Wandsworth Cemetery,

London, England

War Graves

(also known as Earlsfield Cemetery, Magdalen Road Cemetery, Wandsworth Earlsfield Cemetery)



Lest We Forget

World War 1



919 CORPORAL

T. GOODA

7TH BN. AUSTRALIAN INF.

7TH SEPTEMBER, 1915 Age 28

Thomas (Tom) GOODA

Thomas Charles Patrick Gooda was born at Rochester, Victoria in 1890 to parents William & Mary Ann Gooda (nee Streair).

Thomas Charles Patrick Gooda attended Rochester State School, Victoria.

The 1912, 1913 & 1914 Australian Electoral Rolls for the division of Echuca, subdivision of Kyabram, Victoria recorded Thomas Charles Patrick Gooda, Farmer, from Tongala.

The 1915 Australian Electoral Roll for the division of Echuca, subdivision of Kyabram, Victoria recorded Thomas Charles Patrick Gooda, Storekeeper, from Tongala.

Thomas Gooda was a 24 year old, single, Grocer from Tongala, Victoria when he enlisted at Echuca, Victoria on 21st August, 1914 with the Australian Imperial Force (A.I.F.). His religion was Protestant & his next of kin was listed as his brother – Mr W. Gooda, Tongala, Victoria. Thomas Gooda stated on his Attestation Papers that he had previously served for 3 years with Victorian Rangers & 3 years with 17 Australian Light Horse.

Thomas Gooda was posted to "H Company, 7th Battalion on 19th August, 1914.

Private Thomas Gooda, Service number 919, embarked from Melbourne, Victoria on HMAT *Hororata (A20)* on 19th October, 1914 with the 7th Infantry Battalion "H" Company.

Private Thomas Gooda was promoted to Lance Corporal on 27th October, 1914.

Lance Corporal Thomas Gooda was appointed Corporal (prov) from 6th April, 1915.

Corporal Thomas Gooda was wounded at Gallipoli Peninsula on 25th April, 1915. He was wounded - Right Chest & was admitted to H.M.N.Z. *Goslar* at Dardanelles on 26th April, 1915. Corporal Gooda was transferred to Hospital Ship A13 on 29th April, 1915. He was admitted to H.M.T. *Mashobra* on 29th April, 1915 with bullet wound/s in Back.

7th Battalion

The 7th Battalion was among the first infantry units raised for the AIF during the First World War. Like the 5th, 6th and 8th Battalions, it was recruited from Victoria and, together with these battalions, formed the 2nd Brigade.

The battalion was raised by Lieutenant Colonel H. E. "Pompey" Elliott within a fortnight of the declaration of war in August 1914 and embarked just two months later. After a brief stop in Albany, Western Australia, the battalion proceeded to Egypt, arriving on 2 December. It later took part in the ANZAC landing on 25 April 1915, as part of the second wave.....

(Extract of Battalion information from the Australian War Memorial)

War Diary - 7th Battalion

25th April, 1915 - Anzac

3.30 am Reveille

4.00 am Anchored off Kaba Tepe

5.30 am Towed ashore & made an attack. Men & Units of the Battn soon became mixed with units of other Battns.

Casualties:- 18 Officers

? Other Ranks

(See 22.5.1915 for Casualty List. The approximate casualties for 25.4.15 was 400 killed, wounded & missing.

[See War Diary for another 3 pages of summary of events]

(Extract of War Diary from the Australian War Memorial)

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The Secretary, Defence advised Mr W. Gooda, Tongala, Victoria, on 13th May, 1915 that his brother Corporal T. Gooda was seriously wounded.

Mr W. Gooda sent a Telegram to Secretary, Defence on 14th May, 1915 "Want send cable my brother what would be address."

Defence replied to W. Gooda, Tongala on 15th May, 1915: "Can only suggest send Cable care Stralia Cairo Hospital in which located not known."

Mr W. Gooda sent a telegram on 15th May, 1915 to Minister of Defence, Melbourne: "Send following week end cable Corporal Gooda 919 D. Company seventh Battalion praying speedy recovery all well love William Gooda."

Defence replied to W. Gooda, Tongala on 16th May, 1915: "Regret Department can only Cable in serious cases Egypt will advise any who do not continue improve."

Mr W. Gooda, The Cash Store, Tongala, wrote a letter to Minister of Defence, Melbourne on 17th May, 1915 stating he had wired on Friday morning for an address for his brother as he wished to cable him but hadn't received a reply until Saturday night. He stated he had wired in the meantime "...& I gather from your wire this morning that it has not been sent... according to Portal _____ relatives can send three free cables enquiring condition of wounded soldiers excepting slight cases so I would ask you to take advantage of this concession & get me some news."

