

MEDALS/PINS

Eric Edward Smith (10/575) NZEF, WW1 (my mother's father)

No. 10/575 Rank 2nd Lieut
Name: Eric Edward Smith
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Periods of Service.	Theatres of Operation.
In New Zealand: _____ years <u>88</u> days.	Australasian _____
Overseas ... <u>4</u> years <u>88</u> days.	Egyptian <u>1914 1915</u>
Total service ... <u>4</u> years <u>176</u> days.	Egyptian E.F. <u>1916</u>
Date commenced duty: <u>14. 8. 14</u>	Balkan (<u>Palenka</u>) <u>1915</u>
Date finally discharged: <u>MEDAL 2. 19</u>	Western } <u>1916 1917 1918</u> European }
	Asiatic _____

No. 1 – Unknown

Can't find on NZDF Medals Database – still working on finding out what this is.



(Front view)

(Reverse view)

No. 2 – The 1914-1915 Star

The 1914-15 Star was awarded to servicemen and servicewomen who served between 5 August 1914 and 31 December 1915 in any "theatre of war", provided they had not qualified for the 1914 Star. This included service at Gallipoli between 25 April 1915 and 31 December 1915, service in Egypt between 5 November 1914 and 31 December 1915, and service during the capture of German Samoa on 29 August 1914. Those eligible for the medal must have "served on the establishment of a unit in a theatre of war" during the relevant dates of operations in that area.

For more info go to: <http://medals.nzdf.mil.nz/category/h/h5.html>



(Front view)

(Reverse view service details of E. E. Smith.)

No. 3 – The British War Medal 1914-1920

The British War Medal was instituted in 1919 to recognise the successful conclusion of the First World War (1914-1918). Its coverage was later extended to recognise service until 1920, recognising mine clearing operations at sea, and participation in operations in North and South Russia, the eastern Baltic, Siberia, the Black Sea and the Caspian.

For more info go to: <http://medals.nzdf.mil.nz/category/h/h6.html>



(Front view)

(Reverse View)

No. 4 – The Victory Medal 1914-1918

The Victory Medal was issued to all those who had already qualified for the 1914 Star or the 1914-15 Star, and to most persons who had already qualified for the British War Medal. The Victory Medal was awarded to all New Zealand troops serving overseas, except for those who arrived in Samoa after 30 August 1914 and those serving in Great Britain only.

For more info go to: <http://medals.nzdf.mil.nz/category/h/h8.html>



(Front view)

(Reverse view)

No. 5 – Royal NZ Army Medical Corps K/C Brass Cap Badge

On 7 May 1908 medical units of the NZ Permanent Forces were formed into the NZ Army Medical Corps and the units in the Territorial Force were formed into the NZ Medical Corps.

On January 9, 1947 the two Corps were combined to form the NZ Army Medical Corps which gained the "Royal" prefix on 12 July 1947.

Source: <http://diggerhistory.info/pages-badges/nz-corps2.htm#medical>



(This may not have belonged to Eric Edward Smith as there doesn't seem to be any record of him belonging to the medical corps? Or was the fact that he was in the Territorials that automatically placed him in the NZ Army Medical Corp?).

No. 6 – New Zealand pin

Unsure of what this pin is for.

