

WESTERN AUSTRALIAN WAR MEMORIALS
ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER WAR MEMORIAL, KINGS PARK

These soldiers were all born in Bridgetown

WWI

PARFITT John Harold. #P10684057. AIF. Enlisted 10/3/18, application rejected 25/08/18 (reasons unknown). Born Bridgetown WA.

<https://recordsearch.naa.gov.au/SearchNRetrieve/Gallery151/dist/JGalleryViewer.aspx?B=9745821&S=1&N=22&R=0#/SearchNRetrieve/NAAMedia/ShowImage.aspx?B=9745821&T=P&S=21>

SIMPSON Charles Arthur. #1778/8969. Served: 23Jun15- 11Apr19. Born Bridgetown WA. Reference:

<https://recordsearch.naa.gov.au/SearchNRetrieve/Interface/ViewImage.aspx?B=8085181>

WWII

PARFITT Barney Trumpet. #W81428. 26th Australian Motor Regiment. Served: 17Jun42-29Nov43. Born Bridgetown WA. Reference:

<https://recordsearch.naa.gov.au/SearchNRetrieve/Interface/DetailsReports/ItemDetail.aspx?Barcode=12073041&isAv=N>

FROOME Henry John. #W25864. Served: 10Mar41-20Mar44. Born Bridgetown WA. Reference:

<https://recordsearch.naa.gov.au/SearchNRetrieve/Interface/ViewImage.aspx?B=6483144>

HANSEN Hans Peter. #WX26064. Served: 14Jul42-16Dec42 (10th LHR). Medically discharged. Born Bridgetown WA. Reference:

<https://recordsearch.naa.gov.au/SearchNRetrieve/Interface/ViewImage.aspx?B=6477846>

HANSEN Magnus Christian #WX740. **PoW** Stalag 13c (reference:

<https://wartimemoriesproject.com/ww2/pow/powcamp.php?pid=3332>) 18Aug41. (2/11th Btn)

Served: 10Nov39-23Aug45. Born Bridgetown WA. Reference:

<https://recordsearch.naa.gov.au/SearchNRetrieve/Gallery151/dist/JGalleryViewer.aspx?B=6461403&S=1&N=15&R=0#/SearchNRetrieve/NAAMedia/ShowImage.aspx?B=6461403&T=P&S=4>

HANSEN Magnus Christian

For some time after the introduction of the Aborigines Act 1905 many couples were unaware that they were committing an offence by cohabiting. This was so for Magnus Christian Hendrick Hansen and Lucina Parfitt nee Ryan, whose wedding had to be delayed from the day on which it was to have taken place, while the

bureaucratic requirement of permission to marry was sought from the chief protector of Aborigines. Hansen and Lucina Parfitt of Bridgetown were to have married on 12 August 1908. Their banns had been called in the Anglican church, Nelson district, but on the morning of the marriage-to-be they were informed that under the Aborigines Act 1905 they had to have the consent of the chief protector of Aborigines before they could be married. The marriage was postponed while Hansen wrote to the chief protector for the necessary permission. The police also submitted their customary report, in which they described Hansen, of German origin, as an honest, hard-working man and the owner of 8 1/2 hectares of land. Consent was given on 21 August and the couple married a fortnight later than originally intended.

https://aiatsis.gov.au/sites/default/files/catalogue_resources/m0022954_a.pdf

HANSEN Robert. #WX15736. **PoW**: 15Feb42 (2/4th Machine Gun Btn) Served: 13Aug41-22Jan46. Born Bridgetown WA. Reference: <https://2nd4thmgb.com.au/soldier/wx15736-hansen-robert/>

REGAN John James. #W41697. Served: 25Jan42-20Jun46. Born Bridgetown WA. Reference: <https://nominal-rolls.dva.gov.au/veteran?id=816217&c=WW2>

VIETNAM

PEARCE John Charles. #55112. Army Service 1967-8 (Royal Australian Army Medical Corps) Vietnam: 5Dec67-10Dec68. Born Bridgetown WA. Reference: <https://nominal-rolls.dva.gov.au/veteran?id=1243718&c=VIETNAM#R>

References: https://highgate-rsl.org.au/wp-content/uploads/2019/07/Aboriginal_and_Torres_Strait_Islander_Memorial.pdf