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## Limavady's 'Happy Amateur' was outstanding Commando



**Top row, left to right: SM Brodison DCM, Lt Ambrose McGonigle MC, L-Cpl Howells. Bottom row, left to right: Cpl Nash MM, Lt Ian Smith MC, RFM Coleman**

**In May, 2012, Limavady lost one of its favourite adopted sons when 'The Happy Amateur', Ian Smith MC, died.**

Ian Smith, in his nineties, had a long and eventful life, in which he fought Nazis, Greek Communists, Italian Fascists, and was almost blown up in Randalstown during a paramilitary carjacking.

Smith was well known in Limavady for his book 'A Happy Amateur', which gives an interesting and vivid account of his time in the army, both as a member of the newly established Parachute Regiment and as a recruit to the Commandos. He also wrote about his life post-WWII, including details of his careers which were as varied as a hotelier and a salmon farmer. He was husband to the late Peggy Smith, who had family ties with the Roe Valley.

In 'A Happy Amateur', the late Ian Smith tells his story with wit, personality and no short measure of humour. When he recounts the tale of a childhood visit to 1930s Germany, where Hitler and his Nazi party had been in power a few years but before the onset of war. He speaks about what he and fellow scouts thought of the Nazis, but spends more time on another childhood story of how he was caught in Guernsey sending a message via morse code which read "the headmaster's balls are not round."

A chapter entitled 'Wycliffe and School and Trips Abroad' contains the following passage: "As far as we could see in our immature way, Germany had regained pride in herself and there was an air of prosperity, this was before the onslaught of the Jews, but I recall heated discussions over the anti Jewish speeches of the Nazis."

However, the spirit of 'A Happy Amateur' is more apparent when he writes: "In 1936 there was a scout camp in Guernsey, I don't really remember much about it except for one outstanding incident.

"Now all good scouts were expected to know the Morse code by both flag and wireless buzzer. In a forgetful moment I sent a message to another duty cook announcing that 'the Headmasters balls are not round'. It was unfortunate that not all the Masters had gone to Church."

It is the tales of daring raids across numerous countries in Europe during World War Two which truly set Smith's story apart. He tells of how one Belgian "expert in small arms" and his friend who, during the closing stages of the evacuation at Dunkirk, were tasked with sorting weapons recovered from civilian refugees. The Belgian began spinning a pistol on his finger and flinging it into the air, before catching it on his finger again – an act which convinced Smith that "at one time he had been a circus juggler."

Unfortunately, despite Smith shouting "Oi" and again, "Oi, Oi – for God's sake stop it", one of the pistols went off and shot a friend of the 'arms expert' through the heart, dead – an incident which obviously made a lasting impact on Smith.

He was among the first members of the Parachute Regiment and the SAS, but eventually joined the Commandos. He was posted to Norway where, disguised, he kept watch on German shipping movements. He recalls one photograph where he was pictured in costume standing under a swastika in Norway.

As for the invasion of Nazi-occupied France, Smith writes with fluency and gives a highly personal account of the battles fought as part of what colleagues described as “some hush, hush thing to do with the commandos.”

He writes: “I have forgotten exactly how many raids we made on the French Coast, mostly unsuccessful, it must have been eight or nine, but I will tell in detail of but two, because in the haze of time I am unable to identify one similar op from another. I remember thinking at the time that we were in what was a singularly unique position. Stalin and others who should have known better were calling for the immediate launching of the Second Front ie the invasion of Europe, and here were we answering this demand. We were on our way to Europe, all seven of us, so look out Mr Hitler.”

After detailing the ensuing action, he also recounts an incredible tale of his time in Yugoslavia, assisting communist partisans in their fight against the Nazis. Among the stories of fighting in the fierce Eastern European nation, he summarised his time there: “Life amongst the Partisans was very different, they on the whole occupied the mountains and anywhere the Germans were not. One immediate difference was the lack of food. Whatever the variety of my way so far, and my experiences were pretty unique, there was always enough to eat, particularly when we were fed by the Navy – it was certainly a rare event to go hungry.” He added: “Generally we got one meal every other day, this was made up of meat from oxen which had been killed that morning, boiled and eaten in the afternoon, it was so tough that the chewing took several hours and so passed the time and eased the hunger pains.”

