

Australian Red Cross Society Wounded and Missing
Enquiry Bureau files, 1914-18 War
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**5198 Private
John Tuson**

52nd Battalion



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A.I.F.
52nd Btn.

EVISON
John 5198

Killed in Action 4.9.16.

No trace Germany.
Cert. by Capt. Mills 10.10.19.

London.
22.10.19.

Off.M.

52nd Batt,
A. I. F.

J. Tuson, ~~5198~~ 5198.

"Missing 4.9.16"

Now reported Killed in Action, 4.9.16.

Cert, by A. I. F. Headquarters, 15.5.17.

London
19.5.17.

Off H

52nd Batt.
A.I.F.,

TUSOH
J

5198

"Missing 4.9.16"

He left Tasmania with the 16/12 Batt. and joined the 52nd Batt. in August 1916 and went into action on the 2nd Sept. thats when I last saw him he was reported missing after we came out on the 4th Sept. He was a short thick set fellow with dark hair.

Cert. by letter from Pte J.V.Hansell, 4436.

C.Co. 52nd Batt. 13th Bde. Division
France.
9.3.17.

London
23.3.17.

Off.M.

A.I.P. 52.

TUSON, J. 5198.

2. Sept. 4. 1916.

Pte. Mulcahy, XIV Pl, D.Co., saw him killed and could supply details. Mulcahy is still with the Batt: Tuson was a mate of mine. He came from Tasmania.

Reference: Pte. D. Lewis, 5130, D.Co.
No 4 A.D.B.D.
Staples. 16.1.17.

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Written Pte Mulcahy 23.1.17

Off M.

France.

A. I. F. 52.

TUSON, J. 5198.

(& 2 others).

W/4th. Sept. 1916.

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Reference: Buckley, T.L. 5239, B.Coy.,
No. 18 General.

Staples.
15.2.17.
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Written by Mensell 24.2.17

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TUSON

J 5198
H.M. PRITCHARD 5166
F.A. Sellers 5173

"Missing 4/9/16"

I knew all three of these men well and the last time I saw them was at La Boisselle on 2/9/16 before we went in the trenches. I cannot give you any information as to what happened to them later, but can give you a description of their personal appearance. Sellers (Fred) Age about 28 Dark. Height 5ft 10ins and slimly built, was batman to Lieut. E.C. Main In civil life Sellers was a Light House Keeper. Pritchard (Hugh) age 21 or 22. dark, height 6ft weight about 14 stone very strongly built man in civil life was a bushman and I think came from Sandfly, Tasmania. Tuson (Jack) Age about 25 or 26 (born in Eng) dark, weight 11 or 12 stone, height 5ft 10 or 11 ins peculiarity in his speech, rather a Yankee drawl. With regard to Pritchard you could get more information from his mate Pte Thurley, A.Coy. 52nd Batt. he is not with the Batt. just now or I would have asked him to write to you. Trusting this scanty information will help you in some way.

Cert. by letter from Pte F Mulcahy,
14 P.D.Co. 52nd Batt. A.I.F.,
France. 12.2.17.

London
22.2.17

Off.H.

Pt J. Tuson 5198

52nd Batt

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Pt H. J. Bitchard 5166

52nd Batt

21.2.17

27th January. /7.

No. 5198 J. TUSON 52nd Battalion A.I.F.
reported "Missing on 4-9-16",

J - Tuson. *K.D*
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Pte. Mulcahy,
XIV Pl. D. Coy.,
52nd. Aust. Inf. Battn.

February 26th

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Pts. Mansell,
52nd Battalion,
A.I.F., B.E.F.

5198 J. Tuson, 52nd Battalion, A.I.F. reported
missing - 4.9.16

J. Tuson

Ph, for E.M.

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Jan 17. 2. 17

France
12th Feb 1917

The Secretary
Inquiry Bureau
Aust Branch B.K.C.L.

Dear Madam,

I am in receipt of your letters dated 24th & 29th Jan, in reference to McLellan, Sellars G.A. & Pritchard H. No. I know all three of these men well & the last time I saw them was at La Boisselle on 2/9/16. before we went in the trenches. I cannot give you any information as to what happened to them later, but can give you a description of their personal appearance.

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I remain
Yours faithfully
Pte Shurley

14 P.D. Co 52 Batt

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5173 = A Soldier

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M. 4.9.16

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5173 F A Sellers

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