**Finding information about contributors on the VWML site: https://www.vwml.org/vwml-home**

* Go to search box at top of page
* Click Advanced Search
* This brings up a menu of options on the left side – click top option Select/De-select all
* Locate Bibliographies and Authorities in list of options and click on white arrow to the right of these words
* Click in box to select the option Personalities
* In search box on the right hand side (labelled All Fields) enter name of person – full name, surname, initials and surname
* This brings up the Name Authority record for that person showing what is known about them.
* Click on the option ‘All records associated with this person’ located beside the person’s name
* This brings up all the songs etc collected from them.

**Sample People**

**Bell Duncan, Lambhill (Insch, Aberdeenshire)**

The Name Authority record containing information about Bell Duncan is at this link

<https://www.vwml.org/record/Pers/JMC.pDuncanBell>

Clicking on ‘all records associated with this person' brings up 993 results!

She was Carpenter’s stellar performer. There are photos of her at these links

<https://www.vwml.org/record/VWMLImageIndex/IM5393>

<https://www.vwml.org/record/VWMLImageIndex/IM5389>

She knew around 300 songs. These included 65 ‘Child’ ballads including ‘The Wylie Wife o the Hie Toun Hie :

* music notation at <https://www.vwml.org/record/VWMLSongIndex/SN22428>
* words at <https://www.vwml.org/record/VWMLSongIndex/SN23212>
* sound recording at <https://www.vwml.org/record/VWMLSongIndex/SN16320>

and The White Fisher

* music notation at <https://www.vwml.org/record/VWMLSongIndex/SN22452>
* words at https://www.vwml.org/record/VWMLSongIndex/SN23233
* sound recording at <https://www.vwml.org/record/VWMLSongIndex/SN16246>

**Mrs Annie Kidd (Rothienorman, Aberdeenshire)**

Name Authority Record: <https://www.vwml.org/record/Pers/JMC.pKiddAnnieMrs>

Fairly rare ballad, The Wife of Usher’s Well

* music notation at <https://www.vwml.org/record/VWMLSongIndex/SN22450>
* words at https://www.vwml.org/record/VWMLSongIndex/SN23206
* sound recording at https://www.vwml.org/record/VWMLSongIndex/SN17806

**Mrs Watson Gray (Fochabers, Moray)**

Name Authority Record: <https://www.vwml.org/record/Pers/JMC.pGrayMrsWatson>

Ballads include ‘The Bonny Earl o Moray’ and ‘Thomas the Rhymer’ but words only, no sound recordings and no tunes

* Words at <https://www.vwml.org/record/VWMLSongIndex/SN24622>

**George Simpson (Dundee)**

Name Authority Record: <https://www.vwml.org/record/Pers/JMC.pSimpsonGeo>

Shanties and sea songs including Rolling Home

* sound recording at <https://www.vwml.org/record/VWMLSongIndex/SN17067>