



Researching Indigenous Soldiers from Queensland Communities

About this Guide

This guide is designed to provide support and advice for IKC Coordinators to research Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander soldiers who have connections to their communities. It should be used in conjunction with the State Library Guide *Resources for Researching Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Participation in War*.

The Defence Act initially excluded Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people from enlisting – resulting in many Indigenous people enlisting under assumed ethnicity/cultural backgrounds. Some even changed their names, place of birth and other personal details to enlist! Fortunately, there are some historical sources and recent research activities that can help communities uncover their Indigenous soldiers.

NAIDOC Week 2014

The theme for NAIDOC Week 2014 was 'Serving Country: Centenary and Beyond' which honours all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander men and women who have fought in defence of our country. This theme allowed IKCs to focus on the untold histories and stories of Indigenous involvement in War, particularly in light of the centenary of WW1 approaching.

Further research from a range of individuals, including Philippa Scarlett, Australian War Memorial and David Huggonson alongside stories from families and communities has uncovered many more Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander volunteers for WW1. These additional names have been added to this revised list.

Ideas for IKCs and Communities

IKC Coordinators are encouraged to celebrate NAIDOC Week by showcasing the contributions of community members and their ancestors to the defence of Australia. Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander involvement in Australia's Defence Forces are untold stories; the challenge for you is to uncover these stories to share with others.

- Are there known stories or histories of people from your community going away to war?
- Do families have memorabilia and other artefacts that are still within the family, e.g. Service Records, Photos, Diaries, Medals, etc. Can these be copied and digitised for the IKC?
- Are there families who would like to share these stories in a display at the IKC; on the IKC or State Library Blogs or via a digital story?

Displays

Use space in your community organisation, IKC, Library, School, Noticeboard, etc.

- Create a community Wall of Honour to recognise the contribution of community members in the defence forces.
- Display photos/images relating to community contribution in wars
- Show any videos, digital stories, etc. relating to Indigenous involvement in wars

Research

Encourage local community members to find out more about the local Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander men and women who served in war.

- Find materials relating to your community or families connected to your community
- Use online sources and records available through the [Australian War Memorial](#); [National Archives of Australia](#); [Trove/NLA Newspapers](#), etc.
- Identify existing community/family knowledge in your community
- Bring community members together to share their knowledge, stories and histories of war – document and record these sessions

Australian Light Horse

When WW1 broke out, many Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander men were working on properties, particularly as stockmen. Due to their horsemanship, many Indigenous soldiers worked with Australian Light Horse Regiments, either as Troopers or Remount to look after the horses.

The 11th Light Horse Regiment is well known for the significant numbers of Aboriginal soldiers – the 20th Reinforcements were known as the “Queensland Black Watch” as all but 2 of the unit were Aboriginal!

- Are there any Light Horse soldiers from your community or region?
- Some may have been sent away from the community for work contracts on pastoral properties and may have enlisted at the nearest centre, e.g. Charleville, Charters Towers, etc.

Enlistment Vs Service

Many Indigenous men volunteered for WW1 – not all were allowed to enlist or serve. This was often at the discretion of the Enlistment Officers or Medical Staff who could deem that a volunteer was not suitable. Many Indigenous enlistments were assigned to a Depot until a final decision was made; during this time they undertook support or ancillary duties up to a period of 6 months. Some were returned to their communities with a note on their Attestation Form ‘discharged having been irregularly enlisted’.

Where to start

Attached is a list of known Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people who enlisted and/or served in WW1 who may have connections to your communities. This list may be a good starting point to researching involvement in WW1 by people with connections to your community.

Where known, I have included their Service Number as well as the Regimental Unit they were assigned to; this enables further research using the online service records at the [Australian War Memorial](#) or [National Archives of Australia](#) websites. In addition, where known, details of place of birth and place of enlistment are also noted.

List of known WW1 Indigenous soldiers from Queensland Communities

The following is an alphabetical listing by geographical locations and identifies soldiers, both enlistments and volunteers, and the name of the town, community or locality they have connections.

Note: this listing refers primarily to those soldiers with connections to Queensland Aboriginal Settlements, Aboriginal Stations, Aboriginal Communities as well as Torres Strait Islands. A comprehensive listing of all 'known' Queensland Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander soldiers is currently being compiled. It is believed that approximately 300 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander soldiers from Queensland volunteered for WW1.

If you have further information on these soldiers or other Indigenous soldiers, please contact the State Library.

Angledool, NSW [Aboriginal Station, later Mission; located near Qld/NSW Border approximately 20km from Hebel – many families with connections to Qld]

- Thomas BOWEN [Service No 6522: 18th Bn] Born Charters Towers, enlisted in Narrabri, NSW. [**Note**: Killed in action, 20 September 1917, Belgium.] Family connections to Angledool.
- Jack Harry NORMAN [Service No 64373: 1 Fld Sqn] Born at Croydon, enlisted in Bundaberg. Family connections to Barambah/Cherbourg and later Angledool.

Atherton

- Douglas GRANT [Service No. 6020: 13th Bn] Born near Atherton, enlisted at Sydney.
- William 'Willie' LOGAN [Service No Q19966 / 3509: Depot] Born near Atherton, enlisted at Cairns. [**Note**: Discharged from 5th LHR before disembarking.]
- Jack POLLARD [Service No 2441: 11 LHR] Enlisted at Cairns.
- Tommy PURCELL (aka Tommy LEE) [Service No 7813A: 15th Bn] Enlisted at Cairns.

Barambah Aboriginal Settlement [Later renamed as Cherbourg Aboriginal Mission]

- George Robert AITKEN [Service No 2367: 52nd Bn] Born at Taroom, enlisted in Cloncurry. Killed in action, 19 October 1917, Belgium. Adoptive mother lived in Eidsvold, with family connections to Barambah/Cherbourg.
- Harry BAKER [Service No Q19600: Depot LHR] Born in Coen, enlisted at Barambah. [**Note**: discharged 'having been irregularly enlisted'].
- Bertie BECKETT [Service No Q19608: Depot LHR] Born near Barambah, enlisted at Barambah. [**Note**: discharged 'having been irregularly enlisted'].
- Alfred John BLACKMAN [Service No 3173: 41st Bn]. Born in Tiaro, enlisted at Maryborough. Killed in action, 8 October 1917, France.
- Charles Tednee BLACKMAN [Service No 2584A: 9th Bn] Born in Gayndah, enlisted at Brisbane.
- Thomas BLACKMAN [Service No 2174: 41st Bn] Born in Gayndah, enlisted at Bundaberg.
- Martin BLIGH (attestation form uses 'BLYTH') [Service No 64321: ANZAC Mounted Divisional Train] Born in Kilkivan, enlisted at Brisbane.
- Robert BOND [Service No Q20518: Depot] Born in Gayndah, enlisted at Maryborough. [**Note**: discharged 'having been irregularly enlisted'].
- William Bert BROWN [Service No 2422: 11 LHR] Born at Boompa, via Gayndah, enlisted at Maryborough. Family connections to Barambah/Cherbourg. Some war records list Brown as born at Kilkivan.

