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PROCEEDINGS FOR DISCHARGE.

PART A—Compiled by Unit:

Discharge Authority	QCR F/677/45
Reason for Discharge	AMR & O 253A (1) (H)
State in which discharge desired—Normally State in which member's home is situated.	Quebec

7 DEC 1945

Unit 2/8 Aust Inf. Bn.

Army No QX53497 Rank PFC

Other Names RICHARD MAXWELL

Surname FINN

(Block Letters)

PART B—Personal details—compiled by Unit:

1. Home address 40 PHILIP ST. HERMIT PARK

Townsville, Qld.

Date commenced F.T.D. 9/3/43 Date of Birth 31/12/24

State whether:—

Married, single, divorced, widow

or widower Single

2. Present Description of Soldier:—

Age 20 yrs 9 months

Height 5 ft 6 ins. Eyes BROWN

Complexion FAIR Hair BROWN

Marks/Scars

Trade Group in which employed

3. Operational Service:—

(a) Overseas area of service Embarked from Aust. 7/11/40 Disembarked in Aust. 1/12/40

NEW GUINEA

(b) N.T. (North of Par. 14½° Sth.) or Torres St. Is.:—

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Part B compiled by:—
Date 1/1/45

Officer's signature and rank

PART C—Compiled by Ech. and Rec.:

4. Non-effective Service:*

PART D—Compiled by Ech. & Rec.:

5. Details for Certificate of Discharge No. 346650

Unit (for discharge purposes) 2/8 Aust Inf. Bn.

Served on continuous Full Time War Service in the

from 9/3/43 to 19/12/45

for a Total Effective Period* of 971 days, which included

Active Service in Australia† 575 days and

Active Service O/S Australia† 396 days

Decorations and Awards‡ during that Service:

War Badge Entered Badge Register 1942

Class and No. 182403

Discharged from the AIF 188707

confirmed vide Schedule No. and discharge

on and from 19 DEC 1945 to take effect

Place REDBANK Signature

Date 19 DEC 1945 Officer i/c Ech. and Rec.

Details compiled by checked by

A.A.F. A.101 written by

Entered Discharge Certificate Register

A.A.F. A.101 obtained by

Entered "Wills" Register

Part E—To be signed by Soldier on discharge: 346650

7. I hereby acknowledge receipt of:

(a) Certificate of Discharge No.

(b) Army Form A.131 purporting to contain my Will.

(c) War Badge No. 188707

Date 19 DEC 1945 Signature of Soldier Richard Finn

Place Signature of Witness

* "Effective Period" means the period of service, less any consecutive 21 days

or more for which the soldier was not entitled to pay.

† Australia means the mainland of Australia and Tasmania.

‡ Does not include War Medals.

DETERMINATION OF DEMOBILIZATION PRIORITY

DEMOB. INDICATOR	
Q	M.A
129.5	

A. ARMY NO. QX53407 RANK PTE UNIT 2/8 Aust Inf Bn
 SURNAME FINN
 OTHER NAMES RICHARD MAXWELL
 Date of Commencement of Full Time War Service 9/3/43 Age at commencement of Full Time War Service 18 years.

B. ASSESSMENT OF NORMAL PRIORITY.

- | | Points |
|---|------------|
| 1. Length of Service in months <u>31</u> X 2 (males) or X 1 (females) | <u>62</u> |
| 2. Age at enlistment in years <u>18</u> X 2 (males) or X 3 (females) | <u>36</u> |
| 3. Dependency Status (males only)—one point for each month of Service | <u>31</u> |
| Total (Normal Priority) | <u>129</u> |
4. Dependency Status (females only)—insert "A" } Class
 —insert "B" }
 5. Marriage (females only)
 6. Records and assessment checked.

Signature of Officer.

Date 1 Oct.

7. I desire discharge in the State of Queensland.

8. I intend to apply—

- * (i) For service in the Permanent Military Forces.
- * (ii) For service throughout the Demob. period.

C. DECISION OF COMMANDING OFFICER OR REPRESENTATIVE OF SERVICE ON FORMATION H.Q.†

Signature.

Date 1 Oct. 45

Signature of Member.

Date 1 Oct. 45

*Not to be retained

*To be retained—(see instructions).

D. ALLOTMENT OF SPECIAL PRIORITY.

Reason and Authority QX AND QCR F/67/45

Date 2/11/45

Signature of Commanding Officer or Representative of Service.

INSTRUCTIONS

LENGTH OF SERVICE.—Months of service calculated from the date of commencement of full-time service to the date notified by L.H.Q.
 AGE AT ENLISTMENT.—Completed years of age at date of commencement of full-time war service.
 DEPENDANCY STATUS.—Accorded only to members on whose behalf an allowance is being paid by the Army for one or more dependants.
 MARRIAGE.—Claims by female members for discharge on account of marriage will not be recognised if such marriage has not been reported, and in consequence has not been entered in their personal records.

†PART C.—REASONS FOR RETENTION—to be inserted as appropriate

- (i) Member of Permanent Military Forces;
- (ii) Applicant for Permanent Military Forces.

(iii) Service throughout Demob. period—voluntary.

(iv) Services essential—Retained until

*Strike out where appropriate.

Authority

MG/9B/MD

Tel: B1926 Ext 143

MG/9B/1098

L. M. D. Echelon and Records,
Victoria Park,
BRISBANE.

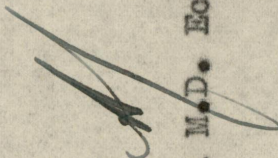
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14 NOV 1946

FEMALE RELATIVES BADGE A258580.

It is advised that above numbered duplicate badge has been issued to Mrs. E. E. FINN.

Please adjust documents of SX. 8421 FINN W. M. G. accordingly.


Lt.-Col.,
Officer i/c 1 M. D. Ech. and Rec.

