

William David HANNA

13/08/2020

William David HANNA

AKA Barlow

Late of Rosebery, NSW

Uncle to NSWPF Member **Neville Fletcher TAMLYN** # 6225

NSW Redfern / Penrith Police Academy Class # ? ? ?

New South Wales Police Force

Uniform # 103 & 2520

Regd. # 'Q' 8363

For the purposes of this website 'Q' represents those Police joining between 1 March 1862 (commencement of NSWPF) – 23 February 1915 (Commencement of NSWPF current numbering system)

Rank: Commenced Training on ? ? ?

Probationary Constable- appointed 30 March 1905

Constable – appointed 1 April 1906

Constable 1st Class – appointed 13 May 1914

Senior Constable – N/A (No such Rank)

Sergeant 3rd Class – appointed 1 October 1926

Sergeant 2nd Class – appointed 12 November 1941

Final Rank = Sergeant 2nd Class

Stations: Murwillumbah (28 April 1905), Mullumbimby,
Hillston (1907), Murray District (13 December 1913),
Metropolitan District: (13 April 1916) – Redfern,
Paddington, Randwick, Botany (Crown Sgt), Darlinghurst –
Retirement

Service: From 30 March 1905 to 10 March 1944 = 29 years
Service

Awards: Imperial Service Medal (Imperial) – **granted** 11
August 1944 (Sgt 2/c)

Commissioners Commendation: Awarded on 27 April 1939 for his
part in the disastrous bush fires during December, 1938 and
January 1939.

Appointed Justice of the Peace – 1946

Served in the Boer War – April 1902 – August 1902

Born: 10 March 1884 , Moulamein, NSW

Died on: Thursday 10 December 1953

Age: 70

Cause: Carcinoma of the stomach (Cancer)

Event location: his residence, 71 Rosebery Ave, Rosebery, NSW

Event date: Thursday 10 December 1953

Funeral date: Friday 11 December 1953 @ 2.45pm

Funeral location: St Andrews Church of England, Rosebery

Funeral Parlour: Thomas Dixon P/Ltd. Undertaker = T. Moncrief.

Buried at: Cremated – Eastern Suburbs Crematorium.

Ashes taken to **Urana, NSW** & buried with his wife – **Jessie
TAMLYN.** (DoD = 19 June 1938)

Grave location: [codepeople-post-map]

GPS: -35.3110259521874 146.25799840606

Memorial / Plaque / Monument located at: ?

Dedication date of Memorial / Plaque / Monument: Nil – at this
time (August 2020)



Retired Sgt 2/C (NSWPF) William David HANNA was buried with his wife, Jessie, after his death on 10 December 1953. Jessie predeceased him by 20 years. William (also known by the nickname of 'Barlow') was cremated at the Eastern Suburbs Crematorium, Sydney, and his ashes later buried with Jessie. May they forever Rest In Peace together.

WILLIAM is NOT mentioned on the Police Wall of Remembrance

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THEIR CAREER AND THEIR DEATH.**

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

Australian Police YouTube Channel

<http://freepages.rootsweb.com/~hanhorg/genealogy/hhf11.html>

https://www.bwm.org.au/soldiers/William_Hanna.php

William David **HANNA** was the third child born to David HANNA and Susan Anna SMITH. He was born on the 10th March 1884 at Woorooma Station, Moulamein NSW.

After his Boer War service in 1902, the next recorded record of his life was on 12 July 1903 when he reported the death of his brother, John Alfred Hanna at the Jerilderie Hotel NSW Australia.

As a returned soldier he was offered a career in the NSW Police Force, and was appointed as an **Ordinary Constable** on

the 1 April 1906, (information obtained from the NSW Police Gazette dated 11 July 1906).

His service number was 8363 and he was posted to the far North Coast country towns of Murwillumbah and Mullumbimby. A few years later he was posted to Hillston, in far western NSW.

Members of the HANNA family knew him by the nickname of "Barlow".

On the 31st March 1908 he married Jessie TAMLYN in the Mount Hope district of NSW.

William and Jessie had three children. William David Gregory was born in Condobolin during 1909. The second child born was Grace May Dorothy who was born on 16 December 1911 at Hay NSW. The third child Jessie Margaret was born at Urana NSW on the 14th June, 1913.

When John Alfred Carroll HORGAN moved from Jerilderie NSW in the late 1920's, to take up a job the GPO in Sydney, he boarded with his uncle, William David HANNA, who was a Crown Sergeant by this time, in the NSW police force. He resided at 71 Rosebery Avenue, Rosebery NSW where it was common for relatives to arrive at his home and stay for whatever time they liked.

A family source advised that Uncle Barlow's relatives and friends would visit on a Saturday and drink beer in the garage.

When transferred to Sydney NSW William David held postings at Darlinghurst, Redfern, Paddington, Randwick and Botany Police Stations as a Crown Sergeant.

Molly HORGAN recalls that when she was completing her nursing certificate during the 1940's at St. Vincent's Hospital, Darlinghurst, she would often receive a visit from Crown Sergeant William HANNA, just to see if she was alright and

making sure she had everything she needed.

Molly also knew him as Barlow and stated he was a wonderful caring man.

Crown Sergeant William HANNA was professionally acquainted with Sydney's major underworld figures of the day. He was also a member of the Orange Lodge and Masonic Lodge.

He was sent to the Hunter Valley Region on several occasions for Bush Fire control and Law and Order at times of the infamous Coal Miners Strikes during the 1930's.

On one occasion he was severely beaten in a brawl and finished up in Hospital. His family could not get near him because of the number of Chinese residents holding a vigil around his bed side. He had an affiliation with the Chinese population and believed they were good citizens.

William David HANNA owned three houses in Sydney; I have located five addresses that he lived at in Sydney: one a flatette above the Lynx Service Station on the corner of Gardeners Road and Tunstall Ave, Kensington, another residence at 155 Botany Road, Botany, "Akaroa" Mount Street, Randwick,

The Sands Directory of 1917 and 1918 recorded his address as Mort Street, Randwick and his final residence at 71 Rosebery Ave, Rosebery.

My sister Valerie recalls that she and our mother visited Uncle Barlow in Sydney. As children my sisters would be threatened with "uncle Barlow" when they misbehaved.

William David HANNA died aged 70 on the 10 December 1953 at his Rosebery NSW residence.

His death certificate states he was a widower, married at the age of 25 to Jessie TAMLYN at Mount Hope NSW. He died of a carcinoma of the stomach, which he suffered with for two years and was under the care of a Doctor John C. RADFORD.

He was cremated on the 11th December 1953 at the Eastern Suburbs Crematorium. The undertaker was T. Moncrief, Reverend J.A Ross, Church of England Minister conducted the service and C. Higgins was a witness to the cremation.

His ashes were taken to Urana NSW and buried with his wife Jessie TAMLYN. His death certificate gives his daughter Jessie HANNA as the informant of his death and also gave 71 Rosebery Avenue, Rosebery as her address.

Career of William David HANNA 1902 – 1944.

Boer War Service 1902

Labourer 1903-1905

Joined the NSW Police Force: 30 March 1905

Promotions NSW Police Force:

Constable 1 April 1906

Constable First Class 13 May 1914

Sergeant 3rd Class 1 October 1926

Sergeant 2nd Class 12 November 1941

Retired From NSW Police Force 10 March 1944

Stations Appointed to:

Murwillumbah, Mullumbimby, Hay (all NSW Country areas) Botany, Darlinghurst, Paddington, Redfern (Sydney Metropolitan Region).

Commissioners Commendation:

Was awarded on the 27 April 1939 for his part in the disastrous bush fires during December, 1938 and January 1939.

Special Award:

For his military service in the Boer War – April 1902 to August 1902.

Retirement:

Retired on the 10th March 1944

From The NSW Police Force.

Awarded the Imperial Service Medal on 11 August, 1944 from the King of England in recognition of the meritorious services rendered.

