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THATCHER ROBERT GEORGE : Service Number - SX26901 : Date of birth - 11 Sep 1914 : Place of birth  
- ADELAIDE SA : Place of enlistment - WAYVILLE SA : Next of Kin - THATCHER MAVIS

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES.  
**ATTESTATION FORM**

FOR SPECIAL FORCES RAISED FOR SERVICE IN AUSTRALIA OR ABROAD.

Army No. S. 11123. SX 26901  
Surname THATCHER. Other Names Robert George.  
(Block capitals)  
Unit A. T. T. D.  
Enlisted for service at Warrville. (Place)  
S. A. (State) 18. 11. 42. (Date)

**A.**

Questions to be put to persons called out or presenting themselves for voluntary enlistment.\*

- 1. What is your name? ... { 1. Surname THATCHER.  
Other names Robert George.  
(Block letters)
- 2. Where were you born? ... { 2. In or near the town of Adelaide.  
In the State or country of S. A.
- 3. Are you a natural born or a naturalized British subject? If the latter, papers are to be produced } 3. Yes.
- 4. What is your age and date of birth? ... { 4. Age 28.  
Date of birth 11. 9. 14.
- 5. What is your trade or occupation? ... 5. Writer.
- 6. Are you married, single, or widower? ... 6. Not married.
- 7. Give details of previous Military service ... { 7. A.M.F.—  
No. \_\_\_\_\_ Rank \_\_\_\_\_ Unit \_\_\_\_\_  
OTHER MILITARY SERVICE  
No. \_\_\_\_\_ Rank \_\_\_\_\_ Unit \_\_\_\_\_
- 8. If now serving, give particulars ... 8. No. S. 11123 Rank Pte. Unit A.T.T.D.
- 9. Who is your actual next of kin? (Order of relationship:—Wife, eldest son, eldest daughter, father, mother, eldest brother, eldest sister, eldest half-brother, eldest half-sister) ... { 9. Name Marie Jean Thatcher.  
Address 11 George St. Richmond S. A.  
Relationship Wife
- 10. What is your permanent address? ... { 10. 11 George St. Marleston S. A.
- 11. What is your religious denomination? (Answer optional) ... { 11. C. of E.
- 12. Have you ever been convicted by a civil court? ... 12.

I, Robert George Thatcher. do solemnly declare that the above answers made by me to the above questions are true, and that I am willing to serve in the Australian Military Forces within or beyond the limits of the Commonwealth.  
Witnessed by G. W. Ellis R. G. Thatcher  
(Signature of Attesting or Witnessing Officer.) (Signature.)

\* The person will be warned that should he give false answers to any of these questions he will be liable to heavy penalties under the Defence Act.

**B.**

**MEDICAL EXAMINATION.**

I certify the above-named person to be fit for Class A.I.  
Temporarily unfit.  
Unfit.  
(Signature)

**C.**

**OATH OF ENLISTMENT.†**

I, Robert George Thatcher. swear that I will well and truly serve our Sovereign Lord, the King, in the Military Forces of the Commonwealth of Australia until the cessation of the present time of war and twelve months thereafter or until sooner lawfully discharged, dismissed, or removed, and that I will resist His Majesty's enemies and cause His Majesty's peace to be kept and maintained, and that I will in all matters appertaining to my service faithfully discharge my duty according to law.

**So Help Me God.**

Signature of Person Enlisted R. G. Thatcher  
Subscribed at Warrville in the State of South Australia  
this eighteenth day of November 19 42  
Before me G. W. Ellis  
Signature of Attesting Officer

† Persons who object to take an oath may make an affirmation in accordance with the Third Schedule of the Defence Act. In such case the above form will be amended accordingly and initialled by the Attesting Officer.



Present Occupation Fitter

Employer Perry Engineering Co.

Employer's Address Mile End

A.A. Form Mob 1  
(Revised March, 1941.)

AUSTRALIAN

MILITARY FORCES.

