



Pte. Harold Keith Pavy



Played with Adelaide University



Football Club: Patriotic Match (1918)

Cricket Club: A & B Grade (1914/15-1915/16)

Blue: Lacrosse (1919)

Degree: MB BS (1919)

Background

Coinciding with the Centenary of Anzacs our incentive behind the series of biographical publications is the Adelaide University Football and Cricket Club's desire to honour our players who served in the Great War (1914 - 1918). These brave men put on hold their academic, professional and sporting careers for King and Country in the name of peace and freedom. The AUFC/AUCC WW1 Memorial Committee is endeavouring to identify every one of our players who served and prepare life stories on all. This is to ensure their sacrifices and further contributions to society will be recognised by future generations.

On Anzac Day 2015, the Centenary of the Gallipoli landing, a memorial plaque was unveiled on the Adelaide University Oval Pavilion and this was followed by the erection of a picket fence between the pavilion and the scoreboard with each picket bearing a plaque with the name of an AUFC/AUCC player who served.


The following documentation relates to the life of Harold Keith "Pat" Pavy. It is compilation of information and photographs collected from a variety of historical sources.

(Those men who enlisted, but either because of cessation of hostilities or other reasons did not serve overseas are still included in the list of AUFC & AUCC players recognised as serving their Country. Our men who enlisted later in 1918 were not to know that Germany would surrender on 11th November 1918 and so their courage and commitment to serve should still be recognised.)

Service Record

<https://recordsearch.naa.gov.au/SearchNRetrieve/Interface/ViewImage.aspx?B=8010361>

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AUSTRALIAN  MILITARY FORCES.

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

Attestation Paper of Persons Enlisted for Service Abroad.

No. _____ Name { Surname PAYY.
in full { Christian Name HAROLD KEITH
Unit _____
Joined on 19 JUN 1918

DISCHARGED

Questions to be put to the Person Enlisting before Attestation.

You are hereby warned that if after enlistment it is found that you have given a wilfully false answer to any question set forth in this Attestation Paper, you will be liable to be tried for the offence.

- What is your Name? ... Harold Keith Payy.
- In or near what Town were you born? ... Cupral Brook
In or near the Town of SOUTH AUSTRALIA.
- Are you a natural-born British Subject or a Naturalized British Subject? (N.B.—If the latter, papers to be shown.) ... Natural Born
- What is your Age? (State of birth to be stated) ... 22 1/2 years.
Enlisted Under M.O. 210 of 25/5/18
Medical Students
July 1915
Medical Student 1st year.
- What is your Trade or Calling? ... No
- Are you, or have you been, a member of any organization, to whom, and for what period? ... No
- Are you married? ... No leave pass issued
- Who is your next of kin? (Address and relationship to be stated)
The answer to this question shall not be construed as in the nature of a Will. ... FATHER PAYY. SOLIDOR
AUGUSTOS.
STANLEY ST NTH ADELAIDE
SOUTH AUSTRALIA
- What is your permanent address in Australia? ... PIMPLEY ST
NORTH ADELAIDE
SOUTH AUSTRALIA.
- Have you ever served in, or have you ever served in, His Majesty's Army, the Marines, the Militia, the Militia Reserve, the Territorial Force, Royal Navy, or Colonial Forces? If so, state which, and if not now serving, state cause of discharge ... Yes.
- Have you ever been rejected as unfit for His Majesty's Service? If so, on what grounds? ... No
- Have you ever suffered from:—
1. Consumption, tubercular disease, or chronic cough? ... No
2. Fits of any kind? ... No
3. Rheumatism or asthma? ... No
4. Mental or nervous disease? ... No
5. Has any member of your family suffered from any of the above diseases? If so, state particulars. ... No
- (For married men, widowers with children, and soldiers who are the sole support of widowed mother)—
Do you understand that no separation allowance will be issued in respect of your service beyond an amount which together with pay would reach ten shillings per day? ... Yes.
- Are you prepared to undergo inoculation against small pox and enteric fever? ... Yes.

