

P1049 The Dom Mulraine Collection

RECORDS' IDENTITY STATEMENT

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Title: The Dom Mulraine Collection

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Extent: 1 box, 7 oversized items

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RECORDS' CONTEXT

Name of creators: Dom Mulraine, Norman Glass, George Doull, Northern Studios, Johnston photographers, John o' Groat Journal

Administrative history: Organised football came to Caithness in 1887, a year before the foundation of Glasgow Celtic and six years before goal nets were adopted in Scotland.

One of the pioneers of the game in the north was a tailor of Erin Isle origin, Dominick Mulraine. His son Bill and his grandson Dominic would go on to faithfully serve Wick Groats in several roles throughout their careers.

Young Dom, a painter decorator to trade, kept goals for Wick Groats in the 1950/60's. He was a lifelong supporter of Motherwell FC.

He later took charge of operations at Wick Cemetery and also looked after the adjacent Harmsworth Park. With this job he had a house adjacent to the changerooms overlooking the park. Here he lived with his wife Margaret and family, Anne, and Brian.

In this changeroom complex Dom had a small office whose walls were covered with football photos and articles he had inherited/collected over the years. The collection was much admired by visitors and often mentioned when older players met in the local pub for a beer.

Over the years these memorials were lost from view and forgotten about.

However, local football heritage has recently seen a resurgence, with Dom's collection kindly remembered.

Thankfully Dom's daughter Anne kept the photo collection in safe keeping for many years.

The family kindly agreed to donate the Dom Mulraine Collection to Caithness Archives for posterity.

The photos cover several local teams over a wide time period with Wick teams well covered. Also included are a booklet covering the history of Caithness Football from 1887 to 1967 by Norman Glass and a small notebook belonging to Wick Groats Manager George Doull that covers the period 1967 to 1969. This latter document contains additional information on team selections, gate receipts, a team boat trip to Orkney and individual referee assessments.

The photo collection also records visits by top Scottish teams in the 1930's who played matches against Wick Academy as part of their preseason preparations.

By Roy Mackenzie

Custodial history:

Deposited Feb 2024 by Dom Mulraine's daughter

RECORDS' CONTENT

Description:

Photographs of Caithness football teams and various photographs and articles collected by Dom Mulraine.

Appraisal:

Accruals:

RECORDS' CONDITION OF ACCESS AND USE

Access:

Open

Closed until:

Access conditions:

Copying:

Copying permitted within standard Copyright Act parameters

Finding aids:

Available in Caithness Archive Service searchroom

ALLIED MATERIALS

Related material:

Publication:

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Ref.	Description	Dates
P1049	The Dom Mulraine Collection	1895-2008
P1049/1	Wick Groats Football Club	1930-c.1970
P1049/1/1	Photograph of Wick Groats, undefeated Wick League and Duncan Cup Champions (1 item)	1930-1931
P1049/1/2	Photograph of Wick Groats F.C. team. Back row includes: H. Clyne, W. Sinclair, J. Bremner, W. Mackenzie, A. Sinclair, J. Durrand, D. Duncan, D. Cowper (referee). 2 nd row: J. Hull, A. Buchanan, J. Miller, D. Rosie, T. Tait. Front row includes: D. Miller, A. Robertson, W. Sutherland, M. Miller, Dan Miller, T. Farmer, W. Thomson, D. Munro, G. MacDonald, J. Barclett (1 item)	c.1930
P1049/1/3	Photograph of Wick Groats Senior and Junior teams (1 oversized) (2 items)	1931-1932
P1049/1/4	Photograph of Wick Groats F.C., Wick Champions (1 item)	1935-1936
P1049/1/5	Photograph of Wick Groats F.C., County League Champions. Back row: I. Paul, J. Mulraine, J. Beals, R. Mackay, S. Miller, C. Manson, J. Mowat, J. Davidson. Front row: I. MacDonald, Mackay, I. Munro, D. Shearer, J. Campbell, J. MacDonald (Mackie), Herbie Lyall (1 item)	1960
P1049/1/6	Notebook belonging to George Doull, manager of Wick Groats. Includes team lines for each match, finances, referee assessments, registered players, and information on a trip to Orkney for a match in 1968 (1 volume)	1967-1969
P1049/1/7	Photograph of Wick Groats' boat trip to Orkney in 1968. Reprinted from original (1 item)	1968