Appointed as a Justice of The Peace 1946

Death:

Died 10 December 1953 at 71 Rosebery Avenue, Rosebery NSW.

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Trooper William David HANNA – 22 – 3rd NSW Imperial Bushmen-Boer War 1902

In 1902 **William David HANNA** then aged 18 enlisted in the Colonial Army to fight against the Boers in South Africa.

William HANNA like so many other young men lied about his age stating he was 20 years old to get into the colonial army. He gave his occupation as “station hand” and was a Trooper in the **3 NSW Imperial Bushmen** with the service number of 22.

This contingent of soldiers, arrived in South Africa and when peace was declared, immediately returned to Australia. He was awarded the **Queens South Africa Medal**, with **clasps** serving at Belmont, Transvaal, Rhodesia and South Africa, 1902.

Records of **The 3rd New South Wales Imperial Bushmen** gave the following information:”

In January 1902 a new squadron for the Regiment was formed in

Cape Town from Australians already in the country, as was another squadron in February. This brought the strength of the regiment to 500.

About 1,000 men in total are thought to have served in the unit, although it had no more than 600 at any time.

During May 1902 some of the men whose time had expired returned to Australia in the transport Ansonia but many more, and all the officers, volunteered for further service.

200 Victorian Riverina Bushmen, raised by J. S. HORSFALL, reinforced those who stayed. (I believe that his future brother-in-law, John Joseph HORGAN were part of this 200 being from the Riverina Area).

William's older brother John Alfred HANNA was also serving in South Africa at the time with the 3rd Battalion Australian Commonwealth Horse (NSW)

The regiment spent the remainder of its time serving with William's column in west Transvaal, until peace was declared in June 1902.

On 12 July 1902 the regiment sailed from Durban, Natal, for Australia, on board the transport Drayton Grange arriving in Sydney on 11 August"

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IMPERIAL AND STATE CONTINGENTS.
DISCHARGE CERTIFICATE.

This is to certify that Walter D. Hanna
has been discharged from the service of the
Imperial and State Contingents, New South Wales,
on the 22nd day of July 1902.

His conduct and character while in the service have been Very Good.

DESCRIPTION OF ABOVE-NAMED MAN.

Age 24 years Height 5' 7" Complexion Fair Eyes Blue Hair Fair
 Marks or scars on face or body None
 Place Sydney


 Principal Under Secretary of
 New South Wales.

Dated at Sydney, 4th August 1902

Supervising Officer, Imperial and State Contingents.

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Boer War Discharge

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Surname	LIANNA
Given Name(s) or Initial(s)	William David
Regimental Number	22
Rank	Trooper
Unit Name	3rd NSW Imperial Bushmen
State	NSW
Extracts and Comments (from Sources as shown)	B5204; drover aged 20 from Jerilderie NSW. Source # 841 born in Moulamein and living in Jerilderie, lied about his age to enlist, died 1953 in Sydney, brother of John Alfred.
Source References	Murray: Official Records of the Australian Contingents etc. page(s) 155 B5204; National Archives of Australia series B5204 folder 12A Source # Oz-Boer contributed source number 841
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Please email me if you can contribute any other relevant information about this person (eg any other military service, where in Australia they came from or when/where they died). Also, if you find an external link broken.

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Canberra

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Boer War Medal



RECORD OF SERVICE

..... WILLIAM DAVID HANNA

DATE OF BIRTH: 10 March, 1884.

PLACE OF BIRTH: Moulamein, N.S.W.

PREVIOUS OCCUPATION: Labourer

DATE OF JOINING: 30 March, 1905

DESCRIPTION: 5 ft. 10½ in. tall,
..... blue eyes, fair hair and complexion.

PROMOTIONS:

..... Constable, 1. 4.06,

..... Constable 1st Class, 13. 5.14,

..... Sergeant 3rd Class, 1.10.26,

..... Sergeant 2nd Class, 12.11.41.



Foot Constable 1918-1946

DATE OF LEAVING: Retired 10 March, 1944.
..... Died: 10 December, 1953.

STATIONS: Murwillumbah, Mullumbimby, Hay, Darlinghurst, Redfern,

..... Paddington, Botany.

..... He was stationed at Darlinghurst on retirement.

SPECIAL AWARDS: Military Service - Boer War - April, 1902 to August, 1902.

..... Commisaioner's Commendation - awarded on 27. 4.1939, for his part taken in

..... disastrous bushfires during December, 1938, and January, 1939.

NAME **HANNAN, WILLIAM DAVID**

SERVICE No. **8363**

REGISTERED No. **8363**

Height at Post.	Date of Birth.	Height.		Weight or Jacketing.		Eyes.	Hair.	Complexion.	Nature of.	Married or Single.	Previous Collig.	Religion.
		ft.	in.	st.	lb.							
F	10.3.04	5	10 1/2	12	9	Blue	Fair	Fresh	Moulmein, N.S.W.	10.3.38	Lahouran	C of E.

EXAMINATIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS.

Constable 1st Class.	Sergeant 2nd Class.	Sergeant 1st Class.	Inspector.	Superintendent.	Designation of Detective.	Station, Sergeant.	Ambulance.	Life Saving.	Motor Cyclist.	Motor Driver.	Special Qualifications.
	9.3.20 (1906)						First Aid Certificate				

Preliminary Certificate.	Ordinary Certificate.	Constable 1st Class.	Sergeant 2nd Class.	Sergeant 1st Class.	Inspector.	Inspector 2nd Class.	Inspector 1st Class.	Assistant Superintendent.	Superintendent 2nd Class.	Superintendent 1st Class.
10.3.05	1.4.06	13.5.16	1.10.26	10.11.41						

Grade of Leaving Police.	Date of Leaving Police.	Endorsement on Discharge.
Superannuation	10.3.44.	Excellent (27.3.44.)

Form 120 - 2 (2021) 14th. Rev. 1950. Died. - 10.12.53

Record of Service and Stations.

District.	Station.	Date.	Duty.	District.	Station.	Date.	Duty.
Eastern	Depot	30.3.05.					
Northern	Murrumbidgee	1.6.06					
do.	Mullumbimby	11.8.08					
South Western	Mount Hope	15.12.07					
do.	Hay	19.2.20					
do.	Hillston	27.7.11					
Murray	Narrandera	11.11.13					
Metropolitan	No. 3	13.4.16					
do.	No. 7	22.2.18					
do.	No. 1	25.2.22					
do.	No. 10	25.10.26					
do.	No. 7	9.2.31	Gen. & Charitable Inquiries.				
do.	No. 10	30 MAR 1937	General				
do.	No. 3	28.2.38	Ordinary duty.				

Source: Register of Police Appointments NO N.S.W. Ref: 8/ (Reel)
 Police Service Registers 1901-13 NO N.S.W. Ref: 8/3258 (Reel)

Name: HANNA, WILLIAM DAVID

Registered No: 671 Name: William David Hanna
 Mounted or Foot: F Year of Birth: 1884
 Height: 5 Feet, 10½ Inches Eyes: Blue
 Hair: Fair Complexion: Fresh
 A Native of: Moulamein, NSW Married or Single: S
 Previous Calling: Labourer Religion: C of E
 General Appearance: District: Metrop. 13.4.16

Date of Appointment to the Rank of:

Probationary Constable	Ordinary Constable	1st Class Constable	Senior Constable	Sergeant	Senior Sergeant
30.3.1905	1.4.1906	13.5.1914			

Date of Transfer and to what District	Date of Leaving the Force	Cause of Leaving the Force
Northern 28. 4.1905		
S. Western 23.17.1907		
Murray 13.12.13.		
Metrop. 13. 4.16		

Remarks:

Hanna William David No 8362

RECORD OF OFFENCES AND SPECIAL SERVICES.

