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Biddle Martha

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AUSTRALIAN



MILITARY FORCES.

# AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

## Attestation Paper of Persons Enlisted for Service Abroad.

No. 7445 Name BIDDLE Henry Arthur.  
 Unit M. G. Coy  
 Joined on - 2 SEP 1916

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

1. What is your Name? ... Henry Arthur Biddle
2. In the Parish of ... in or  
 near the Town of ROCKHAMPTON.  
 in the State of QUEENSLAND
3. Are you a natural born British Subject or a Naturalized British Subject? (N.B.—If the latter, papers to be shown.) ... Yes.
4. What is your Age? ... 26 years 1 month
5. What is your Trade or Calling? ... Mechanic.
6. Are you, or have you been, an Apprentice? If so, where, to whom, and for what period? ... No.
7. Are you married? ... No.
8. Who is your next of kin? (Address to be stated) W 4535  
 The answer to this question shall not be construed as in the nature of a Will. via Grassie Road. ALLIGATOR CREEK  
Mackay. QUEENSLAND
9. Have you ever been convicted by the Civil Power? No.
10. Have you ever been discharged from any part of His Majesty's Forces, with Ignominy, or as Incurable and Worthless, or on account of Conviction of Felony, or of a Sentence of Penal Servitude, or have you been dismissed with Disgrace from the Navy? ... No.
11. 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 ... No.
12. Have you stated the whole, if any, of your previous service? Yes.
13. Have you ever been rejected as unfit for His Majesty's Service? If so, on what grounds? ... No.
14. (For married men, widowers with children, and soldiers who are the sole support of widowed mother)—  
 Do you understand that no separation allowance will be issued in respect of your service beyond an amount which together with pay would reach eight shillings per day? ... No.
15. Are you prepared to undergo inoculation against small pox and enteric fever? ... Yes.

I, Henry Arthur Biddle do solemnly declare that the above answers made 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 two-fifths of the pay payable to me from time to time during my service for the support of my wife and children.

Date - 2 SEP 1916

Henry Arthur Biddle  
 Signature of person enlisted.



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 - 2 SEP 1916

Richard Barton  
Signature of Attesting Officer.

OATH TO BE TAKEN BY PERSON BEING ENLISTED.\*

3, Henry Arthur Biddle swear that I will well and truly serve our Sovereign Lord the King in the Australian Imperial Force from - 2 SEP 1916 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.

H A Biddle  
Signature of Person Enlisted.

Taken and subscribed at MACKAY. in  
the State of QUEENSLAND  
this - 2 SEP 1916 day \_\_\_\_\_ of  
\_\_\_\_\_ 19 \_\_\_\_\_, before me—

Richard Barton  
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.



Description of Henry Arthur Biddle on Enlistment.

Age <u>26</u> years <u>1</u> months.	DISTINCTIVE MARKS.  <u>3 Vacc. L. Arm.</u>  <u>56/6</u>
Height <u>5</u> feet <u>9 1/4</u> inches.	
Weight <u>140</u> lbs.	
Chest Measurement <u>31 3/4 1/2</u> inches.	
Complexion <u>Medium</u>	
Eyes <u>Brown</u>	
Hair <u>Brown</u>	
Religious Denomination <u>CofE</u>	

### 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; hæmorrhoids; varicose veins, beyond a limited extent; marked varicocele with unusually pendent testicle; inveterate cutaneous disease; chronic ulcers; traces of corporal punishment, or evidence of having been marked with the letters D. or B.C.; 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.

DENTALLY FIT.

2 SEP 1916

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Place MACKAY.

W. J. Manery

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 Ab. G. Coy II Sqn Aust "Reg" CofE

Date 3-10-16

Place Leith Loweston

D.377/A.15.—C.4037.

W. J. Manery

Commanding Ab. G. Coy

J. R. Dugan  
as C Flight  
II Sqn



Statement of Service of No. 745

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Name BIDDLE Henry Arthur

Unit in which served.	Promotions, Reductions, Casualties, &c.	Period of service in each rank.		Remarks.
		From—	To—	
11th. Depot Btn. Private.		6/9/16	3 SEP 1916	with apt
22nd/18th Bn. Pk.		12/9/16	29/9/16	Capt R.
M. G. R.	do	29.9.16	6/10/16	Sgt Cr
Field Engrs	..	6/10/16	9.10.16	
II Sqn Aus. Flyg Corps	Pt	10.10.16		
Embarked "Ulysses" Melbourne 25-10-16				
Disembarked Plymouth 25-12-16				
69th. Aust. Squadron, Royal Flying Corps				B-R-8975
69th A.T.F.C.	On Command to Rigger School for course of instruction	reference	9-1-17	D.O. 1/163 <sup>E</sup> 20-1-17 London
	Rejoined unit from School of riggers	reference	16.2.17	D.O. 4/542 <sup>E</sup> 28-2-17 London
	Rejoined unit from course of instruction		17.2.17	D.O. 5/664 <sup>E</sup> 14-3-17 London
2nd A.M.	Prom. 1st Class A.M.		1-3-17	D.O. 8/786 <sup>E</sup> 28-3-17 London
69th Aust. Sqd R. F. C.	L. T. 450.			
1st A.M.	Prom. Cpl (69th Sqd)		11-3-17	D.O. 10/1073 <sup>E</sup> 4-4-17 London
	P.B. 204821 L. R. 837			
(Cpl.) In/d to Adm. Hqs from 69th Sqd. Flying Corps.		London	5-4-17	D.O. 22/1469 <sup>E</sup> 25/7/17
(Cpl.) To be 2nd Lieut in A.M. posted to A.F.C. (A.M. 230.)			13-9-17	D.O. 34/2101 <sup>E</sup> 22-9-17 (long)

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

AUSTRALIAN IMPÉRIAL FORCE.

