

Australian Red Cross Society Wounded and Missing
Enquiry Bureau files, 1914-18 War
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Captain
Michael Joseph D'arcy

15th Battalion



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15th Australians

D'Arcy, 2nd Lieut. M. J.,

M. April 11th 1917.

"The last time I saw Lieut. D'Arcy was on April 11th at daybreak. He was lying in a shell hole wounded in the right leg just below the knee and was ripping his puttees off so as to use it for a binding. We were then advancing on to Bellecourt ? and were under heavy machine gun and shell fire. We held the ground for 6½ hours when we had to retire."

Eye Witness:

Description:

Informant:-- Pte. Sidney Davis, 622,
15th Australians, D.Coy., XV Pltn.,
Tooting Hospital.

Home address:-- Sydney Hotel,
Lanneston, Tasmania.

4.5.16.
Jones.

15th Batt.
A. I. F.

D'Arcy,
2/Lieut, M. J.

"Missing 11.4.17."

Interned Karlsruhe,

Cert, by information from American Express Co, 16.5.17.

(Phone message)

London
17.5.17

S.

15th Batt,
A.I.F.

D'Arcy,
2/Lt.M.J

"Prisoner of War"

Captured Riencourt 11.4.17 - Transferred Strohen from Karlsruhe
Gert, by information from German List dated 3.7.17

London
8.8.17

S.

A.I.F. 15th Battn.

D'ARCY
2/Lieut. Michael Joseph

"REPATRIATED PRISONER OF WAR"

Arrived Ripon 1/1/19
Cert. by Ldst from A.I.F. Hqrs 2/1/19

London
8/1/19

P.I.
S.

29. 4. 18

~~Lt. M. T. J. Harley~~

15 Bttn

See under

~~Capt. C. Brooks~~

J. Coy 46 Bttn

(12 Aug)

1. 10. 19.

Final Draft To

Mrs F. A. Schoener

Comm. Banking Co. of Sydney

O 18 Birchin Lane

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The Australian Red Cross Society
(B.R.C.S.)

WESTERN AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

WOUNDED AND MISSING ENQUIRY BUREAU.

Enquiry No.

7371

Date July 4. 1918

Regimental Details of
Soldier enquired about.

No. 6342,
Pte G. A. Mills

3rd Thompson (late 11th Bn. 1st Div.)

Details of Casualty.

{ Dead

Information wanted.

{ Location of body

Information obtained

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Lali?
George + Alice
Trowbridge

The "Piccolo" Cafe

Warminster Wilt

29. 5. 17.

The Secretary

Wounded & Missing

Enquiry Bureau

Australian Red Cross. Co

54 Victoria Street London

Dear Madam

I am very grateful for your letter of the 25th inst. in reply to my enquiry for 2 Lieut. M. John D'Arcy

It is a relief to know he is still living. You do not say as to whether he is wounded or not.

I have written Miss M. E. Chomley re parcels and hope to hear further in a day or two.

Again Thanking you for information

Yours truly
Annie L. Dowell

ack. The "Fitzroy" Cafe
Warminster
Wills
The Secretary
of Wounded & Missing
Inquiry Bureau.
Australian Red Cross.
July 9th '14.

Miss Deakin

Dear Madam

Can you give me any
late news of 2nd Lieut. R. J. D'Arcy
15th Australian Infantry. I have that
contained in your letter of May 22nd.
saying he was missing. As to time
of writing this letter I have had no news
from him personally. Tho I have written
to him 3 times a week or so ago.

Can you tell me whether his name
has been notified as (officially) wounded
I am so anxious to know of him
I feel sure he would have written me
had he been quite alright.

Yours truly
Robt. J. Dowell

Are they still at Karlsruhe?

May 25th, 1917.

Miss H. G. Dowell,
George Hotel,
Trowbridge.

Dear Madam,

We are in receipt of your letter of enquiry for
2nd Lieut. Michael John D'Arcy, 15th Battn., A.I.F., and beg
to state that his name has just come through on the lists of
prisoners of war -

His address is as follows:-

KRIEGSGEFANGENENVERSANDUNG

British Prisoner of War,

2nd Lieut. John Michael D'Arcy,

15th Australian Infantry Battn.,

Gefangenenlager,

Karlsruhe, Germany.

It is advisable to send P.C's rather than letters as they
are more safely delivered, and no mention should be made of
the War.

We are enclosing a slip giving details of the parcels
that may be sent to Australian prisoners through our organiza-
tion.

If you wish to obtain any further particulars, you
should apply to Miss Chomley who is the Secretary of the
Prisoners of War department, who will be glad to supply you
with any information.

Yours faithfully,

MR PC

Secretary.

14th July, 1917.

Miss H.G.Dowell,
The Mikado Cafe,
Warminster, Wilts.

Dear Madam,

We have not so far received any communication from 2/lt M.J.D'Arcy of 15th Btn. - but we have always to think of the fact that he is only allowed to write 2 letters or 4 post cards a month, and that his letters to his own people have to come out of those. For some reason or other the Germans may not be letting his letters through. He is not officially reported wounded.

As soon as we do hear from him we will advise you. and hope you will do the same for us should you hear first.

Yours faithfully,

W.F.J.

SECRETARY.