DATE	OFFENCE OR SPECIAL SERVICE	DECISION
	Holder First Aid Certificate.	
23. 11. 1907	<i>During the year 1907, queries of account submitted by the manager, viz. with respect to the capacity of lock-up keeper at station, did not give money received as a receipt from certain police without due and proper authority.</i>	<i>Specialy referred and transferred to a sergeant on 1st Feb 1908.</i>
	<i>Issue of new Record Sheet approved</i>	
		<i>19 MAY 1927</i> Commissioner of Police.
	<i>Military Service on foot was 12.01 to 25.02</i>	
27. 1. 1907	<i>Recommended by the Commissioner of Police for the award of a medal by him in recognition with the district lock-up keeper in connection during December, 1906 - January, 1907.</i>	
	<i>Wm J. E. J.</i>	

No.	Name	Age	Sex	Color	Hair	Eyes	Build	Complexion	Tattoos	Scars	Fingerprints		Remarks
											Left	Right	
5	Miss Phyllis	17	F	White	Black	Blue	Slender	Fair			Left	Right	Miss Phyllis
111	Reuben Campbell	21	M	Black	Black	Brown	Medium	Dark			Left	Right	Long Island Sound
122	Miss Elizabeth	18	F	White	Black	Blue	Slender	Fair			Left	Right	Long Island Sound
133	Thomas William	25	M	Black	Black	Brown	Medium	Dark			Left	Right	Long Island Sound
144	John James	22	M	Black	Black	Brown	Medium	Dark			Left	Right	Long Island Sound
155	Robert James	19	M	Black	Black	Brown	Medium	Dark			Left	Right	Long Island Sound
166	William Edward	23	M	Black	Black	Brown	Medium	Dark			Left	Right	Long Island Sound
177	George Henry	20	M	Black	Black	Brown	Medium	Dark			Left	Right	Long Island Sound



William David and Jessie HANNA taken shortly before Jessie's death in 1938. They were on their way to a wedding.



William David HANNA's backyard garden at 71 Rosebery Ave, Rosebery. Note the air raid bunker that was built during the war years when Sydney was under threat. Photo taken circa early 1950's.



A Studio Photo of Constable William David HANNA
taken in 1907/1908.



William David HANNA (second from left standing) aged 22. Photo taken in 1906 when he was stationed at Mullumbimby Police Station NSW.



Sergeant William David HANNA (standing middle row on left) taken at North Rothbury, Hunter Valley NSW during the infamous coal miners strike on the 1930's.



Taken during Coal Miners strike during 1930's Hunter Valley NSW. William David HANNA seated in the middle of the front row.



Crown Sergeant William HANNA, his daughter-in-law Elva MOORE with baby Gordon in about 1944



This is William David HANNA during 1947. He is holding his newly born granddaughter Yvonne, the daughter of Grace (nee HANNA) and Douglas BRENNAN.

CENTRAL CHANCERY OF
THE ORDERS OF KNIGHTHOOD,
ST JAMES'S PALACE, S.W.1.

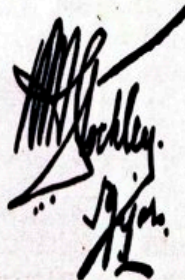
11th August, 1944.

Sir,

*I am commanded to forward
the Imperial Service Medal which
His Majesty The King has been
graciously pleased to award to you
in recognition of the meritorious
services which you have rendered.*

I am, Sir,

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'W. D. Hanna', with a large, sweeping flourish above the name.

Mr. William David Hanna.

Registrar of The Imperial Service Order

This is the letter advising William David HANNA that he had been awarded the Imperial Service Medal.



These are the medals awarded to William David HANNA. His 1902 Boer War service medal on the left and his Imperial Service Medal on the right.



Sydney Morning Herald (NSW : 1842 – 1954), **Friday 11 December 1953**, page 20**HANNA**, William David.-December 10. 1953, at his residence, 71 Rosebery Avenue, Rosebery (late of N.S.W. Police Dept.). Relict of the late **Jessie Hanna**, beloved father of David, Grace (Mrs. D. Brennan) and Marie, and dear uncle of **Neville Tamlyn**, aged 70 years.At rest.11 Dec 1953 – Family Notices – Trove

**William Lindsay Creswell
ALFORD**

13/08/2020

William Lindsay Creswell ALFORD

(late of Kingsford)

AKA Pony, Lindsay and Len

New South Wales Police Force

Regd. # ?????

Rank: Mounted Trooper – (Taree)

**Detective Superintendent 3rd Class –
retired**

**Stations: ? , Taree (as a mounted
trooper), C.I.B. Sydney, Homicide Squad
Sydney, Newcastle Dets OIC (1939),
Goulburn District OIC (Supt), Wagga
Wagga (Supt), North Sydney – 1946 (Supt),
Parkes – Oct 1948 (Supt),**

**Service: From ? ? 1918 to ? ? 1952 =
34 years Service**

**Awards: King's Police and Fire Services
Medal – 7 June 1951**

No find on It's An Honour

Born: 2 April 1896

Died on: Saturday 18 April 1953

Age: 57

Cause: “possible” heart attack ?

Funeral date: Monday 20 April 1953

**Funeral location: Holy Trinity Church,
Kingsford, NSW**

Buried at: Cremated – Botany Cemetery

**Ashes located: Jubilee Walls, Wall D,
Position 137 (Interment – 13 August 1953
)**

Memorial at: ?

Investigators



*Detective **Alford** and **Detective-Sergeant Watkins** at the **Goode** inquiry to-day.*

20 June 1932

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

Funeral location: ?

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

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May they forever Rest In Peace

Manning River Times and Advocate for the Northern Coast
Districts of New South Wales (Taree, NSW : 1898 – 1954),
Monday 20 April 1953, page 3

DEATH OF EX TAREE POLICE OFFICER

Former Police Superintendent L. Alford, who died on Saturday at his home in Kingsford after a long illness, was at one time Mounted Constable in Taree. Superintendent Alford was a prominent detective for many years. Before his retirement he was officer-in-charge of the Goulburn police district. A funeral service will be held at the Holy Trinity Church, Kingsford, to-day.

<http://trove.nla.gov.au/newspaper/rendition/nla.news-article173015424.txt>

There is a large volume of information on www.trove.nla.gov.au about this man. He was certainly amongst the action.



W L C Alford as a young man.



Alford Family. *Back:* Lindsay, Allen, Frank *Seated:* William and Netta *Front:* Marjorie :
(*Photograph Mrs Jean Gilbert*)



W L C ALFORD in his Mounted Police uniform at Taree



With his eldest son Brian Albert ALFORD on the day Albert started his career in banking at the Commonwealth Bank, Sydney



William Lindsay Creswell ALFORD



Lindsay, Joan, Kerrie, Eva, Lindsay



Lindsay, Lindsay (grandson), Joan (daughter-in-law), Kerrie (granddaughter), Eva (wife), Albert (son)

William Lindsay C. Alford

by Kerrie Jordan

Their first son William Lindsay Creswell Alford served in the police force in the following capacities. Mounted Policeman at Taree, NSW, Detective Inspector for fifteen years at Newcastle, NSW, Crown Sargent, Armidale, NSW, Inspector at Goulburn, NSW, and Superintendent 1st Class, Sydney. When Lindsay arrived for duty at the C.I.B. he wore his "Mounted Police Uniform" and became known as "Pony" Alford. One important assignment he had was to extradite a wanted man from New Zealand.

In 1952 he retired because of ill health and was awarded and received Long Service and Distinguished Service Medals.

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William Lindsay Creswell ALFORD

b: 2: 5:1896 Cowra NSW

d: 18: 4:1953 Kingsford NSW

m: 11: 6:1917 North Sydney NSW

Children: 3

Eva Emma HUTCHBY

b: 8: 2:1896 Nottingham UK

d: 5:11:1978 Sydney NSW

The Sun, Sydney. Saturday 18 April 1953. p3 article

DEATH OF EX-POLICE SUPT. ALFORD

William Lindsay Creswell Alford, 57, of Kingsford, who suffered a fatal collapse today, was the **third ex-superintendent** of police to die **this week**.