Barambah Aboriginal Settlement (continued)

- Daniel COBBO [Service No Q19612: Depot] Born in Gayndah, enlisted at Barambah. [Note: listed as 'Gabbo'; discharged 'having been irregularly enlisted'].
- Benjamin COMBO [Service No 6977: 3rd Bn] Born at Burns Downs Station, via Dalby; enlisted Bendigo, Vic. [Note: originally discharged having been irregularly enlisted'. Later re-enlisted. Died of illness (pneumonia), 29 December 1916, United Kingdom.] Family later connected with Cherbourg.
- Edmond COUCHY (aka COOCHEY on some war records) [Service No Q20597: Depot] Born in Gayndah, enlisted at Barambah. [Note: discharged 'having been irregularly enlisted'].
- Walter COUCHY [Service No 2420: 7th Field Artillery Battalion]. Born in Gayndah enlisted at Barambah.
- William CHRISTIE [Service No Q19606: Depot] Born in Charters Towers, enlisted at Barambah. [Note: discharged 'having been irregularly enlisted'].
- John COBBO (War Records have name misspelt as 'Cubbo') [Service No 3121A: Depot] Born in Kilkivan, enlisted at Charters Towers. [Note: originally discharged in August 1917; then reenlisted in June 1918 and assigned to 5 LHR Remount]. Family connections to Gayndah and Barambah/Cherbourg.
- Willie CUMMINGS [63989: 5 LHR] Born at Stanley Hills Station, via Mareeba; enlisted at Brisbane. Family connection to Cherbourg.
- Ossie DICK [Service No Q19609: Depot] Born in Roma, enlisted at Barambah. [Note: discharged 'having been irregularly enlisted'].
- Frederick DODD [Service No 20409: Depot] Born in Goomeri, enlisted at Maryborough. [Note: discharged as 'medically unfit'.] Family connection to Barambah/Cherbourg.
- Myrtle DOUGLAS [Service No Q19614: Depot] Born in Laura, enlisted at Barambah. [Note: discharged 'having been irregularly enlisted'].
- Frank FISHER [Service No 2428: 11 LHR] Born in Clermont, enlisted at Brisbane. Family later lived at Barambah/Cherbourg.
- James FISHER [Service No Q19615: Depot] Place of birth unknown, enlisted at Barambah. [Note: discharged 'having been irregularly enlisted'].
- Curtis FORD [Service No 4784: 15th Bn] Born at Southport; enlisted at Brisbane. [Originally enlisted in August 1915 and discharged; reenlisted in January 1916.] Family connections to Barambah/Cherbourg.
- Leslie FRANKS [Service No 2334: 1st Light Horse Field Ambulance] Born in Sydney, NSW; enlisted in Brisbane. Family connections to Gayndah and Cherbourg.
- Walter FRANKS [Service No 263 / 598: Depot] Born in Paddington, NSW; enlisted in Brisbane. [Discharged prior to embarking.] Family connections to Gayndah and Cherbourg.
- Valentine HARE [Service No 3297: 2 LHR] Born at Burdekin; enlisted in Townsville. Family connected to Heggarty family at Cherbourg. [Note: wounded in action 16 April, 1918, Egypt.]
- Christie HILL [Service No Q19610: Depot LHR] Born in Bundaberg, enlisted at Barambah. [Note: discharged 'having been irregularly enlisted'].
- Robert HUBBARD [Service No Q196013: Depot] Born in Thargomindah; enlisted at Barambah. [Note: discharged 'having been irregularly enlisted'].
- Fred JOHNSON [Service No Q19607: Depot] Born in Banana, enlisted at Maryborough. [Note: discharged 'having been irregularly enlisted']. Family connection to Tyson family at Cherbourg.
- Albert JONES [Service No 64364: Driver ANZAC Mounted Divisional Train] Born in Gympie; enlisted at Gayndah. Family connections to Cherbourg.

Barambah Aboriginal Settlement (continued)

- Douglas [aka Douglas] Edward LAW [Service No 63998: 2 LHR] Born in Kilkivan, enlisted at Gayndah – family later lived at Cherbourg.
- Vincent LAW [Service No 63999: 5th Reinforcements] Born in Gayndah and enlisted in Brisbane – family later lived at Cherbourg.
- Archibald MARSHALL [Service No 3402: 41st Bn] Born in Bollon, enlisted in Maryborough. Killed in action, 24 April 1918, France.
- Bismark MITCHELL [Service No Q19601: Depot] Born in Mitchell, enlisted at Barambah. **[Note:** discharged 'having been irregularly enlisted'].
- Henry MONSELL [Service No Q19604: Depot] Born at Strathmore Station via Georgetown, enlisted at Barambah. **[Note:** discharged 'having been irregularly enlisted'].
- Charles MORGAN [Service No Q19605 / 3679: Depot] Born in Ipswich, enlisted at Barambah. **[Note:** discharged 'having been irregularly enlisted']. Reenlisted as Charlie Morgan at Maryborough.
- Sunny MOSS [Service No Q19611: Depot] Born at Cloyna, enlisted in Barambah. **[Note:** discharged 'having been irregularly enlisted'].
- Arthur MURDOCK [Service No 3466: 41st Bn] Born in Hughenden, enlisted at Charters Towers. **[Note:** mother/family at Barambah.] Later removed to Palm Island.
- Jack Harry NORMAN [Service No 64373: 1 Fld Sqn] Born at Croydon, enlisted in Bundaberg. Family connections to Barambah/Cherbourg and later Angledool.
- William PAGEL [Service No Q19602: Depot] Born in Port Douglas, enlisted at Barambah. **[Note:** discharged 'having been irregularly enlisted'].
- Arthur RILEY [Service No Q19613: Depot] Born at Gayndah, enlisted at Barambah. **[Note:** discharged 'having been irregularly enlisted'].
- Gale SIMPSON [Service No 3732A: 49th Bn] Born in Wondai and enlisted at Maryborough – family later lived at Cherbourg.
- Alexander STANLEY [Service No 50280: 11 LHR] Born in Ballina; Working at Wongongra Station via Chinchilla when he enlisted in Brisbane. Family connections to Cherbourg and Moree. [Later enlisted in WW2.]
- Albert WILLIAMS [Service No 75887: Depot] Born at Mungindi, enlisted in Moree. **[Note:** Originally discharged 'medically unfit'; reenlisted Light Horse Reinforcements.] Later lived in Red Hill, via Kingaroy with connections to Barambah/Cherbourg.