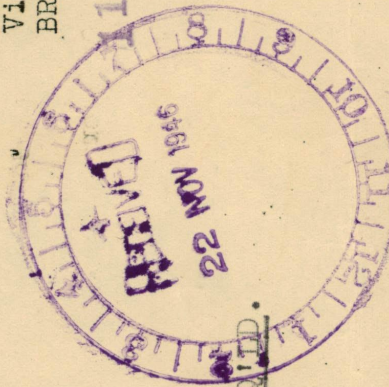
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All communications should
be addressed to the

Northern Command Echelon and Records
Victoria Park
BRISBANE.

"Officer-in-Charge"

Mrs. E.E. Finn,
40 Philp Street,
HERMIT PARK TIVILLE Q'LD.



FEMALE RELATIVE

BADGE NO. A258580

1. Enclosed please find the abovenumbered Badge.
2. Would you please acknowledge receipt in the space provided hereunder and return this form to the address shown above at your earliest convenience.

RECEIPT ACKNOWLEDGED

Mrs. E.E. Finn... received Badge

Date: 18/11/46

and thank you

[Signature] Lt.-Col.,
Officer-in-Charge, Northern Command Echelon and Records.

ATTESTATION FORM.

FOR SPECIAL FORCES RAISED FOR SERVICE IN AUSTRALIA OR ABROAD.

Army No. Q 269960- QX 53407
Surname FINN (BLOCK CAPITALS) Other Names Richard Maxwell
Unit 33 Aust Inf Trg Bn.
Enlisted for service at WARWICK (Place)
QUEENSLAND (State) 26 May 1943 (Date)

A. Questions to be put to persons called out or presenting themselves for voluntary enlistment.

1. What is your name? { 1. Surname FINN (BLOCK CAPITALS)
Other names Richard Maxwell
2. In or near the town of Marina Sth Australia
in the State or country of
3. Natural Born
4. Age 18
Date of Birth 31 December 1924
5. Labourer
6. Single
7. A.M.F.—
No. Rank Unit
OTHER MILITARY SERVICE
No. Rank Unit
8. No. Q 269960 Rank Pte Unit 33 AUST INF TRG BN
9. Name Mrs E. E. FINN
Address 40 Philp Str
HERMIT PARK TOWNSVILLE Q'land
Relationship Mother
40 Philp St
10. HERMIT PARK TOWNSVILLE Q'land
11. Church of England
12. No
13. Have you any of the following Educational Qualifications? If so, which? { 1. Certificate for Entry to Secondary School No
2. Intermediate No
3. Leaving No
4. Leaving Honours No
5. Technical No
6. University Degrees No
7. Other Diplomas No

I, Richard Maxwell FINN do solemnly declare that the above answers made by me to the above questions are true and that I am willing to serve in the Australian Military Forces within or beyond the limits of the Commonwealth.

Witnessed by F. Paukerwis
(Signature of Attesting or Witnessing Officer)

Richard Finn
(Signature)

* The person will be warned that should he give false answers to any of these questions he will be liable to heavy penalties under the Defence Act.

B. MEDICAL EXAMINATION

I certify the above-named person to be fit for Class A1 Temporarily unfit.
Unfit

(Signature)

C. OATH OF ENLISTMENT †

I, Richard Maxwell FINN swear that I will well and truly serve our Sovereign Lord, the King, in the Military Forces of the Commonwealth of Australia until the cessation of the present time of war and twelve months thereafter or until sooner lawfully discharged, dismissed or removed, and that I will resist His Majesty's enemies and cause His Majesty's peace to be kept and maintained, and that I will in all matters appertaining to my service faithfully discharge my duty according to law.

So Help Me God

Signature of Person Enlisted Richard Finn

Subscribed at WARWICK in the State of QUEENSLAND
this 26 day of May 1943

Before me—

Signature of Attesting Officer F. Paukerwis

† Persons who object to take an oath may make an affirmation in accordance with the Third Schedule of the Defence Act. In such case the above form will be amended accordingly and initialed by the Attesting Officer.

11/4/44

DISCHARGED

19 - 12 - 45

(H) Empr 7 mol,

1/c 346650

AAF A102

SERVICE AND CASUALTY FORM

Continuation Sheet to A.F. B.103—1.

a.w. 200m 10/43

REPORT

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	2. ECT
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3.8.45	YR BR
27.8.45	YR BR
5.10.45	2/8 Bn
10.10.45	35 Bn
26.10.45	2/15 BnB
28.10.45	104 CES
11.11.45	✓
3.11.45	35 Bn
11.12.45	✓

Record of all casualties regarding promotions (acting, temporary, local or substantive), appointments, transfers, promotions, discharges, &c. for the purpose of pay, wounds, accidents, admission to and discharge from Hospital, Casualty Clearing Stations, &c. Date of disembarkation and embarkation from a theatre of war (including furlough, &c.).

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SERVICE AND CASUALTY FORM

Continuation Sheet to A.F. B.103—1.

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REPORT		Record of all casualties regarding promotions (acting, temporary, local or substantive), appointments, transfers, postings, attachments, &c., forfeiture of pay, wounds, accidents, admission to and discharge from Hospital, Casualty Clearing Stations, &c., Date of disembarkation and embarkation from a theatre of war (including furlough, &c.).	Date of Casualty	Place of Casualty	Authority of B.103 or other Document	Initials of Officer Concerning Entries
Date	From whom received					
7.12.45	Q'ER	Embarked "Duntroon" @ Wewak Disembarked Brileme 17/46	1.12.45 7.12.45	N.G. } Q'ER }	7/51	over
10.12.45	Q'id LTD	Taken on Holding Strength from 35 Bw For Discharge 17/46	10.12.45	Q'id 7/46 3		over
	Q'and Ech. & Rec.	DISCHARGED. REASON: A.M.R. & O. 255A (1) H Authority: A.M.R. & O. 255 (2) (a) (1v) R/O..... 7/46	19.12.45			over
				Redbank Dis. Reg.		
						Chickie Wewak 21. 10. 46.

NOTHING TO BE WRITTEN IN THIS SPACE.

