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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES.



AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

Attestation Paper of Persons Enlisted for Service Abroad.

No. 38070 Name { Surname RATTRAY
 in full { Christian Name Gordon Kitchener
 Unit F.A. 31 Reinforcements Vic
64440 2826
 Joined on 21 4 17

Questions to be put to the Person Enlisting before Attestation.

1. What is your Name? ... RATTRAY Gordon Kitchener
2. In the Parish of ... in or near the Town of Shepparton in the County of Victoria
3. Are you a natural born British Subject or a Naturalized British Subject? (N.B.—If the latter, papers to be shown.) ... Natural born British Subject
4. What is your Age? ... 17 yrs 6 months
5. What is your Trade or Calling? ... Student
6. Are you, or have you been, an Apprentice? If so, where, to whom, and for what period? ... No
7. Are you married? ... No Single
8. Who is your next of kin? (Address and relationship to be stated) ... Father M^r Bruce Rattray National Bank Kyneton - VICTORIA
9. What is your permanent address in Australia? ... Kyneton Victoria
10. Do you now belong to, or have you ever served in, His Majesty's Army, the Marines, the Militia, the Militia Reserve, the Territorial Force, Royal Navy, or Colonial Forces? If so, state which, and if not now serving, state cause of discharge ... yes 4 yrs S Cante 49B C Forces (M.V.R.)
11. Have you stated the whole, if any, of your previous service? ... yes
12. Have you ever been rejected as unfit for His Majesty's Service? If so, on what grounds? ... No
13. (For married men, widowers with children, and soldiers who are the sole support of widowed mother)—Do you understand that no separation allowance will be issued in respect of your service beyond an amount which together with pay would reach eight shillings per day? ...
14. Are you prepared to undergo inoculation against small pox and enteric fever? ...

Gordon Kitchener Rattray do solemnly declare that the above answers made by me to the above questions are true, and I am willing and hereby voluntarily agree to serve in the Military Forces of the Commonwealth of Australia within or beyond the limits of the Commonwealth.

And I further agree to allot not less than two-fifths of the pay payable to me from time to time during my service for the support of my wife and children.

Date 21-4-17 G.K. Rattray
 Signature of person enlisted.

* This clause should be struck out in the case of unmarried men or widowers without children under 18 years of age.
 † Two-fifths must be allotted to the wife, and if there are children three-fifths must be allotted.

CERTIFICATE OF ATTESTING OFFICER.

Attestation Paper of Persons Enlisted for Service Abroad

The foregoing questions were read to the person enlisted in my presence.

I have taken care that he understands each question, and that his answer to each question has been duly entered as replied to by him.

~~I have examined his naturalization papers and am of opinion that they are correct.~~

(This to be struck out except in the case of persons who are naturalized British Subjects.)

Date 21-4-17

M. Dyett
Signature of Attesting Officer.

OATH TO BE TAKEN BY PERSON BEING ENLISTED.*

3, Gordon Kitchener Rattray swear that I will well and truly serve our Sovereign Lord the King in the Australian Imperial Force from 21-4-17 until the end of the War, and a further period of four months thereafter unless sooner lawfully discharged, dismissed, or removed therefrom; 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.

Gordon Kitchener Rattray
Signature of Person Enlisted.

Taken and subscribed at Melbourne in
the State of Victoria
this Twenty First day of April 19 17, before me—

M. Dyett
Signature of Attesting Officer.

*A person enlisting who objects to taking an oath may make an affirmation in accordance with the Third Schedule of the Act, and the above form must be amended accordingly. All amendments must be initialed by the Attesting Officer.

Description of RATTRAY Gordon Kitchener on Enlistment.

Age <u>18</u> years <u>6</u> months.	DISTINCTIVE MARKS. <u>Scars 4 L arm,</u>
Height <u>5</u> feet <u>10</u> inches.	
Weight <u>163</u> lbs.	
Chest Measurement <u>34 3/4</u> inches.	
Complexion <u>Fair</u>	
Eyes <u>Blue</u>	
Hair <u>Fair</u>	
Religious Denomination <u>Episc</u>	

CERTIFICATE OF MEDICAL EXAMINATION.

