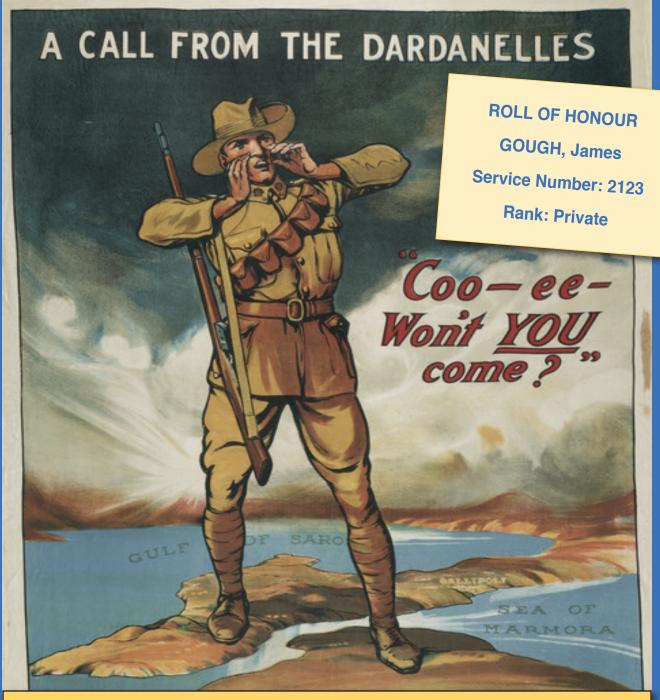
Commemoration for the Lives of the Braidwood and District ANZACS

"We will remember them well"



From 1914 - 1918, 465 volunteers from Braidwood and the District joined the Australian Imperial Force in World War I. 88 lost their lives, never to return home. This is their story.





THE SPIRIT LIVES 2014 - 2018

Introduction

This year, 2015, marks the centenary of the start of the Gallipoli campaign and Australia's involvement as a nation in the greatest and most terrible conflict ever seen to that time. Australians joined their Armed Forces in large numbers. Their motives were as varied as their upbringings, from a need to save the Empire, of which Australia was an integral part, to the desire to have a great adventure.

Braidwood and district were no exception. Over the four years from 1914 to 1918, from a population of about 5000, 465 men and women from what is now the 2622 postcode area – including Braidwood, Majors Creek, Araluen, Mongarlowe, Nerriga, Ballalaba and Jembaicumbene joined the Navy or Army. Of these 377 returned to Australia. Sadly, 88 lost their lives.

A varying amount of their history is recorded in the Australian War Memorial. Some of their names, but not all, are recorded on local memorials. More is recorded in limited local histories and newspapers, not readily available to the general public; and the people who lived with and knew these distant relatives are also passing on.

The Braidwood RSL Sub Branch has collected all the information available from the Australian War Memorial and local sources, including the Braidwood Museum. Families, still resident in the district, have added their family knowledge and their precious memorabilia.

This booklet is the available story of **James Gough**, one of the 88 Braidwood volunteers who did not return from World War I. It contains his details as recorded in the World War I Roll of Honour, his Enlistment Papers, Field Service records, any Casualty notification, correspondence relating to his death, details of decorations won, any available photos, and, in some instances, family correspondence or recollections.

James Gough died for his country, for you and for me. Please pause a moment to remember him.

Lest We Forget.

WORLD WAR I

World War I lasted four years, from 4 August 1914 until 11 November 1918. It began after the assassination of the heir to the Austrian throne. The axis powers were Germany and Austria. Russia and France were the initial allies. When Germany invaded Belgium, Britain entered the war on the side of Russia and France.