Smith also has many tales of war involving Crete and Greece, Lake Comachio in Italy and a host of locations throughout Europe in the worst war ever fought in human history, as well as colourful, humorous and interesting stories of life in the army.

After fighting against the Nazi tyranny in Europe, Smith was almost blown up by a car bomb in Randalstown in the 1970s, a story he tells briefly in a chapter entitled 'An Incident'.

Despite all this, the lasting impression left by a reading of 'A Happy Amateur' is that of warmth, family and humour and a feeling of great empathy towards the sadly deceased Ian Smith.

While it was undoubtedly his time in the army which provides the greatest drama, His final chapter is dedicated solely to his late wife, Peggy, who had family ties with the Boyles from the Roe Valley area.

Ian Smith's funeral service was held at Christ Church, Limavady on Thursday, May 10, 2012

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## On this Day – May 3

### In the newspapers

**3rd May 1915 Belfast Newsletter**

### **THE DIVISIONAL PARADE**

An Official Announcement

## THE LINE OF ROUTE

### ULSTER DIVISION REVIEW

#### 109th Infantry Brigade

Further arrangements in connection with the Ulster Division review have been completed. The 9th and 11th Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers, from Randalstown, will travel by four special trains, leaving the camp station at 6:00 a.m., 6:25 a.m., 6:40 a.m., and 7:13 a.m. on the morning of the review. The battalions will be completed in Duncrue Street, Belfast, and will march via York Street, Royal Avenue, Donegall Place, Bedford Street, University Road, Malone Road and Deramore Park South, where they will be joined by the 14th Royal Irish Rifles (Y.C.V.'s), who are coming by road from Randalstown.

After the march through the city in the afternoon, the brigade will rest in Alexandra Park, and the first of the return specials will leave Midland terminus at 6:45 p.m.

The 121st, 122nd, and 150th Field Companies R.E. will travel by train from Antrim at 8:00 a.m. and 8:15 a.m., returning by trains at 5:10 p.m. and 5:25 p.m.

The 16th Battalion Royal Irish Rifles will leave Lurgan by special train at 7:30 a.m., and detrain at Balmoral, marching to the parade ground, and leaving Belfast terminus at 6:45 p.m. for Lurgan.

After the review on the Malone ground the division will, as already announced proceed via Lisburn Road. Shaftsbury Square, Great Victoria Street, Wellington Place, past City Hall, up Chichester Street, and through Victoria Street, High



Street, Castle Place, and Royal Avenue to the junction of North Street, where it will split into different brigades, which will follow routes yet to be announced.

In connection with the review a considerable number of men, horse, and transport will have to be billeted in the city, and it may safely be asserted that those who are called on by the police will do all in their power to comply with the wishes of the authorities.

## 1915

On this day 03/05/1915, Major John McCrae, a Canadian Field Artillery surgeon, penned the poem In Flanders Fields.

Motivated by the death of his friend Alexis Helmer, who was killed by a direct hit from a German shell, McCrae wrote the poem during the second week of the Second Battle of Ypres. He was stationed at what later became the Essex Farm Advance Dressing Station, just north of Ypres.



The poem was printed by Punch magazine in London on 08/12/1915. Within months it became the most popular poem of the war and ever since has linked the poppy as a symbol of remembrance of those lost in war.

In Flanders fields the poppies blow  
Between the crosses, row on row,  
That mark our place: and in the sky  
The larks still bravely singing fly  
Scarce heard amid the guns below.  
We are the dead: Short days ago,  
We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow,  
Loved and were loved: and now we lie  
In Flanders fields!  
Take up our quarrel with the foe  
To you, from failing hands, we throw  
The torch: be yours to hold it high  
If ye break faith with us who die,  
We shall not sleep, though poppies grow  
In Flanders fields

## **1921**

The Government of Ireland Act came into force, creating Northern Ireland and Southern Ireland as separate legal entities on the island.

## **1940**

War Office announces withdrawal from Namsos; Allies remain only in Narvik to stop the supply of iron ore to Germany.

Allied forces south of Trondheim surrender to Germans.

Destroyer Afridi sunk by German bombers off Norway.

Hitler postpones X-Day to the 6th May due to bad weather.

## **1942**



Off the northern coast of Norway, German destroyers sink the British cruiser Edinburgh which was escorting Convoy PQ-15.

The Japanese make landings on Tulagi in the Solomon Islands.

