



HE whom this scroll commemorates was numbered among those who, at the call of King and Country, left all that was dear to them, endured hardness, faced danger, and finally passed out of the sight of men by the path of duty and self-sacrifice, giving up their own lives that others might live in freedom.

Let those who come after see to it that his name be not forgotten.

13909, PRIVATE, Thomas SHORROCK

7th Battalion.

King's Own (Royal Lancaster Regiment)

Killed in action, France & Flanders, 15/11/16

Born: Longton, Lancs, Enlisted: Preston

**In Memory of
Private THOMAS SHORROCK**

**13909, 7th Bn.,
King's Own (Royal Lancaster Regiment)**

who died age 22 on 15 November 1916

**Son of James and Alice Shorrocks,
of Slate Farm, Hall Carr Lane, Longton, Preston.**

**Remembered with honour
THIEPVAL MEMORIAL**



**Commemorated in perpetuity by
the Commonwealth War Graves Commission**

Name: SHORROCK, THOMAS

Initials: T

Nationality: United Kingdom

Rank: Private

Regiment/Service: King's Own (Royal Lancaster Regiment)

Unit Text: 7th Bn.

Age: 22

Date of Death: 15/11/1916

Service No: 13909

Additional information: Son of James and Alice Shorrock, of Slate Farm, Hall Carr Lane, Longton, Preston.

Casualty Type: Commonwealth War Dead

Grave/Memorial Reference: Pier and Face 5 D and 12 B.

Memorial: [THIEPVAL MEMORIAL](#)

Cemetery: THIEPVAL MEMORIAL

Country: France

Locality: unspecified

Visiting Information: The Panel numbers (or Pier and Face) quoted at the end of each entry relate to the panels dedicated to the Regiment served with. In some instances where a casualty is recorded as attached to another Regiment, his name may alternatively appear within their Regimental Panel (or Pier and Face). Please refer to the on-site Memorial Register Introduction to determine the alternative panel numbers (or Pier and Face) if you do not find the name within the quoted Panels (or Pier and Face).

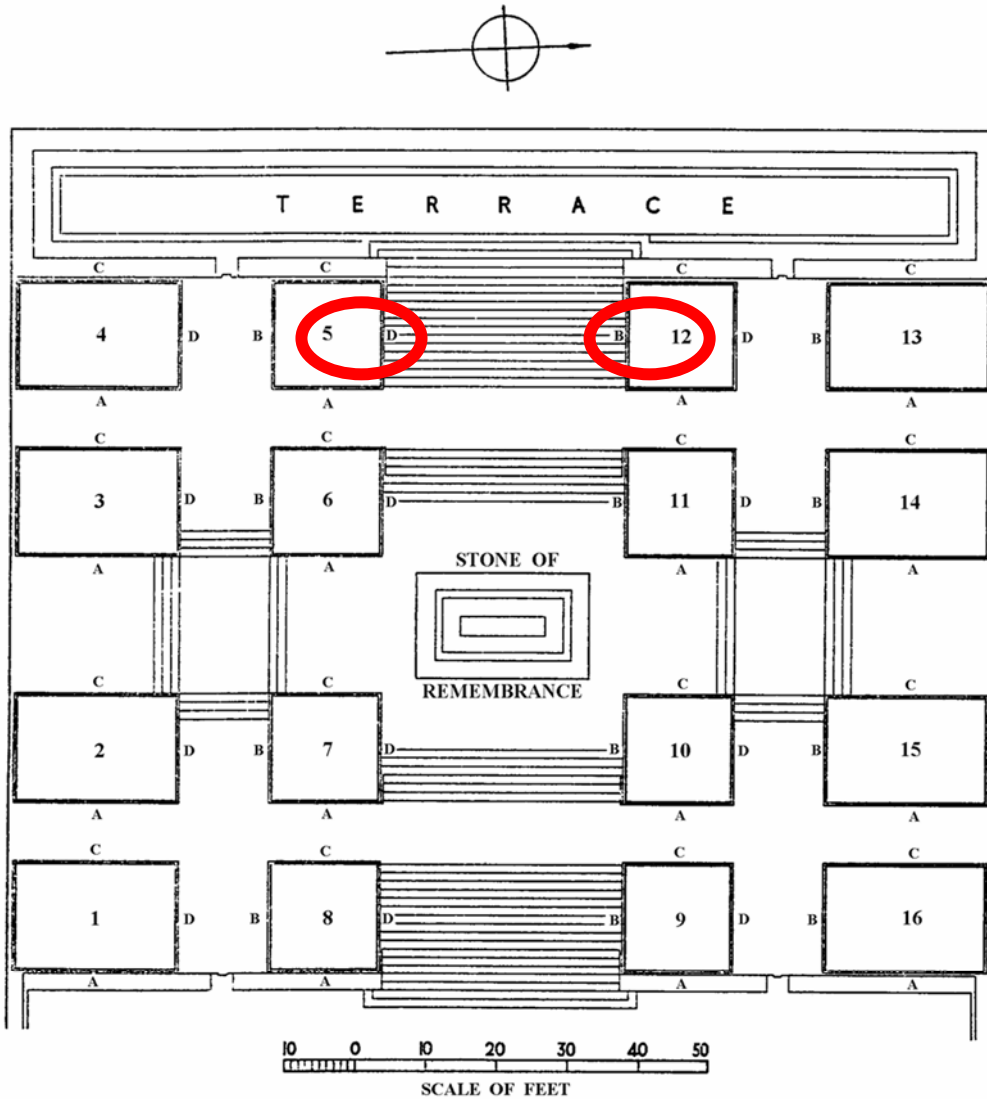
Location Information: The Thiepval Memorial will be found on the D73, off the main Bapaume to Albert road (D929). Each year a major ceremony is held at the memorial on 1 July.