I HAVE examined the above-named person, and find that he does not present any of the following conditions, viz. :-

Scrofula; phthisis; syphilis; impaired constitution; defective intelligence; defects of vision, voice, or hearing; hernia; hæmorrhoids; varicose veins, beyond a limited extent; marked varicocele with unusually pendent testicle; inveterate cutaneous disease; chronic ulcers; traces of corporal punishment; contracted or deformed chest; abnormal curvature of spine; or any other disease or physical defect calculated to unfit him for the duties of a soldier.

He can see the required distance with either eye; his heart and lungs are healthy; he has the free use of his joints and limbs; and he declares he is not subject to fits of any description.

I consider him fit for active service.

Date 20-4-17
Place Melbourne

W. H. St. G.
Signature of Examining Medical Officer.

CERTIFICATE OF COMMANDING OFFICER.

I CERTIFY that this Attestation of the above-named person is correct, and that the required forms have been complied with. I accordingly approve, and appoint him

to F.A. 31st Reinforcements Vic

Date 22 AUG 1917

Storred Lieut.

Place MARIBYRNONG

Commanding F.A. 31st Reinforcements Vic

1303 Aug 25-5-18
Dist 124

SPB 603808

Statement of Service of No. **38070**

Name **RATTRAY Gordon Kitchener**

Unit in which served.	Promotions, Reductions, Casualties, &c.	Period of service in each rank.		Remarks.
		From—	To—	
F.A. REINFORCEMENTS MARIBYRNONG		25.4.17	22 AUG 1917	
F.A. 3rd Reinforcements	Gunner	22 AUG 1917		
<i>Amara 15</i>	<i>Embarked Melbourne</i>	9.11.17		
<i>do</i>	<i>Disembarked Aug</i>		12.12.17	
<i>H.M.T. B8012</i>	<i>Embarked</i>	18.12.17		
<i>do</i>	<i>Disembarked</i>		22.12.17	
	<i>Reembarked Southampton</i>		5.1.18	<i>LP 18/190/4.1.18</i>
5/1/18	R B A A Gunner	MAROKED KN FROM ENGLAND	5/1/18	LR 18/190
	HEYTESBURY	AUSTRALIA EX A 15		<i>28.1.18</i>
10-3-18	REAA. Non Roll	<i>Procceeded O seas to France ex Heytesbury</i>	3rdampton 13-3-18	L2306 25.3.18 3024/36.F6
		<i>James J. O'SOY 4th G.C. from A.G.B.S. Havre ex R. B A A England</i>	<i>France 10.4.18</i>	<i>Do 17/948. 24/1/18 (4th G.C.)</i>
		<i>Snr. 3rd of 11th GAB from 4th G.B.</i>	<i>" 17.5.18</i>	<i>Do 26/2655. 4.9.18</i> <i>11th GAB</i>
		<i>Snr. Trans to 11th GAB from 4th GAB</i>	<i>" 17.5.18</i>	<i>Do 26/2652. 4.9.18</i> <i>11th GAB</i>
		<i>11th GAB Snr.</i>		<i>Do 42/3470. 1918</i>
		<i>Snr.</i>		<i>Do 44/3445. 1918</i>
		<i>Snr.</i>		<i>Do 132/1632. 1918</i>
	<i>982617 Aust. Per Wormald umbilical Hernia</i>	<i>Eng. 2.1.19</i>		<i>LX 1399</i> <i>F. 97947</i>

Discharged 2nd Lt 7/2/19

I have examined the above details, and find them correct in every respect.

Service and Casualty
Form.

PART I.

200 N-8/18-12244.

Nothing to be written in this Margin.

(1) PRESENT UNIT	4th Bn 11th F. A.B.		(2) Regtl. No. 38070
(3) Present Rank	Gnr.		(4) SURNAME RATTRAY
(5) Decorations			(6) Christian Names. Gordon Kitchener
<u>Particulars.</u> SPB 603808			
(7) Date of Enlistment	21-4-17		(8) Place of Enlistment Melbourne, Vic.
(9) Age on Enlistment	18 Years 6 Months		(10) Any subsequent claim as to age after verification of Birth Certificate Auth. C.R. / /
(11) Birthplace	Shepparton, Vic.		(12) Religion Presby.
(14) Trade or Calling	Student		(13) If Married NO
(16) Date of Embarkation from Australia	9-11-17		(15) If an Apprentice NO
(18)			(17) Whereabouts of Next of Kin, i.e. Australia or Abroad Aust.
(19)			
(20)			(21) Special Notification Card No.
(22)			

38070

(2) *Artillery Detachment*
NOSMD 11th P.C. Brigade Army Form B. 103.

