BARASSIE PRIMARY SCHOOL (1)

AA, CO 3/10/5/30, AR 5.12.1969 Begun March 1969, due for completion March 1970.
AA, CO 3/10/5/30, TSSC 10.12.1969 Will be ready for February/March 1970.
AA, CO3/10/5/30, GPC 13.2.1970 Name approved.

BARASSIE PRIMARY SCHOOL (2)

Web, June 2008 The South Ayrshire PPP contract with **Carillion** was approved in December 2005. The buildings involved are new build Academies at Belmont and Prestwick, an addition to Kyle Academy and new build primary schools at Alloway, Barassie and Monkton.

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Construction work started in January 2007 to build new primary schools at Alloway, Barassie and Monkton, new secondary schools at Belmont and Prestwick and an annexe at Kyle Academy. The Kyle Academy annexe was the first project to be completed, its assembly hall and e-learning suite having been operational since October 2007. Monkton Primary School was finished in April 2008, being a complete replacement for the former school, parts of which dated back to 1850. Phase I of both Alloway Primary and Barassie Primary was completed in March 2008, Work is continuing to complete the second phase in each school. External works and landscaping remain to be completed at both schools. Belmont Academy moved into their new accommodation at the start of the current school year. Phase I of Prestwick Academy was completed in mid October with the pupils returning to the school after the October break. Phases 2 & 3 which include the PE Department and external works will be completed next year.

BURGH BUILDINGS, Barassie Street

ACC Planning, 4234 March 1947. Alterations, for Troon TC.

BUS SHELTER, Muirhead

ACC Planning, A6246 July 1953. R. Wilson, B.S., for Troon T.C.

CEMETERY

ASH, Sa 1.3.1862, 1d; KWP 1.3.1862

Contracts wanted for stone walls to enclose Cemetery.

AA, CO 3/12/3/38 NBC 25.7.1913 Gate Lodge, Troon Cemetery, for Dundonald Parish Council

AA, CO 3/12/3/39 NBC 20.2.1914 Enlargement of lodge, Troon Cemetery.
ASH, F 8.5.1914, 5b '… this week Troon is baosting of an extension to its cemetery.'
AP, F 22.1.1937, 8d (obit) Builder (of extension) was **Henry Adams**, Troon
ACC Planning, A557 January 1949. Shelter/Lavatories, for Troon T.C.

DRINKING FOUNTAIN

AA 11.12.1890 Mr Orr McLean, builder, Troon has ... commenced erecting a polished granite drinking fountain on the vacant piece of ground opposite Portland Terrace. It is a gift from James Dickie, Putney.

AA 16.7.1891 Completed on Thursday. Base and obelisk are of Peterhead granite. It was made by **William Muir**, Gracechurch Street, London, and erected by Messrs **Orr & McLean**, Troon. It will be formally opened on 18.7.1891.

FIRE STATION, Bradan Road

B, 29.3.1940 To be built, 1940: Burgh Surveyor, architect.

SRC, 14.9.1982		To be advertised for sale.

FULLARTON SCHOOL

AA 11.11.1897		The School Board are to ask Mr Ingram to produce plans for a 550-scholar school in Barassie Street.
KS 5.3.1898		Dundonald School board have approved plans of new school in Barassie Street. Plans of **R S Ingram**.
B, lxxv, 235		Being built. R S Ingram. Builders: **Watson & Adams**, Troon. [Henry Adams obit in AP, F 22.1.1937, 8d, names him as builder, but partnership with Watson was 1897-c.1906.]
BI 9/98	May 1898	New school in Barassie Street, at estimated cost of £4500. **R S Ingram**.
KS 5.5.1900		Fullarton Public School, a handsome new school, was opened last Tuesday. **R S Ingram**, Kilmarnock, architect.
AA 10.5.1900		Opened last Tuesday week.
BI 18/213	December 1907	Extension of Fullarton School, for Dundonald School Board. **James Miller**, Glasgow. [BA, lxx, 382-383. Proposed extension, Miller, Glasgow, £10,000]
B, xcvi, 127		1909 extension, with main front to Academy Street. Red sandstone, and green Westmorland slate. James Miller, Glasgow, architect.
AA 14.1.1909		Extension to Higher Grade School opened on Monday.
ACC Planning, 3593		June 1946. Dining Hall, Troon P.S., for Ayr County Council.

BURNBANK HOUSE

ACC,E(GP) 21.6.1951		To be demolished.

