

Researching Australian military service Sudan (Soudan), 1885

Overview of the conflict

Australian military history overview: Sudan (NSW Contingent), March-June 1885
<http://www.awm.gov.au/atwar/sudan.htm>

Nominal rolls

Sudan War Nominal Roll, <http://www.awm.gov.au/nominalrolls/sudan/>, contains the personal particulars, unit, and fate of each person. Some records may contain enlistment, embarkation, and other details.

"A" Company

Squad book for the use of battery and company officers and non-commissioned officers of the military forces of New South Wales ("A" Company Infantry) **Official record AWM2 1D.**

As well as the printed information, this book provides a list of "A" Company members arranged according to rank and name. Contains squad, date of joining, age, height, letter and number of arms and accoutrements, trade or profession, and last known residence.

Number One Squad

A list of members arranged alphabetically giving regimental number, rank, name and letter, and number of arms is included in **Official record AWM2 1D.**

Service records

Sudan Contingent attestation papers. NSW Infantry "B" and "C" Companies. **Official record AWM2 2**

This file is incomplete and includes papers for less than half the contingent. Individual names are not listed on RecordSearch, <http://www.naa.gov.au/collection/recordsearch.aspx>.

Those who died while serving

No Australian soldiers were killed in action. The nine who died of sickness or accident are listed on the Memorial's Roll of Honour, <http://www.awm.gov.au/roh/>.

Where they served

Please refer to our reading list *The New South Wales Military Contingent to the Sudan 1885*, <http://www.awm.gov.au/research/bibliographies/sudan.htm>.

Medals

The campaign medals to which the servicemen were entitled is listed in Frank Hutchinson and Francis Meyers, *Australian contingent: a history of the patriotic movement in New South Wales and an account of the despatch of troops to the assistance of the Imperial forces in the Soudan* (Sydney: Government Printer, 1885).

Where to look for photographs

- Collections Search, <http://www.awm.gov.au/database/collection.asp>, provides access to digitised images of photographs held by the Memorial.
- Picture Australia, <http://www.pictureaustralia.org/>, has images held by a range of major Australian libraries, archives and other cultural institutions
- State libraries and archival repositories. For contact details, see our information sheet Addresses, http://www.awm.gov.au/research/infosheets/addresses_aust.asp

Further sources

- Use the Collections Search, <http://www.awm.gov.au/database/collection.asp>, to identify items from the private records collection such as diaries, letters, papers of members of the contingent and several theses written about this conflict.
- Rick Grebert (compiler). *New South Wales Sudan contingent 1885: some biographical and personal details [with statistics]* (Caringbah, NSW: New South Wales Military Historical Society, 1998)
- State Records New South Wales, <http://www.records.nsw.gov.au/staterecords/>