Sandy, the Last Light Horse

The Last Light Horse tells the story of Sandy, one of the Australian horses sent to fight during the First World War. Learn more about Sandy and his experiences.

7. Honouring Major General Bridges last wish, Sandy was recalled from service and was brought home to Australia in October

Sandy was the only horse from the war to return home, and he spent the rest of his days being cared for in Maribyrnong.

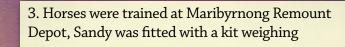
6. During the war Sandy travelled with the soldiers to several battlefronts including Gallipoli and Somme. Sandy's last post was at the

Veterinarian Hospital.

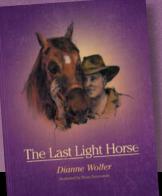
1. Sandy, a work horse from Tallangatta, was donated to the army by his owner in August 1914. Sandy was given to

his first rider in the army.

2. There were 136,000 walers were sent overseas for use by the Australian Imperial Force and the British and Indian governments. 'Walers' is another word for



and he learned new skills like marching, and turning back and forth.



5. A special regiment of the army saw men ride on horses into battle and was known as the

4. When Sandy left Australia on 21 October 1914, the last port he saw before crossing the Indian Ocean was

Western Australia.

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