HEALTH CENTRE

WRH, RHP 34102		1945. Bound Plan of Troon Health Centre (../1), and Book of Reference (.../2). M[argaret] S Brodie, architect.
AP 18.12.1942		Proposed gift of clinic by Sir Alexander Walker announced at Monday's Town Council meeting.
BI 53/634	January 1943	A clinic, for rheumatism, &c., is to be built in the burgh, through the generosity of Sir Alexander Walker; plans of proposed clinic: **James Miller RSA Son & Manson**, Glasgow.
AP 14.4.1944		Gift accepted. To be on a site between Municipal Buildings and St Meddans Street on site of Ivy Cottage (12 SB), Hamilton Cottage (14-16 SB) and 18-26 South Beach. [Note: these all survived to be listed, but were subsequently demolished. Presumably Health Centre never built]

HOSPITAL

BI 12/144	March 1902	A small infectious diseases hospital, by TTC. Plans of Mr **Eaglesham**, architect, Ayr.
AA 18.6.1903		Smallpox Hospital in course of erection: plans of John Eaglesham.

LIBRARY

AA, CO 3/10/5/32, GPC 20.10.1972	Let to William McClure & Sons, Irvine, at £38095.
AA, CO 3/10/5/34, GPC 19.7.1974	Will be ready later this year. Troon T.C. told that it is not ACC policy to have official openings, but they can arrange an open day if they wish.
AA, CO 3/10/5/34, GPC 13.9.1974	Libraries at Kilbirnie, Troon, Dundonald completed.
KCDC, L&R Cttee 20.5.1975	Now opened.

GORDON BROWN MEMORIAL GARDEN

TT, June 2004	Opened.
Web	Seats are by **Marvin Elliott**, Corrie.

MARR COLLEGE

TRUST

SRC, Buildings & Property 2.11.1976, 1212
New lease, for 60 years from Martinmas 1976, at £84,000 per annum.

SRC, E(Sch) 17.7.1980, 1121 — Details of revised agreement between SRC and the CK Marr Trust.

AP, F 29.2013, 19 — Transfer to South Ayrshire Council agreed.

BUILDING

List 17A,amended as New List 16 — **John Arthur**, 1919-1933. Large symmetrical classical block. 2 storeys with projecting 3-storey octagonal entrance block topped by balustraded parapet and slender drum to copper dome. Pavilion treatment to returned end rnages, Ionic columns in antis, blind aedicules with tablets. Green Cumbrian slate roof, dressed ashlar walls, banded pilaster treatment to angles of centre block and pavilions, rusticated plinth. Large windows to entrance block, architraves and swivel metal frames, bolection moulded doorpiece with coat-of-arms set into foliage cornice, double 10-panel doors, wrought iron lamp standards flanking steps. Main blocks (9 bay) pilastered 1st floor treatment, cill bands with tablet detail, metal frames, double bracket cornices. Central higher wing runs back from entrance to join rear elevation, similar treatment to entrance range but pedimented centre block with Ionic columns in antis.
Interiors include a circular entrance hall with Doric columns and guttae cornice.
Due to delays in construction College not opened till 1933. Marr College Trust formed 1917. Ref: Shaw, 83. B.

NMRS sheaf catalogue — John Arthur, architect.

3SA, 1955, 614 — in 1919 C K Marr left £330,795 to Troon for educational purposes. The College cost £238,000 and was ready for occupation in 1930 but opening delayed until 1935. central hall is flanked by Museum on one side and Art Gallery on the other. Hall seats 420. Main entrance via Memorial Hall with bust of C K Marr. Classrooms are panelled in cedar and mahogany with polished oak floors and vita-glass windows. 50 acre playing fields.

AA 17.4.1919 — Details of Marr Bequest made known this week. Charles Kerr Marr, of Lloyds Avenue, London EC, died 15.2.1919. He left the residue of his estate - £200,000 + - to form an educational trust from Troon. A native of Troon, Marr left 40 to 50 years ago.

BI 35/419 February 1925 — Small sketch.

AA 1.3.1928 — Arthur's plans have been submitted to the AEA.

AA 14.6.1928 — Work has commenced. John Arthur, architect.

ACC, PAHC, 30.9.1930 — BBL. 2 houses, Marr College.

nr — Completed after Arthur's illness and death in 1936, by **A G McNaughtan**.