I, Harold Keith Payy, do solemnly declare that the above answers made by me to the above questions are true, and I am willing and hereby voluntarily agree to serve in the Military Forces of the Commonwealth of Australia within or beyond the limits of the Commonwealth.

And I further agree to allot not less than two-fifths of the pay payable to me from time to time during my service for the support of my wife and children.

Date 19 JUN 1918 Signature of Person Enlisted. Harold K Payy

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* This clause should be struck out in the case of unmarried men or widowers without children under 16 years of age.
† Two-fifths must be allotted to the wife, and if there are children three-fifths must be allotted.

Biography - Ancestry.com.au

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Dr Pat Pavy

Educated at North Adelaide Public School, Adelaide High School [where he was given the nickname Pat] & entered the Adelaide Medical School [University of Adelaide] in 1914, graduating in 1919.

He enlisted in the A.I.F. during his 4th year of medical studies on 19 Jun 1918 but was not called up for duty. He was discharged on 18 Nov 1918.

He was Medical Officer at No 7 A.G.H. [Keswick] and then at the Adelaide Children's Hospital in 1920 & 1921.

"The Register" 27 May 1922

PAVY—GLOVER.—On the 23rd February, at St. John's Church, Halifax street, by the Ven. Archdeacon Hornabrook, Archdeacon of Adelaide, Harold Keith Pavy, M.B.B.S., younger son of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Pavy, Stanley street, N.A., to Thelma, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. R. J. Glover, Kingston terrace, North Adelaide. At home, "St. Andrew's," Kingston terrace, Friday, June 2nd.

He joined a medical practice in the small township of Naracoorte in the South East of South Australia and apart from his time overseas and during W.W.2 remained there until 1954. He was associated with the beginning of the Naracoorte Hospital.

Many stories of his time in the district and during his Army service are narrated in his autobiography "Bush Surgeon". [ISBN 072700994X]

In 1928 he travelled with Thelma and their 2 sons to the U.K. where he obtained his F.R.A.C.S at Edinburgh University. He was admitted to the Australian College in 1932. He did further post-graduate work in America, England & Sweden in 1938.

During W.W.2 he served as Surgeon Specialist, rank Major, with the No 119 A.G.H. at Darwin, then on the Hospital Ship 'Wanganella', where he treated wounded Australian troops being evacuated from Suez and New Guinea, and finally with the 2/4 A.G.H. at Brisbane.

He was granted a divorce from Thelma in 1947 on the grounds of her adultery with Andre Gaston De Bailleux.

He retired from his practice in Naracoorte in 1954 and transferred to North Terrace, Adelaide. He and Genevieve lived at 'Dalmeny', Netherby.

Additional Biography

Early Life

Harold Keith Pavy was born on the 9th July 1895, at Crystal Brook, SA, the son of Julius Augustus Pavy and Eliza Radford. He was known as Keith but according to family sources he acquired the nickname 'Pat' at Adelaide High School.

Keith's father was a Captain in the Crystal Brook Volunteer Militia Reserve. He left Crystal Brook for the West in 1896. Due to a blasting accident Capt Pavy lost his sight. He came back to Adelaide and was a collector for the Royal Institution of Blind for over 20 years.

Schooling

Pat attended the North Adelaide Public School, the Adelaide Short Hand and Business Training Academy and Adelaide High School. He passed his Junior Examinations (1909), Junior Commercial Examinations (1910) and Senior Examination subjects from 1911 to 13. In March 1914 he passed Latin (required to enter medicine) by private tuition. In all he had passed eight Senior Examination subjects with one credit.

While at Adelaide High School, Pat represented the school at Cricket, Football and Rowing. In 1913 Pat was a Prefect and co-editor of the Adelaide High School Magazine. He also played Lacrosse for North Adelaide in 1913.



H.K. Pavy – Back Row – Fourth from Left



H.K. Pavy – Back Row – Third from Left

1913 Adelaide High School – Football Team



H.K. Pavy – Back Row – Third from Left

Adelaide University

Pat commenced studying medicine at Adelaide University in 1914 and graduated MB BS in 1919. He was one of two Honorary Secretaries of the Adelaide University Sports Association in 1919.

