

Compton Chamberlayne In The News In Australia

LOOK WHAT'S CHALKED UP

Few Australians have heard of the Fovant Badges Society. But everyone in Fovant, a village in Wiltshire, England, knows about Australia, as our troops trained there in World War I, before going to France. When men from the London Rifle Brigade cut their regimental badge into the chalk hillside in 1916, the Australians decided they wouldn't be outdone. They worked for months in their own time to carve out their Rising Sun. Pleased with the job, they went on to carve a giant map of Australia in the nearby village of Compton Chamberlayne. Today the badges are maintained by the Fovant Society.

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