## **GOODWIN, Bert Alfred**

**Reference: Beecroft Public School, Tony Cunneen book**

**Brother of James Edward Arthur Goodwin**

[Born 1895, Orange district, son of Edward and Minnie Goodwin (recorded as Bertie A.)]

**AIF Project details:**

Regimental Number: 235

Enlistment Date: 20 Mar 1916

Place of Birth: Orange, NSW

Age: 21 years 11 months

Occupation: Labourer

Address: Victoria Road, Pennant Hills, NSW

Marital Status: Single

Age at embarkation: 22

Height: 5’ 10”

Weight: 129lbs

Chest Measurement: 33-36”

Complexion: Medium

Eyes: Hazel

Hair: Brown

Religious Denomination: Church of England

Next of Kin: Mother, Mrs. Minnie Connors, Victoria Road, Pennant Hills, NSW

Previous military service: Militia 3 years

Rank on enlistment: Private

Unit Name: Machine Gun Company 9, Reinforcement 1

AWM embarkation Roll number: 24/14/2

Embarkation details: Unit embarked from Sydney, NSW, on board HMAT A24 *Benalla* on 1 May 1916

Roll title: 9 Machine Gun Company – 1 to 6 Reinforcements (May – Dec 1916)

Rank from Nominal Roll: Lance Corporal

Unit from Nominal Roll: Australian Employment Company

Fate: Returned to Australia 11 May 1919

Misc. information from cemetery records: Plaque in NSW Garden of Remembrance

Date of death: 12 Nov 1969

**Further references:**

“Beecroft and Cheltenham in WW1” by Tony Cunneen (page 31)

The Sun, Fri 10 Mar 1916 (farewell)

The Cumberland Argus and Fruitgrowers Advocate, Sat 13 May 1916 (Beecroft school ex-student)

The Cumberland Argus and Fruitgrowers Advocate, Sat 29 Apr 1916 (leave for front)

The Cumberland Argus and Fruitgrowers Advocate, Sat 19 Jan 1918 (reported wounded + photo)

The Cumberland Argus and Fruitgrowers Advocate, Sat 12 Jul 1919 (return)