



Moray Golf Club and the Great War

Produced in July 2014 in memory of those members of the Club who made the supreme sacrifice - "They never fail who die in a great cause ... They but augment the deep and sweeping thoughts which overpowered all others and conduct the world at last to freedom", Lord Byron.



John Ellwood, Captain MGC

23rd April 1914 – The Secretary reported that as previously authorised he had admitted Officers of the 3rd Cruiser Squadron as Honorary Members of the Club during their stay at Lossiemouth.

15th August 1914 – Secretary reported that in consequence of the outbreak of war he had been unable to provide the necessary clerical assistance in connection with the Club's competitions ... he also stated that the Starter and Caddiemaster had been called up for service.

L.R.CUMMING

LT.THE BLACK WATCH

Cumming, Lewis Robertson

Born: 5th October, 1892 – Aberlour.

Fatally wounded at Aisne on **14th September 1914**. The British Expeditionary Force offensive started on the 13th September.

Son of John Fleetwood Cumming MGC (Captain 1905-1907 and 1919-1922) and Beatrice Gordon Bryson Kynoch.

The Dufftown News for 17th October 2014 reports that "it appears that Lieutenant Cumming had been doing some scouting work, and had unfortunately landed between two zones of fire, from which he never extricated himself"

The Elgin Courant for November 2nd 1917 stated, "Yesterday (All Saints Day) a beautiful stained glass window in memory of Lieutenant Lewis Robertson Cumming was dedicated ... The memorial which was designed by Mr Douglas Strachan¹, Edinburgh ... with two-light and tracery windows containing the Black Watch and Cumming crests" This stained glass window was in Knockando Parish Church, which was destroyed by fire in November 1990.

25th September 1914 – the meeting decided that in view of the War further consideration of the proposed alteration to the Clubhouse should be left over until the Spring.

¹ Arguably the finest of Scotland's stained glass artists, Douglas Strachan (1875-1950) is best remembered as the genius behind the glorious glazing scheme in the Scottish National War Memorial in Edinburgh Castle.

H.W.F. BARTON
Lt.ROYAL SCOTS FUS.

Barton, Harold William Ferguson.

Born: 5th September, 1893 - Elgin.

2nd Lieutenant in 1st Battalion Royal Scots Fusiliers served in France, wounded and missing **October 18th 1914**. Last seen at Warneton Chateau, near Helies, near Lille.

Father W. T. Barton, Woodstock, Camberley. Grandson of the Dean of Moray, Ross and Caithness.

Occupation: Cadet at Royal Military College, Sandhurst.

L.GORDON DUFF
CAPT.GORDON'S

Gordon-Duff, Lachlan

Born: circa 1880

Captain Gordon Highlanders. Died **24th October, 1914**.

Son of Thomas Duff Gordon-Duff D.L., J.P., C.B.E and Pauline Tennant of Drummair and Park House, Cornhill. Married to Lydia Muriel Gordon Duff.

R.S.GORDON
MAJ.57THWILDE'S RIF.F.F

Gordon, Ronald Stewart.

Born: 24th November, 1876 – Elgin.

Captain, Indian Army, 57th Wilde's Rifles, Frontier Force. Killed in action at Messines, **October 31st 1914**; awarded Relief of Pekin Medal with clasp 1900, Military Order of the Dragon medal 1900; Mohmaud Expedition, mentioned in despatches, and medal with clasp 1908; Indian Durbar Medal, and 1914 star. Son of John Lewis Gordon, West Park, Elgin and Georgina Russell Gordon (née Grant).

Occupation: Officer in Indian Army.

R.S.WILSON
Captain, Seaforths

Wilson, Robert Sym

Born: 17th November, 1876 – Leith.

Educated at Edinburgh Academy and Trinity College, Glenalmond.²

He served through the South African War 1899 to 1902. Promoted to Captain 11th April, 1902. Queen's Medal with three clasps and King's Medal with two clasps. On the outbreak of the Great War Captain Wilson was in India with his battalion. He sailed to France with the Dehra Dun Brigade (Meerut Division) of the Indian Expeditionary Force in September, 1914 and he was killed in action at Neuve Chapelle on **8th November, 1914**.

