



Club member who made the supreme sacrifice 1914-1919

The Story Behind the Name



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PRE-ENLISTMENT:

- Halliday was born on 18th of November 1891 to parents John William Laughton and Eleanor Garget HALLIDAY of Wride St, Woolloowin, Qld.
- He went to Nundah school.
- His occupation was that of a clerk.
- After war was declared in 1914, Halliday was engaged as a musketry instructor in the AIF camps for 14 months.

SERVICE:

- Service Number 6818
- Arthur enlisted on 16th September, 1916 at a rifle range in Brisbane.
- On that day he joined the 25th Battalion, as part of the 20th reinforcements
- On 14 June, 1917 he embarked from Sydney on HMAT Hororata A20
- He was then engaged with 5th & 7th Training Battalions in Wiltshire, England before joining his Unit in France in late April 1918
- Arthur Laughton HALLIDAY was killed in action on 5th June 1918 when he was struck by shell fire while on duty burying cable in the vicinity of Heilly, Mericourt, FRANCE

CEMETERY &/OR MEMORIAL:

- Halliday was buried at Bonnay Communal Cemetery Extension, Picardie, France
- Memorials where Arthur Laughton Halliday is commemorated include the Australian War Memorial Roll of Honour
- Windsor War Memorial

MILITARY HONOURS & AWARDS:



- British War Medal
- Victory Medal





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INDIVIDUAL SHOOTING:

- In 1908, Halliday joined the City of Brisbane Rifle Club at the age of 17
- He won several club championships, one of which was the 1915 City of Brisbane Club Championship and Handicap Aggregate at Enoggera (*verified*)
- Halliday won the Stock Exchange Cup in 1913, shooting in the first stage of the King's prize (seven shots at 200 yards, 500 yards, and 600 yards). Halliday scored 100 out of a possible 105.
- In 1913, he was 8th in the King's Prize at Bisley
- On the way home from Bisley in 1913, Halliday won the Victorian King's Prize
- In his second trip to Bisley in 1914, Arthur placed 4th in the King's Prize with a score of 302.

REPRESENTATIVE RIFLE TEAM SHOOTING:

- In 1911, Halliday travelled with the QLD team to WA, then to Hobart in 1912 and was part the QLD team which competed in the Commonwealth Match in Brisbane in 1913
- Also in 1913, he was selected in the Australian Rifle Team for Bisley
- The Australian Team won the Mackinnon Shield (1913) with Halliday achieving a personal score of 130. The details of the firing at the first distance show that Halliday, after starting with an "outer", dropped two points only in the last ten rounds..
- He was part of the Australian Team in the Empire Match in 1913 that came second to Great Britain at Bisley
- In 1914 he was again selected in the Australian Rifle Team for Bisley
- The Australian Team was victorious in both the:
 - Kolapore Cups 1914 (Bisley)
 - Mackinnon Shield in 1914 (Bisley)

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- ANZAC Day 2021 Keynote Address Ian Errington
- ANZAC Day 2022 inaugural Roll of Honour Tribute





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The Halliday Memorial Shield

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