CASUALTY FORM - ACTIVE SERVICE.

Regiment or Corps *Field Artillery 2nd Coy The*
 Rank *Gvt Name*
 Enlistment No. *38070* Service reckons from (a) *Gordon Kitchener*
 Enlisted (a) *2/14/17* Date of appointment to lance rank
 Date of Promotion to present rank
 Re-engaged
 Qualification (b) *Numerical position on roll of N.C.O.'s*

Date.	Report.		Record of promotions, reductions, transfers, casualties, &c., during active service, as reported on Army Form B. 213, Army Form A. 36, or in other official documents. The authority to be noted in each case.	Place.	Remarks taken from Army Form B. 213, Army Form A. 36, or other official documents.
	From whom Received.	Re-engaged			
	<i>A.C. Troops</i>	<i>A. 15. 60th. Lt. J. Port</i>	<i>Sydney embarked.</i>	<i>Melbourne 9.11.17</i>	
	<i>B. Troops</i>		<i>Disembarked.</i>	<i>Aug</i>	<i>DEC 12 1917</i>
	<i>C Troops</i>	<i>B8012 H.M.T. Karoo</i>	<i>Embarked</i>	<i>Alexandria 18.12.17</i>	
	<i>C Troops</i>		<i>Disembarked</i>	<i>Harare 22.12.17</i>	
	<i>O.C. Troops</i>	<i>Disembarked</i>			<i>L.H. 18-190</i>
<i>10-3-18</i>	<i>R.B.A. A Gvt</i>	<i>MARCHED IN FROM ENGLAND</i>	<i>AUSTRALIA</i>	<i>5/1/18</i>	<i>7-1 18</i>
	<i>New Roll</i>	<i>Proceeded 06 seas to France ex Heytesbury</i>			<i>DOA 8/5/28 1/18</i>
				<i>13-3-18</i>	<i>L2306</i>
					<i>20. 24/5/46 E. 26. 3. 18</i>

(a) In the case of a man who has re-engaged for, or enlisted into section D. Army Reserve, particulars of such re-engagement or enlistment will be entered.
 (b) e.g., Signaller, Shoeing Smith, &c., &c., also special qualifications in technical Corps duties.

③ RATTRAY, G.K.

D. 902/4.16—C. 7516—50M.

Report.		Record of promotions, reductions, transfers, casualties, &c., during active service, as reported on Army Form B. 213, Army Form A. 36, or in other official documents. The authority to be quoted in each case.	Place.	Date.	Remark taken from Army Form B. 213, Army Form A. 36, or other official documents.
Date.	From whom Received.				
14 MAR 1918	A.G.B.D.	Marched in ex England	Rouelles	14 MAR 1918	4914
9 AVR 1918	A.G.B.D.	Marched out to 420 Arty.	Rouelles	9 AVR 1918	15333
13/4/18	C.O. 4th D.A.C. (En)	Taken on Strength (with 1st Coy)	In the Field	10/4/18	D. 20/67 D.O. 7/9.51 L.H. 16
4/5/18	do	Detached 12 Inf Bn	do	25/4/18	D. 30/70
17/8/18	do	Beta to unit	do	17/8/18	D. 30/85
11/8/18	do	Transf'd 11. FAB	do	17/8/18	D. 30/65 D. 2036/1202 (1918)
24/8/18	P.O. 14th P.A. Bn.	Gen. posted to III Bn	In the Field	19/8/18	D. 213 D. 26/2655 (1915) D. 27/86
19/9/18	do	Gen to Hoops Dick France	France	15/10/18	D. 2194 D. 2036/1202 (1918)
12.11.18	W. Australia	Emb. by Eng. 2 LS Hand	"	12.11.18	W. 2087. 7. 138
19-10-18	H/266 st	Adm. by Capt. R. Advertiser	"	15-10-18	AR 3338/44
19/10/18	515 Pm Hoop	Adm. by P. D. (S)	Advertiser	19-10-18	AR 3332/24
12/11/18	do	Adm. by H. J. Hand by R	do	12-11-18	D. 134/1633. 2/12/18
13/11/18	war Hoop	Admitted 9 LS Hand-RE	Epeter	13.11.18	AR 494 J. B. 614. 2. 1. 11. 18. 2
3.12.18	" "	Disc. 2.12.18. Granted Luton Report Col ED Luton Army	"	16.12.18	AR 187 J. B. 624. 5. 12. 18

Sheet 2 (11)

(SERVICE AND CASUALTY FORM Part II).