RESERVED  
Part. No. 11  
2/1/41

# MOBILIZATION ATTESTATION FORM.

To be filled in for all Persons at the Place of Assembly when called out under Parts III. or IV. of the Defence Act, or when voluntarily enlisted.

Army No. 511123

Surname THATCHER Christian Names Robert George  
(BLOCK CAPITALS)

Unit \_\_\_\_\_

Enlisted for war service at GLENELG (Place)  
SOUTH AUSTRALIA (State) Dec 19<sup>th</sup> 1941 (Date)

Have you filled in a N.S.R. Card YES Ride a Horse Yes

Usual Trade or Occupation Fitter Have you a motor cycle No

Present Trade or Occupation Fitter if so, make \_\_\_\_\_ Model \_\_\_\_\_

Employer Perry Eng. Co Any knowledge of First Aid No

Address Mile End Any knowledge of wireless No

Drive a motor car Yes Working knowledge of morse code NO

Do running repairs Yes Have you any dependants YES

Drive a Horse Team No State Special Training or Qualifications Yes

Are you married Yes Date of marriage 26<sup>th</sup> July 1935

Please state your full name and present address.

Name Robert George Thatcher Address 11 George St Marlston

Please complete this questionnaire and return promptly.

Date \_\_\_\_\_ Area Officer, \_\_\_\_\_

11. Which, if any, of the following Educational Qualifications do you possess?
- 4. Leaving Honours no
  - 5. Technical yes
  - 6. University Degree no
  - 7. Other Diplomas no
  - 12. \_\_\_\_\_ no
12. Have you ever been convicted by a Civil Court? \_\_\_\_\_
- If so—(a) What Court? \_\_\_\_\_ (a)
- (b) For what offence? \_\_\_\_\_ (b)

I, Robert George Thatcher do solemnly declare that the above answers made by me to the above questions are true.

Witnessed by R. V. Millon Lieut. R. G. Thatcher.  
(Signature of Attesting or Witnessing Officer.) Signature.

\* The person will be warned that should he give false answers to any of these questions he will be liable to heavy penalties under the Defence Act.

Present Occupation Fitter

Employer Perry Engineering Coy  
Address Wife End  
AUSTRALIAN

A.A. Form Mob 1  
(Revised March, 1941.)

MILITARY FORCES.

# MOBILIZATION ATTESTATION FORM.

RESERVED  
J. H. M. M.  
2/11/41

To be filled in for all Persons at the Place of Assembly when called out under Parts III. or IV. of the Defence Act, or when voluntarily enlisted.

Army No. 511123  
Surname THATCHER (BLOCK CAPITALS) Christian Names Robert George  
Unit \_\_\_\_\_  
Enlisted for war service at GLENELG (Place)  
SOUTH AUSTRALIA (State) Dec 19<sup>th</sup> 1941 (Date)

### A.

Questions to be put to persons called out or presenting themselves for enlistment.\*

1. Surname THATCHER  
(BLOCK CAPITALS)  
Other names Robert George
2. In or near the town of Adelaide  
in the state or country of SA Aus
3. Yes
4. Age 26 years  
Date of Birth Sept 11<sup>th</sup> 1914
5. (a) Fitter  
(b) Fitter
6. (a) Married  
(b) July 26<sup>th</sup> 1925
7. (a) No  
(b) \_\_\_\_\_
8. Name Miss Davis Irene THATCHER  
Address 11 George Street  
Warriston  
Relationship wife
9. 11 George Street  
Warriston  
SA of C.
10. \_\_\_\_\_
11. Certificate for entry to Secondary School No
12. Intermediate Yes
13. Leaving No
14. Leaving Honours No
15. Technical Yes
16. University Degree No
17. Other Diplomas No
18. \_\_\_\_\_
19. \_\_\_\_\_
20. \_\_\_\_\_

11. Which, if any, of the following Educational Qualifications do you possess? \_\_\_\_\_  
12. Have you ever been convicted by a Civil Court? \_\_\_\_\_  
If so—(a) What Court? \_\_\_\_\_  
(b) For what offence? \_\_\_\_\_

I, Robert George Thatcher do solemnly declare that the above answers made by me to the above questions are true.  
Witnessed by R. V. Millon Lieut. R. G. Thatcher.  
(Signature of Attesting or Witnessing Officer.) Signature.