Base Records wrote to Mr W. Gooda, Tongala on 20th May, 1915 advising "I have to acknowledge the receipt of your communication of the 17th instant, and in reply to state that the free cable concession as regards wounded soldiers has had to be cancelled, the Egyptian authorities being unable to cope with the large amount of work in connection therewith, particularly as it is not known in what hospitals the wounded are located. They are widely distributed all over the Mediterranean, and some are on their way to Egypt. In the absence of further reports from Egypt it is to be assumed that all wounded are making satisfactory progress towards recovery; should this condition not be maintained, advice will be immediately cabled and of course you will be at once notified."

Corporal Thomas Gooda was admitted to Deaconess Hospital at Alexandria.

Mr W. Gooda sent a further telegram on 28th May, 1915 "Inquire condition 919 Corporal T. Gooda Reported seriously wounded."

Mr W. Gooda, The Cash Store, Tongala, wrote a letter to Minister Base Records, Melbourne on 9th June, 1915: "Will you immediately cable enquiring condition of Corporal T. Gooda, 919 reported seriously wounded. I wired you to cable fortnight ago & have got no reply it is evident to me very little effort is made to get particulars. The Minister ____ of relatives be allowed three free Cables so I hope to have a reply to his once very soon. If it will facilitate matters In getting the information desired my brother is in the Deaconess Hospital, Alexandria."

The Secretary, Defence advised Mr W. Gooda, Tongala, Victoria, on 9th June, 1915: "Now reported Brother Corporal T. Gooda progressing favourably will advise upon receipt further particulars."

Base Records wrote to Mr W. Gooda, Tongala on 10th June, 1915 advising: "In reply to yours of the 9th inst., I beg to inform you that your telegram, requesting that a cable be sent enquiring condition of your brother, Corporal T. Gooda, was received in this office on 28th ulto., marked "delayed in transmission." A cable was forwarded on same date to Egypt and a reply was received yesterday, stating condition favourable, and immediately transmitted to you. In your letter you state he is in Deaconess Hospital, Alexandria. The cable received yesterday, reports that he is in England."

Mr W. Gooda, The Cash Store, Tongala, wrote a letter to Minister Base Records, Melbourne on 12th June, 1915: "I _____ to acknowledge receipt of yours & note that my Brother is now in England I am enclosing Cheq for £6 (six pounds) Will you kindly cable £5 (five pounds) to him & take costs out of the balance."

Base Records wrote to Mr W. Gooda, Tongala on 15th June, 1915 with the following: "In reply to yours of the 12th inst., it is regretted that this Department cannot undertake the remittance of money to members of the Australian Imperial Force. Any Bank in Australia, doing business with England will undertake it. The Commonwealth Bank is

suggested. Your cheque value £6 is returned herewith. Not advice has yet been received as to the Hospital in which he is located, so I am unable to advice you as to his address for this purpose."

Mr W. Gooda, The Cash Store, Tongala, wrote a letter to Base Records on 29th June, 1915: "Will you kindly endeavour to get a progress report of my Brother Corp T. Gooda, (No 919) also his present address according to advice received from him yesterday he was not getting on at all well. He is paralysed in the legs from the effects of a Bullet in the small of the back & partially disabled in the arms from the effect of a Bullet through both shoulders. If he is in England I would like his address to communicate to friends."

Base Records wrote to Mr W. Gooda, Tongala on 2nd July, 1915: "In reply to your letter of the 29th ult., regarding your brother, No. 919 Corporal Thomas Gooda, 7th Battalion, I beg to inform you that a cable message inquiring progress was despatched to the High Commissioner, London, last night, and you will be immediately informed of the result of same. Referring to the letter received from your brother on the 28th ult., that, I might point out, was probably written by him about the middle of May, and, as the progress report communicated to you on the 9th ult., was received 3 weeks later, a considerable improvement in his condition could have taken place. It is regretted that the name of the hospital in which he is located is still unknown but letters will reach him if addressed as follows:- No. 919 Corporal Thomas Gooda, Wounded, Australian Imperial Force, C/o Australian High Commissioner, London, S.W., Eng."

Base Records sent a Message to Crotonate, London, on 4th July, 1915 requesting a "report of progress of 919 Gooda 7th Batt."