Regiment or Corps 11 Coy F A B Regimental Number 38070

*Substantive Rank Enr. Surname Rattray Christian Names Gordon Witaloner

*Acting Rank _____
(* To be entered in pencil to facilitate alteration.)

(A) Report		(B) Authority of Part II. of Orders	(C) Record of promotions, appointments, reductions, casualties, transfers, postings, &c. All acting as well as substantive promotions to be shown, for method of entry of which see A.C.I. 1816 of 1917. Corps and unit to which transferred and posted to be invariably named.	(D) Place of casualty	(E) Date of promotion, reduction, reversion, casualty, &c.	(F) Remarks, and initials and rank of an officer
Date.	From whom received					
18.12.18	CM 183	Enj CM/En	from Admin Hqts & for Sutherland		16.12.18	L 6717 DS
14.1.19	SB 1417	Enj Embarked for Aust from per Warmsala, Umbical, Demia		Eng.	2.1.19	LX1399
		Admin Hqts London				A94947
		16.1.19.		Lieut		
				for Officer file records		

Nothing to be written in this margin.
Ar834 W.6425-P1600 500/000 10/18 G.W.P.Co.3973

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(A) Report		(B) Authority of Part II, of Orders	(C) Record of promotions, appointments, reductions, casualties, transfers, postings, &c. All acting as well as substantive promotions to be shown, for method of entry, which see A.C.I., 1810 of 1917. Corps and unit to which transferred and posted to be invariably named.	(D) Place of casualty	(E) Date of promotion, reduction, reversion, casualty, &c.	(F) Remarks, and initials and rank of an officer
Date.	From whom received					

CERTIFICATE OF

~~WILL.~~

No. **38070** RANK **Gunner**

NAMES (Surname) **RATTRAY**

(Christian) **Gordon Kitchener**

UNIT **F.A. 31st Reinforcements V.C.**

My Will is attached hereto. Lodged with—

Bruce Rattray
Adj. Ad. of Australasia
Sydney, N.S.W.

Gordon K. Rattray (Signature of Soldier.)

(Verified) **Albreed** **Lieut. C.O.**

C.4441.

Receipt No. 246.

Received from the Officer-in-Charge, A.I.F. Base Records, Department of the Army, in connection with the service of:-

38070 Sgt. G.K. Rattray 119a B.

Gordon Kitchen

O.R. No. Date of Despatch 30/3/50

Signature Date

This receipt must be returned to the Officer-in-Charge, A.I.F. Base Records, CANBERRA, A.C.T., within 7 days.

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12th May, 1950.

Dear Sir,

In reply to your further letter undated relative to the issue of a Statement of Service in lieu of your lost Certificate of Discharge, you are advised I am forwarding herewith my previous letter to you dated 20th March, 1950, which was returned unclaimed.

On receipt of the Statutory Declaration referred to, further consideration will be given to your request.

Yours faithfully,



(A. J. BOWMAN)

OFFICER I/C A.I.F. BASE RECORDS.

Mr. G. K. Rattray,
34 Montclair Avenue,
BRIGHTON, S.5.,
MELBOURNE, VIC.

38070 - Gunner
RATTRAY Gordon
Kitchener
11 Field Artillery Brigade

Enlist 21/4/1917
Emb 9/11/1917
ATA 15/2/1919
Des Melbourne
2/8/1919
M M

Medals
Brow
V.M.

Height 5ft. 10in.
Eyes Blue
Complex. Fair
Hair Fair

Vaccs 4 left arm

21/4/17 - 2/8/19 - 681
9/11/17 - 15/2/19 - 464

217

22/8/15

Adm 1st C.C. Stat with Choleraeitis

M.F.F. Order

Receipt No. 1448

Received from the Officer-in-Charge, A.I.F. Base Records, Department of the Army, in connection with the service of:-

38970 G.I. Rattray 11/1/48

Statement of Service 3385

No. A/R Post Date of Despatch 14/6/1950

Signature G.I. Rattray Date 21/6/50

This receipt must be returned to the Officer-in-Charge, A.I.F. Base Records, BERRA, A.C.T., within 7 days.

