



BEGINNING YOUR
FAMILY HISTORY RESEARCH
IN THE TAY VALLEY

A “WHERE TO” GUIDE

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Introduction

This “Where To” Guide is intended for those who are about to start researching family history in the Tay Valley area, the area of interest of the Tay Valley Family History Society. Unfortunately the term “Tay Valley” is not a precise location, so we interpret it to be the area covered by the 4 old Scottish counties of Angus (previously called Forfarshire), Fife, Kinross-shire and Perthshire. It includes the city of Dundee.

This is not a “how to” guide, since there are several excellent publications on that subject either in book, CD or webpage format. Rather, it is a “where to” guide which should tell you where you can find the basic family history source material for ancestors who lived in this area. It does not attempt to cover material for ancestors who lived elsewhere, even in the rest of Scotland (although in many cases the availability of material will be similar). You may be an absolute beginner to the hobby or someone who has researched for several years but who now finds some ancestry in our area; you may live in Perthshire or Pennsylvania; this booklet should help you to get started.

The guide is in 4 parts:

- Administrative Areas – information on the counties, parishes, registration districts and local authorities which exist in the Tay Valley area
- Sources Tables – giving the locations of source material
- Contact Details – of local archives, libraries, cemetery offices and registrars
- Parish Tables – giving a list of parishes, their historic county, historic commissariat and sheriff court (for locating wills), current local authority, current cemetery office and parish reference number (for use with the Old Parochial Records, the 1841 and 1851 censuses).

Two initial pieces of advice are offered:

You should be able to do a fair amount of research at a distance – it is always better to do your own groundwork before contacting the archives or Tay Valley FHS with specific enquiries.

Archivists and librarians are not professional researchers – they may or may not give you a lot of information from one simple enquiry. Some of them charge for a research service. A list of professional researchers can be provided by the Tay Valley FHS on request.

Tay Valley FHS Research Centre

The Tay Valley Family History Society is based at 179-181 Princes Street, Dundee (contact details on page 19) where we have a research centre for the use of members (free) and the general public (on a chargeable basis). If you live locally, you will find a large amount of material in the library here. Our main holdings of basic source material are listed in the Sources Tables in this book, but we also hold a growing collection of other material pertaining to our own area and the rest of Scotland. We hope to expand our collection of Irish and English material as funding allows. We offer a look-up service to allow those members who live at a distance from Dundee to access the material. There is a series of leaflets to assist users and the library catalogue is available on the website.

Other Family History Societies

Although the whole of this area is covered by the Tay Valley FHS, there are other excellent societies with an interest in parts of it:

Fife FHS covers the whole of Fife. Their books and research material are housed at Methil Library. Contact details are on their website – www.fifefhs.org.

North Perthshire Family History Group has a research room in Moulin Kirk – for contact details see pitlochryandmoulinheritagecentre.co.uk/north-perthshire-family-history-group.

Central Scotland FHS covers the area of the former Central Region (around Stirling) and thus covers the western and southern parishes of Perthshire. Their research material is housed at St. Ninians Library – for contact details see www.csfhs.org.uk.

Suggested Reading

“How to” Guides

- *Rooted in Scotland: Getting to the Heart of Your Scottish Heritage*, Cameron Taylor, Luath Press Ltd, ISBN 9781908373311. Available in the TVFHS shop.
- *Tracing Scottish Ancestors*, Rosemary Bigwood, Collins Pocket Reference, 1999, ISBN 0004723287. Available as a Kindle ebook, 2014.
- *Discover Your Scottish Ancestry*, Graham S Holton and Jack Winch, Edinburgh University Press, 2003, ISBN 0748618643
- *Tracing Your Scottish Ancestry, The Official Guide*, National Archives of Scotland, Birlinn, 2011, ISBN 9781780270227
- *Source Guide* published by the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints on CD and available from their Distribution Centres.

Two websites provide excellent introductions:

- www.genuki.org.uk/big/EmeryPaper.html *A-Z of British Genealogical Research*, by Dr Ashton Emery.
- www.genuki.org.uk/big/sct/intro.shtml *Introduction to Scottish Family History*.

Historical Background

- For contemporary information written by the ministers of the parishes, the *Statistical Accounts* are an unequalled source. They were written in three editions, all now out of print, but they should be found in most good reference libraries. *The Statistical Account* (sometimes called the “Old” or the “First” Statistical Account) was written in the 1790s (republished in the 1960s on a county basis). *The New Statistical Account* (sometimes called the “Second”) was written in the 1830s and 1840s. *The Third Statistical Account* was produced over a period of years from the 1950s. The First and Second are available online at stat-acc-scot.edina.ac.uk/sas/sas.asp?action=public&passback
- Professor T C Smout has written two comprehensive histories of Scotland, concentrating on the ordinary people. *A History of the Scottish People 1560 – 1830*, Fontana 1969, ISBN 0006860273 and *A Century of the Scottish People 1830 – 1950*, Fontana, 1987, ISBN 0006861415.

Other Helpful Publications

- An excellent guide to the location of pre-1900 archive material of genealogical and local historical importance is *The Archives of Fife* by Andrew Campbell, published 1997, available from the Tay Valley FHS.

Administrative Areas

In order to find information about your ancestors, you need to know not only where they lived, but also which administrative unit covered that area. The records we work with were created by different bodies which each had their own area of jurisdiction. The administrative areas could be a county, parish, sheriffdom, registration district, burgh, commissariat, parliamentary division, presbytery, synod, diocese or local authority. There are others. The boundaries of these areas sometimes coincided, but more frequently didn't. To make matters worse, the boundaries of almost all of them changed over the years. Also, over time, the responsibilities of the different administrative bodies changed. As an example, baptism, marriage, burial and census information up to 1854 was collected and organised by parishes. From 1855 onwards, birth, marriage, death and census information is recorded on the basis of registration districts, but the baptisms and marriages continued to be held in parish churches and the burials took place in parish (or, increasingly, municipal) cemeteries.

How, then, do we simplify this web of overlapping areas and units to enable us to find the information we require? From a family history point of view, the most important administrative units are the counties and the parishes. These units changed least, and most records are now organised in this way. Archive offices are operated by most present-day local authorities, and their boundaries frequently approximate to the older counties.

Having said that, however, there have been several important changes within the Tay Valley area which affect where records are found. Up to the late 19th century, a surprising number of Scottish parishes were not self-contained units but were composed of 2 or more separate parts often several miles apart. Caputh parish actually had 8 separate pieces. Some parishes even straddled the county boundaries. So although your ancestors may appear in a certain parish register, they may not have lived where you expected. The Boundary Commissioners re-drew the parish and county boundaries in 1891 (effective in most cases from 15th May). Our Society Library, most archives and other libraries use the post-1891 counties as the basis of their cataloguing.