Mr W. Gooda, The Cash Store, Tongala, wrote a letter to Base Records on 14th July, 1915: "Have you not yet received a reply to your Cable of 1st concerning my brother ____ previously addressed me he was in England June 9th but he was not – he was still in Egypt June 5th."

Base Records replied to Mr W. Gooda on 20th July, 1915: "In reply to yours of the 14th inst., I beg to inform you that no reply has been received to my cable message of the 4th inst., inquiring as to the condition and progress of your brother No. 919 Corporal T. Gooda, 7th Battalion. You will be immediately advised upon receipt of any information."

Mr W. Gooda, The Cash Store, Tongala, wrote a letter to Base Records on 22nd July, 1915: "Although it is over three weeks since you cabled for condition of my brother Corp T. Gooda, No 919 I note there is not yet any reply. I presume you cabled England I am sure he is still in Deaconess Hospital Alexandria. Todays letter is dated 19th June & making no progress & had been there eight weeks Will you cable there for report."

Decode of cablegram received from the High Commissioner's Office, dated London 22nd July, 1915: "Your cables W. SM Br 4904 and Br 8023 have been repeated to Stralis 919 Gooda not reported in England. (A handwritten not reads "3rd Ech Queried 26/7/15.")

Base Records replied to Mr W. Gooda on 26th July, 1915: "In reply to yours of the 22nd and in continuation of my letter of the 21st instant, I beg to inform you that a cable message has now been received from the High Commissioner's Office to the effect that your brother is not reported as having arrived in England, and he has despatched a cable message to Egypt concerning him. In view of your representations, I have also despatched a cable message to Egypt today enquiring as to progress, and you will be immediately notified on receipt of reply."

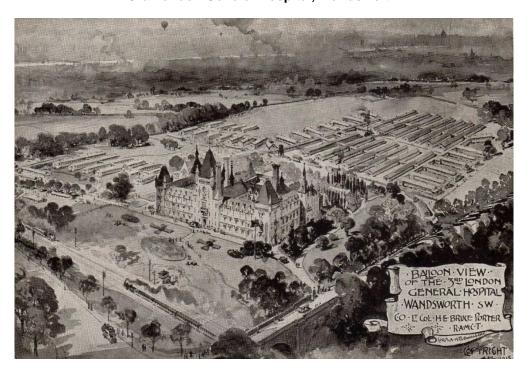
Corporal Thomas Gooda was still seriously ill on 31st July, 1915 but awaiting hospital ship for England with fracture of Spine. Corporal Gooda was transferred from Deaconess Hospital at Alexandria on 2nd August, 1915 to Sick Convoy for England. He embarked from Alexandria on Hospital Ship *Glengorm Castle* on 3rd August, 1915 for England.

The Secretary, Defence advised Mr W. Gooda, Tongala, Victoria, on 4th August, 1915 that "Now reported Brother Corporal T. Gooda in Deaconess Hospital Alexandria with paralysis of Spine will advise upon receipt further particulars." Mr W. Gooda received another advice on 6th August, 1915 from Secretary Defence: "Now reported brother Corporal T. Gooda invalided to England August 2nd. Will advise upon receipt further particulars."

Corporal Thomas Gooda was admitted to 3rd London General Hospital at Wandsworth, London, England on 15th August, 1915. (Note: The final summary sheets (Form D 5090) at the end of Corporal Gooda's Service Record file recorded he was admitted to 3rd London General Hospital, Wandsworth on 15th August, 1915 with G.S.W Pelvis – severe). He was pronounced dangerously ill on 24th August, 1915.



3rd London General Hospital, Wandsworth



The Secretary, Defence advised Mr W. Gooda, Tongala, Victoria, on 24th August, 1915: "Now reported brother Corporal T. Gooda dangerously ill in 3rd London General Hospital will advise upon receipt further particulars will cable free receipt your request."

W. Gooda replied to Secretary of Defence on 25th August, 1915 with the following telegram: "Cable my brother praying your recovery all well here fondest love from all."

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Base Records wrote to Mr W. Gooda, Tongala, Victoria on 26th August, 1915 advising "I have to acknowledge receipt of your communication (telegram) dated 25th August, 1915, concerning No. 919 Corporal T. Gooda, 7th Battalion, which will receive attention. A cable message inquiring progress despatched to London to-night, and you will be immediately notified of the reply. It is regretted, however, private messages cannot be included."