The others were **Arthur Leary**, 79, of Campbelltown, and **William Chas Watkins**, 63, of Bellevue Hill.

Mr. Alford had attended the funeral of **Superintendent Watkins** yesterday and went to his son's home at **Warrimoo**, where he became ill.

He was being taken to Prince Henry Hospital, Sydney and died in the ambulance.

Mr. Alford was an inspector at **North Sydney** and **Phillip St.** before his appointment as **Superintendent** at **Parkes**. He retired

because of ill-health.

Manning River Times and Advocate for the Northern Coast
Districts of New South Wales (Taree, NSW : 1898 – 1954),
Saturday 16 June 1951, page 2

WON POLICE MEDAL

A distinguished police officer who was first stationed at Taree has been awarded the King's Police and Fire Services Medal. He is Superintendent L. Alford,

of Kingsford. The medal is issued for gallantry and for distinguished services. Supt. Alford is a regular visitor to Taree. He is also a keen bowler.

<http://trove.nla.gov.au/newspaper/rendition/nla.news-article173002829.txt>

Northern Champion (Taree, NSW : 1913 – 1954), **Saturday 24 June 1950**, page 2

Visitors to Forster during the week were Messrs. W. Matthews, J. Job, J. Townsend and W. Parker, well known professional and commercial men of **Parkes**. They were on a trip north to follow the sun.

All are friends of **Police Superintendent Len Alford**, at one

time a **police officer at Taree**, who is a great advocate for **Forster** as a holiday resort amongst his friends in the Western part of the State.

<http://trove.nla.gov.au/newspaper/rendition/nla.news-article162453780.txt>

Northern Champion (Taree, NSW : 1913 – 1954), **Wednesday 23
March 1949**, page 4

PARTY FOR SGT. AND MRS. BLUNDEN

Sergeant and Mrs. Blunden were entertained by a large gathering of their friends at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. M. Yarad on Thursday night. An enjoyable musical programme was provided and at the conclusion of an excellent supper the chairman (Mr E. D. Graham) proposed the toast of **Sergeant** and Mrs. **Blunden**. He referred to the efficient manner that **Sergeant Blunden** had administered the Taree police district over the past three years. His remarks were supported by Mr W. P. Chapman, Mr. Hamilton Knight (Conciliation Commissioner), Superintendent L. Alford, Messrs. J. J. Northam, V. Hough (Clerk of Petty Sessions at Taree), E. McCartney, Mr. Simmons (Wingham), and **Sergeant Fallon**. Mr. Yarad, on behalf of the Lebanese ladies of Taree, presented Mrs. Blunden with a cut glass decanter and 12 goblets. After the joint toast had been enthusiastically honoured **Sergeant Blunden** and Mrs. Blunden expressed their appreciation of the enjoyable function held in their honor, the good wishes that had been extended to them and the acceptable gift.

Superintendent Alford, in proposing the toast of the host and hostess, paid a tribute to Mr. and Mrs. Yarad for having arranged such a really enjoyable function to farewell Sergeant and Mrs. Blunden.

Mr. Hamilton Knight moved a vote of appreciation to the chairman, and this concluded a happy evening.

<http://trove.nla.gov.au/newspaper/rendition/nla.news-article162458578.txt>

Northern Champion (Taree, NSW : 1913 – 1954), **Wednesday 16 March 1949**, page 2

Superintendent Lindsay Alford, with his wife and grandson, are the guests of Mr and Mrs J. J. Northam, of Taree.

Superintendent Alford is well known in this district, having been stationed at **Taree as a constable**.

He joined the Police Force at the same time as **Sgt. Blunden**, who will be leaving **Taree** in the near future to take over the **Gosford Station**.

Superintendent Alford is a keen bowler, and has paid several visits to the Taree green during his stay here.

<http://trove.nla.gov.au/newspaper/rendition/nla.news-article162456786.txt>

Manning River Times and Advocate for the Northern Coast
Districts of New South Wales (Taree, NSW : 1898 – 1954),
Wednesday 16 March 1949, page 2

Police Superintendent L. Alford, at **Parkes**, accompanied by Mrs. Alford and their grandchild, are on a visit to the **Manning** as the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Northam, of Taree. It is 30 years all but two months since Supt. Alford came to **Taree as a trooper**.

His many friends were pleased to renew his acquaintance. At Taree bowling green on Saturday, the president (Mr. R. S. Butterworth) welcomed the visitor, who suitably responded, expressing his pleasure at being able to re-visit the Manning.
<http://trove.nla.gov.au/newspaper/rendition/nla.news-article172479300.txt>

Western Grazier (Wilcannia, NSW : 1896 – 1951), **Friday 12
November 1948**, page 3

visit OF POLICE SUPERINTENDENT

Former prominent figure of the **Criminal Investigation Branch** and **Homicide Squad**, Superintendent Alford, now in charge of the Western Police District stationed at **Parkes**, last week paid a visit to Ivanhoe, where he was supervising Police matters generally.

<http://trove.nla.gov.au/newspaper/rendition/nla.news-article133047104.txt>

Barrier Miner (Broken Hill, NSW : 1888 – 1954), **Friday 22
October 1948**, page 10

Police Supt. Here This Evening

Superintendent W. L. Alford, officer in charge of the **Western New South Wales Police District**, will arrive in Broken Hill from **Parkes** by train, today.

Superintendent Alford recently took charge of the district from Superintendent H. C. R. Randell, who has been transferred to Goulburn.

It is understood that Superintendent Alford will make a tour of all stations in this sub-district. He will stay at the Freemasons Hotel.

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Molong Express and Western District Advertiser (NSW : 1887 – 1954), **Friday 8 October 1948**, page 7

Police Change

Police Superintendent H. C. Randall, who has been stationed in **Parkes** in charge of the Western police district since **December**, has received notice of his transfer to **Goulburn**. Supt. Randall, who expects to leave Parkes within two or three weeks, will be in charge of the Southern administrative district, the headquarters of which are at Goulburn.

He will be replaced in **Parkes** by **Superintendent Alford**, of **Sydney**.

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William George HOGG

13/08/2020

William George HOGG

Victoria Police Force

Regd. # 6320

Rank: Superintendent

Stations: Gun Bower, Swan Hill

Service: From ? ? 1919 to ? ? ? = ?
years Service

Awards: * Police Valor Badge granted in
1923 for the arrest of an armed escapee
from Castlemaine Prison

[blockquote]

Australian Commonwealth Military Forces

Regimental # 915

Enlisted: 19 August 1914 aged 19

Rank: Driver

Unit: Field Artillery Brigade 2, Battery
4

Returned to Australia: 8 October 1918

[/blockquote]

Born: ? ? ?

Died on: Thursday 4 June 1953

Cause: Illness – stomach cancer stemming
from being 'gassed' during WWI

Age: 57

Funeral date: Monday 8 June 1953

Funeral location: ?

Buried at: Melton Cemetery, Centenary
Ave, Melton, Victoria



Supt. William George HOGG

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

POLICE FUNERAL

Many senior police officials and retired and present members of the force attended the police funeral yesterday of Superintendent William George Hogg.

Supt. Hogg, 57, was stationed at Swan Hill.

He died last Thursday after an illness.

He was holder of the Police Valor Badge, and his name appeared on the Queen's Medal list on Coronation Day.

Supt. Hogg served for more than four years during the 1914-18 war.

The funeral cortege, led by the police band, mounted troopers, and motor-cycle patrols, passed through the town of Melton to the Melton Cemetery.

William George HOGG – death article.

