NOTES ON ESTATES

ADAMTON — In VR 1928/29 consisted of 5 farms: Brieryside & Syke - Mains of Adamton - Newlands - Woodside - Bogside. By 1939/40, 4 were owner-occupied (B&S, AM,W, B), while Newlands had become part of R L Angus's Ladykirk estate.

CAMPS

FAIRFIELD CAMP
ACC, HC 11.1.1950 — Reference
Census 1951 — Population, 397.

WHITESIDE CAMP
ACC, HC 3.12.1946, 1654 — Discussed. 17 huts (15 in good condition). Would only be available for housing for 18 months.
ACC, HC 11.1.1950 — Reference.
ACC Planning, A2122 — March 1950. Improvements, Whiteside Camp, for Ayr County Council. Refused by Sanitary Department.

FARMS

ADAMTON MAINS
AP, F 14.9.1945, 7c — Report of fire in a hay shed.
HOUSE
ACC Planning, A2292 — May 1950. House, AMF; **Stevenson & Ferguson**, for John Jamieson [In *VR 1954/55]
ACC Planning, A3169 — January 1951. Electricity supply to new farmhouse.
AITKENBRAE
AITKENBRAE COTTAGE
AP, F 25.2.1949, 4bcd — Included in Prestwick Airport CPO. Belongs to NCB, and called 'demolished.'
BENTFIELD [Not in 1892/93 VR - is it a farm, or a house in village?]
CO3/12/1/5 BBC 2.3.1909 — Additions, B: John Andrew for himself.
BOGSIDE [ADAMTON]
Edin Eve Courant, 7.4.1796 — Offices at Bogside, "newly finished", slated.
AA, Th 23.6.1831, 1a — To let. "There is a good steading of slated houses upon it."
AA 19.7.1888 — Tenders wanted for alterations and repairs. Dets: James Johnstone, Alloway, factor.
CO3/12/1/2 BBC 3.6.1902 — House, Bogside; James Johnstone, Alloway, factor.
BOGSIDE
BRIERYSIDE SYKE AND MILL LANDS OF ADAMTON
AP, F 25.2.1949, 4bcd — Part, c.97A, included in Prestwick Airport CPO. Property of t.l. John Smith
BROCKET
DUTCH HOUSE — See under "Transport - Road"
FAIRFIELD MAINS AND MONKTONMILL
CO3/12/1/2 BBC 4.2.1902 — Cotmans house, Fairfield. Tait & Crichton WS Edinburgh.
CO3/12/1/3 BBC 3.11.1903 — Alterations to 2 cottages, FM, for Campbell's Trustees; Tait & Crichton WS Edinburgh.
ACC, PAHC 13.11.1930 — RW. Alterations, cottage, FM, for Major Campbell.
AA, Th 21.4.1960, 29abc — Displenishing sale about to be held as James A Howie is getting ready to leave prior to demolition. Borders runway extension.
AA, Th 7.7.1960, 13e — [Obituary of JAH's brother, William]. Infers that it has been demolished,

HOBSLAND

AA 14.6.1804, 4c — To let, 140A, p.p. by James Cockburn. "Very proper for raising wheat and bean crops … there is a good steading of houses on the farm, covered with slates."

AA, Th 9.10.1806, 1a — Farms of Hobsland, High Monktonhill and Fairleys, totalling 195A, for sale. 'There is a new farm steading, forming a square.'

AA, Th 11.8.1808, 4b — Hobbsland and Fairleys, to let. Slated house, &c.

AA, Th 1.6.1809, 1b — For sale. 195A, including 140 acres that have been in the hands of the proprietor for some time "under an improving system of husbandry." "There is a new farm-steading, forming a square, all slated." Close to Kilmarnock-Troon railway.

AA, Th 5.9.1822, 1c — Hobsland and Fairlees, to let. "There is a new two storey dwelling house on Hobsland."