The Japanese covering force at Tulagi, which consisted of the carrier Shoho and escorts leaves to act as cover for the Port Moresby landings.

The submarine USS Spearfish (SS-190) evacuates 12 Army nurses from the Philippines.

## **1943**

The U.S. commander in Europe, Lieutenant General Frank M. Andrews is killed in air crash in Iceland.

The Russians report the 'smashing' of a German counter attack in the Kuban, to the South of Rostov.

US troops take Mateur, less than 50 miles Northwest of Tunis.

## **1944**

The rationing of all meat, except for steak, is canceled. Supplies of pork and beef are judged to be sufficient for both military and civilian consumption.

## **1945**

Typhoons and Tempests of 2nd TAF carry out devastating attacks on enemy shipping in the Baltic. Large numbers of



The British 7th Armoured Division capture the city of Hamburg, the last remaining defence for the Germans in the north

flying boats and transport aircraft, attempting a massed evacuation to Norway, are also destroyed.

German envoys meet Montgomery at his HQ on Luneburg Heath, South of Hamburg to discuss peace. The envoys return to Donitz and recommend unconditional surrender of all forces facing the 21st Army Group. The German defence system in NW Germany is now in chaos as troops, civilians and refugees pour west to escape the Russian advance. General Wolz surrenders Hamburg to the British Second

Army and declares Hamburg an open city. The U.S. Ninth Army makes contact with the Russians in the Wismar area.

The U.S. Third Army crosses the river Inn, while the U.S. Seventh Army captures Innsbruck and reaches the Brenner Pass.

The Russians make contact with the U.S. 9th Army in the Wismar area. SEAC announces the liberation of Rangoon in Burma.

German ship "Cap Arcona" laden with prisoners sunk by Royal Air Force in East Sea, 5,800 killed - one of largest maritime losses of life

## 1954



CWGC Malta Memorial was unveiled by Her Majesty The Queen. The memorial commemorates over 2,200 airmen



who lost their lives during WW2 whilst serving with Commonwealth Air Forces.

## Roll of Honour – May 3

*Representing their comrades who died on this day*

**1915**

### **+EDWARDS, James**

Army Cyclist Corps. 28th Div. Cyclist Coy. Formerly 4th Bn. Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers. Private. 699. Died 03/05/1915. Age 19. Son of Henrietta Edwards, of 59, Lepper St., Belfast. Ypres (Menin Gate) Memorial, Belgium

### **+HUGHES, William John**

Australian Infantry, A.I.F. 15th Btn. Corporal. 1335. Died 03/05/1915. Age 20. Born at Altnamachin, Co. Armagh. He moved to Glasgow and then to Australia. Son of William and Susan Hughes. His father who was listed as next of kin was also living in Glasgow. Lone Pine Memorial, Turkey (including Gallipoli)

### **+LONG, Samuel**

RMLI. Private. PLY/471(S). Plymouth Battalion. RND. Died 03/05/1915. Missing, assumed dead. (Killed in action 'Y' Beach 25-26/04/1915). RM Brigade 22/11/1914 -

03/05/1915. Enlisted 08/10/14. Born Glasgow, 28/02/1887. Son of Alexander Long, Tower St., Belfast. Gallipoli. Helles Memorial. ADM 159/175/471

