

**Hollybrook Memorial,  
Southampton, Hampshire, England  
War Graves**



*Lest We Forget*

**World War 1**



**2790 PRIVATE**

**J. F. HINES**

**33RD BN. AUSTRALIAN INF.**

**26TH NOVEMBER, 1916**

## James Frederick HINES

James Frederick Hines was born at Upper Manilla, New South Wales on 23rd February, 1899 to parents James Charles & Eliza Ann Hines (nee Kramer). His birth was registered in 1899 in the district of Manilla, NSW.

James Frederick Hines attended Gilgai Public School, near Inverell, NSW.

James Frederick Hines stated he was an 18 year old, single, Farmer from Gil Gai (spelling as per Embarkation Roll), via Inverell, NSW when he enlisted at Inverell, NSW on 10th November, 1916 with the Australian Imperial Force (A.I.F.). His service number was 2790 & his religion was Church of England. His next of kin was listed as his mother – Mrs Eliza Ann Hines, Gil Gai, via Inverell, NSW.

As James Frederick Hines was under the age of 21 years, his parents were required to sign their consent for their son to enlist in the Australian Imperial Force for active service abroad. James Charles Hines & Eliza Ann Hines both signed their consent on the "*Application to Enlist in the Australian Imperial Force*" form.

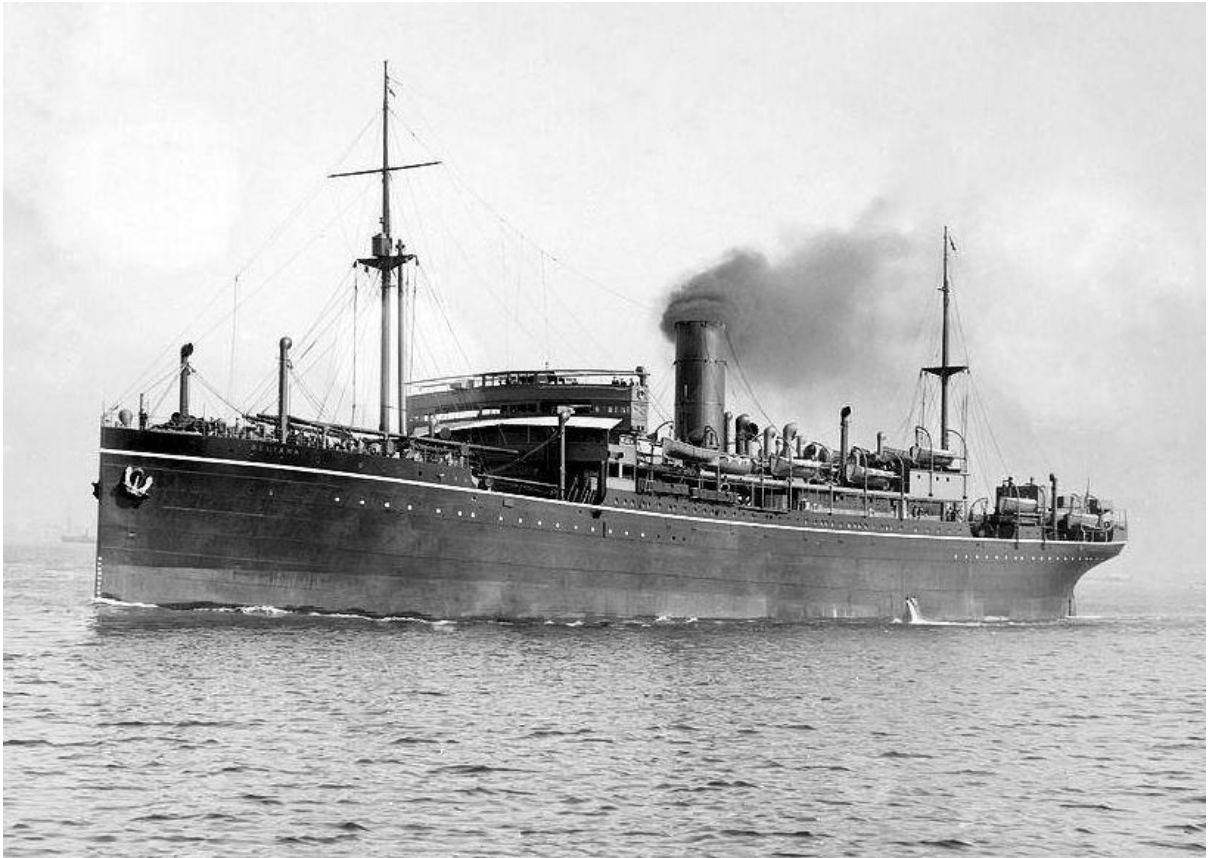
Private James Frederick Hines was posted to Armidale Depot Battalion, NSW on 12th November, 1916 for recruit training. He was transferred to 6th Reinforcements of 33rd Battalion on 14th November, 1916.

