


<p>Project: Pennylands Camp 22 - WW2 POW Camp. Respondent: William McComb. Year of Birth: 1949. Age: 67. Connection to project: He was born at 1 Pennylands Camp. Date of Interview: 11th May 2017. Interviewer: Susan Christie. Recording Agreement: Yes. Information & Content: Yes. Photographic Images: Yes (Number of: 1). Length of Interview: 3:32. Location of Interview: Auchinleck, Ayrshire. Recording Equipment: Zoom H4n Pro.</p>	
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Time (from: mins/secs)	Time Coded Full Transcript	Transcribed Extract (from- to: mins/secs)
00.00	Introduction, welcome and information about respondent.	0:0-0:19
	Q1. What was your connection to the camp?	
	A1. My connection was that I was born in Pennylands Camp. I stayed there from 1949 to 1954, and then I moved to Main Street Auchinleck.	0:23-0:34
	Q2. Why did your parents decide to live at Pennylands as opposed to settling in their home village of Auchinleck?	
	A2. I am not sure but I take it, it was because they were married and there was nowhere else to stay – shortage of housing.	0:44-0:54
	Q3. Can you tell me, I know that you were a very small child while at Pennylands, have any early memories of your life – maybe waiting for your father?	
	A3. The only memories I really have waiting for my Dad coming home from work and also to do with a tin bath. That's the only memory I have, sorry about that, that's it.	1:05-1:16
	Q4. Where did you used to wait for him?	
	A4. Near where the gamekeeper stayed – It was a Mr Christie (Christison) that was in there and that's where I used to wait for my Dad, walking down from the Barony Road down to Pennylands.	1:19-1:29
	Q5. Can you remember what the accommodation was like at Pennylands?	

	A5. No, not really.	1:34-1:35
	Q6. How did your parents get to work from Pennylands? Did they have a car?	
	A6. No, My Dad walked to the main road in Auchinleck and got the bus there which took him to Ballochmyle Hospital where he worked.	1:41-1:49
	Q7. What did he do at Ballochmyle?	
	A7. He was a porter to start with, then he was a mortuary technician when he retired.	1:52-1:58
	Q8. Why did your parents decided to move away from Pennylands to the Main Street in Auchinleck?	
	A8. When housing became available in Auchinleck they moved to the Main street under a private landlord.	2:07-2:14
	Q9. Do you have any photographs of this era?	
	A9. Yes, and they have already photographed.	2:19-2:23
	Q10. Can you talk us through the people in the photographs?	
	A10. The people in the photographs are my mother and my father and my little brother, the other couple I have no idea who they are and that's the reason why I went to the seminar to see if anybody recognised them and nobody knew who they were. They were friends of my mother and father and they visited us when I stayed in the main street and that is the only recollection I have.	2:27-2:51
	Q11. And the photographs, do they show the housing that was there?	
	A11. They show the housing that we stayed in, it was 1 Pennylands camp and I believe it was situated near where the gamekeepers house was.	2:54-3:05
	Q12. Have I missed anything, is there anything you would like to add to the memories of the camp?	
	A12. No, I have no other memories in that, none whatsoever. I was too small to remember.	3:10-3:16
	Q13. So, you didn't go to school from the Camp?	
	A13. No I went to school in 1954 from the Main Street in Auchinleck.	3:19-3.22
	Closing statement and end of interview.	3:32



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