

Clive Latham BAILLIEU

Clive Baillieu was born on 24 September 1889, the eldest son of William Baillieu. Clive attended Melbourne Grammar and later Melbourne University, before finishing his university studies at Magdalen College, Oxford. While at university he rowed for both his college and university.

After being called to the Bar at the Inner Temple, Baillieu returned to Australia and was admitted to practice in Melbourne in 1914. He enlisted in the Australian Army in December 1915 and received a commission as an officer. He was sent to England in early 1916, already captain, and received further officer training in 1917. During this time he was mainly attached to the 1st Anzac Headquarters, later he was attached to the Royal Flying Corps and by the end of the war was a temporary lieutenant colonel in the newly formed RAF. In 1918 he was awarded an OBE as well as being mentioned in despatches for his "specially valuable service in the United Kingdom".

Returning to Australia in the 1920s he practiced at the Bar, but was drawn into his family's business enterprises. In 1926 he returned to England to manage the London operations. During World War Two he was posted to Washington to head the British Purchasing Commission, upon his return he worked closely with the aviation industry. After the War he was involved with many companies and organisations including Dunlop Rubber and several mining companies. He was awarded a CMG in 1929, made a Knight in 1938 and received a hereditary peerage in 1953. He died suddenly in Melbourne in June 1967.