LP

CERTIFIED TRUE COPY
I CERTIFY THAT THIS IS A TRUE COPY OF THE
ORIGINAL OF WHICH IT PURPORTS TO BE A COPY, AND
THAT I AM THE OFFICER HAVING THE CUSTODY OF THE
ORIGINAL.

Officer-in-Charge District Records Office,
Northern Command.

A102 CHECKED SERVICE AND CASUALTY FORM

A.F. B.103-1 (Adapted)

Army No. **269960**Unit **P.R.D. 78th**

AAF A 250

Christian Names **Richard Maxwell**Surname **FINN**Rank **Pte.**

(Block Capitals)

Date of Enlistment **17.3.43**C.D. **9.3.43**Place **RED BANK QLD.**Date and Place of Birth **31.12.24. PARINA, S.A.**Trade or Occupation **Labourer (U/E)**Religion **C of E.**

Medical Classification—Class 1.

(On Enlistment)

Marital Condition **Single.**Next of Kin **Ethel Ellen Finn,**Address of Next of Kin **40 Philip Street,****TOWNSVILLE, Q.**Relationship **Mother.**Identification—Color of Hair **Brown (Curly)**Eyes **Brown.**Distinctive Marks **None.**

Record of all casualties regarding promotions (acting, temporary, local or substantive), appointments, transfers, postings, attachments, &c., forfeiture of pay, wounds, accidents, admission to and discharge from Hospital, Casualty Clearing Station, or other place of treatment, and disembarkation and embarkation from a theatre of war (including furlough, &c.).

REPORT

From whom received

Date

17.3.43 **R.R.D.**
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20.3.43 **33 H.I.B.**
20.4.43 **"**
25.5.43 **M.Y.Y.D.**
28.5.43 **"**
28.5.43 **33 H.I.B.**
2.6.43 **"**
24.6.43 **"**
28.6.43 **33 H.I.B.**
20.10.43 **"**

Adm. to Recruit Reception Depot.
Moved to HQ. 3 Aust Inf. Bde.
Moved from C. Coy C. R.R.D.
Moved to C. Coy C. R.R.D. No 25 Intake.
Moved from 33 Aust Inf. Bde.
Moved to 33 A.I.B.
Moved from M.I.S.H. No 25 Intake.
Army No Change of Enlistment to M.I.S. to A.I.F.
Moved to 7 Aust Inf. Bde. Canterbury.
Moved to 20 Aust Inf. Bde.

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QX53407 Finn R.M.

REPORT		Record of all casualties regarding promotions (acting, temporary, local or substantive), appointments, transfers, postings, attachments, &c., or closure of establishments, and date of admission to service, and date of disembarkation and embarkation from a theatre of war (including furlough, &c.).					NOTHING TO BE WRITTEN IN THIS SPACE.		Authority W.3011, B.2069, or other Document	Initials of Officer Certifying Correctness of Entries
Date	From whom received	Date of Casualty	Place of Casualty	Date of Casualty	Place of Casualty	Date of Casualty	Place of Casualty	Date of Casualty		
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5.1.44		28.12.43		28.12.43					W.3011	
12.1.44	4A113	5.1.44		5.1.44					W.3011	
27.2.44		10.1.44	Canning	10.1.44					201/7	
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29.3.44		7.3.44	all R of C	7.3.44					201/7	
2.5.44		9.9.43		9.9.43					201/7	
10.7.44		2.5.44		2.5.44					201/7	
6.7.44		3.5.44		3.5.44					201/7	
19.7.44	4B113	6.7.44		6.7.44					201/7	
21.7.44	VACFPC	19.7.44		19.7.44					201/7	
21.7.44	4B113	18.7.44		18.7.44					201/7	
9.8.44		9.8.44		9.8.44					201/7	

a.w. 400m 7/43



MOBILIZATION ATTESTATION FORM

To be filled in for all Persons at the Place of Assembly when called out under Parts III. or IV. of the Defence Act.

Army No. 269960
Surname FINN (BLOCK CAPITALS) Christian Names Richard Maxwell
Unit Redbank
Enlisted for war service at Q. land (State) 3.3.43 (Date) (Place)

Questions to be put to persons called out or presenting themselves for enlistment.*

- What is your name? 1. Surname FINN
(BLOCK CAPITALS)
Other names Richard Maxwell
- Where were you born? 2. In or near the town of Farena
In the state or country of S. Aus.
- Are you a British Subject? 3. British
- What is your age and date of birth? 4. Age 18 yrs 2 mths
Date of Birth 21. 12. 24
- (a) What is your normal trade or occupation? Grade if any? 5. (a) Lab. (unemp. layed)
(b) Present occupation? (b) Single
- (a) Are you married, single or widower? 6. (a) Single
(b) If married state date of marriage? (b)
- (a) Have you had previous naval, military or Air Force service either in peace or war? If so, where and in what arm? 7. (a) none
(b) What was the reason for your discharge? (b)
- Who is your actual next of kin? (Order of relationship—wife, eldest son, eldest daughter, father, mother, eldest brother, eldest sister, eldest half-brother, eldest half-sister) 8. Name Edith Ellen Finn
Address 40 Philip Street
Townsville Q.
Relationship Mother
- What is your permanent address? 9. 40 Philip St
AP. Townsville Q.
69 E
- What is your religious denomination? (This question need not be answered if the man has a conscientious objection to doing so) 10. 69 E
- Which, if any, of the following Educational Qualifications do you possess? 11. Certificate for entry to Secondary School
Intermediate
Leaving
Leaving Honours
Technical
University Degree
Other Diplomas
- Have you ever been convicted by a Civil Court? 12. NO
If so—(a) What Court? (a)
(b) For what offence? (b)

I, Richard Maxwell Finn do solemnly declare that the above answers made by me to the above questions are true.

Witnessed by Richard M Finn (Signature of Attesting or Witnessing Officer.) (Signature)

* The person will be warned that should he give false answers to any of these questions he will be liable to heavy penalties under the Defence Acts.

