



"Dedicated to Digger Heritage"

DIGGER



Photo: A group of weary Diggers (infantry and stretcher-bearers) resting in a sunken road. The photo appears to have been taken after a battle, and may be of men from the 33rd Battalion. Contributed by Jackie Walker, Dubbo.

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Answers to *DIGGER* Quiz No. 36

1. The 19th Battalion (5th Brigade, 2nd Division) was granted 20 Battle Honours.
2. Ten of these honours can appear on the Regimental Colours.
3. A diamond; brown over green.
4. 4 842 men served in the 19th Battalion in its four years of existence, but it is likely there are some more men who served in the unit who are not recorded.
5. Of the 4 842 known to have served in the 19th Bn, Australian-born men totalled 3 492 and overseas-born 1 350.
6. The official figures show 37 members of the 19th Battalion were taken prisoner by the enemy.
7. (a) The First AIF went out of existence on 1st April 1921. (b) The war finally ended on 31st August 1923, having officially lasted seven years and 21 days.
8. Lieutenant Percy Valentine Storkey VC (later Captain). He was born in New Zealand.
9. Storkey won the VC at Hangard Wood, southeast of Villers-Bretonneux, on 7th April 1918.
10. Private 5934 Arthur Malcolm Stace.

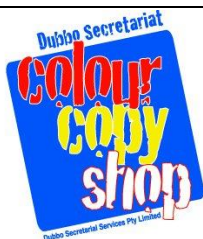
IWM Unit History reprints available in Australia at great prices!

Member Kim Phillips advises that reprints of Australian WWI unit histories produced by the Imperial War Museum (London) can now be ordered at attractive prices from the Australian online book store, www.booktopia.com.au, based in Sydney. Examples given by Kim include: 7th LHR (\$40.95); 2nd LHR (\$32.50); 28th Bn (\$34.40); 24th Bn (\$61.80); 13th Bn (\$34.40) and 11th Bn (\$75.50). These are facsimiles of the original books and represent great value for books that are extremely rare and expensive in the first edition. Kim suggests that you obtain the ISBN for the books from <http://www.naval-military-press.com/imperial-war-museum-books/index3.html> and search Booktopia's site using that code. Books are ordered in from overseas once you have placed an order. The Editor found many (perhaps all) Australian infantry battalion and light horse regiment histories are available – books that he thought he could never afford, if indeed he could ever find them! See a sample webpage at: <http://www.booktopia.com.au/history/anzac-history/gallipoli-and-our-first-anzacs/cHBB1-p2-10.html>

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