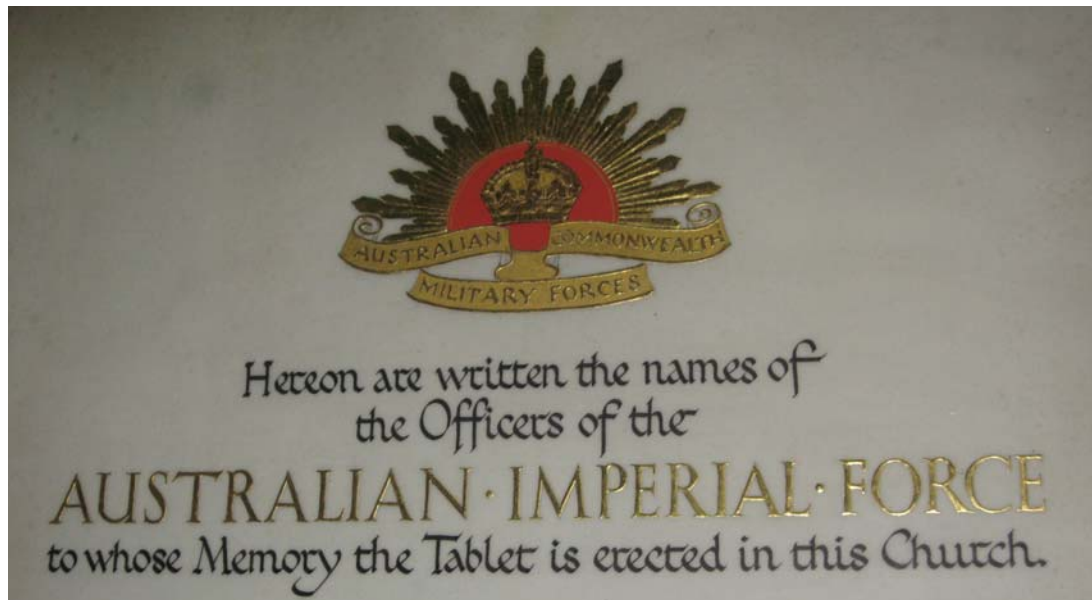


**AUSTRALIAN OFFICERS  
FROM WORLD WAR ONE WHO WERE TREATED IN DIGSWELL  
HOUSE AND THEN WENT BACK TO THE BATTLEFIELD WHERE  
THEY BECAME CASUALTIES NEVER TO RETURN**

During World War One, many Australian officers who were injured in France were brought to Digswell House which was in use as a hospital. Following their recovery and a period of convalescence, they were sent back to the front, some 73 of whom were subsequently killed.

Their names are commemorated on a marble tablet inside St John's Church, Digswell.

Digswell House and St John's Church, Digswell are to the north of present day Welwyn Garden City.





IN HONOR OF THE AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE



TO THE GLORY OF GOD & IN MEMORY OF 73 OFFICERS  
OF THE AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE WHO HAVING BEEN  
RESIDENT IN AUXILIARY HOSPITALS IN THIS PARISH  
GAVE THEIR LIVES IN THE CAUSE OF FREEDOM & JUSTICE  
1914 - 1919



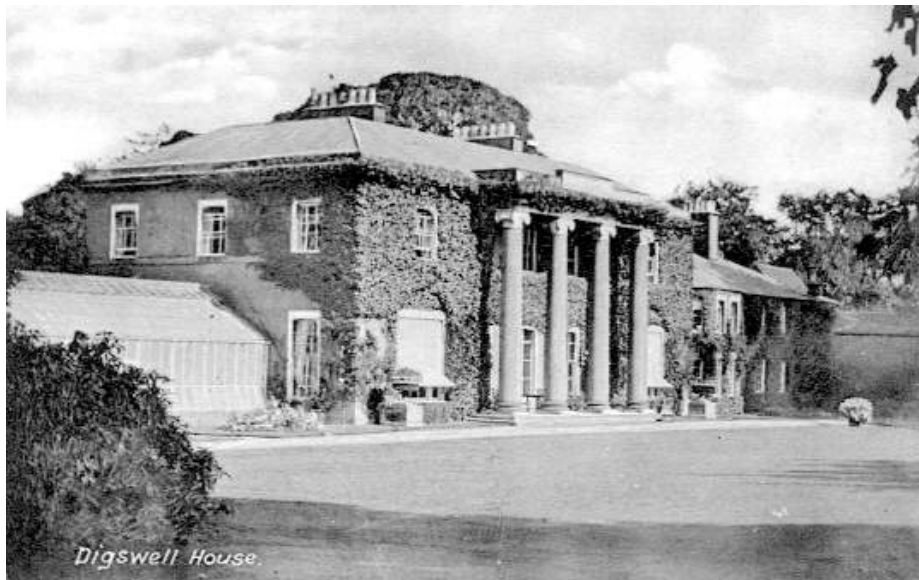
Hereon are written the names of  
the Officers of the  
**AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE**  
to whose Memory the Tablet is erected in this Church.