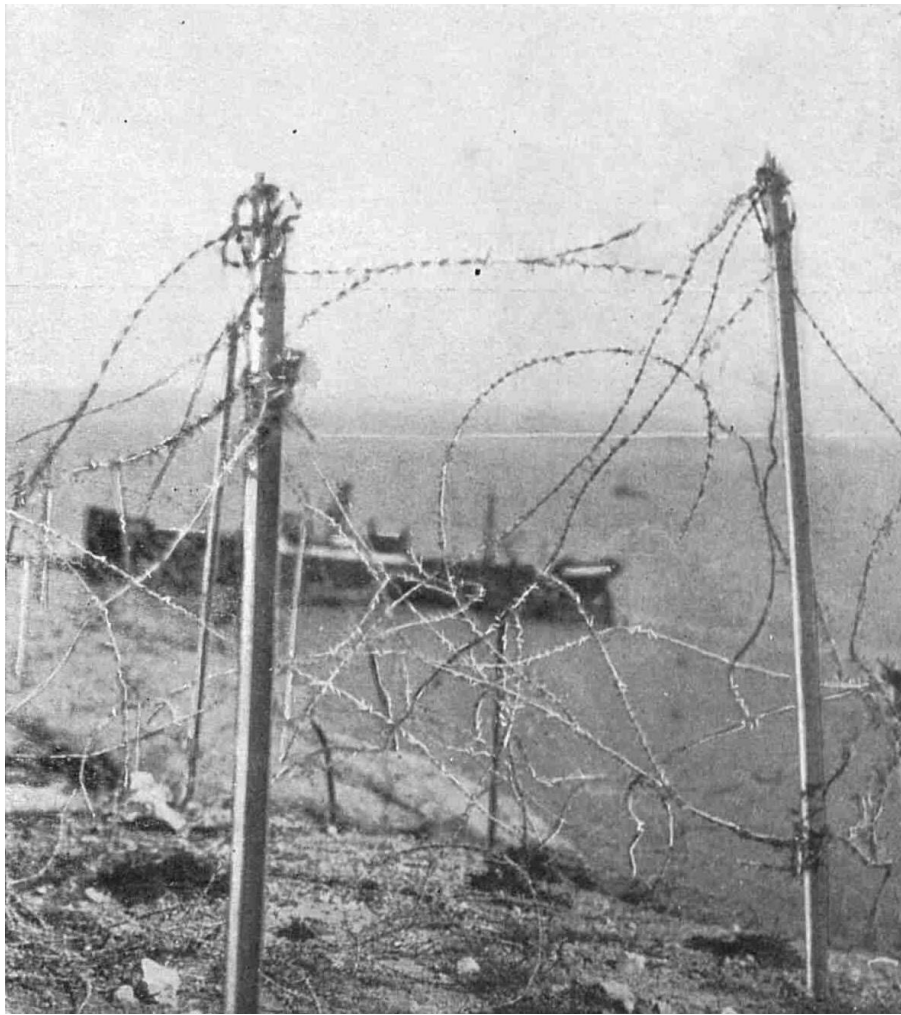
### **+MARKS, George Frederick Handel**

Royal Army Medical Corps. Lieutenant Colonel. Died 03/05/1915. Attended Royal School Armagh from February 1877 until April 1878. A younger two-year old brother died in Armagh in 1862. Son of John Christopher Marks. Dalhousie Civil Cemetery, India

### **+MILLS, Thomas Alexander**

RM. Private. PLY/16717. Plymouth Btn. RND. Died 03/05/1915. Dardanelles. Aged 17. Enlisted Belfast 09/06/1914 ; Plymouth Battalion at Dunkirk 19/09/1914-12/10/1914 ; MEF 06/12/15-26/04/1915. A member of Ebrington Presbyterian Church, and Murray Parent Club of Apprentice Boys of Derry, he enrolled a few weeks before the declaration of war. He was an apprentice collar cutter in the factory of Messrs. Lowry & Porter.

He formed part of the 29th Division engaged in the landing operations at the Dardanelles. Private Mills was initially reported missing at the Dardanelles, and his father, having written to the Admiralty inquiring about his son, received the following communication from the officer in charge of records, Royal Naval Division: 'The very great number of the enquiries received in this office in respect of members of the Royal Naval Division on active service renders it impossible to reply personally in each case. Correspondents, therefore, r



**The beached 'River Clyde' viewed through barbed wire, 'V' Beach, Cape Helles. Image: 'The Graphic,' 12th June 1915**

receiving this form are asked to be so good as to understand it to signify that the Record Office has no news (or, in cases where a previous report has been made, no further news) of the subject of their inquiry. In all cases where information is received a personal communication will be made at once to the next of kin. With reference to men reported wounded, it is to be observed that a telegram from the base office at Alexandria states “all wounded can be assumed progressing satisfactorily unless reported seriously ill.” These reports as to serious condition are telegraphic,



and are communicated immediately to the relatives by this department.'

The name of Thomas Alexander Mills was read aloud during a special memorial service held in First Derry Presbyterian Church, on Friday, 04/08/1916, to pay tribute to the Presbyterian soldiers of the city of Londonderry, who had died during the first two years of the Great War.

