

# Falkland News – June 1923

**2<sup>nd</sup> June 1923**

Article in *The Fife News*: **Cricket – Falkland XI v Freuchie XI:**

“Freuchie XI visited Scroggie on Thursday evening last week, and in very boisterous weather, were beaten by 27 runs. Scores: -

<b>Freuchie XI</b>			<b>Falkland XI</b>		
<i>W. Barclay</i>	<i>run out</i>	<i>17</i>	<i>R. Birrell</i>	<i>c. Bell, b. Morgan</i>	<i>6</i>
<i>W. Cochrane</i>	<i>b. Robertson</i>	<i>4</i>	<i>P. Lawson</i>	<i>run out</i>	<i>35</i>
<i>R. Bell</i>	<i>b. Robertson</i>	<i>18</i>	<i>R. Page</i>	<i>b. Morgan</i>	<i>1</i>
<i>G. Balfour</i>	<i>c. Drysdale, b. Strudley</i>	<i>6</i>	<i>W. Strudley</i>	<i>b. Bell</i>	<i>14</i>
<i>J. Fleming</i>	<i>c and b Robertson</i>	<i>9</i>	<i>C. Drysdale</i>	<i>c. Sub, b. Morgan</i>	<i>9</i>
<i>J. McCleish</i>	<i>c. Robertson, b. Lawson</i>	<i>14</i>	<i>P. Birrell</i>	<i>b. Barclay</i>	<i>10</i>
<i>A. Henderson</i>	<i>b. Lawson</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>J. Robertson</i>	<i>b. Barclay</i>	<i>0</i>
<i>J. Morgan</i>	<i>b. Lawson</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>R. Drysdale</i>	<i>c and b Morgan</i>	<i>4</i>
<i>J. Baird</i>	<i>st. Birrell, b. Page</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>J. Shields</i>	<i>b. Barclay</i>	<i>9</i>
<i>Sub</i>	<i>st, Birrell, b. Page</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>R. Dakers</i>	<i>not out</i>	<i>6</i>
<i>Sub</i>	<i>not out</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>J. Skinner</i>	<i>c and b Bell</i>	<i>2</i>
	<i>Extras</i>	<i>6</i>		<i>Extras</i>	<i>9</i>
	<b>Total</b>	<b>78</b>		<b>Total</b>	<b>105</b>

Extract from *The Fife News*: **Empire Day** – “The Public School had a holiday on Monday in commemoration of Empire Day.”

Extract from *The Fife News*: **Football** – “Two prominent players of Falkland Victoria F.C., W. Strudley and T. Shields, may be seen in the ranks of a well-known Southern Club next season. Both have been asked to play a trial game.”

Extract from *The Fife News*: **Cricket** – “The match, Cupar v Falkland, was postponed last Saturday, but was played on Thursday. A report will appear next week.”

Extract from *The Fife News*: **Pic-nics** – “Several pic-nic parties have been visiting the burgh this week, and, even though the weather was cold, they all seemed to enjoy themselves, many of them climbing the Hill.”

Extract from *The Fife News*: **Cricket** – “Falkland C.C. were disappointed last Saturday, Dunbog, failing to fulfil their engagement at Scroggie. Cupar C.C. are due at Scroggie to-morrow (Saturday), when it is expected a fast game will be witnessed.”

## **9<sup>th</sup> June 1923**

Advert in *The Fife News*: **Property For Sale:**

“For Sale, with early actual possession, desirable self-contained Dwelling-house ‘Southbank’, Falkland, consisting of 5 Apartments with W.C. and other conveniences. Also Outhouses, including 2 Stalled Stables, having separate entry from South Street. The property is central and conveniently situated. Freehold. Offers to Alexander Anderson, Solicitor, Falkland, on or before 30<sup>th</sup> June. 31<sup>st</sup> May 1923.”

Business Announcement in *The Fife News*: **Messrs Ramsay & Smith**



Article in *The Fife News*: **Cricket – Leven v Falkland:**

“At Leven on Tuesday. Score – Leven 22 (A. Martin 6); Falkland 24 (T. Drysdale 7).”