University Sport

Rowing

Pat was a member of the Adelaide University Rowing Club and he rowed for them in the April 1915 Autumn Regatta and in the Gentlemen's race at the Ladies' Rowing Association Regatta in October 1915.

Cricket

Pat played B Grade in the 1914/15 and 1915/16 seasons and played some A Grade cricket for University in 1915/16 (non-official).

Football

While not playing in regular season matches for the Adelaide University Football Team due to Lacrosse commitments, Pat played in the "Patriotic Match" against a combined colleges team in July 1918.

Lacrosse

Pat played A Grade Lacrosse for Adelaide University from 1914-1920. He represented the University in the 1919 & 1920 Intersivity Lacrosse matches and was the team captain on both occasions. He became the Club Secretary in 1915 and awarded a Blue for Lacrosse in 1919.

1919 Adelaide University Intersivity Lacrosse Team



Back: C.G.Evans (e), L.Wilson, D.A.Dowling, H.M.Fisher, J.L.McGee, H.N.Rees, R.Walmsley (e)
Front: H.R.Othams, R.T.Grant, H.K.Pavy (capt), N.R.Bennett, A.K.Gault, K.J.Healy.

(Held in Melbourne, won by Melbourne 8-5)

1920 Adelaide University Intersivity Lacrosse Team



Back: L.M.S.Hargrave, B.G.Johnston, G.H.Howard, G.E.Jose, H.M.Rees.

Front: D.A.Dowling, K.J.Healy, A.K.Gault (vice capt), H.K.Pavy (capt), H.M.Fisher (sec), E.W.J.Millhouse, G.Pavy.

Held in Adelaide, won by Adelaide 6-5.

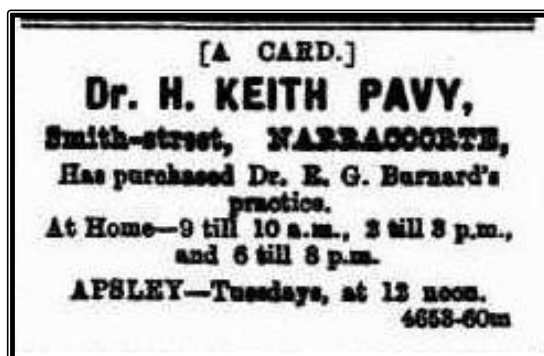
World War I

Pat enlisted on the 19th of June 1918 under M.O. 210 of 25/5/18 A.I.F. Standing Order 4a, while a fourth-year medical student. He had been a member of the Senior Cadets for four years and with the Citizens Forces, 50th A.M.C. for four years. He was 22 years 11 months old, 5'11¼", 185 lbs, with a medium complexion, blue eyes and fair hair.

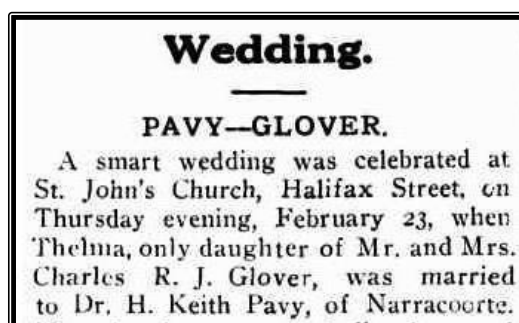
He was a Private and was discharged without overseas service on the 18th of November 1918 due to the cessation of hostilities.

Career & Family Life

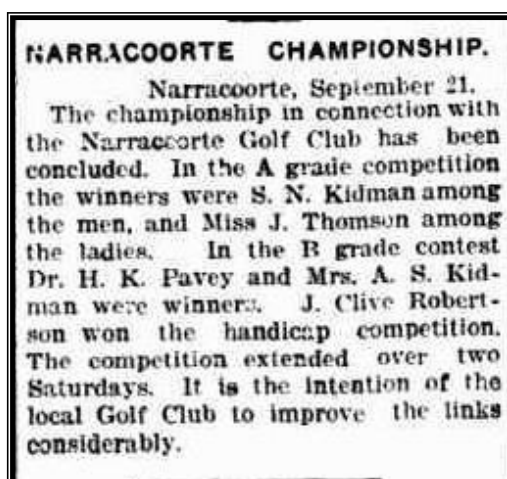
Pat had gained experience in the Keswick Military Hospital, the Adelaide Hospital, and the Adelaide Children's Hospital in 1920 and 1921 before purchasing a practice at Naracoorte¹, SA in February 1921.