### 33rd Battalion

The 33rd Battalion was formed in January 1916 at a camp established at the Armidale showground in New South Wales. The bulk of the battalion's recruits were drawn from the New England region and thus it was dubbed "New England's Own".....

*(Extract of Battalion information from the Australian War Memorial)*

Private James Frederick Hines embarked from Sydney, New South Wales on HMAT *Beltana* (A72) on 25th November, 1916 with the 9th Infantry Brigade, 33rd Infantry Battalion, 6th Reinforcements.



**HMAT *Beltana* (A72)**

The Medical History form for Private James Frederick Hines recorded that he enlisted at Armidale, NSW (Attestation Papers show he enlisted at Inverell, NSW) but he was examined at Armidale on 10th November, 1916. He declared his age as 18 years & 1 month. His Physical Development & Pulse rate was recorded as Poor.

Private James Frederick Hines was admitted to Ship's Hospital on 26th November, 1916. The Hospital Admissions form recorded the following: "*Case admitted 9 am in bad condition, very chilled & mottled .....*" His condition was listed as Acute Pneumonia & Acute Myocarditis.

Private James Frederick Hines died at 9.45 pm on 26th November, 1916 on board HMAT *Beltana* while at Sea from Pneumonia.

Private James Frederick Hines was buried at Sea on 26th November, 1916. He is commemorated on the Hollybrook Memorial, Southampton, Hampshire, England as he has no grave. His death is acknowledged by the Commonwealth War Graves Commission.

From information provided by his mother for the Roll of Honour – James Frederick Hines was aged 17 years, 9 months & 3 days at the time of his death.

Private James Frederick Hines was entitled to British War Medal only as he had not entered a Theatre of War. A Memorial Scroll & Memorial Plaque were also sent to Private Hines' father – Mr J. C. Hines, as the closest next-of-kin. (Scroll sent January, 1922 & Plaque sent July, 1922).

The Commonwealth War Graves Commission lists Private James Frederick Hines - service number 2790, of 33rd Battalion, Australian Infantry. No family details are listed.

Private J. F. Hines is commemorated on the Roll of Honour, located in the Hall of Memory Commemorative Area at the Australian War Memorial, Canberra, Australia on Panel .




*Roll Of Honour WW1 Australian War Memorial Canberra, Australia*

Private James Frederick Hines is not recorded as one of the “*First World War Boy Soldiers*” by the Australian War Memorial. His name was submitted to the Australian War Memorial at the time of researching (April, 2021).

UPDATE (June, 2021): Private James Frederick Hines’ name has now been added to the “*First World War Boy Soldiers*” by the Australian War Memorial.

### First World War Boy Soldiers (183)

Adams, Stanley John	Harrison, Charles	Powell, Edward James
Adams, William Henry	Harrison, Herbert Mackay	Powter, Ernest Lachlan
Alchin, Arthur Montague	Healy, George Charles	Prior, Leslie Thomas
Anderson, Albert James	Heavey, Gerald Patrick	Purcell, John William
Andrews, John Lancelot	Hepworth, Victor Leo	Rabnott, Thomas Arthur
Bardwell, Harold William	Herweg, John Christian	Radford, Rubin Cameron
Barger, Harold Victor	Hill, Arthur	Redwood, Maurice Challis
Batson, Eric George	Hills, Richard Benjamin	Reeves, John
Beer, Ernest Wills	Hindmarsh, Hector Pretoria	Richards, John Alfred
Bell, Harold Thomas	 Hines, James Frederick	Richards, William Arthur Leslie
Benson, John Erol	Holmes, Harrie Hanley	Riley, William Edward

### The Australian War Memorials –First World War Boy Soldiers List (partial)

F. J. Hines is remembered on the Gilgai Soldiers Memorial, located in Gilgai Memorial Park, corner Stannifer & Marsh Streets, Gilgai, NSW.