Counties – 1891 boundary changes

A simplified list of the most important changes concerning the county boundaries is as follows:

Parish	before May 1891	after May 1891
Abernethy	part in Fife, part in Perthshire	all in Perthshire
Alyth	some in Angus, some in Perthshire	all in Perthshire
Arngask	some in Perthshire, some in Fife, some in Kinross-shire	all in Perthshire
Caputh	some parts in Perthshire, some parts in Angus	Angus parts transferred to parishes of Kinnettles, Monifieth and Auchterhouse. Remainder of Caputh stays in Perthshire
Coupar Angus	part in Angus, part in Perthshire	all in Perthshire
Culross	all in Perthshire	all in Fife
Edzell	part in Kincardineshire, part in Angus	Angus part stays in Angus; Kincardineshire part stays in Kincardineshire but becomes part of Fettercairn parish
Forgandenny	part in Kinross-shire, part in Perthshire	all in Perthshire
Fossway & Tulliebole	part in Kinross-shire, part in Perthshire	most in Kinross-shire; some stays in Perthshire but becomes part of Glendevon parish
Fowlis Easter	all in Perthshire	all in Angus, joined with Lundie
Kettins	part surrounded by Perthshire, but still in Angus; rest in Angus	part surrounded by Perthshire is transferred to Collace parish in Perthshire; rest remains in Angus
Kippen	part in Perthshire, part in Stirlingshire	all in Stirlingshire
Lecropt	part in Perthshire, part in Stirlingshire	all in Perthshire
Liff, Benvie & Invergowrie	part in Angus, part in Perthshire	all in Angus
Logie	part in Perthshire, part in Clackmannanshire, part in Stirlingshire	most in Stirlingshire; some stays in Perthshire as part of Lecropt; some stays in Clackmannanshire
Tulliallan	all in Perthshire	all in Fife

Parishes – 1891 boundary changes

There were also a great many changes to the boundaries of parishes themselves, many places remaining in the same county but finding themselves in another parish. These changes are far too numerous to list here. There is a complete listing in the TVFHS library [catalogued under Historical Geography]. When searching, you should always check the neighbouring parishes.

Parish reference numbers, listed in the tables at the back of this book, are used for the Old Parochial Registers and the 1841 and 1851 census returns.

Some towns and their parishes

Some towns and built-up areas are not in the parish you would expect.

Town	Parish
Aberfeldy	some in Dull, some in Logierait; Aberfeldy registration district created in 1855
Arbroath	some in Arbroath, some in St Vigean
Blairgowrie	some in Blairgowrie, some in Rattray
Bridge of Earn	Dunbarney
Broughty Ferry	most in Monifieth, some in Dundee
Buckhaven	Wemyss
Carnoustie	some in Barry, some in Panbride
Cellardyke	Kilrenny
Doune	Kilmadock
Dunkeld	Some in Dunkeld and Dowally, some in Caputh
Kirkcaldy	some in Abbotshall, some in Kirkcaldy
Ladybank	Collessie
Leven	Scoonie
Lochee	Liff and Benvie parish, but Dundee burgh
Lochgelly	Auchterderran
Methil	Wemyss
Newport	Forgan
Perth	some in Perth, some in Kinnoull, a little in Tibbermore
Pitlochry	Moulin
Tayport	Ferryport-on-Craig

Registration Districts

When they were formed in 1855, Registration Districts largely coincided with parish boundaries and shared the same reference numbers as the parishes, but they have changed frequently since then, especially in the cities. Registration district reference numbers are used for census returns from 1861 onwards.

Finding the reference number of the registration district you require can be difficult as the numbers changed often, sometimes from year to year. The names have stayed more or less the same, although the towns gradually expanded into the rural parishes and, within the towns, districts were created and then changed as the town developed.

Registration district boundaries are not shown on any published maps.

Registration Districts in Dundee can be bewildering. The number of districts grew from 2 to 5 and then shrank back again. However, because of the relatively compact nature of the city and the movement of the population within it, you should consider all the Dundee registration districts and not confine your research to one. Tay Valley FHS has a set of maps and directory extracts in its library [catalogued under Registration] from which it is possible to work out the registration district for any street in any year, if this is absolutely necessary. The later Dundee street directories also specify the registration district for every street.

In Perthshire, 8 registration districts were created from 1855. There are no old parish records for these new districts, but there are census returns:

Registration district	Year created	Number	OPRs and earlier censuses in:
Aberfeldy	1855	324	Dull and Logierait
Ardoch	parish in 1855; reg. dist. in 1871	328b	Muthill, Dunblane and Blackford
Foss	1857	355b	Dull
Kinloch-Rannoch	1855	367	Fortingall
Logiealmond	1855	375	Monzie, Fowlis Wester, Methven and Redgorton
Persie	1860	386b	Blairgowrie and Meigle
Strathfillan	1860	394b	Killin
Tenandry	1857	394c	Blair Atholl, Dull and Moulin

Local Authorities

Until 1975, our area extended over 4 counties – Angus, Fife, Kinross-shire and Perthshire. The county of Angus was previously known as Forfarshire. The 2 areas are exactly the same. Dundee is situated in Angus but for most local authority purposes was, and is, a separate entity.

In 1975, the county structure was broken up and regions and districts were formed. Angus, Kinross and most of Perthshire were amalgamated into Tayside Region based in Dundee; Fife stayed as it was. The parishes in the west and south of Perthshire became part of Central Region, based in Stirling.

In 1996 local government was re-organised yet again, effectively re-creating many of the original counties. Fife again remained untouched. Tayside was split up into the 3 council areas of Perth & Kinross (based at Perth), Angus (based in Forfar) and Dundee. The western and southern parts of Perthshire became part of the Stirling Council area. Local authority records have moved between the archives but are now generally found in the archive of the present council area.

Sources Tables

In the tables which follow, the locations of various source materials are given.

The *local library/archive* heading refers to libraries and archives in the Tay Valley area, not where you live. It is impossible to be too precise about the holdings of every individual library or archive since there are so many of them.

The *via LDS* heading, however, refers to a research facility near where you live. Family historians owe a great deal of thanks to the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints (the Mormons, or LDS) who have microfilmed and archived a tremendous amount of genealogical source material. This material can be accessed at their Family History Centers (FHCs), which are to be found attached to many of their churches in locations world-wide. You do not need to be a Mormon to be able to use the centres. Check for their locations in the local phone book or on the internet at familysearch.org/locations/centerlocator and make an appointment. The films they do not hold can be ordered from Salt Lake City at a very small charge, allowing you to search Scottish source material in your local area. The “locality catalog” is a catalogue of all LDS material and is held by every LDS FHC. It can also be searched at libraries which have *Family Search*, and there are copies in the Tay Valley FHS Library. The FamilySearch Catalog (familysearch.org/catalog-search) lists the genealogical materials held by the LDS, of which many items can be loaned to local FHCs. The *Tay Valley FHS* heading gives an outline of our Research Centre Library holdings for the four Tay Valley counties.

The *Edinburgh* heading refers to documents held by the National Records of Scotland (NRS) into which the National General Register Office for Scotland (GRO(S)) and the National Archives for Scotland (NAS) were merged in 2011.

The *Internet* heading lists only the major sites which provide indexes or source material. Despite its potential, the internet is not yet a virtual library for all things genealogical. However, it has a tremendous amount of information, including much original source material and indexes. It is constantly being added to and web addresses can change frequently; the information given is accurate at the date of publication.

Civil Registration (1855 to present day)

<p>Local registrar</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Original records – holdings vary from registrar to registrar, usually only the recent ones held locally.• Area registrars (Arbroath, Cupar, Dundee, Perth) have older registers for their counties
<p>Tay Valley FHS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Birth and Marriage indexes 1855 – 1875 on IGI and <i>Family Search</i>• transcripts of copies of certificates obtained for Tay Valley FHS members• transcription service from Edinburgh is available
<p>Edinburgh (GRO(S))</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 1855 to present day for whole of Scotland• computer indexes
<p>via LDS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• films of annual indexes of births, marriages and deaths 1855 - 1956• indexes to births and marriages 1855 – 1875 on IGI and <i>Family Search</i>• films of certificates of births, marriages and deaths 1855 – 1875, 1881, 1891• see <i>locality catalog</i> [Scotland – Civil Registration]
<p>Internet</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• ScotlandsPeople, www.scotlandspeople.gov.uk, is the official GRO(S) site. Indexes of births, marriages and deaths from 1855 to about a year ago can be viewed. Images of the documents can be downloaded – for events from 1855 up to 100 years ago for births, 75 years ago for marriages and 50 years ago for deaths. The site charges for access to the indexes and the images.• LDS Family Search familysearch.org Indexes of births and marriages 1855 - 1875

Obtaining a registration certificate can be expensive. You can cut down the costs if you use the LDS Family History Centers or if you use Tay Valley's Certificate Service.

