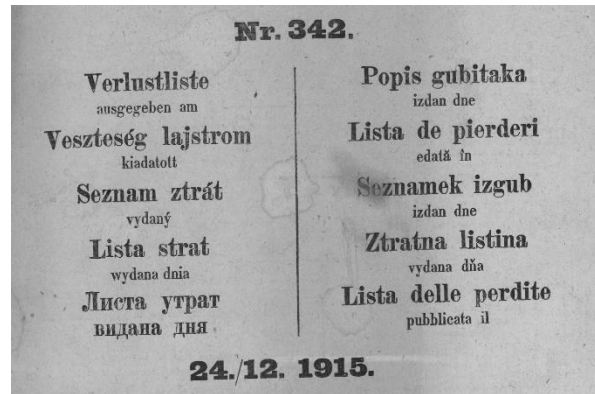


Casualty Lists of World War I Austria-Hungary 1914 – 1919



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Who will participate?

A century ago, our forefathers lived through the horrors of World War I. Many sons, brothers and fathers were drafted into the military. Millions were wounded, captured or died. These cases were published in the casualty lists of Austria-Hungary, which are also available online. Unfortunately, there is no index to these lists; a full-text search yields unsatisfactory results due to the poor print quality.

Therefore, we have decided to create such an index.

Will you please help us through your assistance to keep these soldiers from being forgotten.

Project Description

The Austrian Casualty lists are not only a central source for genealogists to find wounded, captured and slain soldiers and ancestors, but also a comprehensive, multi-confessional source of names along with places for the birth years for the approximate time of 1870-1900 for the entire area of the monarchy. The information on the online casualty lists and some supplementary lists are recorded by a Citizen-Science project, and are made available in a database to all interested parties on the free platform www.GenTeam.eu.

Requirement profile - Prerequisites for your cooperation

- No special reading skills needed: The lists were printed in Latin script.
- Personal Computer with one large or 2 monitors
- Excel or openCalc (free of charge), no matter what version
- Internet Access
- For 1 list approximately 30 to 60 hours are needed

Your Benefit

- You will work on one of the most fascinating project of the Austrian-Hungarian history
- You will find your captured, wounded or slain ancestors and relatives
- You will get free access to all the information in this database
- After completion of the database: Per request mentioning of your name as collaborator

We are looking forward to your collaboration. Please contact the project leader Frank Raschka at verlustliste@gmail.com or Felix Gundacker at kontakt@GenTeam.at for sending you a number of an issue and additional details.

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The lists are available online free of charge:

For Example:

Landesbibliothek Oberösterreich (Provincial Library Upper Austria):

<http://digi.landesbibliothek.at/viewer/resolver?urn=urn:nbn:at:AT-OOeLB-1723425>

or

The Austrian National Library, **ANNO** – Historical Austrian Periodicals

<http://anno.onb.ac.at/cgi-content/anno?aid=vll>

All in printed Version, for example: also at the Heraldic-Genealogical Society **Adler**:

www.adler-wien.at

General Information:

The Casualty Lists, published between August 12th 1914 und January 14th 1919, are not in alphabetical order, but listed by days. Unfortunately, they have no overall register, but only sketchy name registers for at least 10 lists. GenTeam will now create this collective register.

These Casualty Lists contain the wounded, captured and slain from all crown countries of the Habsburg Monarchy. In total, there will be about 2.8 to 3.5 million entries. There will be listed officers, one-year volunteers, and naturally, the entire team of all religions are present; thus, also Jewish, Muslim and Protestant soldiers can be found.

We find: Surname and given name, ennoblement and academic degree, charge, body of troops, subdivision, home country, district and city of citizenship (not the city of birth or of the residence), the birth year, type of casualty (death, wounded or taken prisoner), only rarely a date of death, the message (for example: where taken prisoner, in exchange for, etc.), the number of the list, numbers of addenda and corrections, date of the list, page and a link to the online webpage.

Abbreviations:

You will always find abbreviations at the beginning of the list, mostly on page 2 and 3.

For example:

<http://anno.onb.ac.at/cgi-content/anno?aid=vll&datum=19141222&seite=3&zoom=100>

Attention:

The originals of the Casualty Lists were often published in poor print quality and not rarely contain printing error (as for example list 686 from July 18, 1918: Papaj Gaspar from Tußland instead of Rußland [Russia]); in a few cases even corrections contain errors.

Given names are often spelled in the original language: Josef for example can also be found as Jozsef. Mainly, only one given name can be found.

Location information (which are often missing if city and district are named identical) concern the home jurisdiction, not the city of birth.

Home country, district and location must not necessarily logically match:

For example, List 686:

Rybka Josef; Home land: Bohemia; District Landskron; Location = Jurisdiction: Langenlois.

In some cases, information like place of birth or birth year is missing.

The date of the list says little about the timeframe of the casualty: even in 1918 we find quite a few details about casualties dated as early as 1914 and 1915. The information was just reported at a later date.

Current Status (December 5th 2016):

- 2 lists online at www.GenTeam.eu
- 14 additional lists already completed. They will be put online with the next update.
- Approximately 45 more lists are in the works

Search Possibilities:

We already have a few search possibilities activated at www.GenTeam.eu. We will activate more after the project is completed, for example: also the search to casualty lists of certain home community. This database will herewith become an indispensable source for home chronicles.

Errors:

And at last an apology for unavoidable typing mistakes! We are very grateful for each tip regarding typing errors. Please notify verlustliste@gmail.com with a short email.

Collaboration:

A cordial welcome to every co-worker of this database, which is so important for all researchers. To avoid duplicate work, we gladly will send you a Casualty List number, a collection table, as well as instructions.

And naturally, we are at your disposal for any and all questions.

We are looking forward to your collaboration!

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