

SECOND AUSTRALIAN DIVISION

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Evacuation

NAME	RANK	Regtl No.	UNIT	Date and Place of action	Reason	Order of Merit	If and when previously recommended.
PARK, John Alexander	Corpl.	4137	4th Field Coy. Engrs.	// 12-20th Dec. 1915 ANZAC	For his excellent work and untiring devotion to duty during the withdrawal from ANZAC and the preceding week in preparing and laying mines for explosion after withdrawal of troops if necessary. He also waited until after the departure of the last troops from the trenches in order to close traps gaps in barricades and wire entanglements, fix trip wires, and to fire the mines if necessary. The work was of a highly technical nature and was performed in a very efficient manner. Also for his coolness and courage during rescue operations at C2 Tunnel opposite JOHNSTONE'S JOLLY, ANZAC, when he repeatedly entered the tunnel in his efforts to rescue men disabled by gas fumes from ammonal explosion. He several times descended a shaft 15 ft. deep by a rope ladder in his attempts to rescue the disabled men although he was badly "gassed" in his first descent.	1	No. <i>149</i>