

The Heckling Shed & Burns Lodging House

Glasgow Vennel, Irvine KA12 0BD

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 9.30am - 1.00pm & 2.00pm - 5.00pm

Saturday 10.00am - 1.00pm & 2.00pm - 5.00pm

Closed Wednesday & Sunday

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The Heckling Shed is a heritage resource and genealogy centre housed in a restored 18th Century cottage within Irvine's award-winning conservation area known as the Glasgow Vennel. The Heckling Shed is where Robert Burns used to work as a Flax Heckler. This building and the Lodgings House illustrate a period of Burns' life in Irvine. The museum also houses North Ayrshire's Family & Local History Centre.

Wheelchair access on ground level only.
Access street is cobbled.



Image detail:
The Heckling Shed, Glasgow Vennel, Irvine.

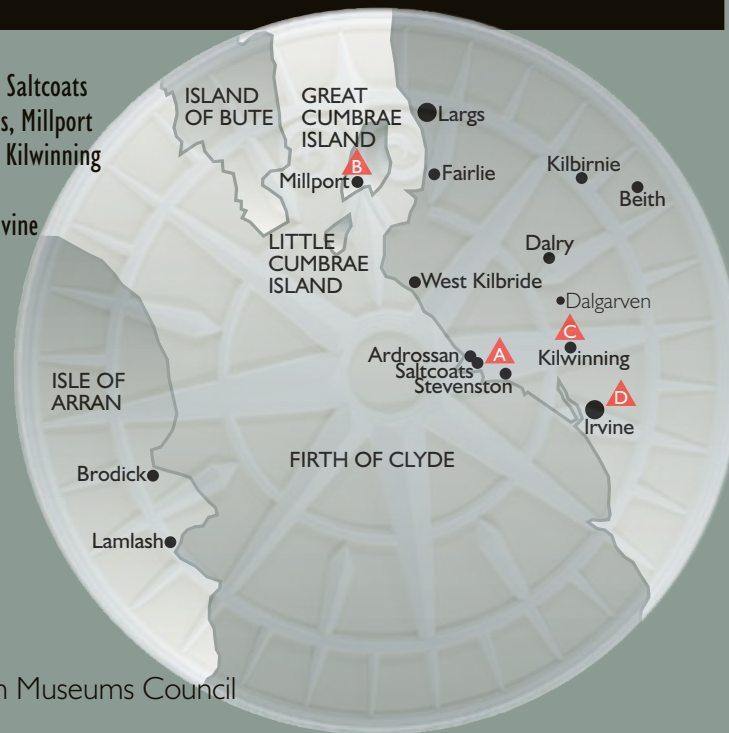


For further information, contact North Ayrshire Museum:
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Location Key:

- A: North Ayrshire Museum, Saltcoats
- B: Museum of the Cumbrae, Millport
- C: Kilwinning Abbey Tower, Kilwinning
- D: The Heckling Shed & Burns Lodging House, Irvine



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North Ayrshire Museum

Manse Street, Saltcoats KA21 5AA

FREE ENTRY - Open all year

Tuesday - Saturday 10.00am - 1.00pm & 2.00pm - 5.00pm

Closed Sunday & Monday

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From pre-historic to present day, North Ayrshire's heritage and culture can be found at North Ayrshire Museum in Saltcoats. The museum is housed in an 18th century parish church set within a listed graveyard.

Most displays, the art workshop area, IT resources and disabled toilet are wheelchair accessible.



Image detail:

Stone coffin from 12th - early 13th century, discovered during excavations at Ardrossan Parish Church in 1911.

Cover image detail:

Carved wooden coronet from the back support of a wedding chair from Eglinton Castle. Commissioned as part of a set of eight chairs circa 1862.



Museum of the Cumbraes

The Garrison, Millport KA28 0DG

FREE ENTRY - Open all year

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Representing the life and times of the islands - Great and Little Cumbrae - the museum displays include: the Goldie ethnography collection, diaries from the Mary Ann Wodrow collection, a Bronze Age burial cist and a collection of early carved stones unique to this area.



Displays, storage resource, café and disabled toilet are wheelchair accessible.



Kilwinning Abbey Tower

Main Street, Kilwinning KA13 6AY

FREE ENTRY - Open mid May to mid September

Friday, Saturday & Sunday 1.00pm - 3.00pm

Enquiries to North Ayrshire Museum: 01294 464174

Also open by appointment: 01294 464174

Kilwinning Abbey Tower was built in 1816 in the ruin of the town's 12th Century abbey. The heritage centre displays the fascinating history of the abbey and the town of Kilwinning. There is a display of poetry by the world renowned Robert Service and, in June, the world's oldest archery competition, the Papingo Shoot, takes place.

Wheelchair access to ground floor only.



Image detail:

Parapet from Kilwinning Abbey Tower.