Article in *The Fife News*: **Cricket – Falkland 2<sup>nd</sup> XI v Rothes (Leslie) 2<sup>nd</sup> XI:**

“Played at Falkland. Score – Rothes 59 (R. Barclay 23, W. Dewar 15); Falkland 51 (J. Muir 14, H. Birrell 10).”

Article in *The Fife News*: **Cricket – Falkland v Cupar XI:**

“This postponed match was played at Scroggie, Falkland, on Thursday night last week. The bowling tit-bit of the evening was that of Lawson for Falkland, who took six wickets for 6 runs.

Score – Cupar XI 132 (A. Wilkie 40, T. Smart 32); Falkland 54 (W. Stark 17, P. Lawson 12).”

Extract from *The Fife News*: **Cricket** – “At Falkland on Saturday, Falkland will play Dunnikier with the following team: -

*T.D. Hopkins, T.C. Schofield, W. Stark, J. Venters, T. Drysdale, R. Hopkins, Jas. Ross, P. Lawson, C.R. Drysdale, R. Baths, M. Robertson.*”

Extract from *The Fife News*: **Town Council** – “The monthly meeting of the Town Council was held in the Town Hall, Provost Hopkins presiding. Reports of the Convenors of the Finance, Sanitary, Roads and Housing Committees were read and adopted. The offer of John Duncan, Myreside, to remove the town refuse for £26 per year was accepted. A letter was read from the Postmaster at Cupar re postmen’s half-holiday. The Council agreed that the local postmen get Saturday afternoon, and that callers at the Post Office would receive their letters from 6.30 to 7 p.m. It was agreed to accept the County Council’s offer to repair the Newton road within the burgh.”

Article in *The Fife News*: **Cricket – Freuchie v Falkland**:

“At Freuchie on Wednesday. Bowling for Freuchie – Croall had 4 wickets for 18 runs; Barclay 1 for 37; Duncan 4 for 25; Honeyman 1 for 11. For Falkland – J. Allan had 3 wickets for 18 runs; W.M. Venters 1 for 26. Scores:

<b>Falkland</b>			<b>Freuchie</b>		
T.C. Schofield	c. McLaren, b. Barclay	3	J. Lindsay	b. Allan	48
C. Drysdale	c. Cochrane, b. Honeyman	15	J. Jack	run out	0
W. Stark	b. Croall	1	P. Gillespie	not out	8
W.M. Venters	b. Duncan	25	J. Baillie	b. Allan	8
T. Drysdale	lbw, b. Croall	35	D. Duncan	b. Allan	1
J. Venters	b. Duncan	2	W. Cochrane	b. W. Venters	0
P. Lawson	b. Duncan	4	H. Barclay	not out	0
J. Allan	b. Duncan	0	J. Honeyman	DNB	
P. Robertson	st. Grant, b. Croall	4	R. McLaren	DNB	

<i>R. Hopkins</i>	<i>c. Lindsay, b. Croall</i>	0	<i>A. Grant</i>	<i>DNB</i>	
<i>R. Battes</i>	<i>not out</i>	2	<i>E. Croall</i>	<i>DNB</i>	
	<i>Extras</i>	13	<i>Extras</i>		17
	<b>Total</b>	<b>104</b>	<b>Total for 5</b>		<b>82</b>
			<b>wkts</b>		

## **16<sup>th</sup> June 1923**

Extract from *The Fife News*: **Missionary Lecture** – “Rev. Mr Smith delivered a lecture on his missionary work in Nyasaland before a good congregation in the Parish Church on Sunday evening.”

Extract from *The Fife News*: **Golf** – “Miss J. Venters won the ladies’ medal on Saturday in the stroke competition out of a splendid entry.”

Extract from *The Fife News*: **Band** – “The Coaltown of Balgonie Prize Band played an excellent programme of music at the fountain on Sunday afternoon.”