The original records are available locally, but you will need to know which registration office has the years for the area you require. Charges are made for any searches and information provided. A full certificate costs at least £13 to buy.

Most of the registration offices now have computer links to all the indexes held at the GRO in Edinburgh, but they only have the actual registers for their own areas. The local authorities have Family History Centres operating in conjunction with the registrars. Charges vary from £15 to £26 per hour – for more information, refer to the council websites.

If you are doing your own research, it is better to use the ScotlandsPeople Centre at GRO(S) in Edinburgh, since, although it makes a charge, registers and indexes for the whole of Scotland are kept there. The charge is £15 per dy. You can copy down as much information as you like while you are there, or purchase copies of documents for 30p per page. Before visiting, to find out more, go to the website, www.nrscotland.gov.uk/research/visit-us/scotlandspeople-centre.

The ScotlandsPeople website charges £7.50 for 30 “credits” which are valid for one year. Search results are free to view; an image of the actual document costs 6 credits per page for BMD and census pages. Charges for other documents can be found at <https://www.scotlandspeople.gov.uk/content/our-charges>. If you are searching for several entries, this site is quite economical. Legal copies of the certificates can be purchased for a further £12 each from the ScotlandsPeople website. Tay Valley FHS's Certificate Copying Service can also supply copy certificates, but these copies are not legal documents.

IGI (International Genealogical Index) and *FamilySearch*

Local library/archive <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Libraries usually have local area, some have whole of Scotland
Tay Valley FHS <ul style="list-style-type: none">• IGI - UK and Commonwealth (fiche 1992)• Family Search• British Isles Vital Records CD (additional entries)
via LDS <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Whole world on CD• British Isles Vital Records CD
Internet <ul style="list-style-type: none">• LDS <i>FamilySearch</i> – whole world – familysearch.org/search/collection/igi

Old Parochial Registers

Church of Scotland baptisms, marriages and deaths/burials up to 1854

These films contain the registers of the Church of Scotland only (which could have been only half the population of Scotland from 1843 onwards). Coverage varies from parish to parish and from year to year. Death/burial information is the poorest. There are indexes for all existing baptism, marriage and death/burial registers.

Local library/archive <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Libraries usually hold films for local area• May hold index fiche (baptisms and marriages)• The baptism and marriage indexes are included in the IGI and <i>Family Search</i>
Tay Valley FHS <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Films for all Fife, Kinross, Perthshire, Dundee and Angus parishes• Fiche indexes to baptisms and marriages for all Scotland• Fife Deaths CD• Indexes of deaths/burials for a few other parishes
Edinburgh (GRO(S)) <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Films for all Scotland• Computer index to baptisms, marriages and deaths/burials• Fife Deaths CD
via LDS <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Films for all Scotland• Index to baptisms and marriages on <i>Family Search</i>
Internet <ul style="list-style-type: none">• ScotlandsPeople – www.scotlandspeople.gov.uk has the official GRO(S) indexes of births/baptisms, marriages and deaths/burials 1553-1854. Images of the documents can be downloaded. This site charges for access to the indexes and the images.• LDS <i>Family Search</i> – familysearch.org. Indexes of baptisms and marriages up to 1854

Other Church Records

Non-Church of Scotland Registers and Other Records (e.g. Kirk Session Minutes) for all churches

<p>Local library/archive</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Archives may have transcripts or registers of non-Church of Scotland congregations• Records of most congregations in the Presbyteries of Cupar and St Andrews are at St Andrews University Library (Manuscripts Dept.)• Records of congregations in Dundee Presbytery are at Dundee City Archives• Records of the Brechin Diocesan Library (Episcopal Church records) are at Dundee University Archives• Most other records are in Edinburgh.
<p>Tay Valley FHS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Some early Kirk Session material on OPR films.• Collection of transcripts and indexes of non-Church of Scotland congregations in the Tay Valley area• British Isles Vital Records CD
<p>Edinburgh (GRO(S) & NAS)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Church of Scotland records which have not been transmitted back to a local archive• Non-Church of Scotland material – both registers and business records• (In general, most material is at the NAS, a little is at the GRO(S).)
<p>via LDS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Some Kirk Session material is on film; some is included in the OPR films.• Films of some non-Church of Scotland registers available• Some of the non-Church of Scotland registers indexed on IGI and <i>Family Search</i>, others on <i>British Isles Vital Records CD</i> <p>see <i>locality catalog</i> under [county – parish - Church Records]</p>
<p>Internet</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• ScotlandsPeople – www.scotlandspeople.gov.uk Catholic Parish registers: births and baptisms 1703-1992; banns and marriages 1736-1934; deaths and burials 1742-1955; other events 1742-1909 (communicants and converts, confessions, confirmation, seat rents, sick calls, status animarum)• Fife FHS – indexes of some non-Church of Scotland pre-1855 registers www.fifefhs.org/resources/records.

Deaths - Monumental Inscriptions and Cemetery Records

Monumental Inscriptions and Other Death Indexes

<p>Local library/archive</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Published and manuscript lists and indexes may be available• Local Rolls of Honour• Mitchell's Pre-1855 Monumental Inscriptions• Fife Deaths CD
<p>Tay Valley FHS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Large collection of published and manuscript lists and indexes for TVFHS area.• Additional surveys undertaken each year.• Some local Rolls of Honour• Mitchell's Pre-1855 Monumental Inscriptions• Soldiers Died in the Great War and Army Roll of Honour 1939-45 CDs• Fife Deaths Abroad 1855 – 1900• Fife Deaths from Newspapers 1822 - 1854
<p>via LDS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Film copies of Mitchell's volumes of Pre-1855 Monumental Inscriptions for Fife, Angus, Kinross and Perthshire• Some other film copies of monumental inscriptions <p>check <i>locality catalog</i> under [county – parish – Cemeteries] or [county – Cemeteries]</p>
<p>Internet</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Some Fife monumental inscriptions are on the Fife FHS website – www.fifefhs.org/• Dunning – www.dunning.uk.net/gstart.html• Dundee Roll of Honour 1939-1945 – www.dundee.gov.uk/roh/• www.tayvalleyfhs.org.uk/the-society/useful-links#wm has links to other records

Cemetery Records

In general, the oldest cemetery and churchyard records will be found in the local archives, or as part of the Old Parochial Register films. Records for those cemeteries which are still in current use (and which may have entries dating back well into the 19th century) are held by the local authority cemetery departments. Written requests for information must include the name of the deceased person and the date of death. Some registers will list married women under their maiden surname only. The cemetery offices may charge for searches being made.

<p>Local library/archive</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Burial registers on OPR films• May have local indexes• Dundee City Archives hold the Howff burial registers (indexed)
<p>Tay Valley FHS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Burial registers on OPR films• Collection of material for some other cemeteries or churchyards• Dundee Howff burial index
<p>Edinburgh (GRO(S))</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Burial registers on OPR films• Collection of material for some other cemeteries or churchyards
<p>via LDS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Burial registers on OPR films
<p>Internet</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Commonwealth War Graves Commission - casualties in WW 1 and 2 – www.cwgc.org/• Fife FHS has some burial indexes - www.fifefhs.org/

Census

(1841, 1851, 1861, 1871, 1881, 1891, 1901)

<p>Local library/archive</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Usually hold films of local area• Some local indexes (names or locations)• May have 1891 name index• May have 1881 national index on CD
<p>Tay Valley FHS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Whole Tay Valley area on film• Indexes:• 1841 Angus/Dundee surnames• 1851 name index - Angus, Dundee, Fife, Kinross, Perthshire – work in progress, some already published• 1861, 1871 – some street indexes only• 1881 national index CDs• 1891 – name index (Scotland)• some other local indexes
<p>Edinburgh (GRO(S))</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Whole of Scotland• Computer index to 1881, 1891 and 1901• Copies of published indexes for other years
<p>via LDS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Films for whole of Scotland• 1881 national index CDs• Some street indexes
<p>Internet</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• ScotlandsPeople – www.scotlandspeople.gov.uk – has the official GRO(S) indexes for all years from 1841 to 1911. Images of the documents can be downloaded. This site charges for access to the indexes and the images.• Transcriptions are available on subscription sites www.ancestry.co.uk and www.findmypast.co.uk for all years from 1841 to 1901.• Transcriptions are available free of charge for various years and places at www.freecen.org.uk

Wills and Testaments

Until about 1823, testaments are found in the **Commissary Court** records. The courts covering our area were Brechin, Dunblane, Dunkeld, St. Andrews and Edinburgh. When searching, check both the commissariat to which the parish belonged and the Edinburgh commissariat. Commissariat boundaries bear no relationship to counties, you must refer to the parish list at the back of this guide.

