

John Frederick YORKE

06/06/2018

John Frederick YORKE

AKA JACK

Late of Morgan St, Adamstown

Is the Great Grandson of Constable
William OXLEY – NSWPF

New South Wales Police Force

Regd. # **????**

Rank: Constable

Stations: **?**, Newcastle (last 11 years)

Service: From **? ? 1920** to 18 January
1936 = 16 years Service

[blockquote]

World War I

Australian Imperial Force

Regiment:

53rd Battalion, 3rd Reinforcement

Enlisted:

28 February 1916

Service

#

2022

Rank:

Private (Machine Gunner)

Embarkation:

**from Sydney on board HMAT A37 Barambah on
23 June 1916**

Age at embarkation:

25

Occupation:

Labourer

Address:

' Lindburn ', Mudgee, NSW

Next

of

kin:

**Father, Robert John Yorke, ' Lindburn ',
Mudgee, NSW**

Religion:

Church of England

Single / Married:

Single

**Returned to Australia:
1919**

5 April

Awards:

?

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Awards: No find on It's An Honour

Born: 27 October 1890 at Cooyal,
Mudgee, NSW

Died on: Saturday 18 January 1936

Age: 44

Cause: Heart trouble & disabilities
sustained at the Great War – WWI

Event location: Home – Morgan St,
Adamstown

Event date: Saturday 18 January 1936

Funeral date: Sunday 19 January 1936 @
2.15pm

Funeral location: Soldiers' Memorial
Hall, Perkin St, Newcastle then Graveside
– Sandgate Cemetery via Civic Railway
Station

Funeral Parlour: David Lloyd Funeral
Director

Buried at: Sandgate Cemetery,

GPS of Grave: -32.867239428,
151.706454238

Anglican 2, Section 139, Lot 78

Memorial located at: ?



JOHN is NOT mentioned on the Police Wall of Remembrance * NOT
JOB RELATED

Grave location: [\[codepeople-post-map\]](#)



John Frederick YORKE 27-10-1890 to 18-1-1936

YOU MEET AGAIN. LOVE **LFNJDL** Eva Mabel (Lena)
YORKE 2-4-1890 to 14-1-1992 **It is not known,**
by this website, what the acronym means.

**FURTHER INFORMATION IS NEEDED ABOUT THIS PERSON, THEIR LIFE,
THEIR CAREER AND THEIR DEATH.**

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May they forever Rest In Peace

Mudgee Guardian and North-Western Representative (NSW : 1890 –
1954), **Monday 3 February 1936**, page 6

ANOTHER DIGGER PASSES

Constable Yorke Hears Last Call

A GALLANT digger, fine comrade and splendid citizen, in the person of **Constable J. F. Yorke**, "**went west**" at Adamstown quite recently, and Australia is the poorer by his passing.

Son of Mr **Robert J. Yorke**, a pioneer settler of the **Linburn district**, deceased spent his early life among us, and won for himself friends among all classes of the community.

When the war drums sounded he, with other young patriots, sprang to arms, and on the other side he did honor to the

country which reared him.

As a **machine gunner** in the **53rd battalion**, he fought with the cool courage of a veteran, and returned to Australia with a proud record of service.

The police force then attracted him, and he linked up with the northern branch.

For about 14 years he fulfilled a public duty with the same splendid spirit which characterised his war service, and earned the respect of those among whom he served and the confidence of his officers. The high esteem in which he was held made itself manifest at his funeral, the sad cortege being one of the most impressive seen in the north for many years.

From the War Memorial Institute, Newcastle, marched over 70 members of the police force, including the officer in charge of the division (also representative of the Commissioner). Inspectors Aspery, McAlpine and Davis, and other prominent officials.

A sorrowing widow and six children are left to mourn a devoted husband and father, and their grief is great. His venerable father, who has borne up with great fortitude under the buffetings of adversity, will have the deepest sympathy of the whole district.

Other members of the bereaved family are Mr Stan Yorke (brother). Mrs Drew (sister,. Home Rule), and Mrs B. Pyne (sister, Sydney).

The " Guardian " sympathises with the sorrowing family who, however, will. And some consolation in the knowledge that their loved one was held In such universal respect.

<https://trove.nla.gov.au/newspaper/article/162514683>

Newcastle Morning Herald and Miners' Advocate (NSW : 1876 – 1954), **Monday 20 January 1936**, page 6

POLICE MARCH

Funeral of Constable Yorke

Headed by the band of the **2/35th Battalion**, 70 members of the **Newcastle police force**, led by **Constable S. (Stephen) Pender**, marched yesterday at the funeral of **Constable John Frederick Yorke**, who died suddenly at his home at Adamstown early on Saturday morning.

The funeral left the **Returned Sailors and Soldiers' Memorial Hall, Perkin-street**, yesterday, and proceeded to the **Civic railway station**, and then to **Sandgate Cemetery**.

The coffin was draped in the **Union Jack**.

The chief mourners were the widow, the father, Mr. Robert Yorke, of Linburn, near Mudgee: sisters. Mesdames C. H. Raisin, of Linburn, S. Pyne, of Sydney, Mrs. A. James, mother-in-law, of Home Ride, near Gulgong: Mesdames Esther Simpson. A. James, and Miss T. James sisters-in-law: Mr. Edgar James, brother-in-law of Home Rule; and the Mayor of Paddington (Ald. T. J. Whelan), a close friend.

The pall-bearers were Constables W. S. Brady, H. G. Brady, K. J. Costello. and E. Francis. Detectives E. H. Schumack and C. W. R. McMahon. and Messrs. W. Yates and A. Williams, representing the Adamstown Bowling Club.

Rev. M. M. Redman, of the Church of England, Adamstown, held the graveside service.

The service of the **Manchester Unity Independent Order of Oddfellows**, of which Constable Yorke had been a member, was read by the Deputy Grand Master (Bro. G. Kelly).

Constable Yorke was born at Mudgee 44 years ago.

Death was due to **heart trouble and the effects of disabilities sustained at the Great War**, where he served **three years** with the **53rd Battalion**.

He is survived by his widow and six children.

Quiet and unassuming, he was popular in the police force which he joined **16 years ago**.

He had been stationed at Newcastle for the past 11 years.

Among those present at the funeral were the **Officer in charge of the North-Eastern police district (Mr. J. H. White)**, who represented the **Commissioner of Police (Mr. W. J. Mackay)**: Inspectors J. H. Aspery, A. G. McAlpin. and F. Noble: Messrs. W. Snow, President, and G. Hook, Secretary representing the Friendly Societies' Association; Mr. J. Tarn, Assistant Clerk of Petty Sessions, representing the staff of the Newcastle Courthouse: and several members of the Adamstown Bowling Club.

<https://trove.nla.gov.au/newspaper/article/142405448>

Married Lena 'Eva' Mabel JAMES (2/4/1890 – 14/1/1992) in 1922 at Gulgong, NSW.

Mudgee Guardian and North-Western Representative (NSW : 1890 – 1954), **Monday 26 May 1919**, page 2

Returned Soldiers.

Private J. Yorke, son of Mr. Robert Yorke, of Linburn arrived home on Saturday morning looking remarkably well.

<https://trove.nla.gov.au/newspaper/article/158004259>

Victor Harry McCROHON

06/06/2018

Victor Harry McCROHON

AKA Vic, Digger

Grandson to John McCROHON – appointed 1836

**Father to Vicki McCrohon – NSWPF – P/W 0123 – Class 120
(1964) & Rejoinee P/W 0202 – Class 141 (1974)**

Nephew to Ernest Edward McCrohon – NSWPF – ‘Q’ 9403

Late of ?

