

They Died in the Conflict in Season 1918-1919

Alexander Barrie, born at Camlachie, Glasgow on 19 August 1878, began his career with Parkhead Juniors, followed by a season at St Bernard's in Division Two. Sunderland tempted Barrie down south in 1902/03 where he remained until 1907, accumulating 64 league appearances. One season at Ibrox with Rangers (11 appearances/one goal) preceded Barrie joining Kilmarnock where he had four good season, playing in a total of 121 matches (seven goals). Following a short spell at Abercorn, Barrie joined up with the 2nd Battalion Highland Light Infantry, becoming a Corporal, died on 1 October 1918 on the Flanders battlefield, and is buried at Flesquieres Hill cemetery in France.

Archibald Campbell, born at Kirkintilloch in 1880, started his football career with Kirkintilloch Rob Roy before signing for Clyde in 1906. This was after a short spell at Carlisle United. Campbell made ten league appearances with Clyde and by 1909 he was playing in Division Two with Ayr FC (20 apps/two goals). Ayr FC and Ayr Parkhouse amalgamated to form one club in 1910 and became Ayr United. Archie Campbell played 67 league matches for Ayr United in four seasons, scoring 12 goals. The outside-left joined Abercorn in season 1914/15, where he made 23 appearances with one goal. He died of wounds on 14 September 1918 while serving with the Royal Field Artillery.

James Blyth Galloway, born at Buckhaven, Fife in 1894, joined Third Lanark from Haywood Juniors in September 1913. In his first season - 1913/14 - he made six appearances for Thirds, scoring one goal, then playing one more time for Thirds in season 1917/18. He was an Architect in civilian life. After touring Spain and Portugal with the Cathkin side in the summer of 1914, he was mobilised as a territorial at the outbreak of war and, after a long period of service in France, was sent to India in February 1918. He was a Lieutenant in the Royal Field Artillery, and died of pneumonia at Kasauli, India on 17 November 1918, at 25 years of age. His name is on the Kirkee 1914-1918 Memorial in India.

Alexander Goldie, born at Hurlford, Ayrshire on 15 November 1896, began his football career with Saltcoats Vics and Hurlford before joining Kilmarnock in 1917. At Rugby Park, he played two seasons for Kilmarnock playing in 34 league matches, with 16 goals. Sandy Goldie died of influenza on 6 November 1918.

Thomas Haydock, born at Glasgow around 1890, joined Queen's Park in 1914, and played in one league match before joining The Cameronians at the outbreak of war. During seasons 1914/15 (16 appearances) and 1915/16 (nine appearances), he added to his Queen's Park appearances. He served at the Dardanelles, Palestine and France. At the age of 28, he was killed in action on 2 September 1918, and is buried at the Bac-Du-Sud Cemetery, Baillieulval.

Francis David Kelly, born at Glasgow on 8 December 1892, was the eldest son of Celtic great, James Kelly, the Scottish Internationalist. He started out with local sides Blantyre St Josephs and Blantyre Vics. Celtic took him on tour with them to Germany in 1913, but he was soon back playing with Blantyre Vics. Motherwell signed Kelly for season 1915/16, where he made 35 league appearances in his first season, scoring eight goals. He was a regular the 1916/17 season as well with 35 appearances and seven goals before he joined the army. He did manage 12 appearances in season 1917/18, scoring one goal. Loaned to Celtic in 1917/18, he made two significant appearances - one in the War Fund Shield Final v Morton which Celtic won and the Glasgow Charity Cup Final v Partick Thistle, which Celtic also won. He also played in one league match. One further appearance for Motherwell in 1918/19 while home on leave from the army followed. After returning to the army he was to die on 5 May 1919 from injuries sustained in a train crash in post-war France, and is buried in Montargis Communal Cemetery, Loiret, France.

David Brunton McDougall, born at Leith around 1894, started out with Bonnyrigg before St Bernard's signed him in October 1914. The inside-left played in 16 Division Two league matches in season 1914/15, scoring ten goals, also helping them to win the Scottish Qualifying Cup the same season. With Division Two being disbanded after 1914/15, he played with St Bernard's in the Eastern League, Hibernian then signed him, and he played a total of eight league matches for the Easter Road side. Corporal McDougall had joined the King's Own Scottish Borderers, and he was killed in action on 18 August 1918. His name is on the Ploegsteert Memorial, Belgium.

Robert Messer, born at Edinburgh on 18 July 1887, had spells with Broxburn, King's Park and Bo'ness before Leicester Fosse took him down south in May 1910. In his one season in Division Two with the club, he made two appearances. He was soon back in Scotland with Broxburn United and East Fife. He had been a printer's apprentice in 1901 and was serving as a Private in the King's Own Scottish Borderers when he was killed in action in Flanders on 16 October 1918.

John Buchanan Monteith, born at Glasgow around 1883, had one season with the Queen's Park first team in 1911/12. playing three league matches at right-back for the Hampden side. He soon answered the call of the army after war broke out, and joined the Royal Garrison Artillery. Gunner John Monteith was killed in action on 27 September 1918, and is buried at Pas de Calais.

George Strachan Ramsay, born at Kilpatrick in 1892, started out with Clydebank Juniors. Queen's Park took him onto their books in January 1911. In his first season at Hampden he made ten appearances, scoring three goals. 1911/12 saw him play in a further 31 league matches, scoring four goals. The inside-right then had a short spell at Carlisle United before making one more appearance for Queen's Park. He was loaned out to Rangers during season 1912/13, making three appearances before moving on to Ayr United in season 1913/14. At Somerset Park he made a total of 15 league appearances, scoring 11 goals before moving on again - this time to Partick Thistle.

In his three seasons at Firhill, he played in a total of 42 league matches, scoring ten goals. Lieutenant George Ramsay joined the Royal Air Force (49th Squadron) and was killed in action in France on 8 August 1918.

William Findlay Weir, born in Glasgow on 18 April 1889, started his career with Maryhill Juniors. Sheffield Wednesday lured him down south in 1909, where he made 71 league appearances, scoring one goal. In 1912 Tottenham Hotspur signed him, and in three seasons he made 96 appearances, scoring two goals. The wing-half served with the Royal Engineers and was killed in action on 9 July 1918, aged 29.

Robert Wilson, born in Chicago, USA, in 1890, played with Hibernian during season 1913/14. He made 20 League appearances, scoring four goals after signing from Kirkintilloch Rob Roy. After playing on the right wing for Hibernian in the 1913/14 Scottish Cup Final against Celtic, when a replay was needed to decide the destination of the trophy after a 0-0 draw at Ibrox Park, Celtic won the replay 4-1, but Hibernian had done well to reach the final. He died tragically just a few days before the end of World War One in November 1918, although no evidence has been found so far that Robert Wilson was actually a war casualty. He may have died of another cause, such as Spanish flu.