Lt. Col. H.K. Bean . . . . .	A.A.M.C.	Lieut. N.J. Delany . . . . .	102nd. HowBty
Lt. Col. F.D.W. Oatley . . . . .	65th. Bn.	Lieut. G.M. Dickens . . . . .	17th. Bn.
Major E.W. Connolly . . . . .	Gen. List.	Lieut. H. Ellis . . . . .	17th. Bn.
Major B.D. Jack . . . . .	54th. Bn.	Lieut. W.K. Eltham . . . . .	1st Div. Art.
Major J.B. Mercalfe DSO, MC A.A.M.C.		Lieut. J.P. Ford . . . . .	1st Div. Art.
Major F.H. Tubb MC . . . . .	7th. Bn.	Lieut. I.N. Gair . . . . .	31st. Bn.
Captain C. Arblaster . . . . .	53rd. Bn.	Lieut. J.S. Gamble . . . . .	31st. Bn.
Captain W.R. Aspinall MC . . . . .	A.A.M.C.	Lieut. C.E. Garrard . . . . .	39th. Bn.
Captain A.R. Bolton Wood . . . . .	20th. Bn.	Lieut. G. Heaton . . . . .	7th. Bn.
Captain C.D. Argy Irvine . . . . .	13th. Bn.	Lieut. W.J. Horne . . . . .	45th. Bn.
Captain W.F. Donisch . . . . .	25th. Bn.	Lieut. N.L. Jackson . . . . .	24th. Bn.
Captain J.R. Eddy . . . . .	1st. Div. Art.	Lieut. J.H. Kearney . . . . .	25th. Bn.
Captain A.R. Fox . . . . .	A.A.M.C.	Lieut. T.H. Kennedy MC . . . . .	38th. Bn.
Captain W.H. Gattrell . . . . .	26th. Bn.	Lieut. M. Mc L. Keshan . . . . .	3rd. Bn.
Captain J.E. Herbert MC . . . . .	26th. Bn.	Lieut. L.W. Lane . . . . .	62nd. Bn.
Captain R.K. Hibbs . . . . .	31st. Bn.	Lieut. A.M. Lilburne . . . . .	1st. Div. Art.
Captain H.C. King MC . . . . .	28th. Bn.	Lieut. J.M. Lyons MC, MM . . . . .	17th. Bn.
Captain L.L. Lennox . . . . .	11th. Bn.	Lieut. J.W. Maunsell . . . . .	5th. Bn.
Captain N.B. Lovett . . . . .	53rd. Bn.	Lieut. H.E. Minced . . . . .	50th. Bn.
Captain T.F. Miles . . . . .	5th. Div. Art.	Lieut. H.L. Montague . . . . .	4th. Bn.
Captain J.E. Nix . . . . .	25th. Bn.	Lieut. L.J. Moorhouse . . . . .	46th. Bn.
Captain N.G. Pelton . . . . .	58th. Bn.	Lieut. H.F. Morrison MC . . . . .	5th. Bn.
Captain A.T. Rogers MC . . . . .	32nd. Bn.	Lieut. A.H. Moss . . . . .	2nd. Div. Art.
Captain L.C. Roth MC . . . . .	2nd. Pioneers	Lieut. E.C. New . . . . .	17th. Bn.
Quar. Capt. W.J. Stevens . . . . .	A.C.D.	Lieut. W.J.S.G. Poole . . . . .	7th. Bn.
Captain P.G. Tow LD80 . . . . .		Lieut. P.F.H. Reed . . . . .	12th. Bn.
Captain J.M. Watson . . . . .	37th. Bn.	Lieut. J. Roadknight . . . . .	37th. Bn.
Captain H. Webber . . . . .	15th. Bn.	Lieut. V.J.W. Ross . . . . .	23rd. Bn.
Captain W.F. Wilmot . . . . .	12th. Bn.	Lieut. F.G. Rowe . . . . .	5th. Div. Art.
Lieut. J.A. Archibald . . . . .	52nd. Bn.	Lieut. P.F. Ryan DCM . . . . .	2nd. Bn.
Lieut. R. Blanchard . . . . .	11th. Bn.	Lieut. E.R. Sinclair MC . . . . .	7th. As S. High
Lieut. F.R. Brook . . . . .	22nd. Bn.	Lieut. F.O. Twomey . . . . .	54th. Bn.
Lieut. A. Brown . . . . .	43rd. Bn.	Lieut. P.E.M. Vowels MC . . . . .	11th. Bn.
Lieut. L. Brunton . . . . .	49th. Bn.	Lieut. D.J. Walsh MC . . . . .	10th. Bn.
Lieut. N. Campbell . . . . .	16th. AEA	Lieut. J. Whittle . . . . .	48th. Bn.
Lieut. L. Davies . . . . .	3rd. Tun. Coy	2/Lt. G.C. Holt . . . . .	1st. Bn.
	53rd. Bn.		
	2/Lt. J. Moss . . . . .		11th. Bn.

