

## **J Gunton**

### **Probably CWGC - SECOND LIEUTENANT JOHN WELBY GUNTON**

Royal Flying Corps

70th Sqdn.

Died 09 August 1916

Age 21 years old

Buried or commemorated at

[ARRAS FLYING SERVICES MEMORIAL](#), Faubourg d'Amiens  
Cemetery France and Bristol Grammar School Memorial

Secondary Unit, Regiment 9th Bn. Somerset Light Infantry

Additional Info Son of Thomas Octavius and Eleanor Catharine Gunton, of "Trelawney",  
60, Trelawney Rd., Cotham, Bristol.

Notes - He was one of the original members of the Keynsham Scout Troop. He graduated from Flying school on 27th November 1914, aged 19 years old. He was Second Lieutenant in the Somerset Light Infantry and was attached to 70 Squadron, Royal Flying Corps, as an observer, photographing details of the enemy positions. His plane, a Sopwith Strutter, was shot down on 9th August 1916 over Bapaume, France where he and his pilot Lieutenant Shepherd were killed. His body was never recovered. His machine was seen to dive steeply after colliding with an enemy aircraft, when two parts fell off, and the dive became vertical in an uncontrolled fall of 6,000 feet.