Following lie in at Murrayfield, 1902 married to Harriet Evelyn Pearce of Hawthorn Bank, Murrayfield and had three children. Andrew Ripley (1904), Ronald Christopher (1905) and Marjorie Anne (1912).

L^{ORD} B^D LENNOX GORDON
MAJ.GRENADIER GDS.

Lennox-Gordon, Bernard Charles

Born: 1st May, 1878 – London.

Joined in London, 1896. Served in France and killed at Ypres **19th November, 1914**. Mentioned in despatches.

Son of the Duke of Richmond and Gordon, Gordon Castle.

Occupation: Soldier.

11 February, 1915 – The meeting had ... under consideration the fixtures for 1915, when it was agreed that owing to the War there should be no Tournament this year. It was decided to hold the other competitions on the corresponding dates with last year.

The Secretary then submitted letter from Lieutenant A. Low Mustard enquiring if the Club were to remit the subscription of members serving with H. M. Forces during the War. The Secretary explained that there would be from fifty to sixty members so affected.

² Now known solely as Glenalmond. Founded by William Ewart Gladstone.

The meeting were of the opinion that desirous of giving all encouragement to members serving with the forces, the Club could not afford to remit the subscriptions in question and the Secretary was instructed to intimate thus to Mr. Mustard.

It was decided to institute a Roll of Honour on which would be inscribed the names of Members serving with the Forces during the War and it was remitted to the Secretary to take the necessary steps to that end.

P.T.C. BAIRD
Maj. CAMERONS

Baird, Percy Thomas Charles

Born: 28th November, 1872 - Bombay, India.

Captain from October 1899 and Major from August 1912. Major in the 74th Cameron Highlanders. Joined at Malta March 1894 ... served at Malta, Gibraltar, Crete, South Africa, China and India. Killed in action at Vvonnezelle, Flanders **February 15th 1915.**

Father Colonel Andrew Wilson Baird C.S.I. (Companion of the Order of the Star of India), Palmer's Cross, Elgin and M.E.Baird (née Davidson).

J.R.KEITH
C.S.M. PRIN.PATRICIA'S C.L.I.

Keith, John Reid.

Born: 30th November, 1887 – School House, Inchberry, Rothes.

C.S.M. Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry. Joined at Ottawa August 1914; served in France; died of meningitis **17th February, 1915.**

Son of James and Henrietta Keith, Inchberry.

Occupation: Banker.

G.D.GORDON
LT.NORTHANTS REG.

Gordon, George Duff.

Born: 16th July, 1894 – Elgin.

Lieutenant 2nd Northamptonshire Regiment. Educated at Elgin Academy and Dover College before passing into Sandhurst having won a prize cadetship. In January 1914 he was gazetted to the Northamptonshires. Went to France on 4th November, 1914. Died: **12th March 1915** at Neuve Chapelle, France. The Battle of Neuve Chapelle took place from the 12th to the 15th March, 1915.

Son of Robertson Barclay Gordon, Procurator Fiscal (Captain MGC 1897-98) and Marjorie Frances Gordon (née Duff) of 8 Gordon Street Elgin.

E.J.F.JOHNSTON
CAPT.ROYAL SCOTS

Johnston, Edward John Farquharson.

Born: 17th May 1882 - Seville.

He served in France from 20 December 1914 and was killed in action on **12th April, 1915**.

He was married to Viola Bailey who was born in 1885 and died in 1960. Son of Edward Farquharson Johnston from New Mill Elgin who was British Vice Consul in Seville (appointed 1879) President of Seville F C. Mother Mary Crosbie of 11 The Boltons London.

At the 1911 census EJF Johnston was living with his parents in Hook Heath, Woking, Surrey along with two visitors, one gardener and five domestic servants – the gardener and all servants were born in Scotland.

EJF Johnston's uncle was Colonel Charles James Johnston, Laird of Lesmurdie who lived at The Craig from 1931. Cousin of C.E. Johnston.

