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MILITARY FORCES.

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE

ATTESTATION PAPER OF PERSONS ENLISTED FOR SERVICE ABROAD

No. 399

Name CRUICKSHANK JOHN

Unit 2ND DEPT. ~~RECON~~ I.F. MACHINE GUN COYS

Joined on JUN 1 - 1916

Questions to be put to the Person Enlisting before Attestation.

1. What is your Name? ... John Cruickshank
2. In the Parish of _____ in or near the Town of Adelaide in the County of Sth Australia
3. Are you a natural born British Subject or a Naturalized British Subject? (N.B.—If the latter, papers to be shown.) ... Natural born
4. What is your age? ... 23 1/2 years
5. What is your trade or calling? ... Bio Operator
6. Are you, or have you been, an Apprentice? If so, where, to whom, and for what period? ... No
7. Are you married? ... Father deceased
8. Who is your next of kin? (Address to be stated) ... [MOTHER] M^{rs} AMELIA. CRUICKSHANK
3 RUNDLE ST KENT TOWN
ADELAIDE STH AUSTRALIA
9. Have you ever been convicted by the Civil Power? ... 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? ... No
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 ... No
12. Have you stated the whole, if any, of your previous service? ... Yes
13. Have you ever been rejected as unfit for His Majesty's Service? If so, on what grounds? ... No
14. (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 to you in respect of your service beyond an amount which together with pay would reach _____ per day? ... No
15. Are you prepared to undergo inoculation against smallpox and enteric fever? ... Yes

PAY BOOK NO.
197828
SWM

Major
Officer in Base Records
7. 4. 21

I, John Cruickshank 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 JUN 1 - 1916

John Cruickshank
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.

Description of John Cruickshank on Enlistment

Age 23 years 4 months

Height 5 feet 7 inches

Weight 126 lbs.

Chest Measurement 37 inches

Complexion Fresh

Eyes Grey

Hair Fair

Religious Denomination Methodist

DISTINCTIVE MARKS.

vis Rof 10/6
Vacc 4L

OH

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, or evidence of having been marked with the letters D. or B.C.; 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 MAY 31 1916

Place BROKEN HILL. NEW SOUTH WALES.

OH Hardy
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 Boy **MACHINE GUN COY.** **2ND DEPOT BATTALION A.I.F.**

Date 2.6.16 19 SEP 1916

Place Adelaide **SEYMOUR** Commanding **2ND DEPOT BATTALION A.I.F.**

2 LT

NO. 6 M. GUN COY.

M.I.B

Army Form B. 105-11. Part II.

(SERVICE AND CASUALTY FORM Part II).

2nd Machine Gun Battalion
Regiment or Corps ~~1st/2nd/3rd/4th/5th/6th/7th/8th/9th/10th/11th/12th/13th/14th/15th/16th/17th/18th/19th/20th/21st/22nd/23rd/24th/25th/26th/27th/28th/29th/30th/31st/32nd/33rd/34th/35th/36th/37th/38th/39th/40th/41st/42nd/43rd/44th/45th/46th/47th/48th/49th/50th/51st/52nd/53rd/54th/55th/56th/57th/58th/59th/60th/61st/62nd/63rd/64th/65th/66th/67th/68th/69th/70th/71st/72nd/73rd/74th/75th/76th/77th/78th/79th/80th/81st/82nd/83rd/84th/85th/86th/87th/88th/89th/90th/91st/92nd/93rd/94th/95th/96th/97th/98th/99th/100th~~ Regimental Number 397

*Substantive Rank Pte Surname CRUICKSHANK Christian Names John

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

Nothing to be written in this margin.
To be folded on this line.