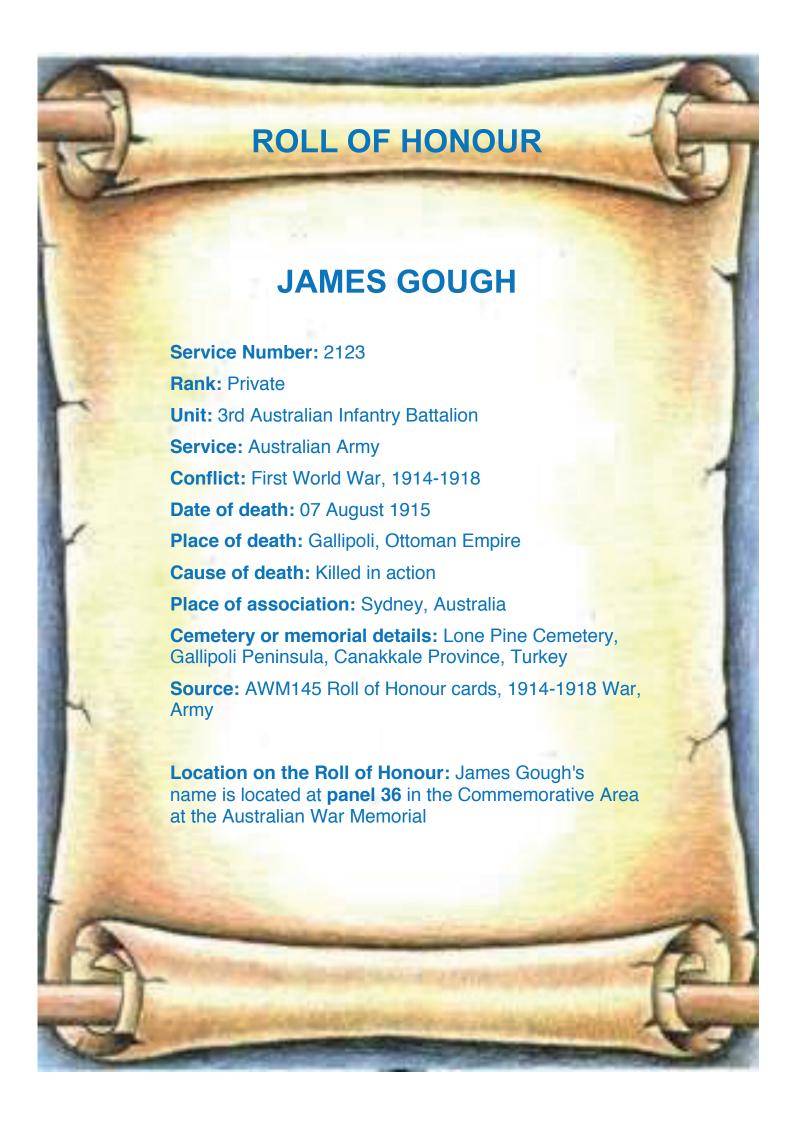
The war was in Europe, the Western Front was in France and Belgium. The Eastern Front was Russia and Austria-Hungary. Africa was another front because of colonial possessions on that continent, and after Turkey entered the war on 1 November 1914, the Middle East became another theatre of war.

Australians generally thought of themselves as an integral part of the British Empire and the Australian Army and Navy were part of the Imperial Forces. In 1914, Australia's Prime Minister, Andrew Fisher, immediately promised Australian support for Britain 'to the last man and the last shilling.' The Australian population was less than five million. 324,000 Australians served overseas. 61,720 lost their lives. 155,000 were wounded. 4,044 became prisoners of war (397 died while captive).

The first Australian troops were sent to Egypt in 1915. The ANZACS – Australian and New Zealand Army Corps – were engaged in battle on the Gallipoli Peninsula against the Turks to control the Dardanelles' and open the way to Eastern Europe with their fateful landing on 25 April 1915.

The ANZACS were evacuated on 19-20 December 1915. The Gallipoli campaign resulted in the deaths of 7,600 Australians and the wounding of 19,000. Despite the defeat, the legend attached to the heroism, comradeship and valour of the soldiers remain a source of Australian pride and national identity.





3rd Australian Infantry Battalion

The 3rd Battalion was among the first infantry units raised for the AIF during the First World War. Like the 1st, 2nd and 4th Battalions it was recruited from New South Wales and, together with these battalions, formed the 1st Brigade.