8 May, 1915 – A letter was read from Lieut. A.H. Ramsden-Tagore R.L.V.R. in charge of Patrol Boat "Ivanhoe" enquiring how he and Lieut. Robertson commanding the Patrol Boat "Pete John" could enjoy temporary membership of the Club during the time they are to be stationed at Lossiemouth. It was agreed to elect Lieut. Ramsden Tagore and Lieut. Robertson Honorary Members of the Club ...

E.G.J.HUMBERT
LT.ROYAL BERKS REG.

Humbert, Ernest Graham Johnston

2nd Lieutenant 9th (Service) Battalion Princess Charlotte of Wales', (Royal Berkshire Regiment).

Attached to 2nd Hants who were in Gallipoli from March 1915 to January 1916
Deceased at Gallipoli **7th June 1915.**

Father Ernest Humbert K.C. of Langleys, Oxshott, Surrey. Mother Margaret Ann Geddes Humbert (née Johnston). Her sister was Lizzie Forsyth Johnston who was married to John Hugh Hair (Captain MGC 1911 to 1913).

Ernest Humbert was a personal friend of Captain James Brander Dunbar of Pitgaveny and Sir William Gordon Cumming of Gordonstoun and Altyre

D.STEWART
LT. SEAFORTHS

Stewart, David.

Born: 23rd September, 1894 – Elgin.

Lieutenant in 6th Seaforth Highlanders. Mobilised in 1914; served in France; killed at Festubert **13th June, 1915.**

Son of Hugh Stewart and Mary Stewart (née Steinson Duff) of Royal Bank House, Elgin.

J.N.GOURLAY
LT.SEAFORTHS

Gourlay, John Norman

Born: 13th September, 1895 - Southend-on-Sea, Essex.

2nd Lieutenant 2/6, 3/6th 3rd and 2nd Battalions, Seaforths. Residing in Morayshire from infancy; joined at Elgin 4th October, 1914; served in France; killed near Beaumont Hamel, Battle of the Somme **1st July 1915.**

Son of Frederick and Mary Gourlay, The Grove, Elgin.

Occupation: Student.

H.B.GALLOWAY
MAJ.SEAFORTHS

Galloway, Harold Bessemer of Blervie, Forres.

Born: November 9th, 1867.

Major 7th Seaforth Highlanders. Joined 1887. Killed at Hohenzollern Redoubt in the Battle of Loos **September 25th 1915**; awarded medal and clasps in Hazara Expedition, 1891, medal and clasps for Relief of Chitral, 1895 and medal and three clasps in South African War, and awarded Royal Humane Society's Medal for saving life at the age of seventeen.

Son of Charles J. Galloway, Thorneyholme, Knutsford, Cheshire.

Occupation: Regular soldier.

FLEETWOOD THORNE
CAPT. GRENADIER GUARDS

Thorne, Thomas Fleetwood Joseph Nicol.

Born: 10th April 1888 Dornhirst, Sevenoaks, Kent.

Captain and Adjutant in the Grenadier Guards and was killed on Hill 70 at the Battle of Loos, France on **28th September, 1915** whilst trying to save a drummer (source: The Sphere, 12th February, 1916). He is remembered on the Loos Memorial. He had joined the Guards in September 1909 and was promoted to lieutenant in September 1910 and Captain in February 1915. He had been educated at Eton and Christ Church, Oxford.

The Battle of Loos lasted from 25 September to 18 October 1915 and was the first major British offensive on the Western Front and the first time the British had used gas in the Great War. Although not as well-known as the Somme by some estimates the casualties were even greater.

Son of Augustus Thorne and Mary Francis Nicol (daughter of a coffee planter in Ceylon) and brother of Andrew Thorne of Dunconusg. Dunconusg was completed in 1894 by Augustus Thorne as his summer residence. He was a former sheep farmer and barrister from 22 Great Cumberland Place in London.

The family grave in Elgin Cemetery directs people to Psalm CXXXIX v. 10 – "Even there, your hand will lead me forth, and your right hand will hold me".

31st January, 1916 – The Secretary stated that he had received several letters from members serving with the Forces enquiring if payment of their subscription was to be suspended ... The meeting taking into account the small annual subscription payable and the present financial position of the Club regret that they cannot see their way to recommend to the General meeting that there should be any abatement in the subscriptions of members serving in the Navy and Army.