New South Wales Police Force
Penrith Police College Class 003

Uniform # 2372

Regd. # 5009

Came 1st in his final examination for Class 003 on 6 June 1947

Rank: Probationary Constable – appointed 4 February 1946 (aged 29 years, 3 months, 9 days)

Sergeant 2nd Class – appointed 1 July 1967 (appears in the 1968 & 1969 Stud Books)

Stations: ?, ' R ' District, Newcastle, Clarencetown, Griffith (1965 – Retirement)

Service: From ?? pre January 1946? to ?? 1969 = 23 years
Service

[blockquote]

World War II

Australian Imperial Force

Regiment: Armed Corps
Training Squadron

Enlisted: East
Maitland on 4 November 1939

Service #

NX661

Rank:

Corporal – 21 May 1937, Sergeant – from 26 September 1941,
Lieutenant – from 4 August 1942

Prev. Emp:
Driver

Steam Engine

Age on Enlisting:

22

Embarkation:

18 March 1943

Next of kin:

Alexander

McCrohon (Father)

Religion:

Presbyterian

Single / Married:
Edna)

Single (Married

Returned to Australia: ?

Address:

207

Dumaresque St, Armidale

Desc as of 3 Jan 1946:

Married. 1 child over
16 years. Victor = 28 yrs 11 mths, 6' 1.5", Brown eyes, med
complexion, dark brown hair. Missing 1st joint on right hand
index finger. Appendix scar.

Operational Service:

Middle East

Embarked from Aust January 1940. Disembarked in Aust 17
December 1941

New Guinea Embarked from Aust 7 November 1942.
Disembarked in Aust 24 April 1943

Served:

From 4

November 1939 until 3 January 1946 = 1867 days

464 days in Australia. 876 days overseas

Awards: War Badge.
M.I.D. (Mentioned in Despatches 23 December 1943)

[/blockquote]

Awards: No find on It's An Honour

Police Long Service and Good Conduct Medal – granted 28 March
1972

Born: Thursday 26 October 1916 – Hillgrove, NSW

Died on: 13 September 1981 ~~10 May 1982~~ ??? (A.W.G. List)
Australian War Graves List

Age: 64 years, 10 months, 18 days

~~65 years, 6 months, 14 days~~

Cause: ?

Event location: ?

Event date: ?

Funeral date: ? ? ?

Funeral location: ?, Griffith, NSW

Funeral Parlour: ?

Buried at: ?

Memorial located at: ?





VICTOR is NOT mentioned on the Police Wall of Remembrance

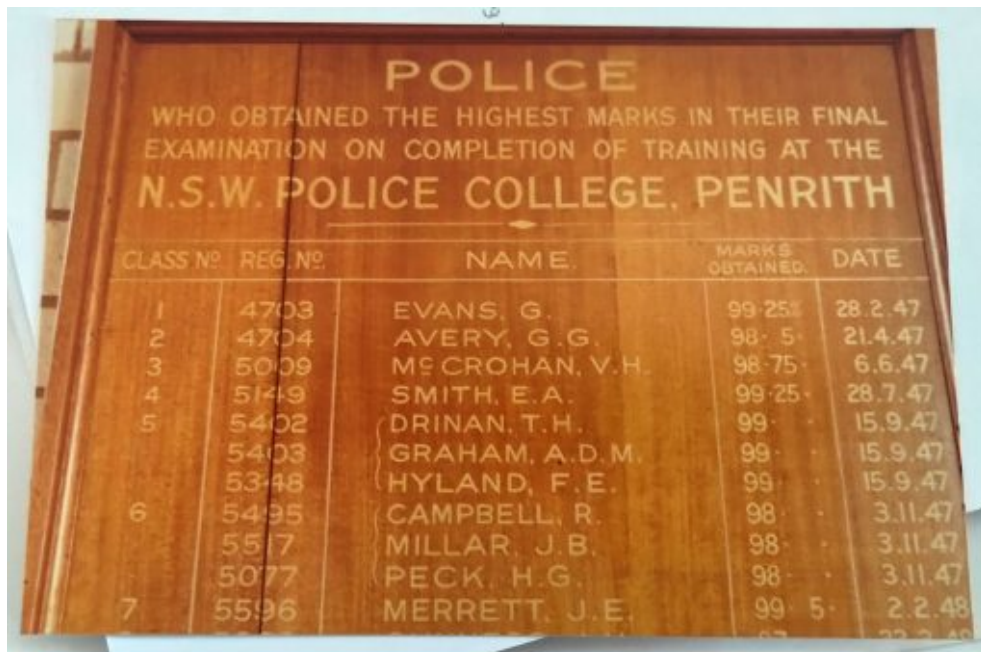
***NEED MORE INFO**

Funeral location: TBA

**FURTHER INFORMATION IS NEEDED ABOUT THIS PERSON, THEIR LIFE,
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POLICE
WHO OBTAINED THE HIGHEST MARKS IN THEIR FINAL
EXAMINATION ON COMPLETION OF TRAINING AT THE
N.S.W. POLICE COLLEGE, PENRITH

CLASS NO.	REG. NO.	NAME.	MARKS OBTAINED.	DATE
1	4703	EVANS, G.	99.25	28.2.47
2	4704	AVERY, G.G.	98.5	21.4.47
3	5009	MCCROHAN, V.H.	98.75	6.6.47
4	5149	SMITH, E.A.	99.25	28.7.47
5	5402	DRINAN, T.H.	99.	15.9.47
	5403	GRAHAM, A.D.M.	99.	15.9.47
	5348	HYLAND, F.E.	99.	15.9.47
6	5495	CAMPBELL, R.	98.	3.11.47
	5517	MILLAR, J.B.	98.	3.11.47
	5077	PECK, H.G.	98.	3.11.47
7	5596	MERRETT, J.E.	99.5	2.2.48

NSW Police College, Penrith. Police who obtained the highest marks in their final examination on completion of training at the NSW Police College, Penrith. 1947 – 1948

Dungog Chronicle : Durham and Gloucester Advertiser (NSW :
1894 – 1954),

Saturday 30 August 1952, page 4

News About People

And What They Are Doing

Constable Vic McCrohon, of **Clarence Town**, is absent on special duty. He is giving revolver instruction to country police stations.

<https://trove.nla.gov.au/newspaper/article/140852740>

Dungog Chronicle : Durham and Gloucester Advertiser (NSW :
1894 – 1954),

Saturday 5 May 1951, page 2

Clarence Town War Memorial Committee

The Annual Meeting of the Clarence Town and District 1939 – 45 War Memorial Committee will be held in the **School of Arts Hall, Clarence Town**, next Monday night, 7th May, at 8 p.m. Business: Important.

VIC McCROHON,

Secretary

Dungog Chronicle : Durham and Gloucester Advertiser (NSW :
1894 – 1954),

Saturday 4 March 1950, page 4

CLARENCE TOWN

(From Our Correspondent)

BRIGADIER MACARTHUR ONSLOW'S VISIT.

On Thursday, 16th February, **Brigadier D. MacArthur Onslow** paid a visit to **Clarence Town** to carry out an inspection of the area with regard to the formation of a unit of the **Citizens Forces** in the district. He was very high in his praise of the district and stated that it was ideally suited for the formation of an amphibious unit of the **Citizen Forces**. However, the lack of a suitable building that could be utilized as a **Drill Hall** was an obstacle but despite this he felt sure that he could convince the authorities that the expense of erecting one would be justified as it was his considered opinion that it was to the men on the land that this country could depend upon.

The men in the closer settled areas have many distractions whilst the man on the land is a deeper thinker and realises the need for **Citizen Military Forces**.

The **Brigadier** was met by **Mr. Vic. McCrohon**, who served under him during the **last war** and was later met by **Mr. M. W. Dark** and various other citizens of the district.

He stated that he thought that **Clarence Town** had very good prospects of having an industry set up because the **Williams**

River was so well suited to shipping. He would not hesitate in recommending the district to anyone requiring a factory site.

It may be remembered that the **Brigadier** is a man of many business interests, one such business being the **Camden Vale Dairies** which is in the process of having a **circular dairy** installed – the **third in the world** and the **first in the southern hemisphere**.

<https://trove.nla.gov.au/newspaper/article/140855122>

Dungog Chronicle : Durham and Gloucester Advertiser (NSW :
1894 – 1954),

Saturday 4 March 1950, page 4

ANNUAL MEETING OF FOOTBALL CLUB

The annual meeting of the **Clarence Town Football Club** took place on Saturday, **February 18th**, when the balance sheet for the year **1949** was presented and the election of officers for **1960** took place.

