

# Falkland News – May 1923

## 5<sup>th</sup> May 1923

Extract from *The Fife News*: **Cricket – Springfield v Falkland** – “Springfield opened the season with Falkland as their visitors, and thanks to Garland’s fine bowling, 7 for 12, and the stand made by this bowler and Glen, gained a good victory. Scores – Springfield 88 (J. Garland 32, W. Glen 22), Falkland 47.

*Bowling for Falkland* – J. Ross took 6 wickets for 35 runs.

*An excellent service of tea, under the management of Mrs Stewart, assisted by Misses A. Morgan, M. Wallace, and N. Donaldson, was greatly appreciated.*”

Extract from *The Fife News*: **Football** – “Howe of Fife football is losing another clever player in W. Middleton, Markinch, Victoria Rangers clever centre. He is emigrating to Australia, and sails on the 23<sup>rd</sup> inst., to join his two brothers in business ‘Down Under’. All are natives of Falkland.”

Extract from *The Fife News*: **Royal Wedding** – “The Royal wedding was honoured in Falkland on Thursday last week by the town bell being rung. Flags were hoisted at the Town Hall and several business and private residences. The schools were closed for the day.”



**Royal Wedding**

Extract from *The Fife News*: **Turnout of 'Specials'** – “A muster of the Falkland Special Constables took place on Thursday evening last week, under their chief, ex-Provost Jackson, and the local constable, when they had a march out, all looking fit and business-like.”

Extract from *The Fife News*: **Whist Drive** – “The last whist drive of the season was held on Thursday evening last week in the Memorial Institute, a good attendance being present. The following were the winners: -

Ladies – 1. Miss J. Kennedy. 2. Miss A. Meldrum. 3. Miss E.L. Kennedy. 4. Mrs Homden.

Gentlemen – 1. Mr J. Drysdale. 2. Mr A. Homden. 3. Mr S. Grierson. 4. Mr H. Robson.

At the interval tea was served by the Ladies' Committee, after which an excellent musical programme was gone through by the following: -

Misses Cowan, Forsyth, and Messrs T. Drysdale, A. Homden, T. Schofield, H. Robson, and J. Drysdale.

At the close a hearty vote of thanks was given to the donors of the prizes: -

Miss Strudley, Mrs Drysdale, Miss Findlay, and Mr Homden; also to Mrs Brown, Mr T. Drysdale, and Mr P. Robertson for the splendid arrangements made for the entertainment.”

Extract from *The Fife News*: **Town Council** – “The usual monthly meeting of the Town Council was held on Wednesday night – Provost Hopkins presiding. Also present were: -

Bailies Hunt and Robertson, Councillors Annan, Skinner, Nellies, Drysdale, Horne, Adams, Chisholm, and Robertson.

The reports of the various Committees were read and adopted. Dr Morris, the medical officer of the burgh, sent in his report, which stated that the health of the burgh was of a high standard. The population stood at 788. Births for the year were 10, and deaths 11. Five petrol licenses and one for the slaughter-house were renewed.”

Extract from *The Fife News*: **Important Appointment of Falkland Gentleman** – “Mr Aeneas G. Gavin, only son of Mr George Gavin, Falkland Palace, has received an important appointment with the West African Trading Corporation, and sails for

*Calibar on the 23<sup>rd</sup> inst. In Mr Gavin's departure, the district will lose a good sportsman, and Stratheden will miss their clever goalkeeper. Our best wishes go with him."*

Advert in *The Fife News*: **Motor Car For Hire**



Extract from *The Fife News*: **Death – Kerr** – “On 26<sup>th</sup> April, at Southbank, Falkland, and late of Hill Farm, Dunfermline, Margaret, youngest and last surviving daughter of the late Henry and Margaret Kerr, of Leadburn, Peeblesshire.”

### **12<sup>th</sup> May 1923**

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

*“Falkland travelled to Kelty on Saturday and fairly upset Kelty XI. Bowling for Falkland – Jas. Allan had 7 wickets for 13 runs, and Jas. Ross 3 for 14 runs.*

*Score – Kelty XI – 31 (E. Allan 10). Falkland – 99 (J. Allan 21, R. Hopkins 17).”*

Extract from *The Fife News*: **Opening of Putting Green** – “A good attendance was present on Thursday evening last week, when Dr Shand formally opened the putting green. In his remarks, he stated he was a great believer in all outdoor sports, as they were beneficial to old and young. He was sure the green would be a success, and be well supported both by the residents and visitors to the burgh. During the

*evening tea was served to the company by Mrs Strudley. At the finish of the game, a vote of thanks was given to the Doctor, also to Mr and Mrs Strudley for entertaining the company that evening."*

Extract from *The Fife News*: **Pinder's Royal Circus** – *"Pinder's Royal Circus paid a visit to the Myre on Thursday last week, when they had a fair attendance who enjoyed a splendid performance of horsemanship, etc. The children were pleased with the antics of Jumbo."*

Extract from *The Fife News*: **Co-operative Society** – *"The half-yearly meeting of the Falkland Equitable Co-operative Society (Ltd.), was held in the Town Hall on Monday evening. Bailie Hunt presided over a good attendance. The balance sheet was read and adopted. The proposer and seconder were Messrs James Oswald and Jas. Nelson. The sales for the past six months were: -*

*Grocery - £4,168 2s 8d, a decrease of £922 10s 4d; drapery - £840 17s 10d, an increase of £62 7s 9d. The increase of membership was 11.*

*Although there was a strong feeling against the decrease in dividend, after the President gave a full explanation, it seemed to satisfy those present. The service also came in for some strong comments, and it was agreed to close one hour for dinner and half-an-hour for tea at times when the business was quietest. The following were appointed to the Committee in place of those retiring: -*

*Messrs James D. Walker, Peter Robertson, and James Oswald."*

## **19<sup>th</sup> May 1923**

Intimation in *The Fife News*: **Property To Let:**

*Falkland – To Let, with immediate entry, Dwelling-house, situated in favourable position, consisting of 2 Public Rooms, 7 Bedrooms, Kitchen, Scullery, and Outhouses, with 1 1/3 acres of Ground attached; premises suitable for purposes of a Temperance Hotel, Boarding House, or Poultry Farm. Apply to George Gavin, Estate Office, Falkland Palace, Falkland, Fife."*

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

*"Falkland were in rampant form on Saturday when they beat Leslie by 79 runs. P. Robertson was top scorer with 45 runs. J. Ross bowled well and took 6 wickets for 22.*

Score – Leslie – 59 (R. Barclay 14). Falkland – 138 (P. Robertson 45, T. Drysdale 41).”

Extract from *The Fife News*: **Show** – “At the fat stock show at Cupar on Friday, the first prize bullock was shown by Mr Alex. Shanks, Falkland Wood, and brought the top price of £47 2s 6d.”

Extract from *The Fife News*: **Cricket** – “Falkland C.C. have as their visitors to Scroggie to-morrow (Saturday) Dunbog C.C. when a good game is sure to be witnessed.”

Extract from *The Fife News*: **Thunderstorm and Heavy Fall of Snow** – “The weather vagaries of the week in the burgh were quite eclipsed on Tuesday, when Falkland was visited by a violent thunderstorm. A little after five o’clock the storm broke with a flash of lightning followed by a peal of thunder. The sky became overcast and the storm increased in intensity. The lightning became more lurid and frequent, and the thunder came nearer. The clouds broke, and the hailstones beat down. In a short time there were two inches of snow lying. The wet conditions continued throughout the evening.”