B
MEDICAL EXAMINATION

I have made full and careful examination of the abovenamed person in accordance with the instructions contained in the Standing Orders for Australian Army Medical Services. In my opinion he is—*

1. Fit for Class I. *A*
 2. Temporarily unfit for Class I †
 3. Fit for Class II.
 4. Temporarily unfit for Class II †
 5. Unfit for military service †
- Place *Townsville* Date *March 3rd 1943*

Signature of Examining Medical Officer *Spiehl*

* Classifications which are inapplicable to be struck out.

† Reason for unfitness to be stated.

C
OATH OF ENLISTMENT ‡

For persons enlisted or called upon under Part III. or Part IV. of the Defence Act, and not being members of the Active Citizen Military Forces to serve in the Citizen Forces in time of war. Not compulsory for serving members of the Forces or those allotted to the Citizen Forces under Part XII. of the Act, but unless in any case an objection is raised, the oath should be administered to them as part of the ceremony of attestation.

I Richard Maxwell Finn swear that I will well and truly serve our Sovereign Lord, the King, in the Citizen Military Forces of the Commonwealth of Australia for the duration of the present time of war, or until sooner lawfully discharged, dismissed, or removed, and that I will resist His Majesty's enemies and cause His Majesty's peace to be kept and maintained, and that I will in all matters appertaining to my service faithfully discharge my duty according to law.

So Help Me God!

Signature of Person Enlisted *Richard Finn*

Subscribed at *Redbank* in the State of *Qld*
this *17* day of *Mar* 19*43*

Before me—

Signature of Attesting Officer *W. Overdale Lieut*

‡ Persons who object to take an oath may make an affirmation in accordance with the Third Schedule of the Defence Act. In such case the above form will be amended accordingly and initialled by the Attesting Officer.

APPROVED FOR SERVICE.

Per D.S.P. DIR. GENL. OF MAN POWER

- 3 MAR 1943

Date

DISCHARGE

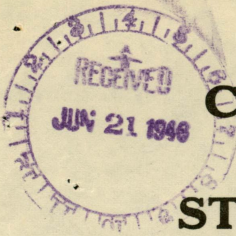
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(H) Emp 87nd

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Commonwealth of Australia

STATUTORY DECLARATION

I, Ethel Ellen Finn
(Name in Full)
of 40 philp street. Hermit park. Townsville
(Address in Full)

Queensland
do solemnly and sincerely declare:—

1. THAT I served in the Australian Military Forces, and my particulars were as follows:—

Regimental No. _____ Rank _____ Unit _____
Army

2. THAT I have lost the 5 Star Badge
issued to me by the Department of Defence
The Army

3. THAT the circumstances under which the said loss occurred are as under:—

I took it from the front of my dress and my
little Grand Daughter, Nanette Fels, playing
around me grabbed it and ran off she dropped
it down the Bathroom drain we could not
get it after a lot of attempts.

4. THAT to the best of my knowledge and belief the said Badge was lost

is/are not in the hands of any other person on my behalf or with my consent.

AND I make this solemn declaration by virtue of the Statutory Declarations Act 1911-1922, conscientiously believing the statement contained therein to be true in every particular.

Signature of person } Ethel E Finn
making declaration }

DECLARED AT Townsville the 15th Day of June

day of _____ 1946 before me:— J. J. Egan J.P.

Signature of J.P. or }
Commissioner for Declarations }

NOTE:—Any person who wilfully makes a false statement in a Statutory Declaration is guilty of an indictable offence, and is liable to imprisonment, with or without hard labour, for four years.

HERE INSERT:—

1. Place and date of Birth 29/12/84 Hilton. South Aus
2. Name and address and relationship of next- I am mother to my 5 sons
of-kin on enlistment I sent name and DO when I
wrote 40 philp street Hermit park Townsville
Qld

Required for
Military
identification
purposes only.

N.B.—This Form should be completed in all respects, otherwise unavoidable delay may arise in dealing with applicant's request.

13/1098/MH

1 M.D. Echelon and Records,
Victoria Park,
BRISBANE.

Mrs. E. E. Finn,
40 Philp St.,
Hermit Park,
TOWNSVILLE.

28 JUN 1946

Dear Madam,

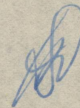
" DUPLICATE BADGE "

Receipt is acknowledged of your Statutory Declaration form relative to your application for " Duplicate Badge ".

You are advised that in view of the circumstances of your loss your application for issue of another badge has been accepted.

Therefore if you will please forward Postal Note to the value of (1) one shilling (to cover cost of issue) to this Office on the 15 Aug 1946, the badge will be forwarded on to you immediately.

Yours faithfully,



Lt.-Col.,
Officer-in-Charge, 1 M.D. Echelon and Records.

OFFICE IN COMMAND

40 Philip Street
Hermit Park
Lancaster
4/7/46

Dear Sis I am enclosing the
postal note for it I am sorry
not sending it before I went
only this morning came out of
hospital trusting it is not
inconvenience you

yours truly
MOR Ethel. E. Linn

P.N. 314192.

Receipt 599391

13/1098/B.H.

Northern Command Echelon & Records,
Victoria Park
BRISBANE

12 JUN 1946

Mrs. E.E. Finn,
40 Philp Street,
Hermit Park,
TOWNSVILLE Q'LAND

Dear Madam,

"DUPLICATE BADGE"

Your application for a replacement of your lost badge has been received.

Before another badge can be issued, it will be necessary that you state on the attached Statutory Declaration, a complete account of the circumstances under which the badge was lost, and return the form to this Office for further consideration.

Only in very exceptional circumstances, will another badge be issued, and only after a period of three (3) months has elapsed after reporting the loss to this Office.

Yours faithfully,

[Signature]

HJF

RECORDS FORM 6

Mrs. E. E. Finn,
40 Philp St,
HERMIT PARK
TOWNSVILLE Q.

