

Bibliography of local First World War Resources by Shetland Library

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Roll of Honour and Roll of Service						
Shetland's Roll of Honour and Roll of Service	Thomas Manson, editor	book	T & J Manson, 1920	yes	Library and Archives	A Comprehensive account of over 4000 men and 32 women who served or died during WW1. Designed and regarded as a memorial to the dead, with copies treasured throughout Shetland.
Shetland's Roll of Honour and Roll of Service	Thomas Manson, editor	website	Internet Archive https://archive.org/details/shetlandsrollofh1920shet	no	Library and Archives	Readable in seven different formats, most with the photographs, including pdf, Daisy and Kindle formats. National Library of Scotland sponsored the digitisation.

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Wartime Life in Shetland						
The Shetland Book	Edited by A T Cluness	book	Zetland Education Committee, 1967	yes	Library and Archives	Very brief details – under 4 pages
Spy Fever: the Post Office affair : Lerwick Post Office mystery of 1914	Margaret Flaws	book	Shetland Times 2009 9781904746386	yes	Library and Archives	The story of the week in 1914 when the Admiralty had the entire Post Office staff in Lerwick jailed and the connection to widespread, often groundless, “spy fever” in the UK.
The Dunrossness story	James W Irvine	book	Shetland Publishing Company, 1987 0906736072 (A second edition was published in 2001 by A Irvine Printing, Lerwick with ISBN of 0952263890)	yes	Library and Archives	Part chapter only on WW1
Lerwick	James W Irvine	book	Lerwick Community Council, 1985 0950966916	yes	Library and Archives	Pp197-204 including major naval stories and actions near Shetland
Safely Wounded : Shetland letters from the First World War	Angus Johnson and Isabel Sinclair	book	Shetland Library, 2015 9780905924557	yes	Library and Archives	Personal letters from Shetlanders telling of their part of the war - on the Western Front, at sea, in hospitals as patients or nurses and to Africa,Gallipoli and the Falkland Islands.
1914 Peace and war - extracts from the ShetlandTimes	Gordon Johnston	book	Lerwick: Shetland Times, 1913. 9781904746874	yes	Library and Archives	Month by month, very clear extracts from the Shetland Times, giving us a sample of life around the start of the war. Local news, war news, adverts and shipping news alike. Conveys a real sense of the period.
After the Battle number 67 - the Shetlands	Winston G Ramsay, ed. (Shetland article by Ron Hogg)	Magazine	London: Battle of Britain Prints International Ltd. 1990 ISSN 0306 - 154X	yes	Library and Archives	Has an excellent two page summary of World War 1 period with great detail on Catfirth seaplane base and the Vementry guns
The Saga of a ship: the Earl of Zetland (1876 - 1948)	Adam Robson	book	Shetland Times, 1982 0900662379	yes	Library and Archives	Chapter on maintaining isles services during the war.
The Saga of the Earls	Adam Robson	book	Shetland Times, 2002	yes	Library and Archives	Better illustrated and covers both Earls and both Wars.
Fair Isle School 1878 - 1978	Roderick HF Thorne	book	Fair Isle School, 1978	yes	Library and Archives	Entries show local impact of the war, including loss of two of teacher's sons in Canadian Forces..
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Women's suffrage in Shetland	Marsali Taylor	book	Lulu.com 2010 9781446108543	yes	Library and Archives	Has the definitive account of Shetland Women's work during the war, including in France.
Orkney at War:defending Scapa Flow, Volume 1 World War	Geoffrey Stell	book	Kirkwall: The Orcadian (Kirkwall Press) 2010 9781902957487	yes	Library	Yes, really! Pp5/6 have photo and detailed plans of one of the Vementry guns. Orkney's defences were much more extensive than Shetland but useful details nevertheless.
The Imperial War Museum Book of the First World War	Malcolm Brown	book	Sidgwick & Jackson/ Imperial War Museum 1991 0283999462	yes	Library and Archives	Excellent thematic summary of military and civilian aspects of the war. A local bonus is pp212-3 explaining the role of women in the naval offices in Shetland, predating the WRNS creation
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Navy & Merchant Navy						
The Big Blockade	E Keble Chatterton	book	Hurst & Blackett, 1932	yes	Library and Archives	Melodramatic to modern eyes, the earliest account of the big liners of the 10 th Cruiser Squadron which patrolled between Scotland and Iceland. Based at Swarbacks Minn. Prolific maritime author of the time.
Blockade 1914-1918 : How Shetland won the war	Ian Tait	book	Shetland Library, 2015 97809059245464	yes	yes	Lots of images with the story of Shetland's important contribution to the war at sea.
A History of the Royal Navy World War 1	Mike Farquharson-Roberts	book	I B Tauris, 2014 9781780768380	yes	no	Superb re-evaluation, with a chapter on the Northern Patrol/10th CS and its huge strategic contribution to winning the war.
The Blockaders	A Cecil Hampshire	book	William Kimber, 1980 0718302273	yes	Library and Archives	Part of book covers the ships based in Shetland to patrol for blockade-running ships. More detailed than Chatterton's "The big blockade"
The Other Titanic	Simon Martin	Book	Shetland Times, 2004 9781904746034 (1st edition, David & Charles, 1980 0715377558)	yes	Library and Archives	Salvage work on Oceanic, liner in RN use which sank on the Shaalds o Foula in 1914
Tenth Cruiser Squadron Northern Patrol July 1914 - August 1917	Brocklebank, H.C.R., Captain (Edited from his diaries and letters by Joan Brocklebank)	book	Dorset, Joan Brocklebank, 1974 ISBN 0950379808	no	Library	HCR Brocklebank's daughter edited his diaries and produced this well illustrated lecture given in Dorset in 1974. Fascinating details of the practicalities of the patrol and the difficult sea conditions for the boarding parties.
British Warship Names	T.D. Manning and C.F. Walker	book	London: Putnam, 1959	no	Library	A dip-into book, an index to centuries of Royal Navy ships. The name, the type of ship, its date and the battle honours from major events in which it had been involved. Doesn't include auxiliary
British warship losses in the Ironclad era 1860 - 1919	David Hepper	book	London: Chatham Publishing, 2006 9781861762733	yes	On order at Library	Brief, readable but detailed accounts of UK warship losses, mainly during WW1. Very good for small warship losses worldwide. Good summary of local losses eg Oceanic, Alcantra, Cheerful and the Mary Rose convoy disaster.
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Lights	Patrick Stenson	book	Bodley Head, 1984 0370305930	yes	Library	Officer on Oceanic when wrecked off Foula. Senior survivor of Titanic and a Dunkirk veteran as well. Later edition as "Titanic Survivor"
Titanic Voyager	Patrick Stenson	book	Tiverton: Halgrave 1998 1874448817	yes	Library	Extended 2nd edition of Lights.