P1049/1/8	Photograph of Wick Groats F.C. team and committee with the Wick Football Association Charity Cup and the Sinclair Mackay Memorial Cup. Back row L-R: George Doull, David Simpson, David Farquhar, Jimmy Shearer, Ian Russell, Gordon Gunn, Alex Paterson, Dom Mulraine, Jock Plowman. Front row L-R: Malaysia Macdonald, Willie Durrand, Jackie Gunn, Johnnie Robertson, Peter Macdougall, Jim Harrold (1 item)	1969
P1049/1/9	Photograph of the Wick Groats F.C. committee with the Wick Football Association Charity Cup and the Sinclair Mackay Memorial Cup. L-R: Jock Plowman, Alex Paterson, Ben Mackay (Club chairman), George Doull, Willie Durrand, Dom Mulraine (1 item)	1969
P1049/1/10	Photograph of Wick Groats F.C. team and officials. Back row: J. Coghill, S. Anderson, I. Mclvor, I. Anderson, A. Turner. Middle row: D. Matheson (old groundsman), J. Tait, J. Gill, C. Falconer, A. Sinclair, W. Sinclair, C. Campbell, D. Ewing, A. Lannon, J. Malcolm, A. Grant, Macgregor. Front row: G. Sinclair, Dom Mulraine, D. Munro, A. Robertson, J. Hull, A. Gray, B. Budge, J. Marshall, J. Watt, J. Plowman, W. Mitchell (1 item)	c.1970
P1049/1/11	Photograph of Wick Groats F.C. players J. Coghill and W. Sinclair with club officials J. Marshall, A. Gray, J. Hull, B. Budge, A. Robertson, and J. Watt (1 item)	c.1970
P1049/1/12	Photograph of Wick Groats F.C. players and president at a function. Back row: A. Lannon, D. Miller, A. Grant, I. Johnston, J. Coghill, w. Sinclair, W. Wydmuch, D. Campbell, J. Gray, I. Macgregor, D. Mulraine, D. Munro. Front row: J. Malcolm, A. Sinclair, C. Campbell, J. Plowman (President), P. Miller, A. Turner, J. Baillie (1 item)	c.1970
P1049/1/13	Photograph of Wick Groats F.C., winners of the Senior League. Back row: D. Budge, W. Harrold, W. Bruce, J. Doull, A. Bremner, W. Cormack, J. MacLeod. Middle row: A. Miller, Treasurer, A. Manson, secretary, A. Clyne, President, J. Doull, Vice President, G. Calder, J. Steven. Front row: D. Davidson, J. Groat, a. Tait, B. Anderson, Captain, A. McGregor (1 item)	1909
P1049/2	Wick Academy Football Club	c.1900-c.2000
P1049/2/1	Photograph of Wick Academy F.C. Back row: T. Meredith, A. Henderson, P. Gunn, D. Banks. Middle row: A. Robertson, G. Banks, A.	c.1900