The battalion was raised within a fortnight of the declaration of war in August 1914 and embarked just two months later. After a brief stop in Albany, Western Australia, the battalion proceeded to Egypt, arriving on 2 December. The battalion took part in the ANZAC landing on 25 April 1915 as part of the second and third waves and served there until the evacuation in December. In August, the battalion took part in the attack on Lone Pine. For his valorous action in defending Sasse's Sap at Lone Pine on 9 August, Private John Hamilton was awarded the Victoria Cross.

After the withdrawal from Gallipoli, the battalion returned to Egypt. In March 1916, it sailed for France and the Western Front. From then until 1918 the battalion took part in operations against the German Army, principally in the Somme Valley in France and around Ypres in Belgium. The battalion's first major action in France was at Pozieres in the Somme valley in

July 1916. Later the battalion fought at Ypres, in Flanders, before returning to the Somme for winter.

The battalion participated in a short period of mobile operations following the German withdrawal to the Hindenburg Line in early 1917, but spent much of that year fighting in increasingly difficult conditions around Ypres. In 1918 the battalion returned to the Somme valley and helped to stop the German spring offensive in March and April. The battalion subsequently participated in the Allies' great offensive of that year, launched east of Amiens on 8 August 1918. The advance on this day by British and empire troops was the greatest success in a single day on the Western Front, one that German General Erich Ludendorff described as "the black day of the German Army in this war".

The battalion continued operations to late September 1918. At 11 am on 11 November 1918, the guns fell silent. The November armistice was followed by the peace treaty of Versailles signed on 28 June 1919.

Between November 1918 and May 1919 the men of the 3rd Battalion returned to Australia for demobilisation and discharge.



AUSTRALIAN WAR MEMORIAL

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August 1915: Gallipoli Peninsula, Turkey. 6 August 1915. About 4 p.m. men of the 3rd Battalion waiting to go into the trenches for the Anzac assault on Lone Pine. All wore white armlets and white square patches on their backs to distinguish them when darkness fell. Two hours after the locality (Brown's Dip) was being showered by enemy shrapnel.

COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

N.S.W. RECRUITING CAMPAIGN

50,000 MEN WANTED

AUSTRALIA has pledged its word to the Imperial Government that a new army of 50,000 men shall be raised and equipped ready for the great Spring offensive.

Kitchener wants Australians because Australians have proved themselves equal to the best troops in the world.

This new army of 50,000 men is wanted to help break the lines of the enemy in an important theatre of the war.

All cligible young men are invited to join now so that they may go into training at once and become efficient soldiers.

They can render no greater service to the country than take part in this special effort to crush the enemies of peace and good government.

> J. H. CATTS, Organising Secretary, Challis House, Sydney.

AUSTRALIAN WAR MEMORIAL

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1914-1918: Australian First World War recruitment poster. Details Australia's pledge of another 50,000 men for Britain and the war, authored by James Howard Catts (1877-1951). Catts was an anti-conscription member of the Federal Parliamentary War Committee and organising secretary of NSW voluntary recruitments from 1915 to 1916. Recruitment posters were prevalent in Australia throughout the First World War. Australia relied solely on voluntary recruits to serve in the AIF. Compulsory military service, or conscription, for eligible men was in force in Australia from 1911, however, these forces were for home defence and could not be used to serve in a war overseas. After the initial enthusiasm of Australian men in 1914, enrolments dropped for numerous reasons.

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AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

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Questions to be put to the Person Enlisting before Attestation.						
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	in the County of					
3. Are you a natural born British Subject or a Naturalized British Subject (N.B.—If the latter, papers to be shown.)	3. yes					
4. What is your age!	2 31 years to months					
5. What is your trade or calling ?	5					
6. Are you, or have you been, an Apprentice? If so, } where, to whom, and for what period?	no					
- 7. Are you married?	& Nicholas Gough					
8. Who is your next of kin! (Address to be stated)	19 - Susan St. Cumuna					
9. Have you ever been convicted by the Civil Power	9. No					
10. Have you ever been discharged from any part of His Majesty's Forces, with Ignominy, or as Incorrigible and Worthless, or on account of Conviction of Felony, or of a Sentence of Penal Servitude, or have you been dismissed with Disgrace from the Navy?	10					
11. 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	ii					
12. Have you stated the whole, if any, of your previous	12					
13. Have you ever been rejected as unfit for His Majesty's Service† If so, on what grounds†	13					
14. (For Married Men and Widowers with children)— Do you understand that no Separation Allowance will be issued to you either before or after	14					
	do solemnly declare that the above answers made and hereby voluntarily agree to serve in the Military youd the limits of the Commonwealth.					
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FIELD SERVICE.