The Argus (Melb.) Tues 9
June 1953 p 6 of 16



William George Hogg Picture: COURTESY AUSTRALIAN WAR MEMORIAL

Private William George HOGG

Tuesday, April 21, 2015

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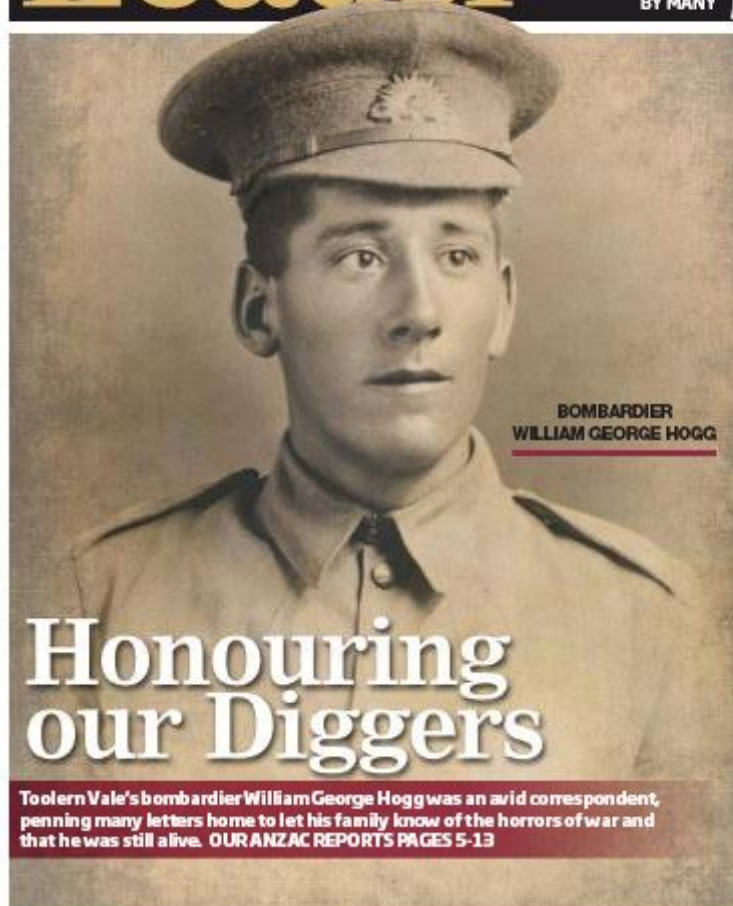
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ULTIMATE SACRIFICE MADE BY MANY



BOMBARDIER
WILLIAM GEORGE HOGG

Honouring our Diggers

Toolern Vale's bombardier William George Hogg was an avid correspondent, penning many letters home to let his family know of the horrors of war and that he was still alive. OUR ANZAC REPORTS PAGES 5-13

NEWS

Community feeds off garden project

FRESH fruit and vegetables will soon be available to those who permanently live at the Rockbank caravan park. Melton Council and Burnings joined forces to plant vegetable beds recently. Those who live at the park say the project has brought the community together.
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HOME LIVING

Turn your home into a haven

WELCOME to Home Living our new feature that focuses on the things that make a house a home. Check out the ideas now trending to improve your space and turn the ordinary into a personal sanctuary.
PAGES 17-22

WHAT'S ON

Search for gorillas in the midst of zoo

BREAK out the binoculars and sign up to join Wertheim Open Range Zoo's guided gibbon patrol, get the shape for a free Fort of Melbourne book tour and enjoy food and entertainment at the City Square Music Festival.
PAGE 23

SPORT

Injury-hit Bloods draw opener

MELTON and Melton South shared the points after a thrilling Ballant Football League local derby on Saturday. But the Bloods were left counting the cost of the bruising season opener at Melton Recreation Reserve, with three players sustaining injuries.
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Bravery on two fronts

TOOLERN VALE SOLDIER SURVIVED THE TRENCHES TO BECOME A DECORATED POLICEMAN



William Hogg (second from right), with his battalion at Aboukir Forts, Alexandria



William George Hogg Picture: COURTESY AUSTRALIAN WAR MEMORIAL



William Hogg (marked with a cross), in the desert.



Mary Tolhurst holds up a photo of her uncle William Hogg who served in World War I and later became a police superintendent. In 1923 he was awarded the Police Valour Badge for confronting an armed offender. Picture: DENNIS MANKTELOW

Ami Humpage

FROM a teenage horse groomer, to a soldier and a police superintendent, Toolern Vale's Bombardier William George Hogg led an extraordinary life.

And his niece Mary Tolhurst, 91, said sitting around the breakfast table was where she heard the stories of war and those of her "Uncle Willy" from her mother and William's sister, Elizabeth Turleton.

At only 19, William enlist-

ed for war on August 19, 1914 as a driver in the Field Artillery Brigade 2, Battery 4, but eventually became a gunner and returned to Australia on October 8, 1918.

While abroad William was an avid letter writer, putting pen to paper for his sister, family and friends, letting them know he was OK and that he had seen many friends on the battlefield.

Mrs Tolhurst said that she still has letters he wrote home to her mother, as well as postcards and photo-

graphs that she treasures.

He also kept a diary outlining some of the extraordinary hardships the men endured in the trenches and the rotten food that arrived for their consumption.

But she said once home William did not speak of the war.

William later went on to become a decorated police officer. In 1923 he was awarded the Police Valour Badge for confronting an armed offender who had escaped from the Castlemaine

POLICE MEDAL

Introduced in August 1899, the Victoria Police Valour Award is awarded to officers in recognition of exceptional bravery.

It came about after Sgt William Rogerson of Alameda Police was severely beaten while arresting two burglars.

The award continues to be given to officers to this day.

Prison. He eventually succumbed to stomach cancer as a result of being gassed during the war.

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21 April 2015

Honouring our Diggers



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William George Hogg

Service Number: 915
Rank: Driver
Age: 19
Religion: R.C.
Marriage status: Single
Calling/trade: Groom
Address: Toolern Vale
via Melton Victoria Australia

Date joined: 19/08/14
*A.M.F. Unit:
Regiment: 2nd Field Artillery Brigade

Embarkation
Date: 20/10/14
From: Melbourne
On number: A9
Name: Shropshire
Nominal Roll No: 13/30/1
Division: No 4 Battery

Next of Kin
Name: G. W. Hogg
Relationship:
Address: Toolern Vale
via Melton Victoria Australia

Payment

Before Embarkation					
Rate per Diem			Date to which paid		
S	D		S	D	
6	0				29/08/14

After Embarkation					
Daily rate, excluding Deferred pay		Allotment in Australia per Diem		Not Rate, not including Allowances or Deferred pay	
S	D	S	D	S	D
6	0	-		6	0

Daily Rate of Deferred Pay, only Insuable on Completion of Service with Expeditionary Force	
S	D
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Images +UPLOAD IMAGE

Stories +UPLOAD STORY

Constable **William George Hogg** 6320

Gunbower Police Station

Escaping from Castlemaine reformatory teenager Nathaniel Baker was tracked to the bank of the **Murray** at Braund's farm, **Wharparilla**, 3 miles from **Echuca**. **Mounted Constable Daniel O'Connor** noticed impressions, which he recognised as those of boots worn by prisoners. Following the tracks for some distance, he learnt Braund's boat having been taken from its mooring, evidence suggesting the fugitive travelled down stream. Setting off in pursuit, 3 miles from **Lockington**, he discovered the abandoned boat however no trace of the escaped prisoner.

Establishing through diligent enquiry a person, in possession of a **double-barrelled gun**, answering the description of **Baker** called at the farm of Mr. Williams, partaking of an evening meal. A request for cartridges was complied with without fuss with the provision of **four**. Departing, **Baker** informing

Williams he intended travelling to **Gunbower**.

Assisting in the search, officer in charge of **Gunbower**, **Bill Hogg**, upon receiving the information, travelled on the night of Tuesday 18 June 1923 with **Mounted Constable Daniel O'Connor**, to an abandoned hut on **Gunbower Island**, arriving about 11.30 p.m.

Cautiously approaching, the policing pair discovered their man asleep in the room; double-barrelled shotgun within easy grasp. Making a dash through a window, **Bill Hogg** secured the weapon, whilst **Daniel O'Connor** arrested the **escapee** without resistance. Without food and with little clothing, **Baker** told the police that he would not have attempted to use the gun even if the opportunity presented itself.

