



GRADE MASTERS JUNIORS Representing the Mosman Community for over 100 years

# 'FAR FROM MOSMAN OVAL'

Members Of Mosman Cricket Club Who Served In War And Those Who Did Not Return For A Second Innings

# By George Franki

Published by Mosman Cricket Club 2014



# **Anzac Cricket 1915**



```
AUSTRALIAN WAR MEMORIAL
```

Cricket match played on Shell Green at Gallipoli on 17/12/1915 to deceive the Turks into believing that the Anzacs were not withdrawing.

Front Cover: Allan Border Oval (formerly Mosman Oval) with the Mosman Cenotaph in the back ground. Photo by George Condon

# **EDITORIAL NOTE**

This is the First Edition of an attempt to record details of those members and former members of the Mosman Cricket Club who have served their nation on operational service, and to pay special tribute to those who did not return.

This First Edition will hopefully elicit from the community more names of Mosman Cricketers (and their stories) that have not yet been brought to the notice of the author, that can be included in subsequent editions of this Booklet.

As part of the Mosman Cricket Club's contribution to the Anzac Centenary, the objective is to publish a final edition of this booklet by November 2018 whereby hopefully all Club members' names and service have been recorded.

Every attempt has been made to ensure the accuracy of the information in the Booklet, however such information can never be guaranteed.

For any reader who is able to further add to this booklet with relevant information and/or photos, the Mosman Cricket Club would encourage and welcome such contributions.

# ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Donna Braye – Local History Librarian, Mosman Library

Andrew Condon – Mosman Cricket Club

**Mosman RSL Sub-Branch** 

John Hiscox - Mosman Cricket Club Historian

## SPECIAL ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Ian Henderson and Eileen Henderson OAM RFD in appreciation of their generous funding of the printing of this first edition.

# "The death of a cricketer before age has fallen on him is sad; it is even against nature."

(Neville Cardus on Victor Trumper.)

# Foreword

The NSW Minister for Citizenship and Communities, Victor Dominello, on 1 February 2014 launched *United We Stand*, a NSW Government initiative which encourages local sports clubs to engage in 'Centenary of Anzac' activities.

Mr Dominello said "Our sports clubs, through members past and present, hold an enduring connection to the stories of our Diggers."

At a gathering held at the Cenotaph above Mosman Oval on 1 February 2014, the then NSW Minister for Sport and Recreation, Gabrielle Upton, joined the Member for North Shore, Jillian Skinner, Mosman Mayor, Councillor Peter Abelson, and renowned military author, Peter FitzSimons AM, to launch the initiative.

Mrs Skinner said: "I am pleased Mosman Cricket Club has chosen to become the first United We Stand participant. Founded in 1908, the club has a proud record of honouring the overseas military service of its members and local residents."

Mosman Cricket Club President, Andrew Frank, said the Centenary of Anzac would serve as a timely reminder to all Mosman cricketers not to take for granted the freedoms and values enjoyed by Australians today, including the freedom to choose to play cricket.

"We have a number of initiatives planned for the Centenary of Anzac and are pleased to work with the NSW Government, Mosman Council, Mosman RSL Sub-Branch and the local community to promote them," Mr Frank said.

Former Mosman resident, George Franki, who has written a booklet listing 334 Mosman residents who died in WW1, volunteered to prepare a booklet on Mosman cricketers who died in World Wars.

# Mosman Cricket Club and the Anzac Centenary (from the Mosman Cricket Club website, 2014)

The Mosman Cricket Club is participating in the Anzac Centenary by undertaking a number of initiatives. These include:

- A research project working in conjunction with the Mosman RSL Sub-Branch to identify all Mosman Cricket Club members who have served the nation in wars, conflicts and peacekeeping operations in which Australians have been involved.
- Anzac Day does not fall during the cricket season however Mosman Cricket Club will provide formal representation/wreath laying at the Mosman Anzac Dawn Service.
- The start of the game nearest to Remembrance Day each year will commence with a short ceremony where reference is made to the number of Mosman Cricketers that served and read out the names of those that did not return.
- Name a trophy in the honour of one of the MCC players who was killed in action and that trophy awarded to the player of the day for the game nearest to Remembrance Day.
- Build a section of the MCC Web Page that will tell the story of MCC and the Anzac Centenary.

#### MOSMAN DISTRICT CRICKET CLUB

At a meeting held in the Trafalgar Hall, Mosman on 28 March 1904, a decision was made to form a sports oval in the area known as Mosman Park.