<p>Local library/archive</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Published indexes (up to 1800) may be available• Index only: Calendar of Confirmations and Inventories (annually 1876 - 1936) copies at Dundee City Archives, Dundee University Archives and Perth Library.
<p>Tay Valley FHS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Indexes for all local commissariats up to 1800• Index to Dundee Deeds 1801-09• Wills of 17th century Auchterarder• Index to Cupar Sheriff Court Wills 1824 – 1892• Index to Fife Sheriff Court Deeds 1809-1900
<p>Edinburgh (NAS)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Full texts• All available indexes
<p>via LDS</p> <p>Some indexes available – check <i>locality catalog</i> under [county – Probate Records – Indexes] for indexes of testaments, inventories, confirmations or commissary court records</p> <p>Indexes catalogued under [Scotland – Probate Records]:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Index to Personal Estates of Defuncts 1846 – 1867• Calendar of Confirmations and Inventories 1876 – 1936 <p>Documents (various dates) in:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• testaments, inventories and/or confirmations for the different commissariats, catalogued under [county – Probate Records]
<p>Internet</p> <p>A full index of Scottish wills and testaments up to 1925 can be searched free at www.scotlandspeople.gov.uk. Scottish soldiers wills (1914-1948) can also be found here. Digital images can be purchased for 10 credits (£2.50) per document.</p>

From about 1824 onwards, commissary business is to be found in the records of the Sheriff Courts. The courts covering our area are:

Cupar (for Fife)
Dundee [from 1832] and Forfar (for Forfarshire [Angus])
Dunblane and Perth (for Perthshire)
Alloa [to 1846] and Kinross [from 1847] (for Kinross-shire)
Edinburgh (for those residing or dying furth of Scotland).

Wills, inventories, etc. may be registered in many other courts or appear in various registers of deeds. The above tables are only a start.

Land Ownership – Sasines and Valuation Rolls

Sasines

Records of the transfer of ownership of land and buildings are in the Registers of Sasines. They do not usually record names of tenants or occupiers. The full texts are only available in Edinburgh. Short extracts (Abridgements) were printed and a few are held locally. Indexing before 1780 is incomplete. In general, you need to know a name, date and place for the change in ownership to search these records.

Abridgements:

- Fife 1781 – 1947 at Cupar Library
- Forfarshire from 1869 at Dundee City Archives
- Perthshire 1781 – 1983 at Perth Archives
- Kinross-shire 1821 – 1908 at Perth Archives

Burgh Registers:

- Dundee Burgh Registers 1639 – 1812 at Dundee City Archives
- Registers for Burghs in north-east Fife at St Andrews University Library (Manuscripts Dept.)

Tay Valley FHS

Indexes of Names:

- General Register 1701 – 1720
- Fife 1603 - 1609, 1617 – 1660
- Forfarshire 1620 – 1780

Edinburgh (NAS)

Full texts of General (Scotland) and Particular (counties) Registers

- Abridgements
- All available indexes to names and places
- Full texts and some indexes of Burgh Registers (e.g. Dundee 1809-1928).

via LDS

- Indexes of earliest registers catalogued under [county – Land and Property]
- Abridgements of General and Particular Registers 1781 – 1868
- Indexes 1781 – 1868 catalogued under [Scotland – Land and Property]
- Dundee and some other Burgh Registers (various dates) catalogued under [county – parish – Land and Property]

Burgh Registers of Sasines were kept by Anstruther Wester, Arbroath, Auchtermuchty, Burntisland, Crail, Culross, Cupar, Dundee, Dunfermline, Dysart, Earlsferry, Falkland, Forfar, Inverkeithing, Kinghorn, Kirkcaldy, Montrose, Newburgh, Perth, Pittenweem and St Andrews.

Valuation Rolls

From 1855 onwards, Valuation Rolls were produced annually for each burgh and parish. Apart from those at www.scotlandspeople.gov.uk, they are not indexed, so searching can be laborious. They do, however, list names of owners of all properties and the tenants and occupiers of most of them, together with the value of the property. (Unfortunately, tenants and occupiers of property which was let at less than £4 per annum are excluded.)

Local library/archive:	Usually holds records for the local area
Tay Valley FHS:	Some printed lists for Angus
Edinburgh (NAS):	Complete collection from 1855
Internet:	Valuation Rolls for 1855, 1865, 1875, 1885, 1895, 1905, 1915, 1920 and 1925 (with more to come) are indexed and images can be viewed at www.scotlandspeople.gov.uk for a charge of 2 credits (50p) per page.

Genealogical Connections and Living Relatives

Contacting Living Relatives

Tay Valley FHS will not undertake searches for living relatives. If you are particularly interested in this aspect, a letter to the editor of a local newspaper may be the best option.

Angus County Press, 117-119 Castle Street, Forfar, DD8 3AH (Forfar Dispatch and Kirriemuir Herald)

Brechin Advertiser, 13 Swan Street, Brechin, DD9 6EE

The Arbroath Herald, 21 Market Place, Arbroath, DD11 1HR

Montrose Review Press Ltd, 63 Murray Street, Montrose, DD10 8JZ

The Perthshire Advertiser, 58 Watergate, Perth PH1 5TF

The Blairgowrie Advertiser, 58 Watergate, Perth PH1 5TF

The Strathearn Herald, 58 Watergate, Perth PH1 5TF

The Fife Herald, 21 Bonnygate, Cupar, Fife, KY15 4BU

The St. Andrews Citizen, 5a Greyfriars Gardens, St Andrews, Fife, KY16 9HG

East Fife Mail, 7 Mitchell Street, Leven, Fife, KY8 4HJ

Fife Free Press, 23 Kirk Wynd, Kirkcaldy, Fife, KY1 1EP

The Dunfermline Press, Pitreavie Business Park, Dunfermline, Fife, KY11 8QS

The Courier rarely publishes requests to find living relatives, but if you have an interesting story or photograph, it may be worth contacting the *Craigie Column* – craigie@thecourier.co.uk or Craigie, The Courier, 80 Kingsway East, Dundee, DD4 8SL. 01382 223131.

The Sunday Post used to carry paid “Lost Touch” adverts. That service has now been discontinued, but such requests quite often feature in the letters page.

The Sunday Post, 80 Kingsway East, Dundee, DD4 8SL. 01382 223 131

Members' Interests and Surname Lists

Tay Valley FHS

- Members' Interests in TV journal
- Members' Help Wanted queries in TV journal and on the website
- Database index of all previous Members' Interests and Help Wanted queries
- Database index of members' Pedigree Charts
- Database index of Family Group Sheets submitted by members
- Genealogical Research Directories, Big R, etc.