Annals of Glenfield Ramblers, vol 11, 1934, 166
Visited in June 1933 by Glenfield Ramblers. Built of Blaxter stone. the bust of C K Marr in the Memorial Hall is by **Proudfoot**.

AP, F 6.9.1935, 5abc — Formally opened last Monday (2nd September 1935) by Marquis of Lothian. Sir Alexander Walker in chair.

TPT, F 6.9.1935, 4abcd — Formally opened last Monday. -do, 6c, comments on Lothian's speech: as one of the Cecil Rhodes Trust trustees he stated that "the Rhodes Scholarships are open to the subjects of Britain and its Colonies, and to those of the United States and Germany. His Lordship remarked that evidently Rhodes envisioned a combination of these Powers which would be so potential as to ensure world's peace. But the Germany of his day is not the Germany of to-day. However dictatorial the Emperor of Germany may have been, he acted as a constitutional monarch. Then, there was freedom of the Press, liberty

of the subject to freely express his opinion and criticize, no persuasion of faith was stigmatized, and no race living within the German Empire was outlawed and persecuted.

BI 46/546 September 1935 Built five years ago, and now opened.

B., 31.7.1936 John Arthur named as architect in his obituary.

AP, F 26.6.1953, 11bcd Design criticised by head master, and criticism rebutted by J V Stevenson.

ACC Planning, B774 December 1956. Science Wing, for C K Marr Educational Trust.

AA, CO 3/10/5/30, GPC 20.3.1970 Proposed additions within the two quadrangles, for the C K Marr Educational Trust, by Stevenson & Ferguson.

AA, CO 3/10/5/30, GPC 13.4.1970 These proposals not favoured.

AP, F 7.10.1977, 37cd Planning Notice. Extension.

AP, F 25.11.1977, 46ef Extension approved, though called 'unbelievably bad design' by KCDC Councillor George Dawes (architect), and recommendation of re-thinking by Bill Gilmour. £1,450,000.

SRC, E(Sv) 18.5.1978, 664 Contract for extension (Phase I) awarded to Derek Crouch (Scotland) Ltd., East Kilbride, for £1,217,816.

SRC, B&P 13.11.1979, 1476 Contract, alterations, Derek Crouch (Scotland) Ltd.

SRC, E(Sv) 21.4.1981, 715 Contract for Phase II, alterations, let to John Dickie & Son Ltd., Glasgow, at £688,205.

SRC, 17.6.1981 Start delayed by 5 months due to financial constraints.

SRC, E(Sv), 1.12.1981, 87 Contract for Phase II, with Dickies, now let, same price.

B 19.3.1982 Contracts awarded and work has started on alterations to Marr College for SRC. Conts: John Dickie & Son Ltd., Thornliebank. est cost: £650,000.

FITTINGS

AP 22.5.1942 Benno Schotz is to do a bronze bust of Sir Alexander Walker, possibly to be placed in Marr College.

AP 22.1.1943 Benno Schotz presently finishing bust of Sir Alexander Walker.

AP 20.4.1943 To be presented to Marr College 8.5.1943.

GATE PILLARS

List 17D, amended as New List 18 **John Arthur**, after c.1919 (?). Four tall stone piers with stepped raised panels flanking entrance. Monogrammed MC., key pattern tops; sinuous dwarf walls link piers, double ironwork gates. CS. (B group)

HOUSES

ACC, B&SC, 21.1.1947, 143 Gift of £5000, from Sir Alexander Walker, to build four houses for teachers. See ref.

ACC Planning, A3434 April 1951. Four houses for teachers, Marr College, for C K Marr Educational Trust.

VR 1954/55 107 - 113 Dundonald Road.

JANITOR'S HOUSE

List 17B, amended as New List 19 **John Arthur**, after c.1919 (?). T-shape Lutyens-inspired bungalow, ashlar walls, green Cumbrian slate roofs, hipped with oversailing eaves, tall stakcs, hipped dormers. Plain wood casements, mostly paired, glazing bars, doorway under porch in agle with block column. CS.

LODGE, former

List 17C, amended as New List 17 **John Arthur**, after c.1919 (?). Square Lutyens-inspired lodge, snecked freestone and steep Cumbrian slate roofs, oversailing eaves, massive stack at roof apex, hipped dormers (paired facing approach). Wood casements, glazing bars, triple lights facing south on ground floor. Tuscan porch under eaves facing driveway. CS. (B group)

SPORTS HALL

n.r. Demolished 2017.

