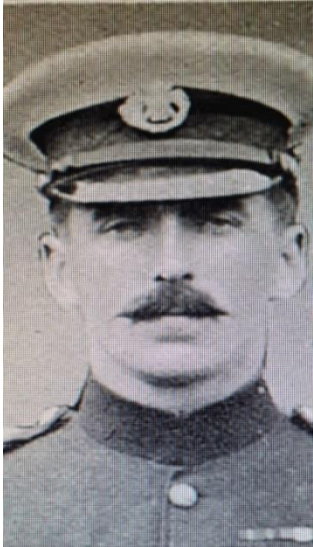


**In this photograph there are five officers who were members of Rothley Park Golf Club in 1914. F.M. Waite (back row, extreme right): H.C. Brice (3rd from right, second back row) Capt. R.A. Faire (2nd front row, extreme left): Brothers G.J. Harvey (2nd back row, 5th from the right) and R.C. Harvey (Front row, 2nd from right)
Only G.J. Harvey survived to the end of 1915.**

OFFICERS OF THE 1/4th LEICESTERSHIRE REGIMENT AT LUTON, IN OCTOBER, 1914





Captain R.H. Olivier

- Golf Club Committee member 1912
- Played for Rothley Park Cricket Club
- Lived at "Park View" on Wellsic Lane, Rothley
- Captain in the Duke of Cornwall's Light Infantry
- Saw action in the Boer War 1899-1901
- Killed 17th September 1914 in the Battle of Aisne in France



2nd Lieutenant Frederick Maxwell Waite

- Educated at Stoneygate School and Oundle School
- Posted to the 4th Battalion The Leicestershire Regiment in October 1914
- Entered France on 2nd March 1915
- Wounded in action when hit by a sniper on 6th June 1915, on Messines Ridge
- Died of injuries on 7th June 1915, aged 20
- Buried at Packhorse Farm Shrine Military Cemetery, West Flanders, Belgium



Lieutenant Henry Copeland Brice

- Educated at Stoneygate School and Mill Hill School in London
- Posted to the 4th Battalion The Leicestershire Regiment in October 1914
- Entered France on 2nd March 1915
- Seriously wounded on 9th June 1915 at Dranoutre in Flanders by a premature explosion of a Rifle Grenade
- Died of wounds at Bailleul in France on 11th June 1915, aged 21
- Buried at Bailleul Cemetery, Nord, France
- The Brice Memorial Hall in Queens Road, Leicester, was erected in his memory by his parents in 1921

2nd Lieutenant William Kingley Reynolds

- Lived at Birstall Holt, Birstall
- Served with the 6th Battalion in France
- Killed in action in the Flanders campaign 10th September 1915, aged 24
- Buried at Poelcapelle British Cemetery, West Vlaanderen, Belgium

The Storming of the Hohenzollern Redoubt. 13th October 1915. Three members of our golf club died on this day.

The Attack by the 46th North Midland Division on the Hohenzollern Redoubt on 13th October 1915 was a terrible blood bath. The shocking results were that the 4th Leicester's had lost every one of their officers who were killed or wounded. Out of the 650 men who attacked that day, 480 were killed or wounded.

It will always be remembered in Leicester as the city's blackest day. The 46th Division lost 3,700 men killed and wounded in just a few dreadful hours in the attack on the Hohenzollern Redoubt.

It was the most heavily defended German position in the Loos sector. Ingeniously constructed by the Germans fortifying a small hillock which protruded out from their front line trench system, it provided viciously effective enfilade fire across the battlefield.

The Redoubt had already been attacked on three previous occasions, firstly on the 25th September by the 9th Scottish Division. Although the attack was initially successful, German reinforcements drove the Scots out with horrendous casualties, some battalions were reduced to less than 50 men, and many young officers were killed.

Towards the end of the Battle of Loos, General Haig gave orders for the 46th Division to yet again attack the Redoubt. Although the 46th had spent the last six months in the Ypres Salient, this was to be their first attack. For many officers and soldiers it would also be their last.

The men comprising the Division were the Lincolns and Leicester's, Sherwood Foresters and the North and South Staffordshire Regiment. All were Volunteer territorial soldiers.

The attack was set for the 13th October, zero hour being 2pm. The first wave was to comprise the 4th Battalion Leicester's, 5th Battalion Lincolns and the Staffordshire Regiment. At 12 noon the Royal Artillery started its bombardment of the Redoubt and the adjoining trench system. At 1pm gas and smoke were released to conceal our movements. The gas caused a lot of problems for our own troops due to gusting winds that blew back some of the gas.

At 2pm, zero hour, the whistles blew and the three assault Battalions were clambering out of the trenches to form up for the attack. They were met with heavy machine gun fire from several points which quickly cut into the attacking Battalions.

Very heavy fighting in the trenches with hand to hand fighting and bombing carried on for several hours. Many great acts of bravery were carried out during the attack, many to be unrecorded. By 3.30pm the attack was pretty well over, but several pockets of men stayed on until they ran out of ammunition and grenades.

Lieutenant Robert Clive Harvey (Second from the right on the front row of the group picture on page 1)

- Lived in “Uplands” on the Ridgeway, Rothley
- Both of his parents were members of Rothley Park Golf Club
- His father was Colonel Robert Harvey, former Commander of the 4th Battalion
- His brother, G.J. Harvey (see group photo) who was also a member of the golf club, was badly injured on 15th April 1915
- Served as Acting Adjutant and Brigade Intelligence Officer
- Killed in action at Holenzollern Redoubt, 13th October 1915, aged 19.
- He is commemorated on Loos Memorial, Pas de Calais, France
- He is commemorated on the Rothley War Memorial
- Commemorated in the Parish Church Roll of Honour and the Parish Church Triptych Roll of Honour

Captain Reginald Alfred Faire



- Lived ,Elms Road, Leicester
- Son of Sir Arthur Faire
- Educated at Stoneygate School and Repton School
- Killed in action at Hohenzollern Redoubt, 13th October 1915, aged 25
- He is commemorated on Loos Memorial, Pas de Calais, France



Captain Leslie Corah

- Educated at Marlborough College
- Lived in Scraftoft Hall, Leicester
- Member of the Corah, textile manufacturing, family
- Killed in action at Hohenzollern Redoubt, 13th October, aged 28
- He is commemorated on the Loos Memorial, Pas de Calais, France
- A memorial to him is in St. Margaret's Church in Leicester.

Lieutenant Kenneth Hugh Pegg

- Lived in "The Vicarage", Rothley
- Educated at Stoneygate School and Malvern College
- Commissioned as 2nd Lieutenant in the 3rd Battalion on 30th December 1914
- Killed in action, shot by a rifle near Orah, in Mesopotamia (Iraq) 20th February 1916, aged 24.
- He is commemorated on the Basra Memorial, Iraq.
- He is commemorated on the Rothley War Memorial
- Commemorated in the Parish Church Roll of Honour and the Parish Church Triptych Roll of Honour

Private Joe Kirk

- Worked as a green keeper at Rothley Park Golf Club
- Lived in Cross Green, Rothley
- Served in the 8th Battalion of the Royal Leicestershire Regiment
- Killed in action in the Flanders campaign, 11th April, 1917, aged 28
- He is commemorated on the Arras Memorial, Pas de Calais, France
- He is commemorated on the Rothley War Memorial
- Commemorated in the Parish Church Roll of Honour and the Parish Church Triptych Roll of Honour

Cross Green, Rothley. Circa 1910