2nd March, 1916 – The Secretary submitted letter from Lieut. A. Low Mustard, 6th Battalion, T.F. with reference to the payment of subscriptions for members serving in H.M. Forces and read his reply thereto. The meeting approved. The Council did not see any reason to alter the finding come to by them on the subject at their last meeting.

The Council have also resolved, with reference to the current year, that there will be no Club Fixtures or competitions, being of opinion that these should be dispensed with during the War. The Club has to deplore the loss of a number of members in action.

C.NEILSON
C.S.M. GORDONS

Neilson, Charles

Born: circa 1890 – Ellon.

Company Sergeant Major 1st/5th Battalion Gordon Highlanders. Service No: 2284.
Killed in action **1st June, 1916.**

Son of James and Christina Neilson of 7 Station Road, Ellon. His brother Rolland M also fell.

1st September, 1916 – Ramsay MacDonald's name removed from the Roll.

W.T.ANDERSON
Lt. SEAFORTHS & R.F.C.

Anderson, William Trevor

Born: 30th December, 1896 - Newera, Eliya, Ceylon. Lived in Elgin from 1904.

Joined at Elgin 8th October 1914 ... served in Scotland and England. Died **8th April, 1917** of illness contracted when on military duty at Newcastle-upon-Tyne.

Son of William and Edith Isabella Anderson, Springfield House, Elgin.

Occupation: Scholar.

A.T.WELSH
LT. ROYAL WELSH FUS.

Welsh, Alexander Thorburn.

Born: 19th March, 1882 – Galashiels.

2nd Lieutenant Artists Rifles and 4th Royal Welsh Fusiliers. Residing in Elgin since 1885. Joined in London 21st November, 1915; served in France; killed near Arras **3rd May 1917.**

Son of William and Isabella Thorburn Welsh, Ivy Bank, Elgin.

Occupation: Woollen Manufacturer.

E.D.MESSERVY
CAPT. LOND. REG & R.F.C.

Messervy, Ernest Dyce.

Born: 26th March 1894.

Captain in 21st (First Surrey Rifles) Battalion, London Regiment which went to France in May 1915 and Royal Flying Corps 56 Squadron, and fought on the Western Front. Reported missing and killed in action near Menin, **20th July, 1917.**

Son of Ernest Francis Messervy of Talawakelle, Ceylon and Margaret Dyce of 22, Great Cumberland Place, London. Lived at St Martin, Jersey, Channel Islands.

Nephew of Mrs Thorne Highfield Park, Heckfield, Hampshire – therefore a cousin of Fleetwood Thorne and General Andrew Thorne formerly of Dunconusg, Lossiemouth. Margaret Dyce and Mary Thorne were sisters. Their father was Andrew Nicol coffee planter of Dinbula, Ceylon and their mother Jane Stronach of Banff.

**I.G.FLEMING.M.C.
CAPT.GORDONS**

Fleming, Ian Grant

Born: 4th April, 1892.

Captain in Gordon Highlanders. Member of the O.T.C. at Glenalmond for 4 years and was promoted Captain on October 30th 1914. Awarded the M.C for 'gallantry in the field'³. Killed at Ypres, Belgium on **31st July, 1917** and interred at St Jean, Belgium.

Father Colonel John Grant Fleming (Solicitor and Town Clerk, Keith) and mother Lilius Joan Culbard. Brother of W J C Fleming

Occupation: Apprenticeship with Alex Morison & Co, W.S., Edinburgh.

2nd August, 1917 – it was decided to hold a Golf Competition at an early date, at an entry fee of 2/6, the proceeds to go to the War Charities as fixed by the Committee.

4th August, 1917 – it was decided that the competition be in aid of the Morayshire Prisoners of War Fund.

**J.T.JENKINS
LT.SEAFORTHS**

Jenkins, James Temple.

Born: October 31st 1883 – Burghead.

2nd Lieutenant 4th Seaforth Highlanders. Joined at London January 1916, served in France; killed in action at Passchendaele **September 20th 1917**.

Son of Thomas Jenkins, Burghead and Ann Jenkins (née Dick).

Occupation: Fish curer.