W. Gooda, The Cash Store, Tongala, wrote to The Secretary Defence, Melbourne on 31st August, 1915: "On 25th inst I received a cable from you that my Brother Corp T. Gooda was "Dangerously Ill" in Third General Hospital London ____ you a cable to send him which you kindly offered to send free I presume this was sent but do you know of it was delivered as I went to the expense of sending a cable 27th to the address mentioned to find out his condition a memo has been received this morning stating that the cable was undelivered unknown. Well this is something eratically wrong on the other side both England & Egypt. He was four months in Deaconess Hospital Alexandria & dozens of letters were written him & papers sent but he never received one & what makes the case worse a quantity of the correspondence was addressed to the Hospital yet he did not receive it. Will you find out at once where his is & condition ____"

The Secretary, Defence advised Mr W. Gooda, Tongala, Victoria, on 2nd September, 1915: "Now reported brother Corporal T. Gooda condition unchanged still dangerously ill will advise upon receipt further particulars will cable free receipt your request."

Corporal Thomas Gooda died on 7th September, 1915 at 3rd London General Hospital, Wandsworth, England from wounds received in action at Gallipoli Peninsula – G.S.W. (gunshot wound/s) to Back. (Statement of Service form recorded died G.S.W. Pelvis & Spine)

A death for Thomas Gooda, aged 25, was registered in the September quarter, 1915 in the district of Wandsworth, London, England.

Corporal Thomas Gooda was buried in Wandsworth (Earlsfield) Cemetery, London, England – R.C. Section Plot 18 Grave No. 130.

Base Records wrote to Mr W. Gooda, Tongala, Victoria on 17th April, 1920 with the following letter: With reference to my communication of the 19th December, 1915, regarding the regrettable loss of your brother the late No. 919 Corporal T. Gooda, 7th Battalion, I am now in receipt of further advice which shows that his remains have been exhumed from grave No. 130, block 18, Wandsworth Cemetery, and re-interred in grave No. 11, Australian Section, Wandsworth Cemetery, Wandsworth, London. This work is carried out with every measure of care and reverence in the presence of a Chaplain."

This is now recorded by CWGC as Plot - Aust. 11. and now has a Commonwealth War Graves Commission headstone.

W. Gooda, The Cash Store, Tongala, wrote to The Secretary Defence, Melbourne on 13th September, 1915 with the following: "I would draw your attention to the fact that I have not yet received a reply to mine 1st inst so would be glad to have some."

Base Records replied to Mr W. Gooda on 17th September, 1915: "With reference to yours of the 13th inst., addressed to the Secretary Defence, you will have, ere this, received intelligence of the regrettable loss of your brother, who is reported as having died at the 3rd London General Hospital, on the 7th inst., The reply to your communication of the 31st of August, was, I take it, covered by my telegram of the 2nd of September, notifying you that your brother's condition was then, still unchanged. Without actually seeing the cablegram which you despatched privately, I am unable to furnish any reason, as to why it was undelivered. Allow me to express my deep regret in the loss you have sustained in the death of your brother."

The Australasian T. & G. Mutual Life Assurance Society Limited, Head Office, Melbourne, wrote to Base Records on 13th November, 1916 requesting a "....Certificate for T. Gooda. I regret that I am unable to give you any other particulars except that he came from Kyabram."

Base Records replied to The Manage, The Australasian T. & G. Mutual Life Assurance Society Ltd on 17th November, 1916: ".... I forward herewith, a certificate of report of death of the late No. 919, Corporal T. Gooda, 7th Battalion, and attach identification particulars, which may enable you to decide whether this soldier is identical with your policy holder."

The Australasian T. & G. Mutual Life Assurance Society Limited, Head Office, Melbourne, replied to Base Records on 23rd November, 1916: "we beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 17th inst. No. 14815 in connection with Corporal T. Gooda, (No. 919, 7th Battalion) together with confirmation of death and identification particulars, for which we than you."

The following letter was sent to Mr W. Gooda, The Cash Store, Tongala, Victoria on 9th December, 1915: "As requested in yours of the 25th ultimo, I enclose herewith, certificate of report of death of your brother, the late No. 919 Corporal T. Gooda, 7th Battalion. Respecting personal effects, arrangements are for these to be taken over by Messrs Thomas Cook & Son, and forwarded direct to next-of-kin, or according to any testamentary directions found amongst such effects."

Base Records contacted Mr W. Gooda, Tongala, Victoria on 16th July, 1920 stating he was noted as the registered next-of-kin on the records of the late No. 919 Corporal T. Gooda, 7th Battalion, but desired to know if there were any nearer blood relatives than himself so that the file could be brought up to date & was specifically asked if the late Corporal Gooda's father and mother were still living or if he had any older brothers still alive.