SPORTS PAVILION

A 23.2.1934 — Mr James Miller RSA FRIBA Glasgow is preparing plans for a £10,000 sports pavilion which is to be erected in connection with Marr's College.

B., 2.3.1934 — Plans being prepared.

ABN., 24.8.1934 — James Miller, Glasgow, architect.

RIAS Collection — 11 1934 drawings by Miller for Marr College.

AP, F 26.6.1953, 11bcd — Referred to by J V Stevenson as by James Millar RSA in rebuttal of attack on Arthur's designs by headmaster.

DUX MEDAL

ACC, B&SC, 21.1.1947, 143 — Income from proposed four houses will be used, partly, to pay cost of Sir Alexander Walker Dux Medals.

1963 — Barbara M. Holmes and Sheena Milroy (AA, Th 4.7.1963, 29)

RECTOR

1930 - 1957 — Wishaw Herald 2068, F 14.2.1930, 4d: **Alfred R Murison** MA, rector, Hamilton Academy, has been appointed first rector. Educated at Fraserburgh, and Aberdeen University. 1915-19, p.t., Maths & Science, Selkirk HS; 1919-20, Vale of Leven Academy; 1920 Rector, Thurso Academy; 1924, Rector, Hamilton Academy.
AP, F 8.2.1957, 10b. Is retiring.

(1963) — R. KENNEDY

STAFF

April 1955, F 28.6.1935, 12 — Physical Instruction. Ronald W Boon, Dunfermline, former Welsh R.U. International.

AA, Th 4.7.1963, 28e — Retiring. James Gilfillan, principal teacher of art. Has been at Troon H G School 1927-35, and then at Marr. Previously, from 1923, at Galston, Prestwick, Dalmellington. The portrait of Sir Alexander Walker as a young man is by him. Presentation by Mrs Potter, principal teacher of homecraft, now last Troon H G teacher still on staff.

MUIRHEAD, COMMUNITY CENTRE

ACC planning, A2005 — February 1950. Community Centre, Muirhead, for Muirhead Tenants Community Association.

MUIRHEAD PRIMARY SCHOOL

AA, CO 3/10/5/22 — GPSC 22.3.1962 Crudens Ltd, Musselburgh, invited to tender for construction of new St Bridgets Kilbirnie, Logan P.S., Muirhead P.S. and a new Dalrymple P.S.

SAC, ACC GPC 20.9.1962 — Let to Crudens Ltd at £79,837.

ACC, AR 13.12.1962 — Work began December 1962.

NURSES' HOME, Barassie Street

KS 21.5.1904 — Sketch of new house in Barassie Street for Troon District Nursing Association. Formally opened last Monday. **James Hay**, Kilmarnock, architect. Brick, harled.

B, lxxxvi, 558 — Opened 16.5.1904, **James Hay**, Kilmarnock, architect. £1300.

BN, lxxxvi, 747 — 2 storeys - English style.

Dean of Guild Court, plans 212 — Addition to existing, for Troon Nursing Association per J C Finlay. Plans of June 1923, **Alex Mair**. Approved 23.7.1923. [Extension to left of, and forward of, pre-existing building].

OLD MEN'S CABIN

AP, F 14.6.1929, 8c — Approved at Troon Dean of Guild Court, Monday. Cabin or Shelter, Shore Road, for the Committee of the Old Men's Cabin, per John J Welsh, Secretary. Estimated cost, £350.

POLICE STATION, 78-80 Portland Street

AA 24.1.1867	Contractors - Police Station - **John Murdoch**, Ayr, architect.
SRC, 3.8.1982	To be advertised for sale.

POLICE AND FIRE STATION, Portland Street

ACC, GPC 17.4.1964	Proposed transfer of site (site of former St Meddan's House) to Police & Law Committee opposed by Education G P Sub Committee.
SRC, 12.1.1978	Site in Portland Street, reserved for a nursery school, proposed transfer to Police & Fire Committee account, as site for new Police/Fire Station.
SRC 3.10.1978	Site has been transferred
SRC, P&F 27.9.1979, 1288	Contract. Elliot-Medway Construction (Scotland) Ltd., £267,291.

POLO GROUND

AP, F 20.5.2011, 8 [1911]	Ayrshire Polo Club has begun play for the season at its ground adjoining the municipal links. Practice sessions are being held on new additional; areas, to preserve the main field for competitions.
KS, Sa 29.3.1924, 1d	For sale. Wooden pavilion, belonging to Ayrshire Polo Club. 2 rooms, 3 lavatories, veranda, balcony and loft. Also roller, grass cutter, loose boxes, &c. Can be removed after 15th May. Offers to major Norman Kennedy, Buchanan Street, Glasgow.