REPORT of Death of a Soldier to be forwarded to the War Office with the least possible delay after receipt of notification of death on Army Form B. 213 or Army Form A. 36 or from other official documentary sources.

REGIMENT or CORPS	ion. A. I. F.	Squadron, Troop, Battery or Company	"A" Coy.
Regtl. No. 2123	Rank Private		
Date 7 to 12/8/	15		
Died Place Gallipo	li lled in action.		

State whether he leaves a will or not

(a) in Pay Book (Army Book 64) Not to hand

(b) in Small Book (if at Base) No

No

(c) as a separate document____

No

All private documents and effects received from the front or hospital, as well as the Pay Book, should be examined, and if any will is found it should be at once forwarded to the War Office,

Any information received as to verbal expressions by a deceased soldier of his wishes as to the disposal of his estate should be reported to the War Office as soon as possible.

A duplicate of this Report is to be sent to the Paymaster at the Base (see Field Service Regulations, Part II.), together with the deceased's Pay Book (after withdrawal of any will from the latter). If the deceased's Small Book is at the Base, it should be forwarded to the War Office with this Report.

Signature of Officer in charge of Section Adjutant-General's Office at the Base Cyril I Griffithis major

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^{*} Specially state if killed in action, or died from wounds received in action, or from illness due to field operations or to fatigue, privation, or exposure while on military duty, or from injury while on military duty.

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE. BASE RECORDS OFFICE.

VICTORIA BARRACKS. MELBOURNE, 13th August, 1920.

Always state Regimental Number, Rank, Full Name, and Unit of Soldier in your Communications.

Next of Kin should always notify Change of Address to Base Records, Melbourne,

Dear Sir,

It is noted that you are registered on the records of the late No. 2123, Pte. J. Gough, 3rd Battalion, relationship not stated, as next of kin / but, in order that the file may be brought up to date, it is desired to learn whether the above named has any nearer blood relations than yourself living. If so, I shall be obliged if you will furnish me with their names and addresses in the following order of relationship.

Thanking you in anticipation of the favour of an early reply.

Yours faithfully,

Officer i/c Base Recor

Mr. N. Gough, 19, Susan Street, ANNANDALE, N.S.W.

Name and Address.

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27th August, 1920.

P. F. O. . 2nd Military District.

The appended extract of a letter received from Mr. N. Gough, 8 Susan Street, Annandale, New South Wales, next-of-kin of the late No. 2123 Private J. Gough, 3rd Battalion, is forwarded for any action you may deem necessary:-

"I am deceased's eldest brother, and I have always been in any transactions I have done through the Military. I was notified about his deferred pay and I drew it. I am sending in now for his Gratuity money as I am next to kin. I have good reasons to believe that some one not entitled to do so has sent in an application for the bond. If such is the case I protest against them getting the bond. Would you kindly let me know if there has been an application put in before mine."

Officer i/c Base Records.

In Memory of

Private

James Gough

2123, 3rd Bn., Australian Infantry, A.I.F. who died on 07 August 1915

Remembered with Honour

Lone Pine Cemetery, Anzac





Commemorated in perpetuity by the Commonwealth War Graves Commission



AUSTRALIAN WAR MEMORIAL P03600.010

Lone Pine Cemetery and Memorial to the missing. Lone Pine Memorial is the main Australian memorial on Gallipoli, commemorating the 3,268 Australians and 456 New Zealanders who died in the campaign and have no known grave, and the 960 Australians and 252 New Zealanders who were buried at sea. In April 1915 a single pine tree was growing on the site and the Australians called it 'Lonesome Pine' from the title of a popular song of the day, "The Trail of the Lonesome Pine." The tree was destroyed in the early fighting but seeds from a pine cone sent back to Australia from the Turkish trenches at Lone Pine, Gallipoli were used to generate the Lone Pine tree planted at the Australian War Memorial. Seeds from this tree were used to grow the present tree in the cemetery at Lone Pine. In early August

