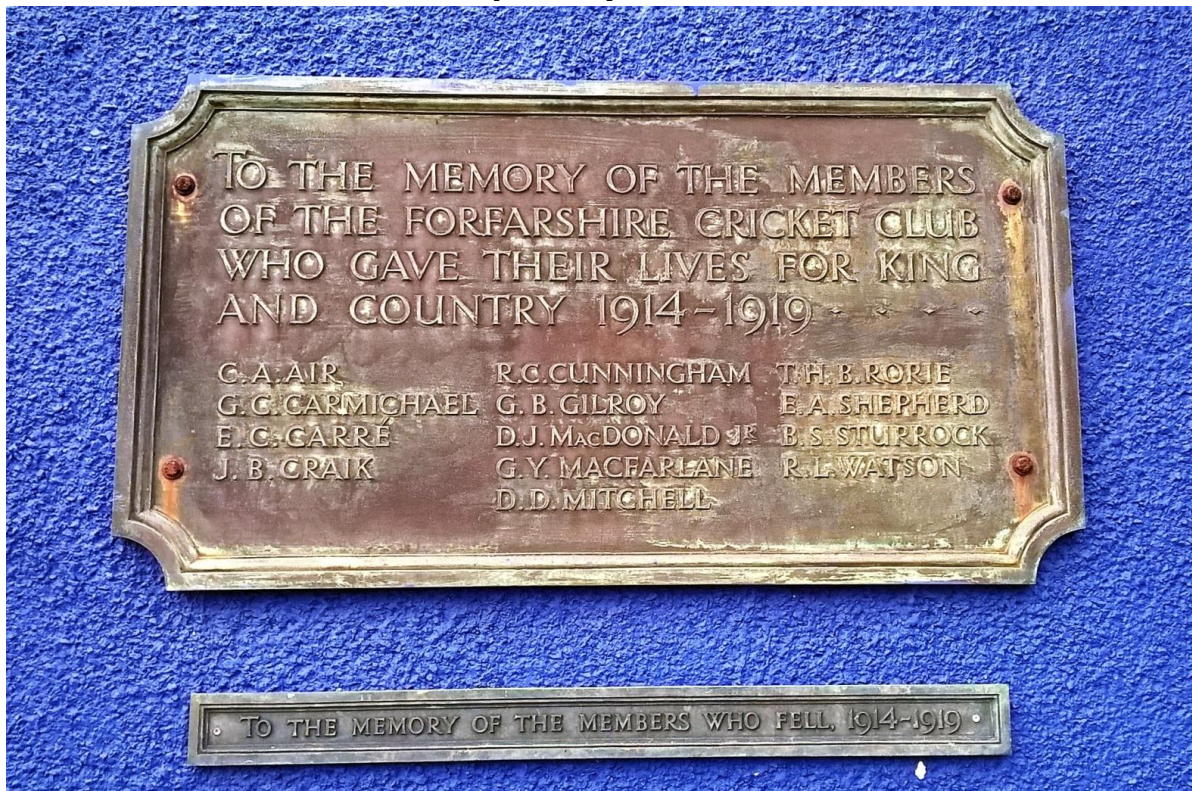


**Forfarshire**  
**Compiled by Charlie Clark**



The memorial was unveiled on 27 August 1921 by Sheriff Neish. Below is the Dundee Courier from 29 August 1921.

**MEMORIAL UNVEILED AT FORTHULL**

**TO FORFARSHIRE CRICKETERS WHO FELL.**

"Saner counsels seem to be taking the place, at least in some directions, of that orgy of greed and selfishness which was an aftermath of peace."

This comment was made by Sheriff Neish, who unveiled the war memorial to the thirteen members of Forfarshire Cricket Club who made the supreme sacrifice in the Great War. The ceremony took place on Saturday at an interval during the match at Forthull between Forfarshire and Stirling County. The memorial tablet, which is of solid bronze, is erected on the back wall inside the pavilion, and bears the following inscription:—"To the memory of the members of the Forfarshire Cricket Club who gave their lives for King and country, 1914-1919." The names of the fallen are:—C. A. Air, G. C. Carmichael, E. C. Carre, J. B. Craik, R. C. Cunningham, G. B. Gilroy, D. J. Macdonald, jun., G. Y. Macfarlane, D. D. Mitchell, T. H. B. Rorie, E. A. Shepherd, B. S. Sturrock, and R. L. Watson.