Some Internet Sites

- Angus Surname List jimjar.net/Angus
- Fife Surname List www.genuki.org.uk/big/scot/Fife/fife.surnames.html
- Tay Valley FHS website Members' Area includes Help Wanted queries and an index of members' Pedigree Charts www.tayvalleyfhs.org.uk

Contact Details

Present Day Local Authorities

The 5 local authorities covering the Tay Valley area have websites which give contact details, opening hours, e-mail addresses and other information about their services. Postal addresses and telephone numbers are listed in the following sections. Of particular interest to family historians will be their archives, libraries, cemeteries and registration departments. All 5 sites can be searched for information. The University Archives are not part of the local authority provision.

Angus Council: www.angus.gov.uk

Dundee City Council: www.dundee.gov.uk

Fife Council: www.fife.gov.uk

Perth & Kinross Council: www.pkc.gov.uk

Stirling Council: www.stirling.gov.uk

Local Archives

Angus

- Angus Archives, Hunter Library, Restenneth Priory By Forfar, DD8 2SZ.
01307 468644 angus.archives@angus.gov.uk <http://archive.angus.gov.uk/historyaa/archives>
holds local authority records (including the former burghs of Arbroath, Brechin, Carnoustie, Forfar, Kirriemuir, Monifieth, and Montrose); genealogy collections (including the William Coull Anderson Library of Genealogy); business and family papers.

Dundee

- Dundee City Archives & Record Centre is now accessed by first calling at City Chambers Reception at 18 City Square.
The Search Room is open, by appointment, Monday-Friday 09.15-13.00 and 14.00-16.45.
01382 434494 archives@dundee.gov.uk www.dundee.gov.uk/archive
houses the records of the city of Dundee and the former burgh of Broughty Ferry; various Dundee burial records; customs and shipping records; family, estate and business records; records of the churches in the Presbytery of Dundee. The entrance to the archives is at 1 Shore Terrace.
- Dundee University Archives, Tower Building, University of Dundee, Nethergate, Dundee DD1 4HN.
01382 344095 archives@dundee.ac.uk www.dundee.ac.uk/archives
houses the archives of the University of Dundee; the Brechin Diocesan records [Episcopal church]; Tayside Health Board records; business and family records.

Fife

- Local History Department, Dunfermline Carnegie Library, 1 Abbot Street, Dunfermline KY12 7NL.
01383 312600 dunfermline.library@fife.gov.uk
houses the more recent archives of the former burghs of Dunfermline, Culross, Cowdenbeath, Inverkeithing and Lochgelly.
- Fife Council Archive Centre, Carleton House, Balgonie Road, Markinch, KY7 6AQ. 01592 413256 Online contact form at tinyurl.com/pwxx4ed
houses the archives of the County of Fife and also those of the former burghs of Buckhaven and Methil, Burntisland, Kinghorn, Kirkcaldy and Dysart, Leslie, Leven and Markinch.
- St Andrews University Library – Department of Special Collections, Library Annexe, North Haugh, St Andrews, Fife, KY16 9WH
01334 462339 speccoll@st-andrews.ac.uk www.st-andrews.ac.uk/library/specialcollections
In addition to the extensive university library, the Manuscripts Dept. acts as an archive for former local authorities in East Fife (includes the former burghs of Anstruther Easter and

Wester, Auchtermuchty, Crail, Cupar, Elie and Earlsferry, Falkland, Kilrenny, Ladybank, Newburgh, Newport-on-Tay, Pittenweem, St Andrews, St Monans and Tayport) and church records of the presbyteries of Cupar and St Andrews; estate, business and family records; excellent photographic collections, including the Valentine collection.

An excellent guide to the location of pre-1900 archive material of genealogical and local historical importance is *The Archives of Fife* by Andrew Campbell, published 1997, available from the [Tay Valley FHS](#).

Perth & Kinross

Perth & Kinross Council Archives, A.K. Bell Library, York Place, Perth PH2 8EP.

01738 477012 archives@pkc.gov.uk www.pkc.gov.uk/archives

holds local authority records; records of former burghs of Aberfeldy, Abernethy, Alyth, Auchterarder, Blairgowrie and Rattray, Coupar Angus, Crieff, Kinross, Perth, Pitlochry; customs records for Perth and Blairgowrie; records of local businesses.

Stirling

- Stirling Council Archives, 5 Borrowmeadow Road, Stirling, FK7 7UW

01786 450745 archive@stirling.gov.uk <http://my.stirling.gov.uk/services/community-life-and-leisure/libraries-and-archives/archives>

holds local authority records, business and family records.

Archives in Edinburgh

There are two principal archives offices in Edinburgh, the General Register Office for Scotland – GRO(S), and the National Archives of Scotland – NAS. They have been merged into the National Records of Scotland (NRS).

- General Register Office for Scotland, New Register House, Edinburgh, EH1 3YT.

0131 334 0380 <https://www.nrscotland.gov.uk/>

holds Birth, Marriage and Death certificates from 1855 to present day for all Scotland; the Old Parochial Registers (Church of Scotland) for the whole of Scotland; census returns for the whole of Scotland

- The National Archives of Scotland, HM General Register House, Princes Street, Edinburgh, EH1 3YY. 0131 535 1314 <http://www.nas.gov.uk/>

holds church records other than Church of Scotland Registers; extensive collection of government and local authority records; testaments; court records; land records; business, estate and family records. Currently, all records are consulted at General Register House, except maps and plans in some cases. Many of the records held by NAS are stored off-site, so you will have to find out what you want and then order it for delivery in 48 hours.

GRO(S) records can be consulted at the ScotlandsPeople Centre in General Register House from which there is also access to NAS.

Main Local Libraries

Angus

- Arbroath Library, Hill Terrace, Arbroath, Angus, DD11 1AH. 01241 435605
- Brechin Library, St Ninian's Square, Brechin, Angus, DD9 7AD. 01356 622687
- Carnoustie Library, High Street, Carnoustie, Angus, DD7 6AN. 01241 859620
- Forfar Library, West High Street, Forfar, Angus, DD8 1BA. 01307 476476
- Kirriemuir Library, Town Hall, Reform Street, Kirriemuir, Angus, DD8 4BS. 01575 577109
- Monifieth Library, High Street, Monifieth, Angus, DD5 4AE. 01382 533819
- Montrose Library, High Street, Montrose, Angus, DD10 8PH. 01674 673256

Dundee

- Central Library, Local History Centre, Wellgate Centre, Dundee, DD1 1DB. 01382 431550

Fife

- Cupar Library, Duncan Institute, Crossgate, Cupar, Fife, KY15 5AS. 01334 659367
- Dunfermline Carnegie Library, 1 Abbot Street, Dunfermline, Fife, KY12 7NL. 01383 602365
- Kirkcaldy Library, Museum and Art Gallery, Abbotshall Road, Kirkcaldy, Fife, KY1 1YG. 01592 583206
- Methil Library, Wellesley Road, Methil, Fife, KY8 3PA. (contains the collection of Fife Family History Society). 01333 592470
- St Andrews Library, Church Square, St Andrews, Fife, KY16 9NN. 01334 659378

Perth & Kinross

- A.K. Bell Library, Local Studies, York Place, Perth, PH2 8EP. 01738 477062
- Blairgowrie Library, 46a Leslie Street, Blairgowrie, Perthshire, PH10 6AW. 01250 871305

Cemetery Offices

Angus:

Angus Council's Burial Records are available at www.deceasedonline.com. You may also contact [Angus Archives](mailto:angus.archives@angus.gov.uk) at angus.archives@angus.gov.uk or 01307 468644.