PORTLAND BOWLING CLUB

AA 6.5.1897	A new bowling green for Troon Portland Bowling Club opened last Friday.

= 4 DALLAS ROAD?

ACC Planning, A4165	November 1951. Ladies lavatory, clubhouse, Dallas Road, for Troon Bowling Club.

PORTLAND PARK

FOOTBALL PITCH

ACC Planning, B825	January 1957. Covered enclosure, Portland Football Park, for Troon Town Council.

PUBLIC CONVENIENCES

ACC Planning, A3639	May 1951. Public Conveniences, PP, for Troon T.C.

PORTLAND SCHOOL

AA 16.7.1874	Contractors - new Troon Portland School - Dundonald School Board. **John Murdoch**, Ayr, architect.
AA 20.1.1887	The Dundonald Sxhool Board have instructed Mr **[R S] Ingram**., architect, Kilmarnock, to prepare plans and estimates for a new school premises.
AA 7.4.1887	Plans, preapred by Mr Ingram, for the enlargement of Portland School at an estimated cost of £1850 remitted back to him with the view of having them modified (i.e. cheapened).
AA 2.6.1887	Amended plans submitted by Mr Ingram.
A 15.6.1888, Supp, p.10	Extension to be built. Cost: £725. **W Young**, builder.

POST OFFICE, Church Street

ABN, 4.10.1929	1929, to be built. Wilson Paterson, HM Office of Works, Edinburgh, architect.
AP, F 26.12.1930, 1a	Contractors wanted for Post Office, Troon. Details: HM Office of Works, Edinburgh.
B, 2.1.1931	1931, to be built. HM Office of Works, Edinburgh, architect.
AP 20.5.1932	Opened last Tuesday. Design: HM Office of Works.
AP 15.7.1932	Formally opened last Friday. Those present included J Wilson Paterson, ARIBA, HM Office of Works.

PUBLIC HALL, 5 ACADEMY STREET See Churches

PUBLIC LAVATORIES, &c., Beach Road, Barassie
ACC Planning, A7401 June 1954. Lavatories, Shelter, Kiosk, Beach Road, for Troon T.C.

PUBLIC LAVATORIES, Templehill
TT, F 26.5.1899, 5b Public Convenience has been completed.
ACC Planning, A817 March 1949. Public Lavatories, Templehill, for Troon T.C.

ST. PATRICK'S R.C. SCHOOL
ACC, TSSC (1945) Secondary section to close at end of 1944/45 session.

SCHOOL
B, 27.1.1939 New elementary school to be built, 1939. County Architect, architect.
SA 1/6 February 1939 New school proposed. William Reid.
B, 10.2.1939 Plans in hand, 1939. William Reid, County Architect.

SCHOOL, FREE CHURCH
AA 27.2.1845; KH 28.2.1845 Contractors wanted for Free Church School.

SCHOOL, PARISH
2SA, 1845 (12/1841), 686 "now building". 230 places.
AA, Th 7.1.1841, 4d The first annual soirée of the Troon Total Abstinence Society was held 1 January 1841 in the "new school room."

SCHOOL TROON ACADEMY
Mackintosh, Old Troon, 1969, 17 Built in Academy Street, 1840, and now part of Elder Brothers premises in Academy Street.
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ACC Planning, A761 March 1949. Alterations to house, Troon Infants School, Academy Street, for Ayr County Council.

SEAWALL and ESPLANADE
TT, F 17.3.1899, 5b Continuing discussion of merits of plans. The engineers are **J & H V Eaglesham**, Ayr.
TT, F 14.4.1899, 1a Contractors wanted for 1900 yards of concrete sea wall. Details: J & H V Eaglesham.
TT, F 5.1.1900, 4f Steady progress is being made with the erection of the new sea-wall.
NORTH SHORE
ACC Planning, A1822 December 1949. Sea Wall, North Shore. R Wilson, Burgh Surveyor, for Troon T.C.