Extract from *The Fife News*: **Cricket** – “Falkland C.C. travel to Tayport to-morrow (Saturday) with the following team: -

*T.D. Hopkins (capt.), T. Schofield, T. Drysdale, P. Lawson, C. Drysdale, J. Allan, J. Ross, R. Hopkins, J. Reekie, R. Battes, and M. Robertson.*”

Extract from *The Fife News*: **Alarming Accident in Pleasance Works** – “Shortly after starting work in Pleasance Linen Works on Monday morning, a rather alarming accident occurred. One of the cylinders in the dressing machine blew to bits, and one of the dressers, Mr W. Stark, who was nearest the machine had a miraculous escape from instant death, escaping with a splintered foot. Had he been a little nearer, the accident would have been fatal, as the machine next to the cylinder was badly damaged. Mr Stark is progressing slowly.”



**Pleasance Linen Works circa 1920's**

Article in *The Fife News*: **Cricket – Falkland v Dunnikier**:

“At Falkland. Score – Falkland 139 for 7 wickets (P. Lawson 55, T.D. Hopkins 37 not out). Dunnikier 56 (C. Henderson 20, P. Condie 11).”

Extract from *The Fife News*: **Birth – Nicol** – “At Westfield, Falkland, on the 8<sup>th</sup> inst., to Mr and Mrs Wm. Nicol, a son.”

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Business Announcement in *The Fife News*: **D. Cowan**



Extract from *The Fife News*: **Boys' Brigade** – “A company of the Boys Brigade has been formed in Falkland. Messrs William Robertson and Robert Wallace have been very successful in their recruiting, and between 30 and 40 boys have been enrolled. Drill has commenced on the Myre.”

Extract from *The Fife News*: **Band** – “A movement is on foot to revive the Falkland band. Application is to be made to the Town Council to find out where the instruments of the former band have gone.”

Extract from *The Fife News*: **Cricket** – “Falkland C.C. travel to Leslie to-morrow (Saturday) to play Rothes with the following team: -

T.D. Hopkins, T. Drysdale, T. Schofield, P. Robertson, C. Drysdale, R. Hopkins, J. Ross, J. Allan, J. Venters, P. Lawson, R. Hopkins.”

Extract from *The Fife News*: **Sports Ground Opened** – “The splendid sports ground gifted by Major Lumsden, Freuchie, to Falkland Public School was formally opened on Saturday, when the annual school sports were held. There was keen competition in most events. Provost Hopkins acted as judge. The arrangements were admirably carried out by Mr Nisbet, headmaster, and staff. Prize list: -

Flat Race (boys under 10) – 1. Findlay Drysdale. 2. Jack Lawson. 3. Willie White.

*Flat Race (boys under 12) – 1. Willie Drysdale. 2. David Shankes. 3. Alex. Shankes.*

*Flat Race (boys over 12) – 1. Gaston Bonthron. 2. Marshall Stark. 3. Fred Coutts.*

*Flat Race (220 yards) – 1. Gaston Bonthron. 2. Jack Wallace. 3. Marshall Stark.*

*Long jump (boys over 12) – 1. Gaston Bonthron. 2. Marshall Stark. 3. Fred Coutts.*

*Hop, Step and Leap (boys over 12) – 1. Gaston Bonthron. 2. Marshall Stark. 3. Jack Wallace.*

*Throwing Cricket Ball – 1. Gaston Bonthron. 2. Marshall Stark. 3. Fred Coutts.*

*Flat Race (girls under 10) – 1. Ella Fraser. 2. Janet Findlay. 3. Mary Baxter.*

*Skipping Race (girls under 10) – 1. Ella Fraser. 2. Mary Baxter. 3. Nellie Bett.*

*Flat Race (girls under 12) – 1. Cathy Lawson. 2. Margaret Fraser. 3. Ina Grieve.*

*Skipping Race (girls under 12) – 1. Cathy Lawson. 2. Nancy Mather. 3. Margaret Fraser.*