Beaudesert

- William Stanley BROWN [Service No. 56235: 2nd LHR] Born in Ipswich; enlisted in Beaudesert. [Photo on page 25 Qldr 6 July 1918.]
- Walter PAGE [Service No 2442: 11 LHR] Born at Coraki, NSW; enlisted in Lismore, NSW – trained at Brisbane. Family connections to Beaudesert.
- Herbert ROBERTS [Service No 50265: Depot] Born in Beaudesert, enlisted at Brisbane. **[Note:** discharged medically unfit (sprained ankle)]

Brisbane [links to many communities]

- William AHSEE (aka AH SEE) [Service No 113: 41st Bn] Born at Taroom, enlisted in Brisbane.
- Charles ALLEY (aka ALLIE) [Service No 50270: 11 LHR] Born at Charters Towers; enlisted in Brisbane. [**Note:** also served in WW2 Q186382.] Later lived in Mitchell area.
- Percy ANDERSON [Service No 6704: 9th Bn] Born in Stanthorpe, enlisted at Chermside (Brisbane).
- Robert ANDERSON [Service No Q22911: Depot] Born in Rockhampton, enlisted at Brisbane.
- Thomas Leslie ANDREWS [Service No. 2124: 52nd Bn] Born in Termeil, NSW; enlisted at Brisbane.
- John Henry BAKER [Service No. 2002: 41st Bn] Born at Tweed River, NSW, enlisted at Brisbane. [**Note:** killed in action 27 June 1917, Belgium.]
- Frank BALSER [Service No 3469: 5 LHR] Born at Lakefield Station, via Laura; enlisted at Brisbane. [**Note:** received exemption from Protection Act in 1913.]
- Martin BLIGH (attestation form uses 'BLYTH') [Service No 64321: ANZAC Mounted Divisional Train] Born in Kilkivan, enlisted at Brisbane.
- William Stanley BROWN [Service No 52635: 2nd Reinforcements Egypt] Born Ipswich; enlisted Brisbane. Family lived at Deebing Creek.
- James BUDSWORTH [Service No. 2465: 2nd Remount] Born in Narrabri, NSW, enlisted at Brisbane.
- Frederick Arthur BURNETT [Service No. 2423: 11 LHR] Born in Brisbane; enlisted at Brisbane.
- James COOTERMAN / CAIRNCROSS [Service No. 3610A: 25th Bn] Born on Stradbroke Island, enlisted at Brisbane. [Attestation form indicated Birthplace of Brisbane; however he grew up with his family on Stradbroke Island – enlisted under the assumed name of Cairncross after the Doctor who was looking after him – source 'Stradbroke 100'.]
- Thomas CARRISSEY [Service No Q21121: Depot] Born in Blackall, enlisted at Enoggera (Brisbane). [**Note:** discharged 'having been irregularly enlisted']. Father – Aboriginal, Mother Australian South Sea Islander.
- Frederick COOLWELL [Service No. 56907: 11 LHR] Born at Brisbane, enlisted at Brisbane.
- Willie CUMMINGS [63989: 5 LHR] Born at Stanley Hills Station, via Mareeba; enlisted at Brisbane. Family connection to Cherbourg – Next of Kin Florrie Carbine, Barambah Settlement; later removed from Gayndah to Barambah (1920).
- Horace Thomas DALTON [Service No 57247: 11 LHR] Born at Dunwich, enlisted in Brisbane.
- Augustus DAVIES [Service No 3282: 41st Bn] Born at Port Douglas, enlisted in Brisbane. [**Note:** Park at Bald Hills named after Gus Davies.]
- John James DELANEY [Service No Q9503: 11th Depot] Born in Longreach; enlisted at Brisbane. [Died of illness (measles and pneumonia), 4 September 1916, Brisbane.]
- Bertie DIXON [Service No. 7052: 25th BN] Born in Springsure, enlisted in Brisbane.
- William Edward EASTEN [Service No 2068: 15th Bn] Born Southport, enlisted in Brisbane.
- Jack Murray ELLA [Service No 138: 11 LHR] Born in Sydney, NSW; enlisted at Beaudesert.
- Evelyn ELLIS [Service No 554: 7 Machine Gun Company] Born at Dunwich, enlisted in Brisbane.
- William Thomas EXTON [Service No 3162: 41st Bn] Born Lismore, NSW; enlisted in Brisbane.
- Francis Walter FIRTH [Service No 1162: Driver, 2nd Div Motor Transport Company] Born in Pilliga, NSW; enlisted at Brisbane.
- Charles William FOLEY [Service No 3753: 49th Bn] Born at Stradbroke Island; enlisted in Brisbane.

Brisbane (continued)

