

AUSTIN

OF KILSPINDIE

The family of Austin in the vicinity of Perth are said to descend from a Thomas Austin, an Englishman, and an officer in the service of General Monk who settled in Perth in the mid-17th century where he married and had issue. A Thomas Austin was a Merchant and Burgess of Perth, and is styled as such when he granted a Bond for £58 Scots to Henry Alisone, Flesher Burgess of Perth, on 8 September 1670, and a James Austin was a Merchant and Burgess of Perth, by 7 October 1689, when he granted a Bond to Andrew Low, Shoemaker in Perth.¹ The first person for whom there is evidence is :

JOSEPH AUSTIN, 1ST OF KILSPINDIE, who was a successful Merchant in both Perth and London and purchased the lands of Kilspindie from William Lindsay of Kilspindie, in which he was infeft on 27 May, 1704.² He *d.* on 8 November 1735,³ having *m.* firstly, Ann Waters by whom he was father of :

1. Joseph Austin of Kilspindie (*see below*).
2. Mary Austin, *bap.* at Kilspindie on 21 July 1706, and *m.* at Kilspindie on Friday 25 August 1727, James Aikman of Kirktonhill.⁴
3. Beatrice Austin, *bap.* at Kilspindie on 21 April 1713, and *m.* at Kilspindie on 4 October 1729, John Trail, Merchant in Dundee.⁵
4. Katherine Austin, *b.* on 2nd and *bap.* at Kilspindie 4 July 1714.
5. Janet Austin, *m.* at Kilspindie on 5 June 1731, James Oliphant, Merchant in Perth, third son of James Oliphant, 5th of Gask,⁶ and had issue.

¹ B59/Deeds/misc.

² RS52/14/f.419r

³ Date of death given in the retour of his son Joseph as his heir.

⁴ OPR – Kilspindie.

⁵ OPR – Kilspindie.

⁶ OPR – Kilspindie.

He *m.* secondly on 22 April 1718, to Jean, daughter of Adam Drummond, 2nd of Megginch,¹ by whom he was father of :

6. Adam Austin, *b.* on 17th and *bap.* at Perth on 24 February 1719. He qualified as a Physician which he practised in Edinburgh, and *m.* at Edinburgh on 15 September 1754, Ann, daughter of Hugh, 11th Lord Sempill,² (she was *b.* on 4 June, 1730, and *d.* at Edinburgh on 27 November, 1793³). He *d.* at Edinburgh on 28 November 1773,⁴ and was father of :

6a) Joseph Austin, *b.* at Edinburgh on 20 August, 1755, and *d.* young.

6a) Hugh Austin, *b.* at Edinburgh on 22 August 1756, was appointed Judge of the Sudder Dewanee Adawlet, at Burdwan, and drowned during passage to Calcutta on 12 September 1784.⁵ He was father of :

6b) Ann Austin, who *dsp* prior to 27 December 1798, when his aunts Ann, Mary Ann Rebecca, Colinsa and others, petitioned chancery to be recognised as the heirs to her estate.

6a) Ann Austin, *m.* at Edinburgh on 1 March, 1786, Captain Daniel MacGregor of Inveradaran,⁶ and *d.* at Edinburgh on 24 August 1809.⁷ They had issue.

6a) Collinsa Austin, *b.* at Edinburgh on 30 June, 1767.

6a) Catherine Austin, *m.* at Edinburgh on 9 December, 1784, Major Archibald Robertson of Lawers, *d.* at Edinburgh on 10 March 1833,⁸ having had issue.

6a) Mary Ann Rebecca Austin,

6a) Sempilla Austin, all of whom were retoured heir to their father on 25 May, 1780.

6a) Jane-Gordon Austin, *d.* at Edinburgh on 13 June 1784.⁹

JOSEPH AUSTIN, 2ND OF KILSPINDIE, succeeded his father and was retoured his heir in the lands of Kilspindie on 30 July 1736, which he afterwards sold in 1753. He *m.* at Perth

¹ OPR – Errol.

² OPR – Edinburgh. See also: Scots Magazine, 2nd September 1754, edition.

³ Scots Magazine, 1st December 1793, edition.

⁴ Caledonian Mercury, 29th November 1773, edition.

⁵ Scots Magazine, 1st April 1785, edition.

⁶ OPR – Edinburgh. See also: Scots Magazine, 1st March 1786, edition.

⁷ Scots Magazine. 1st September 1809, edition.

⁸ Perthshire Courier. 28th March 1833, edition.

⁹ Scots Magazine, 1st June 1784, edition.

on 26 March 1728, Cecil, daughter of William Faichney of Ardargie,¹ *d.* in around 1780 and was father of :

1. William Austin, *bap.* at Kilspindie on 13 January, 1732, and *d.* young.
2. Thomas Austin, *bap.* at Kilspindie 2 June, 1738, and *d.* young.
3. Adam Austin, *b.* on 23 April and *bap.* at Kilspindie on 2 May, 1751, and became a Merchant in Charleston, Virginia. He was served heir to his father on 3 July, 1782.
4. Deborah Austin, *bap.* at Kilspindie 24 July, 1733.
5. Margaret Austin, *bap.* at Kilspindie 24 July, 1735.
6. Anna Austin, *bap.* at Kilspindie 20 January, 1737.

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¹ OPR – Perth.

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