W. Gooda replied to Base Records on 22nd July, 1920 advising that he was the "nearest next of kin to late 919 Corp T. Gooda 7th Bat being eldest brother. Parents being dead."

Corporal Thomas Gooda was entitled to 1914/15 Star, British War Medal & the Victory Medal. A Memorial Scroll & Memorial Plaque were also sent to Corporal Gooda's brother – Mr W. Gooda, as the closest next-of-kin. (Scroll sent June, 1921 & Plaque sent January, 1922).

The Commonwealth War Graves Commission lists Corporal Thomas Gooda – service number 919, aged 28, of 7th Battalion, Australian Infantry. He was the son of William & Mary Ann Gooda.

Corporal T. C. P. Gooda is commemorated on the Roll of Honour, located in the Hall of Memory Commemorative Area at the Australian War Memorial, Canberra, Australia on Panel 50.



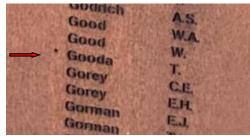
Roll Of Honour WW1 Australian War Memorial Canberra, Australia

T. Gooda is remembered on the Shire of Rochester Great War 1914 – 1918 Honour Roll, located at 9 Morton Street, Rochester, Victoria.



Shire of Rochester Great War 1914 – 1918 Honour Roll (Photos from AWM Places of Pride)





T. Gooda is remembered on the Rochester Shire Honour Roll, located in Shire Hall, 45 Mackay Street, Rochester, Victoria.



Rochester Shire Honour Roll (Photos from Monument Australia – Kent Watson)



T. C. P. Gooda is remembered on the Tongala & District Bush Memorial Hospital Foundation Stone, located at Tongala RSL, 21 Mangan Street, Tongala, Victoria.



Tongala & District Bush Memorial Hospital Foundation Stone (Photos from Monument Australia)



T. Gooda is remembered on the Shire of Deakin Honour Roll 1914 – 1918, located in Tongala Public Hall, Mangan Street, Tongala, Victoria.



Shire of Deakin Honour Roll (Photo from Monument Australia – Sandra Brown)

T. Gooda is remembered on the Echuca War Memorial, located in Civic Centre Gardens, Hare Street, Echuca, Victoria.





Echuca War Memorial (Photos from AWM – Places of Pride – Henry Moulds)

(89 pages of Corporal Thomas Gooda's Service records are available for On Line viewing at National Archives of Australia website).

Information obtained from the CWGC, Australian War Memorial (Roll of Honour, First World War Embarkation Roll) & National Archives

Newspaper Notices

CORPORAL T. GOODA

Corporal T. Gooda, Tongala, who has been wounded and whose name is in the latest list issued, is well known in Echuca, where for some time before he enlisted he conducted an ice distributing business. Later he went to Tongala where he engaged in farming with his brother.

(Echuca and Moama Advertiser and Farmers' Gazette, Victoria –15 May, 1915) & (The Riverine Herald, Echuca, Victoria – 15 May, 1915)

CAREERS OF THE FALLEN

Corporal T. Gooda

seriously wounded, is a native of Rochester, and is 25 years of age. For several years he was a member of the Australian Light Horse at Echuca. He was the first volunteer from the Tongala district to join the First Expeditionary Force as a private. He gained a stripe before leaving, and added another wile in Egypt.

(The Age, Melbourne, Victoria – 18 May, 1915)

CAREERS OF THE FALLEN

Corporal T. Gooda

reported severely wounded, is a native of Australia, and was a resident of Echuca for a number of years. Some two years ago he went to Tongala, and was following the farming industry, with his brother. He went to Egypt with the first contingent, and received his corporal's stripe while in there.

(The Age, Melbourne, Victoria – 18 May, 1915)

WOUNDED IN ACTION



(The Bendigo Independent, Victoria – 9 June, 1915)

Our Heroes

PRIVATE GOODA

Mr W. Gooda, Tongala, has received a letter from his brother, Private T. Gooda, who was wounded and is now in the Deaconess' Hospital, Alexandria, Egypt. Private Gooda had a bullet extracted from his leg, and after three weeks' nursing is making satisfactory progress. He was the first to enlist from Tongala, and the first volunteer from the Tongala district to be mentioned in the casualty list.