- Curtis FORD [Service No 4784: 15th Bn] Born at Southport; enlisted at Brisbane. [Originally enlisted in August 1915 and discharged; reenlisted in January 1916.] Family connections to Barambah/Cherbourg.
- Charles Aubrey FOX [Service No 3635: 52nd Bn] Born at Cooktown; enlisted in Brisbane. [Killed in action 24 April 1918, France.]
- Walter FRANKS [Service No 263 / 598: Depot] Born at Paddington, NSW; enlisted in Brisbane. [Discharged prior to embarking.] Family connections to Gayndah and Cherbourg.
- Charles Patrick GALLAHER [Service No 5023: 26th Bn] Born at Murphy's Creek; enlisted in Brisbane.
- Ernest Alexander GALLAHER [Service No 5839: 25th Bn] Born at Laidley; enlisted in Brisbane. Also enlisted in WW2.
- Victor Musgrave JACKSON [Service No 379B: 2nd Machine Gun Company] Born at Christmas Creek, Via Rathdowney; enlisted in Brisbane.
- Wallie JOHNSON [Service No 2444: 47th Bn] Born at St George; enlisted in Brisbane. [Killed in action 11 April 1917, France.] **Note:** also known as Wally COWLEY as he was fostered into the Cowley Family at Hebel when the father Phillip Cowley was the Police Constable there in the early 1900's.
- Towney KELLY [Service No 2176: 25th Bn / 10 LHR] Born at Goondiwindi; enlisted in Brisbane.
- Andrew LAURIE [Service No Q21325: Depot] Born at Comet Downs Station, via Springsure; enlisted at Brisbane. [**Note:** discharged 'having been irregularly enlisted'].
- George LAURIE [Service No 599: Depot] Born at Comet Downs Station, via Springsure; enlisted at Brisbane. [Killed in action, 13 August 1918, France.]
- Henry Thomas LEA [Service No 242: 2nd Machine Gun Coy] Born at Dunwich; enlisted at Brisbane.
- Henry LEE [Service No N/A: Depot] Born at Dunwich, enlisted in Brisbane. [**Note:** Discharged 'services no longer required'.]
- Henry LLOYD [Service No 5597: 17th Bn] Born in Brisbane; enlisted at Cootamundra, NSW.
- Peter LONG [Service No N/A: Depot] Born at Fassifern, enlisted in Brisbane. [**Note:** Discharged 'services no longer required'.]
- Maitland MADGE [Service No 3483: 15th Bn] Born in Cooktown, enlisted in Brisbane. Received DSO Medal August 1916. Enlisted in WW2 and died as a POW 7 June 1944.
- Frederick MALTHOUSE [Service No 2187: 47th Bn] Born in South Australia (possibly Peak Station, Warrina via Oodnadatta); enlisted in Brisbane. [**Note:** Discharged due to gunshot wound to arm/medically unfit; 28 November 1918.]
- Benjamin James MANAGER [Service No N/A: Depot] Born at Dunwich, enlisted in Brisbane. [**Note:** Discharged 'services no longer required'.]
- Richard MARTIN [Service No 1359: 9th Bn] Born at Dunwich (Stradbroke Island); enlisted in Brisbane. [Killed in action 28 March 1918, France.]
- James MCBRIDE [Service No 2438: 11th LHR] Born in Sydney; enlisted in Brisbane.
- Niney MCDONALD [Service No 4441: 11th LHR] Born at St George; enlisted in Brisbane.
- Edward MCGREGOR [Service No 65101: 8th Reinforcements] Born at Taroom, enlisted in Brisbane. Removed to Deebing Creek Aboriginal Home in 1904. Later family connections to Cherbourg. **Note:** Also served in WW2 Q14160.
- Frederick MEREDITH [Service No 3340: 41st Bn] Born at Georgetown, Qld; enlisted in Brisbane.
- Cyril Hylton MURRAY [Service No. 1197: 11 LHR] Born at Cleveland; enlisted in Brisbane. [Brother of Percival Murray.]
- James MURRAY [Service No 724: 9th Battalion] Born in Bundaberg; enlisted in Brisbane. Mother was Aboriginal and father was South Sea Islander.
- Percival Henry MURRAY [Service No. 1948: 49th Bn] Born at Cleveland; enlisted in Brisbane. [Brother of Cyril Murray.]

Brisbane (continued)

- Jack OLIFFE [Service No 2440: 11 LHR] Born at Claverton Station, via Wyandra, enlisted in Brisbane.
- Andrew OLSEN [Service No 736: 5 LHR] Born Brisbane, enlisted in Brisbane.
- Clarence OLSEN [Service No 1724: 2 LHR] Born Brisbane, enlisted in Brisbane.
- Ivan OLSEN [Service No 52655: 5 LHR] Born Brisbane, enlisted in Brisbane.
- Thomas PEHOW [Service No 2667: 12th Bn] Born in Gayndah; enlisted in Brisbane.
- Arthur PERFECT [Service No 7757: 15th Bn] Born at Rockhampton; enlisted at Brisbane. [Note: discharged 2 January 1919 – medically unfit due to gunshot wounds suffered in France.]
- Joseph PERFECT [Service No 200: 25th Bn] Born at Rockhampton; enlisted at Brisbane. [Note: discharged 10 May 1916 – medically unfit due to bomb and gunshot wounds suffered at Gallipoli.]
- Norman PRIESTLEY [Service No 2786: 15th Bn then transferred to 47th Bn] Born at Gordonbrook Station, via Grafton (NSW); enlisted in Brisbane. [Note: Killed in action, 16 June, 1917, Belgium.]
- Alex 'Alick' RILEY [Service No 7122: 25th Bn] Born at Winton, enlisted in Brisbane. [Note: worked as cane cutter, Bundaberg. Originally rejected at enlistment then reenlisted.]
- Harry ROBERTS [Service No 50278: 9th Reinforcements] Born in Clermont, enlisted at Brisbane.
- Herbert ROBERTS [Service No 50265: Depot] Born in Beaudesert, enlisted at Brisbane. [Note: discharged medically unfit (sprained ankle)]
- William ROBERTS [Service No 5398: 25th Bn] Born in Zillmere, enlisted at Brisbane.
- Ewan ROSE [Service No 3132: 2nd Bn] Born in Brisbane, enlisted at Liverpool, NSW. Note: Awarded the Croix de Guerre, Belgium, 12 July 1918.
- George Henry SIMS [Service No 57915: 26th Bn] Born at Windsor, NSW; enlisted in Brisbane.
- Alexander STANLEY [Service No 50280: 11 LHR] Born in Ballina; Working at Wongongra Station via Chinchilla when he enlisted in Brisbane. Family connections to Cherbourg and Moree. [Later enlisted in WW2.]
- George WATEGO [Service No 5934: 26th Bn] Born in Sydney, NSW; enlisted in Brisbane.
- Murray WATEGO [Service No 2178: 41st Bn] Born in Sydney, NSW; enlisted in Brisbane.
- Norman Alfred Henry WATTS [Service No. 2667] born Rockhampton, enlisted in Brisbane. [Mother from Torres Strait, possibly Waria Island?]
- Arthur Edward WILLIAMS [Service No N/A: Depot] Born in Sydney NSW, enlisted at Brisbane. [Note: Enlisted 23 September 1915; discharged 13 November 1915 'services no longer required' Note on attestation form indicates 'this man being a half-caste has been discharged'.]
- Ernest Williams [Service No 3399:] Born Coonamble, NSW; enlisted Narrabri, NSW. Trained in Brisbane.
- Joe WHITE [Service No 2447: 11 LHR] Born at Morven, enlisted in Brisbane.
- Alfred WRIGHT [Service No 2017: 25th Bn] Born in Nyngan, NSW; enlisted in Brisbane.

Burketown

- Alan 'Clem' MURRAY [Service No N/A: Depot] Enlisted at Blackboy Hill, WA. . [Note: discharged 'having been irregularly enlisted – not substantially of European Descent'].

Cairns [connections to Yarrabah, Mona Mona, etc.]

