

Trooper STANLEY REES SCOTT

STANLEY REES SCOTT'S SA WAR SERVICE RECORD¹

Name		Reg #	Rank	Regiment details	Enlistment	Discharged	Regiment
Scott	Stanley Rees	7035	Trooper	2nd Brabant's Horse Source: Nominal roll in WO127	14/4/1900	31/12/1900	Brabant's Horse
Scott	Stanley Rees	13	Trooper	Source: Nominal roll in WO127	31/01/1901	05/06/1901	Utrecht-Vryheid Mounted Police
Scott	Stanley Rees	35415	Lance Corporal	1st Battalion - Source: QSA Medal Rolls Served 22 Jun 01 to 23 Dec 01. Discharged Completion of Service PMB Source: Nominal roll in WO127	22/06/1901	23/12/1901	Scottish Horse

BRABANT'S HORSE

2nd Brabant's Horse - 352 93

Reg #	Name	Rank	Enlistment	Discharged
7035	Scott	Trooper	14/4/00	31/12/00
6137	Stubbins	Trooper	3-3-00	15-2-01
7021	Stowe	Trooper	1-8-00	24-12-00
7064	Snowden	Trooper	14-4-00	24-12-00
7027	Starling	Trooper	30-4-00	29-12-00
1118	Stord	Trooper	9-4-00	19-1-01
7060	Stewart	Trooper	4-5-00	15-12-00
794	Squires	Trooper	12-12-99	15-1-00
7167	Soffe	Trooper	5-3-00	15-12-00
	Smith	Trooper	6-2-00	5-10-00
	Swarnder	Trooper	6-2-00	15-9-00
	Swarnder	Trooper	1-2-00	27-9-00

SCOTTISH HORSE

Scottish Horse - 125 127

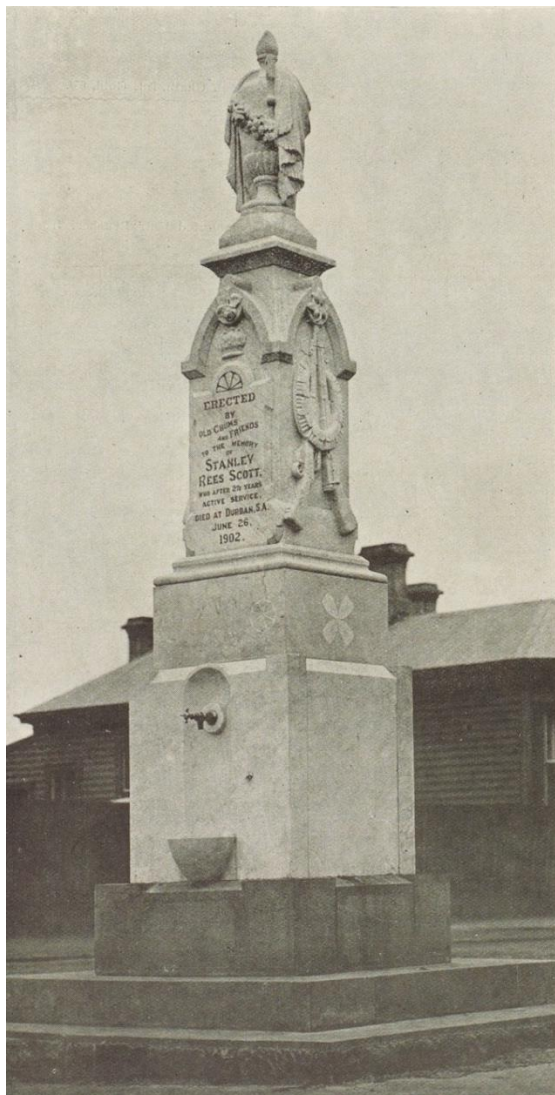
Reg #	Name	Rank	Enlistment	Discharged
552	Scott	Trooper		
35748	Scott	Trooper	16-7-01	3-9-02
31731	Scott	Trooper	15-7-01	21-5-01
41055	Scott	Trooper	20-1-02	26-6-02
37647	Scott	Trooper	6-2-02	13-5-02
4554	Scott	Trooper		
41117	Scott	Trooper	10-4-02	7-7-02
37124	Scott	Trooper	23-12-01	7-7-02
35415	Scott	Trooper	28-10-01	7-7-02
44714	Scott	Trooper	22-6-01	23-12-01
	Thos	Trooper	9-6-02	17-4-02