(A) Date	(A) Report	(B) From whom received	(B) Authority of Part II, or 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
		O.C Troops	A.73 Commonwealth	Embarked	Melbourne	19/9/16	
19/11/16		Aust.Dtls		Disembarked	Plymouth	14/11/16	
25/11/16		Parkhouse		Marched in from Australia	England	15/11/16	
5/11/16		M.C.Tng.Dpot		Marched in from Parkhouse	-do-	23/11/16	D.O.7/102
8/3/17		-do-		Grantham			
8/3/17		M.C.T.D		Taken on strength of 22nd M.G.Coy from	Grantham	17/3/17	D.O.1/125
30/3/17		Admn Hd.Crs		Proceeding O/seas via	S'Hampton		
8/4/17		22nd M.G.C		to France		17/3/17	D.O.1/355
29/4/17		6th F.Asb		Owing to duplication of Regt. No. attach affic "C"	London	30/3/17	D.O.1/28/3/7
28/4/17		49th CCS		wounded in foot when cleaning his revolver	Field	25/4/17	D.O.4/330
1/5/17		W.3083		Bt.Wd.LT.FOOT. Adm & Tfd to C.C.S	-do-	26/4/17	
21/4/17		22nd M.C.C		G.S.W. FOOT LT. to 11th A.T	-do-	26/4/17	
2/5/17		O.C Hosp		-do- Embarked on H.S. WESTERN AUSTRALIA FOR England	Rouen	1/5/17	D.O.4/331
				Certificate of C.O. on A.F.B 117 states:-- (a) Date of injury 25/4/17.(b) Place In the Field			D.O. 4/330
				Admitted 2nd Southern Gen Hospital G.S.W. LT. FOOT	Eng	2/5/17	D.O. 3/5

Date **MAY 31 1916**
Place **BROKEN HILL.
NEW SOUTH WALES.**

[Signature]
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 compiled with. I accordingly approve, and

appoint him to *[Signature]* **MACHINE GUN COY.** **2ND DEPOT BATTALION A.I.F.** **LT. COL. CAMP COMMANDANT**

Date *[Signature]* **19 SEP 1916**

Place *[Signature]* **SEYMOUR** **Commanding 2ND DEPOT BATTALION A.I.F.**
2 LT
NO.6 M.GUN COY.

30/1/17 2nd Southern discharged to Furlo' & Bristol 11/6/17
 C Hosp. Bristol Report to Nol.C.Depot P.Dns 25/6/17
 1/7/17 Nol.C.Depot Marched in from Furlo' 201432
 Class A.3 -do- 25/6/17
 1/7/17 -do- Marched out to Hd. Qrs -do- 27/6/17
 1/7/17 O/seas T Dep Marched in from Nol.C.Depot -do- 27/6/17
 9/7/17 M.C.T.D Marched in from O/seas T
 Depot -do- 4/7/17
 8/7/17 O/seas T.D Marched out to M.C.T.Depot Grantham 4/7/17
 4/10/17 M.C.T.D Proceeded O/seas to France
 via Folkestone ex M.C.T.D. Grantham 17/10/17. 27/10/17

(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. 101 of 1917. Corps and unit to which transferred and posted to be invariably named.	(D) Place of casualty	(E) Date of promotion, reduction, accession, casualty, &c.	(F) Remarks and initials and rank of an officer
19/10/17	M.C.B.D.	Marched in ex England	Camiers	18/10/17	
22/10/17	-do-	Marched out to 22nd M.C.Coy	-do-	21/10/17	
27/10/17	O.C 22nd M.C. Company	Rejoined ex Wd. England	Belgium	23/10/17	D.O.15/649
20/7/18	2nd M.C.Bn	Killed in action	France	18/7/18	D.O.19/2304
26/7/18	D.C.R & E	Buried at Adelaide M.C 62 D C.28 C 67 G & B 16 C.14 C.15. C.17.			

AUSTRALIAN SECTION 3RD ECHYON C.H.
 British Expeditionary Force
 4/9/18

(sgd) S.T. BENNETT Lieut
 For Officer i/c Records.

21/9/18

*12.4.19. Director of Graves Buried Adelaide, Mil. Cem. 132473 B4377.
 Villers Bretonneux, 2 1/2 mls South of barbed. D.M.B. L.55 4471.*

Nothing to be written in this margin.