- Norman BAIRD [Service No 7685A: 9th Bn] Born near Cooktown, enlisted in Cairns.
- Carl John 'Jack' BAKER [Service No 7744: 15th Bn] Born in Innisfail, enlisted at Cairns. [Note: died of wounds 13 August 1918, France.]
- Percy DIXON [Service No. 30106: 9th FAB] Born in Springsure, enlisted in Cairns. [Note: also served in WW2.]
- Harry DOYLE [Service No 2426: 11 LHR] Born Charters Towers, enlisted in Cairns.
- William LORRAINE [Service No 3658: 52nd Bn] Born Hambledon, via Cairns, enlisted in Cairns. [Note: initially refused enlistment in 1916 due to 'being half-caste'; re-enlisted in June 1917 – discharged June 1918 due to medical condition (Anaemia).]
- William 'Willie' LOGAN [Service No Q19966 / 3509: Depot] Born near Atherton, enlisted at Cairns. [Note: Discharged from 5th LHR before disembarking.]
- David MOLLOY [Service No 2437: 11 LHR] Born near Mt Molloy, enlisted at Cairns.
- Jack POLLARD [Service No 2442: 11 LHR] Born in Atherton; enlisted in Cairns
- Tommy PURCELL (aka Tommy LEE) [Service No 7813A: 15th Bn] Born in Atherton, enlisted at Cairns.
- William PERROTT [Service No 3704: 49th Bn] Born near Herberton, enlisted at Cairns. [Died from illness (bronchitis), 1 November 1918.]

Camooweal

- Jack COSTELLO [Service No 2425: 11 LHR] Born in Camooweal; enlisted at Longreach.
- John LEE [Service No 730: 41st Bn] Born in Camooweal; enlisted at Maryborough. [Note: Initially discharged in January 1916 'unlikely to be an efficient soldier'; re-enlisted in 1917 and served on Western Front.]

China Camp [Wujal Wujal]

- Norman BAIRD [Service No 7685A: 9th Bn]
- Charles BAIRD [Service No 1234: 11 LHR]

Coen

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Cooktown

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Eidsvold

- George Robert AITKEN [Service No 2367: 52nd Bn] Born at Taroom, enlisted in Cloncurry. Killed in action, 19 October 1917, Belgium. Adoptive mother lived in Eidsvold, with family connections to Barambah/Cherbourg.
- Thomas JARO [Service No 4083: 4th Pioneer Bn] Born at Eidsvold; enlisted in Maryborough.

Euraba Aboriginal Station, Via Boomi, NSW [Closed 1926 – removed to Toomelah] [Located near Qld/NSW Border – many families with connections to Qld]

- George BENNETT [Service No 4243: 29th Bn] Born near Mungindi, enlisted at Armidale, NSW. [Note: Family lived in Mungindi/Nindigully area; Grandfather of Len Waters, WW2 Pilot.]
- Charles Turner BIRD [Service No 6709: 8th Bn] Born at Goondiwindi, Qld, enlisted at Cootamundra, NSW. [Note: Family lived in Mungindi and Talwood area following war.]
- Jack STACY [Service No. 2156: 5LHR] Born at Boomi, NSW; enlisted at Narrabri, NSW.

Gayndah

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- Leslie FRANKS [Service No 2334: 1st Light Horse Field Ambulance] Born at Sydney, NSW; enlisted in Brisbane. Family connections to Gayndah and Cherbourg.
- Walter FRANKS [Service No 263 / 598: Depot] Born at Paddington, NSW; enlisted in Brisbane. [Discharged prior to embarking.] Family connections to Gayndah and Cherbourg.
- Albert JONES [Service No 64364: Driver ANZAC Mounted Divisional Train] Born in Gympie; enlisted at Gayndah. Family connections to Cherbourg.
- Vincent LAW [Service No 63999: 5th Reinforcements] Born in Gayndah and enlisted in Brisbane – family later lived at Cherbourg.
- Harold MCCALLUM [Service No 1084: 5th LHR] Born in Gayndah; enlisted in Emerald.

Gayndah (continued)

- Thomas PEHOW [Service No 2667: 12th Bn] Born in Gayndah; enlisted in Brisbane.
- Arthur RILEY [Service No Q19613: Depot] Born at Gayndah, enlisted at Barambah. [Note: discharged 'having been irregularly enlisted'].

Georgetown

- Frederick MEREDITH [Service No 3340: 41st Bn] Born at Georgetown, Qld; enlisted in Brisbane.
- Henry MONSELL [Service No Q19604: Depot] Born at Strathmore Station via Georgetown, enlisted at Barambah. [Note: discharged 'having been irregularly enlisted'].
- George SPOONER [Service No Q19932: Depot] Born at Georgetown; enlisted at Charleville.

Goodooga (NSW) Border community with connections to Queensland.

- Percy HILL [Service No 139: 42nd Bn] Born Goodooga, NSW; enlisted at Charters Towers. After the war lived in Townsville.
- Archie MURPHY [Service No 3727: 6th LHR] Born in Wyandra, enlisted at Hay, NSW. [Note: serving as Tracker in NSW Police Force, at time of enlistment. Lived on a soldier's settlement block after WW1 and later moved to Goodooga.]

Goomeri

- Frederick DODD [Service No 20409: Depot] Born in Goomeri, enlisted at Maryborough. [Note: discharged as 'medically unfit'.] Family connection to Barambah/Cherbourg.

Goondiwindi [links to Queensland Communities as well as Toomelah/Boggabilla]

- Charles Turner BIRD [Service No 6709: 8th Bn] Born at Goondiwindi, Qld, enlisted at Cootamundra, NSW. [Note: Family lived in Mungindi and Talwood area following war.]
- Sydney CLARKE [Service No 3762: 49th Bn] Born in St George, enlisted in Toowoomba. Foster family – Mrs Chris Noud lived in Goondiwindi. [[Died of illness (pneumonia), 21 June 1918, United Kingdom.]
- Edward HILL [Service No 3238: 15 LHR] Born at Goondiwindi, Qld; enlisted at Narrabri, NSW.
- Towney KELLY [Service No 2176: 25th BN / 10 LHR] Born at Goondiwindi; enlisted in Brisbane.
- Alf ROBERTS [Service No 3758: 45th Bn] Born at Goondiwindi; enlisted in Moree (NSW). [Note: also served in WW2 – service records amalgamated with NAA N281674]
- William THOMPSON [Service No N10786: Depot] Born at Goondiwindi, Qld; enlisted at Narrabri, NSW. [Note: Family lived in Mungindi and Talwood area following war.]
- Frank WOODS [Service No N74182: Depot] Born at Goondiwindi, Qld; enlisted in Moree, NSW.

