

# AYSOUN

## OF FORNOCHT

**THOMAS**, of whom little of any certainty is known other than that he lived in the first half of the 14<sup>th</sup> century and was father of :

**AYTHE, SON OF THOMAS, 1<sup>ST</sup> OF FORNOCHT**, had a charter for the lands of Fornocht from Robert, 7<sup>th</sup> High Steward of Scotland and Earl of Strathearn, in around 1360<sup>1</sup> and in which he is styled as "*son of Thomas.*" He was witness to a Resignation by Mariota, wife of Nevin MacEwyn daughter and coheirress of Malmorani de Glencharney, delivering up writs to their lands to the Abbey of Inchaffray in around 1365 in which he is styled as "*Aythe, son of Thomas, sometime bailie of Strathearn,*"<sup>2</sup> and was grandfather of :

**ROBERT AYSOUN, 2<sup>ND</sup> OF FORNOCHT**, succeeded to the lands of Fornocht and was witness to an Indenture between Margaret, relict of Sir Walter Drummond of Stobhall, and Malcolm Drummond, her son on 24 January 1445.<sup>3</sup> He was father of :

**WALTER AYSOUN, 3<sup>RD</sup> OF FORNOCHT AND ARDONOQUHAY**, succeeded his father and had an Instrument of Sasine for the lands of Ardonquhay in 1456.<sup>4</sup> He was father of :

**ROBERT AYSOUN, 4<sup>TH</sup> OF FORNOCHT**, succeeded his father and made a resignation into the hands of King James III. for his lands of Fornocht, Pittenzie and Cultybragan, for infetment in favour of his eldest son William Aysoun on 31 August, 1472. He *d.* by 1483 and was father of :

1. William Aysoun, 5<sup>th</sup> of Fornocht, (*see below*).

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<sup>1</sup> SHS Inchaffray Charters

<sup>2</sup> SHS Inchaffray Charters

<sup>3</sup> GD160/1/11

<sup>4</sup> Excehquher Rolls

2. Robert Aysoun, 1<sup>st</sup> of Tulliemet, granted a charter for the lands of Ardonquhay to John Duly on 15 July, 1478, and by which time he had acquired the lands of Tulliemet. He sold the lands of Airlieweich and the Mill thereof to William, 1<sup>st</sup> Lord Ruthven, on 20 March, 1508,<sup>1</sup> and was father of :

2a) Patrick Aysoun, 2<sup>nd</sup> of Tulliemet, had a charter for the lands of Tulliemet as heir to his father on 24 December, 1508,<sup>2</sup> and *m.* firstly by 24 April, 1516, to Euphame Chalmer with whom he had a charter of joint-infetment for the lands of Cult of Straloch from John Stewart, Earl of Atholl.<sup>3</sup> He *m.* secondly, Isabel, daughter of Mr. George Blair of Bendochy, whom, as his future spouse, he infet in the liferent of the lands of Cult of Straloch on 27 April, 1534,<sup>4</sup> (she *m.* secondly by 23 August, 1542, Robert Stewart), *d.* by August of 1542, and was father of :

2b) John Aysoun, 3<sup>rd</sup> of Tulliemet, was a child by his father's first marriage and succeeded his father by 2 September, 1546, when he was witness to Letters of Reversion by John Stewart of Stix, for the lands of Wester Stix to David, Lord Drummond. He *m.* Janet, daughter of Patrick Robertson of Dalcapon, (she *m.* secondly by July of 1564 to Thomas Stewart, 1<sup>st</sup> of Kinnaird, and had issue), and was *k.* by John Crichton of Kinclaven, John and David Charteris, brothers of Thomas Charteris of Kinfauns and others, who all found surety for the crime on 1 March 1547.<sup>5</sup> He was father of :

2c) Robert Aysoun, 4<sup>th</sup> of Tulliemet, had a charter by his grandfather Patrick Aysoun of Tulliemet transumpt due to a dispute between himself and his uncle Robert Aysoun on 31 July, 1564.<sup>6</sup>

2b) Robert Aysoun, 1<sup>st</sup> of Arthurstane, styled as son of the deceased Patrick Aysoun of Tulliemet by Elizabeth Blair, when he granted an obligation to John Blair, apparent of Balgillo, on 12 January, 1565,<sup>7</sup> and had a charter for  $\frac{3}{4}$  part lands of Arthurstane from Leonard, Commendator of Cupar, on 23 January, 1569. He *m.* Janet, daughter of William Blair of Balgillo, and was father of :

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<sup>1</sup> RMS 1424-1513 No. 3329

<sup>2</sup> Blair Castle Archives Box 11 Parcel XI. No. 1

<sup>3</sup> Blair Castle Archives Box 23 Parcel III. No. 1

<sup>4</sup> Blair Castle Archives Box 23 Parcel III. No. 3

<sup>5</sup> Pitcairn. Vol. I. Pt. I. P. 334.

<sup>6</sup> Acts & Decrees XXXII. 228

<sup>7</sup> Acts & Decrees XXXIX 266

2c) James Aysoun, 2<sup>nd</sup> of Arthurstone, styled as son of Janet Blair in a bond of caution entered into by his mother taking surety that Robert Turnbull of Denhead, and others, would not harm either her or James, her son. He *m.* Sybilla Ogilvy, *d.* prior to January of 1637 and had issue :

2d) Robert Aysoun, 3<sup>rd</sup> of Arthurstone, retoured heir to his father on 14 January, 1637, and *m.* Anna, daughter of John Hamilton of Kirkton of Aberbothrie, (*c/m* 22 April, 1636<sup>1</sup>). He sold the lands of Arthurstane to Archibald Campbell on 5 September, 1643.

2d) Elizabeth Aysoun, *m.* John Ogilvy of Peill, with whom she is included in a charter for the lands of Formal in their favour by James Crichton of Ruthven on 13 November, 1643.<sup>2</sup> They had issue.

2b) James Aysoun, infeft in the lands of Tulliemet following a resignation in his favour by Robert Aysoun, of Tulliemet, his brother, as heir to their late father Patrick Aysoun of Tulliemet, on 23 January, 1569.<sup>3</sup>

**WILLIAM AYSOUN, 5<sup>TH</sup> OF FORNOCHT**, had a charter as heir to his father from John Stewart, Earl of Atholl, for the lands of Stix and Kylwalache, on 12 May, 1472,<sup>4</sup> and had a charter, upon the resignation of his father, for the lands of Fornocht, Pittenzie and Cultybragan under the Great Seal on 31 August, 1472. He sold the lands of Cultybragan to James Reidheugh, personal servant to King James IV. on 26 October, 1496, and those of Fornocht and Stix to John, Lord Drummond, by two separate charters dated 21 August, 1504, in which he reserved a liferent for himself and Elizabeth his wife.<sup>5</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> RS50/8/f.289

<sup>2</sup> GD16/1/3/97

<sup>3</sup> Blair Castle Archives Box 11 Parcel XI No. 11

<sup>4</sup> GD112/2/147/1/1

<sup>5</sup> RMS 1424-1513. No. 2845 for those of Fornocht. For those of Stix, see GD112/2/147/1/4