(Echuca and Moama Advertiser and Farmers' Gazette, Victoria – 12 June, 1915) & (The Riverine Herald, Echuca, Victoria – 15

May, 1915) & (Kyabram Guardian, Victoria – 15 June, 1915)

PROGRESS OF THE WOUNDED

CORPORAL T. GOODA

Corporal T. Gooda, previously reported seriously wounded, is progressing favorably in a hospital at Alexandria. Corporal Gooda is a native of Rochester, 25 years of age, and for several years was a member of the Echuca District Light Horse. When war broke out he was the first to volunteer from Tongala, where he has resided with his brother for several years. He was also one of the first to be reported wounded. He enlisted as a private, and later gained two stripes, one at Broadmeadows and another in Egypt. He is a brother to Mr F. Gooda, chauffeur, employed by Dr J. D. Boyd.

(Bendigo Advertiser, Victoria – 17 June, 1915)

Our Heroes

CORPORAL T. GOODA

The many friends of Corporal T. Gooda, of Tongala, who was wounded at the Dardanelles, will be glad to learn he is progressing favorably towards convalescence.

(Kyabram Guardian, Victoria – 18 June, 1915)

THE WOUNDED MEN

CORPORAL GOODA

A letter has just been received by Mr. F. Gooda, of Bendigo, from his brother, stating that he was wounded on the day of their arrival. A bullet went through the right shoulder and came out at the left. Another one went through the small of the back, which has left him with both legs paralysed. A cable as just been received stating that Corporal Gooda is in England. He lay for 22 hours after being wounded before being found. Since the above went into print further advice (10 days later) has been received stating there is no improvement in his condition.

(Echuca and Moama Advertiser and Farmers' Gazette, Victoria – 26 June, 1915) & (Bendigo Advertiser, Victoria – 2 July, 1915) & (Bendigonian, Bendigo, Victoria – 8 July, 1915)

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCES

63rd CASUALTY LIST

IN HOSPITAL

Cpl. T. GOODA, Tongala, Vic.

(Bendigo Advertiser, Victoria – 12 August, 1915)

THE WOUNDED MEN

CORPORAL T. GOODA

Corporal Tom Gooda, of Tongala, who is mentioned in the latest official progress report as progressing favourably, is a Rochester lad, and brother of Mr Wm. Gooda, storekeeper, of Tongala. He is well known in Echuca, where he was an expert motorist.

(Bendigo Advertiser, Victoria – 17 August, 1915)

CAREERS OF THE FALLEN

Corporal T. Gooda

who was reported seriously wounded some time ago, is now dangerously ill in the 3rd London general hospital.

(The Age, Melbourne, Victoria – 27 August, 1915)

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCES

71st CASUALTY LIST

PROGRESS REPORT

Cpl. T. GOODA, Tongala, Dangerously ill.

(Bendigo Advertiser, Victoria – 31 August, 1915)

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCES

76th CASUALTY LIST

PROGRESS REPORT

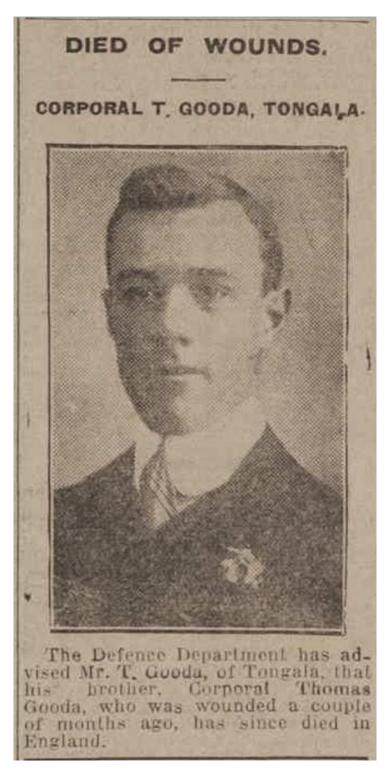
Cpl. T. GOODA, Tongala, still dangerously ill.

(Bendigo Advertiser, Victoria – 13 September, 1915)

DEATH OF CORPORAL GOODA

Information has reached Echuca that Corporal T. Gooda, who was wounded in the fighting in the landing at Gallipoli has succumbed to his injuries in hospital in England. Corporal Gooda was well known in Echuca, where for some time he conducted an ice business. He was a brother of Mr W. Gooda, of Tongala, and formerly of Echuca.