The oval, largely prepared with voluntary labour, was ready in 1908 and the Mosman Cricket Club was formed as a sub-district club with two teams entered in the NSW Cricket Association's 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> grade competitions.

The Club was admitted into the first grade competition in 1921.

~ 4 ~

# Members Of Mosman Cricket Club Who Died In WWI

Ernest Alexander Bennett Reginald George Cannon Reginald Hastings Cook Arthur Valentine Revett Lloyd Harry Albert Templeton Reynolds Phillip Sydney Soane Woodforde MID Laurence Charles Workman MID

#### ~ 5 ~

#### **Ernest Alexander Bennett**

Died 9/4/1917 aged 35 1<sup>st</sup> Tunnelling Company Hermies, France

Ernest Bennett was born in Harden NSW in 1881. He served late in the Boer War with the 5<sup>th</sup> Battalion, Australian Commonwealth Horse.

He was the groundsman at Mosman Oval when he enlisted on 5/10/1915. A very big man for his era, standing 6ft 2 inches tall (187 cms) and weighing 245 lbs (111 kgs) he was posted to the 1<sup>st</sup> Tunnelling Company.

Tunnellers dug passages under enemy trenches with the intention of blowing them up and were chosen for their strength and experience of hard manual work.

His unit's diary for 9/4/1917 states: "Very heavy bombardment on 9<sup>th</sup>, enemy raided at 7pm, many exits from dugouts and shallow sapheads crumped (hit by shells). One man killed". (Ernest Bennett.)

Bennett's Tunnelling Company, with other tunnelling units, was engaged in in burrowing under the German lines at Hill 60, Messines. Twenty large mines were to explode on 7/6/1917; nineteen did detonate. It is believed 10000 Germans were killed by the mass explosions.

Bennett lived in Myagah Road, Mosman and left a widow, Matilda, and two small children, Anna and George. He had been a member of Star of Mosman Lodge and attended St Clement's Church, Mosman.

Comrades wrote of him: "I knew "Mick" Bennett from Mosman's Bay. He was a most popular fearless man and a hardworking soldier. Nothing too good can be said about him." and "He was a big strong man."

Ernest Bennett is buried in Railway Dugouts Burial Ground (Transport Farm). The cemetery is located 2 kilometres south east of Ypres, Belgium on the Komenewe, road connecting Ypres to Komen.

His name appears on the Mosman War Memorial.

~ 6 ~

# **Reginald George Cannon**

Died 6/12/1917 aged 23 8th Machine Gun Company Passchendaele, Belgium

Reginald Cannon was born in Stanmore, Sydney. His parents were George and Eleanor Cannon who lived at *Tynwald* 26 Belmont Road, Mosman. George Cannon was on the staff of the Legislative Assembly of the Parliament of NSW.



Educated at Mosman Superior Public School and a member of the congregation of St. Luke's Church, Mosman, Cannon was a clerk when he enlisted on 20/6/1915.

He was promoted to sergeant on 2/2/1917.

He was originally posted to the 30<sup>th</sup> Battalion, 8<sup>th</sup> Brigade, 5<sup>th</sup> Division then was transferred to the 8<sup>th</sup> Machine Gun Company supporting the 8<sup>th</sup> Brigade. The Company was equipped with Vickers machine guns.

He embarked from Sydney for overseas service on 9/11/1915 in the transport *Beltana*. Cannon survived the terrible Battle of Fromelles, 19-20 July 1916, when the 5<sup>th</sup> Division suffered over 5000 casualties in a night including nearly 2000 dead. Wilfred Allsop, a stretcher bearer of Brierley St., Mosman, wrote of Fromelles in his diary: "*They lay in heaps behind the parapet or crouched under cover. Chaos and weird noises like thousands of iron foundries, deafening and dreadful, coupled with the roar of high explosives ripped the earth out of the parapet, we crept along seeking first of all the serious cases of wounded. Backwards and forwards we travelled between the firing line and the R.A.P. with knuckles torn and bleeding due to the narrow passage ways. Cold sweat, not perspiration, dripped from our faces and our breath came out only in gasps. By the time we had completed two trips, each of three miles, we were completely exhausted."* 

Cannon also survived Flers late in 1916 but was killed at the end of the Passchendaele campaign.

Reginald Cannon is buried in Kandahar farm Cemetery Ploegstreet 2 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> miles west south west of Messines. His name appears on the Mosman War Memorial.

An 'In Memoriam' notice for him which appeared in the Sydney Morning Herald of 8/1/1918 concluded: Loved by all. A good life nobly spent.