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Receipt No. _____

Received from the Officer-in-Charge, A.I.F. Base Records, Department of the Army, in connection with the service of:-

38070 GPO R. Rattray 4th

4th Base Records

13th Battalion (Base)

R/S.R. No. 12372

Review (Security) Medal

S. 644344

O.R. No. _____

Date of Despatch _____

16/6/50

Signature _____

Date _____

21/6/50

This receipt must be returned to the Officer-in-Charge, A.I.F. Base Records, CANBERRA, A.C.T., within 7 days.

A.I.F. BASE RECORDS
26 JUN 1950
RECEIVED

2 PARTICULARS OF ARTICLE Certificate

Registered Article (1) Canberra
Envoy recommandé
 Posted at Canberra
Déposé au bureau de poste d
 On 16/6/50 19 50 No. 7269
Le A.I.F. Base Records,
 Sent by Mr. G.K. Rattray,
Expédié par
 Addressed to 34 Montclair Ave.,
Adresse à Brighton, S.5,
Melbourne, Vic.

1) Insert "Registered Matter,"
 "Parcel," etc., as the case may be. If
 an unregistered parcel, strike out "Re-
 gistered" and insert "Ordinary."



Particulars of the
 article and the name
 and address on right,
 are to be inserted by
 the sender.

Form R.15 (C.5)

Postmark of office
Timbre du bureau
 returning at 11/11/50
retourner à

RECEIVED
 ON POSTAL SERVICE
 SERVICE DES POSTES



SENDER'S NAME AND ADDRESS:-

M Officer in Charge,
 (Name)
A.I.F. Base Records,
 (Street and number or P.O. Box. No.)
Canberra,
 (City or town)
A.C.T.
 (State)

AUSTRALIA

ADVICE OF DELIVERY
(AVIS DE RECEPTION)

FOR USE AT OFFICES IN AUSTRALIA

The undersigned acknowledges the receipt on
20 6 19 50 of the article described
on the other side of this card.

G. R. Rattray

(Signature of addressee)

(Signature of officer by whom delivery is made)

To be forwarded to sender by first mail after delivery.

NOTE.—An A.R. article posted in the Commonwealth for delivery therein is delivered to the addressee only. In other countries, delivery is effected in accordance with their own regulations. In some countries, it is the practice for the A.R. card to be signed by an official at the delivering office and not by the addressee.

**FOR USE ONLY AT OFFICES OUTSIDE
AUSTRALIA**

The undersigned states that the article described
Le soussigné déclare que l'envoi mentionné

on the other side was duly delivered on
d'autre part a été dûment livré le _____ 19____

1) _____
(Signature of addressee)
(Signature du destinataire)

1) _____
(Signature of official at delivery office)
(Signature de l'agent du bureau destinataire)

1) This advice must be signed by the addressee, or, if the
Cet avis doit être signé par le destinataire, ou si les
regulations of the country of destination so provide, by
réglements du pays de destination le comportent, par
the official of the delivery office, and returned by the
l'agent du bureau destinataire et renvoyé par le
first mail to the sender.
premier courrier directement à l'expéditeur.

Sch. C. 3336—5/1947.

KYNETON, VICTORIA. 20th April 1917

We the undersigned parents of
Gordon Kitchener Rattray give our
consent to Gordon Kitchener Rattray
(son) joining the O.I.F., he being
under the age of 21 (18 years or more)

Signed in the presence of
Hugh Rawson J.P.

Bruce Rattray
& Rattray

20/4/17

National Bank
Ryneton.

20/4/17-

We the undersigned, parents of
Gordon Kitchener Rattray, do
hereby consent to his enlisting
for Active Service abroad, he
being under the age of twenty-one
years.

At the same time, we agree to
his leaving Australia before he
becomes 19 years of age, being
now 18 years + 6 months of age
Signed.

[Signature]

L Rattray

I certify the above are
my parents. Signatures
G.K. Rattray.

Place	Date of Offence	Rank	Cases of Drunkenness	Offence	Names of Witnesses	Punishment awarded	Date of Award or of Order Dispensing with Trial	By Whom Awarded	Remarks

National Archives of Australia

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Certified True Copy
Bruce Lieut.

Kyneton, Victoria.

20th. April 1917.

We the undersigned parents of Gordon Kitchener Rathray
give our consent To Gordon Kitchener Rathray (son) joining the
A. I. F. he being under the age of 21 (18 years 6 months)

Bruce Rathray.