(The Riverine Herald, Echuca, Victoria – 16 September, 1915)



(The Bendigo Independent, Bendigo, Victoria – 16 September, 1915)

DIED OF WOUNDS

CORPORAL T. GOODA

Our Rochester correspondent writes:-

Much regret is expressed at the death from wounds, in England, of Corporal Tom Gooda, son of the late Mr and Mrs Wm. Gooda, old residents of Rochester. The deceased soldier was a native of Rochester, and a fine young fellow. He took part in the famous landing at Gallipoli. He was a brother of Mr Wm. Gooda, of Tongala, and My Harry Gooda, of Rochester. He enlisted from Echuca, and was well known in motoring circles in Bendigo.

(Bendigo Advertiser, Bendigo, Victoria – 17 September, 1915)

Corporal T. Gooda

HIS DEATH REPORTED

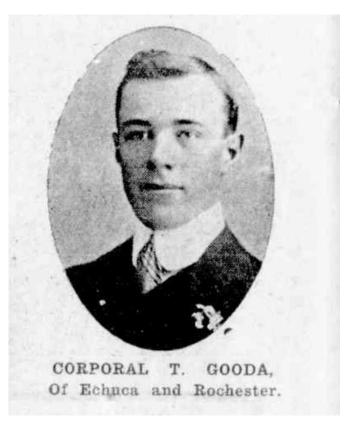
His relatives were advised on Tuesday that Corporal Gooda, who was severely wounded at Gallipoli, had died from the effect of his wounds.

Corporal Gooda, who was 25 years of age, was the first volunteer from Tongala. He had been residing there for three years when he enlisted he was unmarried. He was wounded the first day the Australians landed and was laid up for five months.

Mr W. Gooda, of Tongala, is a brother of deceased, and there are two other brothers and three sisters. Much sympathy is felt for the bereaved family.

(Kyabram Free Press and Rodney and Deakin Shire Advocate, Victoria - 17 September, 1915)





(Bendigo Advertiser, Victoria – 18 September, 1915) & (Bendigonian, Victoria – 30 September, 1915)

DEATHS

On Active Service

GOODA – On the 7th September, at London (of wounds received at Gallipoli), Corporal Thomas Charles Gooda (Tom), D Co., 7th Btn., of Tongala, aged 25 years.

(The Age, Melbourne, Victoria – 24 September, 1915)

DIED OF WOUNDS

CORPORAL T. GOODA

Echuca, 15th September.

Information has reached Echuca that Corporal T. Gooda, who was wounded at Gallipoli, has succumbed to his injuries in hospital in England. He was well known in Echuca, where he lived for some years.

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(Bendigonian, Bendigo, Victoria – 23 September, 1915)

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCES

81st CASUALTY LIST

DIED OF WOUNDS

Cpl. T. GOODA, 7th Batt., Tongala,

(Bendigo Advertiser, Victoria – 23 September, 1915)

AUSTRALIANS WHO HAVE FALLLEN





(S Cpl. T. GOODA

(Died of Wounds).

(The Argus, Melbourne, Victoria – 4 October, 1915)





TOP ROW:—1. Cpl. W. REABURN, Vic.
7. Sgt. J. L. CONNOR, Vic.
THIRD ROW:—9. Pte. C. W. SAYWELL, Vic.
14. Pte. W. A. MAXWELL, W.A.
SECOND ROW:—17. Cpl. T. GOODA, Vic. 1
22. C.P.O.-Farrier E. C. PERKIN:
BOTTOM ROW:—25. Cpl. A. McG. KIRKWOOI
30. Cpl. F. HEWETT, Vic. 31

(The Australasian, Melbourne, Victoria – 9 October, 1915)





Cpl. T. Gooda 7th Bu., Died Wounds.

(Weekly Times, Melbourne, Victoria – 16 October, 1915)



(The Age, Melbourne, Victoria – 2 November, 1915)

IN MEMORIAM

GOODA – In loving memory of my dear brother, Corporal T. Gooda, who died of wounds received in action, 2nd September, 1915.

-Inserted by his loving brother, Fred.

(The Bendigo Independent, Bendigo, Victoria – 4 September, 1916) & (Bendigonian, Bendigo, Victoria – 7 September, 1916)

IN MEMORIAM

FOR FREEDOM'S CAUSE

GOODA – In loving memory of my dear brother, Corporal T. Gooda, who died of wounds received in action 2nd September, 1915.

-Inserted by his loving brother, Fred.

(Bendigo Advertiser, Victoria – 4 September, 1916)

IN MEMORIAM

The Anzac Heroes

GOODA – In loving memory of our dear brother, Corporal Thomas Charles Gooda, D. Co., 7th Battalion, who died on the 7th September, 1915, of wounds received on that memorable day of landing at Gallipoli, aged 25 years.