AP, 25.12.2024, so late 1924 — 100 Years Ago. The famous New Zealand All Blacks rugby team visited Kilmarnock last week as their tour of the British Isles concluded with a learning experience in agriculture. Eight members of the team, who previously enjoyed a playing tour of England and Wales, headed north as they are particularly interested in farming and agriculture in general. Their first visit was paid to the West of Scotland Agricultural College where they were shown all the farm stock and poultry department. A call was then made to Hillhouse Farm, owned by Mr James Howie, where an inspection was made of the famous herd of Ayrshires and stud of Clydesdales. The party then proceeded to Hobsland, Monkton, where they were delighted with an inspection of Mr Barr's famous herd of Ayrshire cattle and the young bulls to be offered by auction by Mr Barr's sale in February. The visitors were delighted with their trip.'

AA, Th 2.10.1975, 5a — Photo. Jessie Milligan milking at Hobsland.

COTTAGES

ACC Planning, HC 4.11.1952, 9 — Allan Barr, Hobsland, given permission to use County Council's house plan B(AG)1.

ACC Planning, A5330 — November 1952. 2 semi-detached houses (Type B(AG)1), for Allan Barr.

ACC Planning, A7637 — August 1954. 2 4-apt semi-detached bungalows, for Allan Barr.

LADYKIRK HOME FARM

CO3/12/1/7 BBC 14.10.1919 — Cottage, LHF, for Robert Angus.

MIDTON (39-43 Main Street, Momkton, q.v.)

MONKTONHILL

AA 2.2.1804 1a — To Let. The "steading of houses is just finishing and so fitted up that part of them may be let out for sea-bathing quarters".

C&I 1919 — Thomas Bone, farmer, Monktonhill, died 31st December 1918.

ACC, PHSC 5.5.1931 — RW. All for John K Bone; alterations, Monktonhill Cothouse; alterations, Crosby Cothouse; alterations to 3 cottages, Alron; alterations to 7 cottages, High Monktonhill.

MONKTONMILL — [See also FAIRFIELD MAINS]

Danskin's Cube Book, 1901-1911 — September 1901. Additions and alterations, Monktonmiln, for Finlay Ball, Esq. Estimated cost, £2187 10s 4d. Measured cost, £2991 3s 3d.

C&I 1919 — Finlay Bell, merchant, Glasgow, of Monktonmiln, died 5.9.1918; relict, Catherine Stuart McLay/Bell, died 30.9.1918.

MUIRHOUSE

CO 3/8/5/36 — Includes lengthy correspondence, 1962, about an unauthorised caravan site here.

MUIRHOUSE COTTAGES, 86-88 Main Street, Monkton

NETHERMUIR (Not in 1892/93 VR as a farm]

VR 1904-1905 — Nether Muir House, Townhead of Monkton. Prop: Margaret Grant Watson or Gordon, widow. Occ: self for gardener.

VR 1920-1921 — Nether Muir, Townhead of Monkton. Props: Margaret W, Agnes S, Elisabeth K and Mary B Bone.

VR 1973-1974 — Nethermuir. Prop: Alexander F and Isabella Wylie. Occ: Patrick Donaldson.

ACC, Y/74/230 June 1974 — Alterations and extension, Nethermuir. **Clunie Rowell** for Patrick G Donaldson.

NEWDYKES

CARAVAN SITE

ACC Planning, A6743 — December 1953. Caravan site, Newdykes Farm, for Scottish Aviation Ltd. Superseded by B4751

NEWFIELDS

NEWLANDS OF ADAMTON [Not in 1892/93 VR]

AA, Th 5.5.1808, 1c — To let, NoA. "There is a new steading of slated houses on the farm."

CO3/12/1/4 BBC 4.6.1907 — Re-erect dwho, &c., NF, for William Weir; Alex Park, Glasgow, factor.

INNER MARKER, 38082768

ORANGEFIELD MAINS

POEBANK (not in VR 1892/93)

EG 5415, F 21.3.1845, 90ab — Excambion by James Oswald of lands in Kirkpatrick Irongray and Colvend (see ref), for whole or parts of Poebank, belonging to the Royal Bank.