### **Reginald Hastings Cook**

### Died 25/11/1915 aged 22 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion Gallipoli

Reginald Cook was born in Mosman; his parents were William and Thriscilla Cook. Educated at Scots College, Sydney, he was a wool merchant working for his father when he enlisted on 8/6/1915.

He was killed 26 days after joining his battalion on Gallipoli. The 1st Battalion was evacuated in December 1915.

A comrade wrote of Cook's death: Cook was killed at half past six on the  $26^{th}$  of November at Larges Post. Detailed with three others for patrol duty and whilst climbing out over the trench was shot right through the head by a Turkish sniper who must have gained the knowledge in some way that the patrol was to start from this point and lay in waiting. Death was instantaneous.

Cook's mother, Thrisclla, died in 1932. In her will she left 100 pounds to the Soldiers' Memorial Hall, Mosman in memory of her son.

Cook is buried in Shell Green Cemetery, Gallipoli. A few days before the evacuation of the AIF from Gallipoli on 17/12/1915, a cricket match was held on Shell Green to deceive the Turks, intending to show that evacuation was not intended.

It is poignant that a cricketer from Mosman is buried where this match was played.

### 4292 Arthur Valentine Revett Lloyd

# Died 3/5/1917 aged 28 19<sup>th</sup> Battalion 2<sup>nd</sup> Bullecourt, France

Arthur Lloyd was born in Mosman, son of Benjamin and Agnes Lloyd who lived in *Peradeniya* 2 Queen Street, Mosman. Educated at Sydney Grammar School and a member of St Clements Church, Mosman, he described himself as a merchant/importer, sub-manager of Lloyd and Collins, Importers, when he enlisted on 17/6/1915 and was posted to the 19<sup>th</sup> Battalion, "The Sportsmen's Battalion".

He embarked for overseas from Sydney in the troopship Orsova on 11/3/1916.

Lloyd joined his Battalion in France on 21/3/1917 and was killed in the second Battle of Bullecourt on 3/5/1917. His Battalion suffered 366 fatal casualties at second Bullecourt, one third of its strength.

Arthur Lloyd is buried in the Honourable Artillery Company Cemetery Ecoust St Mein, a village between Cambrai and Bapaume in northern France. The cemetery is about 800 metres south of the village. His name appears on the Mosman War Memorial.

The first and second battles of Bullecourt were horrific battles for the AIF with enormous losses. There is a Bullecourt Avenue in Mosman.

Other Mosman streets with WW1 affiliations are Amiens Avenue and Bapaume Road. All three were named by Dr. (Lieut. Colonel) John Hare Phipps DSO, foundation president of the Mosman RSL Sub Branch and a member of Mosman Cricket Club before he enlisted.

# 4454 Harry Albert Templeton Reynolds

Died 21/3/1918 aged 25 3<sup>rd</sup> Field Ambulance Voormezeele, Belgium

Harry Reynolds was born in Marrickville, Sydney. On enlistment on 25 4 1915, he was a book keeper living with his parents, Herbert and Mary, who resided at *The Links* 44 Cabramatta Road, Mosman.

He had attended Mosman Commercial School.

He served on Gallipoli and was evacuated with neuritis and dysentery. He had long and arduous service with the 3rd Field Ambulance whose diary entry for 21/3/1918 states: "a stretcher bearer (Reynolds) was killed by a shell when carrying a patient."

A notice in The Sydney Morning Herald of 30/5/1918 read: "Mr. and Mrs. H C Reynolds of The Links, Cabramatta Road, Mosman have been notified that their only son Harry A Templeton (Reynolds) was killed on March 21<sup>st</sup> after three years service in the Gallipoli campaign and in France. After leaving school he entered the Department of Lands, Sydney. He was a member of St Clements Church, Mosman and took an active part in all church matters. He was also a member of Mosman Tennis Club and the Lands Department Rifle Club. After the battle of Bullecourt he was, with four others, specially recommended for bravery and devotion to duty."

Reynold's father wrote to Army Records 17 December 1918 querying non receipt of his son's possessions. He wrote: *"Hope you will be able to relieve our anxiety about our poor boy's things"*. His father was informed that his son's possessions had been lost when the troopship *Barunga* carrying them, was sunk by enemy action (on 15/7/1918.)

Harry Reynolds is buried in Voormezeele. Enclosures 1 & 2. Voormezeele is a village 4 kilometres south/west of Ypres, Belgium.

His name appears on the Mosman War Memorial.

