Australian Red Cross Society Wounded and Missing
Enquiry Bureau files, 1914-18 War
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1539 Private
Alfred James Goodall

19th Battalion



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19th Australian Imperial Force. Goodall, Pte. A.J., 1539,

M. 25th Dec: 1916.

"Goodall was acting as a guide to a fatigue party and got out of his reckoning and the last seen of him was that he walked right into a German trench. He is no doubt a Prisoner of War."

Informant:-- Lieut. J.J.Blumer,
19th Australian Imperial Force,
3rd London General Hospital,
Wandsworth, S.W.

Home address:-- Wigram Street,
Paramatta.

9th Feb:
W.R.Manning.

19th Batt.
C.Company.

GOODALL
[illegible] 1379

Missing 25th Decr., 1916.

He came from Nymont, Sydney. Reported by machine gunners to have walked into German lines by mistake, just at Dawn [illegible] morning, after falling into a shell hole full of water and getting out the wrong side. Three German prisoners told me he was alright.

Reference:- Corporal Nichols, 2186.
Bartford Hospital. 1.1.17.

London,
21.2.17.
F.E.B.

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19th A.I.F.

Goodall A.J. 1539.

(M. 25/12/'16)

"Lt Blumer, 19th A.I.F., who was visiting this Hospt., asked to see the Red Cross list and said that Goodall was acting as a guide and wandered into the German lines at Gueudecourt and must have been taken prisoner. No firing was heard and he did not return. This was on 25/12"16.
N.B. Prisoners' department may assist.

Eye-witness:

Description:

Informant: 2nd Southern General Hospt., Cheltenham.

Mar. 8th 1917,
N.C. Davidson.

19th A.I.F.

Goodall Pte. A.J. 1539.

(M. Dec. 25/'16)

"I heard on good authority that Goodall mistook the German trenches for ours and was taken prisoner during a raid at Ginchy the night of Dec. 24th 1916.

Eye-witness: No.

Description:

Informant: Pte. U.W. Woodward 5042,
19th A.I.F., A. Coy.,
Graylingwell Hospt.,
Chichester.

Home address:
Bombala,
Crinen St.,
Hurlstone Park,
Sydney.

March 9th 1917,
V. Beaumont.

19th A. I. F.,

Goodall, Pte. A.J., 1539,

M. Dec. 25th, 1916.

"I was at Guinchy on 23rd December 1916. Goodall was Quarter Master's assistant. We were in detached posts at the time, and I am told he was sent with rations to Sgt. Brown and by mistake he walked into the German lines. Three Germans came over a few days after and gave themselves up. They said that a man with rations came into their lines. It is not known whether he is prisoner or killed. The general impression is that he is prisoner."

Eye Witness: No, Sgt. Brown, who is now killed.
Description: Short, stumpy, thick set, dark hair, about 24 years old, known as "Alf."

Informant:-- Pte. Fred Watts, 5089,
19th A. I. F., C.Coy., XI Pl:
1st Southern General Hosp:
Dudley Rd,, Birmingham.

Home address:-- Falmouth Chambers,
117, Pitt Street,
Sidney, N.S.W.

17.3.17.
Vernon.

A.I.F. 19th Btn

GOODALL
Alfred James 1539

"M. 25-12-16"

Prisoner of War - Interned Limburg a/Lahn
Cert. by Information from German list 19-4-17.

London
10-5-17

19th Batt,
A.I.F.

Goodall,
Alfred James,
1539;

"Prisoner of War"

Transferred Kriegslager Wahn

Cert, by information received from Pte. A Newcomen Same Camp in a letter to Miss MacCartee Royal Sussex Regimental Care Committee ofr P of War date of letter 23.5.17

London
7.8.17

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19th Batt,
A.I.F.

Goodall,
Alfred James, 1539.

"Prisoner of War"

Transferred Friedrichsfeld,

Post-Card received from Man dated 14.9.17.

London 25. 10.17

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A.I.. 19th Btn

GOOLALL
Alfred James 1539

"Pris : of War"

Interned Friedrichsfeld

"Thank you for parcels - the contents were in good condition and I was pleased to receive same. I am well and in good health - hope things will come to an end soon"
Extract from postcard from man dated 4-11-17

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London
3-1-18

A.I.F.
19th Bttn.

GOODALL.
Alf. James. 1539

"REPATRIATED PRISONER OF WAR."

Arrived Ripon 18.12.18.
Cert. by Information from A.I.F. Hdqrs. 21.12.18.

London.
26.12.18.

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