

Imperial soldiers & Militia settler – 1840s

Time Line

1846	George AVERY Hutt	Light Company Wellington Militia Boulcott & Battle Hill
1846	George WHITEMAN	Light Company Wellington Militia Battle Hill
1863	John MOON Upper Hutt	12 th Royal Lances land grant
1868	James WILSON Upper Hutt	65 th Regiment of Foot land Upper Hutt
1881	George KNAPP Pakuratahi	65 th Regiment of Foot land grant Pakuratahi

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George AVERY

Hutt Militia - Hutt Company Wellington Militia, Taita Militia

As a unit present at The Hutt 1846 Boulcott's Farm 16 May 1846

Private George AVERY, Taita, Hutt, The Hutt 1846; also Commissariat Transport Corps, Auckland Militia, Imperial Commissariat (Baker); Gazette 1871; 49; (Imp. Issue); Medal possibly named to Auckland Militia

(Reference New Zealand Medal to Colonials by Richard Stowers page 73)

New Zealand Colonial Forces – form of Application for the New Zealand Medal

Name and address of applicant = George AVERY Taita Hutt

Corps in which served, rank and period of service regimental number if any = Light Company of Wellington Militia Private

Period of service in the field, place and date when the claimant was actually under fire or conspicuously distinguished himself = from 03rd April until the end of August 1846 Militia under fire when at the Taita when six men were wounded & one killed also Ensign Herbert wounded in two places also in the Horokiwi Valley under Command of Major Last & when Major Blackburn was killed & 1 soldier & 1 sailor & several wounded.

Remarks = Captain of the Company Major Dough dead & Lieu White & Ensign Turnbull having left the District.

I the undersigned make application for the New Zealand Medal and hereby declare that the above particulars are true.

Dated at Taita this 31st day of August 1871 George AVERY Taita Militia

A Ludlam Major Commanding Hutt District

(Written in pencil around application form 4415 crossed out & 1538 & 49 & Folio 3 Is this the same man as in Comp forces list?)

(Reference Archives NZ Wellington R22349395 George Avery record 2132 Former Archives Reference AD32 Army Department agency AAYS series 8661 = access open)

George KNAPP

George KNAPP Private 65th Regiment land Grant 7017 dated 03 August 1881 for Pakuratahi Section 17 for 63 acres under the Waste Lands Act 1858

John MOON

Upper Hutt 06 April 1863 - To the Commissioner of Crown Lands Wellington

Sir

I beg leave to enclose my discharge from Her Majesty's Service and to request order for selection of 60 acres of Land under ordnance

I have the honour to be Sir Your most obedient Servant Jhon [sic] Moon

Care of Mr Charles Mabey Upper Hutt

[Written in red John Moon Enclosing his discharge from 12th Royal Lances for a grant of land under "Waste Land Act 1858" No 63/117 receive 06 April 1863 answered 24 April 1863]

(Reference Archives New Zealand Wellington reference R24435276 ADXS 19480 LS-W2 12/1863/117 from John MOON Upper Hutt date 06 April 1863 subject Enclosing his discharge from 12 Royal Lances for a grant of land under "Waste Land Act 1858 years 1863)

George WHITEMAN

New Zealand Colonial Forces – form of Application for the New Zealand Medal

Name and address of applicant = George Whiteman farmer Upper Hutt

Corps in which served, rank and period of service regimental number if any = Light Company of Wellington Militia 1845 & 1846

Period of service in the field, place and date when the claimant was actually under fire or conspicuously distinguished himself = from beginning of April to the end of July 1846 at the attack on Rangieata's position Horikiwi when Major Blackburn was killed Captain McDonnough in command of Company

Remarks = (blank)

I the undersigned make application for the New Zealand Medal and hereby declare that the above particulars are true.

Dated at Taita this 11th day of July 1871 George Whiteman Private W.M. (Wellington Militia)

A Ludlam Major Commanding Hutt District

(Written in pencil at the top of application = left side Folio 515 & right side 2454)

(Reference Archives NZ Wellington R22354712 George Whiteman record 4469 Former Archives Reference AD32 Army Department agency AAYS series 8661 = access open)

James WILSON

[1868] To His Honour The Superintendent

Sir

I am informed that the law for protecting animals in this Province enables you to appoint Rangers in the Several Districts. I therefore beg respectfully to offer my services for the Upper Hutt. After nine years' service in the 65th Regiment I purchased my discharge which will bear testimony of my character. The Gov. also gave me the usual amount of land. I took Service with the Honourable Mr Peter after leaving the army and remained four years in his employment. I beg to refer your Honour to him. Having a large and young family a post of this sort would be of great service to me. Hoping you will take my case into consideration is the earnest wish and prayer of your Honour's most obedient Servant

James WILSON Upper Hutt 27 May 1868 (signed) [Written in red 68/201]

(Reference Archives New Zealand Wellington R17834579 ACIA 16195 WP3 23/ 1868/201 [WP3] Superintendent General inwards letters and letters from Commissioner of Crown Lands and the

General Government – James Wilson Upper Hutt 21 May 1868 offers his services as a ranger for the protection of animals in the Upper Hutt district – Gives names and references year 1868)

James WILSON Private 65th Regiment

Land Claim No 209

Application No 2356

Script No 171 exercised 03 December 1862

Grant No 4597 for 60 acres

Date of Crown Grant 15 December 1876

Hutt Section 273 (Wallaceville)

(Reference Archives NZ Wellington from researcher Dawn Chambers)
