

Australian Red Cross Society Wounded and Missing
Enquiry Bureau files, 1914-18 War
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**459 Sergeant
John Robert Morley**

1st Machine Gun Company



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A.I.F. 3rd Machine Gun Coy.

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Sgt. Gordon 459

"REPATRIATED PRISONER OF WAR"

Arrived Ripon 23/12/18
Cert. by Information from A.I.F. Hqrs 30/12/18

London
3/1/19

F.I.
OFF.H.

3rd M. G. Coy.
A.I.F.

Morley,
Sgt. Gordon, 459.

"Prisoner of War"

Transferred Limburg - Captured Langicourt 15.4.17

Cert, by information from German List dated 2.6.17

London
11.7.17

P. & P.I.

3rd M. G. Coy.
A.I.F.

Morley,
Sgt. J.R.G. 459.

"Prisoner of War"

Transferred Soltan Z.3010 Barrack 16.

Extract from Post-Card from Man dated 5.7.17.

London 20.8.17

Off M & P.I.

Sgt. H. Gun Coy.
A.I.F.

Morley,
Sgt. John Robert Gordon

"Missing 15.4.17"

Prisoner of War - Interned at Dülmen,

Cert, by information from Man by Post-Card dated 29.5.17

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London
2.7.17

P.I. & Off M

3rd M. G. C., A. I. F.,

Morley, Sgt. J.R.G., 459,
3rd Company,

M. April 15th 1917.

"Sgt. Morley was out with his machine gun team in front of the others on April 15th last (or thereabouts) round St. Quentin way, not far from Bullecourt and it was thought that he and his team were all captured. We found shortly afterwards the tripod, and marks of the gun having been dragged away, but no trace of bodies. If the men had been killed their bodies would probably have been left."

Eye Witness:

Description: Was L/Cpl. Previously in June 1916, and later was Sgt. of III Section, thick set, full face with moustache.

Informant:-- Cpl. E. Henry Johnson, 49,
3rd M.G.C., A.I.F., 3rd Coy.,
County of London War Hosp:
Horton, Epsom.

19.6.17. Home address:-- Lavenport, Tasmania.
P.L. Waterhouse.

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11-5-17
Fred. Morley Esq
52 Arundel Gardens
West-Hartlepool

Dear Sir -

We are in receipt of your letter of enquiry
for no 459012 John Robert Gordon Morley 3rd Machine
gun Coy. Q. I. F. who is officially reported
missing as from 15-4-17 - etc etc

Draft letter
to 5

True Copy
19.5.17.

Please do not
touch these letters
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FRED MORLEY.

52 Arncliffe Gardens
West-Heathpool
- August 27th 1917.

To the Secretary
Wounded Missing Inquiry Bureau.
- Australian Red Cross Society.

Madam,

No 459. Sgt. J. R. Gordon Morley
3rd Machine Gun Co. A. I. F.

I beg to thank you for yours of 23rd inst, advising me of his Soltan address, & note your remarks re. Parcels, & beg to enclose letter to your Prisoner of War depart. giving extracts of 2 cards received on 25th inst, & evidently up to the time of his writing these no Parcels have reached him.

With many thanks for your kind attention to matters relating to our Son.

I remain, Madam,

Yours faithfully
Fred Morley

July 2nd. 1917.

F. Morley Esq.,
52, Arncliffe Gardens,
West Hartlepool.

Dear Sir,

We are very glad to tell you that :-

No. 459 Sgt. J.R.G. MORLEY, 3rd. Mac. Gun. Coy.
is a Prisoner of War in Germany, a card dated 29.5.17 having been
received from him.

When writing you should address letters as follows :-

G. ENSEN
KRIEGSGEFANGENDUNG.
British Prisoner of War.
No. 459 Sgt. J.R.G. Morley,
3rd. Australian Machine Gun Coy.,
GEFANGENLAGER, DULMEN,
WESTFALEN,
GERMANY

Parcels of food and clothing are being sent by our Prisoner of War
Department at this address and you should apply to the Secretary
for further information on this subject.

Assuring you of our pleasure in being able to send such
good news.

Yours faithfully,

W.D.
Secretary

August 23rd, 1917.

F. Morley, Esq.
52, Arncliffe Gardens,
West Hartlepool.

Dear Sir,

We beg to inform you that

No 459 Sgt. J. R. Morley,
~~Srd Machine Gun Coy.~~
A.I.F.

has been transferred to Gefangenenlager, Soltau,
Hanover, Germany as post card dated 5.7.17 having
been received from him at the address.

Parcels are being sent there and we shall
notify you as any further news.

Yours faithfully,

L.D.
Secretary.
L.D.

6th July 1917.

Fred Morley, Esq.,
52 Arncliffe Gardens,
West Hartlepool.

Dear Sir,

We have received your letter of 4th inst., and the enclosed cheque for - £1: 1: 0:, for which accept our sincere thanks. It was with great pleasure that we sent you the news that - 459 Sgt. J.R.B. Morley, 3rd Machine Gun Coy, A.I.F., is a Prisoner of War in Germany.

With many thanks for your kindness,

Yours faithfully,

K.J.

Secretary.

L.A.L.

RECL:

FRED MORLEY

52 Amcliffe Gardens
West-Hartlepool
July 4th 1917.

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Madam,

No. 459. Sergt. J. R. Gordon Morley, 3rd Mac. Gun Co.

I beg to thank you for yours of 2nd inst, advising above as a Prisoner of War in Germany, also for the address to which we can write him.

We are deeply grateful to your Society for sending on the news, & trust all will go well with him & not forgetting others similarly placed.

I note that Parcels are sent by your Prisoner of War Department, & am writing the Secretary for particulars. Will you please accept the enclosed towards

the funds of your good work, & again expressing our deepest thanks. I am, Yours faithfully

Fred Morley

To the Secretary
Australian Red Cross
London S.W.1.

Please ack

ackd. 18.5.17. A&M

RECEIVED
16 MAY 1917

CARLTON HOUSE TERRACE,

52 Arncliffe Gardens
West. Hartlepool
May 15th 1917.

To the ^{Answered}
British Red Cross & Order of St. John,
18 Carlton House Terrace.

Sir,
John Robert Gordon Morley, No. 459, 3rd Mach. Gun Co.
Australian Inf. Forces, reported Missing in France
April 15th last.

The above are particulars of my son, & I am advised to write to you, asking if you will be so good as to enquire & obtain any possible news in any shape, I need hardly say, any information, you may be able to gather would be gratefully received.

I have a letter from the Australian N. Co. this morning, confirming the report "Missing", I also had a cable from Western Australia on Sunday morning, from his wife, to the same effect.

Should you at anytime get any news, & will wire same to the above address, I would recomp you for any cost of same.

I am Sir,

Yours faithfully
Fred Morley