	Nicolson, A. Farmer, N. Miller. Front row: J. Reid, J. Bain, J. Davidson (1 item)	
P1049/2/2	Photograph of Wick Academy F.C., Senior League Champions 1909,1910, and 1911; Charity Cup Winners 1908, 1909,1910, and 1911 (1 item)	1911
P1049/2/3	Photograph of Wick Academy F.C. Qualifying Cup team (1 item)	1913
P1049/2/4	Photograph of George and Robert Tait of Wick Academy F.C. (1 item)	c.1920
P1049/2/5	Photograph of Wick Academy F.C., H.P.I.C. Medal Winners, 1926-1927 (1 item)	1927
P1049/2/6	Photograph of Wick Academy (1 item)	1928
P1049/2/7	Photograph of Wick Academy F.C., League, Charity, and County Cup Winners 1927-1928 (2 items)	1928
P1049/2/8	Photograph of Wick Academy F.C. team that played Forres Mechanics in a Scottish Qualifying Cup tie. Back: George Rover Tait, A.J. Sutherland, William Macdonald, Gordon Rutherford, Jack Shearer, James R. Miller, Angie Munro, Unknown. Front: Dan Thomson, D. Mackenzie, Pat Gunn, Willie Thomson, Alex Sutherland (1 item)	Sep 1930
P1049/2/9	Photograph of Father S.G. Toman, who played for Wick Academy (1 item)	c.1930
P1049/2/10	Photograph of Wick Academy F.C. and St Johnstone F.C. (1 item)	c.1931
P1049/2/11	Photograph of Wick Academy F.C. and Dundee United F.C. (1 item)	28 Apr 1936
P1049/2/12	Photograph of Wick Academy F.C., season 1938-1939 (1 item)	1939
P1049/2/13	Photograph of Wick Academy players holding silver tankards at a function. Back row: J. MacDonald, D. Rosie, A. Bremner, G. Maxwell, P. George, S. Sinclair, D. Eyers, J. Harrold, D. Maclean, C. Harper. Front row: D. Lyall, P. Miller, W. Wydmuch, R. Sutherland, I. Munro (1 item)	c.1979
P1049/2/14	Photograph of Wick Academy F.C. Back row: J. MacDonald, D. Rosie, G. Topping, P. Miller, Derek McAdie, A. Bremner, R. Sutherland, P. George, C. Harper. Front row: D. Eyers, E. Larnach, D. Lyall, W. Wydmuch, I. Munro, G. Maxwell, J. Harrold, S. Harper (1 item)	c.1979

P1049/2/15	Photograph of the committee of Wick Academy F.C. at the club's centenary dinner (1 item)	1993
P1049/2/16	Photograph of a Wick Academy [veterans] team. Back row R-L: S. Larnach, W. Thompson, I. Smith, A. Gunn, M. Mackay, K. Wood, K. Farmer, J. Mowat, D. Farquhar, S. Warner, D. Mackay, A. Robertson. Front row R-L: G. Ross, G. Wilson, D. Geddes, A. Shearer, C. Steven (1 item)	c.2000
P1049/3	Pulteney/Wick Thistle Football Club	1895-1993
P1049/3/1	Photograph of Pulteney Thistle, cup winners 1894-95. Front row: D. Miller, N. Miller, M. More, D. Bain. Middle row: Cody Miller, W.G. Miller, A. Mackay, A. Farquhar, D. Moonie, J. Miller. Back row: W. Thomson, M. McLeod, W. Robertson, G. Clyne (1 item)	1895
P1049/3/2	Photograph of Wick Thistle F.C., Senior League champions (1 item)	c.1900
P1049/3/3	Photograph of Wick Thistle F.C. Back row: D. Budge, J. Robertson, J. Innes, D. Stewart, P. Miller, S. Raich, G. Webster, D.B. Cowper, F. More. Front row: D. Oag, A. Ferguson, B. Mulraine, B. MacLeod, T. Reid, P. Bain (1 item)	1931-1932
P1049/3/4	Photograph mounted on card of Wick Thistle team. Back row L-R: Sutherland, McAlpine, Booth, Ella, Steven, Miller. Front row L-R: Booth, Sinclair, A Geddes, Edmonston, D. Geddes (1 item)	1969
P1049/3/5	Photograph of Wick Thistle F.C. Centenary (1 item)	1989
P1049/3/6	Photograph of Wick Thistle F.C. (1 item)	1993
P1049/4	Wick Rovers Football Club	1887-1983
P1049/4/1	Photograph of Wick Rovers (1 item)	1887-1888
P1049/4/2	Photocopy of a photograph of Wick Rovers in 1983 (1 item)	n.d.
P1049/5	Various Select Teams	1907-1986
P1049/5/1	Photograph of the Wick select team. Front row: J. Tait, H. Clyne, W. Houston, D.W. Bain, J. Bain. Middle row: D. Moonie, J. Bremner, A. Manson, A. Budge, A. Tait, D. Stewart, J. Christie, G. Manson. Back row: Burgess, J. Stephen, W. Munro, J. Bremner, J. Bain, J. Anderson, J. Bruce, R. Forbes, G. Robertson (1 item)	1907