QX50170

ADDRESS ALL CORRESPONDENCE TO:-

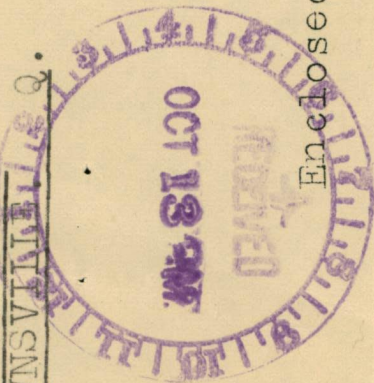
Officer-in-Charge,
Cld. L. of C. Area Records Office
WARWICK.

15 OCT 1943

Annals
FEMALE RELATIVE, BADGE

NO

160915



Enclosed please find abovementioned Badge.

Will you please acknowledge receipt of same by signing this receipt and returning same to this Office, at your earliest convenience.

Received abovementioned Badge.

Signature *E. E. Finn*

Date *11/10/43*

[Signature]
(P.D. JONES)
Officer-in-Charge, Records.
LT.-COL.

NOTE:- All communications appertaining to Army matters should contain reference to Soldier's name and army number.

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NAA: B883, QX53407

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Q E & R FORM 6

FI/91

Mrs. E.E. Finn,
40 Philp St.,
HERMIT PARK
TOWNSVILLE

Four Stars

FEMALE RELATIVE

.....BADGE

No. *A/60915*.....

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Will you please acknowledge receipt of same by signing this receipt and returning same to this office, at your earliest convenience.

Received abovementioned Badge.

Signature *Ethel E. Finn*.....

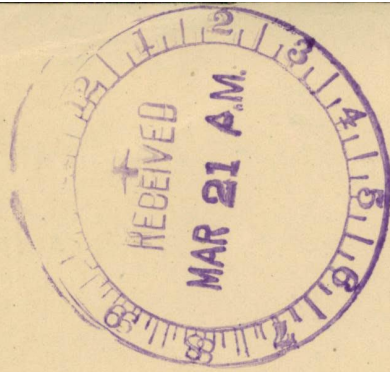
Date *14/3/45*.....

NOTE: All communications appertaining to Army matters should contain reference to Soldier's name and army number.

ADDRESS ALL CORRESPONDENCE TO:-

Officer in Charge,
Q'land Ech and Rec,
WARWICK.

7 MAR 1945



[Signature]
Lt.-Col.
Officer in Charge Q'land Ech and Rec.

055121

Finn

Q.E.R Form 6

1098

ADDRESS ALL CORRESPONDENCE TO:-

Mrs. E.E. Finn,
40 Philp St.,
Hermit Park,
TOWNSVILLE

Officer in Charge,
Q'land Ech and Reg,
WARWICK.

4 x star 5

BADGE
FEMALE RELATIVE

No.....*F.160915*.....**2 AUG 1945**



Enclosed please find abovementioned badge.

Will you please acknowledge receipt of same by signing this receipt, and returning same to this office, at your earliest convenience.

Received abovementioned Badge.

Signature...*E. E. Finn*.....

Date...*10/8/45*.....

Lt. - Col.
Officer i/c Q'land Ech & Rec.

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Northern Command Echelon & Records,
Victoria Park
BRISBANE

12 JUN 1946

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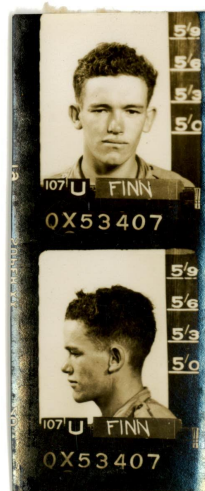
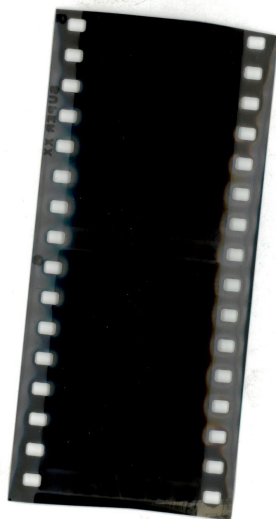
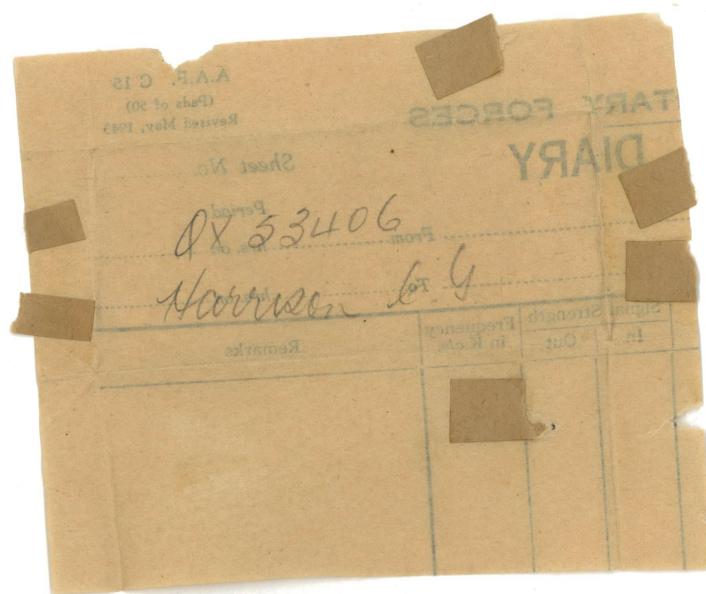
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Yours faithfully,

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Lt-Col. B.883, QX53407
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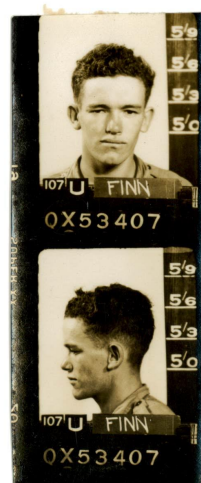
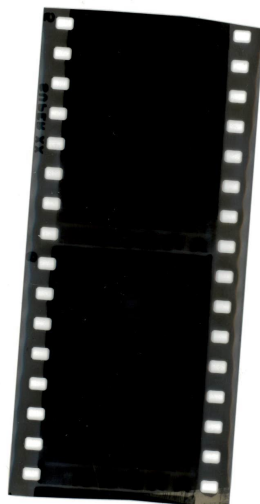
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326 5655