Receipt for Consignment from Defence Department.

I hereby acknowledge having received from the Officer in Charge of  
Base Records the undermentioned ( 1 ) Package , being the effects of  
the Lieut. H.A. Biddle, Flying Corps,  
consigned to me.

No.	Description,
1	Commission Form

Signature *H.A. Biddle*  
Date *March 20: 1919.*

NOTE.—This Receipt should be Posted to—

The Officer in Charge,  
Base Records,  
Victoria Barracks,  
Melbourne, Victoria.

1072/S.17.—C.10113.—50M.

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(1) PRESENT UNIT  
 A.F.C.  
 8th Squadron  
 1998  
 25/788

(2) Regtl. No.

(3) Present Rank	(4) SURNAME	BIDDLE
(5) Decorations	(6) Christian Names.	Henry Arthur.

Particulars.

(7) Date of Enlistment	(8) Place of Enlistment	Years	Months
(9) Age on Enlistment	(10) Any subsequent claim as to age after verification of Birth Certificate	Auth. C. R.	/ /
(11) Birthplace	(12) Religion	C of E	
(14) Trade or Calling	(13) If Married	No.	
(15) Date of Embarkation from Australia	(17) Whereabouts of Next of Kin, i.e. Australia or Abroad	Aust.	
(18)			
(19)			
(20)	(21) Special Notification Card No.		
(22)			

Nothing to be written in this Margin.

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CHRISTIAN NAMES

SURNAME

Regtl. No.

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Army Form B. 103.

Regimental Number.....

# Casualty Form—Active Service.

Regiment or Corps.....

Christian Name.....

Surname.....

Age on Enlistment..... years..... months

Rank.....

Religion.....

Enlisted (a) 2-9-16.....

Service reckons from (u).....

Terms of Service (a).....

Date of appointment to lance rank.....

Date of promotion to present rank.....

Qualification (b).....

Extended { } Re-engaged { }

or Corps Trade and Rate.....

Occupation.....

Signature of Officer.....

Date	Report		Record of promotions, reductions, transfers, casualties, &c., during active service, as entered on Army Form B.213, Army Form A.36, or other official documents. The authority to be quoted in each case.	Place of Casualty	Date of Casualty	Remarks Taken from Army Form B.213, Army Form A.36, or other official documents
	From whom received					
26 7-7-18	AFC Defat	Lieut. Inf in from AFC	Embarked ...			
27 13-10-18	AFC Defat	Wance ex A42	Disembarked...			
28 19-10-18	AFC Defat	Lieut. M/D to Air Ministry				
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(a) In the case of a man who has re-engaged for, or enlisted in Section D. Army Reserve, particulars of such re-engagement or enlistment will be entered.  
(b) Signaller, Shoeing-Smith, &c.  
(17591.) Wt. W 1887 - P 1124. 1,000,000. 6/18. D & S. Form B.103. (E. 1956.)







Base Records Office,  
Victoria Barracks,  
MELBOURNE. 3.C.1.

19/1/1932.

The Deputy Commissioner,  
Department of Repatriation,

*Brisbane*  
REFERENCE :- R 25788

DATE 15/1/1932.

Herewith documents indicated relative to the  
service of the undermentioned ex member of the A.I.F.

Reg.No.	Rank	Name & Unit	Documents attached.
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		<i>Lt. Biddle H.A. A.F.C.</i>	<u>FOR EARLY RETURN :-</u> A.F.B.103
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TO BE RETAINED :-

B.R.Card

Attestation Paper

A.F.:- ~~B.103~~

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T. ROBINSON,  
Officer i/c Base Records.

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*Surname*

Christian Names *Henry. Arthur.*

### Statement of Service.

26- 1/12  
2-9-16  
25-10-76  
Café

## Casualties.

[illegible]

### Personal.

Civil Occupation	Date and Place of Birth	Married or Single	Relationship, Name and Address of Next of Kin	Remarks
		S	Australia	







WAR GRATUITY SCHEDULE

Transferred to

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

No. *late 745*

Rank *2/Lieut.*

Name

*BIDDLE H. A.*

Unit

*A Flying Corps.*

Casualty

*Wounded*

CIBL *217916745*

dated London *2/1/18*

Received B. R. *4/1/18*

*Relg. to Aust. per H.T. "Kaiser-i-Hind" embarked 6/5/19 other reasons.*

*C.I.B.L. 3431/6025, dtd London 9/5/19 Rec. B.R. 15/5/19*

LIST.

Returned to Australia per A.....  
Disembarked..... M. D.

DATE.

Form B 108 Received

PURPORT.

REF. NO.

JAN 6 1918

N. O. K. Advised Wounded

20.2.19

Form of Comm. to HOK *3/300*

18 JUN 1918

N. O. K. Advised Returning to Australia. Form *3/16*

5.9.19

Form re War Record, A. M. F. List, Despatched

11.8.19

*Appointment terminated*

*Cal 105/19 MCH 05/19*

*20/10/19*

*back Cal 105/19 MCH 05/19*

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AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

RECORD OF OFFICERS' SERVICES.

Rank and Name BIDDLE H.A.

Staff or Unit AFC

Date of Appointment and Gazette

Promotion (date and Gazette)

Left Australia in Transport on 191

Record subsequent to embarkation:—

13/9/17. AFC Appd 2<sup>nd</sup> Lieut 686.9/18 NO 42/18 1817.  
13/12/17 " Gohe Lieut 686.52/18 NO 148/18 1817

Returned to Australia (Date, Transport, and any other details):—

Gazetted from A.I.F. 11.8.19. Appointment terminated

D.697/9.17.—C12661.—5M.

CAG 105/19m405/19  
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