BAIRD, David Murray

Place of Birth: Port Macquarie
Service number: 527
Rank: Private
Age at Embarkation: 21
Occupation: Clerk
Next of Kin: John Baird of Port Macquarie
Roll title: 6 LHR [Light Horse Regiment] (December 1914)
Date of Embarkation: 21st December, 1914
Place of embarkation: Sydney
Ship embarked on: HMAT Suevic
Status: RTA 15th February 1918 (Sgt.)
Notes: Awarded Military Medal

BAIRD, John Robert

Place of Birth: Port Macquarie
Service number: 6229
Rank: Acting Corporal
Age at Embarkation: 23
Occupation: Telegraphist
Next of Kin: Elsa Helen Baird (wife) of Suva Fiji
Roll title: 3rd Battalion
Date of Embarkation: 9th September, 1916
Place of embarkation: Sydney
Ship embarked on: Euripides
Status: Went to live in Canada.
Notes: Received the Military Cross 3rd June, 1919. Demobilized from the A.I.F. (Lieut.) in London 6th July 1919. Relocated to British Columbia, Canada. See War Service record at National Archives of Australia.

BALDWIN, Charles

Place of Birth: Port Macquarie
Service number: 317
Rank: Private
Age at Embarkation: 20 Infantry Battalion (June 1915)
Occupation: Labourer
Next of Kin: James Baldwin (father) of Port Macquarie
Roll title: 20 Infantry Battalion (June 1915)
Date of Embarkation: 25 June 1915
Place of embarkation: Sydney
Ship embarked on: HMAT Berrima
Status: RTA 16th March 1918
BALE, William Henry

- **Place of Birth:** Grafton
- **Service number:** 9878
- **Rank:** Gunner
- **Age at Embarkation:** 20
- **Occupation:** Labourer
- **Next of Kin:** William David Bale (father) of Ballengarra, Wilson River
- **Roll title:** 1 FAB [Field Artillery Brigade] - 12 to 16 Reinforcements (November 1915 - April 1916)
- **Date of Embarkation:** 17th December, 1915
- **Place of embarkation:** Sydney
- **Ship embarked on:** HMAT Berrima
- **Status:** RTA 27th June, 1917

*BALSDON, James

- **Place of Birth:** Blyth, England
- **Service number:** 2274
- **Rank:** Private
- **Age at Embarkation:** 26
- **Occupation:** Miner
- **Next of Kin:** Mrs Margaret Balsdon (mother) Weston (Hunter Valley) N.S.W.
- **Roll title:** 30 Infantry Battalion - 1 to 6 Reinforcements (November 1915 - April 1916)
- **Date of Embarkation:** 11 March 1916
- **Place of embarkation:** Sydney
- **Ship embarked on:** HMAT Orsova A67
- **Status:** K.I.A. 19th/20th July, 1916 at battle of Fromelles. Buried in a mass grave. Commemorated Villers-Bretonneux Memorial, France
- **Notes:** Name identified by Port Macquarie Historical Museum staff. Private Balsdon’s death reported in Cessnock newspaper 17 Nov 1916 regarding a service. Margaret Balsdon died around this time and place after losing two sons. *Ancestry.com* lists a Joseph Balsdon and Mrs M. Balsdon arriving on the Orama 2 Jul 1914. James, Joseph, George and a sister [Mrs B M Yeoman of Mayfield] lived in Newcastle area. Four sons joined up [one in England] 2 killed, 1 invalided. Joe and James Balsdon enlisted at West Maitland 15 & 27 Sept 1915. Both brothers embarked on HMAT Orsova A67 Sydney 11 March 1916, Joseph Wootton Balsdon 5330 on same ship.

