

Australian Red Cross Society Wounded and Missing
Enquiry Bureau files, 1914-18 War
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1683 Private
Henry George Kenrick

49th Battalion



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Final draft

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1683. D. L. Hendrich
49. P. B. Court

The Australian Red Cross Society

(B.R.C.S.)

WESTERN AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

WOUNDED AND MISSING ENQUIRY BUREAU.

Enquiry No. 7160

Date June 12-1918

Regimental Details of Soldier enquired about.

No. 3756,
W. J. Lewis
33rd Battalion.

Details of Casualty.

Admitted 4th Canadian Gen. Hosp
2/4/18 G.W., left arm

Information wanted.

Present location & condition

49th A.I.F.

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Kenrick, Pte. H.S. 1683.
W. & M. 4th Sept. 1916.

"I was with Kenrick in the attack on Moquet Farm on 3rd September 1916. The same day I saw him lying on a stretcher at the 1st R.A.P., covered with blood and dead. I left Australia by boat 20th April 1916 with this man, and travelled with him. He had 2 chums, Kelly and Kelliner in 49th A.I.F. He was transferred in Australia from Artillery to Infantry."

Eye Witness:- Yes.

Description:- 23 years, a private, knew number well.

Informant:- L/Cpl. William Henry Lee, 1687.
49th A.I.F., D Coy. XIII Pltn.
1 Southern General Hospital,
Birmingham.

Home address:- Harrisville, Queensland.

J. Passy.

Written Pte. Kelly
Kelliner 15.7.17

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Plt KELLY

Plt KELLNER

} 49 Ball AIF
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1683

H. G. KENRICK

49 Ball AIF

W + M. 4.9.16.

CW.
17.7.17.

HOSPITAL

Poscombe

Fill in exactly as List.	INFORMANT	
	SURNAME. <i>Jesup</i>	Christian Name. <i>Saxward, W.</i>
SURNAME <i>Dridley</i>	Christian Name. <i>A.</i>	Regtl. No. 1 <i>1818A</i> 1

NOTE. *113*

In all cases state fully what informant says he saw or heard and give DATE AND PLACE of occurrence.

Jesup (to be taken)

*saw Jesup. killed on
he was working at a plane
Death was instantaneous.
same time. It occurred at
I helped to bury
His grave is marked with a*

PLEASE ALSO ANSWER

1. Was Informant Eye-Witness? <i>Yes</i>	2. If not of t
3. Was the ground held or lost? <i>held.</i>	4. If Infe was the b
5. Did Informant know Christian Name, Initials or No. of man enquired about? <i>Saxward</i>	6. Was t name
7. Give Informant's description of man enquired about—any nickname, marks, scars, etc. <i>known as "Jesup" - had artificial teeth</i>	
8. Searcher's opinion of Informant's accuracy and intelligence <i>reliable</i>	

Miss L. B. Whybrow
Secretary
Australian Red Cross
36 Grosvenor Place
London S.W.1

33 Baynton St.
Boulevard.

Hull 6/10/19

Dear Madam,

(1683)
In reply to your letter of the
1st inst. respecting Mr. H. Geo. Kenrick
49th B.W. A.S.F. I should be pleased if
you will kindly give instructions to your
Society in Australia to forward any
further information you may receive
concerning him to

Mr. J. H. Marlow.

Box 3

Suva

Fiji.

by doing this it would save a consi-
derable amount of time. Thanking
you very much for your letter,

yours faithfully
John J. Goodwill

Further details
required

ack 5/11/17

"Queen's Head"
35, Lower Hill

RECEIVED
13 JAN. 1917
CARLTON HOUSE TERRACE.

20.
11/11/17

Dear Sir,

Will you kindly seek
information for me concerning
my Cousin; Private H. G. Venrick

1683, D. Company

49th Battalion A.I.F.

From the A.I.F. Head-quarters Westmin-
ster, we learned that he was wounded
on the 4th Sept's last, somewhere in
France, but nothing further is forth
coming. A number of letters have
been returned & on some "wounded"
was marked, & others "Hospital" &
"unable to trace", so should be
grateful for news to send to
his Mother in Australia.

Thanking you in anticipation

Yours faithfully
(Mrs) A. B. Peters

17th January

-7.