The Tablet, which is made of marble brought from Australia was unveiled by  
Major General SIR H.B. WALKER, K.C.B., K.C.M.G.  
who commanded the 1st Australian Division, and was dedicated by the  
Rev. SHEPLEY S. SMITH, Rector, on October 9th 1921.



Digswell House and adjacent St John's Church (1928)



Names of the Australian Officers on marble tablet.

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Lt. Col.	F.D.W.Oatley	65 <sup>th</sup> Bn	Lieut	G.M.Dickens	17 <sup>th</sup> Bn
Major	E.W.Connelly	Gen.List	Lieut	H.Ellis	17 <sup>th</sup> Bn
Major	B.D.Jack	54 <sup>th</sup> Bn	Lieut	W.K.Eltham	1 <sup>st</sup> Div.Art
Major	J.B.Metcalf DSO, MC	A.A.M.C	Lieut	J.P.Ford	1 <sup>st</sup> Div.Art
Major	F.H.Tubb VC	7 <sup>th</sup> Bn	Lieut	I.N.Gair	31 <sup>st</sup> Bn
Captain	C.Arblaster	53 <sup>rd</sup> Bn	Lieut	J.S.Gamble	31 <sup>st</sup> Bn
Captain	W.R.Aspinal MC	A.A.M.C	Lieut	C.E.Garrard	39 <sup>th</sup> Bn
Captain	A.R.Bolton Wood	20 <sup>th</sup> Bn	Lieut	G.Heaton	7 <sup>th</sup> Bn
Captain	C.D'Arcy Irvine	13 <sup>th</sup> Bn	Lieut	W.J.Horne	45 <sup>th</sup> Bn
Captain	W.F.Donisch	25 <sup>th</sup> Bn	Lieut	N.L.Jackson	29 <sup>th</sup> Bn
Captain	J.R.Eddy	1 <sup>st</sup> Div. Art.	Lieut	J.H.Kearney	25 <sup>th</sup> Bn
Captain	A.R.Fox	A.A.M.C	Lieut	T.H.Kennedy MC	38 <sup>th</sup> Bn
Captain	W.H.Gartrell	26 <sup>th</sup> Bn	Lieut	M.Mc.L.Keshan	3 <sup>rd</sup> Bn
Captain	J.E.Herbert MC	26 <sup>th</sup> Bn	Lieut	L.W.Lane	62 <sup>nd</sup> Bn
Captain	R.K.Hibbs	31 <sup>st</sup> Bn	Lieut	A.M.Lilburne	1 <sup>st</sup> Div.Art
Captain	H.C.King	28 <sup>th</sup> Bn	Lieut	J.M.Lyons MC, MM	17 <sup>th</sup> Bn
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Captain	N.B.Lovett	53 <sup>rd</sup> Bn	Lieut	H.E.Minerd	50 <sup>th</sup> Bn
Captain	T.F.Miles	5 <sup>th</sup> Div. Art.	Lieut	H.L.Montague	4 <sup>th</sup> Bn
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Captain	A.T.Rodgers MC	32 <sup>nd</sup> Bn	Lieut	A.H.Moss	2 <sup>nd</sup> Div.Art
Captain	L.C.Roth MC	2 <sup>nd</sup> Pioneers	Lieut	E.C.New	17 <sup>th</sup> Bn
Chap.			Lieut	W.J.S.G.Poole	7 <sup>th</sup> Bn
Captain	W.J.Stevens	A.C.D.	Lieut	P.F.H.Reed	12 <sup>th</sup> Bn
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Lieut	J.A.Archibald	11 <sup>th</sup> Bn	Lieut	E.R.Sinclair MC	7 <sup>th</sup> A&S.High
Lieut	R.Blanchard	22 <sup>nd</sup> Bn	Lieut	F.O.Twomey	54 <sup>th</sup> Bn
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From The Argus (an Australian newspaper), October 15, 1921

### Memorial to Australians.

LONDON, Oct. 14.

Major-General Sir H-B. Walker, who served with the Mediterranean Expeditionary Force; from 1914 to 1918, and with the British Expeditionary Force in France, unveiled yesterday a marble tablet erected by Australians in the parish church of Digswell, Hertfordshire, to the memory of 73 Australian officers who were patients in hospital there, and who afterwards died on active service.



St John's Church has an Australian Flag which was presented by General Sir W Birdwood. The Plaque (below) commemorates this event.

