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REV. ABERCROMBIE, 1696

Today there is much more to discover in Maybole. Take in the views, make use of the facilities and discover its vibrant past and promising future.

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Selection of local assets.

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In 1674, the town purchased the land and town house from the lairds of Blairquhan. It was used as a Tollbooth and later a jail. The original bell dated 1696 can be viewed in the Council Chambers. It was extended in Scots Baronial style in 1887. A further addition was ‘Spooncreef’. The shop on the ground floor sold tattie boots and later was a fish and chip shop which locals still remember as the ‘best potato chips’ in Maybole. (Though they might not meet standards today, locals will tell you.) Today visit the beautiful gardens which display the original tiles from the Co-operative Butchers.

5 The Carrick Centre
“The great for young people,” Partnership, Social Area, Cafe, Auditorium and Rooms: Available to hire for parties and groups.
01655 88322
www.carrickcentre.co.uk

6 The Town Hall
“Perfect for a party.”
Main Hall and Stage, Kitchen, Council Chambers and Lesser Hall: Available to hire for parties and groups.
01655 889732

The Glebe
“Great for a game of fitta.”
Free access to the public.

High St
“Grab a bargain and a butty.”
Shops and facilities on the High Street: incl. Cafes, Butchers, Tattie Shop, Pharmacy, Hairdressers, Bakers, Charity Shop, Grocery Shops and Newsagent, Pubs, Post Office, ATMs, Library, Petrol Station and Council Offices.

Maybole’s Community Chest

Maybole’s name came from the Dominican monks for whom it was built. The Dominicans were famed for their intellect and were coined ‘Blackfrairs’ in Scotland and England. The name paints a vivid picture; can you imagine them in the Black House pictured here?

Weaving provided industry for cottage weavers found on Ladywell Road, (Weave Vennel). The south-facing cottages maximised on daylight when working from home. However, as the Industrial Revolution motored on, handloom work became inefficient and the weavers became shoe and bootmakers. Shoemakers and bootmakers was big business up until the mid 20th Century and people worked in the tanneries, shops and factories across the town. It brought much wealth and allowed supporting industries to flourish like the town’s two lemonade factories. The boots known as ‘Tackette Boots’ are known for their strength and suitability for work.