Hebel [South-West Queensland]

- Arthur Robert CHAPMAN [Service No. 2989: 6LHR], born Hebel Queensland, enlisted at Manilla (via Armidale) NSW.
- Wallie JOHNSON [Service No 2444: 47th Bn] Born at St George; enlisted in Brisbane. [Killed in action 11 April 1917, France.] Note: also known as Wally COWLEY as he was fostered into the Cowley Family at Hebel when the father Phillip Cowley was the Police Constable there in the early 1900's.

Herberton

- William PERROTT [Service No 3704: 49th Bn] Enlisted at Cairns. Killed in action, 1 November 1918, France.

Kilkivan

- Martin BLIGH (attestation form uses 'BLYTH') [Service No 64321: ANZAC Mounted Divisional Train] Born in Kilkivan, enlisted at Brisbane. [See also Barambah.]
- William Bert BROWN [Service No 2422: 11 LHR] Born at Boompa, via Gayndah, enlisted at Maryborough. Family connections to Barambah/Cherbourg. Some war records list Brown as born at Kilkivan.
- John COBBO (War Records have name misspelt as 'Cubbo') [Service No 3121A: Depot] Born in Kilkivan, enlisted at Charters Towers. [**Note:** originally discharged in August 1917; then reenlisted in June 1918 and assigned to 5 LHR Remount]. Family connections to Gayndah and Barambah/Cherbourg.
- Douglas [aka Douglas] Edward LAW [Service No 63998: 2 LHR] Born in Kilkivan, enlisted at Gayndah – family later lived at Cherbourg.

Lakefield Station (via Laura)

- Frank BALSER [Service No 3469: 5 LHR]

Laura

- Myrtle DOUGLAS [Service No Q19614: Depot] Born in Laura, enlisted at Barambah. [**Note:** discharged 'having been irregularly enlisted'].

Lockhart River

- Willie CUMMINGS [63989: 5 LHR] Born at Stanley Hills Station, via Lockhart River; enlisted at Brisbane. Family connection to Cherbourg.

Mitchell

- Charles ALLEY (aka ALLIE) [Service No 50270: 11 LHR] Born at Charters Towers; enlisted in Brisbane. [**Note:** also served in WW2 Q186382.] Later lived in Mitchell area.
- Albert BURKE [Service No. 3620: 29th Bn] Born at Mitchell, enlisted in Roma.
- Edward COLLINS [Service No. 2424: 11 LHR] Born at Tomoo Station, via Mitchell; enlisted in Mitchell.
- Fred COLLINS [Service No. 2459: 11 LHR] Born at Bonus Downs Station, via Mitchell; enlisted in Mitchell.
- Joe FITZROY [Service No 2427: 11 LHR] Born at Dynevor Downs Station, via Eulo; enlisted in Mitchell.
- George FOSTER [Service No 3641: 11 LHR] Born at Bollon; enlisted in Mitchell.
- Harry HARPER [Service No Q20358: Depot] Born at Albany Downs, via Mitchell; enlisted in Mitchell.
- Jack KEARNS [Service No 2431: 11 LHR] Born at Dirranbandi; enlisted at Charleville. Family had connections to Mitchell.
- Harry MURRAY [Service No. 2436: 11 LHR] Born at Taroom, enlisted in Mitchell. Harry applied for a War Gratuity Bond in July 1920 when he was working at Wombelbank Station.
- Charlie PARKES [Service No 2443: 11 LHR] Born at Charleville; enlisted in Mitchell. [**Note:** Also recorded as Charlie PARKER.]
- Sid ROBERTS [Service No 3491: 5 LHR] Born at Tongy Station, via Mitchell; enlisted in Mitchell. Sid applied for a War Gratuity Bond in September 1920.
- Edward SMITH [Service No 2445: 11 LHR] Born at Forest Vale Station, via Mitchell, enlisted in Mitchell. Edward applied for a War Gratuity Bond in July 1920. Mother Annie Smith sought a military allotment/soldier settlement in October 1920.
- Thomas Henry SMITH [Service No 3724A: 49th Bn] Born at Isisford, enlisted in Mitchell. Lived at Mitchell after the war.
- Alexander STANLEY [Service No 50280: 11 LHR] Born in Ballina; Working at Wongongra Station via Chinchilla when he enlisted in Brisbane. Family connections to Cherbourg and Moree. Lived for a short time after the war in Mitchell working with George Foster. [Later enlisted in WW2.]

Mt Molloy

- David MOLLOY [Service No 2437: 11 LHR]

Mungindi [on Qld/NSW Border – many families with connections to Qld]

- George BENNETT [Service No 4243: 29th Bn] Born near Mungindi, enlisted at Armidale, NSW. [**Note:** Family lived in Mungindi/Nindigully area of South-West Queensland; Grandfather of Len Waters, WW2 Pilot.]
- James BLACKLOCK [Service No N/A: Depot] Born at Coonamble, enlisted at Mungindi. [**Note:** Discharged 'medically unfit' – Family lived in Tingha/Inverell area of NSW after the war.]
- Alfred DALTON [Service No 748: 3rd Bn] Born near Mungindi, enlisted at Narrabri, NSW.
- John James 'Jack' DUNN [Service No 5580: 18th Bn] Born 'The Border' – most likely from Mungindi; enlisted Cootamundra, NSW.
- Albert WILLIAMS [Service No 75887: Depot] Born at Mungindi, enlisted in Moree, NSW. [**Note:** Discharged 'medically unfit'.]

Normanton

- Dick KIRWIN [Service No 2833: 42nd Bn]

Palm Island

- Arthur MURDOCK [Service No 3466: 41st Bn] Born in Hughenden, enlisted at Charters Towers. [**Note:** mother/family at Barambah.] Later removed to Palm Island.

Port Douglas

- Augustus DAVIES [Service No 3282: 41st Bn] Born at Port Douglas, enlisted in Brisbane. [**Note:** park at Bald Hills named after Gus Davies.]
- William PAGEL [Service No Q19602: Depot] Born at Port Douglas; enlisted at Barambah. [**Note:** Discharged 'having been irregularly enlisted'.]