Historical Information: On 1 July 1916, supported by a French attack to the south, thirteen divisions of Commonwealth forces launched an offensive on a line from north of Gommecourt to Maricourt. Despite a preliminary bombardment lasting seven days, the German defences were barely touched and the attack met unexpectedly fierce resistance. Losses were catastrophic and with only minimal advances on the southern flank, the initial attack was a failure. In the following weeks, huge resources of manpower and equipment were deployed in an attempt to exploit the modest successes of the first day. However, the German Army resisted tenaciously and repeated attacks and counter attacks meant a major battle for every village, copse and farmhouse gained. At the end of September, Thiepval was finally captured. The village had been an original objective of 1 July. Attacks north and east continued throughout October and into November in increasingly difficult weather conditions. The Battle of the Somme finally ended on 18 November with the onset of winter. In the spring of 1917, the German forces fell back to their newly prepared defences, the Hindenburg Line, and there were no further significant engagements in the Somme sector until the Germans mounted their major offensive in March 1918. The Thiepval Memorial, the Memorial to the Missing of the Somme, bears the names of more than 72,000 officers and men of the United Kingdom and South African forces who died in the Somme sector before 20 March 1918 and have no known grave. Over 90% of those commemorated died between July and November 1916. The memorial also serves as an Anglo-French Battle Memorial in recognition of the joint nature of the 1916 offensive and a small cemetery containing equal numbers of Commonwealth and French graves lies at the foot of the memorial. The memorial, designed by Sir Edwin Lutyens, was built between 1928 and 1932 and unveiled by the Prince of Wales, in the presence of the President of France, on 31 July 1932. The dead of other Commonwealth countries who died on the Somme and have no known graves are commemorated on national memorials elsewhere.