**Gilgai Soldiers Memorial** (Photos from AWM Places of Pride – Penny Smith)



Gilgai Soldiers Memorial

J. F. Hines is remembered on the Inverell War Memorial, located at Evans & Lawrence Streets, Inverell, NSW.



Inverell War Memorial (Photos from Monument Australia – John Huth)

James F. Hines is remembered on the Inverell Memorial Olympic Pool First World War Honour Roll, located at the Inverell & District Olympic Pool, 69 Evans Street, Inverell, NSW.



Inverell Memorial Olympic Pool First World War Honour Roll  
(Photo from War Memorials Register NSW - Graham Wilson)

J. F. Hines is remembered on St. Augustine's Church Great War Roll of Honour, located inside St. Augustine's Anglican Church, 33 Rivers Street, Inverell, NSW.



St. Augustine's Church Great War Roll of Honour, Inverell (Photo from Monument Australia – John Huth)

J. F. Hines is remembered on Inverell Roll of Honour, located in Inverell R.S.L. Museum, Inverell Pioneer Village, 64 Tingha Road, Inverell, NSW.



**Inverell Roll of Honour** (Photo from Monument Australia – John Huth)

(37 pages of Private James Frederick Hines' Service records are available for On Line viewing at National Archives of Australia website).

*Information obtained from the CWGC, Australian War Memorial (Roll of Honour, First World War Embarkation Roll) & National Archives*





## **Newspaper Notices**

### **Gilgai News**

Two more local lads have enlisted, and leave for camp this week, namely, L. Madden and F. Hines. The number of young men to leave Gilgai to date total much over twenty, writes our correspondent....

*(The Inverell Times, NSW – 10 November, 1916)*

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### **Roll of Honor**

We regret to announce the death, at sea, of Private J. F. Hines, of Gilgai. This promising young soldier was only home on final leave last week, and sailed from Sydney on Saturday. He appears to have contracted a severe chill, which developed into pneumonia, from which he died on Sunday night, November 26th, at 9.30. The funeral took place at sea, the soldier being accorded a full military funeral. The news will come as a heavy blow to the lad's parents and also to the young soldier's many friends.

*(The Inverell Times, NSW – 28 November, 1916)*

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## **CASUALTIES**

### **250th LIST**

#### **NEW SOUTH WALES**

Died (Other Causes)

Pte J. F. Hines, Gilgai

*(The Land, Sydney, NSW – 22 December, 1916)*

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## **Commonwealth War Graves Commission Headstones**

The Commonwealth War Graves Commission cares for cemeteries and memorials in 23,000 locations, in 153 countries. In all 1.7 million men and women from the Commonwealth forces from WWI and WWII have been honoured and commemorated in perpetuity.

The Commonwealth War Graves Commission, as part of its mandate, is responsible for commemorating all Commonwealth war dead individually and equally. To this end, the war dead are commemorated by name on a headstone, at an identified site of a burial, or on a memorial. War dead are commemorated uniformly and equally, irrespective of military or civil rank, race or creed.

Not all service personnel have a Commonwealth War Graves Commission headstone. In some instances the relative chose to have their own memorial/headstone placed on the deceased's grave. These private headstones are not maintained by the CWGC as they have no jurisdiction to maintain them.

## **Hollybrook Memorial, Southampton, Hampshire, England**

The Hollybrook Memorial is situated in Southampton (Hollybrook) Cemetery behind the plot of First World War graves near the main entrance.