Info Svc/R707/1/7

8 July 1988

Mrs N.J. Hughes
7 Leeds Street
GULLIVER QLD 4812

Dear Mrs Hughes,

1. I refer to your letter received at this office on 27 April 1988, our acknowledgement card number H/166/88.
2. I wish to advise that the records maintained by this office are of the Australian Army only and commence at Federation. Prior to Federation the States maintained their own forces and consequently personal records are not available from this office.
3. In regards to the Boer War the only record available to this office is the publication "Records of Australian Contingents to the War in South Africa, 1899-1902", which was compiled and edited for the Department of Defence by Lieutenant Colonel P.L. Murray, RAA (Ret). The book should be available from your State or local library.
4. A check of the publication has failed to reveal that William David Finn served with any of the Australian Contingents to the War in South Africa. However, possible information on his service may be available from the following office:

South Australian Archives
State Library of South Australia
GPO Box 386
ADELAIDE SA 5001
5. I regret to advise that it has not been possible for this office to locate records of service for the Australian Army service of Allan Henry Finn or Leonard Anthony Finn. This is not uncommon as the part-time duty records for that era are limited and far from complete.

5. For further possible information concerning their part-time service, I suggest you write to the following office:

The Senior Archivist
Australian Archives
PO Box 33
BRIGHTON VIC 3186

7. For information on Royal Australian Air Force records your enquiries should be directed to the following address:

DGPS (Records)
Department of Defence (Air Office)
PO Box E33
Queen Victoria Terrace
CANBERRA ACT 2600

8. I also wish to advise that records of military service of the following ex-servicemen are held by this office:

- a. QX50170 Jack Hughes Finn,
- b. QX50347 Leslie Maxwell Finn,
- c. Q55023 Raymond Harold Shaw, and
- d. NX160445 Ivan Malcolm Hardy.

However, regulations preclude the release of information without the written consent of the ex-members concerned. If the ex-members are deceased, I will require a statement from you to that effect.

9. If you can satisfy the above condition I will be pleased to reconsider this part of your request.

10. It has not been possible from the information given, for this office to identify the Peter Finn or James Frances Wickham of your inquiry as having served in the Australian Army. A further check of records will be made on your behalf if you can provide at least some of the following details:

- a. Their Army numbers.
- b. Their Army units.
- c. All given names.
- d. Any other name under which they might have served.
- e. The date and place of their birth.
- f. Whether their service was full-time or part-time.
- g. The period or periods of service.
- h. The State of enlistment.
- i. Details of NOK on enlistment.

11. Unless some additional information can be supplied, I regret I can not assist you further with this part of your inquiry.

12. For possible information on Merchant Navy Service, I suggest you write to the following office:

Chief Mercantile Marine Officer
Marine Operations Division
Department of Transport
PO Box 594
CIVIC SQUARE ACT 2608

13. Enclosed for your information are copies of the following service documents relating to:

SX8421 Private William Morrice Golbert Finn

Q55121 Private David Finn

12165 Private Leonard George Pedersen

Q55023 Private Raymond Harold Shaw

WX10218 Private Oscar James Engwall

- a. Attestation Forms.
- b. Service and Casualty Forms.
- c. Proceedings on Discharge.

14. In accordance with the records held by this office, the ex-servicemen were entitled to the following Honours, Decorations or Medals:

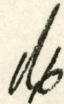
- a. William Finn
 - (1) 1939/45 Star
 - (2) Pacific Star
 - (3) War Medal
 - (4) Australia Service Medal
- b. David Finn
 - (1) Pacific Star
 - (2) War Medal
 - (3) Australia Service Medal
- c. Leonard Pedersen
 - (1) War Medal
- d. Raymond Shaw
 - (1) War Medal
 - (2) Australia Service Medal
- e. Oscar Engwall
 - (1) 1939/45 Star
 - (2) Pacific Star
 - (3) Defence Medal
 - (4) War Medal
 - (5) Australia Service Medal

15. The badge in your mother's possession is the Female Relative Badge. It was issued to wife and/or mother or nearest female relative of members of RAN, AIF and RAAF on Active Service abroad. Stars indicated the number of servicemen on Active Service abroad to whom the recipient was the wife, mother or nearest female relative.

16. I also wish to advise that the records maintained by this office are of a personal nature only. Information regarding unit activities, battles, areas of operation, photographs, campaigns, histories, and (where appropriate) Prisoners of War, may be recorded at the Australian War Memorial. That organisation produces a publication which provides a description of genealogical sources held by them and explains how the information can be gained. An information sheet is enclosed.

17. This information is released pursuant to Australian Military Regulation 770 in my capacity as the Staff Officer Information Services Section.

Yours sincerely,



M.K. MCGREGOR
Major
for Commanding Officer

Enclosure:

1. Photocopies of Service Documents

- ① Answer question re: photos
(suggest AWM)
- ② Also medal question over page

18th April,
7 Leeds St
Gulliver, 40
Townsville, Q

Dear Sir / Madam,

Please find enclosed our requests for information. We would be happy to pay for any costs (searchers fees: photo copying or etc.) I have the pleasure of Researching our family Tree and am currently on our service men. To follow up this NO 42. I will send down the information of the son in law who was in service during W.W. 2. for checking. There were 11 Boys and 6 girls from William David Finn and Ethel Ellen Finns marriage. There are now only 3 girls and 6 boys left alive, my mother Nancy being one of the girls. Grandfather was also in the Army as per what information we have listed.