Not dead to those who loved him,

Not lost, but gone before;

He lives with us in memory still,

And will for evermore.

-Inserted by his loving sister and brother-in-law, Alice and P.V. Penrice, Middle Park.

(The Age, Melbourne, Victoria – 7 September, 1916)

In Memoriam

GOODA – On 8th September, 1915, died of wounds received in action at Gallipoli, Corporal T. Gooda, beloved brother of H. Gooda.

-Inserted by his loving brother, H. Gooda.

(Rochester Express, Victoria – 8 September, 1916)

For Freedom's Cause

GOODA – In fond remembrance of my dear brother, Corporal Tom Gooda, who died from wounds received at Gallipoli on 2nd September, 1915.

In my heart your memory lingers,

Tender, fond and true;

There's not a day goes by, dear Tom,

But what I think of you.

Immaculate heart of Mary,

Your prayers for him extol:

Oh! Sacred Heart of Jesus,

Have mercy on his soul.

—His sorrowing brother, Fred. Bendigo.

(Bendigo Advertiser, Victoria - 1 September, 1917) & (Bendigonian, Bendigo, Victoria - 6 September, 1917)

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For Freedom's Cause

GOODA – In fond remembrance of my dear brother, Corporal Tom Gooda, who died from wounds received at Gallipoli, 7th September, 1915.

Often times my thoughts they wander,

To a grave far, far away,

Where they laid my darling brother

Three long years ago to-day.

-Ever remembered by his sorrowing brother, Fred.

(Bendigo Advertiser, Victoria – 7 September, 1918)

IN MEMORIAM

GOODA – In fond remembrance of my dear brother, Corporal Tom Gooda, who died from wounds received at Gallipoli, 7th September, 1915.

Oftentimes my thoughts they wander,

To a grave far, far away,

Where they laid my darling brother

Three long years ago to-day.

-Ever remembered by his sorrowing brother, Fred.

(Bendigonian, Bendigo, Victoria – 12 September, 1918)

IN MEMORIAM

The Anzac Heroes

GOODA – In loving memory of my dear brother, Corporal Tom Gooda, died of wounds received at Gallipoli on 5th September, 1915.

This day recalls sad memories

Of my dear brother who has gone to rest;

And those who think of him to-day

Are those who loved him best.

-Inserted by his loving brother, Fred.

(The Age, Melbourne, Victoria – 4 September, 1920)

Commonwealth War Graves Commission Headstones

The Defence Department, in 1920/21, contacted the next of kin of the deceased World War 1 soldiers to see if they wanted to include a personal inscription on the permanent headstone. Space was reserved for 66 letters only (with the space between any two words to be counted as an additional letter) & the rate per letter was around 3 ½ d (subject to fluctuation).

The expense in connection for the erection of permanent headstones over the graves of fallen soldiers was borne by the Australian Government.

(Information obtained from letters sent to next of kin in 1921)

Corporal T. Gooda does not have a personal inscription on his headstone.

Wandsworth (Earlsfield) Cemetery, London

This is to the North-East of Earlsfield Station and is bounded by the Magdalen Road on the East and the main railway line on the West.

It contains five 1914-1918 War Plots, (the general Military Plot, the Australian, the Newfoundland, the New Zealand and the South African plots). These are on the main path leading West from Magdalen Road and there are also over 200 burials in other parts of the cemetery. The Military Plot contains a Screen Wall bearing the names of those buried in it and those in unmarked graves in other parts of the cemetery. The majority of the 1939-1945 burials are scattered throughout the cemetery but there is one group of six burials together in a War Plot near the main entrance. Again, those whose graves are unmarked are also named upon the Screen Wall, Panel 1.

Many of the 1914-1918 burials are from the 3rd London General Hospital which was at Wandsworth. There are 477 Commonwealth burials of the 1914-1918 war and 115 of the 1939-1945 war here. There are also 5 non-war service burials here.

There are 34 Australian World War 1 Soldiers buried here & 1 Australian Soldier from 1925.

(Information from CWGC)



Cross of Sacrifice (Photos from CWGC)



A group of Soldiers' graves in the Australian Section of Wandsworth Cemetery, London (taken 15 April, 1931)



(Photo by Scotch Mist 2013)



The Australian Plot in Wandsworth Cemetery, London (Photos from CWGC)



Photo of Corporal T. Gooda's Commonwealth War Graves Commission Headstone in Wandsworth (Earlsfield) Cemetery, London, England.



(Photo courtesy of Neil Bright)