In opening the meeting the **chairman, Mr. J. Moylan**, congratulated the club on the performance it had put up last year both on the field of sport and on its **splendid financial position** for the commencement of a new season. He pointed out that when the club was formed **last year** that except for approximately three players who had had previous experience the remainder had only the spirit of the game to offer; as the season had progressed and more people became interested in the sport the local lads improved their game and by the end of the season had improved beyond all expectations.

Many older hands had expressed their amazement at the manner in which the team had improved its game. He then complimented

Mr. Vic McCrohon on the **splendid financial position** of the club, which, after having bought 15 complete sets of gear and two footballs ended the season with a credit balance of £66/11/34.

The election of officers for the coming season then took place and resulted in **Mr. J. Moylan** being re-elected as **President** and **Mr. V. H. McCrohon** being re-elected **secretary** treasurer.

<https://trove.nla.gov.au/newspaper/article/140855118>

Dungog Chronicle : Durham and Gloucester Advertiser (NSW :
1894 – 1954),

Saturday 25 February 1950, page 2

CLARENCE TOWN NEWS

Mr. W. McCrohon is spending the week-end with his **brother, Constable Vic McCrohon**, and **Mrs. McCrohon**, after coming out of Army camp at **Singleton**.

<https://trove.nla.gov.au/newspaper/article/140847789>

Dungog Chronicle : Durham and Gloucester Advertiser (NSW :
1894 – 1954),

Saturday 11 February 1950, page 5

SECOND SPORTS BALL.

Indications at the moment are that a bumper crowd will be in attendance, as **secretary Vic. McCrohon** has been approached re running a bus from Maitland. The Pick-a-Box free novelties

which proved so popular last ball will again be on and the prizes are really super, some even being to say the least 'stunning.'

<https://trove.nla.gov.au/newspaper/article/140856616>

Dungog Chronicle : Durham and Gloucester Advertiser (NSW : 1894 – 1954),

Wednesday 3 August 1949, page 2

CLARENCE TOWN DEFEATS DUNGOG

On Sunday, a B Grade side from Dungog journeyed to Clarence Town and played a picnic match. After leading 7-nil at half-time, Clarence Town beat Dungog 7 points to 3. Ross Haggarty scored for Dungog. **Constable Vic McCrohon** is moulding a fine team together in Clarence Town.

<https://trove.nla.gov.au/newspaper/article/136156278>

Newcastle Sun (NSW : 1918 – 1954),

Monday 1 July 1946, page 2

Constable Found Man Huddled In Shop At Night

Flashing his torch through the doorway of a **Scott Street** shop about 11.30 p.m. on **June 25, Probationary Constable Victor McCrohon** saw a young man huddled in his overcoat against the counter.

Leslie John Cable, 18. soldier, was charged with breaking and entering the lock-up shop of Helen Payzis at **105 Scott Street**,

Newcastle, on **June 25** and stealing £9 8s 11d in money, one fountain pen, six keys, one ring, two tax stamps valued at 5s 9d and a quantity of confectionery to the total value of £12 10s.

He was also charged with having, at **Newcastle** on **June 25**, broken and entered a lock-up shop at **5 Wolfe Street** with intent to steal.

He was committed for **trial** at **Newcastle Quarter Sessions** on **July 22**.

Constable McCrohon said that whilst on duty in **Scott Street** about 11.30 on **June 25** he noticed the glass of **Payzis shop** was broken and that the door had been interfered with. **Cable** was huddled against the counter. **Cable** was searched and £9 8s 11d was found in his possession. There was a quantity of cigarettes and other articles in his pocket. Questioned, **Cable** said he was " broke. "

He signed a statement admitting he gained entry with a piece of flat steel. **Cable** was questioned about breaking and entering the premises of **Blachford** in **Wolfe Street**. He said he used a flat piece of steel to gain entry.

<https://trove.nla.gov.au/newspaper/article/157703315>

Profile

Name: McCrohon V.H.

Service No: NX661

Rank: Lt.

Unit: 6 Div. Cav.

Brief History

This record copied from A.W.M. WW2 NOMINAL ROLLS

Name	McCROHON, VICTOR HARRY
Service	Australian Army
Service Number	NX661
Date of Birth	26 Oct 1916
Place of Birth	HILLGROVE, NSW
Date of Enlistment	4 Nov 1939
Locality on Enlistment	PAXTON, NSW
Place of Enlistment	EAST MAITLAND, NSW
Next of Kin	McCROHON, ALEXANDER
Date of Discharge	3 Jan 1946
Rank	Lieutenant
Posting at Discharge	2/6 ARMoured REGIMENT

OBITUARY – VICTOR “DIGGER” McCROHON

(Cavalry News, No. 28)

It is a well known fact that our Regt in its day contained some extraordinarily talented men within its ranks. In some cases this talent was not immediately apparent but in due course, the qualities of courage, leadership, downright commonsense etc was to come to the fore, so these individuals could be alluded to as “mighty men”.

Such was the case with **Vic McCrohon**.

In later years he was known as a “mighty man” both in the **Police** and the **RSL**.

Late last year some **300 people attended his funeral** at Griffith, NSW, many of this number being Police and ex-servicemen, as **Vic** had a distinguished military and police record.

He first enlisted at **Maitland** on **November 4, 1939** with the **6th Div Reconnaissance Regt**, and saw service in the **first middle east desert campaign**. He served with the **Long Range desert patrol** in the **2nd desert campaign** and after serving also in the **Syrian campaign**, he was promoted to **Sgt** and mentioned in despatches. He was mentioned in despatches for the **2nd time** in **1942** after the **Buna campaign**. Just prior to this he had been an instructor with the **2/6 Armd Regt**.

In **1943** he was posted to **combined Infantry and tank instruction at Cunnungra**. Later he was posted to **Western Australia**, and then **Richmond** where he was promoted to **Captain** before going to **Timor on Special Service**. At **Puckapunyal** he was promoted to **Major in charge of the Tank gunnery wing**, till his **discharge** from the army on **Feb 4th, 1946**.

On that same day he joined the **RSL** and the **Police Force** as a **probationary constable**.

On **July 1, 1967** he was promoted to **Sergeant**. He was transferred to **Griffith** in **1965** where he spent the **rest of his service till retirement in 1967**. Throughout his career in the force he took part in many police activities too varied for comment here. Suffice to say he was presented with the Police Long Service and good conduct medal on **28th March, 1972**. For ten years he was **Sec/Treasurer** of the **Riverina District RSL** and was later awarded **Honorary Life Membership** – so I think you will agree that his “mighty man” title was very well merited.

after the battle

THE BATTLE FOR BUNA

WARREN FRONT (DECEMBER 23-JANUARY 2)

On Warren front, the second stage of the **Australian 18th Brigade's** offensive against **Buna** was to take place on the inland flank of the **2/9th Battalion**, south of **Simemi Creek**. **Lieutenant-Colonel James Dobbs's 2/10th Battalion**, having arrived from **Milne Bay**, would attack along the old **Buna airstrip**.

Patrols had already moved along **Simemi Creek**, and on December 23 **Captain Austen Ifould's B Company** had captured the bridge, a goal that had eluded the **American infantry** for over a month. The **2/10th** then consolidated at the eastern end of the kunai-covered airstrip while the **American engineers** repaired the bridge.

The **Japanese defenders** here were some of **Captain Yasuda's crack naval troops**.

Seaman Masaji Konagaya wrote: *'Although we only had a handful of men, we defended our positions with desperate efforts'*.

On the next day, **December 24**, **Brigadier Wootten** decided to send four of the **Australian Stuart tanks** across the bridge to support the attack along the airstrip.

Japanese guns were known to be in the area, but they had been silent for some days, and it was hoped that they had been destroyed by air attacks.

At **0935**, after a short barrage, **Lieutenant McCrohon's** and **Corporal Barnet's tanks** crossed the bridge and headed up the strip.

