

## **WS - The Wick Society Collection**

### **RECORDS' IDENTITY STATEMENT**

Reference number: GB1741/WS

Alternative reference number: -

Title: The Wick Society Collection

Dates of creation: 1476-2022, n.d.

Level of description: Fonds

Extent: 4 bays

Format: Paper, photograph, linen, wood

### **RECORDS' CONTEXT**

Name of creators: Donald Waters and Son, Fishcurers, Wick; British Fisheries Society; Herring Industry Board; Wick and Pulteneytown Mercantile Debating Society; Royal Burgh of Wick; Caithness County Council; Pulteneytown Estate; Wick and Pulteneytown Industrial Co-Operative Society; Carnegie Public Library, Wick; Wick Riverside Improvement Scheme; Wick Herring Queen and Gala; Wick Music Festival; Wick Boy Scouts; Wick Trinkie Swimming Club; Northern Swimming Club; An Comunn Gaidhealach (The Highland Association), Wick Branch; The National Independent Order of Oddfellows, Wick Branch; Watten Young Men's Mutual Improvement Association; James Sutherland, Brough, East Clyth; Ian Mackay; various

Administrative history: Since 1971 The Wick Society has worked tirelessly to promote the history and heritage of Wick. Concern about the changing landscape and extensive demolition in the town led a group of like-minded people to call a meeting. The core group- Iain Sutherland, Mary Cabrelli, Marjory Mackenzie, and Jessie Sinclair resolved to establish the Wick Society.

In 1974 the Society set up a small museum within the Carnegie Public

Library building. This depicted the coopering trade, and the success of the exhibition gave members of the Society confidence to expand.

Caithness County Council offered the lease of listed buildings in Bank Row to the Wick Society in 1980. Repairs and alterations were made to the buildings, the electrical system was upgraded, and the gardens were landscaped.

Wick Heritage Centre opened its doors in 1981. Iain Sutherland, The Wick Society's founding chairperson said 'The cooperation between the district council and the society, who were often at loggerheads over redevelopment, is unique. As we both recognised in our different ways, there was a need to preserve the town's rich history. The Heritage Centre is an outstanding and rewarding result of what real cooperation between citizens and a council can do'.

On the 4 Feb 2002, the Wick Society bought the land and buildings to the East of the Heritage Centre to enable continuing development.

On the 6 Jan 2004, the Wick Society became a Company Limited by Guarantee, and the Wick Heritage Centre became The Wick Heritage Museum. The same year the Society purchased the museum buildings from the council for a nominal sum.

The Wick Society is committed to preserving and promoting Wick's proud heritage for the inspiration of future generations. Today the Wick Society has under its wing a number of historic buildings and collections including Wick Heritage Museum, Cowie's Yard, the Herring Mart, Lifeboat Shed, the Johnston Photographic Collection, the traditional Fifie fishing vessel the Isabella Fortuna, and Wick Voices oral history project.

Custodial history:

Deposited by the Wick Society. The archives within the collection were both deposited with the Society by locals and businesses, and saved from irrecoverable loss by the keen and

passionate work of Society members within the community.

## **RECORDS' CONTENT**

Description:

The Wick Society Collection is comprised of sub-fonds (or sub-collections). These are varying in both subject matter and chronological scope, all detailing the rich and absorbing history of Wick and wider Caithness.

The herring boom and the role of Wick within the fishing industry throughout the nineteenth and twentieth centuries is prevalent, both directly and indirectly, throughout many of the sub-fonds.

The Societies' entrenchment within the county's communities and involvement with local initiatives is also heavily reflected in the volume of material associated with societies, clubs and other social and cultural events. All sub-fonds are detailed in the contents page.

Appraisal:

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Accruals:

Expected

## **RECORDS' CONDITION OF ACCESS AND USE**

Access:

Some restrictions

Closed until:

Some archives are closed due to Data Protection legislation

Access conditions:

Available within the archive searchroom

Copying:

Copying permitted within standard Copyright Act parameters

Finding aids:

Available in the archive searchroom and [online](#)

## **ALLIED MATERIALS**

Related material:

See sub-fonds for more details

Publication:

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Notes:

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Date of catalogue:

2023

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## **WS/1 - Donald Waters and Son, Fishcurers**

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Title: Donald Waters and Son, Fishcurers  
Dates of creation: 1811-1945  
Level of description: Sub-fonds  
Extent: 5 bays  
Format: Paper

### **RECORDS' CONTEXT**

Name of creators: Donald Waters and Son, Fishcurers  
Administrative history: Donald Waters and Son, Fishcurers was a business established in Wick, Caithness, which had business concerns throughout the United Kingdom including in Lerwick, Fraserburgh, Barra, Invergordon, Gorleston on Sea, Great Yarmouth, Hartlepool, Stornoway and Peterhead.  
Donald Waters and his son also served as Agents for Lloyd's London insurance company within Caithness.  
Custodial history: Deposited by the Wick Society

### **RECORDS' CONTENT**

Description: The collection includes business and financial records, legislative and official records, insurance records, herring industry records, Lloyd's London records and both business and personal correspondence.