EG, 5580, F 9.10.1846, 426b — Excambion between part of lands of Poebank (Alexander Oswald) and 40s land of Walstonshaw called Shawwood (Tarbolton, James Oswald of Auchincruive)

SHAWHILL

AP, F 25.2.1949, 4bcd — Part, c.15acres (in Monkton and St Quivox) included in Prestwick Airport CPO. Property of R.L. Angus, Ladykirk.

ACC Planning, A9628 — February 1956. New farm house, &c, and demolition of existing; J & J A Carrick, for Ministry of Transport and Civil Aviation.

SOUTH BOGSIDE

List 7 — 1 storey, creamwashed; 3 sash window facade, centre pediment with roundel in attic; 2 hipped dormers; gabled flanking wings. B.

nr — Rebuilt

TOWNHEAD

List 12 — Coursed stone blocks; 2 storeys; 3 sash windows, pilastered doorway with entablature; moulded cornice, eaves band, ridge slate roof - 1 storey byres extend to left; circular threshing barn. C.

CO3/12/1/6 BBC 2.5.1911 — Alterations, T, for K H M Connal; James Miller, Glasgow, architect. [This may refer to the new house: cf Monktonhead refs in M+P Castles and Mansions]

WEST ORANGEFIELD

WHITESIDE

Close — See my notes, herewith.

AA, Th 13.11.1806, 4c — Whiteside and Corsehill, c.110A. To let: 'there are two good farm houses.'

AA, Th 11.8.1808, 4b — To let. Excellent dwelling house, recently repaired.

Edin Even Courant, 26.3.1812 — Whiteside & Macraeston. Offices, slated, "just finished".

CO3/12/1/6 BBC 6.10.1914 — 2 4A ploughman's houses, for Mrs Baird Hay; J F Porter, Haddington.

AP, F 25.2.1949, 4bcd — Part, c.38A, included in Prestwick Airport CPO. Property of Rosemount Estate Co.

COTTAGE

ACC, PAHC 11.12.1930 — RW. c, W, for Rosemount: additional costs approved.

WOODSIDE

AA 4.4.1889 — Tenders, mason &c work, new byre. Dets: James Johnstone, Alloway, factor.

CO3/12/1/5 — Dwho, WF, for Weir of Adamton; Alex Park, 175 Hope Street, Glasgow.

TRANSPORT

ROAD

BY-PASS

ACC, PC 11.12.1951, 89 — Have received map showing agreed line of Prestwick-Ayr by-pass.

PHASE I

AA, Th 2.4.1959, 11abc — Prestwick Loop Road order officially announced on Tuesday. Plan. [This is the section bypassing the airport]

BI 71/835 October 1959 — A start has been authorised on the first 4½ mile section of the Ayr Prestwick Bypass. It will include 3 roundabouts and 4 bridges.

AA, Th 28.7.1960, 2cd — Monkton to Sandyford should open August/September 1960 (1 carriageway), according to Daniel Sim. Dorrance says all by New Year, and all of Dutch House to Whitletts by October/November.

ACC, Roads Committee 5.12.1960 — Phase I is likely to be completed by February 1961. To be formally opened, with the Secretary of State, if possible.

ACC, Roads Committee 6.2.1961 — To be formally opened 10th March 1961

AP, F 35.3.2011, 8 [Fifty years ago}

[1961] — First section was opened by John Maclay, Secretary of State: the ceremony took place at the Dutch House roundabout. 4 miles, with 3 roundabouts and 6 bridges, and at a cost of £720,000

BRIDGE AT SHAWHILL

SAC, ACC, Roads Committee 4.12.1961 — To be shown at exhibition in London on multi-level intersections, organised by Cement and Concrete Association. "This bridge has been selected … from all other similar types of bridge in Great Britain in view of its economic construction and aesthetic appeal. The design of the bridge was carried out wholly by the engineering section of the County Surveyor's Department and it is constructed of rolled steel joists encased in concrete."