They advanced some 250 yards in short order, and **McCrohon** began engaging **machine-gun posts**. Then, at about **1000**, **McCrohon** saw a **flash** off to his left front and his **tank was hit** down low on the body. The wireless was dislodged and the **tank slewed into a flooded bomb crater**, where it remained bogged. **Barnet's tank** was then

Newcastle Sun (NSW : 1918 – 1954),

Thursday 19 June 1941, page 3

LUCKY SHOT WITH RIFLE " GRASSED " HEINKEL

How a lucky shot put out of action a **Heinkel fighter** in the Sollum area is described by **Sergeant V. McCrohon** in a letter to his **brother**, Mr. **A. McCrohon**, of **Boolaroo School** staff.

An **armored tank detachment**, of which **Sergeant McCrohon** is attached, was awaiting orders to go into action and was being continually harassed by the **German** machine.

A private member of the **supporting Infantry column** casually remarked that he would fix the blighter and, raising his service rifle, fired.

The **Heinkel** faltered in its course and was obliged to make a forced landing.

An inspection of the machine revealed that the bullet had **severed** a vital link in the **rudder control mechanism**. The crew of the **Heinkel** was taken **prisoner**.

Sergeant McCrohon was the driver of the **first tank to enter Bengazi**.

<https://trove.nla.gov.au/newspaper/article/167433068>

Cessnock Eagle and South Maitland Recorder (NSW : 1913 – 1954),

Friday 5 January 1940, page 5

Presentation At Paxton.

SERGEANT (A.I.F.) McCROHON FAREWELLED.

At a brief ceremony held at **Paxton Picture Hall** last Saturday night, Paxton people assembled to bid farewell to Sergeant Victor McCrohon, who is shortly to go overseas with the 2nd A.I.F., making the fourth local representative to assist in England's democratic fight.

Handing over a set of **hair brushes and fountain pen and pencil**, Mr. P. S. McLeish complimented **Sergeant McCrohon** upon having been accepted to serve with the **2nd A.I.F.**, and conveyed the good wishes of **Paxton** people for a safe journey, a clean, victorious fight, and a quick return home.

Speaking in support, **Mrs. F. Hindmarsh** said that having known **Mr. McCrohon** all his life, she felt justified in saying he was a worthy son of **Paxton** and regretted the cause of his departure. However, he had seen fit to answer **Australia's call**, and was certain he would do his best for his country.

On behalf of the **Great War veterans** living in the district, **Mr. Ivor Davies** expressed the belief that as long as the **2nd A.I.F.** was composed of men like **Sergeant McCrohon**, the old **Diggers** could rest assured that the spirit of **Anzac** would never die.

In reply, **the guest** of the evening thanked all responsible for the present, and said he had been set a hard task to justify the nice things said about him. However, he would always endeavour to do the right thing, and trusted that the people of **Paxton** would continue to maintain their good faith in the boys of the **2nd A.I.F.**

The proceedings were brought to a close with the rendering of "God Save The King."

First published on 27 April 2014.

Updated on 16 December 2025 with Penrith Police College plaque photo and alternative death date from literature on my Db.

Thomas Richard HANNAN

06/06/2018

Thomas Richard HANNAN

Late of ?

New South Wales Police Force

Penrith Police Academy – Class 1 of 1946

**[alert_yellow]Regd. #
4883[/alert_yellow]**

**Rank: Probationary Constable – appointed
7 January 1946**

Detective Constable 1st Class –

**Sergeant 2nd Class – appointed 12
December 1966**

Sergeant 1st Class – appointed 13

December 1970

Stations: 9 Division, 21 Division –
Mobile Unit (1946), 16 Division – CI
Duty (1948), 9 Division (1949),

Vice Squad (1949), Liverpool CI Duties
– 22 Division, Bankstown (1954), 18
Division (Parramatta – 1962),

Regent St – 2 Division (1963),
Bankstown – 19 Division (1963), 13
Division (1966),

Bankstown – 19 Division (1971 – death)

Service: From ? ? pre January 1946?
to 2 February 1972 = 26+ years Service

[blockquote]

World War II

Australian Imperial Force – Royal
Australian Air Force (RAAF)

Regiment: 1
AGS, Sale, Victoria. Aircraft = Anson –
15.4 hours training

27 OTU (Operational Training Unit) – Litchfield – 65.2 hours

1663 (Heavy Conversion Unit) – Dufforth – 42 hours

Operational Flying: 466 Sqdn.
Bomber at Drifffield in a Halifax III. 35
sorties = 217.2 hours

Commenced 9 October 1944 – 20
March 1945

Enlisted: 9
March 1943

Service #
433311

Rank:
Pilot Officer – 41 Base (23 March 1945
) , Flying Officer – 2 P.D. (23
September 1945)

Embarkation: From
Australia on 26 January 1944 for United

Kingdom

Next of kin: **Leslie**
Lawrence HANNAN (Father), 98 Arthur St,
Homebush, NSW

Religion:
Roman Catholic

Prev. Occupation: **Radio Tester**

Single / Married: **Single**

Returned to Australia: ?

Date of Discharge: **25 September**
1945

Post at Discharge: **1652**
Communications Unit

Awards: **A/G?**
Badge – 6 January 1944

Description: **23 years,**
2 months, 5' 9.5", 168 lb, 34" chest –
Expanded = 37", Dark complexion, Brown
eyes, dark hair.

<https://recordsearch.naa.gov.au/SearchNRe>

trieve/Interface/ViewImage.aspx?B=5382014

Commonwealth of Australia Gazette
Thursday 25 October 1945 P. 2268

The following warrant officers and non-commissioned officers (Air Gunners) are appointed to commissions on probation with the rank of Pilot Officer with effect from the dates indicated:

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No. 433311 Thomas Richard HANNAN, 23rd March, 1945

<https://trove.nla.gov.au/newspaper/article/232765433/25121423>

[/blockquote]

Awards: No find on It's An Honour

Born: 31 December 1919 – Lewisham, NSW

Died on: Wednesday 2 February 1972

Age: 52

Cause: ?

Event location: ?

Event date: ?

Funeral date: ? ? ?

Funeral location: ?

Funeral Parlour: ?

Buried at: ?

Memorial located at: ?



[alert_yellow]**THOMAS** is NOT mentioned on the Police Wall of Remembrance[/alert_yellow] *NEED MORE INFO

Funeral location: TBA

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THEIR CAREER AND THEIR DEATH.**

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Nothing further, at this time, is known of this man.

Cal

24 April 2018

Robert Maxwell LONGUE

06/06/2018

Robert Maxwell LONGUE

AKA Bob, Oblong

Late of ?

NSW Police Academy Class 108

New South Wales Police Force

Regd. # 12126

Rank: Probationary Constable – appointed 16 September 1966

Constable – appointed 16 September 1967

Senior Constable – appointed 16 September 1975

Sergeant – appointed 1 December 1982

Stations: ?, Wagga Wagga, Kiama, Macquarie Fields –
Retirement

Service: From ? ? pre September 1966 to 29 April 1999 = 32
years Service

[blockquote]

NASHOS National Service 1968 – 1970

Service name: ?

Service number: ?

Rank: Corporal

Place of birth: ?

Date of intake: ?

NS Training: ?
Follow Up Training: ?
Basic Training: ?
Next of Kin: ?
Medals: ?
[/blockquote]

Awards: National Medal – granted 15 November 1982
1st Class to National Medal – granted 22 January 1993

Born: 29 July 1947

Died on: Tuesday 13 March 2018 @ 6.10am

Age: 70

Cause: Cancer

Event location: Bega Hospital, NSW

Event date: Tuesday 13 March 2018

Funeral date: Monday 23 April 2018 @ 11am

Funeral location: Wolumla Crematorium, Clavering Park, 428
Candelo – Wolumla Rd, Wolumla (between Bega & Merimbula, NSW
) 64949351

Funeral Parlour: ?

Buried at: Cremated

Memorial located at: ?