P1049/5/2	Photograph of the Caithness select that beat Sutherland and brought the Portland Bowl to Caithness for the first time (1 item)	1921
P1049/5/3	Photographs of the Wick and Orkney teams that played at Bignold Park, Kirkwall, on the 2 nd of May 1934. The Wick team flew to Orkney from the airfield at Hillhead Farm on the City of Aberdeen aircraft (8 items)	1934
P1049/5/4	Photograph of Caithness team that played Orkney in 1938. Back row: A. Gray, G. Bannerman, H. Sutherland, J. More, R. McKay, J. Durrand, T. Shearsmith, M. Harper, S. McKay, S. Sinclair. Front row: D. McLeod, D. Miller, T. Tait, G. Ross, D. Banks, R. Manson (1 item)	1938
P1049/5/5	Photograph mounted on card of the Caithness team at Golspie. Front row L-R: J. Sutherland, M. Harper, W. Mulraine, R. Manson, D.G. Macleod. Back row L-R: D. Banks, G. Ross, J. Durrand, A Dundas, N. Swanson, R. Mackay (1 item)	1939
P1049/5/6	Photograph of the Caithness Select that played Orkney. Back row: A. Boyd, G. Allan, D.B. Cowper, Andy Malone, Wm. Egerton, J. Bain, H. Horne, J. Sinclair, S. Mackay, D. Thomson. Front row: G. Ross, Jack Corner, R. Shearer, M. Harper, A. Durrand, T. Cook (1 item)	1949
P1049/5/7	Photograph of the Caithness Select that played Clach Rangers. Back row: M. More, J. Russell, J. Murray, B. Munro, C. Manson, J. Mackenzie. Front row: S. Mackay, I. MacDonald, R. Sutherland, I. Munro, H. Lyall, G. Munro, D. Hendry (1 item)	c.1952
P1049/5/8	Photograph of the Wick and Pulteneytown select teams (1 item)	Jul 1986
P1049/5/9	Photographs of individual players taken from a Johnston Collection photograph ref. JN09728P077 of a Wick XI that won the Harmsworth Bowl and Wilson Cup v Thurso in 1922 (15 items)	n.d.
P1049/5/10	Photograph of the Harmsworth Bowl winners. Back row: Sergt.-Inst. Burgess, J. Stephen, W. Munro, J. Bremner, J. Bain, J. Anderson, J. Bruce, R. Forbes, G. Robertson. Middle row: D. Moonie, J. Bremner, A. Manson, A. Budge, A. Tait, D. Stewart, J. Christie, G. M. Manson. Front row: J. Tait, H. Clyne, W. Houston, D.W. Bain, J. Bain (1 item)	1907
P1049/6	Various Youth Teams	c.1920-c.1990

