ISSUED TO DEPARTMENT OF REPATRIATION, ST KILDA ROAD, MELBOURNE.


7/7/16
Enlisted in the A.I.F.

6/2/17
Embarked for Active Service Abroad.

21/3/16
Embarked at Alexandria for Egypt.

27/3/16
Disembarked at Marseilles.

7/7/16
Joined 2nd. Battalion.

8/6/16

7/8/16
Embarked for England.

16/8/16
Discharged from No.1 Field Hospital, to Harwich - Bound Right Foot - 31st.

4/12/16
SICK. 6 days C.S. - total forti for 5 days pay R.S.

6/1/17
Embarked No.4 Com. Depot, from Hospital.

21/1/17
Transferred to 67th. Bn. Blackfriars Hill Camp.

16/4/17
Rejoined 2nd. Battalion.

19/9/17

27/10/17
Admitted 7th. A.F. Amb. - W/Buried by shell.

10/1/18
Discharged from duty - rejoined 2nd. Bn.

10/1/18
Admitted 7th. A.F. Amb. - Gastritis.

21/3/18
Discharged from duty.

27/10/17
Admitted 5th. A.F. Amb. - Septic R. Knee.

15/2/18
Transferred to 2nd. A.O. Hospital, Boulogne - Septic right knee.

20/3/18
Admitted Armstrong Hill, Hospital, Septic Right Knee (Severe) accidental.

8/4/18
Transferred to 3rd. Aux. Hospital, Harfert.

10/4/18
Discharged from hospital to No.3 Com. Depot.

21/4/18
transferred to No.3 Com. Depot. - From No.5 Com. Depot.

12/7/18

17/7/18
Proceeded to join unit.

20/7/18
Rejoined 2nd. Battalion.

16/8/18
Wounded in Action - 3rd. Occ.

19/8/18
Admitted 50th. F.E. Amb. - S.A.F. Face & L/Fossa.

28/8/18
Transferred to 5th. Gen. Hospital, Rouen, O.S.W.

29/8/18
Embarked for England.

William Ernest Zimmer – Particulars of Service

24/8/18  Admitted Colliton House, Dorchester, O.S.W. Face & arm - left.
16/9/18  Transferred to lst. Aux. Hospital, Harefield.
18/9/18  Discharged from Hospital, granted Furlo. & report to No.1 Con. Depot, 2/10/18.
2/10/18  Marched into No.1 Con. Depot, S'Veny, ex Furlo. - Class. Blk.
12/11/18  Marched out to O/seas Tng. Rde.

OFFENCE. Sandhill. A.W.L. from 29.1.18 to 3/12/18
8/12/18  Award, 4 days forf. of pay. Total forf. 8 days' pay.
28/1/18  Left England for return to Australia per "Ceramic"
30/2/18  Disembarked at Melbourne.
16/5/19  Discharged from the A.I.F. at Melbourne. Medical
Unfit - Disability - O.S.W. Arm (left)

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Copy of A.W. Form E2 attached - No other medical papers available at this office.

Captain,


Officer & Base Records.