No. of Identified Casualties: 72089

Cemetery Plans

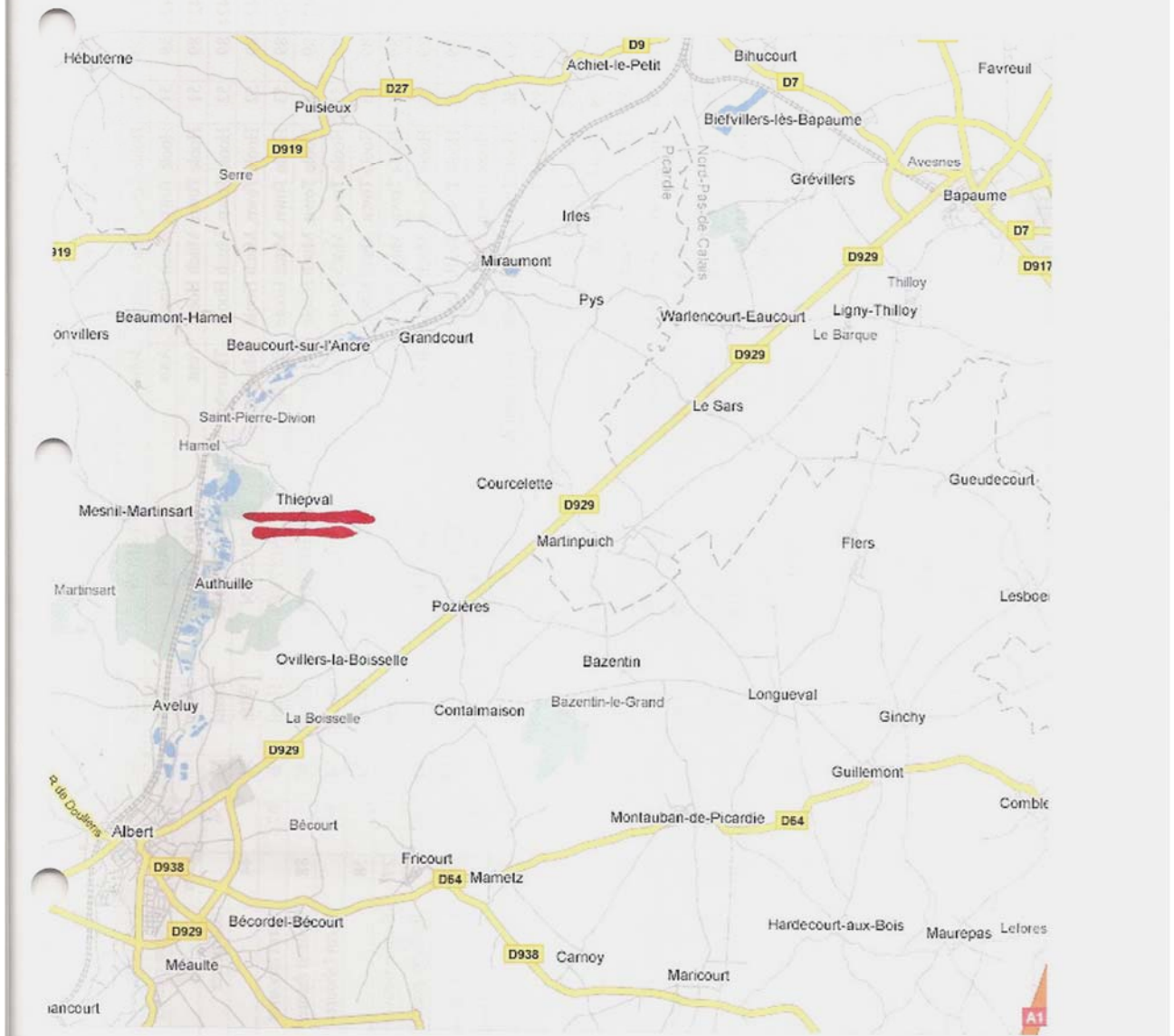
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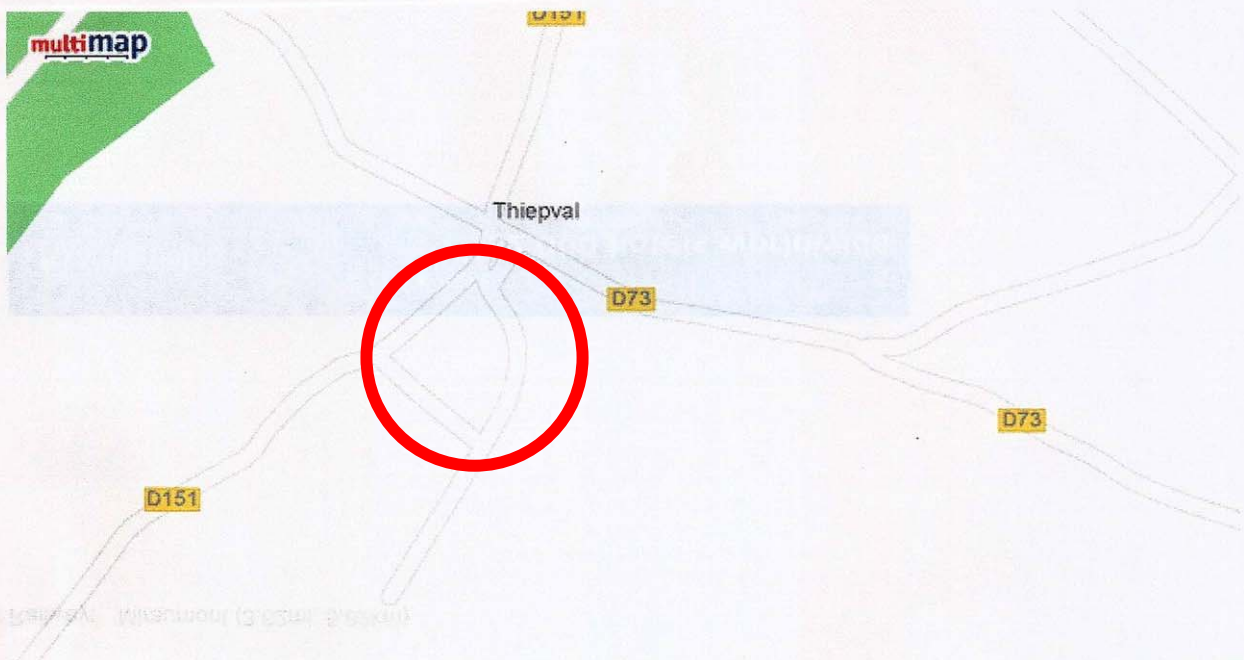
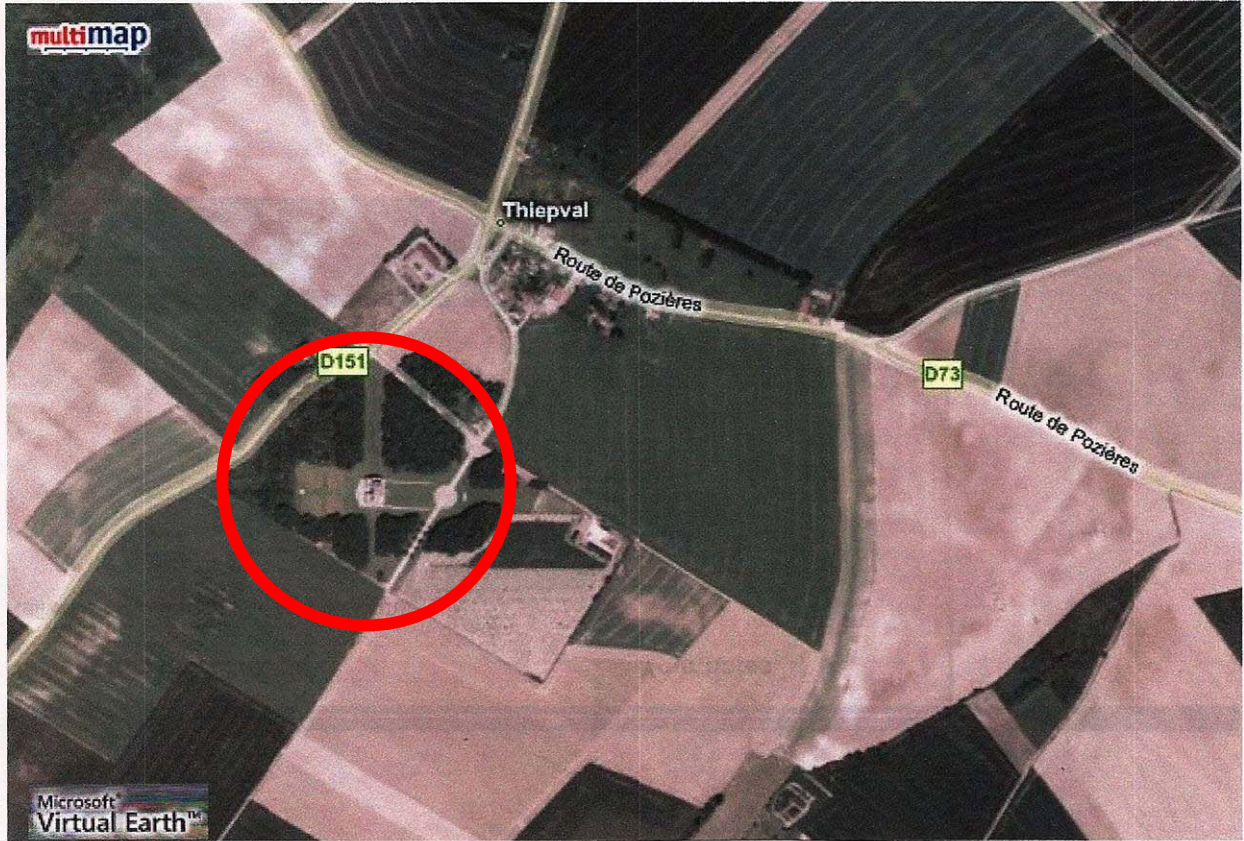
THE NUMBERS OF THE PIERS
AND LETTERS OF THE FACES