# Phillip Sydney Soane Woodforde MID

Died of wounds, aged 23 6/5/1917 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion Bullecourt, France

Phillip Woodforde was born in Dubbo in 1894, the son of Alfred and Blanche Woodforde. His father died in 1900 and his mother remarried to Archibald Blacklow. Phillip was one of Mosman Preparatory School's first pupils in 1904 and then went to Shore School, attended St Clement's Church, Mosman and was a member of Mosman Cricket Club and Mosman Rowing Club.

He was working as a woolbuyer and living at *Nonomia*, The Crescent, Mosman when he enlisted on 28/4/1914.



Posted to the 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion AIF, he was wounded at the Landing on 25/4/1915. On return to his unit on Gallipoli he fell seriously ill with dysentery and was evacuated to England for treatment.

On recovery, he landed in France with the 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion on 28/3/1916 and suffered a gunshot wound to his back on 6/5/1916.

On 6/5/1917, at the second Battle of Bullecourt, he was wounded for the third time and died in No 3 Casualty Clearing Station, France.

At the youthful age of 23 he had assumed temporary command of the 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion. The Battalion history, commenting on his death, stated that: "It was a calamity that all found hard to bear."

Phillip Woodforde was Mentioned in Despatches twice. His first citation read : "For conspicuous devotion to duty at Lone Pine remaining on duty owing to casualties amongst officers for three days and setting a fine example of plucky endurance to his men."

The citation for his second MID reads: "As senior major has rendered valuable service."

This gallant soldier is buried in the Military Cemetery, Grevillers, France. Grevillers is a village in the Pas de Calais, 3 kilometres west of Bapaume.

Phillip Sydney Soane Woodforde is listed on the Mosman War Memorial as S S Woodforde.

#### Laurence Charles Workman

KIA 27/8/1915 aged 23 18th Battalion Hill 60, Gallipoli

Laurence Workman was born in Antwerp, Belgium in 1892 to English parents, Phillip and Verena Workman.

He migrated to Australia in 1911 and was working in the liquor trade when he enlisted in the AIF on 22/5/1915 and was posted to the newly raised  $18^{\text{th}}$  Battalion of the  $2^{\text{nd}}$  Division.

Workman was a stretcher bearer with the 18<sup>th</sup> Battalion until he was killed on 27/8/1915. He had taken part in the Battalion's first action, the attack on Hill 60, Gallipoli, when half the Battalion became casualties.

He was warmly praised in records left by his comrades. One wrote: "During the few days after  $18^{th}$  August Workman was stretcher bearing...During this work he was the first to volunteer for any dangerous duty.. he took part in the charge at Hill 60. Midway between our and the Turkish trenches he was hit in the head by a bullet and killed instantly."

He was buried by the Ghurkas.

Another comrade wrote: (His) body was found by Capt. Sadler. (He) seems to have impressed Capt Sadler as a man out of the ordinary.

He was posthumously Mentioned in Despatches for Conspicuous bravery and frequently volunteering to bring in wounded under heavy fire.

His name is recorded on the Lone Pine Memorial, Gallipoli.



AUSTRALIAN WAR MEMORIAL

P03483.045

# William Arthur Wright

#### Died 24/11/1916 aged 21 21st Field Artillery Brigade Flers

William Wright was born in Neutral Bay, son of William and Bertha Wright. On enlistment he lived at *Yosemite* 3 St Elmo Street, Mosman and was an accountant. He had been educated at Mosman Public School and Fort Street Boys High School.



The Sydney Morning Herald reported on 4/12/1915: Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Wright, of Yosemite, Elmo St., Mosman, gave a send-off at their residence to their eldest son, Mr. Will Wright, who is leaving for the front. Sixty guests were present, including five personal friends of Mr. Wright, who joined the Expeditionary Forces at the same time. He has been attached to the artillery.

He was serving with the 21<sup>st</sup> Field Artillery Brigade when he landed in France on 28/3/1916.

He survived Pozieres in July 1916 but was killed at Flers on 24 11 1916.

He is mentioned in Wilfred Allsop's previously quoted diary: "In crossing Delville Wood, I met Clive Dunlop who told me that, of their gun crew of ten, six were killed, including Billy Wright."

William Wright is buried in Delville Wood Cemetery, Longueval. Longueval is a village 11 kilometres wast of Albert, France.

Delville Wood cemetery is east of the village on the southern side of the road from Longueval to Ginchy.