*High jump (girls under 12) – 1. Janet Robertson. 2. Agnes Baxter. 3. Jessie Balfour and Cathy Walker, equal.*

*Egg and Spoon Race (girls under 12) – 1. Jessie Balfour. 2. Flora Stark. 3. Margaret Shields.*

*High jump (girls over 12) – 1. Agnes Baxter. 2. Jessie Balfour. 3. Janet Robertson.”*

Article in *The Fife News*: **Cricket – Tayport v Falkland XI:**

*“At Tayport. Score – Tayport – 21 (R. Ingram 9). Falkland 19 (P. Lawson 11).”*

Extract in *The Fife News*: **Death – Hepburn** – *“At Eglantine Cottage, Falkland, on 13<sup>th</sup> inst., Janet, elder daughter of the late Andrew Hepburn, Kirkcaldy.”*

### **30<sup>th</sup> June 1923**

Extract from *The Fife News*: **Cricket** – *“Falkland C.C. travel to Markinch to-morrow (Saturday) with the following team: -*

*Provost T.D. Hopkins (Capt.), T.C. Schofield, C.R. Drysdale, P. Lawson, T. Drysdale, James Ross, R. Hopkins, J. Allan, P. Kennedy, M. Robertson, R. Battes.*



*Falkland 2<sup>nd</sup> XI play Markinch 2<sup>nd</sup> XI at Falkland.*”

Extract from *The Fife News*: **Moderator** – “Rev. J.K. Russell, Falkland, Moderator of the Presbytery of Cupar, has been appointed moderator of the Strathmiglo Parish Church Session during the vacancy caused by the death of the Rev. Hugh Brown.”

Extract from *The Fife News*: **Golf Club** – “As in most country towns during the dark years of the war, games of all kinds in Falkland were practically abandoned. Perhaps no game suffered more than golf. The few old members of the Club who remained had no heart or even courage to shoulder a ‘bag o’ sticks’ while their fellows were handling instruments of a very different kind. The natural result was that the Myre once more fell into its crude state of neglect, and the whins flourished. The Volunteers will remember what it was like on their ‘field days’. The Town Council, who have always been patrons of the Golf Club, in so far that they allow them to spend their money freely in improving the surface of the Myre without rent or customs of any kind, responded, as they did to all the calls of the Government by putting the Green Myre and a few acres eastward under the plough. The ground yielded, to the surprise of most of the burgesses, fair crops of potatoes and corn, and a surplus to the Common Good. The successors of the wise city fathers, however, have rather gladly abandoned the care of their property to the sportsmen, and they further encouraged the Golf Club to resume their Royal and Ancient game as is proper in the old burgh. A handsome contribution was granted by the unanimous vote of the Council to the funds of the Club. Worthy efforts are being made to renew the interest in golf, and with no little degree of success. As an instance, the Myre witnessed a gay crowd of ladies and gentlemen with their caddies and ‘gallery’ on Wednesday evening. The ladies, as usual, fully excelled in enthusiasm and prowess when it is well known that the most of the members in that section of the Club are beginners. It appears very probable that the fair players may soon outshine the old hands on level footing. The members are showing keenness in view of the approaching fete or cake and candy sale to be held in Falkland Palace grounds for the purpose of raising funds to clear off the debt incurred in re-making the course. In the interests of the town and the game, it is fit and proper that all classes should on this occasion support the ‘gowfers’, as happened in the memorable days of 1906.”

Article in *The Fife News*: **Cricket – Rothes (Leslie) v Falkland:**

“At Leslie. Score – Rothes – 75 (J. Ramsay 23 n.o.); Falkland – 105 (P. Hopkins 41 n.o., J. Allan 16)”

Extract from *The Fife News*: **Marriage – Young – Adams** – “At Thistle Bank, Lomond Crescent, on the 21<sup>st</sup> inst., by the Rev. J.K. Russell, Robert Young, only son of Mr and Mrs David Young, The Brae, Gateside, to Annie Bell, only daughter of Mr and Mrs James Adams, Thistle Bank, Falkland.”