Rockhampton [many families with connections to Woorabinda]

- Robert ANDERSON [Service No Q22911: Depot] Born in Rockhampton, enlisted at Brisbane.
- Charles BINWATER [Service No N/A: Depot] Born at Rockhampton, enlisted in Brisbane. [**Note:** Attempted to enlist several times – Dubbo, NSW.]
- James Leo ENRIGHT [Service No Q2636: Depot] Born at Coonamble, NSW; enlisted in Rockhampton. [**Note:** Discharged due to medical condition (rheumatism and back pain); one of three brothers who enlisted in WW1.]
- John William GRAY [Service No 4420: 26th Bn] Born in Charleville; enlisted at Rockhampton.
- Reginald Francis HAWKINS [Service No 370: 42nd Bn] Born in Adavale; enlisted at Rockhampton. [**Note:** Prisoner of War 14 February 1917.]
- George HILL [Service No 3655: 49th Bn // 4th Machine Gun Company] Born at Rockhampton; enlisted at Charleville.
- George MITCHELL [Service No.5386: 31st Bn] Born in Bundaberg; enlisted at Rockhampton.
- Arthur PERFECT [Service No 7757: 15th Bn] Born at Rockhampton; enlisted at Brisbane. [**Note:** discharged 2 January 1919 – medically unfit due to gunshot wounds suffered in France.]
- Joseph PERFECT [Service No 200: 25th Bn] Born at Rockhampton; enlisted at Brisbane. [**Note:** discharged 10 May 1916 – medically unfit due to bomb and gunshot wounds suffered at Gallipoli.]
- William PERFECT [Service No 3429: 2nd LHR] Born at Rockhampton; enlisted in Maryborough. [**Note:** discharged 13 August 1918 – medically unfit due to infected scar (Hernia Operation) during service.]
- Norman SAMUELS [Service No N76008: Depot] Born in Rockhampton; enlisted in Singleton (NSW). Discharged not sufficient European origin.
- Arthur WALSH [Service No 2050: 4th Machine Gun Coy] Born at Torella Station, via St Lawrence; enlisted in Rockhampton. Family later lived in Duaringa.
- Charles WALSH [Service No 24222: NA] Born at Torella Station, via St Lawrence; enlisted in Rockhampton. Did not serve overseas due to end of war. Family later lived in Duaringa.
- Harold WALSH [Service No 4447: 11 LHR] Born at Duaringa, enlisted in Rockhampton.
- Norman Alfred Henry WATTS [Service No. 2667: 41st Bn] born Rockhampton, enlisted in Brisbane. [Mother from Torres Strait, possibly Waria Island?]
- Thomas WILLIAMS [Service No 1760: 50th and 52nd Bn] Born in Rockhampton, enlisted in Rockhampton.

Roma

- Albert BURKE [Service No. 3620: 29th BN] Born at Mitchell, enlisted in Roma.
- Ossie DICK [Service No Q19609: Depot] Born in Roma, enlisted at Barambah. [**Note:** discharged 'having been irregularly enlisted'.]
- Thomas John HAYNES [Service No 3103: 15th Bn] Born in St George, enlisted in Roma. [**Note:** killed in action, 15 April 1917, France.]

St George

- Sydney CLARKE [Service No 3762: 49th Bn] Born in St George, enlisted in Toowoomba. [Died of illness (pneumonia), 21 June 1918, United Kingdom.]
- Thomas John HAYNES [Service No 3103: 15th Bn] Born in St George, enlisted in Roma. [**Note:** killed in action, 15 April 1917, France.]
- Wallie JOHNSON [Service No 2444: 47th Bn] Born at St George; enlisted in Brisbane. [Killed in action 11 April 1917, France.] **Note:** also known as Wally COWLEY as he was fostered into the Cowley Family at Hebel when the father Phillip Cowley was the Police Constable there in the early 1900's.
- Edward KELLY [Service No 1986: Remount] born St George (Qld) enlisted in St George. Later lived in Dalby area.
- Niney MCDONALD [Service No 4441: 11th LHR] Born at St George; enlisted in Brisbane.
- John WOODS [Service No N77118: Depot] Born at Balonne, Qld; enlisted in Moree, NSW. [Police Tracker working in NSW at time of war – birthplace is given as Balonne as in the Balonne River? But could be misspelling of Bollon?]

Stradbroke Island

- James COOTERMAN / CAIRNCROSS [Service No. 3610A: 25th Bn] Born on Stradbroke Island, enlisted at Brisbane. [Attestation form indicated Birthplace of Brisbane; however he grew up with his family on Stradbroke Island – enlisted under the assumed name of Cairncross after the Doctor who was looking after him – source 'Stradbroke 100'.]
- Horace Thomas DALTON [Service No 57247: 11 LHR] Born at Dunwich, enlisted in Brisbane.
- Evelyn ELLIS [Service No 554: 7 Machine Gun Company] Born at Dunwich, enlisted in Brisbane.
- Charles William FOLEY [Service No 3753: 49th Bn] Born at Stradbroke Island; enlisted in Brisbane.
- Albert JONES [Service No 64364: Driver ANZAC Mounted Divisional Train] Born in Gympie; enlisted at Gayndah. Family connections to Cherbourg, Mundubbera and Stradbroke Island.
- Henry Thomas LEA [Service No 242: 2nd Machine Gun Coy] Born at Dunwich; enlisted at Brisbane.
- Henry LEE [Service No N/A: Depot] Born at Dunwich, enlisted in Brisbane. [**Note:** Discharged 'services no longer required'.]
- Benjamin James MANAGER [Service No N/A: Depot] Born at Dunwich, enlisted in Brisbane. [**Note:** Discharged 'services no longer required'.]
- Richard MARTIN [Service No 1359: 9th Bn] Born at Dunwich, enlisted in Brisbane. [Killed in action 28 March 1918, France.]
- Albert TRIPCONY [Service No 5655: 25th Bn] Born at Dunwich, enlisted in Brisbane. [Killed in action, 3 May 1915, France.]
- Vincent TRIPCONY [Service No 470: 3rd AMG] Born at Dunwich, enlisted in Brisbane.

Taroom [community later moved to Woorabinda]

- William AHSEE (aka AH SEE) [Service No 113: 41st Bn] Born at Taroom, enlisted in Brisbane.
- George Robert AITKEN [Service No 2367: 52nd Bn] Born at Taroom, enlisted in Cloncurry. Killed in action, 19 October 1917, Belgium. Adoptive mother lived in Eidsvold, with family connections to Barambah/Cherbourg.
- Arthur BUNDIE aka 'Bundi' [Service No Q23572: Depot – Remount Unit] Born at Taroom, enlisted in Dalby.
- Edward MCGREGOR [Service No 65101: 8th Reinforcements] Born at Taroom, enlisted in Brisbane. Removed to Deebing Creek Aboriginal Home in 1904. Later family connections to Cherbourg. Also served in WW2 Q14160.
- Harry MURRAY [Service No. 2436: 11 LHR] Born at Taroom, enlisted in Mitchell.
- Pompey ROBERTS [Service No 56924: 11 LHR] Born at St Lawrence, enlisted in Dalby. Later lived at Woorabinda.