PHASE II(1)

SAC, ACC Roads Committee 4.9.1961 — Let to John Wight & Co (Edinburgh) Ltd, for £223,045. Work began on 1st September 1961.

PRESTWICK LOOP ROAD

ACC, Roads Committee 12.3.1963 — Prestwick Loop Road. Contract let to A. M. Carmichael Ltd., Edinburgh, at £303,699.

ACC, Roads Committee 2.11.1964 — Loop Road will open on Monday 9th November 1964, at which time the road across the aerodrome will close.

DUTCH HOUSE

BI 50/591 June 1939 — Illustrated. Architects: **J W Laird and Napier**, Glasgow. [Photocopy herewith - also contains text]

AP 2.6.1939 — Formally opened last weekend. It is a replica of a tea-room at Wassenaar, near The Hague. Owners: Austin & McAslan Ltd.

AA 1.6.1939 — Austin & McAslan were founded in 1717 in Glasgow. Main nursery is at Cathcart, and this, combined with the tea house, is their first branch

nursery. ".. by combining it with a Dutch tea house they have led the way in Scotland, for it is the only joint nursery-tea house north of the border, and the largest of its kind in Great Britain". Design: W L Laird of Laird & Napier: went to Holland and sketched there. "the steep sloping roof and dark red tiles are typically Dutch. Inside, light oak panelling on the walls and oaken beams in the ceiling are the chief decoration. The massive fireplace, topped with pieces of pewter on its broad mantel, contains hand-pianted tiles - the real Dutch touch. The girls who wait at table wear Dutch caps and aprons, to complete the picture". For A&McA, managing director is H S Paton, Glasgow, an Ayrshireman. Manager at Monkton is John Cowan, who had been 18 years head gardener at Doonholm.

ACC Planning, 3532 — April 1946. Additions and alterations, DH, for Austin & McAslan Ltd. **Burnet & Boston**, Glasgow, architects: see TP Committee, 14.5.1946.

ACC Planning, 3888 — **Frank Burnet & Boston**, Glasgow, agents

ACC Planning, 4085 — December 1946. Alterations, for Austin & McAslan Ltd.

ACC, TPC 14.10.1947, 1211 — Ministry of Civil Aviation propose to retain HF/DF Site No.7, which is practically in the middle of Austin & McAslan's Nursery. [ACC, TPC 9.12.1947, 1451-2, Ministry prepared to retain HF/DF/No 8 (in a field) instead]

ACC Planning, A2277 — May 1950. Kitchen, &c., Dutch House, for Austin & McAslan Ltd.

ACC Planning, A3442 — April 1951. Lavatory, Dutch House Hotel. A.M. Buchanan, Troon, for Austin & McAslan.

ACC Planning, A9093 — September 1955. 5 2-room units, and sites for further units, Dutch House; Robert Allan, for J.L. Stevenson

ACC Planning, A9263 — November 1955. Filling Station, Dutch House; Robert Allan, for J L Stevenson.

AP, F 19.4.2013 [1963] — 50 Years Ago. Dutch House Inn seriously damaged by fire, leaving only a shell. Motel to the rear undamaged. Only person in hotel at time, caretaker Andrew Cowan, 53.

POW BRIDGE

List 13 — Single arch spanning Pow Burn. Plaque with inscription, date ?1808. C.

RAIL

CLUNE SIDING

AA, Th 28.4.1955, xx — The public siding will close, w.e.f. Monday 2nd May 1955.

LIGHT RAILWAY

CO 3/12/1/1, ADC 1893-1899, 483bis, ADC 18.10.1898

Noted. Application for an electric light railway by Drake & Gorham, Electric Power & Traction Co Ltd, London (a.k.a. Electric Power & Traction (Pioneer) Syndicate Ltd.

CO 3/8/1/4, County Council 1898-1902, 108-9, Finance Committee 8.11.1898

County Council asked (by R D Wallace, solicitor, Ayr, to support a proposed light railway from Ayr to Monkton. No.

