

Clan TROUP

ARMS CREST MOTTO Vert, three bucks trippant Or A hind's head erased Proper Veritas vincit (Truth conquers)

The lands of Troup are in Banffshire, although Black records that there is a charter of 1370 which refers to the lands of John of Trowpe in Ayrshire. Hamund de Troup of Lanaarkshire appears on the Ragman Roll, rendering homage to Edward I of England in 1296. The seal attached to his homage bears a hawk with a crescent and a star which is quite different from the arms of Troup which are recorded in the Lyon register. The Troup arms, however, may simply be canting, using the word 'trippant' to make a pun on the name. The family seems to have been most prominent in Banffshire and around Aberdeen. Hamelin de Troupe was a prebendary of Aberdeen Cathedral in 1332 and subsequently obtained the living of Inchebrioc in 1345. William de Troup granted a charter of land in the Mearns in 1357. Normand Trupt was made a burgess of Aberdeen in 1611. Nisbet states that the family of Troup of that Ilk ended when and heiress married a younger son of the powerful Keith family. The lands of Troup were sold to Major Alexander Garden, a Scottish soldier in the service of the Swedish Crown in the seventeenth century, around 1654. They remained Lairds of Troup into the twentieth century. The Troups of Dunbeannan, who came to bear the undifferenced arms of the family, traced their descent from John Troup of Huntly who lived in the middle of the eighteenth century. His direct descendent, Francis Troup of Dunbennan, was a distinguished architect and engineer who exhibited in the Royal Academy between the two world wars.

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