Lieutenant Cecil Halliday Abercrombie, Royal Navy, born at Mozufferpore, India, on 12 September 1886, was the son of Walter D Abercrombie, Indian Police, and Kate E Abercrombie.

In cricket, he was a right hand bat and right hand medium pace bowler. In 1912 he hit 37 and 100 for the Royal Navy v Army at Lord’s.

He played for Hampshire Cricket Club in 1913, scoring 126 and 39 in his debut against Oxford University, 144 v Worcestershire and 165 v Essex when Hampshire followed on 317 behind; in a stand with George Brown (140) he put on 325 for the seventh wicket. In first class matches that year he scored 936 runs with an average of 35.92.

Between 1910 and 1913, he played six times for Scotland (won 2, lost 4).

He was lost with HMS Defence on 31 May 1916, age 29, and is commemorated on the Plymouth Naval Memorial.

His widow was Cecily Joan Abercrombie (nee Baker) of 22 Cottesmore Gardens, Kensington, London.
Captain David McLaren Bain, Gordon Highlanders, born in Edinburgh, was the second son of William Bain, a Bank Company Secretary, and Edith Bain, of 42 Moray Place, Edinburgh.

His siblings were William, Mary and George.

In the 1901 Census the household also had a Nurse, a Cook, a Table Maid and two House Maids.

In 1909 and 1910 he was in the Edinburgh Academy XI, being played chiefly for his bowling.

Between 1911 and 1914, he played eleven times for Scotland (won 4, lost 7).

He died on 3 June 1915, age 24, and is buried in Brown's Road Military Cemetery, Festubert.
Surgeon David Revell Bedell-Sivright, MB, BA, Royal Marines Medical Unit, born in Edinburgh, was the first son of William Henry Revell Bedell-Sivright, a Landed Proprietor, and Grace Edith Bedell-Sivright, of Redcliff, Murrayfield, Edinburgh, later of: North Cliff, North Queensferry, Fife.

His siblings were John, William and Eleanor.

He died on 5 September 1915, age 34, of acute septicaemia aboard HM Hospital Ship Dunluce Castle, and is commemorated on Portsmouth Naval Memorial.

Between 1900 and 1908, he played 22 matches for Scotland (won 12, lost 10). In 1904, he captained Great Britain versus Australia in Sydney, winning 17-0.

Regarded as a pioneer of the wing forward role and the hardest man to play for Scotland, he was the only Scot ever to play in three Triple Crown winning sides (1901, 1903 and 1907).

He was the only player to tour with both the 1903 and 1904 British Isles sides (captain on the 1904 Australasia tour), and captained Scotland.

After he retired from international rugby he became the 1909 Scottish heavyweight amateur boxing champion.

In 1902, his brother, John Vandaleur Bedell-Sivright, played one losing match for Scotland. He died of cardiac failure on 27 November, 1920, age 39.
Second Lieutenant Patrick Charles Bentley Blair, the Rifle Brigade, born at Wanlockhead, Dumfriesshire, on 18 July 1891, was the only son of the Reverend Charles Patrick Blair, Minister of Wanlockhead Parish, and Jean Bogle Blair, of The Manse, Wanlockhead.

His sibling was Jean Bogle Blair.

In season 1912-13, he played 5 times as a prop forward (won 2, lost 3), one of which was the defeat of France by 21-3 at the Parc des Princes on 1 January 1913 before a crowd of 25,000.

He died at Ypres on 6 July 1915, aged 23, and is buried in Talana Farm Cemetery.
Lieutenant John Argentine Campbell, Inniskilling Dragoons, born at Flores, near Buenos Aires, Argentina, on 20 October 1877, was the son of John Campbell, a Rancher, and Mary Rosary Robson, of Estancia La Corona, Casares, Buenos Aires, Argentina.

His sibling, Roderick Hugh, died on 1 April 1904, at Buenos Aires. His widow was Myra Campbell, of 17 Stevendale Road, Eastbourne, and they had a son, John, and a daughter, Eleanor.

