

Andrew Pearson

1881 – 1949

There were a large number of Pearsons indigenous to Elie/Earlsferry and it has been difficult to track them down. Andrew Pearson comes to this list as a result of a passing remark in a newspaper article of 1902 which was discussing the various "Ferry" men who had a current influence on the golf scene.

The writer mentions various names of which we are now familiar, but one sentence finished "**Andrew Pearson represents the Ferry at Deal**". We have researched extensively for this gentleman, and we have concluded that there is no current evidence of his time at Deal (Royal Cinque Ports G.C.) However, we do have a record of Andrew Pearson who was a professional golfer.

He was born on 24th April 1881 the son of Robert Pearson and Susan (see birth certificate below).

Name:	Andrew Pearson										
Age in 1911:	28										
Estimated Birth Year:	abt 1883										
Relation to Head:	Boarder										
Gender:	Male										
Birth Place:	Elie, Fife										
Civil Parish:	Wanstead										
Search Photos:	Search for 'Wanstead' in the UK City, Town and Village Photos collection										
Country:	England										
Street Address:	10 Martha Rd, Wanstead N E										
Marital status:	Single										
Occupation:	Professional Golfer										
Registration District Number:	188										
Sub-registration District:	Wanstead										
ED, institution, or vessel:	05										
Piece:	9601										
Household Members:	<table> <tr> <th>Name</th><th>Age</th></tr> <tr> <td>William Smith</td><td>50</td></tr> <tr> <td>Elizabeth Ann Smith</td><td>39</td></tr> <tr> <td>Frederick Jack Smith</td><td>15</td></tr> <tr> <td>Andrew Pearson</td><td>28</td></tr> </table>	Name	Age	William Smith	50	Elizabeth Ann Smith	39	Frederick Jack Smith	15	Andrew Pearson	28
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1881. BIRTHS in the Parish of *Elie* Page 3. in the County of *Fife*

No.	Name and Surname.	When and Where Born.	Sex.	Name, Surname, & Rank or Profession of Father. Name, and Maiden Surname of Mother. Date and Place of Marriage.	Signature and Qualification of Informant, and Residence, if not of the House in which the birth occurred.	When and Where Registered, and Signature of Registrar.
7	<i>Andrew Pearson</i>	<i>1881. April Twenty-fourth 4.30 P.M.</i>	<i>M.</i>	<i>Robert Pearson Postboy Susan Pearson M.S. Student</i>	<i>Robert Pearson St. Patrick Present</i>	<i>1881. May 2nd At Elie William McLean Registrar</i>

The address given was 4 The Vennel, which house belonged to his mother and father. He features in the 1901 census as living there with his parents and his sister. However, the newspaper article below suggests that he was in Deal in 1902. We cannot trace his presence there but the next time we come across him is in the 1911 census in England, where he is shown as living in Wanstead in Essex and his profession is professional golfer.

Wanstead Park Club.—The junior monthly medal was won by H. S. Casselton (14), 72 net. **Andrew** Pearson, the club professional, playing with Mr. J. Turner, did the eighth hole—a distance of 150 yards—in one stroke.

Initially we could find little reference to him then....

Wanstead G.C. We had made for the George Hotel, just ran acme a little village green kind of space, flanked with very nice new houses, turned up a private road, drove through a very fine old brick archway, and there we were, with the car's nose a foot from the door of Andrew Pearson's modest little shop. The clubhouse is evidently a converted private residence, long,

1949 DEATHS in the DISTRICT of GEORGE SQUARE in the CITY of EDINBURGH								
(1)		(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
No.	Name and Surname, Rank or Profession, and whether Single, Married, or Widowed.	When and Where Died.	Sex.	Age.	Name, Surname, and Rank or Profession of Father, Name, and Maiden Surname of Mother.	Cause of Death, Duration of Illness, and Medical Attendance by whom certified.	Signature and Qualification of Informant, and Residence, if not of the House in which the Death occurred.	When and where Registered, and Signature of Registrar.
1570	Pearson	1949	M	67	Robert Pearson	Pneumonia		1949
	Pearson	December 1949	M		Teacher	Pneumonia	Mr. H. Pearson	December 2nd
	54 1/2 St. St. 1949				Teacher	Pneumonia		At Edinburgh
	Prof. Professional	Royal Infirmary				Pneumonia		
	(Retired)	Edinburgh (Royal Infirmary)			Susan Pearson	Pneumonia		
	Single	4 Vennel, Elie			Mr. H. Pearson	Pneumonia		
		(Elie)			Mr. H. Pearson	Pneumonia		
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Pearson, Mrs. R., Belvedere, Stenton Road	66
Pearson, Norman E., Belvedere, Stenton Road	66
Pearson, Andrew, 4 Vennel	66
Pearson, Doreen M., 30 Woodside Crescent	66
Pearson, George, Rose Cottage, High Street South, Earlsferry	66
Pearson, George, Laburnum Cottage, Kirk Park Road	67
Pearson, Ian, 30 Woodside Crescent	67
Pearson, Jemima B., 5 South Street	67
Pearson, Jenny, Laburnum Cottage, Kirk Park Road	67
Pearson, Jessie L., Rose Cottage, High Street South, Earlsferry	67
Pearson, Robert, 5 South Street	67

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Parish of ELIE (ELIE AND EARLSFERRY)		
568	B	Pearson, Andrew, 4 Vennel, Elie
569	A	Pearson, Catherine, 17 Park Place, Elie
570	A	Pearson, David, High Street, Elie
571	A	Pearson, David, 17 Park Place, Elie
572	B	Pearson, Euphemia, High Street, Elie
573	A	Pearson, George, Kirkpark Road, Elie
574	A	Pearson, Jane, Castwell House, Earlsferry
575	A	Pearson, Jeannie, Kirkpark Road, Elie
576	A	Pearson, Jemima, 5 South Street, Elie
577	A	Pearson, Jessie L., Rose Cottage, High Street (S.), Earlsferry
578	A	Pearson, Robert, 5 South Street, Elie
579	A	Pearson, Susan, 4 Vennel, Elie
580	A	Peat, George, 5 Fountain Road, Elie

We have reason to believe that he joined up for the First World War via the Sportsman Battalion. He features in the Roll of Honour compiled by Alan Provan of the History Society (<https://www.eliehistory.com/explore/roll-honour/>).

Researched and compiled by Graham Johnston
