

ROSENTHALL, Arthur Kingston



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Known affectionately as 'Rosy', Arthur was widely liked and popular, especially at College. He was an accomplished swimmer and initiated "surf bathing" at Manly and by the time he reached Hawkesbury, aged 27, he had saved thirteen lives and held gold, silver and bronze medallions for bravery. On one occasion he dived from the top deck of the Manly ferry whilst it was at full steam between the heads to save a woman in the harbour. He commenced studies at HAC in 1909 and was the instructor and captain of the College Life-Saving and Swimming Club. He studied special and practical courses on the dairy, in carpentry, saddlery and blacksmith, on the Experimental Plots, as well as Butter and Cheesemaking, and on the orchard. He played rugby union for Western Suburbs and Manly and was a State Representative and later Captain for Batlow. After he left HAC he farmed in Batlow and maintained correspondence with the College until he enlisted with the 1st Australian Light Horse Field Ambulance in September 1914. His WWI Service Record shows he was suffering with pneumonia aboard the hospital ship *Galeka* on 28 May 1915 and that he died the following day at No.15 General Hospital, Alexandria. He was buried on 30 May in the Alexandria (Chatby) Jewish Cemetery No.3, Egypt.