Fife Council:

West Area: Dunfermline Crematorium Lodge, Masterton Road, Dunfermline, KY11 8QR, Tel: 01383 602335, Fax: 01383 602665

Central Area: Kirkcaldy Crematorium Lodge, Rosemount Avenue, Dunnikier, Kirkcaldy, KY1 3PL, Fax: 01592 203438

Kirkcaldy district: Tel: 01592 583524

Wemyss district: Tel: 01592 260277

East Area: County Buildings, St. Catherine Street, Cupar, KY15 4TA, Tel: 01334 659336, Fax: 01334 659304

Dundee: Burial Administration, Environment Department, Level 2, Central Library, The Wellgate, Dundee, DD1 1DB. 01382 431536

Perth & Kinross: Burial registers are held by Bereavement Services, Perth Crematorium, Crieff Road, Perth, PH1 2PE. For an ancestral search, telephone Burial Enquiries on 01738 446865 or e-mail Community Greenspace@pkc.gov.uk. www.pkc.gov.uk/article/2850/Burial-Grounds-and-Registers

Principal Local Registrars

Arbroath: 69/71 High Street, Arbroath, Angus, DD11 1AN. 01241 873752

Dundee: 89 Commercial Street, Dundee, DD1 2AF. 01382 435222

Cupar: County Buildings, St Catherine Street, Cupar, Fife, KY15 4TA. 08451 555555x45060

Dunfermline: City Chambers, Kirkgate, Dunfermline, Fife KY12 7ND. 08451 555555 x49008

Perth: 5 High Street, Perth, PH1 5JS. 01738 475121

Local LDS Family History Centres

Dundee: Bingham Terrace, Dundee, DD4 7HH. 01382 451247

Dunfermline: St Leonards Place. Dunfermline, KY11 3BG.

Kirkcaldy: Winifred Crescent, Forth Park, Kirkcaldy, Fife KY1 5SX. 01592 640041

Montrose: Coronation Way, Montrose, DD10 9DW. 01674 675753

Note: These are not mailing addresses. Because of limited staff, Family History Centres cannot respond to mail inquiries.

Tay Valley FHS Research Centre

179-181 Princes Street, Dundee DD4 6DQ. 01382 461845, tvfhs@tayvalleyfhs.org.uk
www.tayvalleyfhs.org.uk

We hold an extensive collection of family history material, concentrating on the counties of Angus, Fife, Kinross, Perth and the city of Dundee; local history material; monumental inscriptions; census indexes; directories; maps; family histories; finding aids to the collections of other libraries and archives; journals of many other family history societies worldwide; pedigree charts, family group sheets and members' interests; genealogical research directories.

Internet Starting Points

The **GENUKI** series of pages aims to provide an internet library of information for family historians, eventually going to the level of every parish in the UK.

The front page for the whole of the United Kingdom & Ireland is www.genuki.org.uk

The main Scottish page is www.genuki.org.uk/big/sct/

The county pages are:

Angus – www.genuki.org.uk/big/sct/ANS/

Fife – www.genuki.org.uk/big/sct/FIF/

Kinross-shire – www.genuki.org.uk/big/sct/KRS/

Perthshire – www.genuki.org.uk/big/sct/PER/

Cyndi's List provides the best set of links to other genealogical pages worldwide

www.cyndislist.com/

Many useful sites can be easily visited from our own Society's links page

www.tayvalleyfhs.org.uk/the-society/useful-links

Newsgroups/Mailing Lists

There are e-mail lists for researchers with an interest in Angus, Fife, Kinross and Perthshire.

To subscribe, just send an e-mail to the relevant address, leave the subject blank, switch off any signature, and enter only one word in the body of the message: subscribe

The lists are available in mail mode (lots of individual messages) or digest mode (messages grouped together into one mailing per day).

Mail mode addresses:	Digest mode addresses:
ANGUS-L-request@rootsweb.com	ANGUS-D-request@rootsweb.com
SCT-FIFE-L-request@rootsweb.com	SCT-FIFE-D-request@rootsweb.com
SCT-KINROSS-L-request@rootsweb.com	SCT-KINROSS-D-request@rootsweb.com
PERTHSHIRE-L-request@rootsweb.com	PERTHSHIRE-D-request@rootsweb.com

A complete list of all the genealogy mailing lists hosted by Rootsweb, together with further information, is at www.rootsweb.com/~maillist

Tay Valley Family History Society has its own e-mail group, Tay-Valley-Bridges, whose objective is to “build bridges on the internet between TVFHS members at home and overseas, and share problems, ideas and interests with other members”. To find out how to enroll, go to the [Associated Groups](#) page in the Members' Area of our website.

Parish Tables

(see key at end)

Parish	County 1891 – 1975	Commissariat	Sheriff Court	Present Local Authority	Cemetery Office	Parish Number (OPR & early census)
Abbotshall	FIF	St Andrews	C	Fife	Kirkcaldy	399
Abdie	FIF	St Andrews	C	Fife	Cupar	400
Aberdalgie	PER	Dunkeld	D/P	Per & Kin	Perth	323
Aberdour	FIF	St Andrews/Dunkeld	C	Fife	Dunfermline	401
Aberfeldy	PER	registration district only from 1855	D/P	Per & Kin	Pitlochry	324
Aberfoyle	PER	Dunblane	D/P	Stirl	Stirling	325
Aberlemno	ANS	St Andrews	Fo	Ang	Forfar	269
Abernethy	PER	Dunblane	D/P	Per & Kin	Kinross	326
Abernyte	PER	Dunkeld	D/P	Per & Kin	Perth	327
Airlie	ANS	St Andrews	Fo	Ang	Forfar	270
Alyth	PER	Dunkeld	D/P	Per & Kin	Blairgowrie	328
Anstruther-Easter	FIF	St Andrews	C	Fife	Cupar	402
Anstruther-Wester	FIF	St Andrews	C	Fife	Cupar	403
Arbirlot	ANS	St Andrews	Fo	Ang	Arbroath	271
Arbroath	ANS	St Andrews	Fo	Ang	Arbroath	272
Ardoch	PER	parish only from 1855; registration district from 1871	D/P	Per & Kin		328b
Arngask	PER***	Dunkeld/St Andrews	C	Per & Kin	Kinross	404
Auchterarder	PER	Dunblane	D/P	Per & Kin	Crieff	329
Auchterderran	FIF	St Andrews	C	Fife	Kirkcaldy	405
Auchtergaven	PER	Dunkeld	D/P	Per & Kin	Perth	330
Auchterhouse	ANS	Dunkeld	Fo	Ang	Arbroath	273
Auchtermuchty	FIF	St Andrews	C	Fife	Cupar	406
Auchertool	FIF	St Andrews	C	Fife	Kirkcaldy	407
Ballingry	FIF	St Andrews	C	Fife	Dunfermline	408
Balmerino	FIF	St Andrews	C	Fife	Cupar	409
Balquhidder	PER	Dunblane	D/P	Stirl	Stirling	331
Barry	ANS	St Andrews	Fo	Ang	Arbroath	274
Beath	FIF	St Andrews	C	Fife	Dunfermline	410
Bendochy	PER	St Andrews	D/P	Per & Kin	Blairgowrie	332
Blackford	PER	Dunblane	D/P	Per & Kin	Crieff	333
Blair Atholl & Strowan	PER	Dunkeld	D/P	Per & Kin	Pitlochry	334
Blairgowrie	PER	St Andrews	D/P	Per & Kin	Blairgowrie	335
Brechin	ANS	Brechin	Fo	Ang	Montrose	275
Burntisland	FIF	St Andrews	C	Fife	Kirkcaldy	411