P1049/6/1	Photograph of an unknown youth football team (1 item)	c.1920
P1049/6/2	Photograph of [Whitechapel] F.C., Wick (1 item)	1921
P1049/6/3	Photograph of Pulteneytown Academy (youth team) (2 items)	1923
P1049/6/4	Photograph of the Wick North School team, winners of the Wick Primary Schools Football Tournament. Back row: D. Bain, M. MacLeod, J. Durrand, J. Henderson, J. Sutherland. Middle row: Schoolmaster Mr MacMilligan, J. Bowles, J. MacDonald, D. Rosie, J. Shearer, Trainer R. Tait. Front row: G. Calder, J. Budge (1 item)	1932
P1049/6/5	Photograph of East End F.C. (1 item)	1937
P1049/6/6	Photograph of East End Boys, 1969-70 (1 item)	1970
P1049/6/7	Photograph of the Caithness Youth Club team, winners of the Scottish Association of Youth Clubs Cup. Back row: J. Mackay, D. Clasper, M. Clasper, P. Miller, D. Gray, W. Duff, D. Evers, N. Cook. Front row: R. Mackay, G. Allan, D. Geddes, H. Clark (captain), J. Peace, T. Alexander, J. McLean (1 item)	1971
P1049/6/8	Photograph of Caithness under 18 team that played Orkney in the Corinthian Cup. Back row L-R: Alan Mowat, Robbie MacLeod, Ivor Campbell, Robbie Swanson, William Maclean, Kevin Davidson, Dougie Reid, Michael Henderson, Colin Earnshaw, Martin Bain, Alistair Gunn (manager). Front row L-R: Peter Richard, Davie Leonard, Alan Murray, Paul Wheatcroft, Geordie Manson, Michael Sinclair (1 item)	c.1985
P1049/6/9	Photograph of Robbie Swanson, captain of the Caithness under-18 side that played Orkney in the Corinthian Cup, with the trophy and an unknown man (1 item)	c.1985
P1049/6/10	Photograph of a youth training session at Harmsworth Park with Scott Stirling and Johnny Hubbard. Signed by Stirling and Hubbard (1 item)	c.1985
P1049/6/11	Photograph of the Caithness under 18 team with the Corinthian Cup at Bignold Park, Kirkwall. Pictured: Alistair Gunn (manager), Joe Wilson, Geordie Manson (1 item)	c.1987
P1049/6/12	Photograph of the Caithness under 18 team [before the Corinthian Cup tie with Orkney] at The Dammies, Thurso. Back row L-R: Bob Earnshaw, Brian	c.1990

	Campbell, Gary Munro, Andy Knight, James Oliphant, Davie Gunn, Ian Swanson, Bruce Allan, Matthew Harper, Iain Elder, Ali Mackay. Front row L-R: James Mackay, Derek Shearer, Neil Earnshaw, Neil McColl, Martin Baker, Gavin Bremner, Allan Maclean (1 item)	
P1049/6/13	<p>Photograph of two [youth teams in front of the Pavilion at Harmsworth Park].</p> <p>Inscription reads: Top Row F. More, East End; J. Henderson, High School; I. Mackenzie, High School; D. Stewart, High School; M. Harper, Louisburgh; G. Miller, East End; J. Hendry, East End, D. Swanson, East End; D. Stewart, Fishcurer.</p> <p>A. Gray, Referee; G. MacDonald, Louisburgh; A. Sinclair, Louisburgh; A. Barclett, High School; D. Doull, Louisburgh; J. Watt, East End; F. Harper, G. Bannerman (1 item)</p>	c.1950
P1049/7	Ladies Teams	1954-1955
P1049/7/1	Photograph of Pulteneytown Ladies team (1 item)	1954-1955
P1049/8	Research, articles, and newspaper cuttings	1887-2002
P1049/8/1	'The Story of Caithness Football: an 80 Year Period-1887-1967' by N.M. Glass (1 volume)	1887-1967
P1049/8/2	Newspaper cutting of a photograph from The People's Journal of Mr Alistair Sutherland, proprietor of the Rosebank Hotel, with a cheque for the Ibrox Disaster Fund. Also pictured: Sinclair Gray, Arthur Pottinger, Simpson Crowe, Donald MacDonald and Dom Mulraine (1 item)	23 Jan 1971
P1049/8/3	'75 years of County League, 1927-2002', produced by Caithness Amateur Football Association (1 volume)	2002
P1049/8/4	Various newspaper cuttings featuring articles and pictures on Caithness football teams (12 items)	n.d.
P1049/9	Various	1904-2008
P1049/9/1	Photograph of the Thurso football team. Front row: G. Morrison, J. Baillie, K. McKay. Middle row: H. Morrison, W. Angus, J. Shanlin, R MacDonald, G.D. W. Millikin, D. Ryrie, W. Mckay. Back row: G. Tait, S, Manson, McKay, A. Gunn, D. Leith, D. Manson, Murray, MacPherson (1 item)	1904
P1049/9/2	Photograph of Robert Tait in the colours of Sheffield Wednesday (1 item)	c.1908