Born Templemore, Londonderry 01/03/1897. Son of Alexander and Margaret Mills, Orchard St., Londonderry. Alexander served with the 1st Inniskillings through the South African War, and held the King's Medal, with two clasps, the Queen's Medal, with five clasps, and the Distinguished Service Medal. 1914 Star issued to father 30/07/1919. Helles Memorial. Ebrington - PCI RH. Londonderry, The Diamond WM

### **+McDERMOTT, Stephen**

Australian Infantry, A.I.F. 14th Btn. Private. 85. Died 03/05/1915. Age 20. Wounded at Gallipoli. He died aboard a ship near Alexandria. His brother Francis enlisted under the name of another, Christopher. He also died in service in Gallipoli on 27/04/1915. Born at Armagh. One of five boys. Lived at Barrack Hill. His father was a serving soldier. The family emigrated to Australia. Son of Mary and the late Edward McDermott. Chatby Military and War Memorial Cemetery, Alexandria, Egypt

### **+McGUIRK, John**

Royal Marine Light Infantry. Plymouth Btn. R.N. Div. Private. PLY/7415. Died 03/05/1915 at Y beach during the Gallipoli

landings. Age 37. Born at St Patrick's, Armagh. The family moved to Liverpool. Son of John and Mrs B. McGuirk. Husband to Mary McGuirk of Hankin St., Liverpool who was issued his medals including the 1914 Star. Helles Memorial, Turkey (including Gallipoli)

### **+McQUOID, James Bailie**

Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers. 1st Btn. Corporal. 9681. Died 03/05/1915. Age 23. Son of William and Elizabeth McQuoid, of 94, Chief St., Belfast. Shrapnel Valley Cemetery, Turkey (including Gallipoli)

## **1916**

### **+CLARKE, C**

Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers, 8th Btn. Private. 27608. Died 03/05/1916. Age 38. Son of Patrick and Mary Clarke; husband of Mary Clarke, of 12, Parkview St., Old Park Rd., Belfast. Bethune Town Cemetery, France

### **+FERRY, P**

Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers. 7th Btn. Private. 26458. Died 03/05/1916. Age 28. Son of Elizabeth Ferry, of 159, Foster's Terrace, Londonderry. Philosophe British Cemetery, Mazingarbe, France

### **+GRIBBEN, Hugh**

7th Bn. Leinster Regiment. Private. 1571. Died 03/05/1916. Born Cushendun. Longuenesse (St. Omer), Souvenir Cemetery

## **+JEFFRIES, A**

Royal Irish Rifles, 20th Btn. Company Serjeant Major. 16/316. Died 03/05/1916. Age 49. Husband to Mrs. M. Jeffries, of 21, Liffey St., Old Park Rd., Belfast. Dundonald Cemetery, Belfast

## **+McCABE, Patrick John**

Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers. 8th Btn. Private. 25134. Died 03/05/1916. Age 31. Son of Bernard and Sarah McCabe, of Derrygonnelly; husband of Mary A. McCabe, of Glenshaver, Derrygonnelly, Enniskillen. Noeux-Les-Mines Communal Cemetery, France

## **+WEIR, Henry Keith Crichton**

South Staffordshire Regiment, 10th Btn. Second Lieutenant. Died 03/05/1916. Age 23. LOL 431. Son of Henry Crichton Weir and Elizabeth Singer O'Neill Weir of Iniscora, Downpatrick. Down Cathedral New Cemetery

## **1917**

## **+BOAL, John Kirk**

Royal Irish Fusiliers, 3rd Btn. attd. 1st Btn. Captain. Died 03/05/1917. Age 20. Born Moylena, Antrim 04/01/1897. Campbell College OTC 1908 - 1912. Apprentice in his father's linen business. His uncle James Coleman Kirk also died in the war. Son of John and Sophie Boal, of Antrim House, Antrim. Arras Memorial, France. Campbell College WW1 WM, Antrim Town WM. High Street Presbyterian Church, Antrim RH

**+BOYD, David Thomas**

Cameronians (Scottish Rifles), 6th Btn. attd. 9th Btn.  
Second Lieutenant. Died 03/05/1917. Age 26. Son of David  
and Jane Harvie Boyd, of 53, Fitzwilliam St., Belfast.  
Etaples Military Cemetery, France