\* The person will be warned that should he give false answers to any of these questions he will be liable to heavy penalties under the Defence Act.

B.

MEDICAL EXAMINATION.

I have made full and careful examination of the above-named person in accordance with the instructions contained in the Standing Orders for Australian Army Medical Services. In my opinion he is—\*

- 1. Fit for Class I.
- 2. ~~Temporarily unfit for Class I.†~~
- 3. ~~Fit for Class II.~~
- 4. ~~Temporarily unfit for Class II.†~~
- 5. Unfit for military service †

Place GLENELG Date Dec

Signature of Examining Medical Officer [Signature]

\* Classifications which are inapplicable to be struck out.

† Reasons for unfitness to be stated.

C.

OATH OF ENLISTMENT.‡

For persons voluntarily enlisted or called upon under Part III. or Part IV. of the Defence Act, and not being members of the Active Citizen Military Forces to serve in the Citizen Forces in time of war. Not compulsory for serving members of the Forces or those allotted to the Citizen Forces under Part XII. of the Act, but unless in any case an objection is raised, the oath should be administered to them as part of the ceremony of attestation.

I Robert George Thatcher swear that I will well and truly serve our Sovereign Lord, the King, in the Citizen Military Forces of the Commonwealth of Australia for the duration of the present time of war, or until sooner lawfully discharged, dismissed, or removed, and that I will resist His Majesty's enemies and cause His Majesty's peace to be kept and maintained, and that I will in all matters appertaining to my service faithfully discharge my duty according to law.

So Help Me God!

Signature of Person Enlisted R. G. Thatcher

Subscribed at GLENELG in the State of SOUTH AUSTRALIA  
this 22nd day of Dec. 1941

Before me—

Signature of Attesting Officer R. V. Milton Lieut.

‡ Persons who object to take an oath may make an affirmation in accordance with the Third Schedule of the Defence Act. In such case the above form will be amended accordingly and initialled by the Attesting Officer.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS  
MUST BE NOTIFIED TO  
AREA OFFICER. [Signature]



CALLLED UP F.T.D.

23 OCT 1942

# SERVICE AND CASUALTY FORM

A.F. B. 103-1 (Adapted)  
 Sx26901  
 Army No. 11111111

Unit 1st Air Serv Troop  
 Surname T. H. A. T. C. I. E. R.  
 (Block Capitals)

Christian Names Robert George  
 Rank Sgt  
 Date of Enlistment 22/12/41  
 Place Glenelg  
 Date and Place of Birth 11/9/14 Adelaide  
 Trade or Occupation Fitter  
 Religion C. of E.

Marital Condition Married  
 Next of Kin Mavis Irene Fletcher  
 Address of Next of Kin 11 George Street, Marleston  
 Relationship Wife