Pat became engaged to Thelma Glover in December 1919 and the couple married on the 23rd February 1922. They had two sons, John Keith Pavy, born 31st of March 1924 and William Richmond Pavy born 17th of September 1925.



In June 1923, Pat moved his practice at Naracoorte from Smith Street to Ormerod Street. By 1925 Pat was playing golf and won the B Grade competition at the Naracoorte Golf Club and was a Trustee of the Club.



¹ Note the spelling Naracoorte was frequently used during Pat's time but the profiler has elected to use the modern-day spelling (Naracoorte) except when referencing the newspaper 'Naracoorte Herald'.

The family travelled to the UK on board the Euripides arriving at Southampton, England on the 21st of March 1929. Pat undertook further studies in Edinburgh and London while in the UK. Thelma and the boys arrived back in Australia (Fremantle, WA) on the 31st of May 1930 onboard the "Orvieto". Pat arrived back in mid July 1930 onboard the "Cathay".



Pat had been in partnership with Douglas Robson Wallman at Naracoorte, but the partnership was dissolved from 31st of July 1930 and Dr Wallman returned to practice in Adelaide. In September 1930 Pat was admitted as a Fellow of the Royal College of Surgeons, Edinburgh (F.R.C.S. (Edin)).

Dr. Pavy Obtains the F.R.C.S. (Edinburgh) Degree.—Dr. H. Keith Pavy, who recently returned to Naracoorte from an extended trip to Great Britain, where he gained a large amount of experience in the leading hospitals of England, and studied for the degree of surgery at the Edinburgh University, has received advice from the Royal College of Surgeons, Edinburgh, that he has been admitted as a fellow of the college. Dr. Pavy spent ten months in Scotland, and went through a course successfully for the degree of surgery in the Edinburgh University, which is recognised as the highest standard of the degree obtainable in any part of the world. While undergoing his course of studies Dr. Pavy was associated with the most eminent doctors of surgery, and gained considerable practical experience. The doctor is now entitled to use the letters F.R.C.S. (Edin.) after his name, in addition to the degrees he already holds. Dr. Pavy also spent a good deal of time in gaining experience in the latest methods of medical and surgical practice in the leading hospitals in England, and his trip abroad must have been of considerable professional benefit to him.

Pat was formally admitted as Fellow of the Royal Australasian College of Surgeons in February 1932. In July and in August 1932 he took a six-week holiday to the Northern Territory.

He became a member of the Naracoorte Horticultural and Floral Society.

On the 24th of November 1933 Pat and Thelma's third son, Robert Michael was born. He was known as Michael.

Pat was concerned with local matters in the Naracoorte district and in 1934 raised issues about the inadequate accommodation at Naracoorte Hospital. He also served on the local council. Pat's interest in horse racing also had him as the Honorary Surgeon for the Naracoorte Racing Club.

In 1937, Pat and Thelma went to New Zealand to attend the Royal Australasian College of Surgeons conference and in 1938 the couple went on a tour of Europe and America arriving back in Australia in October 1938. Pat wrote a series of articles on their travels for the 'Naracoorte Herald':

- Pacific Islands, America and England <http://nla.gov.au/nla.news-article147030404>
- Impressions of Norway, Sweden, Denmark, Germany, and Czechoslovakia <http://nla.gov.au/nla.news-article147027833>
- Visit to Hungary and Italy <http://nla.gov.au/nla.news-article147029611>
- Journey From Port Said Back to Australia <http://nla.gov.au/nla.news-article147029042>

World War II

Pat served in World War II with Service Number SX 26129 (and S37907). He enlisted at Wayville on the 19th of November 1942 and was discharged on the 4th of August 1944.