# Members Of Mosman Cricket Club Who Died In WW2

Thomas Bell Keith William Bishop Clive Percival Calvert Warren Meredith Day Cecil Ross Glover Frederick Macara Glover Llondha Holland William Mciver Maunsell Lipscomb Geoffrey William Schaffer

### 402184 Thomas Bell RAAF

#### Missing 9/9/1942 aged 23 113 Squadron RAF Burma

Thomas Bell played in the Poidevan-Gray competition for Mosman. He was born in Neutral Bay on 17/8/1919, son of Herbert and Elizabeth Bell, and was educated at Shore Preparatory School and Shore School.



On enlistment on 24/2/1940, he was a law clerk articled to C.A. Yuill of Norton Smith and Company and resided at 8 Cross Street, Mosman. He had studied Law at Sydney University for two years.

After training as an air observer at Cootamundra, Evans Head and Parkes, he embarked from Sydney for the Middle East on 9/4/1941.

He held the rank of temporary flight sergeant when he joined 113 Squadron RAF on 10/12/1941 The Squadron was then located in Egypt and flew Blenheim bombers.

Bell's Squadron was then moved to Burma.

His plane was shot down on 9/9/1942 during a mission against the Japanese on Akyab, an island at the south tip of the Mayu Peninsula, Burma. Three members of the crew, including Bell, were killed. Their bodies were not recovered.

Thomas Bell is remembered on the Singapore War Memorial.

# NX11254 Keith William Bishop 2<sup>nd</sup> AIF

# Died 12/6/1945 aged 27 2/122<sup>nd</sup> Ordnance Field Park Brunei

Keith Bishop was born at Balmoral, Sydney on 3/11/1917, son of George and Vera Bishop with whom he lived at 33 Wyong Road, Mosman.



He enlisted in the AIF on 27/3/1940 giving his occupation as salesman. He was serving in the Militia (CMF) with the 8<sup>th</sup> Field Company, Royal Australian Engineers when he enlisted.

Few details of Bishop's service are revealed in his records but the National Archives holds letters from him to a penfriend in Australia in which he describes conditions in England and the Middle East and gives accounts of an aerial attack, natives and camp conditions.

He died of a gunshot wound to the abdomen on 12/6/1945 when serving with the  $2/122^{nd}$  Brigade Ordnance Field Park attached to the 9<sup>th</sup> Division AIF.

Ordnance Field Parks supplied ammunition and equipment to fighting units. Bishop was the only member of his unit killed in WW2.

He is buried in Labuan War Cemetery.

### 423435 Clive Percival Calvert RAAF

#### Missing 16/12/1944 aged 22 106 Squadron RAF Denmark

Clive Calvert was born in Mosman on 25/10/1922, son of Percy and Ethel Calvert who lived at 59 Awaba Street, Mosman. He was a fine cricketer who played 46 first grade games for Mosman as a very young man with a highest score of 103. He also took 54 wickets at a an average of 26.2 per wicket. Under the captaincy of Keith Carmody he played for the strong RAAF team in England. At the Club's AGM in 1945, Sydney Smith, president of the NSW Cricket Association, said of him that he would have been an Australian player of the future.



Calvert enlisted in the AIF on 10/10/1941 and was posted to the 17<sup>th</sup> Battalion. He took his discharge from the AIF and enlisted in the RAAF on 29/6/1942. His occupation was bank officer.

Clive Calvert was posted to 106 Squadron RAF in England and served as a wireless operator. The Squadron commenced the War flying Manchester bombers and converted to Lancasters in May 1942.

Clive Calvert lost his life on a minelaying mission in Lancaster ND 682 over the Kattegat off Denmark on 16/12/1944. His plane was shot down by a German nightfighter, JU88.

The bodies of two crew members were recovered; five, including Calvert, have no known grave. They are remembered on the RAF Memorial at Runnymede, England.

106 Squadron lost 105 Lancaster bombers during the War. 64 members of the Squadron who lost their lives were Australians.

# Warren Meredith Day

Warren Day was born on 13/11/1921, son of Alfred and Edna Day who lived at 9 The Grove, Mosman. His father had been commissioned in the 20<sup>th</sup> Battalion, AIF and served on Gallipoli and in France.

Educated at Shore School, Warren Day was regarded as one of Sydney's most promising young cricketers, playing in the AW Green Shield and Poidevin Gray competitions for Mosman and graduating to Mosman first grade in 1939 at 18 years of age.



He was a clerk when he enlisted in the RAAF on 3/5/1943 and trained as a pilot in Canada under the Empire Air Training Scheme.

Posted to 82 Squadron RAAF, a Kittyhawk squadron, he was killed in action north west of Malalap, North Borneo on 26/7/1945. The Squadron was supporting landings on Labuan Island.