The Hollybrook Memorial commemorates by name almost 1,900 servicemen and women of the Commonwealth land and air forces\* whose graves are not known, many of whom were lost in transports or other vessels torpedoed or mined in home waters (\*Officers and men of the Commonwealth's navies who have no grave but the sea are commemorated on memorials elsewhere). The memorial also bears the names of those who were lost or buried at sea, or who died at home but whose bodies could not be recovered for burial. Almost one third of the names on the memorial are those of officers and men of the South African Native Labour Corps, who died when the troop transport Mendi sank in the Channel following a collision on 21 February 1917. Other vessels sunk with significant loss of life were: HS Anglia, a hospital ship sunk by mine off Dover on 17 November 1915. SS Citta Di Palermo, an Italian transport carrying Commonwealth troops, sunk by mine off Brindisi on 8 January 1916. In rescuing survivors, two Royal Naval Otranto drifters were themselves mined and blown up. HMTs Donegal and Warilda, ambulance transports torpedoed and sunk between Le Havre and Southampton on 17 April 1917 and 3 August 1918. HS Glenart Castle, a hospital ship torpedoed and sunk off Lundy on 26 February 1918. SS Galway Castle, torpedoed and sunk in the Atlantic on 12 September 1918. RMS Leinster, the Irish mail boat, torpedoed and sunk in the Irish Sea on 10 October 1918. Among those commemorated on the Hollybrook Memorial is Field Marshall Lord Kitchener, Secretary of State for War, who died when the battle cruiser HMS Hampshire was mined and sunk off Scapa Flow on 5 June 1916.

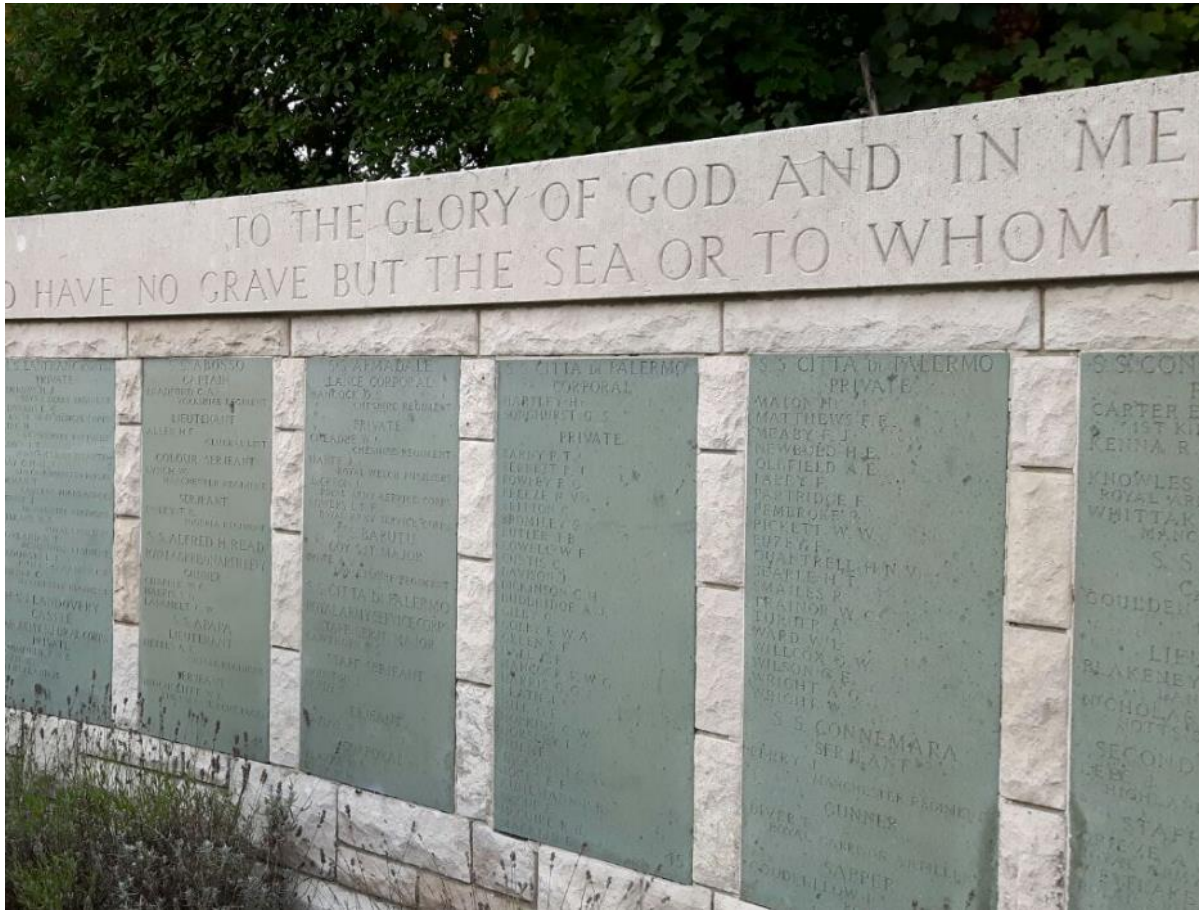
The memorial was designed by T. Newham and unveiled by Sir William Robertson on 10 December 1930.