**Private Thomas SHORROCK's memorial
at Pier and Face 5D and 12 B highlighted.**



Location of Thiepval

Map of Millencourt, Somme



Thiepval Memorial, Somme, highlighted.

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Campaign:—

1914-15. (A) Where decoration was earned.

(B) Present situation.

Name	Corps	Rank	Reg. No.	Roll on which included (if any)		
				MEDAL	ROLL	PAGE
(A) SHORROCK	R. Lanc R.	P/6	13909	VIC	H/2/103 B6	731
(B) Thomas.	— " —	— " —	— " —	15 STAR	Do H/2/310	Do 224.

Action taken

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THEATRE OF WAR. (1) France

QUALIFYING DATE. 17.7.15.

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Correspondence.

Address.

Private 13909 Shorrock's Medal Record Card

Medals awarded to Private 13909 Thomas SHORROCK



The 1914 – 15 Star

Established in December 1918

Also known as '*Pip*'.

This bronze medal was authorized in 1918. It is very similar to the 1914 Star but it was issued to a much wider range of recipients. Broadly speaking it was awarded to all who served in any theatre of war against Germany between 5th August 1914 and 31st December 1915, except those eligible for the 1914 Star. Similarly, those who received the Africa General Service Medal or the Sudan 1910 Medal were not eligible for the award.

Like the 1914 Star, the 1914-15 Star was not awarded alone. The recipient had to have received the British War Medal and the Victory Medal. The reverse is plain with the recipient's service number, rank, name and unit impressed on it.

An estimated 2.4 million of these medals were issued.



The British War Medal 1914 - 1918

Established on 26th July 1919.