WOLLONGONG DISTRICT POLICE RUBY LEAGUE FOOTBALL
TEAM – 1980

FRONT: L – R:

PAT CARNEY (R.I.P.), BOB LONGUE

BOB is NOT mentioned on the Police Wall of Remembrance * NOT
JOB RELATED

Funeral location: [codepeople-post-map]

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THEIR CAREER AND THEIR DEATH.**

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Royal Australian Corps of Military Police – Memorial Page

April 14 at 1:24pm

VALE

CPL Bob LONGUE

National Service – 1968-1970

Sadly, I notify you of the passing of **CPL Bob LONGUE**, after a battle with cancer.

Bob was not a member of the MPAA and unfortunately a record of his service is not known. I have been reliably informed that Bob was a National Serviceman who served in QLD at both Townsville and Indooroopilly.

Bob was a NSW Policeman who returned to his job on completion of his NS obligation. I have been told that Bob was a decent good bloke, who despite his deteriorating condition, remained his usual jovial self until the end.

Funeral Details :

1100 hrs Monday 23 April 2018 Clavering Park

428 Candelo – Wolumla Road
Wolumla NSW 2550

Lest We Forget

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/NSWFallenPolice/permalink/1125911724216827/>

John Herbert GUNNESS

06/06/2018

John Herbert GUNNESS

aka Jack and Gunner

Late of Bargara, Qld

New South Wales Police Force

[alert_yellow]Regd. #
5666[/alert_yellow]

Rank: Probationary Constable – appointed
26 May 1947

Sergeant 3rd Class – appointed 21 June

1963

Inspector 3rd Class – appointed 1
December 1978

Stations: ?, South Coast District,
Goulburn, Campbelltown – 35 Division (
2.I.C.) 1970's,

Service: From ? ? pre May 1947? to ?
? ? = ? years Service

[blockquote]

World War II

Australian Imperial Force

Regiment: 2/7
Aust. Cav (Commando) Regt.

Enlisted:
Sydney, NSW

Service #
NX112603

Rank:
Trooper

Embarkation: ?

Next of kin: Herbert
GUNNESS

Religion: ?

Single / Married: ?

Returned to Australia: ?

Regiment Court Martial papers

[/blockquote]

Awards: No find on It's An Honour

Born: 18 August 1922 – Sydney, NSW

Died on: ? March 2018

Age: 95

Cause: ?

Event location: ?

Event date: ?

Funeral date: ? ? ?TBA

Funeral location: ?TBA

Funeral Parlour:

Buried at: ?

Memorial located at: ?

[alert_yellow]**JOHN** is NOT mentioned on the Police Wall of Remembrance[/alert_yellow] ***NEED MORE INFO**

Funeral location: TBA

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Goulburn Evening Post (NSW : 1940 – 1954), **Monday 2 July 1951**,
page 2

Police Say Truck Hit Fence, Light Pole

It was possible that a utility truck had continued on after an accident because the driver's body had slipped on to the accelerator, a **police constable** said in **Goulburn Coroner's Court** on **Saturday**.

He was **John Herbert Gunness**, who was giving evidence at the inquest into the death of **Arthur David Eady**, of **Yass**. **Eady** was found dead in a crashed utility truck on **Braidwood Road** on **June 2**.

Deputy Coroner, Mr. Peter Jackson, found death had been caused by head injuries received when **Eady's** car had crashed into a telephone post.

Constable John Herbert Gunness said, about 3.15 p.m. on **June 2** he had gone to the scene of an accident, **3½ miles** from Goulburn on **Braidwood Road**.

There he had seen a utility truck through a fence on the **eastern side** of the roadway. He had noticed skid marks the first **340 yards** from the vehicle. They had indicated the vehicle had veered across the roadway before leaving it. The vehicle had gone between a telephone post and fence and had knocked out two fence posts. It had continued on and struck a telephone post. "It would appear that prior to this deceased was thrown from his driving seat onto the floor, his head and

shoulders protruding from the door,". said **Constable Gunness**. When the vehicles struck the post, the door in turn struck deceased."

Cross examined by **Mr. P. Baker** (for relatives of deceased). **Gunness** said indications were that the vehicle had been travelling at **high speed**.

Kathleen Isabel Livingstone barmaid at **Alcestan Hotel**, said that on **June 2** at 2.30 pm. she was in the hotel saloon bar, where she saw deceased. He had had two or three small beers, then a whisky and water. At about 2.40 p.m. he had left the hotel. That was the last she had seen of him. At that time he was perfectly sober.

Rupert Fraser Taylor, of "**Homeden**," **Gundary**, said about 3 p.m. on. **June 2** he was driving his car along **Braidwood Road**. About 3½, miles from **Goulburn** he noticed a fence was down, and a car in the paddock. He noticed a man hanging out of the car door. He could see he was **beyond hope**, so rang the police.

Dr. Ronald Lloyd-Jones said that on **June 2** at 6 p.m. he had examined **Eedy's body**. There were indications of a fracture at the base of the skull. In his opinion death was due to **brain damage** as a result of this injury.

Sgt. E. C. Noble assisted the **Coroner**.

<https://trove.nla.gov.au/newspaper/article/100166920>

Goulburn Evening Post (NSW : 1940 – 1954), **Tuesday 20 June 1950**, page 4

MAN FOUND WEARING STOLEN CLOTHES, Fined £15 Or Thirty Days

A man said in the **Goulburn Court of Petty Sessions** yesterday that after his suitcases had been stolen from the **railway station** on Wednesday he had seen another man in **Sloane Street** wearing clothes belonging to him.

The man was **Frederick William Bannard**, petrol pump fitter, of **Wattle Street, Punchbowl**.

John Wilson France, 35, pleaded guilty to a charge that on **June 14**, at **Goulburn**, he had **stolen two suitcases**, clothing, and carpenter's tools, valued at £15, the property of **Bannard**.

Constable John Herbert Guinness said that at **1 a.m.** on **June 14** he had seen the defendants on the **island platform** at **Goulburn railway station**. He asked him where he had come from, and France had told him he had come from **Yass**, and he was going to try to get a job here. " He was dressed as he is now, " **Constable Guinness** told the court. (**France** appeared in custody wearing light blue slacks, a dark grey coat, a blue shirt, open at the neck, and tan shoes).

At about **3a.m.** the same day he had had a conversation with **Bannard**, the **Constable** said, and later he had seen **France** at the corner of **Sloane and Clinton Streets**. He was carrying one large and one small case, and he was dressed in a leather overcoat, grey shirt, and navy blue trousers. When questioned he had admitted he had taken the property from the **railway station** and it belonged to **Bannard**.

At the **police station** **France** had said: " You know how it is when a man has a few drinks. While I was at **Yass** I had my own property stolen. " He was slightly under the influence at the time. **Bannard** said that last **Wednesday** he had arrived at **Goulburn** in the early hours of the morning. He had left his suitcases in the **waiting room** on the **island platform** while he went to get refreshments. When he returned his belongings were missing.

At about **5 a.m.** he was walking down **Sloane Street** from **Clinton**

Street. He saw a man there and noticed he was wearing his leather overcoat. There were also two bags nearby which he recognised as his property. Later he noticed the man had on his clothes. He had notified the **police**. All his property had been recovered with the exception of a pair of old trousers which he used as overalls.

Asked whether he had anything to say, **France** said he had been left in the middle of winter without any clothes. All his possessions had been stolen twice since summer.

Mr. **A. J. Paton, S.M.**, told **France** to steal anyone else's things was **mean and paltry**. If drink was the cause of his lapses the best thing for him to do would be give it up. " A lot of luggage does go off this way, " **Mr. Paton** said. " I don't know what to do with you, I am sure. I will give you an opportunity. "

He fined **France** £15 in default **30 days hard labour**, and ordered that the property be returned to the owner.

Mr. Paton: " Can you pay that? " **France:** " No; sir. " **Mr. Paton:** " Are you asking for time to pay? " **France:** " No. " **Mr. Paton** remanded **France** till **July 10** on a second charge of stealing clothing worth £7/10.

