

P1031 Papers of James H Leishman

RECORDS' IDENTITY STATEMENT

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Title: James H Leishman, former Provost of Wick
Dates of creation: 1943-1999
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RECORDS' CONTEXT

Name of creators: James H Leishman

Administrative history: James H Leishman was originally from Fife and took up his first teaching post at Wick High School in 1936 and spent his entire career there, retiring as principal art teacher in Wick High School in 1975.

James served as a lieutenant with the Royal Navy minesweepers during World War II. In the 1950's James attended the Civil Defence Training School at Taymouth Castle in Perthshire and went on to become Civil Defence Controller for Caithness. Having a keen interest in the community Mr Leishman joined Wick Town Council and went on to be the penultimate Provost of Wick from May 1958 to May 1961.

As well as being president of the Society of Caithness Artists for many years, James' other interests included being an avid amateur radio operator and a certificated beekeeper.

Custodial history: Deposited by Eleanor Leishman, James' daughter

RECORDS' CONTENT

Description: Royal Navy Service; Caithness Civil Defence Controller; Wick Provost; Teaching materials; Various

Appraisal: -

Accruals: Expected

RECORDS' CONDITION OF ACCESS AND USE

Access: Open

Closed until: -

Access conditions: Available within the archive searchroom

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ALLIED MATERIALS

Related material: P717 - Olig and District Beekeepers Association and Caithness Beekeepers Association

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| Ref. | Description | Dates |
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| P1031 | Papers of James H Leishman | 1943-1999 |
| P1031/1 | Royal Navy Service | 1943 |
| P1031/1/1 | Black and White landscape photograph of the crew of H.M.S Good Hope while berthed in Port Elizabeth South Africa (1 item) | 1943 |
| P1031/1/2 | Black and white landscape photograph of James Leishman and J Manning in uniform (1 item) | 13 Sept 1943 |
| P1031/2 | Caithness Civil Defence Controller | c.1948-1968 |
| P1031/2/1 | Black and white landscape photograph postcards of Taymouth Castle Perthshire (3 items) | c.1950 |
| P1031/2/2 | Black and white landscape group photograph of Civil Defence Training School, Taymouth Castle, Perthshire. Typed details of attendees attached (2 items) | Jul 1952 |
| P1031/2/3 | Black and white landscape photograph of J H Leishman and Mr Cowie who was the Chief Civil Defence training officer for Scotland (1 item) | 27 Sep 1958 |

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| P1031/2/4 | Black and white landscape group photograph of Civil Defence Training School, Taymouth Castle, Perthshire. 1 week course (1 item) | Jul 1959 |
| P1031/2/5 | Black and white landscape photograph of Caithness Civil Defence Corps at an evening event (1 item) | c.1960 |
| P1031/2/6 | Black and white landscape photograph of Caithness Civil Defence Corps at a Christmas dance in the Station Hotel Wick (1 item) | c.1960 |
| P1031/2/7 | Black and white portrait photograph of J H Leishman in Civil Defence uniform next to an operations vehicle (1 item) | c.1960 |
| P1031/2/8 | Newspaper cutting of J.H. Leishman receiving his long service medal as Civil Defence Controller for Caithness (1 item) | 1960 |
| P1031/2/9 | Newspaper cutting of the annual Caithness Civil Defence Corp at the evening even in the Station Hotel (1 item) | c.1960 |
| P1031/2/10 | Newspaper Cutting from the Caithness Courier of the Caithness Civil Defence dinner dance in the Royal Hotel Thurso (1 item) | 29 Nov 1967 |
| P1031/3 | Wick Provost | 1790-1999 |
| P1031/3/1 | Typed list of Wick Provosts (2 items) | 1790-1975 |
| P1031/3/2 | Black and White landscape photograph of Wick Town Council in the Town Hall. Accompanying handwritten list identifies some of the members (2 items) | 1958 |
| P1031/3/3 | Invitation for Provost and Mrs J. Leishman to be present at the official opening of the New Pultneytown Academy (1 item) | 30 Oct 1959 |
| P1031/3/4 | Programme for the Caithness Agricultural Society Annual Dinner in the Royal Hotel Thurso. Provost Leishman appears on the Toast List (1 item) | 27 Nov 1959 |
| P1031/3/5 | Invitation for ex Provost and Mrs J. H. Leishman to attend the Assembly rooms Wick for the visit by Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth and His Royal Highness the Duke of Edinburgh (1 item) | 25 Jun 1964 |
| P1031/3/6 | Newspaper article on the death of former Wick provost James H Leishman (1 item) | 1999 |
| P1031/4 | Various | 1960-1970 |

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| P1031/4/1 | Medical Card issued to James H Leishman by the Caithness County Insurance Committee, 6 Back Bridge Street, Wick (1 item) | 18 Apr 1946 |
| P1031/4/2 | Programme and two invitations for Mr & Mrs James Leishman to attend the presentation of the Freedom of the Royal Burgh of Wick to Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother (3 items) | 11 Aug 1956 |
| P1031/4/3 | Greetings Card with pen and ink sketch of Wick riverside. Drawn by James H Leishman for the Wick Society (1 item) | 1970 |
| P1031/4/4 | Scottish Beekeepers Beemasters certificate in protective tube (2 items) | 8 Jul 1970 |