STRUTHERS PRIMARY SCHOOL
SRC, E(Sv) 18.5.1978, 664 Contract for new primary school, Muirhead, let to McFarlane of Troon Ltd., for £300,033.
SRC, E(Sv), 18.1.1979, 108 Name approved.
SRC, E(Sv), 20.2.1979, 272 Original contractor in liquidation. Hastings Black Ltd., Ayr, appointed as new contractors.
SRC, E(Sv), 15.3.1979, 383 Contract price, £242,843.
SRC 2.8.1979 Delayed (part of 1979-80 programme).
PHASE II
SRC, E(Sv), 15.5.1984, 538 Contract let to John Moulds (Kilmarnock) Ltd., at £191,611.

SWIMMING POOL

AP 5.6.1931 — Formally opened last Saturday. Design: **Brady**, Burgh Engineer.

TELEPHONE EXCHANGE, Templehill

BI 79/934 January 1968 — Contracts have been let.

TERRITORIAL ARMY, Portland Street

ACC Planning, A3998 — September 1951. Additional quarters; **Stevenson & Ferguson**, for Territorial and Auxiliary Forces Association.

TROON PORTLAND BOWLING CLUB, West Portland Street

ACC Planning, A5571 — February 1953. Addition to clubhouse, for Troon Portland Bowling Club.

WALKER HALL, ETC

p.k. — Before the Halls were in use, Troon Town Council's offices were at 27 Portland Street, which became the National Bank offices in June 1933.

List 35 — TOWN HALL. Listed 31.5.1984. **James Miller**, 1932. Neo-Georgian Town Hall. Red brick with ashlar dressings, pantiled roofs. 2 storeys, basement and attic with large hall at rear full-height of principal floors. South Beach elevation: 9 bays, 3 centre advanced and divided by giant fluted composite pilasters supporting entablature and balustrade; central Roman Doric columned portico at head of steps. All ground floor windows with round-arched heads, pilasters rising from stone plinth and multi-pane glazing; small basement windows to outer bays. Details continue on 11-bay side elevations, with the addition of 3 first floor balconies to north. Rear hall entered through projecting 2-storey bay and from rear (Esplanade). Rear elevation with 2 wide outer bays recessed, 5 centre bays with tall windows through ground and first floors flanked by giant fluted pilaster strips. Refs: A&BN, J-J 1930, 684; ABN, J_J 1931, 134; ATD20/1-22. Notes: plaque in front hall with details of opening. Cost £90,000.

K Andrew — Council Chambers, &c. 1932. Walker Halls opened 1975; **Noad & Wallace**, architects.

Plaque in building — Site and 'handsome donations' given by Sir Alexander Walker. Formally opened 27.10.1932. **James Miller**, RSA, architect.

RIAS Collection — 55 drawings by James Miller [1860-1947]

B, 14.2.1930 — Plans being prepared, 1930, by James Miller. To accommodate 1000 people. Cost £30,000.

B 31.10.1930 — To be built.

AP 16.1.1931 — Contractors wanted for Municipal Buildings. Details: Joint Town Clerks.

B 27.3.1931 — Tenders accepted. Tilework: **Toffolo Jackson & Co**., Glasgow.

AP 28.10.1932 — Formally opened yesterday. Description.

KCDC, L&R Cttee 16.9.1975 — Formally opened 30.4.1975.

WAR MEMORIAL

New List 36 — Listed 31.5.1984. Granite plinth with Vitruvian scrolled band below memorial panels (1914-18 and 1939-45). Bronze figure of Liberty. **Alfred (sic) Gilbert**, sculptor, 1924. Granite bench echoing details of plinth set behind memorial. B.

GT Bell — 30.11.1924

B, cxxiv, nr — **Walter Gilbert**. Competition was assessed by J Miller. £1750. Britannia. 9'6". Cullaloe stone.

B 18.5.1923 — Result of competition. 1st premium: Walter Gilbert. "represents Britannia with the victory in her hand, and the chains of bondage snapped, holding out the palm to those of her sons who lie beyond the

seas. 9'6" bronze figure. 9'6" square base and steps, to be of Cullaloe stone or of granite".

AA 4.12.1924; AP 5.12.1924 — Unveiled last Sunday. Bronze statue of Britannia on a granite pedestal. 177 names on bronze panels. Sculptor; **Walter Gilbert**, Birmingham. [B 12.12.1924 gives figure as 10'6" and granite pedestal as 13' high]

nr — 5 drawings of 1945 by James Miller in RIAS.

GOLF COURSES

GOLF, GENERAL

Mackintosh, Old Troon, 1969, 70 — A 6 hole course was established by Kilmarnock summer visitors - no date given, but abandoned by c.1894.