Warren Day was one of the last fatal Australian casualties of the War.

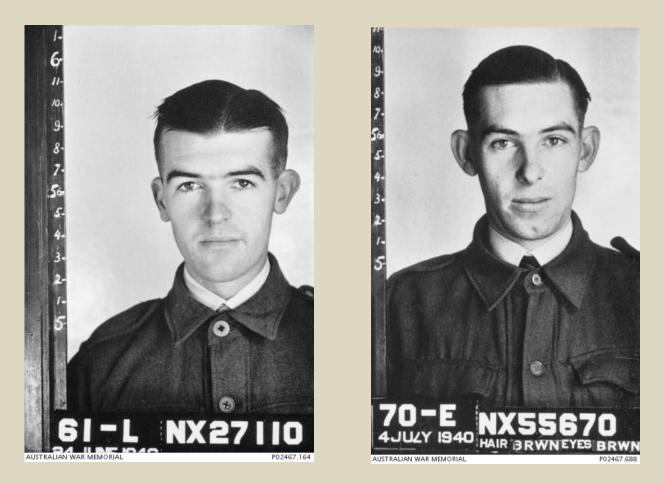
The atomic bomb was dropped on Hiroshima on 6/8/1945.

He is buried in Labuan War Cemetery.

# NX27110 Cecil Ross Glover NX55670 Frederick Macara Glover

27/2/15 Field Regiment Sandakan, Borneo

Cecil Glover and Frederick Glover were twins born at Marrickville on 2/2/1918 to Richard and Mary Glover later of 43A Raglan Street, Mosman.



Cecil was a salesman employed by Harrison Ramsay Pty. Ltd. of Clarence Street, Sydney when he enlisted in the AIF on 11/6/1940. He had previous service in the Militia (CMF) from 1938. Cecil had not told his twin of his decision to enlist but Frederick, when aware of the fact, promptly enlisted in the AIF on 18/6/1940.

The brothers were posted to the 2/15<sup>th</sup> Field Regiment, 8<sup>th</sup> Division AIF and after much action against the Japanese were captured on Singapore Island on 15 February 1942.

After a period in Changi Gaol, Singapore they were sent to Borneo with B Force comprising 1494 men in 1942 to construct an airfield at Sandakan, Borneo for the Japanese.

Early in 1945, under threat of Allied air attack, the Japanese had to abandon the airfield and decided to march the surviving 2000 Australian and British prisoners westward 260km to Ranau.

Cecil Glover was killed in a bombing raid on the hospital in the POW camp by the Allies on 24/5/1945. The Allies mistakenly believed that the POW camp had been deserted.

Only six POWs survived the death march. All others, died from disease or, when unable to continue, were executed by the Japanese.

Frederick Glover died on the death march on 18/6/1945.

One of the six Australians who survived the march was Richard Braithwaite, like the Glovers, a member of the  $2/15^{\text{th}}$  Field Regiment. Braithwaite was with Cecil Glover when he was killed. Post war in an interview, he reported that he had been given the task of informing Frederick Glover of his twin's death. Braithwaite is recorded as saying: *"Fred cried for a week. He didn't stop crying – you know twins – they're so close aren't they?"* 

Cecil and Frederick Glover are remembered on the Labuan Memorial, Labuan, panel 3 and panel 4.

(Much information on the Glover twins was provided by their nephew, Richard Glover.)

# NX 70578 Major Llondha Holland RAAMC AIF (obituary written by Professor R A B Holland, son of Major L Holland.)

Llondha Holland was born at Warwick, Queensland, (on 26/10/1898) the son of Thomas John Holland, a journalist, and Mary Holland (nee O'Neill), also a journalist. The family moved to Sydney where Llondha (almost universally known as 'Dutchie') attended Fort Street Boys' High School and in 1915 entered the medical course at the University of Sydney. In the latter part of this course he was resident in Wesley College, one of the College's original eight students.

After graduation he was a junior and senior RMO at Royal Prince Alfred Hospital, spent a period in general practice and then he became established in an industrial practice in O'Connell Street, Sydney, succeeding Dr WR Graham.



He offered for military service in 1939 and entered the Army in early 1941. He served in the Middle East for just under a year before his unit returned to Australia to meet the threat of the Japanese.

After periods in Sydney and Tamworth, Dutchie, now a major, was posted to the hospital ship *Centaur*, which plied between Sydney and the New Guinea region.

On the way north from Sydney early on 14 May 1943 the ship was torpedoed off Brisbane and sank rapidly with the loss of approximately 300 lives.