Placing a good mark on their records, **Superintendent Donovan** of **Bendigo**, recommended **Constable Bill Hogg**, of **Gunbower**, and **Mounted Constable Daniel O'Connor**, of **Echuca**, for **pre-eminent valor and bravery in the discharge of their police duties** in capturing **Nathaniel Baker**, on **Gunbower Island** on **Thursday 15 June 1923**, recommended the pair receive a **Merit Badge**.

Superintendent William George Hogg, of **Swan Hill**, died in the **Police Hospital, St. Kilda Road**, on **4 June 1953**, aged 57 years, after a brief illness [stomach cancer]. **Bacchus Marsh**, Victoria born son of George William Hogg and Catherine Jane Watts, 19 years old groom, **Bill Hogg** landed at **Gallipoli** on **Anzac Day** with the **4th Battery**; later to be **gassed** in the battle trenches of the **Western Front, France**.

Joining the **Victoria Police Force** in **1919**, at the outbreak of the **Second World War**, **Bill Hogg** was one of the original team of four to establish **D24**. **Superintendent William George Hogg** was buried with full police honours at **Melton, Victoria**, leaving a wife and three daughters to mourn their loss.

Frederick George MARTIN

13/08/2020

Constable Frederick George MARTIN

Motor Vehicle Accident

South Belmont

26 November, 1953

Aged 30

On the evening of the 26 November, 1953 Constables **Martin** and **Bacon** were returning to the Belmont Police Station after attending the Newcastle Court. Constable **Morris Bacon** (27 old) of Robert St, Strathfield, was driving his private car and Constable Martin was asleep in the front passenger seat. On the Pacific Highway at South Belmont the vehicle skidded, left the road and overturned. As a result both were taken to the Royal Newcastle Hospital however Constable Martin had sustained severe head injuries and died later that night.

The constable was born in 1921 and joined the New South Wales Police Force on 16 April, 1950. At the time of his death he was stationed at Burwood.

September 29 2017 – 4:27PM

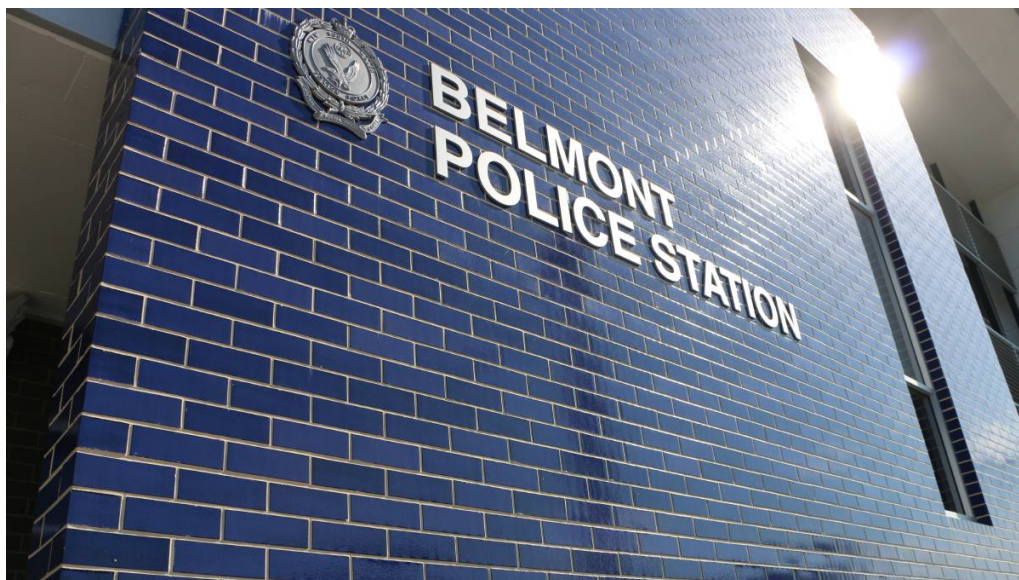
National Police Remembrance Day ceremony in Lake Macquarie

- David Stewart

- September 29 2017 – 4:27PM

POLICE from Lake Macquarie Local Area Command have unveiled plans for a **memorial wall at Belmont** to honour the **seven local officers killed in the line of duty since 1863**.

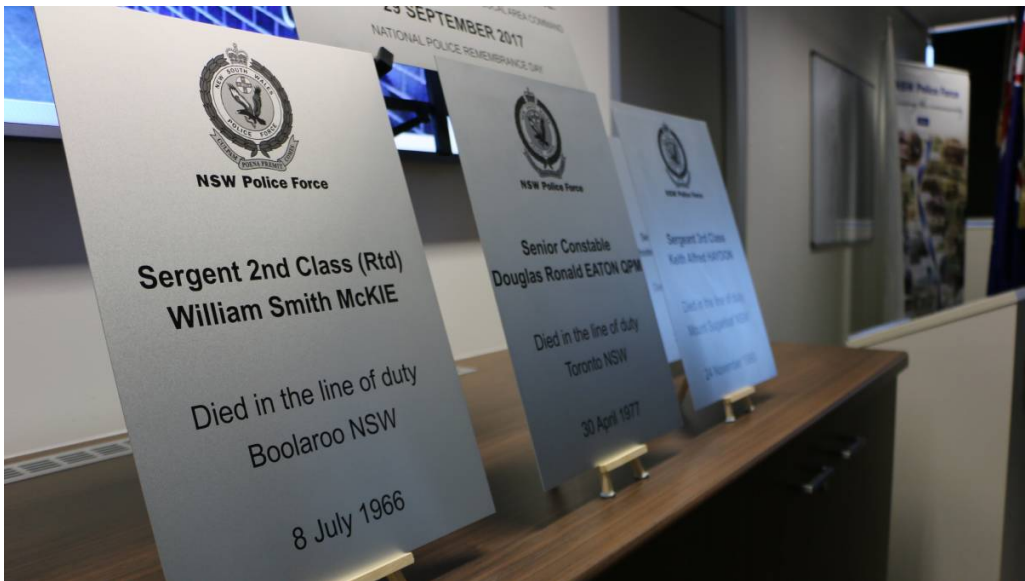
Plaques commemorating the seven officers were **dedicated to the wall** in a ceremony at **Belmont police station this afternoon**, **National Police Remembrance Day**.













Chief Inspector Murray Lundberg of Lake Macquarie LAC presided over a private ceremony attended by police, local high school students, and the families of the fallen officers.

“This is a time for reflection on the ultimate sacrifice that police officers can give in the execution of their duty,” Chief Inspector Lundberg said.

Police Remembrance Day at Belmont

Post by Police Remembrance Day at Belmont.

The fallen officers honoured were Constable **Henry Rucker** (who died in 1863), Constable **Frederick Martin** (1953), Sergeant 2nd Class **William McKie** (1965), Senior Constable **Douglas Eaton** (1977), Sergeant 3rd Class **Keith Haydon** (1980), Sergeant 1st Class **Rhoderic Lindsay** (1984), and Sergeant 3rd Class **Ross Jennings** (1986).

Acting Assistant Commissioner Brett Greentree, the Northern Region Commander, said the wall of remembrance, to be created on the distinctive blue wall at the entrance to the police station, would be striking.

“It will be a sight to treasure,” Acting Assistant Commissioner Greentree said.

“I want the officers, as they are walking out the front doors of this police station, to stop and reflect on the names, stop and reflect on the sacrifice.”

He said he hoped that the inaugural plaques to be installed on the wall were also the last.

“My dream is that we never, ever, add another name to this wall. I hope and pray that our wall is now complete.”

Acting Assistant Commissioner Greentree reached out to the families of the fallen officers.

“No commemoration or recognition can make good the loss that is unfairly carried by family members,” he said.

“I can only offer you my heartfelt condolences. Please know that your loved ones, who are no longer with us, will always be remembered.”