P1049/9/3	Photograph mounted on card of J.H. Miller of Wick Academy F.C. and J. Bremner of Wick Groats F.C.. Reprinted from original (1 item)	c.1920
P1049/9/4	Photograph of the Park Improvements Committee. Front row: N.M. Glass, H. Henderson, W. Smith, S. Kilpatrick, J. Christie, J.H. Miller. Back row: J. Budge, G Mackenzie, A. McCutheon, J.E. Wares, J. Ross, J. Anderson, Sinclair Mackay (1 item)	c.1920
P1049/9/5	Photograph of the opening of the pavilion at Harmsworth Park (1 item)	1926
P1049/9/6	Photograph of James R. Miller, Thurso, 'the outstanding footballer of the present day in Caithness' (1 item)	c.1929
P1049/9/7	Photograph of Rev. M. M. Mackay, who played for Thurso Pentland (1 item)	c.1930
P1049/9/8	Photograph of John Christie, a player, official, and referee in Wick (1 item)	c.1930
P1049/9/9	Photograph of Rev. Walter Johnstone, Thurso Pentland goalkeeper (1 item)	c.1938
P1049/9/10	Photograph of Wick Girls Pipe Band (1 item)	c.1950
P1049/9/11	Photograph showing H. Macleod, referee, leaving the pitch after a match (1 item)	c.1980
P1049/9/12	Photograph of the Francis Street Club snooker team, County Snooker League champions. Pictured: S. Plowman, A. Mackay, S. Cameron, Arthur Bruce, David Macnab, Gordon Smith (1 item)	1987
P1049/9/13	Photograph of a [darts] team being awarded a trophy. Pictured: Ray Sinclair, George Sutherland, Wullie McAdie, Richard Byrne, and three unidentified men (1 item)	c.1990
P1049/9/14	Print outs from caithness.org of Wick High School class photographs, 1946-1951 (6 items)	2003
P1049/9/15	Commemorative A4 poster issued by The Herald newspaper on its 225 th anniversary showing Hampden Park in Glasgow during a Scotland v England game in 1954 (1 item)	2008
P1049/9/16	Photocopy of a photograph of unknown team. Back row: J. Buchanan, A. Allan, J. Falconer, J. Grant, B. Tait. Middle row: J. McLeod, A. Gray, R. Tait, J. Sutherland, J. Anderson. Front row: D. Tait, W. Davidson, A. McLeod, J. Fraser, D. Thomson (1 item)	n.d.

P1049/9/17	Photocopy of part of an article regarding Aberdeen F.C. in the late 1920s and early 1930s (1 item)	n.d.
P1049/9/18	Backing card from a photo of East End F.C. in 1937. No photograph included. Names include Doc Green, J. Webster, F. Bain, S. McLeod, J. Moonie, F. More, S. Durrand, Sykes, Sutherland, Jock More, Joe Hendry, D. Munro (1 item)	n.d.
P1049/9/19	List of names [to accompany unknown photograph] (1 item)	n.d.
P1049/9/20	Handwritten transcripts from John o' Groat Journal report and letter concerning a Wick Groats v Wick Academy game played in April 1910 (1 item)	n.d.