Thus died a lovable man, devoted to his family and loved by them. He was generous and ready to give to help the needy. Sport was his great recreation, particularly cricket.

He played regularly for Mosman Veterans and served on the general committee of Mosman Cricket Club.

His wife, Dr Lorna Beveridge, practised medicine in Mosman for many years and became a Member and Fellow of the College. Dr Pauline Baillie-Newton who worked with her in the practice has written about Dutchie: 'He was a very private person who radiated a quiet warmth and sincerity coupled with a lively sense of humour. He always showed an acute awareness of the needs of others and a deep caring for their welfare.

His devotion to his family was outstanding'. Of their three surviving children, all have some medical connection. One, having done medicine, entered the Presbyterian Church and is a professor of divinity in South Africa; one is a Fellow of the College and an academic in the medical school of the University of New South Wales, and one is a pharmacologist in the Australian Department of Industrial Relations.

A stained glass window in memory of Dutchie is in Scots Kirk, Mosman.

### 421740 William Mciver Maunsell Lipscomb

William Lipscomb was born on 19/9/1921 at Kempsey NSW, son of Victor and Ellie Lipscomb. He was a clerk living with his parents at 12 Mandolong Road, Mosman when he enlisted in the RAAF on 11 10 1941. After training, he was posted to 458 Squadron RAAF in the Mediterranean area flying Wellington bombers.



His plane, Wellington JA104, took off on 13 February 1944 detailed to carry out an antisubmarine patrol during a flight from the RAF airport at Bone, Algeria to Ghissonaccia, Corsica. At about midday, the aircraft lost air speed at a rapid rate and no effort the pilot made could keep it from losing height. From 1500 feet the aircraft came down in 3 minutes, ditching 15 miles off the south west coast of Corsica in Pinarello Bay and sink immediately.

Of the crew of 6 and 3 ground crew on board, three survived the ditching. Lipscomb was killed; his body was not recovered.

It was considered later that an accumulation of ice on the wings was a likely cause of the crash.

William Lipscomb's name is recorded on the Malta Memorial, Floriana Malta.

#### 400837 Geoffrey William Schaffer

Geoffrey Schaffer was born in Waverley, Sydney on 19/1/1917, son of Ernest and Ann Schaffer. He was a fine all round cricketer who played for Mosman and the Melbourne University Clubs. With Mosman, he played 23 first grade games with a highest score of 81. He was a member of the Mosman 1<sup>st</sup> grade premiership team of 1938-39, with which he played with prominent Mosman cricketers such as Stan McCabe, Hammy Love, Ken Gulliver and Keith Carmody.



He was a accountant employed in the family firm, Schaffer and Co., when he enlisted in the RAAF on 9/10/1940. He served as a fighter pilot flying Spitfires in the United Kingdom and Hurricanes in Malaya. A fellow pilot also wounded in an action in which Schaffer was involved was John Gray Gorton, later Prime Minister of Australia.

Geoffrey Schaffer, after being wounded, was posted as an instructor to Australia. During 20 months as an instructor he made frequent requests to be returned to operational duties.

His requests were refused as he had contracted a skin condition which prevented him serving in the tropics. Transferred as a test pilot to the Royal Navy in 1945 he was stationed at Bankstown, Sydney.

On a flight from Melbourne to Sydney, after visiting his wife and newly born son in Melbourne, he crashed flying a Seafire PR228 near Barnawatha, Victoria on 8/8/1945 as the war was ending and was killed.

He was survived by his wife, Lois, whom he had married in 1942 and two children, Geoffrey and Jill (Mrs Hiam).

Geoffrey Schaffer is buried in Benalla War Cemetery, Victoria.

(Much information on Geoffrey Schaffer was provided by his son, Geoffrey, and his daughter, Jill Hiam.)

# 402175 Richard Selkirk Waddy

Richard Selkirk Waddy was a member of a family with strong associations with cricket and the Kings School, Sydney. Richard's father, Edgar Lloyd (Gar) Waddy, played for NSW and was vice captain of an Australian XI which toured New Zealand in 1921. Richard's uncles, Ernest Frederick and Percival Stacy Waddy also played for NSW.



Born on 2/6/1910 at Morpeth NSW, Richard Waddy was married to Marjorie Rose Johnson in 1938 and lived at 8 Bay Street, Beauty Point when he enlisted in the RAAF on 24/6/1940. His occupation was manager of a real estate agency.

He embarked for Canada with the third Australian draft to train under the Empire Training Scheme on 31/10/1940. He graduated as a pilot on 11/2/1941 and was sent to England joining the 55<sup>th</sup> Operational Training Squadron, RAF. On 21/4/1941 he was killed when his Hawker Hurricane fighter crashed on a training flight near East Boldon, County Durham.