Parish	County 1891 – 1975	Commissariat	Sheriff Court	Present Local Authority	Cemetery Office	Parish Number (OPR & early census)
Callander	PER	Dunblane	D/P	Stirl	Stirling	336
Cameron	FIF	St Andrews	C	Fife	Cupar	412
Caputh	PER	Dunkeld	D/P	Per & Kin	Blairgowrie	337
Careston	ANS	Brechin	Fo	Ang	Montrose	277
Cargill	PER	Dunkeld	D/P	Per & Kin	Blairgowrie	338
Carmyllie	ANS	Brechin	Fo	Ang	Arbroath	276
Carnbee	FIF	St Andrews	C	Fife	Cupar	413
Carnock	FIF	Stirling	C	Fife	Dunfermline	414
Ceres	FIF	St Andrews	C	Fife	Cupar	415
Cleish	KRS	St Andrews	A/K	Per & Kin	Kinross	460
Clunie	PER	Dunkeld	D/P	Per & Kin	Blairgowrie	339
Collace	PER	St Andrews	D/P	Per & Kin	Blairgowrie	340
Collessie	FIF	St Andrews	C	Fife	Cupar	416
Comrie	PER	Dunblane	D/P	Per & Kin	Crieff	341
Cortachy & Clova	ANS	Brechin	Fo	Ang	Forfar	278
Coupar-Angus	PER *	Dunkeld	Fo	Per & Kin	Blairgowrie	279
Craig	ANS	St Andrews	Fo	Ang	Montrose	280
Crail	FIF	St Andrews	C	Fife	Cupar	417
Creich	FIF	St Andrews	C	Fife	Cupar	418
Crieff	PER	Dunkeld	D/P	Per & Kin	Crieff	342
Culross	FIF**	St Andrews/Dunblane	D/P	Fife	Dunfermline	343
Cults	FIF	St Andrews	C	Fife	Cupar	419
Cupar	FIF	St Andrews	C	Fife	Cupar	420
Dairsie	FIF	St Andrews	C	Fife	Cupar	421
Dalgety	FIF	St Andrews	C	Fife	Dunfermline	422
Dowally	PER	Dunkeld	D/P	Per & Kin	Pitlochry	344
Dron	PER	Dunblane	D/P	Per & Kin	Perth	345
Dull	PER	Dunkeld	D/P	Per & Kin	Pitlochry	346
Dun	ANS	St Andrews	Fo	Ang	Montrose	281
Dunbarney	PER	St Andrews	D/P	Per & Kin	Kinross	347
Dunblane	PER	Dunblane	D/P	Stirl	Stirling	348
Dunbog	FIF	St Andrews	C	Fife	Cupar	423
Dundee	ANS	Brechin	Fo/D	Dund	Dundee	282
Dunfermline	FIF	St Andrews	C	Fife	Dunfermline	424
Dunino	FIF	St Andrews	C	Fife	Cupar	425
Dunkeld	PER	Dunkeld	D/P	Per & Kin	Pitlochry	349
Dunnichen	ANS	Brechin	Fo	Ang	Forfar	283
Dunning	PER	Dunblane	D/P	Per & Kin	Crieff	350
Dysart	FIF	St Andrews	C	Fife	Kirkcaldy	426
Eassie & Nevay	ANS	St Andrews	Fo	Ang	Forfar	284
Edzell	ANS	St Andrews	Fo	Ang	Montrose	285

Parish	County 1891 – 1975	Commissariat	Sheriff Court	Present Local Authority	Cemetery Office	Parish Number (OPR & early census)
Elie	FIF	St Andrews	C	Fife	Cupar	427
Errol	PER	St Andrews	D/P	Per & Kin	Perth	351
Falkland	FIF	St Andrews	C	Fife	Cupar	428
Farnell	ANS	Brechin	Fo	Ang	Montrose	286
Fearn	ANS	Dunkeld	Fo	Ang	Forfar	287
Ferryport on Craig	FIF	St Andrews	C	Fife	Cupar	429
Findo-Gask	PER	Dunblane	D/P	Per & Kin	Crieff	352
Flisk	FIF	St Andrews	C	Fife	Cupar	430
Forfar	ANS	St Andrews	Fo	Ang	Forfar	288
Forgan	FIF	St Andrews	C	Fife	Cupar	431
Forgandenny	PER	Dunkeld	D/P	Per & Kin	Kinross	353
Forteviot	PER	St Andrews	D/P	Per & Kin	Kinross	354
Fortingall	PER	Dunkeld	D/P	Per & Kin	Pitlochry	355a
Foss	PER	registration district only from 1857	D/P	Per & Kin		355b
Fossoway & Tullibole	KRS	St Andrews/Dunblane	A/K	Per & Kin	Kinross	461
Fowlis-Easter (see also Lundie & Fowlis)	ANS **	St Andrews	Fo	Ang	Arbroath	356
Fowlis-Wester	PER	Dunblane	D/P	Per & Kin	Crieff	357
Glamis	ANS	St Andrews	Fo	Ang	Forfar	289
Glendevon	PER	Dunblane	D/P	Per & Kin	Crieff	358
Glenisla	ANS	Brechin	Fo	Ang	Forfar	290
Guthrie	ANS	Brechin	Fo	Ang	Forfar	291
Inchture	PER	St Andrews	D/P	Per & Kin	Perth	359
Inverarity & Methy	ANS	St Andrews	Fo	Ang	Forfar	292
Inverkeillor	ANS	St Andrews	Fo	Ang	Montrose	293
Inverkeithing	FIF	St Andrews	C	Fife	Dunfermline	432
Kemback	FIF	St Andrews	C	Fife	Cupar	433
Kenmore	PER	Dunkeld	D/P	Per & Kin	Pitlochry	360
Kennoway	FIF	St Andrews	C	Fife	Kirkcaldy	434
Kettins	ANS	St Andrews	Fo	Per & Kin	Blairgowrie	294
Kettle	FIF	St Andrews	C	Fife	Cupar	435
Kilconquhar	FIF	St Andrews	C	Fife	Cupar	436
Killin	PER	Dunkeld	D/P	Stirl	Stirling	361
Kilmadock	PER	Dunblane	D/P	Stirl	Stirling	362
Kilmany	FIF	St Andrews	C	Fife	Cupar	437
Kilrenny	FIF	St Andrews	C	Fife	Cupar	438
Kilspindie	PER	St Andrews	D/P	Per & Kin	Perth	363
Kincardine	PER	Dunblane	D/P	Stirl	Stirling	364

Parish	County 1891 – 1975	Commissariat	Sheriff Court	Present Local Authority	Cemetery Office	Parish Number (OPR & early census)
Kinclaven	PER	Dunkeld	D/P	Per & Kin	Blairgowrie	365
Kinfauns	PER	St Andrews	D/P	Per & Kin	Perth	366
Kinghorn	FIF	St Andrews	C	Fife	Kirkcaldy	439
Kinglassie	FIF	St Andrews	C	Fife	Kirkcaldy	440
Kingoldrum	ANS	St Andrews/Brechin	Fo	Ang	Forfar	295
Kingsbarns	FIF	St Andrews	C	Fife	Cupar	441
Kinloch-Rannoch	PER	registration district only from 1855	D/P	Per & Kin		367
Kinnaird	PER	St Andrews	D/P	Per & Kin		368
Kinnell	ANS	St Andrews	Fo	Ang	Arbroath	296
Kinnettles	ANS	St Andrews	Fo	Ang	Forfar	297
Kinnoull	PER	St Andrews	D/P	Per & Kin	Perth	369
Kinross	KRS	St Andrews	A/K	Per & Kin	Kinross	462
Kirkcaldy	FIF	St Andrews	C	Fife	Kirkcaldy	442
Kirkden	ANS	St Andrews	Fo	Ang	Forfar	298
Kirkmichael	PER	Dunkeld	D/P	Per & Kin	Blairgowrie	370
Kirriemuir	ANS	St Andrews	Fo	Ang	Forfar	299
Largo	FIF	St Andrews	C	Fife	Cupar	443
Lecropt	PER	Stirling/Dunblane	D/P	Stirl	Stirling	371
Leslie	FIF	St Andrews/Dunkeld	C	Fife	Kirkcaldy	444
Lethendy & Kinloch	PER	Dunkeld	D/P	Per & Kin	Blairgowrie	372
Lethnot & Navar	ANS	Brechin	Fo	Ang	Montrose	300
Leuchars	FIF	St Andrews	C	Fife	Cupar	445
Liff, Benvie & Invergowrie	ANS	St Andrews	Fo	Dund, Ang, Per & Kin	Arbroath (Liff); Perth (Invergowrie)	301
Lintrathen	ANS	St Andrews	Fo	Ang	Forfar	302
Little Dunkeld	PER	Dunkeld	D/P	Per & Kin	Pitlochry	373
Lochlee	ANS	Brechin	Fo	Ang	Montrose	303
Logie	FIF	St Andrews	C	Fife	Cupar	446
Logie	STI~	Stirling/Dunblane	D/P	Stirl	Stirling	374
Logiealmond	PER	registration district only from 1855	D/P	Per & Kin		375
Logie-Pert	ANS	St Andrews	Fo	Ang	Montrose	304
Logierait	PER	Dunkeld	D/P	Per & Kin	Pitlochry	376
Longforgan	PER	St Andrews	D/P	Per & Kin	Perth	377
Lunan	ANS	St Andrews	Fo	Ang	Montrose	305
Lundie & Fowlis (see also Fowlis- Easter)	ANS	St Andrews	Fo	Ang	Arbroath	306
Madderty	PER	Dunkeld	D/P	Per & Kin		378