We would be grateful for your help; and what would you suggest as we would like to try for photos of Grandfather Finn. Is it possible that you may have a Group Photo taken when he enlisted with other men? in South Australia

Yours faithfully,
Nanette J. Hughes (Mrs)
for Nancy Hughes Gibson (nee Finn)

2.

the end of W.W.2. Grandmother Finn was sent
Silver badge with a bar with 5 stars would
she have been entitled to more stars for her
sons in uniform. My mother holds her badge
for the family as she is very proud of it.

3.

er :- William David Finn (Dec.)
Born 25-2-1872 Pitschi Ritschi
Pass, S.A. CHECK WWI
Died 1-1-1941 Townsville, Qld.
married :-

Ethel Ellen Edwards. (Dec.)

Request :- All information you may have.
WHICH ONE -> 2685 + 296 WILLIAM 3rd NSW IMP B'n men Boven White

Information :- Pte. Finn W.D. Boer War,
South Africa, mounted Exped.
Forces. 1899-1902. South African
Corps.

We know that he never left
Australia but trained horses as rather broken in
Remounts for shipping to South Africa.
Apparently he was based outside Adelaide. We
have a photo of him in Uniform no cap with
the badges on the collar of his uniform. We would
be grateful for any more information

KB

326 5655

CARO/QX53407

23 May 1991

Mr R.M. Finn
C/- Mr M Finn
12 Hudson Street
KIRWAN QLD 4814

Dear Mr Finn,

1. I refer to your enquiry received at this office on 15 May 1991.

2. Enclosed for your information are copies of the following service documents relating to your service in the Australian Army:

- a. Attestation Forms
- b. Service and Casualty Forms
- c. Proceedings for Discharge

3. In accordance with the records held by this office, you were entitled to the following Honours, Decorations or Medals which have been issued:

- a. 1939/45 Star
- b. Pacific Star
- c. War Medal
- d. Australia Service Medal

4. I also wish to advise you that records maintained by this office are of a personal nature only. Information regarding unit activities, battles, areas of operation, campaigns, histories and (where appropriate) Prisoners of War, may be recorded at the Australian War Memorial in Canberra. However, it is stressed that the War Memorial puts the onus on the individual to conduct their own research or to hire an approved researcher. The address is as follows:

The Senior Curator
Information Services Section
Australian War Memorial
PO Box 345
CANBERRA ACT 2601

5. This information is released pursuant to Australian Military Regulation 770, in my capacity as the Acting Supervisor, History Research Section, Central Army Records Office.

Yours sincerely,



A.M. ROE
for Commanding Officer

Enclosure:

1. Photocopies of Service Documents

15 MAY 1991

HISTORY
A-K

R M Finn

C/ M Finn

12 Hudson St

Korwar

Townsville

Queensland 4817

Dear Sir

would you please forward my army
records to the above address, my details then were

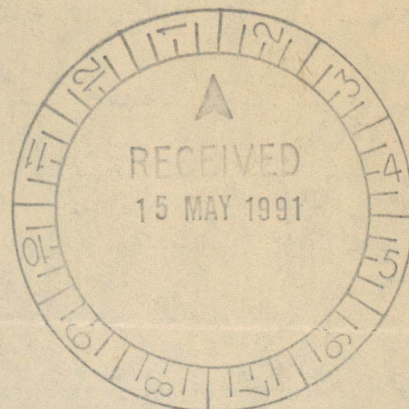
Private Richard Masavell Finn

2/8th Battalion

6th Division

A.I.F.

QX 53407



Staff-in-confidence (when completed)
Request for Service Details



TO Service Records Office
Officer-in-Charge
Soldier Career Management Agency
GPO Box 393 D
MELBOURNE VIC 3001

Return completed form to:

Defence Service Homes
GPO Box 498
BRISBANE QLD 4001

19 SEP 1995

NOTES: DSH - Do not include any doubtful details.
SERVICE RECORDS OFFICE - Tick if information is correct, or alter if incorrect. If you need more space for answers, or service does not fit in categories provided in the form, please attach a separate sheet.
DSH holds the client's written consent for the disclosure of service history to the Department of Veterans' Affairs for the purposes of the DSH Act.

Contact ANGELA STARK

C1

Phone (07) 2238317

Date 14 / SEP / 95

File no: 4 9 1 3 5 2 3

Personal Details

1. Surname ☒ FINN
2. Given names ☒ RICHARD MAXWELL
3. Service number ☒ QX53407
4. Name of Force ☒ ARMY
5. Rank (currently or at date of discharge) ☒ PTE
6. Sex ☒ MALE
7. Date of Birth ☒ 24 31 / DEC / 26
8. Date of Enlistment ☒ 09 / MAR / 43
9. Date of Discharge (if serving write "still serving") ☒ 19 / DEC / 45

If the person is still serving, go to question 13. You do not need to complete the Discharge Details

Discharge Details

10. Was the service terminated for misconduct or misbehaviour? ☐ NO
11. If YES, did the misconduct or misbehaviour consist only of absence without leave? ☐ N/A
- 12(a). If only AWOL, did the person complete service outside the territorial boundaries of Australia, including the Torres Strait Islands? ☐ N/A
- 12(b). If YES, were there any incidents of misconduct or misbehaviour during that service outside Australia? ☐ N/A

Prior Service/Statements

13. Details of prior service with another service (if known)
14. List any previous statements provided (if readily available)

Period of Service

15. Tick the box/es below to indicate the period/s covered by the service

- 4 Aug 1914 to 31 Aug 1921 ☐ Complete Section A
3 Sept 1939 to 30 June 1947 ☒ Complete Section B
27 June 1950 to 11 Jan 1973 ☐ Complete Section C and E (if National Service)
7 Dec 1972 to 14 May 1985 ☐ Complete Section D and E (if National Service)
15 May 1985 to 9 June 1991 ☐ Complete Section D and F
None of the above ☐ Go to item 33

Note: All questions in nominated sections must be answered (write N/A or NIL if necessary)

Section A - First World War

16. Was the person enlisted or appointed for active service outside Australia between 4 August 1914 and 31 August 1921 inclusive?

