Photos 2Q01 – 2Q06

2Q01 *Maid of Argyle* at Rothesay Pier in the early 1960s. The *Maid of Argyle* was launched on the 4 March 1973 and sailed on various Clyde routes until making her last voyage in September 1973. She was sold to the Cycladic Cruises of Piraeus in 1974 and operated cruises to the Saronic Islands, Aegina and Poros before moving to Corfu in 1989. She did not sail again after 1997 after suffering a major fire on board.

2Q02 Duncan’s Garage, Mill Street with a Meikle and McKellar removal van parked outside

2Q03 Early view over Rothesay from the Bush showing the cotton mills and the rope works, the long low buildings running down from High Street to the Lade.

2Q04 Rothesay Tramway Co. Ltd. Permanent Staff around the time of World War I, note the number of female employees.

Back row, 4th from the left James Robertson

Third Row at the right Bob Robertson (wearing the cap) who was the shed foreman

Second Row Jack Kyle (Inspector), ?,?,?, Archibald Robertson (General Manager), ?, ?, ?, ?, John McNeil (Traffic Manager at Rothesay Terminal

Front Row None known

2Q05 Albert Place

A BULL AT THE COAST

On the afternoon of Saturday last a fine black bull was observed sauntering along East Princess Street, until he came to Albert Place, where his attention was arrested by the newly painted shop of Mrs MacArthur. His Bullship stood for a minute admiring this triumph of a painter’s skill, when the idea seemed to enter his head that he would like to see the interior. After looking at the name over the door, he coolly marched into the shop, and looked about first at the articles on the counter, then at several beautiful specimens of fancy work on the other side, which seemed greatly to interest him, as he gazed long and wistfully at the. He then marched up to a large new mirror at the end of the shop, where he stood lost in admiration of the fine black animal which met his gaze. With the instinal of his race, he licked the glass, and then stood back wondering more and more. As there was a risk of his going further in this direction, his owners got him quietly out without any damage being done, if we except the fright which Mr and Mrs MacArthur received from their unwelcome but civil and appreciative visitor.

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(Note. Mrs MacArthur owned a millinery shop at 7 Albert Place at this time, later it became the Tartan Shop and is now Picture Bute)

2Q06 Rhubodach Ferry in the late 1950s.