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## AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

Attestation Paper of Persons Enlisted for Service Abroad.

No. 8575

Name { Surname COCKER

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in full Christian Name Arthur Tasmania.

Unit 9th / 40th Battalion.

Joined on 25.7.1917

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## Questions to be put to the Person Enlisting before Attestation.

1. What is your Name? ... ... ...
2. In or near what Parish or Town were you born? ...
3. Are you a natural born British Subject or a Naturalized British Subject? (N.B.—If the latter, papers to be shown.) ... ...
4. What is your Age? ... ...
5. What is your Trade or Calling? ...
6. Are you, or have you been, an Apprentice? If so, where, to whom, and for what period? ...
7. Are you married? ...
8. Who is your next of kin? (Address and relationship to be stated) ... WINNALEIGH HAMILTON by Derby
- The answer to this question shall not be construed as in the nature of a will.
9. What is your permanent address in Australia? ...
10. Do you now belong to, or have you ever served in, His Majesty's Army, the Marines, the Militia, the Militia Reserve, the Territorial Force, Royal Navy, or Colonial Forces? If so, state which, and if not now serving, state cause of discharge ...
11. Have you stated the whole, if any, of your previous service?
12. Have you ever been rejected as unfit for His Majesty's Service? If so, on what grounds? ...
13. (For married men, widowers with children, and soldiers who are the sole support of a widowed mother)— Do you understand that no separation allowances will be issued in respect of your service beyond an amount which together with pay would reach eight shillings per day?
14. Are you prepared to undergo inoculation against small pox and enteric fever? ...

1. Arthur Tasmania Cocker:-
2. In the Parish of Fingal JUL 26 1917 in or near the Town of DUK in the County of Tasmania
3. Yes:-
4. 23 yrs. 2 mos.
5. Farmer.
6. No.
7. No
- Father: Joseph Cocker  
WINNALEIGH HAMILTON by Derby  
WINDERMERE TASMANIA
9. Winndaleah by Derby: Tasmania.
10. No.
11. Yes:
12. No
- 13.
14. Yes.

3. Arthur Tasmania Cocker

by me to the above questions are true, and I am willing and hereby voluntarily agree to serve in the Military Forces of the Commonwealth of Australia within or beyond the limits of the Commonwealth.

And I further agree to allot not less than  $\frac{two}{three}$   $\frac{fifths}{fifths}$  of the pay and allowances from time to time during my service

for the support of my wife and children.

Date June 23-1917

of J Cocker

Arthur Tasmania Cocker

Signature of person enlisted.

\* This clause should be struck out in the case of unmarried men or widowers without children under 18 years of age.

† Two-fifths must be allotted to the wife, and if there are children three-fifths must be allotted.

## CERTIFICATE OF ATTESTING OFFICER.

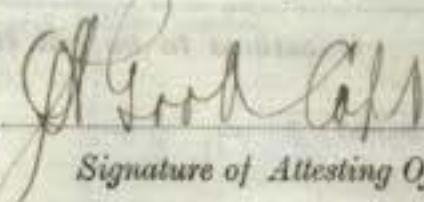
The foregoing questions were read to the person enlisted in my presence.

I have taken care that he understands each question, and that his answer to each question has been duly entered as replied to by him.

I have examined his naturalization papers and am of opinion that they are correct.

(This to be struck out except in the case of persons who are naturalized British Subjects.)

Date 23 June 1917

  
Signature of Attesting Officer.

## OATH TO BE TAKEN BY PERSON BEING ENLISTED.\*

3. Arthur Tasman Cocker swear that I will well and truly serve our Sovereign Lord the King in the Australian Imperial Force from 23rd June 1917 until the end of the War, and a further period of four months thereafter unless sooner lawfully discharged, dismissed, or removed therefrom; and that I will resist His Majesty's enemies and cause His Majesty's peace to be kept and maintained; and that I will in all matters appertaining to my service, faithfully discharge my duty according to law.

So HELP ME, GOD.

A. T. Cocker

Signature of Person Enlisted.

Taken and subscribed at Scotsdale in  
the State of Tasmania  
this 23<sup>rd</sup> day June of  
1917, before me—

J. L. Kerr, M.D., Capt. A.A.M.C.  
Signature of Attesting Officer.

\*A person enlisting who objects to taking an oath may make an affirmation in accordance with the Third Schedule of the Act, and the above form must be amended accordingly. All amendments must be initialed by the Attesting Officer.