Identification—Color of Hair Brown Eyes Blue  
 Distinctive Marks

REPORT	From whom received	Date	Record of all casualties regarding promotions (acting temporary, local or substantive), appointments, transfers, postings, attachments, &c., forfeiture of pay, wounds, accidents, admission to and discharge from Hospital, Casualty Clearing Stations, &c., Date of disembarkation and embarkation from a theatre of war (including furlough, &c.).	Date of Casualty	Place of Casualty	Authority of Officer Certifying Correctness of Entries
15.10.41	R.P.O.	26.10.41	Called up and commenced F.T.D. Area 43.C.	13.10.41	S.A. 43.C. Area	W3011 129143
26.10.41	ATTD	26.10.41	Transferred to ATTD	26.10.41		W3011 129143
24.11.41	ATTD	24.11.41	M.R. & T.O.S.	26.10.41		W3011 129143
30.11.41	ATTD	30.11.41	Transferred to A.I.F. & assigned to No. 2026901	15.11.41		W3011 129143
18.5.43	45 W/Shop	18.5.43	Embarked S.A. 43.C. for 4th Div W/Shop	30.11.41	S.A. 43.C. (W/Shop)	W3011 129143
19.5.43	45 W/Shop	19.5.43	Watsonia Vic. 4th Div W/Shop	33.10.41	Bana	W3011 129143
15.4.43	A.A.O.C. 76	15.4.43	Graded Private 1st Class	33.10.41	Bana	W3011 129143
19.5.43	45 W/Shop	19.5.43	A. 4th Div W/Shop	33.10.41	Bana	W3011 129143
6.7.43	W/Shop	6.7.43	Transferred to S.A. 43.C. Area W/Shop	33.10.41	Bana	W3011 129143
6.7.43	W/Shop	6.7.43	W/Shop	33.10.41	Bana	W3011 129143
11.4.43	W/Shop	11.4.43	Reached out to 4th Div W/Shop	33.10.41	Bana	W3011 129143

Medical Classification—  
 Class I.  
 Class II.  
 (On Enlistment)

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Date	From whom received	RECORD	Record of all casualties regarding promotions (acting, temporary, local or substantive), appointments, transfers, postings, attachments, &c., forfeiture of pay, wounds, accidents, admission to and discharge from Hospital, Casualty Clearing Stations, &c. Date of disembarkation and embarkation from a theatre of war (including furlough, &c.).	Date of Casualty	Place of Casualty	Authority W. 3011, B. 2069, or other Document	Initials of Officer Certifying Correctness of Entries
11. 4. 43	H. B. D.		M. in from the top C/W shops 30. 4. 43. J. 32	9. 4. 43	Bfield	15389.	Booth
13. 4. 43	Wolke B. O.		Marscher in from B. O. transport	11. 4. 43	Salofcarco	7047	7047 B. O.
16. 4. 43	"		Rec leave 1300 hrs 16. 4. 43 to 1300 hrs 23. 4. 43 Subr Polyo	15. 4. 43	"	785/43 B. O.	" 785/43 B. O.
26. 4. 43	Mulose M. K.		Taken on strength from the 1st C. A. N. 1's via B. O.	26. 4. 43	"	277/43 B. O.	" 277/43 B. O.
26. 4. 43	"		Compassionate Grounds	26. 4. 43	"	408/43 B. O.	" 408/43 B. O.
3. 7. 43	"		Quarter to draw sub	5. 7. 43	"	407/43 B. O.	" 407/43 B. O.
6. 7. 43	"		Attending No 35 P. R. T. Casual 5 to 19. 7. 43	23. 7. 43	"	425/43 B. O.	" 425/43 B. O.
13. 7. 43	"		Leave to draw sub	20. 7. 43	"	440/43 B. O.	" 440/43 B. O.
23. 7. 43	"		Quar 4th 7 Field (Auto) AFME No. 12. 3889 (1/43) 1400 hrs 13/10/43	20. 7. 43	"	458/43 B. O.	" 458/43 B. O.
4. 8. 43	"		Quar pass at No 35 P. R. T. Casual	17. 8. 43	"	477/43 B. O.	" 477/43 B. O.
18. 8. 43	"		Pyremer pass from No 35 P. R. T. Casual	20. 8. 43	"	488/43 B. O.	" 488/43 B. O.
21. 8. 43	"		Leave to No 52 C. Hosp (Cola)	20. 8. 43	"	489/43 B. O.	" 489/43 B. O.
20. 8. 43	"		Py unit from No 52 C. Hosp	20. 9. 43	"	509/43 B. O.	" 509/43 B. O.
20. 8. 43	"		Quarlin to draw sub	20. 9. 43	"		
20. 9. 43	"		Quar to draw sub	20. 9. 43	"		
20. 9. 43	"		Transf to AFME Trng Bn Ingolburn No 5	27. 9. 43	"		
20. 9. 43	"		Detrainor sal off also for No 5 Lefebur	28. 9. 43	"		
20. 9. 43	AFME Rec						Ed David
27. 9. 43	Trg Bn		MPO Do WTS Trng Bn	27. 9. 43	NSW	1902/59 AD	
27. 9. 43	"		MPI 4 SA. L. C. Area 4 D. D.	28. 9. 43	"	4341/43 B. O.	

