

# John (Jack) Christopher Crowley

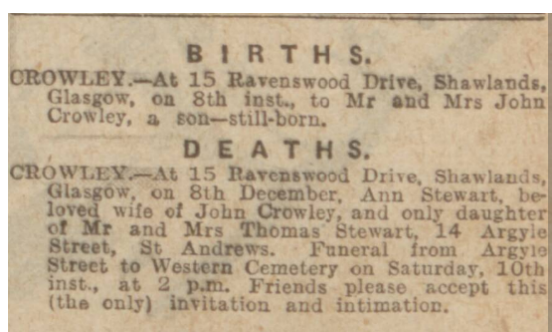
1895 – 1966

Jack was James and Margaret Crowley's second son.

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.
25	John Christopher Crowley	1895, November Twenty-first 8h. 20m. A.M. St. Margaret's Cottage, Earlsferry, Chie.	M.	James Crowley Golf Club Maker Margaret Crowley M.S. Manson 1886, October 27 <sup>th</sup> , Wick.	James Crowley Father	1895, December 9 <sup>th</sup> At Elie. Robert Crombie. Registrar.

Although he was born in Earlsferry father and mother and rest of family moved to Glasgow in 1909/11. His father set up a golf club making business both in Earlsferry and Glasgow but he was principally known for the Crowley Sports Emporium in Gordon Street in Glasgow – it was probably one of the first genuine sports shops, although golf was its main concern and it continued well into 1970s. It is probably a pub now.

Jack became involved in the business along with his father. They continued the Elie/Earlsferry connection by having one of the “huts” beside the golf course along with Forrester (earlier) Reekie, Scott and eventually Ballantine.



**GOLF Clubs**, steel shafted rustless irons mashies set, slightly soiled, 7s. 6d. each. Secondhand drivers brassies, 7s. 6d. Matched sets, driver, spoon, four irons, all steel shafted, rustless, 57s. Cash returned if not delighted. All carriage paid.—**Crowleys** club makers (established 50 years), 54, Union Street, Glasgow.

**GOLF Balls**.—Repaints and used balls, returned from the large competitions as new unmarked, Dunlops, S. Kings, Top Flite, etc., 12s. doz., as previous, slightly marked, 9s. 6d. per doz. Warwicks and 1s. 6d. balls, 9s. 6d. doz.; slightly marked 6s. 6d. Red dot practice repaints, 5s. 6d., 4s. 6d. doz. Send for sample three or six.—**Crowley** (established 50 years), 54, Union Street, Glasgow.

**T**HE Firm of JAMES CROWLEY & SON, Golf Club Makers, fifty-four Union Street, Glasgow, has been DISSOLVED as at thirty-first March nineteen hundred and thirty-three, by mutual consent, by the retiral therefrom of the Subscriber James Crowley, one of the Partners.

The Business will continue to be carried on by the Subscriber John Crowley on his own account, and under the firm name of JAMES CROWLEY & SON.

Mr. John Crowley is authorised to uplift all the debts due to, and he will discharge the whole debts and liabilities of, the Firm.

Dated at Glasgow, this 31st day of March 1933.

JAMES CROWLEY.

JOHN CROWLEY.

Witnesses to the Signature of the said James Crowley and John Crowley—  
MARY S. J. LAWRIE, Typist, 34 West George Street, Glasgow, C.2.  
ANNIE C. MACLEMAN, Typist, 34 West George Street, Glasgow, C.2.

Jack had a most unfortunate first marriage to Ann Stewart from St. Andrews, whose father was a golf club making. He married her in 1927 but she died tragically that year during childbirth and the child was stillborn. He remarried in London, Marion Brown Whitelaw in 1929.

He took over the business from his father in 1933 and the business continued after his death in 1966 which was shortly after his second wife's death in September 1966. He and his family still retained a foothold in Earlsferry having acquired Ravenscraig from George Forrester Executors.

re(s) and rname	John Christopher Crowley		(2) Sex	M.
upation	Sports Outfitter. (retired.)			
ital Status	Widower.	(5) Date of Birth	21/11/1895.	Age 71 years.
, Surname	1st. Nan Stuart.			
ecupation	2nd. Marion Brown Susan Whitelaw.			
ouse(s)	1st. 66.... November, Twenty-Eighth. 8.30 m. P.M.			
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## CHARGE UNDER ACT OF JAMES VI.

### CASE AT CUPAR.

A charge under an old Scottish statute was brought at Cupar Sheriff Court on Tuesday, when it was alleged that John Christopher Crowley, golf club manufacturer, 9 Stratton Drive, Giffnock, Glasgow, did, on August 17, at Carnbee Reservoir, Fife, "it being a stank or lock within the meaning of the Act of 19 James VI., attempt to steal trout or other fish." It was stated that he was liable to a fine of forty pounds Scots.

An agent, on accused's behalf, pleaded guilty. Accused, he said, had been looking for a place to fish and after making inquiries had gone to Carnbee Reservoir. No one was able to tell him whether fishing was forbidden there or not, and he thought that the custom in the West of Scotland of paying on the spot would be carried out. He had no intention of fishing without making payment. The owner appeared on the scene, and accused apologised for the liberty he had taken.

Hon. Sheriff Grosset imposed a fine of £1.

As a last anecdote let us look at the newspapers of 1937, when he fell foul of the law although it is understandable if he pled that he did not remember the statute of James VI!

[1937]