**+BRADLEY, George**

Machine Gun Corps (Heavy Branch). D Btn. Serjeant.  
206144. Military Medal. Died 03/05/1917. Age 26. Born  
Lambeg 23/06/1891. Lived in and enlisted Belfast in Royal  
Irish Rifles and later transferred to the Machine Gun Corps.  
Son of Robert and Margaret Ann (nee Moore) Bradley, of  
34, Greenmount Villa, Henderson Avenue, Belfast. Mory  
Abbey Military Cemetery, Mory, France. Whitehouse  
Presbyterian Church RH, Family headstone, Carnmoney C  
of I Cemetery

**+BRUCE, Thomas Walter**

Black Watch (Royal Highlanders), 8th Btn. Private. S/43194.  
Died 03/05/1917. Age 19. Son of Sarah Bruce, of 6, Derlett  
St., Belfast, and the late Thomas Bruce. Arras Memorial,  
France

**+CALDWELL, George**

Army Service Corps. Motor Transport. Private. DM2/196174.  
Died 03/05/1917. Accidentally drowned in France. Born in  
Bessbrook. In 1911 George (19) was living at 16 College  
Square, Camlough with his widowed mother Maria (59) and  
his brother and sister. His effects went to his widow Mary.  
Peronne Communal Cemetery, France

### **+GRAHAM, Samuel John**

Australian Infantry, A.I.F. 17th Btn. Private. 2895. Died 03/05/1917. Born in Armagh. The family moved to Scotland. He emigrated and later enlisted in Australia. He was awarded the British War and Victory medals and the 1914-15 Star. Villers-Bretonneux Memorial, France

### **+HEANEY, Kirkwood**

Royal Fusiliers, 9th Btn. B Coy. Private. 47217. Died 03/05/1917. Age 21. Son of Mrs. Harriett Tilley, of 27, Coyle's Place, Belfast. Arras Memorial, France

### **+HEASLEY, Alexander**

1 KLR. Private. 91270. Died 03/05/1917. Aged 35. Born in Lisburn, and living at Broomhedge, Moira, he enlisted at Liverpool. Son of James Heasley, Broomhedge Bogs, Moira. Arras Memorial, Bay 3, Pas de Calais, France.

### **+HOLMES, William John**

Royal Irish Fusiliers, 1st Btn. A Coy. 5812. Lance Corporal. 5812. Died 03/05/1917. Age 22. Born in Armagh. He was one of eight children. His family lived at the Army Barracks, Barrack Hill, Armagh. By 1911 the family were living in Belfast. His father was an army pensioner and working as a messenger. Son of John and Elizabeth Holmes, of 84, Northbrook St., Belfast. Arras Memorial, France

### **+KERR, Thomas Robert Samuel**

Royal Irish Fusiliers. 1st Btn. Lance Sergeant. 8126. Died 03/05/1917 during the Battle of Arras. Aged 31. The 1st attacked at the Chemical works near Roeux, France and

had very heavy casualties: 6 Officers killed, 164 O/R killed of which many have no known graves and are commemorated on the Arras Memorial to the Missing. A career soldier, he enlisted in Belfast into the 1st Royal Irish Fusiliers in 1903 for 14 years service. An accomplished vocal and instrumental musician with the Regimental band. Stationed in India returning home at the outbreak of war. Left with the British Expeditionary Force for France arriving 28/08/1914 , and saw action in all of the major battles 1915,1916 including the Somme offensive. Son of Robert and Sarah Kerr, Riverside Terrace; Mount Street, Dromore, Co Down. Dromore WM. 1st Dromore Presbyterian Church WM

### **+KYDD, Chester Bishop**

Bedfordshire Regiment. 3rd Btn. attd. 7th Btn. Second Lieutenant. Died 03/05/1917. Age 19. Educated at Larne Grammar School and the Coleraine Academical Institute. Son of Dr. J. P. A. Kydd and Jessie Bishop Kydd, of Shantallagh, Coleraine. Dr. J. P. A Kydd was a former Chairman of the Congregational Union of Ireland. He played a key role in the committee responsible for the erection of Coleraine War Memorial. Arras Memorial, France. Coleraine WM. Larne WM

### **+LAVERY, Francis**

Royal Irish Fusiliers. 1st Btn. Private. 20571. Died 03/05/1917. Born in Tandragee. His effects went to his mother Mrs. Annie Matthews. Arras Memorial, France



