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Who were the people called
Charles Audley, who fought in WW1?
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In the list of people with the Audley surname who fought in WW1 we have:

- Charles Audley Cheshire Regiment No 30179 & Labour Corp No 437953
- Charles Audley Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers No 3060
- Charles Parkinson Audley Royal Garrison Artillery Service Number 171262
- Charles William Audley Royal Army Service Corp No M2/191107
- Charles Bernard Audley Royal Ordnance Corps Service No 03201
- Charles Audley Royal Irish Rifles Service No 11186 & 10th London Regiment No 42488

Unfortunately some service records did not survive. (destroyed by fire in WW2). So who are they?

He must have been alive at the time of the 1911 census and the 1911 census for England & Wales gives the following people with the above names:

- {AA82} Charles (Henry) Audley aged 14 of West Derby, Liverpool, Lancashire in 1911.
- {AC22} Charles Audley (1851 – 1937) aged 60 in 1911; too old for service in WW1
- {AC24} Charles Parkinson Audley (1891 – 1966) aged 20 in 1911
- {F25} Charles B (Bernard) Audley (1864 - 1949) aged 46 of Hanley, Staffordshire in 1911 too old for service in WW1
- {F57} Charles (Bernard) Audley (1891 - 1958) aged 19 of Burslem, Staffordshire in 1911
- {QH23} Charles William Audley (1876 - 1970) aged 34 of Congleton, Cheshire in 1911. He is described as disabled in 1939 registers.
- {U123} Charles Audley (1885 - 1968) aged 25 of Aston, Birmingham, Warwickshire in 1911
- {U149} Charles Henry Audley (1907 – 1956) Born Deritend, Birmingham aged 3 of Aston, Birmingham, Warwickshire in 1911 – It is probable that he would not have been in the services during WW1
- {V28} Thomas Charles Audley (1872 - 1967) aged 38 of Wivelsfield Sussex in 1911. He is under T for Thomas on the websites.
- {V42} Charles S Audley (1903 - 1967) aged 7 of Langton Maltravers in 1911 – It is probable that he would not have been in the services during WW1
- Charles Ambrose Audley aged 10 of Stogumber, Somerset in 1911 His surname has been mis-transcribed should have been transcribed as Ardagh.

In the above list the forenames in brackets are their names that are not recorded in the 1911 Census.

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There is one reference in the 1911 Census of Ireland to a Charles Audley

- {IO7} Charles Audley (1897 - ????) aged 14 of Donnegal Road, St Georges , Antrim

In our records we have the following other appropriate references to a Charles Audley.

- {AC34} Charles Frederick Audley (1889 – 1976). The latest record we have for this person is that he married in Q2 1915 in Blackpool. He was born in 1889 in Dublin and his father was in the British Army.
- {J175} Charles Edward Audley (1898 – 1916) emigrated to Canada in 1910 KIA 1916 and therefore was not in the British Forces during WW1 He is included in the soldiers from former colonial pages
- {V42} Sidney Charles Audley (1903 – 1967) It is unlikely that he would have served in the forces during WW1

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Discussion

Charles Parkinson Audley

Royal Garrison Artillery Service No #171262

It is clear from his name that he must be **{AC24} Charles Parkinson Audley**

(Comment: He was included in the Naval & Military Archive Campaign Medal Rolls 1914-1919

www.nmarchive.com/our-data.)

Charles Audley

Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers No #3060

It is clear that he must be **{IO7} Charles Audley**. He had a Brother {IO6} Robert Audley who was also in the Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers

Charles Bernard Audley

Royal Ordnance Corps Service No 03201

In our study we have two people called George Bernard Audley namely {F25} and {F57} based on their ages it is concluded that the above person is **{F57} Charles Bernard Audley**

(Comment: He was included in the Naval & Military Archive Campaign Medal Rolls 1914-1919

www.nmarchive.com/our-data.)

Charles William Audley

Royal Army Service Corp No #M2/191107

Based on the person's name he is {QH23} Charles William Audley. One cause for concern is that in 1911 and one 1939 he is living in Cheshire and there is one other Service man called Charles Audley who was in WW1 and in the Cheshire Regiment. In the 1939 Registers he is described as Disabled

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So for the two remaining combatants below we have the following 3 possible candidates.

- **{AA82} Charles (Henry) Audley** aged 14 of West Derby, Liverpool, Lancashire in 1911
- **{U123} Charles Audley** (1885 - 1968) aged 25 of Aston, Birmingham, Warwickshire in 1911
- **{AC34} Charles Frederick Audley** (1889 – 1976). The latest record we have for this person is that he married in Q2 1915 in Blackpool. He was born in 1889 in Dublin and his father was in the British Army.

Could he be:

Charles Audley

Cheshire Regiment No 30179 & Labour Corp No 437953

Conclusion he is either {AA82}; {U123}; {AC34}

Charles Audley

Royal Irish Rifles Service No 11186 & 10th London Regiment No 424881

Listed as "Previously reported missing, now reported wounded and not missing" on the Casualty List issued by the War Office from the 10th October 1915.

Further Information: This man was entitled to wear a "Wound Stripe" as authorised under Army Order 204 of 6th July 1916. The terms of this award being met by their naming in this list.

Conclusion he is either {AA82}; {U123}; {AC34}

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