A bronze plate is also erected beneath the clock outside the pavilion, and bears the following inscription:—"To the memory of the members who fell, 1914-1919."

Sheriff Neish, prior to unveiling the memorial, said that to most of them he thought those men were personally known, to some they were intimate friends, and to others there they were something dearer still. All of them, with one exception, a gallant sailor, went from civil life to close the line which had been so magnificently held by the old army, or to swell the ranks of that mighty force which under Providence gave to us the victory. They gave up everything because their country required them in its hour of need. They thought nothing of the hardships that lay before them, or their own lives, but none the less it was true that by their devotion we had been spared the tyranny of a foreign domination. The horrors of that tyranny they had seen in France and in Belgium. He thought that sometimes we were a little apt to forget those horrors—a little over-anxious to forget them.

**Much Cause for Shame.**

If the memory of their sacrifice and that of countless thousands besides had been better preserved among us we should have been spared many of the troubles which had beset us since November, 1918, but though we had much cause for shame in the face of all that these men did for us, we need not despair. It was fitting that the names of these members of the club should be commemorated in that place, and that their example should be an inspiration to future generations to play the game, not only in war but in peace.

Out of 172 members of the club, 66 served during the war.

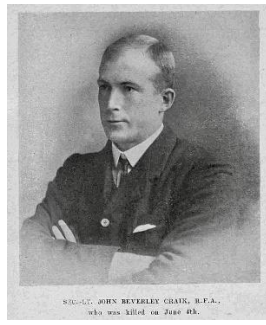
After the memorial had been unveiled, Mr A. C. Lindsay, captain of the club, placed a floral wreath on the memorial "in memory of our fallen comrades." The "Last Post" was then sounded by Sergt. Angus Cameron, 4th Black Watch.

Sheriff Neish afterwards handed over to the club a photograph of Mr W. R. Sharp, to be hung within the precincts of the pavilion. Mr Sharp, he said, had been identified with the club since its inception, and he had played with it in the field for many years. It was a very satisfactory suggestion that his portrait should be hung in the pavilion. (Applause.)

On the proposal of Mr C. T. Godfrey, the oldest member of the club, Sheriff Neish was accorded a hearty vote of thanks.



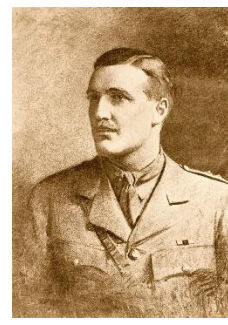
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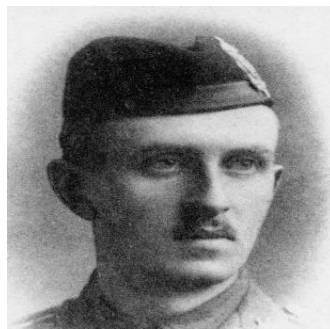
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Edward A Shepherd



Bernard S Sturrock



Robert L Watson

Name	Birth	Death	Death Location/Memorial	Regiment
Charles Alexander Air	1879	1915	Calais, France	Black Watch
George Clement Carmichael	1891	1916	Ovillers-la-Boisselle, France	Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders
Edward Cambridge Carre	1889	1917	Portsmouth, England	Royal Navy
John Beverley Craik	1879	1917	Calais, France	Royal Field Artillery
Robert Cocks Cunningham	1884	1916	Somme, France	Black Watch
Martin Dunn	1894	1917	Calais, France	Black Watch
George Bruce Gilroy	1889	1916	Corbie, France	Black Watch
David Johnston MacDonald Jnr	1890	1917	Ypres, Belgium	Royal Garrison Artillery
Gordon Young Macfarlane	1893	1917	Menin Gate, Belgium	Black Watch
David Dalrymple Mitchell	1885	1918	Aldershot, England	London Regiment (Artists' Rifles)
Thomas Handyside Baxter Rorie	1875	1916	Bazentin-Le-Petit , France	Black Watch
Edward Alexander Shepherd	1875	1916	Somme, France	Black Watch
Bernard Sylvester Sturrock	1892	1915	Calais, France	Black Watch
Robert Lowson Watson	1878	1916	Dundee, Scotland	Black Watch