Across NSW, ceremonies were held to commemorate the service and sacrifice of the 269 officers who have lost their lives in the line of duty, and through injury or illness, since the formation of the NSW Police Force in 1862.



Evan Clyde WILLIAMS

13/08/2020

Evan Clyde WILLIAMS

Late of Macquarie St, South Windsor

New South Wales Police Force

Regd. # **????**

Rank: Constable

Stations: Riverstone

Service: From 28 March 1949 to 10
August 1953 = 4+ years Service

[blockquote]

World War II

Australian Imperial Force

Australian

Army

Regiment: 2/4 Light
Anti-Aircraft Regiment (RAA)

Enlisted: 9 July
1941, Paddington, NSW

Service # NX38321

Rank: Gunner

Embarkation: ?

Next of kin: Ethel
WILLIAMS

Born: 12
January 1922

Religion: ?

Single / Married: ?

Returned to Australia: ?

Date of Discharge: 12 October 1945

[/blockquote]

Awards: No find on It's An Honour

Born: 12 January 1922 at Leeton, NSW

Died on: 10 August 1953

Age: 30

Cause: Motor Vehicle Accident – Police
Bike – Rider

Event location: Riverstone Rd,
Riverstone

Event date: 9 August 1953

Death location: Prince Henry Hospital

Funeral date: 12 August 1953

Funeral location: ?

Funeral Parlour: ?

Buried at: McGraths Hill Cemetery,
Charles St

Row 11, Plot 2

Memorial located at: ?





Gunner, Evan Clyde WILLIAMS



Evan Clyde WILLIAMS is buried with Ian Gary WILLIAMS – son – 1952 – 1957



[Half headstone missing] ...Memory of / ...OUR FOND FATHER / ...WILLIAMS / ...AGED 30 YEARS / ...o / ...WILLIAMS / ...AGED 5 YEARS / ...ISSUED. [Note: Earlier transcriptions have Evan Clyde Williams died 11th August 1953 aged 30 years & Ian Gary Williams died 23rd November 1957 aged 5 years]





[alert_green]EVAN is mentioned on the Police Wall of Remembrance[/alert_green]

Grave location: **TBA**

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

PLEASE SEND PHOTOS AND INFORMATION TO Cal

May they forever Rest In Peace

On the **evening of 9 August, 1953** **Constable Williams** was riding a **police motor cycle outfit** along **Riverstone Road, Riverstone** when the cycle collided with another vehicle which had been travelling in the **opposite direction**. The constable was treated at the scene before being conveyed to the **Hawkesbury District Hospital** suffering from severe injuries including a **fractured skull**. He was transferred to the **Prince Henry Hospital** that night, where he was operated on, however he died on **11 10 August, 1953** without regaining consciousness.

The constable was on his way home from duty when the accident occurred.

The constable was born in **1923** and joined the New South Wales Police Force on **28 March, 1949**. At the time of his death he was stationed at **Riverstone**.

EX-RESIDENT OF MERUNGLE HILL KILLED IN ACCIDENT

The Late Cst. E. Williams

Residents of Merungle Hill were shocked to learn of the death of Constable Evan Williams, who died on Monday night as the result of injuries sustained in a motor cycle accident.

The late Mr. Williams was a member of the Police Force, and while riding a motor cycle between Parramatta and Windsor on Sunday night his machine came into collision with a motor car. He sustained a fractured skull, and a broken leg. He was taken by Ambulance to the Coast Hospital where doctors performed an operation in an effort to save his life. Despite the best medical skill however, he died from his injuries. The late Mr. Williams' parents who reside at Merungle Hill, did not learn of the accident until told about it by a neighbor on Monday morning who had heard it in a news bulletin broadcast over the air. Mr. Williams immediately got into touch with the police who informed him that they had been endeavouring to locate him. Mr. and Mrs. Williams caught Monday night's train for Sydney, but when they arrived at the Hospital the sad news had to be broken to them that their son had passed away during the night. The late Evan Clyde Williams was born at his parents home which is situated opposite the Merungle Hill School where he received his first schooling. He later attended the Leeton Intermediate High School. He was a returned soldier of the second World War and saw service in the Middle East and New Guinea. He was about 31 years of age, and is survived by his wife and two children. The funeral was held at the Windsor Cemetery on Wednesday. Mrs. Eckley, a next door neighbor of the Williams family, who had known the deceased ever since he was a little boy, said that the news of his untimely death came as a great shock to the people of Merungle Hill where he was so well-known and the shock was all the greater because of the fact that the announcement came so suddenly and

unexpectedly over the air.

<https://trove.nla.gov.au/newspaper/article/156130553>

Sydney Morning Herald (NSW : 1842 – 1954), **Wednesday 12 August 1953**, page 28

WILLIAMS, Evan Clyde.— August 10, 1953 (suddenly), late police constable, dearly loved husband of Pyhllis Williams of Macquarie street, South Windsor, and dear father of Graham and Ian, aged 30 years.

<https://trove.nla.gov.au/newspaper/article/18390127>

Sun (Sydney, NSW : 1910 – 1954), **Tuesday 11 August 1953**, page 21

POLICEMAN DIES

Constable Evan Clyde Williams, 30, of Riverstone, who was seriously hurt when his motorcycle outfit collided with a car near **Vineyards railway station, Windsor**, on **Sunday night**, died in Prince Henry Hospital **early today**.

Murrumbidgee Irrigator (Leeton, NSW : 1915 – 1954), **Tuesday 5 August 1941**, page 2

FATHER AND SON IN KHAKI

Corporal Evan Williams, a **Digger of the last war**, who is now serving with the **Hay Garrison**, was seen in **Leeton** during the week-end with his son, **Gunner Evan Clyde Williams**, also in khaki. The latter has enlisted for service abroad, and is attached to the **anti-tank reinforcements**. Mr. Williams senior arranged his leave to be home with his son, and also to attend the **21st birthday party** given in honor of his daughter, **Joy**, last night. **She was the first baby born on Merungle Hill soldier settlement.**

Murrumbidgee Irrigator (Leeton, NSW : 1915 – 1954), **Tuesday 9 November 1943**, page 2

WAR CASUALTIES

WOUNDED IN ACTION

GUNNER EVAN CLYDE WILLIAMS as been wounded in action. Gunner Williams, who served in the Middle East, was in action in New Guinea. His father **Cpl. Evan Williams**, is attached to the garrison force at Hay. The wounded soldier's mother, who resides at Merungle Hill, is at present a patient in the District Hospital, where she underwent an operation. The telegram containing the notification read as follows: '*I regret to inform you that Gunner Evan Clyde Williams has been wounded in action. The Minister for the Army extends his sincere sympathy.*'

<https://trove.nla.gov.au/newspaper/article/156038450>

February 2 2018 – 11:00AM

Relatives of killed officer Evan Clyde Williams being sought

• Krystyna Pollard



Relatives of a local police officer killed on duty more than **60 years ago** are being sought as plans for his grave to be restored in an historic Hawkesbury cemetery forge ahead.

Constable Evan Clyde Williams, a resident of South Windsor, was killed on duty on August 9, 1953 while stationed at Riverstone. Constable Williams had been riding a police motorcycle along Riverstone Road when it collided with another vehicle travelling in the opposite direction.

He was treated at the scene before being taken to Hawkesbury Hospital suffering from severe injuries, and was later transferred to Prince Henry Hospital to be operated on. He died without regaining consciousness two days later.

The *Narrandera Argus and Riverina Advertiser* stated on **August 17, 1953**, that Constable Williams had only just returned to duty after an earlier injury.

“He had resumed duty only a fortnight after having received injuries when he chased a stolen motor car, the driver of which ran his machine against an electric light pole,” the article stated.

Constable Williams was buried at historic McGraths Hill cemetery, where his grave is currently in a state of disrepair. The NSW Police Memorial and Historical Society is working to restore his grave, and society member Ian Colless is asking descendants to come forward.