Also known as '*Squeak*'.

The silver or bronze medal was awarded to officers and men of the British and Imperial Forces who either entered a theatre of war or entered service overseas between 5th August 1914 and 11th November 1918 inclusive. This was later extended to services in Russia, Siberia and some other areas in 1919 and 1920.

Approximately 6.5 million British War Medals were issued.

Approximately 6.4 million of these were the silver versions of this medal.

Around 110,000 of a bronze version were issued mainly to Chinese, Maltese and Indian Labour Corps. The front (obv or obverse) of the medal depicts the head of George V.

The recipient's service number, rank, name and unit was impressed on the rim.



The Allied Victory Medal

Also known as '*Wilfred*'

It was decided that each of the allies should each issue their own bronze victory medal with a similar design, similar equivalent wording and identical ribbon.

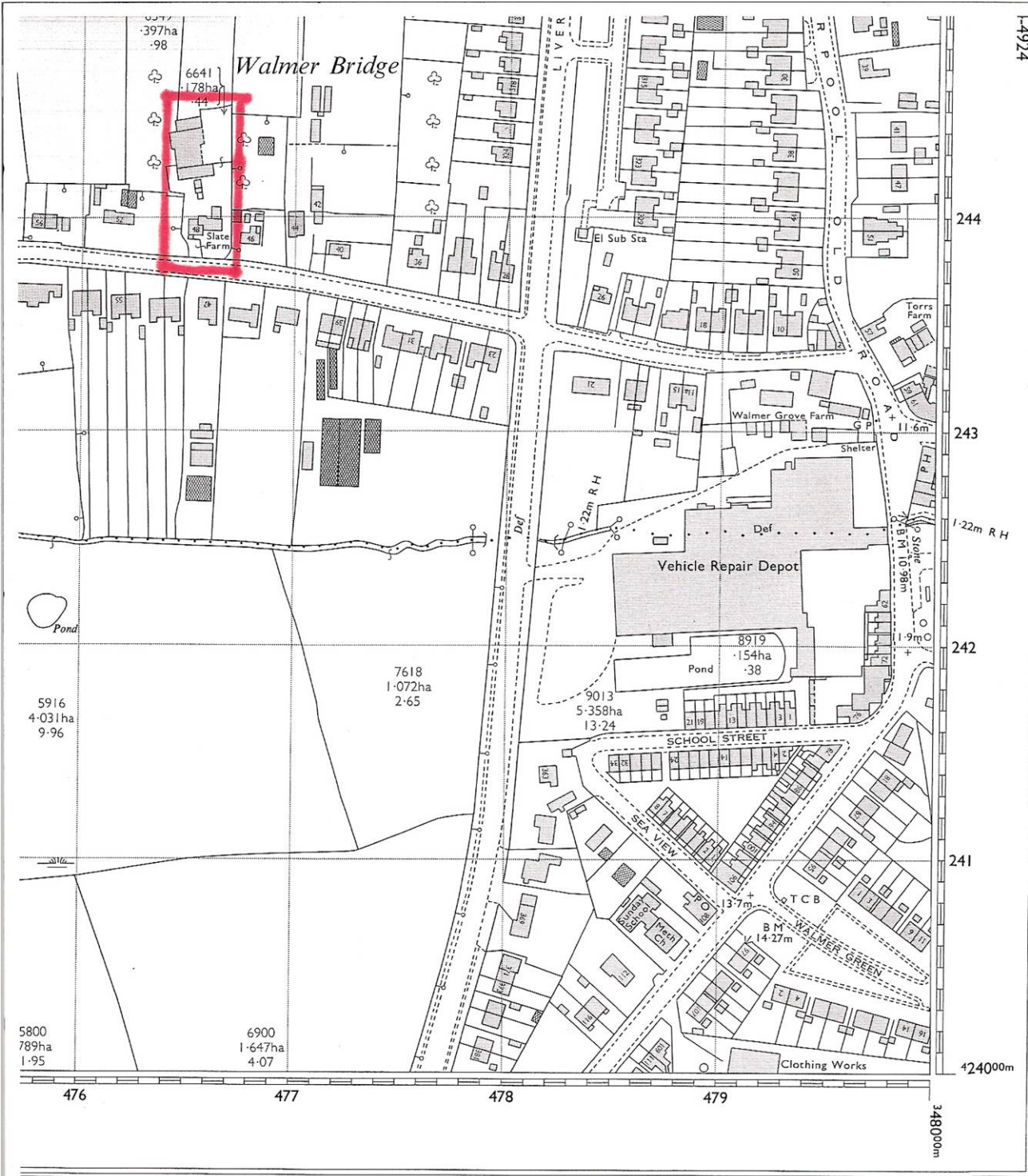
The British medal was designed by W. McMillan. The front depicts a winged classical figure representing victory.