After attending Fettes College for ten years from 1887, he went to Cambridge University, graduating BA in 1900. He was an Assistant Master at Loretto School before becoming a Rancher at Estancia El Jabali, Casares, Buenos Aires, Argentina, in 1909.

The ranch is currently the property of his grandson, the third John Argentine Campbell.

When World War One broke out, Campbell’s strong sense of duty came to the fore, exemplified by his letter to his friend, Lewis Lacey:-

“Aug. 5, ‘14

Dear Lewis

I have just heard that war is declared between Britain and Germany. Although possibly it may seem foolish, I would prefer not to play public polo while our people are at it over there; so I hope you will allow me to stand out. I feel that if one can go in for games at this time we shouldn’t be here but should be on the way to the other side. What I do hope is that the Almighty, on whom that big German emperor is always calling, will give the Germans such a hiding that they won’t rise up again for another 100 years!

Yours,
(Signed) J.A. Campbell
Captain William Campbell Church, 1/8th Cameronians (Scottish Rifles), born in Glasgow in 1884, was the eldest son of Major William R M Church (8th Cameronians), a Chartered Accountant and Stockbroker, and Christina Church, of 104 West George Street, Glasgow.

His siblings were Reginald, Percival and Elizabeth.

Educated at Glasgow Academy from 1893-1901 and a school in Switzerland, he went on to Glasgow University in 1904.

His one international was against Wales (lost 9-3) at Cardiff on 3 February 1906.

He was killed in action at Gallipoli on 28 June 1915, age 31, and he is commemorated on the Helles Memorial.
Lieutenant Walter Michael Dickson, 11th Battalion Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders, born in Cape Colony, South Africa, 23 November 1884, was the younger son of Caroline Dickson, of Caledon, Cape Province, South Africa.

By the time of the 1891 Census, his father had died and his mother had married William Chivell, described as living on his own means. They were living in Truro.

His siblings were Caroline and George, and half siblings William, Richard and Florence.

From 1912 to 1913, he played 7 times (won 4, lost 3).

He came from Durban, South Africa, on ss Norman, arriving at London on 4 November 1914, fell in action in October 1915, and is commemorated on the Loos Memorial.
John Henry (Harry) Dods was born in Glasgow on 30 September 1875 and died, aged 40, in the accidental sinking of HMS Natal. He was employed at the time as the Factor of Novar Estate, Ross-shire. Apparently there was a Hogmanay party on board on 30 December 1915, to which civilians had been invited including his wife, Annie, and three children, all of whom perished.

He was the eldest son of Marcus Dods (left), who was Professor of New Testament Theology at New College, Edinburgh, and Katherine Dods, of 23 Great King Street, Edinburgh.

His siblings were Mary, Marcus and Francis,

Edinburgh Academicals was Harry Dods' club and between 1895 and 1897 he played eight times for Scotland (won 5, lost 2 and drew 1), defeating England twice, Ireland twice, Wales once, and losing against England once, Wales once, and drawing with Ireland once.

His brother, Francis Palliser Dods, born on 23 February 1879 at Glasgow, died on 28 June 1910 at Winnipeg, age 31.

He played once for Scotland, winning against Ireland at Inverleith on 23 February 1901.

His remains were brought back home and buried in Dean Cemetery, Edinburgh.
Major Walter Torrie Forrest, MC, King’s Own Scottish Borderers, born on 14 November 1880, at Kelso, was the fourth son of George Forrest, a Game and Fishing Tackle Maker, and Margaret Forrest, of 35 The Square, Kelso, Roxburghshire. (The fishing tackle shop is still trading in Kelso Square).

His siblings were John, Margaret, Isabella, William, Annie, George, Rachel, Agnes and James.

Between 1903 and 1905, he played 8 times at Full Back (won 5, lost 3).

He was reported missing, and then presumed to have been killed on 18 April 1917, aged 37, in the second attack on Gaza in Palestine, and is buried in Gaza War Cemetery.

