

CARRICKFERGUS AND DISTRICT HISTORICAL SOCIETY



ANDREW JACKSON COTTAGE

Located about one mile east from Carrickfergus Town centre along A2 to Donaldson's Avenue, thence down to Boneybefore; and the building to the right. Cottage built in Ulster Scots single range style with stable, workroom, bedrooms, kitchen and parlour as well as dairy and turf store all in line. This cottage is one of about twelve cottages built in this style from the 1750s when there was an influx of lowland Scots people into S.E. Antrim. This cottage was built by the Donaldson family and lived in by them until 1979 when it was sold to Carrickfergus Borough Council. It has been restored to its original style to commemorate Andrew Jackson 7th President of the U.S.A. whose parents emigrated from here in 1765. The original Jackson cottage was demolished in 1860 to make way for the railway. Look for the Blue Plaque about 50 metres to the west that marks the approximate site of the Jackson cottage.