KILMARNOCK BARASSIE, 23-25 Hillhouse Road

Mackintosh, Old Troon, 1969, 70 — Formed 1894, based on the Kilmarnock Ossington Club (formed 1887), but moved to Barassie, and opened there 24.10.1896.

AA, Th 24.9.1896, 6d — Reports gift of three silver cups to Kilmarnock Golf Club.

CLUBHOUSE

K Andrew — Clubhouse opened in 1903.

AA 18.10.1894 — We understand that the new links at Barassie for Kilmarnock Ossington Golf Club will be opened on Saturday first.

AA, CO 3/12/3/35 — NBC 13.6.1902 Golf Club House, Barassie. **James Hay**, Kilmarnock, architect.

KS 20.9.1902 — In course of erection. Sketch.

AA 23.5.1903 — Formally opened last Saturday.

ACC Planning, A9017 — September 1955. Alterations, for Kilmarnock (Barassie) Golf Club.

Mackintosh, Old Troon, 1969, 70 — Clubhouse enlarged "recently".

MUNICIPAL GOLF COURSE

LOCHGREEN – DARLEY - FULLARTON

KS 18.3.1903 — Proposed Municipal Golf Course. **James Hay**, Kilmarnock, architect. Sketch.

AA 1.6.1905: KS 3.6.1905 — Formally opened last Saturday. Claimed to be the longest in the British Isles at 6786 yards (3263 out, 3523 in). Laid out by William Fernie.

BI 16/183 June 1905 — The municipal links opened 27.5.1905 rank as the longest in Scotland. A commodious clubhouse has for some time been in course of erection and is now nearly completed.

Troon TC, Golf Committee 15.4.1910 — Meeting with Mr **Hay**, architect, regarding erection of a club house.

A 30.11.1934 — Architect for alterations to Municipal Golf Clubhouse: J B McInnes. [Similarly in ABN 30.11.1934, and B 23.11.1934. B 1.3.1935 talks of reconstruction and extension]

AP 28.2.1936 — Extension to be formally opened tomorrow. Plans of late **J B McInnes**, Troon, architect.

AP 6.3.1936 — Formally opened last Saturday.

Golf South Ayrshire Brochure (Homecoming 2009)

[1951] — The present DARLEY course was opened on 9th June, 1951.

REFRESHMENT KIOSK, LOCHGREEN

ACC Planning, A949 — April 1949. Refreshment Kiosk, Lochgreen Course, for William Watson, Municipal Golf Clubhouse.

PORTLAND

Mackintosh, Troon Golf Club, 1974, 68

Course originally known as the Relief Course. For a clubhouse firstly used the old Ladies Clubhouse, then a new one built in 1915, costing £1046. A bar addition was added in 1928-29 at a cost of £194. Further addition made in 1964-65.

TT, F 24.2.1899, 5d — Dean of Guild, plans approved. Take down and re-erect present Portland Golf Club House.

TT, F 10.3.1899, 5d — "Was removed to the new links in front of Craigend Farm this week."

BI 24/287 February 1914 — New Clubhouse for Troon Portland G.C. has passed Dean of Guild Court. **H Brown**, Kilmarnock, architect.

ROYAL TROON

KS 28.8.1886 — The club was formed in March 1878.

AA 4.7.1895 — The Second course was opened last Saturday. Second club in Scotland, after St Andrews, to have two courses.

TT, F 7.4.1899, 2ef — Copy of article in *North British Daily Mail*. Transcript herewith.

Warlow, 47 — DINOSAUR. Troon. Combined Operations base. Commissioned 1.4.1942. Pay and Drafting Section to COPRA (Largs) 7.9.1943. Paid Off 27.5.1946.

Tank Landing Craft HQ 13.5.1942. Training Establishment for Major Landing Craft Officers and Major Landing Craft Gunnery School. Used Troon Golf Club, Crosbie Towers Troon requisition approved as HQ and WRNS accommodation 7.2.1942. Aircraft Recognition School ex WARREN (Largs) 2.6.1945. Nominal Depot Ship: MB Pou Pou Flee (T23) from 1.4.1942 to January 1943, then Naval Auxiliary Boat Joy from January 1943.

AP, F 27.1.2012, 8 [1962] — The Old Course at Troon is closed to golfers to allow the turf to thaw out properly. The course, which will host this summer's Open Championship, has seen a range of improvements, and from the extended tees, now measures 7045 yards. A Troon Golf Club spokesman says improvements were started long before the club knew it would host the 1962 Open.

nr — Royal from 1978.

