

BOB'S RADIO

One of the few furnishings to have survived the reconstruction of the Cabin has been its



radio, a fine Hacker Sovereign III. This was a proud possession of the Cabin's previous owner, Bob Rae. In its day, the 1960s, it was one of the most advanced radios and it has been in the Cabin ever since.

One of our regular guests is not an enthusiast for technology and when the radio stopped this was a great loss. Radio on the TV is just not the same!

The Hacker has now been superbly repaired and restored to life. Its sound has excellent tone and it can receive LW & MW as well as VHF. It has even been adjusted to increase its original range. If analogue broadcasting survives it should now last for another 50 years!

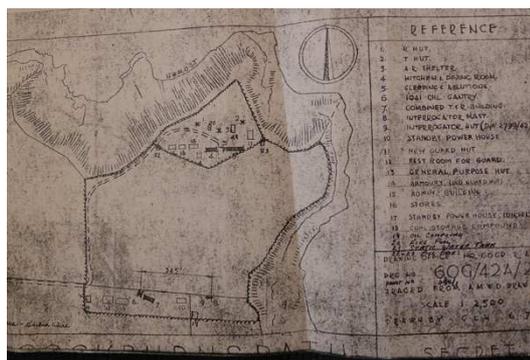
LOW FLYING AIRCRAFT



David Arnott, 1944, with the 'CHL' gantry, the Transmitting and Receiving Block and Guard House in the distance.

On the cliff top walk to the south, with a perfect view of Cove, is an area of flat ground with a white observation pole and the almost invisible remains of various brick buildings. Few appreciate these are the traces of a vital link in the nation's defence radar system built rapidly at start of the 2WW. This is one of the 'Chain Home Low' stations built along the south and east coasts, giving effective early warning of low flying aircraft and in this case the defence of the fleet at Rosyth and the Forth Rail Bridge.

Cove is in the centre of a great many ruined castles and forts guarding the historically strategic entrance to the Firth of Forth, including the French Forts in Dunglass and Eyemouth and Fast Castle on the headland in the distance.



GARDENING

Our aim is generally to merge into the brae, but with a degree of privacy and interest, a subtle balance. To add to the Cabin's Spring attractions we have extended the existing planting with several hundred new tulip and daffodil bulbs, early to late.



AWESOME ENDORSEMENT

We are very grateful for all the wonderful comments guests leave in the Visitors Book.

Many offer good advice to future guests. Here is a particularly lovely note from budding journalists Lois & Clara Sutherland of the Sea Times™.