<https://rslvirtualwarmemorial.org.au/explore/people/583756>

Service Numbers:	S37907, SX26129
Enlisted:	19 November 1942, Wayville, SA
Last Rank:	Major
Born:	Crystal Brook, SA, 9 July 1895

Pat's service record had not yet been digitised, but family information recorded on Ancestry.com.au states that he 'served as Surgeon Specialist, rank Major, with the No 119 A.G.H. at Darwin, then on the Hospital Ship '*Wanganella*', where he treated wounded Australian troops being evacuated from Suez and New Guinea, and finally with the 2/4 A.G.H. at Brisbane.'

Pat was back in Naracoorte by November 1944 where he attended the RSL dinner.

Pat and Thelma's two elder sons both served in the Navy in WWII. John was a Sub-Lieutenant (PA 2658), he enlisted on the 23rd of February 1942 with a home port of Port Adelaide. John was serving on the HMAS Torrens when he was discharged on the 27th of February 1946. William was an Able Seaman (PA4602), he enlisted on the 29th of January 1944 with a home port of Port Adelaide, he too was on the HMAS Torrens when he was discharged on the 2nd of April 1946.

Post WWII

Pat and Thelma's marriage broke down and they divorced in December 1947.

Pat remained in Naracoorte. He was a member of the Naracoorte Hospital Board

1951 – Naracoorte Hospital Board



H.K. Pavy – Front Row – Far Left

1951 – Medical Staff of the Naracoorte Hospital



H.K. Pavy – Front Row – Third from Left

In July 1952, Pat married Genevieve Primrose Penfold Hyland (nee Malcom), the widow of Francis Penfold-Hyland. The couple left Naracoorte for Adelaide in March 1954 and received a public farewell. Pat and Genevieve lived at Netherby.

MARRIED QUIETLY AT NARACOORTE

In the Presbyterian Manse at Naracoorte this afternoon, the wedding took place of Mrs. F. Penfold Hyland, of St. Georges, with Dr. Harold K. Pavy of Naracoorte.

Mrs. Hyland, recently returned from overseas, brought her frock from London.

Of French corded faille, it was that becoming shade between a navy and junior blue, called Queen's blue. Boatshaped at the neckline, it had the new folded effect for each hipline.

A beautiful long stole of blue fox, a picture hat of

navy ring velvet with crown swathed with tulle, and navy blue suede accessories, completed an extremely smart whole.

Dr. and Mrs. Pavy will motor in the South-East for a few days, and next month they will go to Melbourne to spend a fortnight at the Hotel Windsor during a Medical Congress.

PUBLIC FAREWELL TO DR. H. K. PAVY

COMMUNITY SERVICE STRESSED BY SPEAKERS

A public farewell was tendered to Dr. H. K. Pavy on Saturday night when speakers referred to his services to the Naracoorte community.

A representative gathering of local residents attended at the Town Hall for the occasion, and the beautiful floral decorations were a feature. These were arranged by Mrs. D. K. Kumnick, who also provided a bright bowl for the official table, at which were seated the guest of honour, the Mayor (Mr. N. V. Wallace), the Chairman of the District Council (Mr. I. M. Bourne) and the Chairman of the Hospital Board (Mr. E. C. H. Schinckel).

During the evening songs were rendered by Mesdames R. A. Anderson and L. R. DeGaris (with the Reverend A. M. Jackson at the piano) and a pianoforte solo was also given by Mr. Jackson.

The first speaker was Mr. N. V. Wallace, who said that during his 33 years as a resident of Naracoorte Dr. Pavy had taken part in every facet of the town's life, and that was why a public gathering had been called to farewell one who meant so much to the town and country life in "a hundred and one ways."

From the town's point of view the guest had been a particularly energetic Councillor and many good things had come to Naracoorte through his initiative. He always had a keen sense of beauty and his work with the Parks and Gardens Committee alone was outstanding, said Mr. Wallace.

Finally, in thanking Dr. Pavy for what he had done for Naracoorte, the Mayor said it was impossible to give adequate thanks to a doctor like their

thanks to a doctor like their guest, who had given of his best to all who required his help—there were hundreds who had received assistance from him without fee or reward, and with sympathy and understanding.