CO 3/12/1/1, ADC 1893-1899, 508bis, ADC 17.1.1899

Light Railway application. Ashwell, Browning & Tutain, London.

CO 3/12/1/1, ADC 1893-1899, 509-11bis, ADC 17.1.1899

Agree to support Monkton & Prestwick Parish Council in objecting to proposed Ayr Tramway Bill.

MONKTON STATION

AA 9.4.1885 — Station House destroyed by fire, Sunday night.

AA 23.7.1885 — Tenders wanted for station buildings at Monkton; drawings at Engineer's Office, GSWR, Glasgow.

AP 1.11.1940 — To close to passengers with effect from 28.10.1940.

CO3/8/7/4 Bldg wrt BA 164 — c December 1964. Demolition of Monkton Station, for ACC.

PRESTWICK AIRPORT STATION

HISTORY

AA, Th 5.9.1968, 14de — David Reid, secretary, Prestwick Airport Development Association, stresses that the airport needs a programme of better transport links.

AA, Th 13.2.1969, 6abc — Illustration. Prestwick TC's plans for a station serving town and airport (on site of present Airport Station)

STATION

[boards] — 1993-1994, Holford Associates.

INDUSTRY

ADAMTON MILL

AA 11.10.1804 — Conts - mill at Adamton.

AUCHINCRUIVE No.6, Brieryside

ACC Planning, A8237 — February 1955. Approval in principle, for colliery (Auchincruive no.6), Brieryside, for National Coal Board.

ACC Planning, B543 — October 1956. Haulage House, Sub-station, &c., Auchincruive No.6, for National Coal Board.

AUCHINCRUIVE No.7, Monkton Station

ACC Planning, A9032 — September 1955. Surface works - a.i.p., Auchincruive no.7, near Monkton Station, for National Coal Board. See B730.

ACC Planning, B730 — November 1956. Sub-station, Auchincruive No.7, for National Coal Board.

HOSIERY FACTORY (PROPOSED)

ACC Planning, A1215 — July 1949. Hosiery Factory and associated Hostel, Station Road, for T & M.A. Mullan, Kirkfieldbank. No decision.

POWBANK MILL

AA 18.3.1852 — Conts - house at Powbank Mill. Dets: David Campbell, Mount Hamilton.

SAND EXTRACTION

ACC Planning, A536 — December 1948. Work and win minerals, Fairfield Camp, for William Kerr (Sand) Ltd. Approved June 1951.

WINDMILL, WHITESIDE

List 5 — Stump of old windmill, at one time a dovecote; random stone patched with cement, conical slate roof, weathervane. A landmark. Ref: A Niven Robertson, Old Dovecotes of Scotland, pp 478-479. B.

Hume — Early C18. A well-preserved vaulted tower windmill stump, with a conical roof.

UTILITIES

DRAINAGE

CO 3/8/1/4, ACC 1898-1902, 487, County Council, 1.10.1901 — £3300 authorised, Monkton SDD.

RAITH RESERVOIR ?

CO 3/12/1/1, ADC 1893-1899, 430, ADC 8.3.1898

Approve enlargement of Prestwick Reservoir.

CO 3/8/1/4, County Council 1898-1902, 57, County Council 30.8.1898

Authorise additional £3300 to enlarge reservoir. £9450 previously authorised.

WATER

CO 3/8/1/3, 233-234 County Council 6.10.1896

Monkton has been formed into a SWD and a SDD, but no suitable scheme for water yet found, and scheme is in abeyance.

CO 3/12/1/1, ADC 1893-1899, 497ff, ADC 18.1.1898

Disucssion of various options. Report of Niven, CE, Glasgow

CO 3/12/1/1, ADC 1893-1899, 494bis, Finance &c Cttee, 29.11.1898

Reference to Niven & Haddin, CE, for Monkton Water and Drainage.

CO 3/8/1/4, ACC 1898-1902, 487, County Council, 1.10.1901

SWD, £1800 authorised.

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