From an early age Wattie had demonstrated a high degree of aptitude for sport and was a versatile, gifted all-round sportsman, playing football, golf, fishing and cricket, where, being ambidextrous, he was able to bat right-handed and bowl left-handed. He also excelled at rugby and made the difficult decision to devote his talents to Hawick Rugby Club because his native Kelso were in a lower rugby division. Wattie quickly became an established member of the Hawick team playing as a centre.
Captain Rowland Fraser, 1st Battalion
The Rifle Brigade, born at Perth on 10
January 1890, was the third son of John
McLaren Fraser, an Auctioneer and Live
Stock Agent, and Alice Catherine
Jackson Fraser, of Feu House, Crieff
Road, Perth.

His siblings were William, Alice, Henry
and Alan.

His widow was Mary Dorothy Fraser, of
Invermay, Forgandenny, Perthshire.

In 1911, he played 4 times as a Prop
Forward (lost 4).

He was killed in action on the Somme on
1 July 1916, age 26, and is
commemorated on the Thiepval
Memorial.
**Major Roland Elphinstone Gordon**, MC, Royal Artillery, born at Selangor, Straits Settlements, on 22 January 1893, was the son of George Dalrymple Gordon, Government Irrigation Department, Ceylon, and Georgina Meredith Gordon, of Alwyns, Teignmouth, South Devon.

His sibling was Dorothy.

He was educated at the King’s School Canterbury from January 1907 to July 1911, appointed as a School Monitor in 1913 and played in the 1st Cricket XI from 1909 to 1911 being Vice Captain in 1911.

In summary of his 1910/11 season on the rugby field the *Cantuarian* recorded:–

"(10st 6lbs right centre) Has found his place, and has improved out of all knowledge. Runs hard and straight with a good swerve, and makes good openings for his wing. Good tackler, but must learn to mark his man more closely."

In 1911 he gained 45th place in the examinations for entry to the Royal Military Academy at Woolwich where he was captain of the Rugby XV in 1912. He also represented the Royal Artillery and the Army at Rugby. On 22 January 1913 he was commissioned as a 2nd Lieutenant in the Royal Artillery.

He played rugby for Blackheath and for Scotland at centre in three international matches. Against France at Parc des Princes on 1 January 1913 in which he scored two tries on his debut with Scotland winning 21-3. Against Wales at Inverleith on 1 February 1913, which Wales won 8-0 and against Ireland on 22 February, also at Inverleith with Scotland winning 29-14.
Lieutenant David Dickie Howie, Royal Field Artillery, born at Temple, Midlothian, was the third son of Archibald Howie, a Farmer, and Jessie Howie, of Grange Farm, Kinghorn, Fife.

His siblings were John, Alexander, Mary, Jessie, Margaret, Agnes, Jane, Robert and Andrew.

Between 1912 and 1913, he played seven times for Scotland (won 3, lost 4).

His widow was Marie Winifred Gibson Howie, of 1 Mayfield Gardens, Edinburgh.

He died on 19 January, 1916, age 27, and is buried in Cairo War Memorial Cemetery.
Lieutenant James Laidlaw Huggan, Royal Army Medical Corps, 3rd Battalion Coldstream Guards, born at Jedburgh, Roxburghshire, on 11 October 1888, was the younger son of Robert Huggan, a Millwright Engineer, and Isabella Huggan, of Allerley, Jedburgh.

His siblings were Elizabeth, Agnes, William and Ann.

He studied medicine at the University of Edinburgh and, after qualifying, became House Surgeon to Mr Alex Miles, Surgeon to the Edinburgh Royal Infirmary. He also entered the Officer Training Corps (Medical) from March 1911-July 1912. He passed high in the examination for entry to the RAMC - becoming a Lieutenant on 26th July 1912.

He played once for Scotland in a losing match (15-16) against England at Inverleith on 21 March 1914.

James was about to leave for India in 1914 when war broke out, he entered the war in France on 13 August 1914 as the Regimental Medical Officer of the 3rd Coldstream Guards. At Landrecies, at Villers-Cotterets, and on many occasions, James was highly praised by the Commanding Officer for his devotion to duty and disregard of danger.