Mrs A. B. Peters,
Queen's Head,
55 Tower Hill,
E.

Dear Madam,

Your enquiry re No. 1683. Pte. H. G. Kenrick,
49th Batta. A.I.F. has been forwarded to us by the B.R.C.S.
as we deal with all Australian enquiries.

We regret to say that so far we have no news
beyond the official report that he was wounded 4.9.15. We
are doing our best to obtain some and will forward it to you
and also to Brisbane as we have received a cable from there
directly any comes to hand.

Yours faithfully,

J. W.
Secretary.

March 9th 7.

Mrs. G.B. Peters,
Queens Head,
35, Tower Hill, E.

Dear Madam,

In reference to your enquiry for ³1688 - Private
H.G. Kenrick, 49th Battn., who was officially reported
wounded 4-9-16, we are sorry to say that up to the
present we have received no further information of him.

We are doing our best to obtain news, and will
communicate with you at once when we do do.

Yours faithfully,

P.M. for M.R.

Secretary.

July 16th. 1917.

Mrs. A.B. Peters,
Queens Head,
35, Tower Hill,
E.

Dear Madam,

We very much regret to inform you of unofficial evidence about :-

1683 Pte. H.G. KENRICK, 49th. Battn., A.I.F.
who is now reported officially as missing, believed killed in action on 4.9.16. and we fear that there is little hope left of his being alive.

L/Cpl. W.H. Lee of the same Unit when in the 1st. Southern General Hospital, Birmingham reported that he saw Pte. Kenrick lying dead on a stretcher at the Regimental first aid post on Sept. 3rd. 1916 after the attack on Mouquet Farm in which they both took part. They left Australia together in the same boat on April 20th. 1916 and he says he was 23 yrs. of age ^{and} had been transferred from the Artillery to the Infantry in Australia.

We have written to two of Pte. Kenrick's friends and hope to obtain fuller details from them as we fully appreciate your anxiety.

yours faithfully. V-B LAW

answered
on 27-8-17

33 Baynton St. H.B. 1683. 49

Beckward

Hull Aug 15/17

The Secretary.

Wounded & Missing Inquiry Bureau
Australian Red Cross Society
54 Victoria St
London. S.W.

Dear Madam,

I am writing to ask if you can kindly give me any information respecting Pte George Kewick, A. Coy. 49th Batt. A. I. F. who was reported some months ago as missing, he was a friend of my son ¹⁶⁸³ Pte Walter Goodwill ^{A Coy} of the same Company (also reported as missing) I am making inquiry on behalf of a friend of his who resides in Suva, Fiji. and who will be pleased to hear news of him.

Thanking you in anticipation.

I remain

Yours faithfully

John J. Goodwill

Give any news
of Goodwill also.

August 26th, 1917.

Mr. John Q. Goodwill,
33, Boynton Street,
Boulevard, Hull.

Dear Sir,

We are in receipt of your letter of enquiry for
1683 Pte. R. Geo. Henrich, D. Coy, 49th Bn. A. I. F.
and regret to state he is now officially reported "Missing
believed Killed in Action 4.9.16". In spite of exhaustive
enquiries we have never been able to gain any news concerning
him. Owing to the pressure of more recent enquiries we have
now removed his name from our lists. We find it increasingly
difficult to obtain reliable information of events which
happened a year ago and we fear that there is now little
likelihood of any further details being received.

We obtained several reports concerning your son's death
which we sent to an enquirer Mr. Cooke in Hull, and no doubt
you have already had all that information.

Regretting our inability to help you further in this
matter.

Yours faithfully,

SECRETARY *per A*

33 Regent St.
Boulevard

St. Paul Sept 1/17

The Secretary
Australian Red Cross Socy
54 Victoria St
London S.W.

Dear Madam.

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 28th ult. in reply to my enquiry re Pte H. Geo Kennick D. Coy. 49th Batt. A. I. F. and I am very sorry indeed to hear that you are unable to gain any information respecting him except that he is officially reported as missing believed killed in action 4-7-16 and I am afraid it is a hopeless case. I received your information respecting my poor son Pte Walter Goodwill through my son-in-law W. H. Cooke and was very much grieved to hear the sad and sorrowful news.

Thanking you very much for your kindness and attention

I remain

yours faithfully

John J. Goodwill