Thursday Island

- Daniel Charles HODGES [Service No 1666: 47th Bn] Born on Thursday Island; enlisted in Townsville.
- George James SOSAR [Service No 6839: 26th Bn] Born on Thursday Island; enlisted in Brisbane. Mother's Aboriginal lineage is from Monaro, NSW.

Wujal Wujal [China Camp]

- Norman BAIRD [Service No 7685A: 9th Bn]
- Charles BAIRD [Service No 1234: 11 LHR]

Yarrabah

- Harry DOYLE [Service No 2426: 11 LHR] Born Charters Towers, enlisted at Cairns.

The above list represents a starting point for the 'known' Aboriginal and Torres Strait islander men who enlisted or volunteered in WW1; there are no doubt many others whose stories are untold – let's bring their stories to life!

References and Further Reading

The above listing represents a compilation from several key sources and highlights the work of other researchers who have worked towards identifying Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander men who volunteered for WW1. There has been some research activity on Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander participation in war by historians and researchers, including David Huggonson, Philippa Scarlett, Rod Pratt, Robert Hall, Garth O'Connell and others as well as initiatives under the auspices of the Australian War Memorial (AWM) or the Australian Institute of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies (AIATSIS).

Recent projects under the Q ANZAC 100 Community Grants have uncovered local Indigenous men who also volunteered or served in the First World War. Sources include items from the State Library Collections as well as external or online sources – these are listed below:

State Library of Queensland Collection Items

The State Library holds many of these published texts and they are excellent references for researchers and families alike.

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SLQ Online Resources

These are accessible through OneSearch using State Library Membership login.

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Peak Collecting Institutions

Researchers and community members are also encouraged to access collections and materials from other institutions that have an interest in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, their histories and lifestyles.

Australian War Memorial [www.awm.gov.au]

The Australian War Memorial has an extensive collection, including online resources to support research into Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander involvement in WW1. If you know the person's name, a good starting point is the AWM "search for a person" webpage: www.awm.gov.au/people/roll-search/all/ which allows you to search indexes and nominal rolls for all wars that involved Australian defence forces.

Other useful webpages on their site include:

- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples in the Defence Forces: www.awm.gov.au/encyclopedia/aborigines/
- ANZAC Diversity: www.awm.gov.au/education/schools/resources/anzac-diversity/
- Family History Webpage: www.awm.gov.au/research/family-history/
- Indigenous Australians at War Honour Roll: www.aiatsis.gov.au/collections/exhibitions/iaaw/honour.html
- Indigenous Australian Servicemen: www.awm.gov.au/encyclopedia/aborigines/indigenous/
- Too Dark for the Light Horse Education Kit: www.awm.gov.au/education/schools/memorial-boxes/03-too-dark-for-the-light-horse/

National Archives of Australia [www.naa.gov.au]

The National Archives of Australia has an extensive online collection of digitised materials, including service records; the Record Search facility allows researchers, community members, etc. to narrow their search to specific Wars. If a person's name is known, the surname details can be used as the search term – generally the full Service Record [Attestation Form; Medical Info; Service Duty, etc.] is accessible via a digitised copy. Service Records for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people may also include a reference to their Aboriginality in their Medical Information – many volunteers were discharged with a note stating 'of Aboriginal descent' or 'insufficient European parentage'.

- National Archives of Australia – Service Records:
www.naa.gov.au/collection/explore/defence/service-records/

Q ANZAC 100 Community Projects

- **Black Diggers of Logan** [Logan Regional Library Services]: Logan Library commemorates the Aboriginal, Torres Strait and Australian South Sea Islanders who fought alongside their comrades despite not being officially counted as people of their own nation during the First World War. Website: <http://www.logan.qld.gov.au/facilities-and-recreation/libraries/library-services/indigenous-services/black-diggers-of-logan>
HistoryPin Project: <https://www.historypin.org/en/first-world-war-centenary/memories-for-a-new-generation/black-diggers-of-logan/geo/-27.643075,153.104251,4/bounds/-55.177881,126.385501,8.843359,179.823001>
- **Boys from Barambah: The Story of the black diggers of Barambah-Cherbourg of World War 1** [The Ration Shed Museum]: Commemorates the men from Barambah Mission and their involvement in WW1. Website: <http://rationshed.com.au/product/the-boys-from-barambah-book/>
- **Stradbroke 100: North Stradbroke Island's First World War Soldiers and the Homefront** [North Stradbroke Island Historical Museum] Exhibition and accompanying booklet that explored the war experiences and post-war lives of 22 soldiers, including 14 men who were Aboriginal. Website: <http://stradbrokemuseum.com.au/WW1>

Online External Sources

There are several online collections or websites that are rich in materials for researchers; including the following:

Australian Light Horse Studies Centre [<http://alh-research.tripod.com/>]

This website is a Forum-based platform and covers a range of topics relating to the Australian Light Horse, including a section on [Aboriginal Members of the Light Horse, AIF](#).

Mapping Our ANZACs [<http://mappingouranzacs.naa.gov.au/>]

This website has an [interactive map](#) format to find a service person either by place of birth or place of enlistment; it then links to Service Records located in the national Archives of Australia. Other webpages allow for input from registered members, including scrapbooks as well as the capacity to add notes on service persons.

Australian Institute of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies (AIATSIS)

[www.aiatsis.gov.au]

AIATSIS has an online exhibition '[Indigenous Australians at War](#)' which has a comprehensive overview of the background context for Indigenous participation in the war as well as excellent resources and [further reading](#). A newly created section complements their research activity into Indigenous service persons: [Our Mob Served](#). AIATSIS also has a Family History Unit which has developed a guide to researching Indigenous people in [Military Records](#).

Indigenous Histories [<http://indigenoushistories.com/>]

Indigenous historian Philippa Scarlett has developed a [website/blog](#) which expands on her research work into Indigenous participation in WW1.

Trove/NLA Newspapers [www.trove.nla.gov.au]

The [National Library of Australia](#) has facilitated the digitisation of historical newspapers and other items; these materials can be searched using search terms such as 'Aboriginal soldier' 'Aboriginal Digger' etc. The [Queenslander Newspaper](#) which has been digitised features photographs of Queensland men who enlisted in WW1 as well as Regimental Photos before and after the war.

Department of Veteran Affairs [www.dva.gov.au]

The Australian Government [Department of Veteran Affairs](#) has webpages devoted to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Veterans which provides weblinks and other resources.

Further Details

The State Library would love to hear from relatives and descendants of these men and share their stories.

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War: www.slq.qld.gov.au/resources/world-war-1/indigenous-participation-in-war



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