He was killed in action on the Aisne on 16 September 1914, age 25, and is commemorated on La Ferte-Sous-Jouarre Memorial.
Captain William Ramsay Hutchison, 6th/7th Royal Scots Fusiliers, born in Glasgow on 16 January 1889, was the youngest son of John Hutchison, MA, LLD, a Classics Teacher, and Margaret Paterson McCall Hutchison, of 4 St John's Terrace, Hillhead, Glasgow.

His siblings were George, David, Henry, Jessie, Alexander, Robert and Margaret.

He made a single appearance on 18 March 1911 when Scotland first made their way to Twickenham, which was known as "Billy Williams' cabbage patch". They did so with some difficulty. "We couldn't find where the entrance was", the prop Charlie Stuart later recalled. "We had to walk through some allotments to get to it." Centre George Cunningham had his shorts ripped from him as he raced for the line in the dying minutes. Rather than have his modesty exposed to the crowd, he sat down on the turf and Scotland's chance of snatching a draw had gone. They were beaten 13-8. Eight of that Scottish team were killed during the Great War.

On 22 March 1918, the havoc that befell the 59th Division caused chaos. The 59th's two forward brigades were destroyed by midday and a counter-attack by the third brigade was delivered with more courage than skill. As a significant force the 59th Division no longer existed.

He was killed in action on 22 March 1918, age 29, and is commemorated on the Arras Memorial.
Lieutenant Colonel George Alexander Walker Lamond, (front right) Royal Engineers, born at Govan, Glasgow in 1879, was fourth the son of Robert P Lamond, a Solicitor, and Isabella Lamond, of 6 Rosslyn Terrace, Kelvinside, Glasgow.

His siblings were Robert, Henry, Isabella, Catherine, John, Camilla, Douglas and Jane.

Between 1899 and 1905, he played 3 matches as a centre three-quarter (won 3).

He died at Colombo on 25 February 1918, age 39, and is buried in Colombo (Kanatte) General Cemetery.
Lieutenant James Young Milne-Henderson, Highland Light Infantry, was the second son of John Milne-Henderson, a Chartered Accountant, and Edwardina Young Milne-Henderson, of 15 Merchiston Park, Edinburgh.

His siblings were Ann, Violet, Thomas, John, Alexander and Ernest.

In the 1891 Census the household also had a General Domestic Servant and a Certified Nurse.

After attending George Watson’s Boys’ College, he was a member of the Madras Rugby team and East of Scotland Junior Swimming Champion.

He played once for Scotland in a losing match against England.

Before enlisting he was Works Manager at McVitie and Price Limited, Willesden, London.

He died on 31 July, 1917, age 26 and had been mentioned in Despatches.

His brother and the third son, Second Lieutenant John Milne Milne-Henderson, Royal Flying Corps died on 28 January, 1918, age 23. The eldest son, Thomas M S Milne-Henderson, CIE, served as a Major in the Royal Engineers, was Commodore in the Royal Indian Navy from 1903-1904, and was later Surveyor in Charge, India.
Lieutenant Eric Milroy, Black Watch (Royal Highlanders), born in Edinburgh, was the second son of Alexander MacLeod Milroy, a Bank Agent, and Margaret Walteria Milroy, of 16 Abbotsford Park, Edinburgh.

His siblings were Jessie, Alexander and Margaret.

In the 1901 Census the household also had two Cooks and a Table Maid.

He worked as a Chartered Accountant.

Between 1910 and 1914, he played 12 times for Scotland (won 3, lost 9). He captained the team in the last home international before war was declared - a victory score of 8-0 versus England.

He died on 18 July 1916, age 28, and is commemorated on the Thiepval Memorial
Captain Thomas Arthur Nelson, Lothians and Border Horse, born in Edinburgh, was the first son of Thomas Nelson, Publisher, and Jessie Kemp Nelson, of St Leonards, Dalkeith Road, Edinburgh.