There are approximately 162 Australian World War 1 Service Personnel commemorated on the Hollybrook Memorial, Southampton, Hampshire, England.

*(Information & photos from CWGC)*



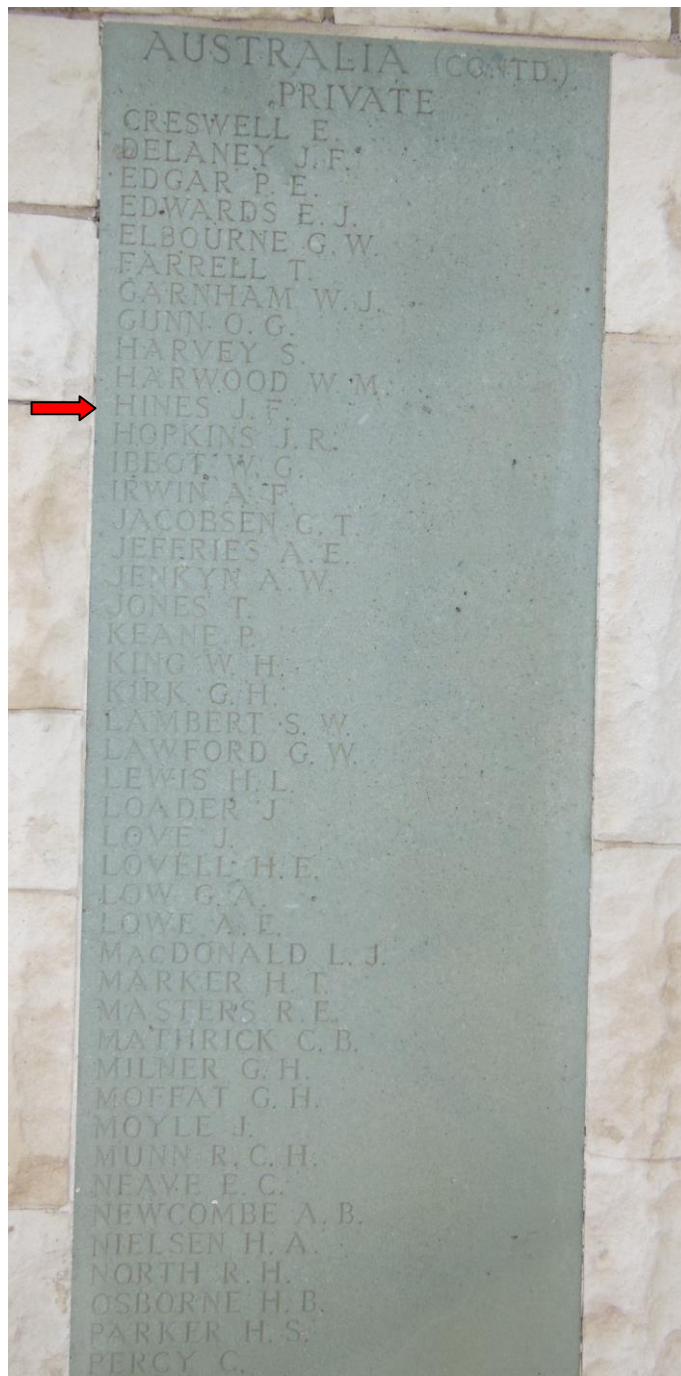
**Cross of Sacrifice**



Name Panels behind Cross of Sacrifice



Photo of Private J. F. Hines' name on the Commonwealth War Graves Commission's Hollybrook Memorial, Southampton, Hampshire, England.



(Photo by julia&keld – Find a Grave)





**CWGC Graves in Hollybrook Cemetery with Cross of Sacrifice & Hollybrook Memorial**

*(Photo from CWGC)*