

Fun Scotch Facts

E is for Eponyms

Scotch boys are the eponyms of a wide variety of places and things that may come as a surprise to those who know the names but not the men behind them. Here are some examples, which also indicate some of the achievements behind the names:

Sir Walter Logie Forbes Murdoch KCMG (SC 1891), professor of English and chancellor of the University of Western Australia is the eponym of Murdoch University, Perth

Sir George Hodges Knox CMG VD (SC 1898-99), Minister for the Legislative Assembly for Upper Yarra (1927-45) and Scoresby (1945-60) is the eponym of the City of Knox

Henry Barton Borwick MC (SC 1910-14), mechanical engineer, salesman, company manager, soldier and Brighton Grammar School council member is the eponym of Borwick House at Brighton Grammar School

Dr Walter Ernest Isaac Summons OBE (SC 1896-98), is the eponym of Summons House at Camberwell Grammar School

Edwin Fullarton Borrie MC (SC 1908-11), chief engineer of sewerage at the Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works, is the eponym of Lake Borrie near Werribee

Robert Timms (SC 1918) is the eponym of The House of Robert Timms (coffee), which he founded

David Frederick Maxwell Bradshaw (SC 1920-24), principal of Haileybury College (1954-73) is the eponym of its Bradshaw House; Charles Francis Northcott (SC 1904) is the eponym of the main quadrangle; and Robert Causton Foyster (SC 1898-99) is the eponym of the Foyster Building

John Alexander Ross Montgomery (SC 1907-10), engineer, managing director and philanthropist, and Neil Hamilton Macneil MC (SC 1903-11), inaugural headmaster (1924-39), are the eponyms of Houses at Knox Grammar School, Sydney

Sir John Monash GCMG KCB VD (SC 1877-81) is the eponym of Monash University, Monash, ACT; Monash, South Australia; the Federal division of Monash in Gippsland, and the Monash Freeway, among many others

Edward Norman Row (Entered in 1868), auctioneer and gentleman, is the eponym of his property, Rowville, which gave the suburb its name

John Victor Denholm (SC 1948-51), a physicist at Wilkes Station in 1959, is the eponym of Mount Denholm in Antarctica

Walter Murray Buntine (SC 1884-85), principal and owner of Caulfield Grammar School (1896-1931) is the eponym of Buntine House, and Stephen Hibbert Newton AO (SC 1961-72), Principal (1993-2011), is the eponym of Newton House

Harold George Steele (SC 1900-02), inaugural headmaster of Carey Baptist Grammar School (1923-44) is the eponym of Steele House