Achadunan Farm 1939 – 1957

May Wilson (Lang) youngest daughter of the John and Elizabeth Lang who farmed Achadunan as a dairy farm, supplying the district, daily with fresh milk.

Achadunan House

On entering the front gate of Achadunan House you go towards the front door then enter through the porch. On your right there is another door which takes you into the main house. There is a small hall and to the right another door into a large sitting room running the full length of the main house, this room has one fireplace.

Coming out into the hall again takes you to the bottom of the main stairs where there is another small hall to the right-hand side of the stairs. On the left-hand side of the stairs is a door opening into a large sitting room with one fireplace and a door opening on to a passageway on right hand side of the room. This passageway runs from the kitchen of the pantry at the other end, also there is a cupboard under the stairs. At one end of the passage there is a large kitchen with a narrow stairway going up to a bedroom above the kitchen. Through the wall from the small bedroom was the bothy for the workers. The way into the bothy was from outside cement steps, there was a toilet beside the steps. Back to below the bedroom was a good size kitchen with a large cooker and a three burner paraffin stove.

Through another opening to your left is the scullery with a large sink for washing up pots and pans. To the left was the back door.

The water supply came from a water tank up the hill supplied from a natural spring. I never knew it to dry up. There wasn’t any electricity in Achadunan when we moved in. It was Paraffin and Tilly lamps that were our source of lighting. The tilly lamps gave a good light.

Upstairs –

The main bedrooms are accessed by the main stairs which have a banister on the right side only but continues round the upstairs landing. To the far-left side is a smallish bedroom with a small black fireplace. Coming out of that room next door is a bathroom. The next room is a large bedroom with fireplace, it is on the outside wall at the end of the room. Next to that is another large bedroom with a fireplace. The landing now gets wider before you get to the next bedroom which also has a fireplace. Outside this bedroom door is another door with narrow stairs which leads to the attic which has three small bedrooms and a large space with a linen cupboard for storing the linen sheets.