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Description of Arthur Tasman Soeter. on Enlistment.

Age 23 years 2 months.  
Height 5 feet 7 inches.  
Weight 140 lbs.  
Chest Measurement 35½ inches.  
Complexion Fair  
Eyes Blue  
Hair Light  
Religious Denomination Church of England

DISTINCTIVE MARKS.

CERTIFICATE OF MEDICAL EXAMINATION.

I HAVE examined the above-named person, and find that he does not present any of the following conditions, viz.:—

Scrofula; phthisis; syphilis; impaired constitution; defective intelligence; defects of vision, voice, or hearing; hernia; haemorrhoids; varicose veins, beyond a limited extent; marked varicocele with unusually pendent testicle; inveterate cutaneous disease; chronic ulcers; traces of corporal punishment; contracted or deformed chest; abnormal curvature of spine; or any other disease or physical defect calculated to unfit him for the duties of a soldier.

He can see the required distance with either eye; his heart and lungs are healthy; he has the free use of his joints and limbs; and he declares he is not subject to fits of any description.

I consider him fit for active service.

Date 23rd June 1917

Place Scottsdale Farm

*J. L. Thompson Sept  
25/7/17*

*J. L. Thompson M.D. Capt A.A.M.C.*  
Signature of Examining Medical Officer.

CERTIFICATE OF COMMANDING OFFICER.

I CERTIFY that this Attestation of the above-named person is correct, and that the required forms have been complied with. I accordingly approve, and appoint him to 9th/40th Battalion.

Date 10 OCT 1917

Place Claremont

*W. Dalgliesh 2nd Lieut.*  
Commanding 9th/40th Batt

13103 • Regd  
103/c  
29/8/18

8575

Name Cocker, A. J.

Statement of Service of No.

Unit in which served.	Promotions, Reductions, Casualties, &c.	Period of service in each rank.		Remarks.
		From—	To—	
1st Depot Batt. 6th M.D.	Private	25/7/17	10.10.17	Emblt 9740
9th REINFORCEMENTS 40th BATTALION	Private	10.10.17	29.10.17	
" "	Pte embarked on H.M.A.T Abo Aeneas at Melbourne on	Embarked	Disembarked	
" "	DISEMBARKED H.M.A.T. A60 Aeneas	30.10.17	2.12.17	L.R. 11762. 31.12.17
" "	at DEVONPORT on			
(Pte) 10/9/10	J.B. Sutton Moulsville from Aust.	Aug	27.12.17	L.R. 18169. Dfo 4/3445 E. 1H-1-18.
(Pte) PROCEEDED CYRENEAS	FRANCE			L. 2959
10/10/13 Camp Dorant via	Southampton	✓ 1.11.18		Dfo 24495 E 11/18
Pte 19/9/18 D.D. from United Kingdom ex Gyret.	France	✓ 8.4.18		Dfo 18/2104. 18.4.18
Pte 10.8.4 Pte Bn ch. 93. from 9th Rfts 40th Bn.	"	✓ 26/4/18		D022/2747. 16/5/18.
O.P. Broadband 10/10/13	St Alden. 5 <sup>th</sup> Stm Gen Hosp Portsmouth (Called Slt)	Aug	17.8.18	H.G. 545 W.S. 805.
(Pte) Dated to U.K.	France	16.8.18	Dfo 27/5103. 29.8.18	
40 Pte 10.9.18 10/5/140 (10.8.)				
(W) Emb. for Aust. Per Arrows	Aug	8.1.19		L. X1455. Dfo 2620 9/19 (A98785)
discharged 6th M.D. (Pte) 26/3/19 R. 1/172/17				

I have examined the above details, and find them correct in every respect.



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## COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

Address all Mail to—

The Deputy Commissioner  
Repatriation Department  
Box 481 E, G.P.O., Hobart  
Telephone: 27281

REPATRIATION DEPARTMENT  
TASMANIAN BRANCH  
DAVEY STREET  
HOBART

PLEASE QUOTE NO. G.8/6/15.