Richard Waddy is buried in Hylton (Castletown) Cemetery, section D, row 1, grave 276.

His brother, John Lloyd Waddy DFC MID US Air Medal, was a distinguished fighter pilot in World War 2 reaching the rank of Wing Commander.

He was a Liberal member for Kirribilli in the NSW Parliament from 1962 to 1975 and held several cabinet positions.

# MOSMAN CRICKETERS WHO SERVED IN WORLD WAR ONE

# \*gave their lives

*E Bennett	A McGregor
V Bath	A Newling
M Burt	<b>G</b> Oatley
A R Buckle	C O'Brien
H Bull	J H Phipps DSO MID
*R G Cannon	S Purse
W J Cannon	*H Reynolds
J Clarke	G Ryrie KCMG CB MID(5)
B Cook	T Smith
*R H Cook	E Turner
C Cooke	W Turner
A Copeland	J Ulm
C Davis	W Wagstaffe
<b>R</b> Fitzgerald	R Wilson
S Gay	W Wilson
F Griffiths	*L C Workman MID
L Hale	*P S W Woodforde MID (2)
C Harber	M R DWright
L Hill	*W A Wright
H T Hooker	
L Jacobs	
A James	
R Johnson	
A Keogh	
E Lane	
*A Lloyd	
B Madden	
N Massie	
F E McElhone	
O McGibbin	

# **MOSMAN CRICKETERS WHO SERVED IN WORLD WAR 2**

#### \* Gave their lives

J T Ahern **D**C Archer **G** A Armstrong **C P Ayers R** J Baker **A R Barnes** J E Bartholomew **\*T Bell G H Bennett G** J Bentley **\*K W Bishop H F Blackwell D** Boddam-Whetham **E W Borchers** W Bradhurst H Brennan **G** Briggs W S Brooks I P Buckle J A Buckle **B** Calman \*C P Calvert **McCorquodale J A Campbell D K Carmody N** Carmody **R L Chambers** A W Coates **J R Coates E** Cocks N Coleman

**C** Heron **J F Connelly R G Cornforth T F Coventry C B Curll G C Curthoys \*W M Day** L A Down **J G Dunlop J E Dwyer A Easter D** W Eaton **R** W Eaton *MBE* **S K Edgar P J Edmonds N A Emery C C Everett A R Faithorn EGFay T** S Felton H R Field L Fowler **T** Francis A A C Gibbins \*C R Glover **\*F M Glover V P Golden** N L Gorman **K C Gulliver** J Hellmrich J R Henderson DSO DFC

J C Hill \*L L Holland **G K Hooker G Horsefield** MID **W D Inglis D** A Jackson **KOE** Johnson L Jones L Jones **R J M Jones K S Keanev K C Kimmorley** L G Leigh **\*W M Lipscombe HWLloyd** N Loneon N Macauley MBE S J McCabe **V M McCaffrey B V McCauley** L **R** McDonald

**A H Maclachlan** J B McMinn **J** McTeigue **J** S Mankey **T L Marshall R** Martin

**HA Mercer E F Mewton T L Morris B** Musman **R F Nettheim J W Norrie P J Paterson P** A Pearson **W E Pearson P J Piddington T W Prentice** W A Pugh

I G Neill

**R E Pym B G R**ae **D** J Reid

**P J Sailes** 

**I M Seale** E Selden **M** Sievers

**J C Robinson V S Rouvray** 

\*G W Schaffer

**G** Somerville

**J B M Trenerry** 

**\*R S Waddy** A W Walsh J L Warwick

**J** Stewart **M** Teasdale **G R Terrey NH Terrey R I Terrey** 

**N** Waters **R F Whiting R S Whitington** 

**G D W Wilson** 

**N A Wilson** 

**HE Withers** 

# MOSMAN CRICKETER WHO SERVED IN KOREA

**J B Trenerry** 

MOSMAN CRICKETERS WHO SERVED IN VIETNAM

D Churchley J B Trennerry

MOSMAN CRICKETERS WHO SERVED IN TIMOR/IRAQ/AFGHANISTAN

**A T Condon CSC** 

There are likely to be many more names of Mosman Cricketers who have served our nation and have not yet been included in this publication.

Anyone aware of other names who they believe should be included in this publication, are encouraged to contact the Author George Franki (<u>gtfranki@yahoo.com</u>) to enable those additional names to be included in the next edition.