"PART AND PARCEL"

Cr. Bourne said Dr. Pavy had come to be regarded as "part and parcel" of the district and, as such, everyone thought he was always available to them. Now that he was leaving, they were all expressing keen regret. He came here when Naracoorte was a "two doctor town," and now there were five doctors. He had seen remarkable growth in both the town and district, and during this time he gave a great service. Everyone recognised his skill as a surgeon and doctor, and all regretted his leaving.

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FAREWELL TO DR. PAVY

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Mr. Schinckel said that as a member of the Hospital Board for many years, and now as its Chairman, he greatly appreciated the services rendered by Dr. Pavy. He was a member of the Board when Dr. Pavy arrived in Naracoorte and was proud to be associated with it as Chairman in saying farewell to the doctor.

The speaker traced the history of the hospital from its beginnings when it was a poorly equipped institution to its present stage when he considered it was one of the best equipped hospitals in the State. In addition it had one of the best medical services in the State. Much of the great improvement at the hospital had been due to the work and instigation of Dr. Pavy.

Mr. Schinckel also referred to previous work by the late Dr. Gunning and the late Dr. Macmillan, and finally paid a tribute to Dr. Laurie, whose failing health had been due to a grand service rendered to this district during the war years.

Finally, the Mayor (Mr. Wallace) asked Dr. Pavy to accept a wallet of notes from the public of Naracoorte and district as a tribute to his work over a great many years.

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TEAM WORK STRESSED

In responding and thanking the speakers for their remarks and the public for the presentation, Dr. Pavy stressed that it would not be possible without the loyal support of the other doctors in the town for the medical services to go on as they were. Team work was everything, he said, and in addition, a good hospital was essential. He was sure the team work would improve and that the services at the hospital would also improve.

The speaker said that his life in Naracoorte had been most pleasurable. The generosity of the district had been staggering at times and the "little village" appeared to be getting along very well—more people were taking an active interest in the town and civic pride was growing continuously. When he arrived here 33 years ago the place could boast only six kerosene street lights and now it had grown into a "glorious town."

Finally Dr. Pavy thanked everyone for their generosity and for the gift they had given him on his pending departure from the district.

At this stage Mrs. J. G. McLachlan, President of the Naracoorte Hospital Women's Auxiliary thanked Mrs. Pavy for her interest in the work of the hospital and asked her to accept a huge sheaf of glorious flowers.

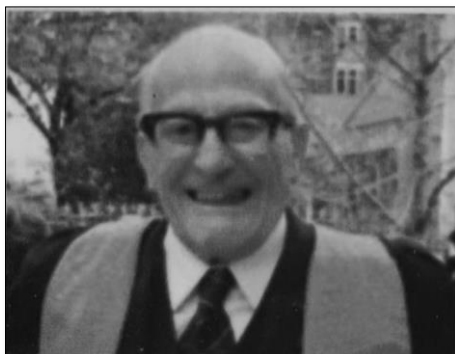
This concluded the official portion of the evening and the gathering then adjourned for supper.

Dr. and Mrs. Pavy will leave for Adelaide on Wednesday night.

John Keith Pavy followed his father into medicine gaining his MB BS in 1952. He married Mary Elizabeth Munday, the daughter of Dr and Mrs Neill Munday in October 1948 at St Peter's College Chapel.

William Richmond Pavy, later referred to as "Old Bill" made his mark in South Australia's south east after relocating from Adelaide, settling on a farm at Struan in the Wrattontully area. The Ottoson Group planted rootlings for their winery on Pavy's Run in 1995 and chose the brand name "Pavy Wines" in Bill's honour.

Pat's experiences at Naracoorte and of his Army service are narrated in his autobiography - "Bush Surgeon" (ISBN 072700994X) - published in 1979.



Dr Pat Pavy (Ancestry - undated)

Death

Genevieve passed away on the 23rd October 1982 and Pat passed away on the 21st September 1984 aged 89 they are both buried at Centennial Park Cemetery, Adelaide.

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