<https://trove.nla.gov.au/newspaper/article/104336018>

Goulburn Evening Post (NSW : 1940 – 1954), **Tuesday 25 April 1950**, page 3

NEGLIGENT DRIVING

A man charged with **negligent driving** said in the **Goulburn Court of Petty Sessions** yesterday that one of the prime causes

of an accident he was involved in, was that he was dazzled by another car's headlights.

He was **Melville Cavanagh Aubrey**, of **Faithfull Street, Goulburn**, who pleaded not guilty to a charge that on **December 25**, he had driven a motor car on the **Hume Highway** in a **negligent manner**.

Constable John Herbert Gunness, of **Goulburn**, said that on **December 25**, at **10 p.m.** he had gone to the scene of an accident on the **Hume Highway**, at **Yarra**.

Two cars had been involved. Both had been severely damaged on the off-side front mudguards. **Aubrey** was the driver of one of the cars and **Ralph Stone** was the other driver. **Stone** had told him: " I was driving along and I saw the lights of the other car coming. I slowed down and pulled as far to the left as I could. "The other car kept coming, and all I could do was sit and wait for the accident. " **Aubrey** had said: " I was travelling north at about 40 miles per hour. For a moment I did not know there had been an accident. I do not think I was on the wrong side of the yellow line. "

GLAZIER'S EVIDENCE

Ralph Ewart Stone, grazier, **Stoneleigh, Dalton**, said that at about 8.45 p.m. on **December 25**, he was driving south along the **Hume Highway**, near **Yarra**. " I was about 60 yards from the bridge when I first saw the lights of the approaching car. " I dipped the lights, slowed down, and eased over to the safety fence on the left. " As far as I could see the other car was going slightly from one side of the road to the other. It continued on and struck the right hand mudguard of my car. " When the car stopped, it was about 200 yards away from my stationary car.

Aubrey gave evidence that he was travelling north on the **Hume Highway** at that time. He came over the **Yarra viaduct**, crossed down the road and noticed a car coming in the other direction

with its head lights on full beam. He said: " I dipped my lights pulled towards the left and then there was a crash.

Mr. A. J. Paton,:S.M., adjourned the hearing till Monday, May 8.

<https://trove.nla.gov.au/newspaper/article/104323493>

Denis PERCY

06/06/2018

Denis PERCY OAM

brother of former NSWPF member – Jerry (R.I.P.)

Late of ?

NSW Police Cadet # 1631

New South Wales Police Force

**[alert_yellow]Regd. #
11425[/alert_yellow]**

Rank: NSW Police Cadet – commenced 5
December 1960

Probationary Constable – appointed 10 May
1965

Constable – appointed 10 May 1966

Senior Constable – appointed 10 May 1974

Sergeant 3rd Class – appointed 26 May
1981

Inspector – 1989

Former President of the United Nations
Police Association of Australia for over
20 years

Stations: ?, 6 Division (late 1970's),
Chatswood (1980's ?), Manager – Equal
Employment Opportunity Section –
Inspector (1989), Patrol Commander –
Ryde, Local Area Commander – Blue
Mountains (2000)

Service: From 5 December 1960 to ? ?
? = ? years Service

Awards: National Medal – granted 15
April 1981

1st Clasp to National Medal – granted 28
May 1992

Police Overseas Service Medal – Clasp
CYPRUS – granted 8 July 1992

2nd Clasp to National Medal – granted 4
September 2001

Born: 20 October 1944

Died on: Tuesday 6 March 2018

Age: 73

Cause: ?TBA

Event location: ?

Event date: 6 March 2018

Funeral date: Thursday 22 March 2018 @
1pm

Funeral location: St Mary's Catholic
Church, 264 Miller St, North Sydney

Funeral Parlour: White Lady, Roseville

Buried at: ?TBA

Memorial located at: ?



Dennis PERCY at the Sydney Police Wall of Remembrance



AUSTRALIAN WAR MEMORIAL

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Denis (far left) on Cyprus as a UN Peacekeeper
c. 1964



Supt. Sandy Allen AFP with visiting 8th/9th contingent member Denis Percy, National President UNPAA at the entrance to Camp.



Sergeant Paul Ruge, UN 5th Contingent East Timor (right) now QLD Police, Gladstone, with Denis Percy National President UNPAA (centre) 8th Contingent UN Cyprus with Sergeant Mal Nichols Qld Police, Gladstone . They were photographed after the Lone Pine 90th Anniversary Anzac Day Service 2005.



AFP Commissioner Andrew Colvin with Vicpol A/C Chris O'Neill and True Blue Editor Denis Percy.

[alert_yellow]**DENIS** is NOT mentioned on the Police Wall of Remembrance[/alert_yellow] ***NEED MORE INFO**

Funeral location: [codepeople-post-map]

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Abel Tasman We did our Associate Diploma in Justice Administration together at the old Mitchell College of Advanced Education (now Charles Sturt Uni). He was a gentleman, a real character and a policeman's policeman.

George Krooglik RIP Denis. Still have his business card when he visited Albury on the 12.7.03 in his capacity as a Director and Travel Writer for True Blue Guided Tours. Condolences to his family and friends. He was a very likable guy...

David Aspland David is an administrator in this group. I first met Denis at the Police Academy in December 1980. He was my Training and Induction Officer for Chatswood. I still remember our first meeting with Denis wearing gold chains around his neck and gold rings on several of his fingers, which was very different to Tommy Lupton and Maurie Green. In spite of this, I stayed in the job and Denis and I kept bumping into each other over the years at places like the Mitchell College, Bathurst.. One of the strangest meetings was at Hill End during Easter 1984. I was doing a spot of relieving duty after a very busy time on Mt Panorama at Easter 1983. I was carrying out a foot patrol of the town when I saw what was obviously an unmarked police vehicle come bouncing off the end of the Bridle Track. It was Denis and his offsider carrying out an "EE0 Tour" of the state. After several coffees and a chat, he proceeded off in the direction Mudgee. I kept bumping into him at odd events like the 1988 Bicentennial when he was the Barracks Sergeant at UNSW responsible for keeping us country cops in line. Last time I met him he was Acting LAC in the Blue Mountains sometime around 2000. He was a thoroughly likeable old rogue and he will be very badly missed.

Chris Devery I remember meeting him in College St when I first came to work there in the early '90s. He was well respected by the cops I worked with then.

Les de Belin Denis was a bit of a traveller. Always remember the story he told when he was driving in the southern states of US, and was pulled over by the local town sheriff for

speeding. Denis showed his NSW Police ID to the sheriff who replied in his most southern drawl, "That's a very pretty badge Sir. In fact its about the prettiest darn Police badge I ever did see. You can have the pretty badge back,.....and this speeding ticket too"

Lex Booth RIP Denis. ANZAC days will not be the same without you. Who is going to edit True Blue (UN Police newsletter). We (TRG) drove him mad when he was the barracks supervisor at Bathurst. He would tell us that we all knew the rules but he could trust us to break every one of them.

Editor of True Blue (UN Police newsletter)

PERCY, Denis OAM

Passed away surrounded by his wife and children on March 5, 2018.

Aged 73 years. Adored husband of Alexandra, and father of Natalie and Grant.

A wonderful Husband and Father

A great Man

A great Mate

A great Policeman and Ambassador for the UN "Policing for Peace"

Denis' service will be held in St Mary's Catholic Church, 264 Miller Street, North Sydney on Thursday, March 22, 2018 at 1pm.



Published in The Sydney Morning Herald on Mar. 17, 2018

<http://tributes.smh.com.au/obituaries/smh-au/obituary.aspx?n=d>

March 27, 2018

Geoffrey Hill, Lennox Head

March 21, 2018

Alex, Grant and Natalie – much love to you all. Losing such a magnificent man will not be easy, but you will have our support. So many of my fond childhood memories from visiting Sydney include Uncle Denis. The strength, love and support he provided me after Nanna' passing will never be forgotten.

See you all at Bangalow, sorry we can't be in Sydney with you.

