

7th Aust. Inf. Brigade. 2nd Australian Division. Australian Corps. August 16th 1918. 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)
	28th Bn. A.I.F.		Lieutenant Harold Ford <u>PEARSON, H.C.</u>	<p>On the night 7th/8th August 1918- preparatory to the attack East of VILLERS BRETONNEUX, near AMIENS, this officer laid the tapes for the jumping off line, and then led each Company into position on to the tapes without a hitch.</p> <p>As Intelligence Officer, he followed up the attack to collect identifications and information early, sending the results to Battalion Headquarters without delay.</p> <p>Learning that all the officers of 'A' Company had become casualties, he immediately joined that Company in the attack and did excellent service as a leader there. He with three men attacked a quarry S.E. of LA BASTILLE HILL, disposed of the crews of three 5.9 Howitzers, capturing the guns and then leaving two men to guard the exits from the quarry, rushed down four dugouts with one man, securing 3 Officers and 13 other ranks prisoners.</p> <p>His prompt and courageous conduct throughout had a most inspiring influence on the men with whom he was in contact.</p> <p>(Signed) C. ROSENTHAL,</p> <p>Major-General, Commanding Second Australian Division.</p>	<p>Temp. Commanding 7th Aust. Inf. Bde.</p> <p>Bar to M.C.</p>		
	Date recommendation passed forward Recd		Passed				
	Brigade		16.8.18.				
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