MOTTO

As inscribed on window head on west elevation

Tamquam Arte Marte. Rather by art than by brute force (DB Smith's free translation)

CLUBHOUSE

New List 12 — Listed 31.5.1984. **H E Clifford**, 1885-86 with additions. 1897 dressing rooms, 1905 almost doubled in size, 1926 **J R Johnstone** of Troon added curved porch. Single storey, part with attic, gabled building. Sandstone ashlar slate roof. Entrance front: long range with lower gabled projections, now linked by shallow curved colonnade forming large open porch. West elevation: 3 parallel ranges each with 4-light canted window and small triple windows above set into wide semi-circular panels; canted winted linked by bold cast-iron balcony supported by heavy consoles at right, 2 columns with stilted heads screen left recessed bay and door. Gable heads linked by smaller blind dormers. 2 lower outer bays. Additional verandah on south and large extension with 2 broad canted windows. Ref: I H Mackintosh, Royal Troon Golf Club, 1974; DoG. CS.

Mackintosh — Clubhouse was built in 1886. **H E Clifford**, Glasgow, a club member, was architect. Much enlarged since.

AA 26.8.1886 — On Tuesday a new era in the history of this prosperous club commenced with the opening of the new clubhouse. [It] is a commodious building. the entrance is by a triple-arched portico. Above the portico, and extending to right and left, over oriel windows, is a balcony. Externally in the centre of the building is a portico with 2 Peterhead granite columns supporting the arches. Above the balcony

	rise two gables with large circular recessed arch pierced with small windows. **H E Clifford**, Glasgow, architect.
KS 28.8.1886	Front elevation and dressings of Giffnock stone, the remainder of Swanacres [sic =? Sevenacres] stone and Peterhead granite.
AA 5.9.1889	Since 1883 the membership of the Troon Golf Club has increased from 160 to 400. This has caused the club to enlarge their golf house considerably.
AA 17.10.1889	Golf Club find that the clubhouse is quite inadequate to the requirements are are making additions at a cost of 32500.
AA 31.10.1889	Plans of **H E Clifford** of an extension were unanimously approved of. To cost c.£1800.
AA 20.5.1897	Golf Club considering plans by Mr **Clifford** of an extension to the clubhouse.
AA 18.11.1897	A large dining hall is to be added to the Golf House.
Dean of Guild Court, plans 394	Entrance portico, J R Johnstone 1926, approved 13.12.1926.
Nr	Additions of 2004-06 by **Hurd Rolland Partnership**.
	WAR MEMORIAL
AP 18.3.1921	War Memorial Tablet, in form of an illuminated scroll, formally unveiled last Saturday. Design: **Helen A Lamb**, Glasgow.
	LADIES CLUB HOUSE
Mackintosh, Old Troon, 1969, 59	First Ladies Clubhouse was a wooden structure. Ladies Course was laid out in 1882, and a clubhouse erected c.1890, and passed to Portland Club when new Ladies Clubhouse was opened in 1897.
AA 6.5.1897	Foundation stone laid last Friday.
TT, F 1.10.1897, 5a	"The ladies of the Troon Golf Club have now made final arrangements about their removal from the old golf-house to the new."
B, lxxii, 426	**H E Clifford**, architect. 2 storeys - roughcast timber panelled over red freestone.
	COURSE
Scottish Golf South West, p9	Several famous golf course architects have been associated with the alterations and development of the course to its present layout. Willie Fernie, Open Champion in 1883, was instructed to make alterations when he was the club's professional, and James Braid, Dr Alister MacKenzie of Augusta fame and Frank Pennink are others who have left their mark on this famous links.
AP, F 7.6.2013	Approval from SAC for improvements, including new sand dune at Prestwick end. Martin Ebert, golf course architect. Improvements mainly to ninth green and 10th tee.
AP, 21.6.2013	Architects are Lawrence McPherson Associates, Ayr (Euan Lawrence). Includes the new dune, and a realignment of the 15th hole to create a dogleg.
	CLUBMASTERS
TT, F 14.7.1899, 5d	Joseph ARMISHAW, clubmaster for several years, leaving, to go into business in Alva.
TT, F 14.7.1899, 5e	New clubmaster: Thomas BASTON, late head butler to lord Eglinton.

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