

## GOARD, Arthur Beaumont



The Winners of the Hoad and Rawson Trophies.

*Back Row (reading from left to right)*—V.B Cooper, R.J. Thompson, Mr. M. Horan. H.D. Barlow, H. Holder, H.H. Schlapp.

*Front Row* - W.L. Waterhouse, Mr. A. Brooks (Captain), Mr. D.H. Reay, and **A.B. Goard**.

TROPHIES—left, the "Rawson" centre the "Hoad" right, the "Duff" (held by winners of the "Hoad").

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Arthur Beaumont Goard was born in 1888 at Murrurundi, NSW. He was the second of seven children born to William Samuel and Selina Mary Goard of Public School, Gunning, NSW, between 1887 and 1901.

Arthur attended Murrurundi Public School and Fort Street High School, NSW. In 1905, aged 16, Arthur undertook Practical courses at HAC, finishing 4<sup>th</sup> in the class.

In 1906 he commenced the Full Diploma Course, was a member of the Rifle Club, gained the Ambulance Class certificate, won Best in garden, and came 4<sup>th</sup> in the class.

Arthur won First Prize for Examination in "The Anatomy and Diseases of a Horse's Leg and Foot," and Practical Examination in "Shoeing," was Best in Orchard, Best on Plots, Best with Gardener, Best with Blacksmith, and won Third Aggregate Prize (3<sup>rd</sup> in the class), gaining a Burdekin Medal and his Diploma in 1907.

By February 1908, Arthur was working for Mr Fleming, M.P. for the Upper Hunter, and by December 1909 he was dairy farming at Broken Head, near Byron Bay, NSW. By 1915 he was also pig farming.

Arthur wrote to the College from the military camp at Maitland in July 1916:—"My private responsibilities so resolved themselves that at last I felt I could conscientiously enlist. I am leaving a brother 18 years of age to look after my interests at Byron Bay. A stud Romney Marsh ram has just been added to my flock. He is an excellent animal, and, when mated with the ewes, should give very good results. The feed on the North Coast is rather short this winter, but I myself have a good supply of green fodder for the cows. My Jerseys are doing very well, and I am very pleased I have gone in for the pure bred animals" (AI-46372 HAC Journal (Vol.13, No.10) October 1916 p.142).

Arthur enlisted on 18 July 1916 in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Battalion, 22<sup>nd</sup> Reinforcement, and embarked from Sydney, NSW aboard HMAT SS Port Nicholson on 8 November 1916.

Serving in France, Arthur became a Corporal in early 1917.

Arthur "...was killed in action at Passchendaele [Ypres, Belgium] on October 4, 1917. One of his comrades states that he was killed by a shell-burst in the jumping-off trench, and was to have gone for a commission after this attack" (AI-47109 HAC Journal (Vol.16, No.5) May 1919 p.66).

Arthur was 28, and is buried at Aeroplane Cemetery, Ypres, Belgium.

Arthur's brother, Raymond Danbigh, enlisted, aged 19, with the 3<sup>rd</sup> Battalion on 17 September 1915. Raymond returned to Australia in April 1919.