Section B - Second World War

17. Was the person enlisted or appointed for service outside Australia in RAN, RAAF, AIF, AAMWS (AIF), RAAFNS or PMF between 3 September 1939 and 30 June 1947 inclusive? ☒ YES (AIF), 26.5.43-19.12.45
18. For a person who served in the PMF, CMF, WRANS, AWAS, WAAAF, AAMWS (CMF) or VAD between 3 September 1939 and 30 June 1947 inclusive
- a) In which of these forces did the person serve?
 - b) Did the person serve outside the territorial boundaries of Australia, including the Torres Strait Islands, during that service? ☐ NO
 - c) Provide the dates and countries of overseas service (if available)

Section C - Korea & South East Asia

19. Korea between 27 June 1950 and 31 August 1957 inclusive
- a) Was the person allotted for duty in an operational area in connection with the warlike operations in Korea during this period?

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b) If the person was so allotted while in Australia or another part of the Queen's dominions, did the person leave the last port of call in the dominion where allotted before 1 September 1957 for service in connection with those operations?

20. Malaya between 29 June 1950 and 31 August 1957 inclusive

a) Was the person allotted for duty in an operational area in connection with the warlike operations in Malaya during this period?

b) If the person was so allotted while in Australia or another part of the Queen's dominions, did the person leave the last port of call in the dominion where allotted before 1 September 1957 for service in connection with those operations?

21. Malaya and Singapore between 1 September 1957 and 27 May 1963 inclusive

Did the person serve on land in the area of Malaya or the area of the island of Singapore and its dependencies other than Christmas Island, during this period?

22. South Vietnam, Malaya, Singapore, Sarawak, Brunei, Sabah and certain surrounding waters between 31 July 1962 and 11 January 1973 inclusive

a) Did the person serve during this period on continuous full-time service outside Australia while allotted, or as a member of a unit that was allotted for duty in one of the operational areas described in items 4 to 8 in Schedule 2 of the *Veterans' Entitlements Act 1986*?

b) Did the person serve during this period on continuous full-time service in South Vietnam or its waters while deemed to have been allotted, or as a member of a unit that was deemed to have been allotted for duty in one of the operational areas described in items 4 and 8 in Schedule 2 of the *Veterans' Entitlements Act 1986*?

23. Dates and countries of active service (if available)

Section D - Regular Service

24. On enlistment or appointment was the person:

a) an officer undergoing training at the Royal Australian Naval College? (Navy)

b) a member of the Corps of Staff Cadets? (Army)

c) an Air Cadet? (Air Force)

If yes to any of the above (a, b or c), state rank to which appointed or promoted subsequent to studies

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25. On enlistment or appointment was the person an officer enrolled in a tertiary educational institution and required to continue those studies?

If yes, state the period during which the person was not regarded as rendering effective full-time service

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26. Did the person have any period/s of non effective service where the total period of any one incident exceeded 21 days?

If yes, please advise type and period below.

a) Leave without pay / / to / /

b) Absent without leave / / to / /

c) Awaiting or undergoing trial for offence resulting in conviction / / to / /

d) Detention or imprisonment / / to / /

27. Was the service terminated by death, invalidity or physical or mental incapacity to perform duties?

If yes, for what period had the person enlisted or been appointed

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28. For a person who commenced continuous full-time service on or after 17 August 1977 and before 15 May 1985, and has been discharged or is in the process of being discharged.

Did the person complete more than 6 years' service only by virtue of a delay in discharging the person or otherwise terminating that service, including a delay for the purpose of the treatment or observation of an illness or injury?

Section E - National Service

29. Did the person on or after 7 December 1972 complete the period of National Service for which the person was deemed to have been engaged to serve or for which appointed?

30. Was National Service terminated by death, invalidity or physical or mental incapacity to perform duties?

31. Was National Service terminated by transfer to the Regular Defence Force?

Section F - Namibia and Persian Gulf/Middle East

32. Namibia from 18 February 1989 to 10 April 1990 inclusive. Persian Gulf from 2 August 1990 to 9 June 1991 inclusive. Iraq and Kuwait from 23 February 1991 to 9 June 1991 inclusive.

a) Did the person serve during this period in Namibia, the Persian Gulf or Iraq and Kuwait while allotted or as a member of a unit that was allotted for duty in the operational areas described in items 9, 10 or 11 of Schedule 2 of the *Veterans' Entitlements Act 1986*?

b) If yes, which of the above designated areas?

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Authorised Person's Details

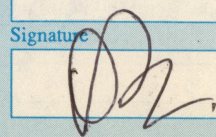
33. Full name

D.R.L.

34. Rank/Title

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35. Signature


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DEFENCE PERSONNEL EXECUTIVE
SOLDIER CAREER MANAGEMENT AGENCY

Central Army Records Office, GPO Box 393D, MELBOURNE VIC 3001

Telephone: (03) 9282 4999
(03) 9282 5393
(03) 9282 6235

28 September, 1999

In reply quote: CARO/SX8421

Mr R Melville
37 Anderson Road
BRIDGEWATER SA 5155

Dear Mr Melville

1. I refer to your enquiry received at this office on 23 March 1999.
2. Enclosed for your information are copies of the service documents this office holds relating to the following ex-members:

QX50170 Private Jack Hughes Finn
QX50347 Private Leslie Keith Finn
QX53407 Private Richard Maxwell Finn
Q55121 Private David Finn
NX65601 Private Allan Henry Finn
SX8421 Private William Morrice Golbert Finn
3. According to the records held by this office, SX8421 Private William Morrice Colbert Finn was one of almost 2000 Australian Prisoners Of War transferred from Changi POW camp in Malaya to Sandakan in Borneo. All but six (all escapees) were to die as a result of the vicious treatment of the Japanese either in the camp or on the infamous 'Sandakan Death March'.
4. Further information concerning Sandakan is available in the book Sandakan Under Nippon, The Last March by Don Wall, published in 1988. This book may be available from your state or local Library
5. This information is released pursuant to Australian Military Regulation 770(1)(d).

Yours sincerely

B.N.P. THOMPSON
for Commanding Officer