MAYBOLE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

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Hon. President: J. Murray Cook

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NEXT MEETING

CRIME SCENE INVESTIGATION

A fully illustrated talk on the fascinating work of the police forensic department with our own



TONY KERRIGAN

MAYBOLE TOWN HALL

Monday 5th April

7.30 p.m.

ALL WELCOME

NON-MEMBERS £0.50

Any Clues?



The small porcelain dish (pictured here at actual size) was recently acquired via the internet from a source in Wolverhampton. All that is known about it is that there is a mark on the base which looks like "PORCELLE" with "WR&S" within the shield and quite clearly "British Manufacture", and that the seller stated that it had



been inherited and was over 100 years old. A quick search on the internet does reveal a number of other pieces of 'porcelle crested ware' for sale, mainly from the Harrogate and Scarborough areas, and of a different pattern (small receptacles with lids). Does anyone have any other information or seen similar pieces anywhere? This piece will be joining the Maybole collection at Rozelle House in the meantime

but will hopefully end up on display in Maybole when we manage to arrange a home for a suitable display case. Maybole Historical Society
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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

The South Yorkshire Family
History Fair, Hillsborough Leisure
Centre, Sheffield
Saturday April 17th

10 a.m. – 4 p.m. Admission £2.00

Scottish Local History Week "Scottish Graveyards" 17th – 24th April Local display on the Graveyards of North Carrick – see posters for further details

Scottish Association of Family
History Societies Annual
Conference – Albert Halls,
Dumbarton Road, Stirling
"In Loving Memory" – a
Celebration of Graveyards
Further details from Central Scotland
FHS, e-mail lindsayelma@aol.com

Maybole Gala Saturday 19th June

(Please note that the Troon History Fair and the Ayr Holy Fair at Rozelle are also on this date. The Society will be at the Maybole Gala.)

9th Yorkshire Family History Fair (The biggest and best in the country!) York Racecourse Knavesmire Exhibition Centre Saturday 26th June 10 a.m. – 4.30 p.m.

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MEMBERSHIP -

ALL MEMBERS WHO LAST PAID PRIOR TO 1st FEBRUARY 2002 PLEASE NOTE THAT THEIR SUBSCRIPTIONS ARE NOW DUE FOR RENEWAL.

Membership, once paid, will now be valid until 1st September 2005.

Membership is only £10.00 and covers individuals or couples staying in the same household. Individuals who are registered disabled and anvone in full time education can join the society free of charge. Please send all membership applications and renewals (with the appropriate fee) to The Honorary Treasurer at the address above.

2004 MEETINGS

Monday 10th May (PLEASE NOTE THIS IS THE SECOND MONDAY IN MAY TO AVOID THE MAY DAY HOLIDAY) - AGM followed by Preserving Artefacts Looking After Our History -

Rozelle House, Ayr (transport from Maybole provided, leaving Maybole Station car park at 7 pm and returning at 9 pm)

SUMMER OUTING Saturday 3rd July - Car outing to Hamilton Museum (including Mining exhibition and the Cameronians Regimental Museum), then to Chatelherault for lunch (picnic or restaurant) and Cadzow Castle and archaeological dig. Cost (for passengers) £4.00 each.

Monday 6th September – Lead Mining at Wanlockhead

Monday 4th October - Archive Sources in Dumfries and Galloway

November Monday Dalgarven Mill Museum Ayrshire Country Life

Monday 6th December – The return of our very popular St. Andrews Night at Drumellan House.

(September, October and November meetings are provisional)

Monday 6th February – John Steel - The HMS Dasher Disaster.



Ebeneezer McCreath b. Maybole 13/1/1898

William McCreath b. Maybole 29/5/1896

Robert McCreath

Rosina Agnew McCreath b. Bridgeton 25/04/1874

William Mathew McCreath b. Maybole 16/5/1871

Agnes Dick McCreath b. Maybole 12/6/1911 b. Maybole 30/12/1907

Rosina McCreath

John McCreath b. Maybole 30/12/1905 Charles Agnew McCreath b. Govan 1/6/1902

b. Govan 3/4/1901 Alex. Paterson McCreath Archie McCreath b. Maybole 8/5/1899 b. Maybole 30/12/1906

McCreath

The photograph shown here was sent to the Society by one of our newer members, Archie McCreath of Cumbernauld. In the accompanying letter Archie writes "Please find enclosed a photograph of my Grand Parents and their children. I have based the year Circa: 1912 on the youngest child Nancy (Agnes) who was born in 1911 and I feel that she would be between

one year and eighteen months old in this picture. My Grand Father, William Mathews McCreath was the son of James McCreath and Agnes Dick, and if all the stories which I should have listened to when I was young are true, I think my Great Granddad was the James McCreath who started the Shoe Factory in his 'Garden Shed' in Society Street.

I suppose the main reason for my turning a "Deaf Ear" to all these stories was due to the fact that every time my father (that's the one sitting on the floor) and his brothers got together at our house, I would hear stories about Maybole that made you think that Maybole was the Centre of the Universe. But since I found www.maybole.org I now know that all Minibolers believe this to be true!"



Seaview, Maidens ca 1910

The Seymour Collection

The Society are very grateful to Mrs Isobel Seymour for allowing us to borrow her collection of photographs for a short time to allow them to be scanned, digitally preserved and added to our ever growing catalogue of images. Some of the photographs were completely new and many were in better condition than those already in our possession.

If anyone has photographs they would like to add, we will be very pleased to borrow them for a very short time and make digital images.