*BANKIER, Samuel

- **Place of Birth:** Kilsyth, near Glasgow, Scotland
- **Service number:** 260
- **Rank:** Private (later promoted to Lieut.)
- **Age at Embarkation:** 25
- **Occupation:** Dentist
- **Next of Kin:** Mrs Margaret Bankier (mother) Kilsyth, near Glasgow, Scotland
- **Roll title:** 4 Field Ambulance - 1 to 16 Reinforcements (December 1914 - March 1916)
- **Date of Embarkation:** 22 December 1914
- **Place of embarkation:** Melbourne
- **Ship embarked on:** HMAT Berrima
- **Status:** K.I.A. 16th April 1918. Buried near Nord Helf Wood, Strazeele. Listed on Villers-Bretonneux Memorial, France
Note: Roll of Honour circular states that Port Macquarie was the town or place he was most associated with. Worked with Mr. G. C. Orr in Port Macquarie prior to the war. See PM News

BARTHOLOMEW, William Harry

Place of Birth: London, England
Service number: 28946
Rank: Gunner
Age at Embarkation: 32
Occupation: Cook
Next of Kin: Delta Gladys Bartholomew (wife) of Telegraph Point
Roll title: Medium Trench Mortar Batteries - 1 to 7 Reinforcements (September 1916 - May 1917)
Date of Embarkation: 17th October, 1916
Place of embarkation: Sydney
Ship embarked on: HMAT Borda
Status: RTA 16th June 1919
Note: At time of enlistment wife resident at Telegraph Point.

BARTRIM, Harry Lisle.

Place of Birth: Beechwood
Service number: 2458
Rank: Private
Age at Embarkation: 19
Occupation: Blacksmith
Next of Kin: Mrs Nancy Bartrim (mother) of Beechwood
Date of Embarkation: 26th April, 1916
Place of embarkation: Sydney
Ship embarked on: HMAT Port Macquarie
Status: RTA 13th March, 1919

BEATON, Angus Hamilton

Place of Birth: Barrington, N.S.W.
Service number: 4238
Rank: Private
Age at Embarkation:
Occupation: Dairyman
Next of Kin: Angus Beaton (father), Palmers Island, Clarence River. Requested change of NOK to Marion Beaton (wife) of War Chest Hostel, Victoria Street, Darlinghurst N.S.W. 5th January 1920
Roll title: 26 Infantry Battalion - 9 to 12 Reinforcements (January-April 1916)
Date of Embarkation: 28th March, 1916
Place of embarkation: Brisbane. Enlisted at Lismore.
Ship embarked on: HMAT Commonwealth A73
**BENNETT, Henry Evans** (alias *Harry Evans*)

**Place of Birth:** Port Macquarie  
**Service number:** 2769  
**Rank:** Private  
**Age at Embarkation:** 28  
**Occupation:** Blacksmith  
**Next of Kin:** Mrs Marjorie Bennett (wife) "Urunga" Bellinger River. Son of Cr. & Mrs. G.E. Bennett, Port Macquarie.  
**Roll title:** Camel Corps, May 1916 to August 1917 - Reinforcements (May 1916 - November 1917)  
**Date of Embarkation:** 9 May 1917  
**Place of embarkation:** Sydney  
**Ship embarked on:** HMAT Port Sydney  
**Status:** RTA 29th April, 1919  
**Notes:** Enlisted in the Light Horse while working at Tamworth. Later transferred to the camel corps achieving rank of Farrier-Sergeant. Prior to enlisting he was engaged in the blacksmithing trade and served his time with Mr. O.C. Ochs at Port Macquarie.

**BERRIMAN, James**

**Place of Birth:** Wangaratta, Vic.  
**Service number:** 46  
**Rank:** Sapper  
**Age at Embarkation:** 25  
**Occupation:** Labourer  
**Next of Kin:** Mrs Annie Berriman (mother), Great Northern, Rutherglen, Vic.  
**Roll title:** No 1 Mining Corps [Nos 1-1291] (February 1916)  
**Date of Embarkation:** 20th February 1916  
**Place of embarkation:** Sydney  
**Ship embarked on:** HMAT Ulysses A38  
**Status:** RTA 1st April, 1919  
**Notes:** Name identified by Port Macquarie Historical Museum staff. Mentioned in Port Macquarie News 8th January, 1916 as being on final furlough at Telegraph Point. Listed on 1916 electoral roll for Port Macquarie as a labourer of Telegraph Point.