24th September, 1917 – Provost Christie stated that the Town Council of Lossiemouth were getting up a presentation for Alexander Edwards, V.C., 6th Seaforth Highlanders whose home is in Stotfield.

On the motion of the Captain it agreed to vote a sum of £5 to the fund being raised by the Lossiemouth Town Council for a presentation to Sergeant Alexander Edwards, at one time a caddie on the Course, and who has been awarded the Victoria Cross.

4 February, 1918 – it was decided that there would be no matches or club competitions held next season.

³ Banffshire Advertiser, 9th August 1917

G.M.MACBEY.M.C.
LT.SEAFORTHS

MacBey, George Monro.

Born: 14th May, 1897- Elgin.

Lieutenant 6th Seaforth Highlanders. Joined at Elgin September 1914; served in France; wounded at Beaumont Hamel November 1916 and killed in action on the Bapaume-Cambrai Road on **22nd March 1918**. Awarded Military Cross at Beaumont Hamel November, 1916.

Son of William Monro MacBey, Urquhart Villa, Lossiemouth and Catherine MacBey (née Forsyth).

Occupation: Law Clerk.

C.E.JOHNSTON, D .S. O.
MAJ.SEAFORTHS

Johnston, Charles Ernest.

Born: 18th December, 1871 – New Mill, Elgin.

Major 6th Battalion Seaforth Highlanders. Joined at Elgin 1889; served in France; officially reported killed on **23rd March, 1918** near Beaumetz; awarded D.S.O. (Distinguished Service Order) and twice mentioned in despatches.

Son of Colonel Charles James and Mary Johnston, Lesmurdie, Elgin. Cousin of E.J.F.Johnston

Occupation: Woollen manufacturer.

J.L.SIM
PTE. SEAFORTHS

Sim, James Leslie.

Born: 10th November, 1881 – Lossiemouth.

No: 266667 Pte. 1/6th Seaforth Highlanders. Joined at Lossiemouth November 1915; served in France; reported missing from **25th March, 1918**.

Son of John Sim, Lossiemouth (Captain MGC 1904-1905) and Elizabeth Sim (née Winchester).

15th June, 1918 – The Secretary reported that he had received intimation from the Greenkeeper that he had been medically examined under the Military Service Acts and passed under Grade 1 and enquiring how he would be placed in regard to his house in the event of his being called up. It was agreed if MacDonald were called up to keep his place open for him and also to allow his wife and family to reside in the house rent free during his absence on military duty. The Secretary further stated that on receipt of the Greenkeeper's letter he had consulted with the Captain as to applying for exemption for MacDonald and that they had come to the conclusion that it would not be advisable to do so.

It was remitted to the Green Committee to make the best provision they could as to carrying on the work on the Course should MacDonald be called up.

The Secretary read letter he had received from the Board of Agriculture for Scotland with reference to the efforts made to secure an increase in the amount of food grown in Scotland and that the Board proposed to request district Agricultural Committees take into consideration the possibility of increased production from the Golf Course and asking the cooperation of the members of the Club to this end.

The Secretary was instructed to point out that the Council are fully sensible of the importance of the subject referred to in the letter and that they would be very pleased to entertain any suggestions of the local Agricultural Committee with the view of attaining the object aimed at but at the same time point out that the Moray Golf Course is unsuitable for cultivation owing to the nature of the soil ...

G.C.COLLIER
LT.SCOT.RIFS.

Collier, Guy Cecil

Born: 30th December, 1897 - Chittagong, Bengal, India.

Lieutenant 3rd Scottish Rifles (Cameronians). Residing in Morayshire from 1902; joined at Nigg, Rosshire April 1915, served in France, wounded 23rd July 1917, killed **23rd July, 1918** near Berzy, south of Soissons.

Son of Frank Robert Stanley Collier and Amy M Collier.

24th July, 1918 – The Secretary reported that the Greenkeeper had been called up for military duty and that he had issued an advertisement for a temporary Greenkeeper ...

10th August, 1918 – The meeting had under consideration the arrangements in connection with the Golf Gymkhana to be held on the 28th inst. in aid of the Scottish Young Women's Christian Association Wartime Welfare Work.