His siblings were Edith and John.

In the 1891 Census the household also had his Grandmother and Aunt, a Housekeeper, a Cook, three House Maids, a Laundress, a Nurse, a Lady's Maid and a Kitchen Maid.

His widow was Margaret Balfour Nelson, of Achnacloich, Connel, Argyll.

He played in one drawn match against England.

He died on 9 April 1917, age 40, and is buried in Faubourg D'amiens Cemetery, Arras.
Private James Pearson, Royal Scots, born in Dalkeith, was the second son of William Pearson, a Stone Mason, and Isabella Pearson, of Scotts Close, Dalkeith.

His siblings were William, Robert and Mary.

Between 1909 and 1913 he played 12 times for Scotland (won 6, lost 6).

He died on 22 May 1915, age 26, and is buried in Sanctuary Wood Cemetery.
Captain Lewis Robertson, Cameron Highlanders, born in Edinburgh, was the third son of James Robertson, a Wine Merchant, and Agnes Rae Robertson, of 7 Eglinton Crescent, Edinburgh.

His siblings were Agnes, William, James, Katherine, Jessie and Frances.

In the 1901 Census he was registered as a boarder at Fettes College.

In 1898, he played in a drawn match against England.

He died on 3 November 1914, age 31.
Sergeant Andrew Ross, 29th Canadians (known as "Tobin's Tigers"), born in Newington, Edinburgh, was the oldest surviving son of Andrew Ross, WS, a Solicitor, and William (sic) Frances Gillon, of 42 Henderson Row, Edinburgh.

His siblings were Frances Isabella, Jessie Malcolm, Alastair, Margaret, Donald and Mary.

Between 1905 and 1909, he played five times for Scotland, winning two and losing three.

He died on 6 April 1916, age 37.
Private James Ross, London Scottish Regiment, born on 15 February 1880 at Rutherford, Roxburgh, was the eldest son of Richard Ross, an Arable Farmer of 1,391 acres employing 18 men, 3 boys and 18 women, and Emily Harriet Ross, of Rutherford Farm House, Maxton, Roxburgh.

His siblings were Elizabeth Mary, Jessie, Edward, Emily, Joanne, Nancy, John and Thomas.

Between 1901 and 1903, he played 5 matches as a forward (won 4, lost 1).

He died in the battle at Messines on 1 November 1914, age 34, and is commemorated on the Ypres (Menin Gate) Memorial.
Lieutenant Ronald Francis Simson, Royal Field Artillery, born at Edinburgh on 6 September 1890, was the youngest son of David J Simson, an Advocate, and Isabella A Simson, of 68 Burton Crescent, Chelsea, London.

His siblings were Hugh and Alan.

In 1911, he played once as a centre three-quarter in a losing match, but scored a try.

He was killed in action on the Aisne on 14 September 1914, age 24, and is buried in Moulins New Communal Cemetery.

He was the first Rugby International to fall in the war.
Lieutenant Stephen Sebastian Lombard Steyn, Royal Field Artillery, born at Moorreesburg on 10 November 1889, was the son of Dr Steyn, and Margaret Fraser Steyn, of Moorreesburg, Cape Province, South Africa.

In the 1911 Census, he was living at St Pancras in London and studying medicine.

Between 1911 and 1912, he played two matches as a wing three-quarter (lost 2).

He fell in action in December 1917, age 28, and is buried in Jerusalem War Cemetery.
Second Lieutenant Walter Riddell Sutherland, 8th Battalion Seaforth Highlanders, born at Hawick on 19 November 1890, was the fourth son of Alexander Sutherland, a Hotel Keeper, and Isabella Riddell Sutherland, of the Imperial Hotel, Hawick, Roxburghshire.

His siblings were James, Isabella, Mary, Thomas, Alexander and John.

He received 13 caps playing as a wing three-quarter for the Scottish International rugby team between 1910 and 1914, scoring four tries (won 4, lost 9).

