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Enquiry Bureau files, 1914-18 War
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1465 Private Arundel Stephenson Horsley

45th Battalion



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45th Bttn.
A.I.F.

HORSLEY.
A.3. 1465.

"Killed 19-8-18."

He was of B.Coy, VII Pltn, On the 19th August at 9'c in morning we were digging in after an attack near Village of Rosney he was killed outright by shell. I was about 20 yards away at the time. He was buried in Military Cemetery behind the Headquarters at Rosney and a cross was erected. I have seen his grave and was a mate of mine, he came from Picton, N.S.W. He was on his Lewis Gun when killed. Private effects were handed in to Battalion Headquarters.

Informant:- L/Cpl. G.A.DeBelin.
45th Bttn. B.Coy.
V.I Pltn.
Anzac Buffet. 8-10-18.

A.D.G.
London.
26-10-18.
H.G.

M.

Havre. 10th. October. 1918.

45th. Australians. Horsley, A. S. 1465.

K. August. 19/1918. Date. D/B.

I knew Private A. S. Horsley, B. 7. an original man; he came from Victoria. I buried him in a Military Cemetery at Harbonieres in August. 1918. He had been killed by shell. There is a Cross on his Grave.

Inf:- Private. M. McLeod. 2421.
45th. Australians. H.Q.
Australian Camp.
Rouelles.

M.

RDM.

OP.

A.I.F. 45th Battn.

HORSLEY
A.S.1465

"KILLED IN ACTION 19/8/18"

I was acting as C.S.M. at the time Horsley was killed. I had to go up to reinforce with another Company and was informed by the Officer in Charge of No. 8 Platoon that Horsley had been killed. He was buried the same night in the front line (Lihons sector) Ground was held.

Eye-witness:- No.
Description:-

Informant:- 2357 Sgt. Edwin Arthur Cullen (Reliable)
45th Battn., A.I.F.,
B Coy., 7th pltn.,
1st Sthn. Gen.Hpl.,
Birmingham.

Homeaddress:- Raglan St.,
Mosman Bay,
N.S.Wales,

A.D.Manley,
13/10/18
London
26/10/18.
H G.

VC

A.I.F. 45. HORSLEY, A.S. 1465.

K. Aug.19th 1918. Dets.

On Aug.19th at Lihons south of the Somme he was killed by shell - I did not see casualty but this was the offical report that passed through my hands from the line, and it also stated that death was instantaneous.

Inf: CQMS.V.Beck. 2331. B.Co.
Billets,
BOULOGNE. 29.10.18.

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A.I.F. 45th Battn. HORSLEY
A.S.1465

"Killed 19/8/18."

I knew deceased a little, as his brother, Sgt. George Horsley of 4, Field Ambulance was a great friend of mine, and he told me that his brother had been killed. He was buried by Father Devine at 12, Brig. Military Cemetry, just outside Rozieres. I saw the grave, which had a Cross with full particulars on it. I could not give a fair description of him.

Informant:- Pte. S.C. Pearmain, 3213
4, Field Ambulance,
Littlemoor.

T. Osborne.
19/10/18.
London
1/11/18.
M.D.S. M.

Note:- Written Major Devine, 25.10.18.

45th Batn.,
A.I.F.

HORSLEY,
A.S., 1465.

"Killed in action - 19-8-18."

"I knew himas Dick. There was no other Horsley in the Company. I knew him well. He was in B. Coy., 7th Platoon. He was 5'10", fair and 25 years old.

At Lihons on August 19th 1918 at 6 p.m. we were holding the line in a Machine Gun post when Horsley was killed instantly by a shell. He was buried in a Military Cemetery near Lihons and a cross was erected. I saw his grave.

Refer Cpl.A.Halgren, 45th Batn., B. Coy., Headquarters.

Informant:- G.H.Bell, 2143,
45th Batn., B. Coy., 7th Plt.,
A. 12, Hartford.

W.M.K.
London,
13-11-18.
JEA.

M

Note:- Written Cpl.Halgren 5-11-18.

45th Battn.
A.I.F.

HORSLEY
A.S. 1465

"KILLED 19-8-18"

He was killed on 19-8-18 and was buried at a Cemetery at our Battalion Headquarters at F.6. C.63 Harbonnieres (Map reference)
The following is a short description of Pte.Horsley:-

Height	5"7!
Build	Slight
Eyes	Blue
Complexion	Fresh
Appearance	Neat and soldierly.

Letter from - Halpen.Cpl. A.
45th Battn.
France . 16-11-18

London
29-11-18
D.W.B.

M.

1465
A.S. Horsley
45 Bn
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France
16/11/18

The Secretary
Australian Red Cross Society
36 Grosvenor Place
London S.W.1

In reply to your inquiry of the 5/11/18 for particulars of the death
Pte A.S. Horsley
of the 45th Battalion A.I.F. I have
much pleasure in forwarding
following.
Pte Horsley was killed on
19/8/18 and was buried at a
Cemetery at our Battalion H.Q.
F.6. C.63. Carbonnières. (Map Ref)

1465 A.S. HORSLEY
45 Btn.

October 26th, 1918.

Major Devine. C.F.
48th Infantry Battalion.
AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.
B. E. F.

Dear Sir,

We are making enquiries on behalf of our Melbourne Bureau about 1465 A.S. HORSLEY, who was Killed in Action 19-8-18, and have been told that he was buried by you "in the 12th Bgde Military Cemetery just outside Rosieres". There is no record of his burial available at present at Headquarters here, and we would be glad to know if this statement is correct, also if this is the small cemetery of which you sent Miss Syme a photograph - She understands that it is in the neighbourhood of Lihons, but if you could send us the location more exactly we will write it on the copies that are being made for the various Australian Bureaux.

+ 45 Btn

Yours faithfully,

(Miss)

SECRETARY.

MDS.