



Sometimes one is simply overwhelmed by the goodness and generosity of the human race. This happened to me recently and from an unexpected source. I received a phone call from a lady named Penny Ferguson, out of the blue. I had never met her but was impressed with her philanthropic views and motivation.

In essence, Penny has custody of never seen letters and the diaries of LT Ben Champion 1st AIF, her grandfather. (Some excerpts from the diaries have been published by the AWM). She decided to publish them in a book to ensure their historical and personal impacts are not lost. Penny has presented Ben's letters, diaries and photographs to create a comprehensive and moving account of a young man thrust into war. The book includes over 250 photographs and records of over 200 officers and soldiers in Ben's story. It is a fitting legacy to that terrible chapter in our history.

During the course of our phone conversation Penny mentioned that following her enquiries to identify a worthy recipient of any profit, one of her acquaintances directed her to Trojan's Trek. She took that option as she had established that all donations to Trojan's Trek go towards the rehabilitation of servicemen and women damaged by their service. A donation of \$2,250.00 was duly deposited into the account.

Thank you most sincerely Penny Ferguson.

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