Michelle Weldon.

Michelle Weldon, Brisbane, Queensland

Contact Me

March 19, 2018

May you forever Rest In Peace.

<https://www.australianpolice.com.au/denis-percy/>

Greg Callander, Goulburn, New South Wales

<http://www.legacy.com/guestbooks/smh-au/denis-percy-condolences/188470530?&eid=viewgb>

Canberra Times (ACT : 1926 – 1995), **Tuesday 14 November 1995**,
page 5

Embalmed bodies in family crypt damaged: police

SYDNEY: Two embalmed bodies tampered with at the **Northern Suburbs Cemetery** was "*the most offensive case*" a senior policeman has had to handle, a police statement said yesterday.

Police would not divulge how the bodies had been damaged but the statement said the family vault housing the bodies had been forced open.

The two embalmed bodies were tampered with between **September 23 and November 2** this year during a break-and-enter on the vault.

The bodies had been secured in lead-lined coffins in the crypt.

"I have been a member of the police for more than 30 years and this is the most offensive case I have dealt with in my career," **Ryde Patrol Commander Inspector Dennis Percy** said in the statement.

Police were appealing to anyone who may have information on the incident.

<https://trove.nla.gov.au/newspaper/article/130570224>

Policing the Bathurst Motorcycle Races

Newsletter of the Retired Police Association of the Northern Territory inc.

Greville Reginald PINKERTON

06/06/2018

Greville Reginald PINKERTON

aka Reg

Son of Reginald Andrew Pinkerton (NSWPF 1928 – 1962 – 34 years), Brother of Max # 7737 (NSWPF – 20 years),

Father of Peter (RAAF Police – 30 years),

Grandfather to Jozef (NSWPF – Prosecutors), Adam (NSWPF – Fingerprints) & Adam (NSWPF – # 31347)

Late of Tea Gardens, NSW

“possibly” from Penrith Academy Class 004

New South Wales Police Force

[alert_yellow]Regd. #
5078[/alert_yellow]

Rank: Probationary Constable – appointed
4 March 1946

Sergeant 2nd Class – appointed 1 October
1967

Sergeant 1st Class – appointed 1 December
1972

**Stations: ?, Albion Park, Mullumbimby,
Nowendock, Western District, Broken Hill
(1960 – 1979 / Sgt)**

**Service: From ? ? pre March 1946 to ?
? 1979? = 33+ years Service**

Reg's Policing History.

**As read by his grandson, Adam, at the Back to
Barrier Reunion in May 2017**

[blockquote]

World War II

**Australian Imperial Force Royal
Australian Air Force (R.A.A.F.)**

Regiment:

2/5th Australian Field Regiment

Enlisted:

**18 June 1942 at Enfield,
Sydney, NSW**

Service #

66453

VNX26133

Rank:

Leading Aircraftman

Embarkation:

?

Next of kin:

Reginald PINKERTON

Religion:

?

Single / Married:

?

Returned to Australia:

?

Date of Discharge:

24

December 1945

Posting at Discharge:

7

Operational Training Unit

[/blockquote]

**Awards: National Police Service Medal –
presented on 16 May 2017**

No find on It's An Honour

Born: 7 August 1923 – Newtown, NSW

Died on: Sunday 4 March 2018

Age: 94

Cause: ?

Event location: Adelaide, S.A.

Event date: Sunday 4 March 2018

Funeral date: Tuesday 13 March 2018 @
11am

Funeral location: Simplicity Funerals,
429 Main North Rd, Enfield, S.A.

Funeral Parlour: Simplicity Funerals,
Enfield, S.A.

Buried at: Marge (Reg's wife who
predeceased him) & Reg's Ashes will be
interred at Nowendoc later in 2018, as
per Reg's request where he and Marge
shared very happy times when he was
stationed there as the Lock Up Keeper.

Memorial located at: ?



AUSTRALIAN WAR MEMORIAL

AWM2017.520.1.1874

Greville Reginald PINKERTON – 2016

[alert_yellow]**REG** is NOT mentioned on the Police Wall of Remembrance[/alert_yellow] ***NEED MORE INFO**

Funeral location: TBA

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THEIR CAREER AND THEIR DEATH.**

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May they forever Rest In Peace

PINKERTON, Greville Reginald (Reg).

Passed away in Adelaide 4/3/18, age 94 (police sergeant in Broken Hill 1960 – 1979).

Loved and missed by Marge (deceased), Ron and Polly, Max and Anita, Peter and Rosemary and his grandchildren and great grandchildren.



This Plaque will be presented to **Superintendent Paul SMITH** at the **Back To Barrier Reunion** in **May, 2017**.

City's finest to reunite

Thursday, 14th July, 2016

By Michael Murphy



BEST EVER: A Ford 351 GT/XB
2 door hardtop patrolling
the border at Curlwaa near
Wentworth circa 1977.

Former local police officers have already begun telling tales of the good old days ahead of a reunion next year.

Ray Gardoll, who served with the local police force from 1995 to 2009, has started to get inquiries from as far away as Thailand about the two-day event planned in May.

Even a 95-year-old former sergeant has put his hand up to make the trek back to the Hill for the occasion. After he got word on the street, former sergeant **Reg Pinkerton** rang the local police station to confirm details.

Sergeant Pinkerton retired around 1979. As well as Broken Hill, he served at Albion Park, Mullumbimby and Nowendock, where he was issued a horse and had the assistance of “black trackers” to look for stolen cattle throughout the local ranges.

One local bloke reported he had been “saved from a life of crime by a swift boot up the bum from **Sgt Pinkerton** back in the day”.

Many locals would remember one of the city’s longest serving police officers, **Garry Nowlan**, who has been in fine form posting old pictures and yarns on the Back to Barrier Facebook

site.

The former highwayman rated the Ford 351 GT/XB 2 door Hardtop as the best patrol car he ever had the pleasure to drive.

"It was easy to catch the hoodlums at the Hill in those days," Nowlan wrote.

"If they got away, you just parked in Argent Street for a while and they were back in 10 minutes.

"They just could not resist doing 'the lap' and we were there waiting for them."

Ray Gardoll got the idea for the **Back to Barrier reunion** after celebrating a similar event in Blacktown, NSW, earlier this year.

"I had a ball, an absolute ball, and I thought I would do it here and see what the response is ... and the response has been great."

He said word was beginning to spread, and about 300 people had logged on and liked the Facebook page, with about three quarters of those having served in the local district.

The **Barrier police region** stretches from **Tibooburra in the north to Wentworth, Dareton and Buronga in the south, to Ivanhoe in the east.**

Ray said about ten local retired officers still lived in the Hill.

Ray's own career was cut short when a "drunken crook" tripped over and destroyed his knee.

"We were carrying her out to put her in the cells, and she tripped and fell and grabbed the first thing she could, and it just happened to be my knee," **Ray** said.

Ray said he would love to hear from anyone who would be

interested in the reunion, and he would be forming a committee in the next few months to work out and organise the finer details of the event.

If you know anyone who would be interested, point them to **Facebook.com/BarrierReunion2017**.

<https://bdtruth.com.au/main/news/article/8518-Citys-finest-to-reunite.html>



Standing: Geoff Mobbs. Peter Cinitis. Russell Lloyd. Harry Steele. Seated. Steve Behsmann. Reg Pinkerton. Ted Murray. All these officers served in the Barrier Command. Photo taken at the Back To Barrier Reunion 2017 in May.



Reg Pinkerton being presented with his National Police Service Medal by Superintendent Paul Smith. Geoff Mobbs supporting Reg.



Police Association meeting at the Broken Hill Musicians Club 1977.

Back Row. L to R

Neil Stewart, Dave Stuart, Reg Pinkerton, ?,

Ken Richards, Bob Morgan (mostly obscured)
Terry Picker, Don Forsyth, Jim Brown, Barry
Esling, Bryce Farlow, Allan Moseley, ?, Neville
Wenban.

Front Row. L to R.

John Sylvester Wilkinson aka Yogi, ?, Bill
Lidden aka Truthfull (?), Steven Behsmann,
Garry Nowlan & Neil Scarr.