Army						
Brothers in Arms : a Shetland family at war: The Smiths of Uyeasound, Unst	Stuart Edmond	Booklet	Privately published by the author, 1914	yes	Library and Archives	Superb booklet on the Smith family and their three sons who died while in the army. They served alongside many other Shetland soldiers.
Doing his bit – A Shetland Soldier in the Great War	Robert M Greig. Edited and introduced by Alex Cluness	book	Shetland Times, 1999 1898852464. Reprinted 2014 9781898852469	yes	Library and Archives	Serving from 1916 to 1919, the author's notes of his time as a soldier were first serialised in the Shetland Times in 1920. A clear account of military life and trench warfare.
Feeding Tommy: battlefield recipes from the First World War	Andrew Robertshaw	Book	Spellmount/ History Press 2013 9780752488752 pbk	yes	no	Based on recipes from army cooks logbooks and recipe books; even in the trenches.
Gordon Highlanders Museum		website	www.gordonhighlanders.com	no	Library	Shetlanders served with the Gordons in WW1. Museum in Aberdeen, web information, tearoom, help with caring for medals and research (for a fee). The link with the Regimental family.
The Gordon Highlanders : a concise history	Trevor Royle	book	Edinburgh: Mainstream, 2007 9781845962708	coming soon	Library coming soon	General history, showing the Great War against their long history and traditions..
Scottish Units in the two world wars.	Mike Chappell	book	London: Osprey Military, 1994 1855324695 (Elite series no.56)	yes	Library	p3 +pp7-12 includes Battle of the Ancre/Beaumont Hamel showing its major importance at army level.Large section of colour drawings /details of uniforms.
The History of the Orkney and Shetland Volunteers and Territorials 1793-1958	D Rollo	Booklet	Shetland Times 1958	yes	Library and Archives	Long term history but with a brief summary of the Shetland Companies of the Gordon Highlanders until their disbanding after the Battle of the River Ancre/Beaumont Hamel in November 1916
British First World War Trench Maps (1915-1918)	National Library of Scotland	website	http://maps.nls.uk/ww1/trenches/index.html	no	Library	Maps of the trenches, on old or modern maps or satellite images. A graphical way to understand the nature of the Western Front and the names used at the time. Place name search as well.
First Battle of the Somme	Encyclopedia Britannica Online	website	Shetland Library 24 hour library resources. Encyclopedia Britannica Adult Library www.shetland-	no	no	Article summarising the four month long First Battle of the Somme, which ended with the Battle of the Ancre/Beaumont Hamel.
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General						
Off Scotland	Ian G Whittaker	book	Edinburgh : C-ANNE Publishing 1998. 0953197700 http://www.sol.co.uk/i/iangwhittaker/book/book.html	yes	Library and Archives	Brief details of every ship or plane lost around Scotland - over 1400 round Shetland. Easy to find the losses near you - and a good start if all you know is a name.
Catfirth Flying Boat Station	Simon Gunn	articles	New Shetlander Voar 1982(139)pp 12-14 and Summer (140) pp27-29	no	Library and Archives	About the flying boat base built late in the war and its aeroplanes. Also a letter by Jerry Eunson, page 11 of summer issue.
The Life story of an old Shetlander	Walter J Gray	book	Shetland Times, 1970	yes	Library and Archives	Chapter on narrowly escaping death in the Halifax disaster of 1917, probably the biggest pre-nuclear explosion in the world.
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