

15th Inf. Brigade. 5th Aust. Division. 1st ANZAC Corps. 29 9 17 Date of Recommendation.

Schedule No. (to be left blank)	Unit	Regtl. No.	Rank and Name (Christian names must be stated)	Action for which commended (Date and place of action must be stated)	Recommended by	Honour or Reward	(To be left blank)
	58 Bn AIF		Lieutenant Hugh Francis Julian BOYD	At POLYGON Wood on 25/9/17 this officer was in charge of "A" Coy the right company in the line. He was on the extreme right of the 15 BCo sector. At 5.30 AM his line was heavily attacked by the enemy. By the vigorous resistance of his Coy the enemy was beaten back and the front line held intact. The enemy penetrated the front & support lines of the 1ST MIDDLESEX on his right & enfiladed him by Machine gun fire. This officer formed a defensive flank & foiled repeated attempts by the enemy to roll up his line. His personal work was insignificant & his courage inspired his men to hold out in a desperate situation. Had he failed to hold his line the success of the attack on the following morning would have been in jeopardy. It was largely owing to his tenacity in appreciating the situation that the Brigade front was held intact.	McTearan Major Capt O 58 Battalion	M.C. MC	J.D.A.