The Officer in Charge,  
Central Army Records Office,  
"A" Block,  
Albert Park Barracks,  
MELBOURNE S.C.3.

Cocker, Arthur Tasmania  
357S - Pte - 40 Btr  


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It would be appreciated if form B.103 and all service documents in respect of the abovenamed could be forwarded to this office.

Would you please advise if originals or copies of documents have previously been sent to a Deputy Commissioner of Repatriation in another State.

*A Gray*  
DEPUTY COMMISSIONER.  
11-11-64

10 NOV 1964

R.10.  
(6/62)

16 NOV 1964



RECD  
ARMY RECORDS  
1951

COCKER

Arthur Tasman

3575

9/40th Bn.

Surname.

Other Names

Regimental No.

Unit.

PURPORT.

6th M.D.

AUTHORITY.

Embkd. at Melbourne, Vic. per H.M.A.T. A60 "Aeneas" 30/10/17  
pte.

7/4/18 Proceeded Overseas to France via Southampton ex 9th Tng Btn  
Fovant

LON 28/7-18

16/8/18 Invalided to U.K sick (VT)

BEFO 37/4-18

13/8/18 Adm to L of C Hospital (VT)

BEFO 37/6-18

27/12/17 Marched into 10th Tng Btn from Australia (VT)

LON 4/6-18

17/8/18 (F) Adm to 5th Sthrn Gen Hospx GASSED (SIT) (VT)

IP 550/46-18

8/4/18 Mched into A.I.F. from U.K ex Reinforcements (VT)

BEFO 18/13-18

30/9/18 Transfd to 3rrd Aux hosp Gas S Psng (VT)

IP 579/49-18

2-16/10/18 Discharged to Repx Littlemoor camp Cassed (VT)

IP 580/43; 18

20/4/19 T.O.O of 40th Platoon 7th Rto (VT)

BEFO 22/4-19

PURPORT.

AUTHORITY.

26.3.19. Disc. AIF 6th M.D. ex "Orsova"

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## Service and Casualty Form.

## PART I.

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Nothing to be written in this Margin.

(1) PRESENT UNIT	40th Battalion 6. M.D. (1)			(2) Regt. No. <b>3575</b>
(3) Present Rank	Pte.	(4) SURNAME	COCKER	
(5) Decorations		(6) Christian Names.	Arthur Tasmain	
<u>Particulars.</u>				
(7) Date of Enlistment	<b>23.6.17.</b>		(8) Place of Enlistment	<b>Scottdale TAS.</b>
(9) Age on Enlistment	<b>23 Years</b>	<b>2 Months</b>	(10) Any subsequent claim as to age after verification of Birth Certificate	Years / Months Auth. C.R. / /
(11) Birthplace	<b>Fingal TAS.</b>		(12) Religion	<b>C. of E.</b>
(14) Trade or Calling	<b>Farmer</b>		(13) If Married	<b>No</b>
(16) Date of Embarkation from Australia	<b>30.10.17.</b>		(15) If an Apprentice	<b>No</b>
(18)			(17) Whereabouts of Next of Kin, i.e. Australia or Abroad	<b>AUST.</b>
(19)			(21) Special Notification Card No.	
(20)				
(22)				

Paybook no. 900280

Regt. No.

SURNAME

CHRISTIAN NAMES



(3)

Report.		Record of promotions, reductions, transfers, casualties, &c., during active service, as reported on Army Form B. 213, Army Form A. 36, or in other official documents. The authority to be quoted in each case.	Place.	Date.	Remarks taken from Army Form B. 213, Army Form A. 36, or other official documents.
Date.	From whom Received.				
16.8.18	6 Gen Hosp	Pte. Trans to England	Rome	16.8.18	AK 2954/137 10037/5103 (1918)
18.8.18	" Esquibo "	Pte. Emb. for Eng:	France	16.8.18	AK 2954/130 L7844.
19.8.18	5 <sup>th</sup> Stpn Gw	Pte Adm: (Passed M) Hosp.	Portsmouth	19.8.18	H.R. 545 W.S.805
30.9.18	3 <sup>rd</sup> Aus Hosp	Pte Trans: from 5 <sup>th</sup> G.A Portsmouth	Dartford	30.9.18	H.R. 1181
2.10.18	" " "	Pte Adm: Turlo 2.10.18 to 16.10.18 & Rept Littlemoor Camp Newmth.	"	16.10.18	Turlo
14.10.18.	Xo. 46. D.P. (P.L.) Xo. 9. from O. 4. Headquarters 2. London & ex. given.	Headquarters	16.10.18	H.B. 8489. D.P. (L)	
13.11.18.	Opleas Inv Bde	Pte 1/9 from 104 Com Dep Longbridge Hudcott	Cowhill	13.11.18	L 69402 D.S.
13.11.18	104 Com Dep	Pte 1/10 to Opleas Inv Bde	Hudcott	13.11.18	L 69689. D.S.
		(Pte) Emb. for Aust for Convalescence: England.			