L. Rathray.

Signed in the presence of

Hugh Rawson J. P.

20/4/17.

Certified True Copy
Bruce Lieut.

National Bank.

Kyneton.

20/4/17.

We the undersigned parents of Gordon Kitchener Rattray
do hereby consent to his enlisting for active service abroad,
he being under the age of 21 years.

At the same time, we agree to his leaving Australia be fore
he becomes 19 years of age be ing now 18 years and 6 months of age.

(Signed) Bruce Rattray.

L. Rattray.

I certify the above are my parents signatures.

G. K. Rattray.

30th March, 1950.

AJB:IHD

Dear Sir,

In reply to your letter dated 18th March, 1950, I have to advise that on receipt of the enclosed form of Statutory Declaration fully completed further consideration will be given to the issue of a Statement of Service in lieu of your lost Certificate of Discharge.

The cost of replacing your Returned Soldier's Badge and War Medals is 10/10d. If required include their loss in the abovementioned declaration and forward your remittance, on receipt of which new medals will be inscribed and forwarded to you.

Yours faithfully,

(A. J. BOWMAN)
OFFICER I/C A.I.F. BASE RECORDS.

Mr. G. K. Rattray,
34 Montclare Avenue,
BRIGHTON,
MELBOURNE, VIC.

N.B. Victory Medal is forwarded herewith.

34 Montclair^{ve}
Brighton
Melbourne

15/3/50

To Officer-in-Charge
Base Records.
Dear Sir



I am desirous of joining the
bawful & branch of the A.S.S.A. D.L.A. &
the committee asked me to produce my discharge
from the 1st A.I.F. - I can't find it so they suggested
writing you for a proof of service, which I
would appreciate from you

I served in France in 1918 finishing with
the 11th Field Artillery Battery, 11th Brigade,
4th Division, transferring there from the
4th Divisional Ammunition Column, Small
Arms Ammunition Section

I returned to Australia in February 1919 per H.M.T.
"Kaemala" & after some furlough was discharged
either in March or April, 1919.

I entered in April 1917, my regimental
number was 38070 - rank Gunner.

My original bronze badge and my war
medals were stolen from my house when

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It was burgled some seventeen years ago,
hence my request to you.

I understand I can obtain some proof
of service from your department, and
I thank you, in anticipation, for this proof.

Yours faithfully,

ex-Servant G. K. Rattray.

34 Choitclaw Ave.
Brighton
Melbourne. Vic.

To
Officer-in-Charge
1st A.I.F. Base Records,
Canberra. F.C.T.



Dear Sir

Some weeks ago I wrote a letter to the
O.I.C. Base Records but have received no
reply.

I enclose Army records, Melbourne + enclose
a dossier to you at the above address.

I wish to join the ballfield Branch of the
R.S.S.A. I.L.A. and their executives require
proof of service, beyond that which I can produce,
since I have long since lost my discharge.

Here are my particulars +
Rank on discharge - Gunner.
Regimental number - 38070.

I enlisted in April 1917, left by the H.M.T.
"Port Sydney" in November 1917, saw service
in France with the 4th Divisional
Ammunition Column (Small Arms Ammunition
Section) + finally with the 111th Field
Howitzer Battery, 11th Brigade, 4th Division.

²
I returned to Melbourne in February 1919 by
H.M.S. "Karmala" & was discharged either in
March or April 1919.

My original bronze official badge was
stolen among other things, when my house was
burgled early in 1933 or thereabouts -
hence my inability to produce sufficient
proof of service for the soldiers' club -
Although I am a present member of the
Sandringham branch the committee of the
Caulfield (Vic) sub-branch apparently
require concrete evidence of service
themselves.

As very many of my friends are members of
this branch, I am keen to produce this "Proof
of Service", hence my letter to you.

Trusting I'll receive a prompt & satisfactory
reply from you to this request,

I am

Yours faithfully

GK Rattray

(ex Gunner Gordon Kitchener Rattray)

Gordon Kitchener RATTRAY 38070 Gunner
his
11th Field Artillery Brigade xxx of Discharge

Australian Imperial Force 21st April, 1917, 2nd March, 1919.

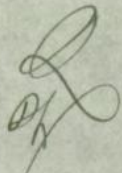
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was discharged Melbourne, Vic. 2nd March, 1919.