“We are seeking anyone who may have known or know the Williams family, or has any contacts in the Hawkesbury district, who could assist,” he explained. “McGraths Hill cemetery is heritage listed and any application for work normally requires permission of an ancestor or heir of the burial rights.”

Born in 1923 at Leeton, Constable Williams served in WWII where he was injured while serving as a gunner in the 2/4 Light Anti-Aircraft Regiment of the AIF. He joined the NSW Police Force in 1949.

Constable Williams' wife Phyllis stayed in the area for a time after his death and the couple had two sons, Graham and Ian. Ian died as a child and is buried in the same location. Anyone with information should contact coll2ian@gmail.com.

<http://www.hawkesburygazette.com.au/story/5195651/relatives-of-killed-officer-evan-clyde-williams-being-sought/>

Garnet Frederick MORTLEY

13/08/2020

Garnet Frederick MORTLEY

New South Wales Police Force

Regd. # 6325

Rank: Constable

Stations: Special Traffic Patrol (S.T.P.) – North Sydney

Service: From 17 January 1949 to 1 June 1953 =4+ years Service

Awards: ?

Born: ? ? 1928

Event date: 27 May 1953

Event location: (Old) Princes Hwy, near Waterfall

Died on: 1 June 1953

Cause: Injuries sustained in a Motor Vehicle Accident

Age: 25

Funeral date: Wednesday 3 June 1953

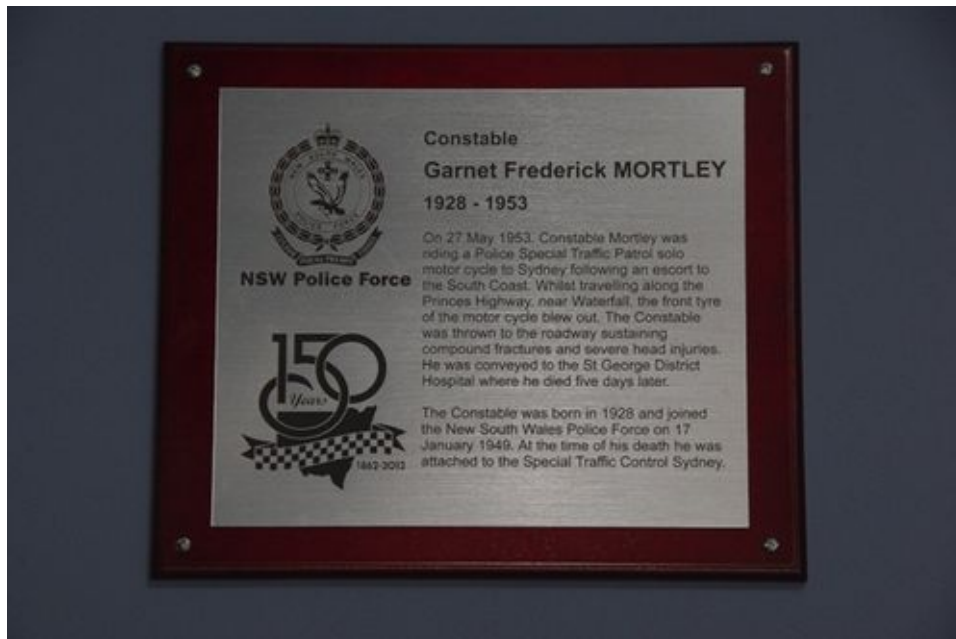
**Funeral location: Methodist Church,
Halhousie St, Haberfield @ 11am**

**Buried at: Cremated at Rookwood
Crematorium**



Touch plate at the National Police Wall of Remembrance, Canberra.

Constable Garnet Frederick MORTLEY



Plaques commemorate eight officers from Sutherland Local Area Command who were killed in the line of duty. The names of the men and details of how they died hang on plaques in the foyer of the station. The plaques were unveiled during the 150th anniversary of policing in New South Wales.

On 27 May, 1953 Constable Mortley was riding a Police Special Traffic Patrol solo cycle to Sydney following an escort to the south coast. Whilst travelling along the Princes Highway near Waterfall, the front tyre on the cycle blew out. The constable was thrown to the roadway, sustaining compound fractures and severe head injuries. He was conveyed to the St George District Hospital, where he died five days later.

The constable was born in 1928 and joined the New South Wales Police Force on 17 January, 1949. At the time of his death he was attached to the Special Traffic Patrol, Sydney.

Police Motor Cyclist Critically Injured

A Sydney police motor cyclist was critically injured when he lost control of his motor cycle on the Prince's Highway on the southern side of Waterfall yesterday afternoon.

He got into difficulties on a corner at the bottom of a long hill on his way back to Sydney after escorting two big lorries through to the South Coast.

His cycle swerved and hit a lorry which was travelling in an opposite direction.

The rider was thrown to the side of the road and the motor cycle careered on along the road and crashed into another vehicle travelling in the opposite direction.

The cyclist suffered a compound comminuted fracture of the thigh, a compound comminuted fracture of the elbow, severe head injuries, internal injuries and severe shock. The motor cycle was completely wrecked.

St. George Ambulance rushed him to St. George District Hospital. His condition last night was described as "very low"

<http://trove.nla.gov.au/ndp/del/article/134151260>

MORTLEY Garnet Frederick – June 1 1953 at St George Hospital (result of accident), dearly beloved husband of Elaine Estelle and loving father of Christine, aged 25 years.

MORTLEY, Garnet Frederick – June 1 1953 at St George Hospital (result of accident), loved son of Garnet (Dick) and Lillian Mortley and dear grandson of Elsie May and the late Frederick Shettle and Mrs C F and the late Charles Mortley.

MORTLEY Garnet Frederick – June 1 1953 at St George Hospital (result of accident), loved son-in-law of James Clifford and Nellie Evelyn Hay and dear brother-in-law of Evelyn Hay.

MORTLEY – The Relatives and Friends of the late **GARNET FREDERICK MORTLEY** of **36 Dalmar Street Croydon** are invited to attend his Funeral to leave the Methodist Church, Dalhousie Street Haberfield Tomorrow (Wednesday) after service commencing at 11 a m for the **Rookwood Crematorium**.

GEO ANDREWS UA2808 9

237 – 9 Liverpool Road Ashfield

MORTLEY – The Relatives and Friends of Mr and Mrs W. W. Dennis Mr and Mrs C Ingle-Olson, Mr and Mrs H Ingle-Olson, Mr. and Mrs T Shirley, Mr and Mrs J Menzies, Mr. L. Traynor and Families, are invited to attend the Funeral of their loved Nephew and Cousin, GARNET FREDERICK to leave the Methodist Church Haberfield, after service at 11 am Wednesday for Rookwood Crematorium.

The Sydney Morning Herald

Wednesday 3 June 1953

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MORTLEY – Lodge Minimbah No 781 U. G. L. of N S W and Sister Lodges – Officers and Brethren are Invited to attend the Funeral of their late esteemed Bro. GARNET FREDERICK MORTLEY to leave the Methodist church Dalhousie Street Haberfield This Day after service commencing at 11 a m for the Rookwood Crematorium (Regalia) F S GLOSS, W.M.; A. A. J GREEN Sec.

<http://trove.nla.gov.au/ndp/del/article/18377764>

The Sydney Morning Herald

Thursday 16 July 1953

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Constable's Death Accidental

The City Coroner, Mr. E. J. Forrest, S.M., yesterday recorded a verdict of accidental death at the inquest on Constable Garnet Frederick Mortley, 25, of Croydon Road, Croydon.

Constable Mortley, who was attached to the Public Safety Bureau, North Sydney, was riding a police motor cycle outfit along Prince's Highway, near Waterfall, on May 27, when the front tyre burst.

The outfit collided with a lorry and Constable Mortley was thrown to the road. He died from injuries at St. George District Hospital on June 1.

Location of Church Service: [codepeople-post-map]

Residence of Garnet MORTLEY at the time of his death:
<https://www.google.com.au/maps/@>