For O. I. C. RECORDS SA. L. of C.



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SERVICE AND CASUALTY FORM.

Continuation Sheet to A.F. B.103-1.

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THATCHER R.G.

REPORT.		Record of all casualties regarding promotions (acting, temporary, local, or substantive), appointments, transfers, postings, attachments, etc., forfeiture of pay, wounds, accidents, admission to and discharge from Hospital, Casualty Clearing Stations, etc. Date of disembarkation and embarkation from a theatre of war (including furlough, etc.).	Date of Casualty.	Place of Casualty.	Authority W.3011, B.2069, or other Document.	Signature of Officer Certifying Correctness of Entries.
Date.	From whom received.					
6.10.43	ARMY N/SHOP TRNG BN.	In in 2AEME Rec. Trng Bn.	22.9.43.	7. Plw. 2 of 6	M09/468 N3011	RT.
17.1.44	"	In/out Transf'd to 1 Sct 11 Crest MT Co/ 2nd AEME	12.1.44	7. Plw 2 of 6	M011/406/44	RT.
17.1.44	1 SGT 11 CRST MT N/SHOPS.	In in T.O.S from AEME Bng Bn & granted subs.	17.1.44	8 A 2 of 6	N3011 6/44	RT.
5.1.45	"	In/out Transf'd to SA 2 of 4 area to be held.	5.1.45	" 1/45	mob 2/45	RT.
5.1.45	SALOC N/SHOP	Taken on strength from 1st 11 Crest MT Co. Bn.	5.1.45	" 3/45	act. 2/45	RT.
19.1.45	"	Relinquishes Sgt J. Titter & graded Sgt J. Turner	19.1.45	" 4/45	N3011 46/45	RT.
21.7.45	SA Area Workshop.	Still serving with unit	21.7.45	" 21/45	hon Roll	RT
12.9.45	105 (A) MH.	Evacuated to 105 (A) MH & trans to X" List.	12.9.45	24/45 SA 1 of 6	mob. 3. 425/45	L. J.
13.9.45	"	Admitted from unit. (? Cervical spine injury.)	12.9.45	" 24/45	223024. 255/45	L. J.
19.9.45	SA Area Workshop.	Discharged to unit. (mild concussion neck.)	18.9.45	" 25/45	223024. 261/45	L. J.
18.9.45	"	Taken on strength from 105 (A) MH & struck off "X" List.	18.9.45	" 25/45	A-232. 432/45.	L. J.
7.12.45	"	Trans to SA safe area RRA G.D.D for reallocation.	7.12.45	" 33/45	mob. 8. 560/45.	L. J.
7.12.45	RRA G.D.D.	M/IH FROM SALOC AREA WKSP FOR DISPOSAL	7.12.45	"	R 327/45	ED.
10.12.45	"	In/out to SA safe area RRA G.D.D. Demos List	10.12.45	"	M083 T 5257/45	
18.12.45	LTD (H.S)	M/IH from SA safe area RRA G.D.D.	18.12.45	SA	2596/45	
2.1.46	"	M/IH from SA safe area RRA G.D.D. M-in from LTD	2.1.46	"	20 444/45	
2.1.46	DISCH. DEP	DISCHARGED	2.1.46	"		
2.1.46	"	AMR 184A (1) (X)	2.1.46	"		

DATE 2.1.46

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A.F. B.103-2 (Adapted).

# SERVICE AND CASUALTY FORM.

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REPORT.		Record of all casualties regarding promotions (acting, temporary, local, or substantive), appointments, transfers, postings, attachments, etc., forfeiture of pay, wounds, accidents, admission to and discharge from Hospital, Casualty Clearing Stations, etc. Date of disembarkation and embarkation from a theatre of war (including furlough, etc.).	Date of Casualty.	Place of Casualty.	Authority W.3011, B.2069, or other Document.	Signature of Officer Certifying Correctness of Entries.
Date.	From whom received.					