J. Cruickshank
 Signature of Person Enlisted.

Taken and subscribed at BROKEN HILL. in
 the State of NEW SOUTH WALES.
 this JUN 1 - 1916 day of
 1916, before me—

J. P. J. Dickson
 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 initialled by the Attesting Officer.

CRUICKSHANK	John	397	5/2nd M.E.C
Surname.	Other Names.	Regimental No.	Unit.
PURPORT.		4th M.D.	AUTHORITY.
Embarked at Melb. Vic. on H.M.A.T. A73r "COMMONWEALTH"		19/9/16	
Pte.			
23-11-16. Marched into M.G. Training Depot Grantham from Pkhouse Camp.		Dtls.M.K	LOND 7-2-16.
17/3/17 T.O.B of 2nd Div M.G Coy from 2nd M. Gun Coy			LOND 1/8/17
17/3/17 Proceeded O/Seas to France from Southampton			LOND 1/19/17
2/5/17 Adm. to 2nd Str. Gen Hosp. GSW L FOOT sev.			LDM 3/1-17MC
25/4/17 Accid. Wounded. (BULLET WD FOOT) Soldier not to Blame			BEFO 4/1/17
1/5/17 Embkd on HS Western Austral 7a for England Blt. Wnd Foot Accid.			BEFO 4/1/17
D 825/276 - C 2024.			

PURPORT.	AUTHORITY.
18/10/17 Proc. O/Seas to France via Flktn. ex Mac. Gun Dft. (sts 2nd Aust. Mac. Gun Coy.)	LDM 22/1-17
26/10/17 Proc. O/Seas to France ex Grantham via Flktn.	LDM 15/1-17
23/10/17 Rej. unit ex wounded Eng.	BEFO 15/3-17
2/5/17 Admitted to 2nd Str. Gen Hospital G.S.W L FOOT (SEV) (VT)	IR 222/66-17
18/7/18 KILLED IN ACTION	(MC) BE 535/34-18
18.7.18. KILLED IN ACTION.	(MT) BEFO 19/2-18

H.W.

M.56/590

11 OCT 1924

Madam,

the late No. 397^c Private J. CRUICKSHANK, 2nd Machine Gun Battalion, your son,
the site of his final resting
place in the ADELAIDE BRITISH CEMETERY, Villers Bretonneux, is now
officially recorded as :-

Plot 1. Row C. Grave 9.

Mrs. A. Cruickshank,
12 Whinham Street,
FITZROY, S.A.

WAR GRATUITY SCHEDULE
Transferred to

DEFENCE
B.R.

D 56191

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

Rank

Pte

Name

CRUICKSHANK J

Unit

2nd M. B. Coy late
Machine Gun Coy

Casualty

Wounded accidentally

G. Sw. left foot

Killed in Action

18/7/18



BURIAL REPORT RECEIVED

DATE

A.F. B. 103 Received

PURPORT

REF. NO.

12 MAY 1917

M.O.K. Advised Wounded accidentally

15 MAY 1917

M.O.K. Advised in hospital

2 AUG 17

M.O. ADVISED, KILLED IN ACTION

9 8 18

COPY MADE FOR WAR PENSIONS

CONFIRMATION RECEIVED OF

Cable No. 6 513 X 24 304 de 14/18 2d 6/18

PHOTOGRAPH OF GRAVE TRANSMITTED TO NEXT OF KIN. B.R.M. No. 45/1495

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4-9-19

27/1/19

WAR HISTORY INDEX

6-2-20

Circular B.R.M. 46/1368 & Booklet re Graves despatched "Hill" to 2nd M.B. (D.F.O.)

22/4/21

BRITISH WAR MEDAL to Comdt 4th M.D.B.R.M. 53/155

WHERE THE AUSTRALIANS REST.
Presented to Mr. A. Cruickshank on 25.7.21

MEMORIAL
SCROLL
To
Noster
No. A. Cruickshank
No 9256
25.7.21 Coy. N.C.

MEMORIAL
PLAQUE
Meth. (Disc.)
Mr. A. Cruickshank
348256
1/1/22

30 MAR 1923

VICTORY MEDAL to Meth. B. R. P. F. 42.
Registered Post No. 4387 G. P. O. Melbourne.



CRUICKSHANK, John



Service no 397C
Private
2nd Machine Gun Battalion

Born 30 January 1893 at Broken Hill, NSW
Son of John and Amelia CRUICKSHANK
Of 12 Whinham Street, Fitzroy, SA
Occupation prior to enlistment Bioscope Operator
Enlisted 01 June 1916 at Broken Hill, NSW
Served in France and Belgium
Killed in action in France 18 July 1918
Aged 25 years
Buried Adelaide Cemetery Villers-Bretonneux I C 9

[State Records of SA GRG 26/5/4/292](#)