Approximately 5.7 million victory medals were issued. Interestingly, eligibility for this medal was more restrictive and not everyone who received the British War Medal ('Squeak') also received the Victory Medal ('Wilfred'). However, in general, all recipients of 'Wilfred' also received 'Squeak' and all recipients of 'Pip' also received both 'Squeak' and 'Wilfred'.

The recipient's service number, rank, name and unit was impressed on the rim.

It is with the deepest regret that we have heard the unofficial news that another Longton man has been killed in action. Private T. Shorrock was one of the first of our men to respond to his country's call. He enlisted in September 1914 and went out to France in June 1915. Mr. and Mrs. Shorrock have our deepest sympathy in their sad bereavement; may God help them to bear the heavy cross that has been laid upon them.

Mr. and Mrs. James Shorrock, Hall Carr Lane, Longton, have received official information that their eldest son, Private Thomas Shorrock, 22, was killed in action on November 15th. He enlisted in September 1914 and was a stretcher-bearer in the King's Own Royal Lancaster Regiment. He was formerly employed by the Preston Rural Council as a steam roller driver.



12 Hectares
Acres
Metres
Feet

One grid square on this plan represents one hectare.

AREAS

Area measurement is to plan edge only.
The number and area, in hectares (ha) and acres, is shown within each parcel of land.

8400 parcel number
EXAMPLE: 1.809ha area in hectares
4.47 area in acres

When identifying a parcel it is important to specify the number of the plan on which it falls.
Enclosures or features joined for measurement of area
Limit of area within which individual parcels are not shown

County Boundary (geographical)

Location of Slate Farm, Hall Carr Lane, Longton.

In the results below, the reference number will be a link. Clicking on this link will add your choice to a summary list on a new page. From this [summary page](#) you will be able to review all your search results and you will find links to printable application forms which can be used to order the certificate for the index entry. Full details of the charges and the Register Office address can be found on the form.

Lancashire Marriage indexes for the years: 1892

Surname	Forename(s)	Surname	Forename(s)	Church / Register Office	Registers At	Reference
SHORROCK	James	BAMFORD	Alice	Longton, St Andrew	Preston	220/1/173

Total records matching : 1

If you haven't found the James SHORROCK that you're looking for, it may be that the indexes for your area of interest have not been transcribed yet. See our [coverage](#) page for more information.

Where the first surname is a web link followed by an asterisk (*), it signifies that there are alternative entries in the database for this reference number. Click on the surname to display the full list of alternatives and an explanation of why this occurs.

Many other counties have their BMD indexes on-line. If you can't find the entry in this area, perhaps you could try a neighbouring area. See the Local BMD section of Information regarding the purchase of certificates can be found in the [Marriages Information](#) page.



Click on the appropriate reference number in the tables above to add your choice to your [summary page](#). From the summary page you will be able to review all your search choices and print off application forms to order copy certificates.

NOTE: Each Region's Register Office has a different address. Please be sure to send your application to the correct office, otherwise your application may be rejected.

The appropriate address will be found near the bottom of the application form.

Lancashire **BMD**

Births, Marriages and Deaths on the Internet

In the results below, the reference number will be a link. Clicking on this link will add your choice to a summary list on a new page. From this [summary page](#) you will be able to review all your search results and you will find links to printable application forms which can be used to order the certificate for the index entry. Full details of the charges and the Register Office address can be found on the form.

Lancashire Birth indexes for the years: 1892

Surname	Forename(s)	Sub-District	Registers At	Mother's Maiden Name	Reference
SHORROCK	Margaret Ann	Longton	Preston	BAMFORD	LONG/24/31

Died 1897

Lancashire Birth indexes for the years: 1894

SHORROCK	Thomas	Longton	Preston	MAWDSLEY	LONG/24/93
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Died 1916

Lancashire Birth indexes for the years: 1897

SHORROCK	Ellen	Longton	Preston	MAWDSLEY	LONG/26/7
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Lancashire Birth indexes for the years: 1902

SHORROCK	Maggie	Longton	Preston	BAMFORD	LONG/28/2
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Died 1915

Lancashire Birth indexes for the years: 1904

SHORROCK	Alice	Longton	Preston	MAWDSLEY	LONG/29/21
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Died 1904

Lancashire Birth indexes for the years: 1906

SHORROCK	James	Longton	Preston	MAWDSLEY	LONG/29/84
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Many other counties have their BMD indexes on-line. If you can't find the entry in this area, perhaps you could try a neighbouring area. See the Local BMD section of



Information regarding the purchase of certificates can be found in the [Birth Information](#) page.

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Though there are different mother's maiden names for the various births, census and other records confirm that these details are correct, though no explanation can as yet be offered for the differences.



