



1195 ROBEY Rodney Keith



Capt. R. K. Robey
Bar to Military Cross

Ward of L Bavin Esq Chatswood Prep School born July 26 1891 Entered 1907
Left 1907 Great War 1914-18 (Captain MC with bar)

Nom Roll Capt MC 12 LH RTA 20/7/19

Service Record Estate Manager 1y Militia Joined 2Lt 25/1LH 4/1/15 Embarked
11/6/15 TOS 1LH Gallipoli 29/8/15 Lt 23/10/15 Pneumonia 15/12/15 RTA
Incapacitated 19/1/16 Disemb Suez 20/6/17 TOS 4Trg Reg 26/7/16 Capt 4LH
20/10/17 MC 4/11/17 Beersheba 12LH 26/3/18 WIA 1/5/18 4Trg Reg 8/3/19
Returned 20/7/19 Terminated 13/10/19

R BEAN [Gullett] recounts Capt Robey's part in the charge at Beersheba: "the leading squadron charged up to the trenches of a small redoubt and at once dismounted with about a dozen...men. But most...passed the redoubt passed the redoubt close on their right, and, finding they had ridden through a gap...galloped straight on for Beersheba, with Captain RK Robey at their head....Most of...[Fetherstonhaugh's] squadron...swung away round the redoubt and...followed Robey's men at the gallop towards the town. Robey rode hard for the western side of Beersheba....the **R** Turkish force, hitherto in a state of comparative order, had been thrown into chaos." [VI 398-9]

MC : "BEERSHEBA 31/10/17. This officer is recommended for courage, determination, resourcefulness and initiative in action in the final assault on Beersheba[. H]e rendered such valuable assistance with his cool, daring and quick action that the small force of less than 6 troops maintained such organization as to enable them to capture 400 prisoners including 38 officers, 3 M guns and a large quantity of other war material."

MC

