This is the third such bibliography in The Journal of Scottish Name Studies (JSNS), the first appearing in JSNS 4 (2010) covering the years 2006–2009, the second in JSNS 5 (2011) covering the year 2010. It aims to present, in a continuous list arranged alphabetically by author, all relevant articles, chapters in edited books, monographs, CDs, e-books and PhDs (some of which are now available on-line) which appeared in 2011. It draws heavily on the bibliographies which I compile for Scottish Place-Name News, the twice-yearly Newsletter of the Scottish Place-Name Society. It is therefore somewhat biased towards place-names rather than personal names. However, the much higher proportion of place-name related material is also a reflection of the relative state of each of these disciplines in Scotland.

For more extensive bibliographies of name studies in Britain and Ireland, and, less comprehensively, other parts of northern Europe, see the bibliographic sections in the relevant issues of Nomina, the journal of the Society for Name Studies in Britain and Ireland, compiled by Carole Hough. The latest available is her ‘Bibliography for 2009’ (Nomina 33 (2010), 193–208). The material in these Nomina bibliographies is set out thematically and includes relevant reviews which have appeared in the given year.

Also included in this bibliography are articles from the latest Nomina 33 (2010), not published until 2012.

An extensive, though by no means exhaustive, bibliography of Scottish toponymics, set out thematically, and regionally, can be found on-line at <http://www.spns.org.uk/bibliography09.html#advanced>.

I would be very pleased to hear from anyone who spots any omissions or errors in the following bibliography. I can be contacted via the JSNS website, or by post c/o Clann Tuirc. Also, I would be glad to receive notice of anything published in 2012 for inclusion in JSNS 7.

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