*The Parish of Longton
in the County of
-- Lancashire --*

Baptism: 21 Aug 1892 St Andrew, Longton, Lancashire, England
Margaret Ann Shorrocks - [Child] of James Shorrocks & Alice

Born: 10 Jun 1892

Abode: : Longton

Occupation: Labourer

Baptised by: Thomas M. Armson

Register: Baptisms 1889 - 1900, Page 11, Entry 82

Source: LDS Film 1278777

Baptism: 6 May 1894 St Andrew, Longton, Lancashire, England
Thomas Shorrocks - [Child] of James Shorrocks & Alice

Born: 24 Mar 1894

Abode: Longton

Occupation: Labourer

Baptised by: J. Johnson

Register: Baptisms 1889 - 1900, Page 16, Entry 122

Source: LDS Film 1278777

Baptism: 18 Apr 1897 St Andrew, Longton, Lancashire, England
Ellen Shorrocks - [Child] of James Shorrocks & Alice

Born: 15 Mar 1897

Abode: Longton

Occupation: Labourer

Baptised by: J. Johnson

Register: Baptisms 1889 - 1900, Page 27, Entry 213

Source: LDS Film 1278777

Administrative County		LANCASTER.		The undermentioned Houses are situate within the boundaries of the										Page 14					
Civil Parish		of Hutton		Ecclesiastical Parish		Penwortham		County Borough, Municipal Borough, or Urban District		of		Ward of Municipal Borough or of Urban District		Rural District		Parliamentary Borough or Division		Town or Village or Hamlet	
of Hutton		of St. Mary		of		of		of		of PRESTON.		of BLACKPOOL.		of Hutton.					
No. of Schedule	ROAD, STREET, &c. and No. or NAME of HOUSE	HOUSES				Name and Surname of each Person	RELATION to Head of Family	Condition as to Marriage	Age last Birthday of		PROFESSION OR OCCUPATION	Employer, Worker, or Own account	If Working at Home	WHERE BORN	17				
		Inhabited	Uninhabited	In Occupation	Not in Occupation				Males	Females					(1) Deaf and Dumb	(2) Blind			
68	Hutton Row	1				Edward Shaworth	Head	M	72		Living on own means			Lanc: Blackburn					
69	Hutton Row	1				M. A. Do	Wife	F	35					Do do					
						Ellen Whipp	Head	Wid	80		Sweet Shop Baker	Own Account		Do do					
						William Do	Son	M	43		Barber on Railway	Worker		Do do					
						Ellen Knigules	Wife	M	34		Charngate	Worker		Do do					
70	Rose Cottage	1				Charles Goober	Grandson	M	17		Labourer on Farm	Worker		Ireland					
						John Taylor	Head	M	67		Basket Maker	Employer at Home		Lanc: Preston					
						Clarah A. Do	Wife	M	46					Do do					
						Ethel M. Kentworth	Wife	F	20		Assistant Schoolmistress	Worker		Do do					
71	Liverpool Rd.	1				Edith A. Do	Wife	F	17		Pupil Teacher	Worker		Do do					
						James Blackburn	Head	M	44		Living on own means			Do Whittingham					
72	Liverpool Rd.	1				Phyllis Do	Wife	M	49					Do Alton					
						James Shorrocks	Head	M	29		Booksetter's Clerk	Worker		Do Longton					
						Alice Do	Wife	M	36					Do do					
						Thomas Do	Son	M	7					Do do					
						Ellen Do	Wife	F	4					Do do					
73	Liverpool Rd.	1				Edward Smith	Head	M	65		Farmer	Own Account		Do Penwortham					
						Alice Do	Wife	M	66					Do do					
74	Back Lane	1				Jenny Topackerley	Head	Wid	76		Independent means			Do Hutton					
						Janet G. Do	Wife	F	13					Do do					
75	Back Lane	1				Robert Dixon	Head	M	66		Retired coal agent local Boarder on account			Do do					
						Ellen Do	Wife	M	65					Lanc: Lancaster					
76	Back Lane	1				Thomas Kirby	Head	M	26		Hand Labourer Steamman	Worker		Lanc: Blackburn					
						Dorothy Do	Wife	M	29					Do Woodplumpton					
						Ellie Do	Son	M	3					Do Barton					
						George Do	Son	M	2mo					Do Bloughton					
						John Mc. Enlire	Boarder	M	21		Hand Labourer	Worker		Lanc: Hutton					
														Ireland: Tully					
9	Total of Schedules of Houses and of Tenements with less than Five Rooms	9	1		7	Total of Males and of Females...			13	14									

NOTE—Draw your pen through such words of the headings as are inapplicable.

The

1901 Census showing the Shorrocks family at Liverpool Road, Hutton, RG 13 / 3942 / F. 65 / P.14 / Sch. 72

CENSUS OF ENGLAND AND WALES, 1911.

Number of Schedule
(To be filled up by the Enumerator
after collection.) 25

Before writing on this Schedule please read the Examples and the Instructions given on the other side of the paper, as well as the headings of the Columns. The entries should be written in Ink.

