

6th Aust. Infantry Brigade. 2nd Australian Division. 1st A.N.Z.A.C. Corps. 14th Oct. 1917. Date of Recommendation.

Schedule No. (to be left blank)	Unit	Regt. 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)
	21st Battalion.	516	Sgt. Rees William THOMAS	at Broodseinde Ridge For conspicuous gallantry in action. At about 9 a.m. on 4th Oct. this N.C.O. advanced against and captured an enemy observation post, taking a number of prisoners whom he sent to the rear. He assisted in getting his Officer, who was severely wounded, back to a place of safety; and then reorganised his men, who were becoming scattered, and carried on with the assault. Before reaching the final objective he rushed a strong post, captured an enemy trench mortar, a machine gun, and a number of prisoners. He performed exceptional work in the taking and consolidation of the final objective.		D.C.M. 11/11	
-20-		3756.	Sgt. Alfred Oliver ANDERSON.	For conspicuous gallantry in action. On the morning of 4th Oct. during the attack on BROODSEINDE RIDGE this N.C.O. gathered a dozen men together and captured a Pill Box which was holding up the advance. His assistance in the consolidation was of the utmost value. The example of courage and coolness displayed to his men was superb. Again on morning of 9th Oct., after the attack had been launched, this N.C.O. was in charge of a small patrol which was sent out to get in touch with the firing line of the Battalion. At great risk he advanced in daylight under heavy sniping fire, got in touch with the Battalion, and brought back valuable information. During that day he took post on BROODSEINDE RIDGE under heavy shell fire, sending back information as to progress of the attack.		D.C.M. 11/11	
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