G.C.WEST
SERGEANT LANARK YEO.

West, George Campbell

Born: 1892 – Lossiemouth.

Lce/Sgt Lanarkshire Yeomanry. Joined in Glasgow August 1914, served in France; died at Londonderry **29th August, 1918.**

Son of George S and Mary West of 9 Pitgaveny Street, Lossiemouth.

Occupation: Engineer.

W.F.FORSYTH
CAPT.28THCANADIANS

Forsyth, William Fraser.

Born: June 6th, 1887 – Glasgow.

Lieutenant Canadian Army. Residing in Lossiemouth for several years; joined at Saskatoon, Canada, December, 1914. Served in France, severely wounded October 2nd at Soilly near Arras and died at 33 Casualty Clearing Station **October 4th, 1918.**

Parents Andrew and Mary Forsyth (née McMurtrie), Dalquharran, James Street, Lossiemouth.

His older sister (born c.1883) Annie McMurtrie (Maisie) Forsyth was admitted as a member of the Club on 18th February 1921.

Occupation: Estate Agent.

G.MESSERVY.M.C.
MAJ.R.F.A.

Messervy, Gerald

BORN: circa 1890.

Major in Royal Field Artillery. 16th Battery, 41st Brigade. Died 9th October, 1918.

The 41st Brigade went to France in August 1914. Gerald Messervy was the last of the original officers still serving with the 41st Brigade, Captain (acting Major) Gerald Messervy MC, was killed at Romilly, **9th October 1918**, commanding 16th Battery.

Son of Ernest Francis Messervy of Talawakelle, Ceylon and Margaret Dyce of 22, Great Cumberland Place, London.

Nephew of Mrs Thorne Highfield Park, Heckfield, Hampshire – therefore a cousin of Fleetwood Thorne and General Andrew Thorne formerly of Dunconusg, Lossiemouth. Margaret Dyce and Mary Thorne were sisters. Their father was Andrew Nicol of Dinbula, Ceylon and their mother Jane Stronach of Banff.

Military Cross was awarded to Gerald for act or acts of exemplary gallantry during active operations against the enemy.

28th October, 1918 – The Secretary also stated that in consultation with the Captain and some other members of the Council it had been agreed to pay the Greenkeeper's wife 10/- a week while her husband was absent on military service.

**W.J.C.FLEMING.M.C.
CAPT.GORDONS**

Fleming, William James Culbard

Born: 28th May 1895.

Captain 6th Battalion Died: **2nd December, 1918**

Parents: Colonel John Grant Fleming, Solicitor of Keith and Liliias Joan Fleming (née Culbard). Brother of I.G. Fleming.

"He formerly served in the Scottish Horse, from which regiment he received his commission in November last. Lieutenant Fleming left for France in February and was invalided home for some time, but has now gone to rejoin the 1/6th in Flanders. He received promotion while in France".⁴

"Quite a gloom was cast over the community of Keith on Monday afternoon when it became known that Captain William J. C. Fleming, second and elder surviving son of Colonel John G. Fleming, V.D., O.B.E., Reidhaven House, Keith, and nephew of Miss Culbard M.B.E⁵ of Oldmills, Elgin, had succumbed as the result of an attack of influenza. Captain Fleming who was 22 years of age ... early in 1915 received his commission in the 6th Gordon's with whom he had been ever since with the exception of a short time when he was acting at home as an instructor at a cadet school. Throughout his career Captain Fleming proved an excellent soldier and officer and was held in the highest respect by fellow officers and men. He arrived home on furlough only a week past Thursday, and had been confined to bed ever since. Colonel Fleming's eldest son Captain Ian Grant Fleming, Gordons was killed in action on 31st July, 1917."⁶

12th December, 1918 – it was resolved to apply for the release of the Greenkeeper from military duty.

23rd December, 1918 – The Secretary reported that MacDonald the Greenkeeper had been demobilised and would return to work in the course of a few days.

13th March, 1919 – The meeting had under consideration the remit from the meeting in regard to granting the privilege of the Green to young men who have served in the War.

⁴ Dufftown News, 7th August, 1915.

⁵ Amelia Jane Chisholm Culbard – sister of Liliias Joan. Vice-President of Morayshire Red Cross.