**DETERMINATION OF DEMOBILIZATION PRIORITY**

DEMOB. INDICATOR	
N	164.

**A. ARMY NO.** SX 26901 **RANK** CFN **UNIT** WAYVILLE KESWICK  
**SURNAME** HATCHER  
**OTHER NAMES** ROBERT GEORGE

Date of Commencement of Full War Time War Service 23/10/42 Age at commencement of Full Time War Service 28 years.

**B. ASSESSMENT OF NORMAL PRIORITY.**

	Points
1. Length of Service in months <u>36</u> X 2 (males) or X 1 (females) . . . . .	<u>72</u>
2. Age at enlistment in years <u>28</u> X 2 (males) or X 3 (females) . . . . .	<u>56</u>
3. Dependency Status (males only)—one point for each month of Service . . . . .	<u>36</u>
<b>Total (Normal Priority)</b> . . . . .	<u>164</u>

4. Dependency Status (females only)—insert "A" }  
 —insert "B" } . . . . . Class \_\_\_\_\_  
 5. Marriage (females only) \_\_\_\_\_  
 6. Records and assessment checked. Date 7. 12. 45  
 7. I desire discharge in the State of SA. Signature of Officer. \_\_\_\_\_  
 8. I intend to apply—

\* (i) For service in the Permanent Military Forces.  
 \* (ii) For service throughout the Demob. period.

**C. DECISION OF COMMANDING OFFICER OR REPRESENTATIVE OF SERVICE ON FORMATION H.Q.**

Signature of Member. \_\_\_\_\_ Date. 7. 12. 45  
 Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date. 7. 12. 45

\*Not to be retained  
 \*to be retained—(see instructions).

R.R. & G.D.D.  
WAYVILLE

**D. ALLOTMENT OF SPECIAL PRIORITY.**

Reason and Authority \_\_\_\_\_  
 Date \_\_\_\_\_  
 Signature of Commanding Officer or Representative of Service \_\_\_\_\_

**INSTRUCTIONS.**

- LENGTH OF SERVICE.**—Months of service calculated from the date of commencement of full-time service to the date notified by L.H.Q.
- AGE AT ENLISTMENT.**—Completed years of age at date of commencement of full-time war service.
- DEPENDANCY STATUS.**—Accorded only to members on whose behalf an allowance is being paid by the Army for one or more dependants.
- MARRIAGE.**—Claims by female members for discharge on account of marriage will not be recognised if such marriage has not been reported, and in consequence has not been entered in their personal records.
- †PART C.—REASONS FOR RETENTION**—to be inserted as appropriate
  - (i) Member of Permanent Military Forces;
  - (ii) Applicant for Permanent Military Forces.
  - (iii) Service throughout Demob. period—voluntary.
  - (iv) Services essential—Retained until \_\_\_\_\_ Authority \_\_\_\_\_

\*Strike out where appropriate.

NAME THATCHER R G No. Sx26901

Address H George St Marlston

1	1939/45 STAR	
2	AFRICA STAR	
3	„ with 1st Clasp	
4	„ with 8th Clasp	
5	ATLANTIC STAR	
6	A.C. EUROPE STAR	
7	ITALY STAR	
8	FRANCE & G. STAR	
9	PACIFIC STAR	
10	BURMA STAR	
11	DEFENCE MEDAL	
12	WAR MEDAL	
13	A.S.M.	399
14		658 438805 540

Sth Aust

Recorder J.G.

Checker WLB

AWARDS WITHHELD

Serials:

REASON:

2-4-56

AUTHORITY:

Packer

Despatcher

TO WHOM DESPATCHED Posted 8.5.56

Reg'd Parcel No. DATE

RECEIPT

Serials Sig.

AHQ Press-3443-9/46-710m DATE