¹ <http://angloboerwar.com/> - the Records of Brabant's Horse, Scottish Horse & the Utrecht Mounted Police are found the <http://angloboerwar.com/> website
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UTRECHT MOUNTED POLICE

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Utrecht Mounted Police		
99 Stoddart, Chas	Durban	size 21.8.01 Utrecht
100 Stobie Emmit Wm	Sept 26/3/01	Dec 1.7.01 Utrecht
Shackleton, Mrs. Jas.	Apr 28/3/01	Dec 21.8.01 to 4.7.21 p 22.01-29.01
81 Smith, Joseph Henry	" 23/3/01	"
47 Smith, Charles	Apr. " 13/3/01	Dec 14.6.01 Utrecht
43 Smith, Frank	Apr. " 16/3/01	Dec 15.5.01 Utrecht
37 Spence, Wm Primrose Corp	Apr. " "	Dec 19.5.01 Utrecht
14 Smith, Carr	Apr. " 31/1/01	Dec 19.5.01 Utrecht
13 Scott, Stanley Rees	Apr. " 31/1/01	Dec 5.6.01 Utrecht
20 Smith, Alexandra Guthrie	Apr. " 4/2/01	" 4.5.01 Utrecht
118 Smith George	" 12/4/01	" 12.7.01 "



Monument Erected at Ponsonby, to the Memory of Trooper Stanley Rees Scott

b. 1875 - Stanley Rees SCOTT was born in Auckland, the son of Andrew SCOTT and Margaret Ann (nee' REES)

Stanley Rees Scott's Memorial – August 1902

The sad news of the death of Mr Stanley Rees Scott, at Durban, was received last Friday week by his family. "Stan," as he was familiarly known, was a general favourite with everyone with whom he became acquainted, and a well-known figure in yachting and rowing circles. He left for South Africa some two years ago, and on arrival there joined Brabant's Horse and served for twelve months. He then joined the Scottish Horse, under Colonel Benson, and took part in the engagement in which Colonel Benson was killed. Towards the close of the war he received a Government appointment, and, according to late letters received from Durban, was in excellent health. "Stan" was a native of Ponsonby, and was formerly employed at Mr E. T. Dufaur's and Messrs Morrison and Phillips. His many friends in Ponsonby are moving in the direction of a memorial to their old comrade.

24 Feb 1900

New Zealand is being bled at rather an alarming rate of the flower of her youth. Apart altogether from the three Contingents we have sent, and the fourth that we are now making ready to send, on active service, every Sydney steamer that leaves our shores from the three principal ports carries away a more or less numerous contingent of athletic and promising young men, who depart without blare of trumpet or roll of drum to push their fortunes in South Africa, whose distance lends the proverbial enchantment to the view. A party of seven well known young Aucklanders, animated by the spirit of adventure, left Auckland by the Elingamite on Monday, and received a cordial send-off from about one hundred of their chums and well wishers. The party comprised Messrs Sampson and Jock McGregor, two well known representative footballers, Mr F. C. Jackson, a popular member of the Ponsonby Cricket Club, Mr Stanley Scott (nephew of Mr W. J. Rees), well-known in yachting and boating circles, Mr Fred Carter, an enterprising young builder who has put up several of our mining batteries, and two others. We wish them success in their travels, but at the same time we hope to welcome them back in good season to their native land, which can ill afford to be deprived of its rising manhood.

8 March 1900 – The Ship 'Hyson'
HORSES ABOARD SHIP – HOW THEY
SHOULD BE ACCOMMODATED – A MARINE
INSPECTION

structure. Members then crossed over to Williamstown, and inspected the steamer Hyson, which is being fitted here in accordance with Sydney rules for the temporary accommodation of 600 horses to be conveyed from Sydney to Durban. In this case the fittings were not bolted to the deck, as in the case of the Melbourne steamer, and the visitors were convinced that the absence of this precaution on a rough weather trip, such as that to the Cape, was likely to result in disaster. Not only was there this striking difference between the Melbourne and Sydney style of berthing horses, but whereas we insisted upon a separate stall for each animal, Sydney allowed four horses in a pen, so that if one slipped and fell he ran a risk of being trampled to death by his stable companions. It is a salutary provision,

anyhow, to have the fittings firmly fixed to the deck, and the Marine Board will not relax its regulations in that respect. Captain Currie is now convinced of the necessity for the precautions taken in Melbourne, and it is the intention of the board to communicate with the Sydney authorities, so that there may be a uniform system in the two ports.