⁶⁶ Elgin Courant, 6th December, 1918.

E.E.S. BENNETT
MAJ. 66TH PUNJABIS

Bennett, Ernest Edward Sebastian
Born: c.1880. Attended Elgin Academy.

Died on active duty **26th March, 1919** at Delhi, India.

Father James Bennett, Brewer of South Villa, Elgin. Mother Ellen Eliza Bennett (née Larkworthy). Brother George F. Bennett

"A Requiem Mass will be held at St Sylvester's on Monday at 10 o'clock"⁷

10th May 1919 – The Secretary submitted list of names of members who had served during the War. The meeting considered that it would be fit and proper that a Memorial Tablet should be erected in the Clubhouse with the names of those who had made the supreme sacrifice engraved thereon.

27th May, 1919 – The matter of granting the privilege of the Green to young men who had served in the War which was brought up by Mr Hunter at the General meeting was remitted to the Green Committee for consideration and report.

31st May, 1919 – After carefully considering the whole matter the Meeting decided to recommend that young men who had served in the navy or army in the War be admitted to certain restricted privileges of membership as individuals and not as a Club. These members would not be allowed to play on the Course during the months of June, July, August and September until after 6 o'clock p.m. During the remaining months of the year they would be allowed to play at any hour except on Wednesdays and Saturdays when they would not be allowed to start play between 2 and 5 o'clock afternoon. These members would have no right to the use of the Club House. The meeting further recommended that a Committee of members resident in Lossiemouth such as Messrs. Glennie, Hair, Hunter and Fleming, to be called the "Committee of Management", be appointed to receive and consider applications for membership.

10th March, 1921 – War Memorial – The Sub-Committee – Messrs J H Hair, A L Mustard and John Foster – reported that the sum raised amounted to about £130 and that the most suitable place for the Memorial appeared to it to be the space on the South wall of the smoking room, above the Mace where the writing table stands at present. The Secretary who is a member of the Sub-Committee noted that the Edinburgh Burgess Club, the Murrayfield Club and others around Edinburgh had recently erected brass or cast bronze memorials in their Club houses. His own view was that the selection of a memorial, from sketches or designs alone, left much to

⁷ Northern Scot, 5th April 1919.

be desired and as he intended to be in Edinburgh towards the end of the month he suggested that, with the approval of the Council, he might see some memorials and report as soon as possible. Mr David West mentioned that he might be in Edinburgh about the same time as the Secretary and the Council thought that Mr West's services would be of great assistance in inspecting memorials of clubs and similar institutions with the view to the selection of a suitable one for the Club house.

7th May, 1921 – The Secretary laid before the meeting a design for a cast bronze tablet with an oak surround which he had procured from Mr Charles Henshaw, Brass and Metal worker, Edinburgh. He stated that when in Edinburgh he had seen various memorials e.g. Barnton, Murrayfield, Edinburgh Burgess, the Scottish Conservative Club and had also seen many designs finished or in the casting process at Mr Henshaw's works. Cast bronze – according to experts' opinions – appeared to be preferable to engraved brass. The design exhibited had been returned to Mr Henshaw for an alteration and improvement on the head-piece and the final sketch, which they now saw, seemed to him to be the most artistic and suitable of the many he had inspected, assuming that the Club desired a memorial for erection inside the Club house. The moulding of the border was still available and the cost including the oak surround would be £120; this was on the assumption that about 30 names would be inscribed on the memorial. Mr David West, while not criticising the design adversely, said that he would like to submit a design for consideration. The meeting unanimously agreed to this, the sketch, with an estimate of its approximate cost, to be completed within two weeks.

