Johnston — before 1160, *Killvinin*, Church of St Vinin, the Welsh form of Finnan.

Census, 1841 — Population increase attributed 'to the [creation] of the Glasgow, Ayr & Kilmarnock Railway; to the extension of the collieries in the immediate neighbourhood, and to the erection of tile and brick works.'

2SA, [April 1842], 826 — Parish populations; 1755, 2541; 1792, 2360; 1801, 2700; 1811, 3291; 1821, 3696; 1831, 3738; 1841, 5251.

Imp Gaz, 1855 III, 219 — Good sandstone quarried throughout the parish.

III, 209 — Consists of one narrow street with some lanes. Some modern houses. Town population in 1851, 3265.

Ness, Landmarkis — Created a Burgh on 21st November 1889

Groome, post 1894, 388 — Sandstone quarries. Limestone ironstone and coal worked. Clay used for tile and brick manufacture. One-third of parish is arable or woodland. St Winning is said to have founded a church here c.715 AD. Abbey built 400 years later. Until 1846 main occupation was weaving: now engineering, fire-clay and spinning.

West end of town called The Byres. East end is Corsehill, site of a cross which guided pilgrims to shrine of St Winning. The spring to the south of the manse is called Winning's Well.

Population, town: 1841, 2971; 1861, 3921; 1881, 3469; 1891, 3835.

3SA, [1946-50], 309 — 2 new housing developments at Blacklands - once housed Eglinton Iron Works employees [Kilwinning Landward] and Dirrans. 210 new houses at Dirrans. For Blacklands see KL.

ACC, Police & Law C, 4.3.1946 — Proposed Burgh Boundary extensions at the north-east (57.65 acres) and south-west (1.81 acres).

ACC, PLC 3.5.1948, 684 — Formal Petition lodged with Dheriff.

ACC Planning, A1185 — June 1949. Housing development, Water Cut Road, for William Smith. Refused.

ACC, Police & Law C, 4.10.1954 — Extended w.e.f 16th May 1954.

Official Guide, c.1967, p.11 — "The whole of Kilwinning is included in the Irvine New Town Designation Order 1966 which includes part of the parish and burgh of Irvine. It is anticipated in this plan that Kilwinning will be the key point for transport due to the fast railway service with Glasgow."

IRVINE BAY REGENERATION PROJECT

C21 — Part of Irvine Bay Regeneration Partnership project. Master plan for Kilwinning: **Austin-Smith: Lord**..

Ayrshire News, May/June 2010, p.17

An exciting new project is being launched which will see local people dig into Kilwinning's historic past as part of the work to shape the town's future. The idea for the Kilwinning Community Archaeology Project was initiated by Kilwinning & District Preservation Society and Irvine Bay Regeneration Company as part of the wider regeneration plans for the town. Following initial feasibility work completed by local archaeology specialist Rathmell Archaeology, the project is now going ahead run by KDPS during the summers of 2010 and 2011. The project will cost £90,000, funded equally by the HLF and Irvine Bay, and with other support from NAC, HS and West of Scotland

Archaeology Service. The project will explore the main visible historic remains in and around the town, including Kilwinning Abbey.

Ayrshire News, Oct/Nov 2012, 3 KILWINNING SET FOR £520K FACE-LIFT. Western gateway (Almswall Road/Main St. Design: IRRC; contractor CCG Scotland.

ST WINNIN'S WELL

AA, Th 23.7.1891, 6c 'A spring at Kilwinning, still called St Winnin's Well, was at one time regarded with superstitious reverence. The Irish saint to whom it was dedicated took up his abode in its neighbourhood early in the eighth century, and built a church, which was the forerunner of the splendid abbey founded there some four centuries later.'

KILWINNING PAPINGO

PAPINGO

Groome, post 1894, 388 Company of Archers has been in existence since 1488. Papingo contest held each June. Popinjay placed on a pole on steeple of the abbey.

3SA, 1951 304 Papingo contest continued until 1870.

WOODGREEN MORTIFICATION TRUST

ACC, Finance Committee 9.3.1950 Created by David Mure in 1740: he gifted the lands of Woodgreen to Kilwinning Kirk Session for behoof of the poor. Hence, in terms of Poor Law (Scotland) Act 1845 passed to Parichial Board, and subsequently to the Parish Council, and then to the County Council. Land still held in 1950.

COUNCILLORS AND OFFICIALS

PROVOST

TT, F 11.9.1896, 4g Provost Milligan is retiring from business, having been a draper for 45 years.

1913 - 1919 William MUIR (Obit in KS 26.1.1924. On Council 1901-1921. 63)

TOWN CLERK

-1910 Robert KING

ASH, F 14.1.1910, 2h -- PATERSON appointed as joint clerk alongside Robert King

Fl.1952 D MITCHELL BOLTON

Fl. 1960 Joint town clerks: John PATERSON and D J MITCHELL BOLTON

Fl.1968 D J MITCHELL BOLTON

AYR COUNTY COUNCIL PLANNING

EG, F 28.4.1961, 263b Proposed Amendment No. 10, Town map 1, affecting land at Wood Farm, Kilwinning. Submitted to Secretary of State 24th April 1961.

UNSORTED

1877

ASH, Sa 7.4.1877, 8a Kilwinning. Building Trade. Currently being built: large 2-storey tenement near the station; cottage in Union Place; 2 storey house in Market Place. A handsome villa in Howgate has been contracted for,

while proposed are a new office for the Clydesdale Bank, and ‘a large range of new shops and dwellings in Main Street’.

1896

TT, F 18.9.1896, 3c — Plans approved by Police Commissioners: Stable, for Co-operative Society; Ticket House, for Monkcastle F C; Tenements, shops and dwellinghouses, for Misses Service; Additions, for William Paterson.

FIVE ROADS

AA, Th 7.1.1841, 1e — For sale, 999Y tack from Whit 1827 of a plot fronting the road to Fergushill, lying near Five Roads, with a two storey house thereon. P.p. by James Robertson, mason, and others.

MALCOLM CAMPBELL

The grocer Malcolm Campbell was born in Kilwinning, c.1848. (See AA 6.12.1917).
He died, in Glasgow?, 3.9.1935.

CO-OPERATIVE

ASH, F 3.1.1902 — The plans of Allan Gilfillan, Ardrossan, have been accepted for the proposed new Co-operative building in Kilwinning.

RAILINGS

Ness, Landmarkis — Taken down on 21st April 1943.

THE RING

Nr — Sculpture by **David Annand**. Location?

WINTON ARMS

ASH, Sa 23.2.1861, 2b — Winton Arms to sell, near Station, on 894Y lease from Martinmas 1827.

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