Police Association meeting at the Broken Hill
Musicians Club 1977.

Reg Pinkerton

Douglas William John MAGEE

06/06/2018

Douglas William John MAGEE

Late of ?

NSW Police Cadet # 0163

New South Wales Police Force

Regd. # 4558

**Rank: NSW Police Cadet – commenced 31
January 1938**

**Probationary Constable – attested 24
March 1941**

**Sergeant 1st Class – appointed 1 January
1968**

**Inspector 3rd Class – appointed 1 June
1973**

**Inspector 1st Class – appointed 12 March
1976**

**Superintendent 3rd Class – appointed 17
April 1976**

**Superintendent 1st Class – appointed 16
November 1977**

**Senior Superintendent – appointed 14
April 1978**

Stations: (as a Cadet) Parramatta – 18
Division, C.I.B. (1938), 20 Division (1939),
C.I.B. (1939), Police Depot (1940), 2 Division (1940). Police
Training Centre in March 1941 with the
next class.

(as a Constable) – the Depot Police
Stables (24 March 1941 – May 1943),
'Shadow Squad' (May 1943). Was then
granted leave of absence to enlist in the
R.A.A.F. on 25 March 1944 reaching the
rank of Flight Sergeant. Discharged from
R.A.A.F. on 4 October 1945 then returned
to the 'Shadowing Squad' (October 1945
– January 1949) (Designated as

Detective in 1948), 9 Division – C.I.
Duties (January 1949 – January 1951),
18 Division and placed at Liverpool
Detectives Office (at the time,
Liverpool was sub-station of Parramatta
) (January 1951 – November 1951). In
November 1951 he was ‘formally’
transferred to Liverpool Detectives, when
22 Division – Liverpool was created. 4
Division (1954 –), 2 Division, Vice
Squad, 23 Division, 18 Division, 7
Division, 27 Division, C.I.B., ‘H’ & ‘F’
Districts, Police Personnel Branch

Service: From 31 January 1938 to ?
March 1980 = 42+ years Service

[blockquote]

World War II

**Australian Imperial Force Royal
Australian Air Force (RAAF)**

Regiment: ?

Enlisted: Sydney, NSW on 25 March 1944

Service # 444709

Rank: Flight
Sergeant

Embarkation: ?

Next of kin: William
MAGEE

Religion: ?

Single / Married: ?

Returned to Australia: ?

Date of Discharge: 4 October 1945

Regiment at Discharge: Air Gunnery
School – West Sale

[/blockquote]

Awards: Queen's Police Medal for
Gallantry (Imperial) – granted 31
December 1977 (Supt. 3rd Class)

Born: Wednesday 24 March 1920 –
Glenfield, NSW

Died on: ? ? ?

Age: ?

Cause: ?

Event location: ?

Event date: ?

Funeral date: ? ? ?

Funeral location: ?

Funeral Parlour:

Buried at: ?

Memorial located at: ?



DOUGLAS is NOT mentioned on the Police Wall of Remembrance
***NEED MORE INFO**

Funeral location: TBA

**FURTHER INFORMATION IS NEEDED ABOUT THIS PERSON, THEIR LIFE,
THEIR CAREER AND THEIR DEATH.**

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May they forever Rest In Peace

At this stage I am unable to find the grave location for this man.

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050318

Tom McINERNEY

06/06/2018

Tom McINERNEY

Late of ?

New South Wales Police Force

**[alert_yellow]Regd. #
8246[/alert_yellow]**

**Rank: Probationary Constable – appointed
7 November 1955**

**Senior Constable – appointed 7 November
1966**

**Sergeant 2nd Class – appointed 1 December
1978**

**final rank = Sergeant 2nd Class –
Retirement**

**Stations: ?, Rockdale, Maroubra –
Retirement**

**Service: From ? ? pre November 1955?
to 17 August 1982 = 27 years Service**

**Awards: Police Overseas Service Medal –
Clasp CYPRUS – granted 8 July 1992**

Born: 29 October 1927

Died on: Tuesday 27 February 2018

Age: 90

Cause: Cancer

Event location: ? Hospital

Event date: Monday 26 February 2018

**Funeral date: Wednesday 7 March 2018 @
10.30am**

Funeral location: St Finbar Catholic

Church, 106 the Promenade, Sans Souci

Funeral Parlour: TBA

Buried at: ?TBA

Memorial located at: ?

[alert_yellow]**TOM** is NOT mentioned on the Police Wall of Remembrance[/alert_yellow] ***NEED MORE INFO**

Funeral location: [codepeople-post-map]

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Further information is sought about this man.
There was 'no find' on Trove and Google searches.

John William BAXTER

06/06/2018

John William BAXTER

AKA Jack

Late of Rockdale

New South Wales Police Force

Uniform # 715

**[alert_yellow]Regd. #
5300[/alert_yellow]**

**Rank: Probationary Constable – appointed
29 July 1946**

**Sergeant 3rd Class – appointed 18 May
1968**

Sergeant 2nd Class – appointed 14 June

1976

Stations: **?**, Maroubra – Retirement on 16
July 1981

Service: **From ? ? pre July 1946? to**
16 July 1981 = 35+ years Service

[blockquote]

World War II

**Australian Imperial Force RAAF (Royal
Australian Air Force)**

Regiment: ?

Enlisted:

Woolloomooloo, NSW, on 23 March 1944

Service #
163666

Rank:
Leading Aircraftman

Embarkation: ?

Next of kin: **Emily**
BAXTER

Religion: ?

Single / Married: ?

Returned to Australia: ?

Date of Discharge: 21 May 1946

Posting at Discharge: 2 Airfield Defence Squadron

[/blockquote]

Awards: ?

Born: 24 January 1926 in Bexley, NSW

Died on: Saturday 3 February 2018 in his sleep

Age: 92

Cause: ?

Event location: at home in Rockdale

Event date: ?

Funeral date: Friday 9 February 2018 @

10.30am

Funeral location: Chapel, Guardian
Funerals, 374 Princes Hwy, Rockdale

Buried at: ?

Memorial located at: ?





John William BAXTER with children Mark & Troy



wife, Valerie & Jack BAXTER



[alert_yellow]**JACK** is NOT mentioned on the Police Wall of Remembrance[/alert_yellow] ***NEED MORE INFO**

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Lifelong St George resident John William Baxter died peacefully in his sleep at his Rockdale home on Saturday morning aged 92.

'Jack' was well-known in the community for his love of golf and played at Kogarah Golf Club every week until he was no longer able.

Mr Baxter was born in Bexley on January 24, 1926 as the fifth of six children.

He attended Hurstville Boys High School before enlisting in the Royal Australian Air Force at age 18.

Mr Baxter served in the RAF for two years achieving the rank of Leading Aircraftman (LAC).

He saw action in Borneo, where he was wounded by a gunshot to the leg and spent six months recovering in Jervis Bay.

Mr Baxter met his future-wife Valerie soon after and the pair were married January, 1957.

He served in the NSW Police Force for 35 years, retiring in 1981 after being injured in a serious car accident. The sergeant served at Regent Street, Philip Street, Darlinghurst and Maroubra commands.

Mr Baxter also played rugby union with St George Rugby Union Football Club (now known as Southern Districts), delivering a man of the match performance – his final appearance in the league – in the club's then only premiership victory, against Gordon.

The football highlights didn't end there, with the forward captaining a NSW Police side against the New Zealand police team in a 1958 interdominion.

Mr Baxter was also known to play a friendly spot of tennis with local legend Ken Rosewall.

He also coached junior cricket at Arncliffe Cricket Club in the 1970s.

Mr Baxter was a voracious reader and his love of books was rivalled only by his joy in sharing a glass of wine with his wife.

The Baxters raised their children in the same Rockdale house they lived in for 53 years.

Mr Baxter is survived by two children, three grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

He will be farewelled in a funeral service at Rockdale Guardian Funerals (374 Princes Highway, Banksia) at 10.30am on Friday, February 9.