

The AIF Project



John Donald SCHRODER

Regimental number	3127
Date of birth	--/10/1895
Place of birth	Pyrmont New South Wales
Religion	Presbyterian
Occupation	Clerk
Address	Barton Street, Mayfield, Newcastle, New South Wales
Marital status	Single
Age at embarkation	19
Next of kin	Father, C H Schroder, Barton Street, Mayfield, Newcastle, New South Wales
Enlistment date	8 June 1915
Rank on enlistment	Private
Unit name	3rd Battalion, 10th Reinforcement (/showUnit?unitCode=INF3REIN10)
AWM Embarkation Roll number	23/20/2
Embarkation details	Unit embarked from Sydney, New South Wales, on board HMAT A69 <i>Warilda</i> on 8 October 1915
Regimental number from Nominal Roll	Commissioned
Rank from Nominal Roll	Lieutenant
Unit from Nominal Roll	3rd Battalion
Promotions	2nd Lieutenant
	Unit: INF57 Promotion date: 29 July 1916
Recommendations (Medals and Awards)	Mention in Despatches
	Awarded, and promulgated, 'London Gazette', second Supplement, No. 30107 (1 June 1917); 'Commonwealth Gazette' No. 169 (4 October 1917).
Fate	Effective abroad (still overseas)
Medals	Military Cross
	'For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When an infantry brigade took up a fresh line this officer worked night and day for nearly thirty six hours salving

wire and erecting telephonic communication, until every company and battalion were linked up. Again, on shifting their position, this officer worked all night in setting up a complete system of communication, which he established and maintained in spite of heavy shelling.'
Source: 'Commonwealth Gazette' No. 185
Date: 27 November 1918

Bar to Military Cross

'For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When his brigade was placed under orders of another division, and had to make a night attack, it became urgently necessary to improvise means of communications. He volunteered to lay a cable, which he accomplished and maintained throughout the operation, despite immense difficulties, the whole area being drenched with high explosives and gas. As soon as the final objective had been reached, communications were opened and maintained, this officer working day and night for three days until relieved, and inspiring his men by his example.'
Source: 'Commonwealth Gazette' No. 15
Date: 4 February 1919

Other details

Medals: Military Cross and Bar, 1914-15 Star, British War Medal, Victory Medal

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