9 March 1900

The ship Hyson left Melbourne for Natal but first stopped off at Newcastle to load up:

The steamer Hyson cleared to-day for South Africa, via Newcastle, with 15,132 bags of oats and 24,751 bales of hay. The Bayard cleared for the Channel with 5724 bags of transhipped wheat and 10,897 bags of Victorian. Total, 16,621 bags.

2 June 1900

Messrs Fred. Carter, Stanley Scott, and Frank C. Jackson, of Ponsonby, who left Auckland in February last for Sydney, en route to South Africa, have reached the seat of war all right, and by this time are probably taking their part in the invasion of the Transvaal. A letter which came to hand this week from young Jackson gives an animated account of their travels and adventures. They found employment in Sydney on board the s.s. Hyson to help in looking after a shipment of 530 horses intended for the Imperial Army. Carter, Scott and Jackson were placed in charge of 74 draught horses, which kept them grafting hard throughout the passage. After a day at Albany, and another at Durban, they arrived on the day before Good Friday at Port Elizabeth, where their contract ended.

5 June 1900

Letters received by the Sydney mail state that Mr. Stanley Scott, of Shelly Beach Road, Ponsonby, who left for Sydney to try his luck in South Africa was taken on at that port to attend to horses in one of the transports taking horses to Durban. On landing at Durban he at once joined Brabant's Light Horse, and is now serving with that corps in the field.

9 August 1902

Intelligence received from Durban yesterday records the death of Mr Stanley Rees Scott, of Ponsonby, after a short illness. Mr Scott was twenty-seven years of age, and a well-known Ponsonbyite. At the commencement of the South African war he, accompanied by a number of Aucklanders, left for the seat of war and joined Brabant's Light Horse, afterwards being attached to Roberts' Horse. The departure of these young Aucklanders from our shores was a most enthusiastic one. For a number of years, Mr Scott was clerk in the office of the late Mr E. T.

Dufaur, of this city, subsequently joining Messrs Morrison and Phillips' business, Auckland. His loss is mourned by a large number of friends. He leaves four sisters and four brothers to mourn their loss, and much sympathy is felt for them in their hour of tribulation.

The committee arranging for a memorial to the late Trooper Stanley Scott, an old Ponsonby boy, met last evening, when the most favoured of several proposals put forward was one suggesting the erection of a drinking fountain at the foot of Shelly Beach Road. The funds collected amount to £70, and a meeting of subscribers will be held shortly to come to a decision as to the form of the memorial.

28 Nov 1902

The drinking fountain which the residents of Ponsonby are erecting in memory of the late Trooper Stanley Scott, will be placed on a street site near the Three Lamps. The site was approved by the City Council last night.

Auckland Star 1.1.1903

On Saturday last the Hon Jas Carroll unveiled a memorial erected at Ponsonby, Auckland, to perpetuate the memory of Trooper Stanley Rees

Scott, a member of Brabant's Horse. The memorial is in the form of a drinking fountain of white marble on a bluestone base. It stands 12ft. 6in high and bears the inscription: "Erected by old chums and friends to the memory of Stanley Rees Scott, who, after 2 years active service, **died at Durban, June 26, 1902.**"

Well, the memorial is no longer there on St Mary's Bay Road, opposite the Leys Institute and outside the old Ponsonby Fire Station. So far, I haven't found any Council records on it (but I'll still keep an eye on it), and it may well have vanished during work on the road any time from the mid 1920s. Which is a shame, as Boer War memorials are uncommon in comparison with those for the First and Second World Wars.

Update 23 May 2013:

Edward Bennett of the Karangahape Road Business Association emailed me the other day, saying that he had been told the Boer War memorial had been removed to Symonds Street Cemetery possibly in the 1930s and that *"the Memorial was one of the casualties when the motorway was constructed; few of the gravestones were preserved and as the Ponsonby Memorial to Trooper Stanley Rees Scott wasn't connected with an actual body it wouldn't have been considered very important especially as there was the Memorial nearby on Symonds Street at Wakefield. Neither was his name incorporated into the 1966 memorial created next to Hobson's Grave."*