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Mains & Strathmartine	ANS	St Andrews	Fo	Dund	Arbroath (Strathmartine)	307
Markinch	FIF	St Andrews	C	Fife	Kirkcaldy	447
Maryton	ANS	Brechin	Fo	Ang	Montrose	308
Meigle	PER	Dunkeld	D/P	Per & Kin		379
Menmuir	ANS	Brechin	Fo	Ang	Montrose	309
Methven	PER	St Andrews	D/P	Per & Kin	Crieff	380
Moneydie	PER	Dunkeld	D/P	Per & Kin	Perth	381
Monifieth	ANS	St Andrews	Fo	Ang	Arbroath	310
Monikie	ANS	Brechin	Fo	Ang	Arbroath	311
Monimail	FIF	St Andrews	C	Fife	Cupar	448
Montrose	ANS	Brechin	Fo	Ang	Montrose	312
Monzie	PER	Dunblane	D/P	Per & Kin	Crieff	382
Monzievaird & Strowan	PER	Dunblane	D/P	Per & Kin	Crieff	383
Moonzie	FIF	St Andrews	C	Fife	Cupar	449
Moulin	PER	Dunkeld	D/P	Per & Kin	Pitlochry	384
Muckart	PER	Stirling/St Andrews	D/P	Clack		385
Murroes	ANS	St Andrews	Fo	Ang	Arbroath	313
Muthill	PER	Dunblane	D/P	Per & Kin	Crieff	386a
Newburgh	FIF	St Andrews	C	Fife	Cupar	450
Newburn	FIF	St Andrews	C	Fife	Cupar	451
Newtyle	ANS	St Andrews	Fo	Ang	Forfar	314
Oathlaw	ANS	Brechin	Fo	Ang	Forfar	315
Orwell	KRS	St Andrews	A/K	Per & Kin	Kinross	463
Panbride	ANS	Brechin	Fo	Ang	Arbroath	316
Persie	PER	registration district only from 1860	D/P	Per & Kin		386b
Perth	PER	St Andrews	D/P	Per & Kin	Perth	387
Pittenweem	FIF	St Andrews	C	Fife	Cupar	452
Port of Menteith	PER	Dunblane	D/P	Stirl		388
Portmoak	KRS	St Andrews	A/K	Per & Kin	Kinross	464
Rattray	PER	Dunkeld/Dunblane	D/P	Per & Kin		389
Redgorton	PER	Dunkeld	D/P	Per & Kin	Perth	390
Rescobie	ANS	St Andrews	Fo	Ang	Forfar	317
Rhynd	PER	St Andrews	D/P	Per & Kin	Perth	391
Ruthven	ANS	Dunkeld	Fo	Ang	Forfar	318
Saline	FIF	Stirling	C	Fife	Dunfermline	455
Scone	PER	St Andrews	D/P	Per & Kin	Perth	394a
Scoonie	FIF	St Andrews	C	Fife	Kirkcaldy	456
St Andrews/St Leonards	FIF	St Andrews	C	Fife	Cupar	453

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St Madoes	PER	Dunblane	D/P	Per & Kin		392
St Martins	PER	Dunkeld	D/P	Per & Kin	Blairgowrie	393
St Monans	FIF	St Andrews	C	Fife	Cupar	454
St Vigeans	ANS	St Andrews	Fo	Ang	Arbroath	319
Stracathro	ANS	Brechin	Fo	Ang	Montrose	320
Strathfillan	PER	registration district only from 1860	D/P	Per & Kin		394b
Strathmiglo	FIF	St Andrews/Dunkeld	C	Fife	Cupar	457
Tannadice	ANS	St Andrews	Fo	Ang	Forfar	321
Tealing	ANS	Dunkeld	Fo	Ang	Arbroath	322
Tenandry	PER	registration district only from 1857	D/P	Per & Kin		394c
Tibbermore	PER	Dunkeld	D/P	Per & Kin	Perth	395
Torryburn	FIF	Stirling	C	Fife	Dunfermline	458
Trinity-Gask	PER	Dunblane	D/P	Per & Kin	Crieff	396
Tulliallan	FIF**	Dunblane	D/P	Fife	Dunfermline	397
Weem	PER	Dunkeld	D/P	Per & Kin	Pitlochry	398
Wemyss	FIF	St Andrews	C	Fife	Kirkcaldy	459

* In Angus pre-1891

** In Perthshire pre-1891

*** In Fife pre-1891

key to Sheriff Courts:	
A/K	Alloa (to 1836) then Kinross
C	Cupar
D/P	Dunblane or Perth
Fo	Forfar
Fo/D	Forfar (to 1831) then Dundee

key to Local Authorities:	
Ang	Angus
Clack	Clackmannan
Dund	Dundee City
Fife	Fife
Per & Kin	Perth & Kinross
Stirl	Stirling

Additional useful Websites

Web Address	Description
www.scotlandsfamily.com	Aims to provide connections to free online data and information
www.electricscotland.com	Dedicated to Scottish History and culture, with a number of pages and links on family history
www.monikie.org.uk	A website not only covering the Monikie area but extends to many other parts of Angus – lots of family history data here
www.npfhg.org	North Perthshire Family History Group site with lots of indexes and registers available to search
www.gro.gov.uk	Official information about registration in England and Wales, with an online ordering facility for certificates
www.nationalarchives.gov.uk	A whole range of resources including WW1 medal cards, Naval Lists and more.
www.gov.uk/search-will-probate	Find a will or probate in England and Wales
www.oldbaileyonline.org	Proceedings of the Old Bailey from 1674 to 1834. A must for criminal historians!
www.gencircles.com	Large pedigree database. Searching and submission are free, though some facilities on site require registration.
www.lostcousins.com	Once you have found your ancestors in the 1881 census index, you can submit details to this site and run an automated search for matches
www.asgra.co.uk	The Association of Scottish Genealogists & Researchers in Archives. Find a professional researcher.
www.genesreunited.co.uk	A well-known site which allows you to find people whose ancestors match yours.
www.dundee.gov.uk/archive/	Information on the holdings in the Dundee City Archives with some important indexes made available online by the Friends of the Archives
www.ellisland.org	Searchable immigration lists for the United States of America generally for the early part of 1900's
eh.net/howmuchisthat	A guide to the historical value of money from the 13 th century onwards, including information on earnings.
www.one-name.org.uk	The home of the Guild of One Name Studies
www.new.fibis.org	With our Jute connections to the Sub Continent – this is a very useful site – Family History in India – mainly British Subjects
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