Lone Pine was the site of some of the bloodiest fighting on the Peninsula during the famous bayonet attack on the Turkish trenches by the 1st Australian Infantry Brigade. On reaching the enemy's positions the Australians found the trenches covered by heavy logs; they broke into the trenches and, after fierce hand-to-hand fighting and resisting Turkish counter-attacks over several days, they captured them. Lone Pine Cemetery adjoins the memorial and is located over the original Turkish trenches and tunnels, some of which were filled in as mass graves. The cemetery contains the graves of soldiers who died over the entire campaign from the first day's fighting to the last deaths amongst the Lone Pine garrison in late November. Over 500 of the graves are unidentified. (Photo dated 2000)



Ryrie Park, Braidwood, early 1900s.

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To all those who helped in any way, many thanks. Your efforts have ensured we remember these Braidwood and District Veterans well.

Back Cover: Peace Day, 11th November 1918, Wallace Street, Braidwood. "Wild day in Braidwood: When Braidwood woke up on Tuesday morning to find the 'glad tidings of great joy' awaiting it that Germany had signed the armistice and the frightful carnage of the past four years or so had come to an end it simply went mad with delight. No other words could adequately describe the excitement that followed." "Braidwood Letters from the Front" by Roslyn Maddrell.

ROLL OF HONOUR

Alley, Clair Underwood

Archer. Fred

Backhouse, Victor John

Barnett, Frederick George

Barry, Charles Louis

Beatty, Walter Cusack

Bell, John Henry Edward

Black, George Scott

Bruce, Thomas Fraser

Byrne, Cecil John

Callan, William Henry

Catlin, Robert Henry

Clarke, Lester Thomas

Cook. Thomas John

Crandell, Christopher George

Cregan, Clarence Theodore Augustus

Cullen, Henry Thomas

Davis, John Henry

Davis, Oscar Raymond Stanley

Dawson, Edric Athol

Dayball, Arthur Joseph

Dempsey, Charles Frederick

Dempsey, Charles

Dowell, Frederick Robert

Feeney, William

Fisher, Osborne

Flack, John Foster

Garnett, Henry James

Geelan, Robert Michael

Gosling, Fred

Gough, James

Green, Francis Henry

Healy, Myrtle James

Howard, John Alexander

Huggett, William

Hunt, Frederick William

Hunt, John

Hush, Percy Alfred

Hush, Thomas

Hush, Austin Septimus

Innes, Henry George

Kelly, Herbert Albert

Kemp, Leslie Smith

Keyte, Robert

Knight, Charles Oliver

Lee. Thomas James

Lennon, James

Lupton, Spencer

Lynch, James Joseph

Matthews. Francis

McCool. Francis Leslie Neil

McDonald, Alexander Joseph

McLean, Donald

McRae, Finley Arnold

Meade, Arthur Stuart

Merton. Thomas David

Montgomery, Stanley

Moore, William

Newberry, Alwyn (Alwin) Horace James

O'Brien, Thomas Daniel

O'Reilly, John

Pooley, Edward

Rex, Horace Joseph

Riley, Frank

Roberts, Frederick Bede

Robinson, William James

Rodgers, Albert

Seidel, Alfred George

Seidel, Henry Edward

Sharpe, George Lyle

Sharpe, Reginald

Sherman, Edgar Robert

Sherman, Percy Frederick

Simmons, George

Smith (Greenwood), George

Spicer, William Henry

Steele, Alexander Norman

Stein, Daniel Godfrey

Stewart, David Walter

Styles, Reginald Lucian

Torpy, Patrick Edward

Torpy, Thomas Patrick

Walker, William Albert

Watt, James

Watt, Oscar Harold McClure

White, Alister

Whitelaw, Thomas Philip

Wilson, Samuel Charles

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