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S.O.I & R.S.  
6th Military District.  
R. 1 / 172 / 17

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES.

6th MILITARY DISTRICT.

card  
88 Aug 19  
5/5/9

Anglesea Barracks, Hobart. 14th April 1919.

Officer in Charge Base Records,  
MELBOURNE.

Forwarding herewith the Medical Board Proceedings  
of the undermentioned member of the Australian Imperial Force:-

No. 3575. Private Arthur Tasman COCKER 40th Battalion

Ex. Orsova 23/2/19.

Discharged. 26/3/19.

*M.W.* *D. Davis* Captain,  
S.O.I & R.S., 6th Military District.

**AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.**

In all communications regimental number, rank, full name, and unit of Soldier referred to are to be stated.

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**BASE RECORDS OFFICE,  
VICTORIA BARRACKS.**

MELBOURNE, 4th Sep-1918

Dear Sir,

I regret to advise you that Pte. A.T. Cocker, has been reported admitted to the 5th Southern General Hospital, Portsmouth, England 17-8-18. Gassed (classed as wounded) mild.

His postal address will be—

No. 3575. Private A.T. Cocker,  
40th Battalion,

Australian Imperial Force,  
Abroad.

**Don't fail to send change of your address to Base Records, Melbourne.**

In the absence of further reports it is to be assumed that satisfactory progress is being maintained, but anything later received will be promptly transmitted, it being clearly understood that if no further advice is forwarded this department has no more information to supply.

Yours faithfully,

J McLean Major.

Officer in Charge, Base Records.

Mr. J. Cocker,  
Winnaleigh,  
Via Derby,  
Tasmania.

*Pro forma—*

**WILL.**

No. 3575

Rank

*Priate*

Names (Surname)

*Barker.*

(Christian)

*Arthur Tasman*

Unit

*9<sup>th</sup> Foot Battalion*

My Will is ~~attached hereto~~  
lodged with

*Joseph Barker*

*Winnalack*

*Via Derby Tasmania.*

Rule out portion inapplicable.

*A D Barker*

Signature of Soldier.

Verified

*O Dylinc 2<sup>nd</sup> Lmt C.O.*

The Will Form provided in the soldier's pay-book may, if desired, be utilized.

3575

Pte COCKER, A.T.

(6)

40th Bta

Retd "Orsova" 23/2/19

(T.P.E.)

Disc. 26/3/19

R.I/172/17

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SECTION

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TO BE FILED  
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SOLDIER'S  
RECORD

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possible  
30/3/19



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# AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

No. 3575.

Rank PRIVATE

Name

COCKER, A.T.

Unit

40<sup>th</sup> Battalion

LIST. 433 Casualty

W<sup>d</sup>

Gassed

MILD ADMITTED

17/8/18 to 5<sup>th</sup> Southern Gen Hosp.

WSML 805, 2239<sup>K</sup> dated London 2<sup>nd</sup>/8/18 Received B.R. 7/7/18 8 weeks

Left to Australia per H.F. Orsova embarked 8.1.19  
Arrived 31/12/18 at London 15.1.19 Rec'd B.R. 19.1.19 } Installed E.A.S.



DATE

PURPORT

Form B. 108, Rec'd from

SEP 4 1918

H.C.K. Admitted to Hospital.

28 JAN 1919

H.C.K. Advised Returning to Australia, Form 108

Returned to Australia per A Orsova 1/1/19 (Reason ) and  
Disembarked 20.2.19 3<sup>rd</sup> M.D. Boat to 6 hrs Sustaining }

26/3/19

Discharged - I.M.D. 6/10

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