
Oscar William HOGG (1877-c. 1930)

Oscar William Hogg's connection to North Lopham is by birth and residency.

Oscar was one of eight sons of William and Emma. Three of his brothers were also in the military: Arthur was in the army and was killed in action, Edwin was in the army, was a German prisoner of war, but survived, and Herbert was in the Royal Marines Infantry and survived.

Oscar William HOGG, son of William Germany HOGG (c. 1847-) and Emma CLARKE (c. 1850-c. 1924), was born on 1 January 1877 in North Lopham, Norfolk.¹

In the 1881 Census (3 Apr 1881) he appeared at Great Common in North Lopham - 4, visitor in the household of Eliza CLARKE (60).²

At the time of the 1891 Census, Oscar was living at Great Common in North Lopham - 13, farm labourer, living with parents William (44, farmer) and Emma (41), and brothers Herbert (18, farm labourer), Robert (12, scholar), Edwin (11, scholar), John (10, scholar), Ernest (7, scholar) and Arthur (3).³

On 1 June 1893 Oscar joined the Royal Navy, serving on HMS Impregnable, a training vessel. (A complete list of his postings is given in the notes below.)

Naval Service record:

01.06.1893 - 26.11.1894 : HMS Impregnable (training establishment)
27.11.1894 - 07.04.1895 : Unreadable
18.04.1895 - 16.10.1895 : HMS Sans Pareil
17.10.1895 - 01.06.1896 : HMS Champion (C-class light cruiser)
02.06.1896 - 25.08.1896 : Pembroke I (barracks and main base at Chatham)
26.08.1896 - 02.08.1899 : HMS Hawke (Edgar-class protected cruiser)
(01.11.1897 : became Able Seaman)
03.08.1899 - 04.05.1900 : Pembroke I
05.05.1900 - 18.09.1900 : HMS Cambridge (shore establishment)
19.09.1900 - 08.10.1900 : Pembroke I
09.10.1900 - 13.02.1901 : HMS Galatea (Arethusa-class light cruiser)
14.02.1901 - 22.12.1903 : HMS Rattler (salvage vessel stationed at Scapa Flow)

In the 1901 Census (31 Mar 1901) he appeared At Sea - 24, able seaman, on board gun vessel 'Rattler', stationed at The Cape of Good Hope but at Sierra Leone on

Census day.⁴

Naval Service record (cont.):

- (01.06.1903 : became Leading Seaman)
- (30.10.1903 : became Petty Officer 2nd Class)
- 23.12.1903 - 31.12.1903 : HMS Northumberland (an ironclad battleship serving as a depot/training ship)
- 01.01.1904 - 09.06.1907 : HMS Acheron (Acheron-class destroyer)
 - (13.02.1904 : became Petty Officer 1st Class)
- 10.06.1907 - 17.11.1907 : Pembroke I
- 18.11.1907 - 21.09.1908 : HMS Dido (Eclipse-class protected cruiser)
- 22.09.1908 - 17.10.1910 : HMS Minerva (Eclipse-class protected cruiser)
- 18.10.1910 - 24.04.1911 : Penbroke I
- 25.04.1911 - 04.03.1912 - HMS Africa (pre-dreadnought battleship)
- 05.03.1912 - 13.05.1912 : HMS London (pre-dreadnought battleship)
- 14.05.1912 - 27.06.1917 : HMS Hibernia (pre-dreadnought battleship)
 - (01.02.1916 : became acting Chief Petty Officer)
 - (31.01.1917 : became Chief Petty Officer)
- 28.06.1917 - 21.10.1917 : Pembroke I
- 22.10.1917 - 15.01.1919 : Egmont I (depot ship facility in Malta)
- 16.01.1919 - 18.04.1919 : Pembroke I

The last found date for Oscar's service was 18.04.1919 with a note 'Shore on Demob' - presumably his final service date.

At the time of the 1921 Census, Oscar was living at 4 Salisbury Road in Chatham, Kent - 44, unemployed seaman working at home, a visitor in the household of Mary K WATKINS (36).⁵

Oscar died circa 1930.⁶ He was buried on 29 January 1930 in Harrow, Middlesex.

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