16th June, 1921 – The Secretary read a letter from Mr West which stated that he had decided not to do anything further in the way of designing a memorial. It appeared from Mr West's letter that there was some misunderstanding as to the inclusion of his name in the War Memorial Committee. The meeting, after consideration, instructed the Secretary to write to Mr West and express its regret that he had not lodged the design or designs with the appropriate cost as had been arranged and that there was an evident misapprehension regarding his inclusion in the Sub-Committee as the Sub-Committee was formed before Mr West joined the Council and it had no power to add to its number. The Secretary was also instructed to send excerpts from the Minute, which bore this out, to Mr West. The Council unanimously resolved to accept the offer of Mr Charles Henshaw, 29 Murieston Crescent, Edinburgh to provide a memorial in cast bronze with an oak surround in conformity with the first sketch of it which had already been before the Sub-Committee and Council, at the cost of £120. It was remitted to the Secretary to carry out the formal agreement between the Club and Mr Henshaw on the understanding that the Memorial would be delivered, if at all possible, before the end of August.

23rd August, 1921 – War Memorial – The Secretary stated that he had written His Grace the Duke of Richmond and Gordon⁸ inviting him to take the leading part in the ceremony of unveiling but that His Grace had, with regret, been compelled to decline. The meeting unanimously invited Mr John Cumming⁹, Captain of the Club, to unveil the Memorial. The ceremony was fixed for Saturday 27th August at 2.30. The Secretary stated that, subject to the Council's consent, he had made arrangements with Captain Muirhead to have some of the Seaforth pipers and buglers to be present, and this was approved of. The following arrangements were decided on by the Committee:-

- † Lament by the pipers – courtesy of Captain Muirhead, Seaforth Pipers
- † The Captain of the Club then to unveil the memorial
- † The names on the tablet will thereafter be read
- † The Parish Minister will shortly dedicate the tablet and recite the Lord's Prayer
- † The Last Post

⁸ His son was killed at Ypres on 19th November, 1914.

⁹ John Fleetwood Cumming's son was the first casualty on the 14th September, 1914 at the Battle of Aisne.

When and where they fell

14th September, 1914	Lieutenant Lewis Robertson Cumming Lieutenant Harold William Ferguson Barton	Aisne Warneton Chateau
18th October, 1914		
24th October, 1914	Captain Lachlan Gordon-Duff	
31st October, 1914	Major Ronald Stewart Gordon	Messines
8 th November, 1914	Captain Robert Sym Wilson	Neuve Chapelle
19th November, 1914	Major Bernard Charles Gordon Lennox	Ypres
15th February, 1915	Major Percy Thomas Charles Baird Company Sergeant Major John Reid Keith	
17th February, 1915		
12th March, 1915	Lieutenant George Duff Gordon Captain Edward John Farquharson Johnston	Neuve Chapelle
12th April, 1915	2 nd Lieutenant Ernest Graham Johnston Humbert	
7 th June, 1915	Lieutenant David Stewart	Gallipoli
13th June, 1915	Lieutenant John Norman Gourlay	Festubert
1st July, 1915	Major Harold Bessemer Galloway	Somme
25th September, 1915	Captain Thomas Fleetwood Joseph Nicol Thorne	Loos
28th September, 1915	Company Sergeant Major Charles Neilson	Loos
1st June, 1916		
8th April, 1917	Lieutenant William Trevor Anderson	
3rd May, 1917	Lieutenant Alexander Thorburn Welsh	Arras
20th July, 1917	Captain Ernest Dyce Messervy	Nr Menin
31st July, 1917	Captain Ian Grant Fleming	Ypres
20th September, 1917	Lieutenant James Temple Jenkins	Passchendaele Bapaume- Cambrai
22nd March, 1918	Lieutenant George Monroe MacBey	Beaumont
23rd March, 1918	Major Charles Ernest Johnston	
25th March, 1918	Private James Leslie Sim	
23rd July, 1918	Lieutenant Guy Cecil Collier	Berzy
29th August, 1918	Sergeant George Campbell West	
4th October, 1918	Captain William Fraser Forsyth	Arras
9th October, 1918	Major Gerald Messervy	Romilly
2nd December, 1918	Captain William James Culbard Fleming	
26th March, 1919	Major Ernest Edward Sebastian Bennett	

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TO THE HONOURED MEMORY OF MEMBERS OF THE MORAY GOLF CLUB WHO GAVE THEIR LIVES IN THE GREAT WAR 1914 - 1919



31st December, 1921 – The Bronze Tablet to the memory of the thirty members who fell in the War was unveiled in August by the Captain of the Club in presence of a large company of members and friends.