### **+LLOYD, Benjamin**

Royal Irish Fusiliers. 1st Btn. Private. 6031. Died 03/05/1917 in the attack on the Chemical Works near Roeux, France. Age 24. He had been wounded 4 times. He had five brothers and a sister. His brother Thomas Lloyd 14404 9th Royal Irish Fusiliers, also died in service on 01/07/1916. Son of Mary and the late Thomas Lloyd, of Laurel Vale, Tandragee, Co. Armagh. Crump Trench British Cemetery, Fampoux, France. Tandragee WM

### **+MAHONY, James**

Royal Irish Fusiliers, 1st Btn. Lance Corporal. 13519. Died 03/05/1917. Age 32 years old. Son of Charles Mahony; husband of Maggie Mahony, of 3, Gracehill St., Belfast. Arras Memorial, France

### **+MILLAR, James**

Canadian Infantry, 31st. Btn. Private. 160444. Died 03/05/1917. Age 30. Son of John and Isabella Millar. He was born on 22/04/1885. He was one of four children, all born in the Mullyrodden area. The family were farmers. By 1911 his mother had died and he and his father were farmers. James emigrated to Canada. He worked as a labourer. He enlisted in Calgary on 05/10/1915. Vimy Memorial, France. Clonaleese Presbyterian Church RH

### **+QUINN, James Andrew**

Royal Irish Fusiliers. 1st Btn. A Coy. Private. 11441. Died 03/05/1917 at the Battle of Arras. Age 22. James worked in the local linen mill from the age of 14. Son of Hans and

Mary Quinn, of Mill Row, Tandragee, Co. Armagh. Arras Memorial, France. Tandragee WM. Gilford WM

**+SKELTON, Francis**

Royal Irish Fusiliers, 1st Btn. Private. 23583. Died 03/05/1917. Age 26. Born in Moy / Killyman on 03/09/1891. He was the oldest of at least four known children. Francis was raised by his grandparents and latterly at Maghery by Mary Campbell his aunt. Son of William and Anne Skelton, of 23, Sinclair St., Greenock. Brown's Copse Cemetery, Roeux, France. Book - Armagh Dead in the Great War

**+WALSH, Patrick**

Royal Irish Fusiliers, 1st Btn. Private. 3669. Died 03/05/1917. Age 30. Son of John and Elizabeth Walsh, of 17, Saul St., Belfast. Arras Memorial, France

**1918**

**+PULLIN, Robert James**

New Zealand Rifle Brigade. 4th Btn. 3<sup>rd</sup>. Rifleman. 41014. Died 03/05/1918. Son of William Blackwood Pullin, of Glenarm, Co. Antrim. Sailly-Au-Bois Military Cemetery, France. Larne WM

**1940**

**+LACKEY, John Campbell\*\***

Royal Ulster Rifles. Rifleman. 7015445. Died 03/05/1940. Age 33. Son of Arthur and Sarah Lackey; husband of Agnes Lackey, of Belfast. Belfast City Cemetery.

## **+PRICE, Vincent Cyril**

Royal Navy. Signalman. P/JX 126917. Died 03/05/1940. Age 29. H.M.S. Afridi. Son of Arthur Herbert Price and Annie Eliza Price; husband of Annie Jane Price, of Ballinlea, Ballycastle. Portsmouth Naval Memorial

**1941**

## **+CARLIN, George**

RAFVR. Aircraftman 1st Class. 968285. 272 Squadron. Died 03/05/1941. Aged 20. He was undergoing treatment for a serious illness at No. 24 (London) General Hospital, Campbell College, Belfast. Youngest son of Margaret Dowds of 33 Alfred Street, Waterside, Londonderry. Ardmore Roman Catholic Cemetery

**1942**

## **+KANE, Patrick Joseph**

Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers. 1st Btn. Fusilier. 6977775. Died 03/05/1942 in action at Monywa, Burma. Age 27. Born and resident in Armagh. Son of Thomas and Anne Kane. Rangoon Memorial, Myanmar

## **VETERAN**

## **CRILLY, George**

Pte George Crilly S4/125944 Army Service Corps. From Cookstown, Co. Tyrone, George enlisted in Aug 1915 claiming to be 38 when he was actually 50. A Baker, he

served at an ASC Depot at Aldershot. Later posted to 11th Training Res. Btn. and discharged with SWB 03/05/1917

# Every day is a Remembrance Day

***We will remember them***

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