-----British War Medal; Victory Medal-----

xxxxxxxx Reason for Discharge:- Medically Unfit.

5 10 Blue Fair Fair
Vaccs. 4 Left Arm.



16th June, 1950.


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A.I.F. BASE RECORDS.

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Commonwealth of Australia

STATUTORY DECLARATION

I, GORDON KITCHENER RATTRAY
(Name in Full)
of 34 Montclaw Avenue Brighton, Victoria
(Address in Full)

do solemnly and sincerely declare:—

1. THAT I served/~~am serving~~ in the Australian Military Forces and my particulars were/are as follows:—

Regimental Army No. 38070 Rank GUNNER Unit 11th F.A.B. 4th DIVISION

2. THAT I have lost the DISCHARGE Referee Soldier's Medal Burn
issued to me by the Department of Defence
The Army

3. THAT the circumstances under which the said loss occurred are as under:—

after a robbery, around about 1933 I was unable to find the lost articles referred to above & I presume the robber kept them

4. THAT to the best of my knowledge and belief the said Discharge & medals

is/are not in the hands of any other person on my behalf or with my consent.

AND I make this solemn declaration by virtue of the Statutory Declarations Act 1911-1922, conscientiously believing the statement contained therein to be true in every particular.

Signature of person making declaration. } G.K. Rattray

DECLARED AT Melbourne the

day of June 1950 before me:—

Signature of J.P. or Commissioner for Declarations } J.P. Keen Jones J.P.

NOTE:—Any person who wilfully makes a false statement in a Statutory Declaration is guilty of an indictable offence, and is liable to imprisonment, with or without hard labour, for four years.

HERE INSERT:—

- 1. Place and date of birth Shepparton (Vic.) 19/10/1898
- 2. Name and address and relationship of recorded next-of-kin on enlistment. } W. & W. Rattray
Kepton (Vic.)

N.B.—This Form should be completed in all respects, otherwise unavoidable delay may arise in dealing with applicant's request.

F.P. 49

Sol. Burn & R/S Bader, Victoria House in store

AP 26/5/54
ACKNOWLEDGED 16 JUN 1950
RECEIVED 14 JUN 1950
Required for Military identification purposes only.

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE,
Base Records Office,
CANBERRA, A.C.T.

1615/1952 ✓

The Deputy Commissioner,
Repatriation Commission,

Melbourne
REFERENCE: *R 47757*

18/5/52

Herewith documents indicated relative to the service of the undermentioned
ex-member of the AIF—

Reg. No.	Name & Unit.	Documents attached.
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<i>38070</i>	<i>Ratray GK</i> <i>" 7th B</i>	
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FOR EARLY RETURN—
AF B103 ✓

TO BE RETAINED—

BR Card ✓

Attestation Paper ✓

AF B103 ✓

.. B178 ✓

.. B179 ✓

.. B181 ✓

.. D1 ✓

.. D1a ✓

.. D2 ✓

.. L 1237 ✓

A & D Cards

2011 ✓

Officer i/c AIF Base Records.

Transferred to

DISCHARGED SECTION D

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

No. 3900

WAR GRATUITY SCHEDULE

3/R-10/5

Rank Gunner

Name RATTRAY.

G.K.

Unit

11th FA B.

Casualty I.C.T. Hand.

MILD, ADMITTED

13/18 War Hospital Exeter

LIST. 451

WSML 877, 3905 dated London 2/1/19 Received B.R. 2/1/19

Returning to Australia per "Karmala" Invalied, Emb 21/1/19
O.B. 316 F 5197 dated London 14/1/19 Received B.R. 14/1/19

Returned to Australia per 11/1 Karmala List 1918
Disembarked 15/2/19 3rd M.D.

Unclaimed Normal



RETURNED BY SRD D. H. 10/5/20

DATE
NTV 28 1918
21 JAN 1919

PURPORT.
N.O.K. Advised in Hospital
N.O.K. Advised returning to Australia, Form Band.

Form B. 105. Received

24.1.24 B.R.P.F. 44 DESPATCHED 6h Mr W. Rattray

2.3.19

Discharged 3rd M.D.
WAR HISTORY INDEX

30.3.50

Victory Medal free per Reg Post Return unclaimed

16.6.50

Victory Medal & Dup B. 105 & P/S Body. No 12372 free per Reg Post. 7268.