The contents of the Schedule will be treated as confidential. Strict care will be taken that no information is disclosed with regard to individual persons. The returns are not to be used for proof of age, as in connection with Old Age Pensions, or for any other purpose than the preparation of Statistical Tables.

NAME AND SURNAME	RELATIONSHIP to Head of Family.	AGE (last Birthday) and SEX.		PARTICULARS as to MARRIAGE.					PROFESSION or OCCUPATION of Persons aged ten years and upwards.				BIRTHPLACE of every person.	NATIONALITY of every Person born in a Foreign Country.	INFIRMITY.	
		For Infants under one year state the age in months as "under one month," "one month," etc.	Ages of Males.	Ages of Females.	Write "Single," "Married," "Widower," or "Widow," opposite the names of all persons aged 15 years and upwards.	Completed years the present Marriage has lasted.	Children born alive to present Marriage. (If no children born alive write "None" in Column 7).	Total Children Born Alive.	Children still Living.	Children who have Died.	Personal Occupation.	Industry or Service with which worker is connected.	Whether Employer, Worker, or Working on Own Account.	Whether Working at Home.	(1) If born in the United Kingdom, write the name of the County, and Town or Parish. (2) If born in any other part of the British Empire, write the name of the Dependency, Colony, etc., and of the Province or State. (3) If born in a Foreign Country, write the name of the Country. (4) If born at sea, write "At Sea." NOTE.—In the case of persons born elsewhere than in England or Wales, state whether "Resident" or "Visitor" in this Country.	State whether:— (1) "British subject by parentage." (2) "Naturalised British subject," giving year of naturalisation. Or (3) If of foreign nationality, state whether "French," "German," "Russian," etc.
of every Person, whether Member of Family, Visitor, Boarder, or Servant, who (1) passed the night of Sunday, April 2nd, 1911, in this dwelling and was alive at midnight, or (2) arrived in this dwelling on the morning of Monday, April 3rd, not having been enumerated elsewhere. No one else must be included. (For order of entering names see Examples on back of Schedule.)																
1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.	7.	8.	9.	10.	11.	12.	13.	14.	15.	16.	
1	James Shorrocks	Head	39	Married	19	6	4	2	General Labourer 330	Greater Rural District Council Worker			Lancashire	Longton		
2	Ellie Shorrocks	Wife	44	Married	19	6	4	2						Longton		
3	Thomas Shorrocks	Son	14	Single					Cotton Mill Warehouseman 834	Worker 4				Longton		
4	Ellen Shorrocks	Daughter	14	Single					Cotton Weaver 250	Worker 4				Longton		
5	Maggie Shorrocks	Daughter	9						School					Hutton		
6	James Shorrocks	Son	5						School					Hutton		
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(To be filled up by the Enumerator.)

I certify that:—	Total.		
(1) All the ages on this Schedule are entered in the proper sex columns.	Males.	Females.	Persons.
(2) I have counted the males and females in Columns 3 and 4 separately, and have compared their sum with the total number of persons.	3	3	6
(3) After making the necessary enquiries I have completed all entries on the Schedule which appeared to be defective, and have corrected such as appeared to be erroneous.	2		
Initials of Enumerator	WED		

(To be filled up by, or on behalf of, the Head of Family or other person in occupation, or in charge, of this dwelling.)

Write below the Number of Rooms in this Dwelling (House, Tenement, or Apartment). Count the kitchen as a room but do not count scullery, landing, lobby, closet, bathroom; nor warehouse, office, shop.	I declare that this Schedule is correctly filled up to the best of my knowledge and belief.
6	Signature <u>James Shorrocks</u> Postal Address <u>Liverpool Road Hutton</u>

**1911 Census showing the Shorrocks family in Liverpool Road, Hutton (Hutton Row)
RG 14 _ 25237 _ 0055 _ 03**

James SHORROCK
b. 1874 Longton

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(m.m.n.
Bamford)
!
Margaret
Ann
b. 1892
Longton
!
d. 1897
Longton
X

!
(m.m.n.
Mawdsley)
!
Thomas
b. 1894
Longton
!
Killed in Action
d. 15th November
1916
X

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(m.m.n.
Mawdsley)
!
Ellen
b. 1897
Longton
!
m. 1929
George Harrison
Longton
St. Andrew
!
James
b. 1930
!
Alice
1935

m.
1892
St. Andrew's
Longton
!

!
(m.m.n.
Bamford)
!
Maggie
b. 1902
Hutton
!
d. Mar. 1915
X

Alice BAMFORD
b. 1864 Longton

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!
(m.m.n.
Mawdsley)
!
Alice
b. 1904
Hutton
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d. 1904
Hutton
X

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(m.m.n.
Mawdsley)
!
James
d. 1906
Hutton
!
m.1932
Doris
Harrison
Longton
St. Andrew
!
Thomas
1941