**BIGNELL, Cecil Cyrus Allan**

**Place of Birth:** Cundletown  
**Service number:** 4148  
**Rank:** Private  
**Age at Embarkation:** 19  
**Occupation:** Labourer  
**Next of Kin:** Robert Bignell (father) Lower Lansdowne, Manning River  
**Roll title:** 4 Infantry Battalion - 13 to 23 Reinforcements (December 1915 - November 1916)  
**Date of Embarkation:** 20th December, 1915  
**Place of embarkation:** Sydney  
**Ship embarked on:** HMAT Aeneas
Status: RTA 10th June, 1919
Notes: Married in England 26th August, 1918 to Kathleen Templeman.

BLAIR, Alan Austin

Place of Birth: Port Macquarie
Service number: 2539
Rank: Private
Age at Embarkation: 22
Occupation: Motor driver
Next of Kin: James Blair (father) of Port Macquarie
Roll title: 35 Infantry Battalion - 1 to 6 Reinforcements (May-November 1916)
Date of Embarkation: 25th October, 1916
Place of embarkation: Sydney
Ship embarked on: HMAT "Ascanius"
Status: RTA 2nd June, 1919

BRANSDON, Frederick McGregor

Place of Birth: Rollands Plains
Service number: 3492
Rank: Private
Age at Embarkation: 22
Occupation: Labourer
Next of Kin: William Bransdon (father) of Port Macquarie
Roll title: 3 Infantry Battalion - 1 to 12 Reinforcements (December 1914 - December 1915)
Date of Embarkation: 2nd November, 1915
Place of embarkation: Sydney
Ship embarked on: HMAT Euripides
Status: RTA 8th March, 1919

*BRANSDON, John Rolland

Place of Birth: Rollands Plains
Service number: 7449
Rank: Private
Age at Embarkation: 22
Occupation: Farmer
Next of Kin: W.H. Bransdon (father) of Rollands Plains
Roll title: 2 Infantry Battalion - 24 to 26 Reinforcements (February-December 1917)
Date of Embarkation: 14th June 1917
Place of embarkation: Sydney
Ship embarked on: HMAT Hororata  
Status: K.I.A. 23rd August 1918. Buried Heath Cemetery, Harbonnieres, France

BRIEN, Alfred John

Place of Birth: Port Macquarie  
Service number: 65712  
Rank: Private  
Age at Embarkation: 21  
Occupation: Fisherman  
Next of Kin: John A. Brien (father) Redfern N.S.W.  
Roll title: 16 to 27 (NSW) Reinforcements (September-November 1918)  
Date of Embarkation: 4th September, 1918  
Place of embarkation: Sydney  
Ship embarked on: HMAT Bakara  
Status: RTA 23rd July, 1919 per transport "Suevic"

BROWN, J.  [No further information known]


*BROWN, George Joseph  

Place of Birth: Rollands Plains  
Service number: 3072  
Rank: Private  
Age at Embarkation: 25  
Occupation: Teamster  
Next of Kin: George Brown (father) Rollands Plains  
Roll title: 1 Par Bn [Pioneer Battalion] - 6 to 10 Reinforcements (October 1916 - January 1917)  
Date of Embarkation: 17th October, 1916  
Place of embarkation: Sydney  
Ship embarked on: HMAT Borda  
Status: K.I.A. 19th October, 1917. Buried Potijze Chateau Grounds Cemetery, Belgium

BUDGE, James George

Place of Birth: Port Macquarie  
Service number: 2576  
Rank: Private  
Age at Embarkation: 24  
Occupation: Farmer  
Next of Kin: Jane Budge (mother) 29 Rofe Street Leichhardt  
Roll title: 19 Infantry Battalion - 1 to 13 Reinforcements (May 1915 - July 1916)  
Date of Embarkation: 2nd November, 1915
Place of embarkation: Sydney
Ship embarked on: HMAT Euripides
Status: RTA 20th April, 1919
Notes: Awarded Distinguished Conduct Medal 1919