He was killed on 4 October 1918, age 27, by a stray German artillery shell while cycling to join his regiment in the front lines little more than a month before the Great War ended, and is buried in Houchin British Cemetery.

Walter Riddell Sutherland (aka Wattie Suddie) was considered to be one of the best rugby players of his time.
Lieutenant Frederick Harding Turner, The King's (Liverpool Regiment), born on 29 May 1888 in Liverpool, was the younger son of William Neil Turner, a General Printer, and Jessie Stewart Turner, of Mossley Hill Drive, Sefton Park, Liverpool.

His siblings were William and Mary.

Before enlisting, he was apprenticed to his father in the family printing business.

Between 1911 and 1914, he played 15 times as a flanker, captaining the side in 1913 (won 4, lost 11).

He was killed in the trenches near Kemmel on 10 January 1915, age 26, and is buried in Kemmel Churchyard.

His brother Lieutenant William Stewart Turner, The King's (Liverpool Regiment), died on 16 June 1915, age 32, and is commemorated on the Ypres (Menin Gate) Memorial.
Lieutenant Albert Luvian Wade, Middlesex Regiment, attached 6th Trench Mortar Battery, born in Dennistoun, Glasgow, on 20 September 1884, was the youngest son of James Luvian Wade, a Manufacturing Chemist, and Sarah Rowland Wade, of 38 West Kensington Gardens, London.

His siblings were James, William and Arthur.

On 21 March 1908 at Inverleith, he played at scrum half in his only match when England were beaten 16-10.

He fell in action at Oppy Wood, Arras, on 28 April 1917, aged 32, and is commemorated on the Arras Memorial.
Lieutenant William Middleton Wallace, Royal Flying Corps, born in Edinburgh, was the fourth son of Robert Walker Wallace, WS, a Solicitor, and Mary Parker Wallace, of 7 Inverleith Row, Edinburgh.

His siblings were Mary, Robert, George and Andrew.

In the 1901 Census the household also had his Uncle, who was an Episcopal Minister, a Nurse, a Cook, a Kitchen Maid, a Table Maid and a Laundry Maid.

Between 1913 and 1914, he played four times for Scotland (lost 4).

He died on 22 August, 1915, age 22, and is buried in Cabaret-Rouge British Cemetery, Souchez.
Lieutenant John George Will, Leinster Regiment, attached Royal Flying Corps, born at Croydon on 2 September 1892, was the elder son of Dr John Kennedy (born at Cullen), Medical Superintendent of Bethnal House (Licensed House For Lunatics), and Ella Will, of Bethnal House, Cambridge Road, London.

His siblings were Dorothy, Grace, Alexander, Ella and Ethel.

Between 1912 and 1914, he played on the wing in seven matches, scoring five tries (won 2, lost 5).

He was killed during an air fight on the Arras front on 25 March 1917, age 24, and is commemorated on the Arras Flying Services Memorial.
Lieutenant Commander John Skinner Wilson, Royal Navy, born at Trinidad on 10 March 1884, was a son of Sir David Wilson, KCMG.

He fell in action on HMS *Indefatigable* at the Battle of Jutland on 31 May 1916, age 32, and is commemorated on Plymouth Naval Memorial.

In 1908 and 1909, he played twice as a forward (lost 2)
Captain Eric Templeton Young, the Cameronians, 8th Scottish Rifles, born at Glasgow in 1893, was the second son of Daniel Henderson Leisk Young, a Carpet Manufacturer, and Elspeth Alice Templeton Young, of 16 Woodlands Terrace, Glasgow.

His siblings were Arthur and Nancy.

He fell in action on Gallipoli on June 28, 1915, aged 23, and is commemorated on the Helles Memorial.

His brother, (later Sir) Arthur Stewart Leslie Young was a Unionist Party (Scotland) MP. He sat for Glasgow Partick from 1935 to 1945, and then sat for Glasgow Scotstoun until his death.

He held junior ministerial posts in the Coalition Government 1940-1945 and the Caretaker Government 1945.