Appraisal:

Accruals: None expected

### **RECORDS' CONDITION OF ACCESS AND USE**

Access: Open

Closed until: -



Access conditions: Available within the archive searchroom

Copying: Copying permitted within standard Copyright Act parameters

Finding aids: Available in the archive searchroom and [online](#)

## ALLIED MATERIALS

Related material: WS/2 - Papers pertaining to Wick Harbour and Fishing Industry; WHT - Wick Harbour Trust

Publication: -

Notes: -

Date of catalogue: 2023

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<b>WS/1/1</b>	<b>Business and financial records</b> [many records do not give details of location. This applies to any descriptions where the location is not stated]	<b>1811-1940, n.d.</b>
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WS/1/1/6/8	Cash book, including accounts paid out and wages (1 volume)	1921-1924
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WS/1/1/7/3	Shop day book, Wick (1 volume)	1940
<b>WS/1/1/8</b>	<b>Invoices</b> [itemised paper catalogue compiled by Wick Society available, see WS/28/1]	<b>1928-1940</b>
WS/1/1/8/1	Invoices addressed to Donald Waters and Son for the purchase of fish, boxes, salt and other supplies and services. The invoices were received from the depositor in alphabetical order according to sender. They remain in this order (1 bundle)  Invoices received from but not limited to:  <b>B</b> Bloomfield's Overseas Ltd. Herring Merchants John S. Boyle; fish, game, rabbit and poultry salesman, Glasgow  <b>C</b> J.H. Cusens and Sons, Hull  <b>D</b> Duncan and Jamieson Ltd., Wick John S. Duncan, Fish Salesman, Wick William Dunnet and Co., Thurso  <b>G</b> Great Yarmouth Corporation, electricity department Gorleston and Southtown Gas Co. Groat and Watt, Wholesale Fish Merchants and Curers  <b>H</b> John Harper, Wick William Harper, Wick	1928-1940

	<p><b>K</b> John Kelsall and Sons, Manchester</p> <p><b>L</b> W. Leslie and co., Aberdeen Charles Lyons, Ltd., Aberdeen</p> <p><b>M</b> David Macdonald and Son, Aberdeen Rowland Martin, Bolton M.D.M. Ltd., Wick</p> <p><b>N</b> Norfolk Suffling Ltd., Great Yarmouth</p> <p><b>S</b> D. Sandison, Wick William Slater and Son, Fish Curers, Merchants Andrew Smith and Schultze, Peterhead</p> <p><b>T</b> The Great Yarmouth Water Works Company</p> <p><b>W</b> John Weir and Co., Shipbrokers and herring exporters Wren and Co., Billingsgate, London</p>	
WS/1/1/8/2	<p>Invoices received by Donald Waters and Sons from the following companies:</p> <p>Anglo-American Oil, Aberdeen Baxter and Son, London George Henderson, Edinburgh (1 file)</p>	c.1928-1940
<b>WS/1/1/9</b>	<p><b>Receipts</b> [itemised paper catalogue compiled by Wick Society available, see WS/28/1]</p>	<b>c.1914-1940</b>
WS/1/1/9/1	<p>Receipts addressed to Donald Waters and Son confirming payment of fish, boxes, salt and other supplies and services. The receipts were received from the depositor in alphabetical order according to sender. They remain in this order (1 bundle)</p> <p>Invoices received from but not limited to:</p> <p><b>B</b></p>	1915-1940

	<p>Bowers and Barr Ltd., Electrical and Wireless Engineers</p> <p><b>D</b></p> <p>Duncan and Jamieson Ltd., Wick</p> <p>John S. Duncan, Fish Salesman, Wick</p> <p>William Dunnet and Co., Thurso</p> <p>Arthur Duthie and Co., Fishsalesman</p> <p><b>G</b></p> <p>Wick and Pulteneytown Gas Light Company</p> <p>Wick Gas Company Ltd.</p> <p>Country Borough of Great Yarmouth</p> <p>A. Grant and Co., Rope, line, net and twine manufacturers</p> <p>William Grant, Marine and motor engineer and smith</p> <p>Great Yarmouth Water Works Company</p> <p>W. and J. Gunn, Contractors, Wick</p> <p><b>H</b></p> <p>Donald H. Harper, Builder and Contractor, Wick</p> <p>William Harper, Wholesale and Retail Ironmonger</p> <p>George Henderson, Edinburgh</p> <p>William Hendry, Wick</p> <p><b>I</b></p> <p>Richard Irvin and Sons, Buckie</p> <p><b>L</b></p> <p>L.M.S. Railway Co., Wick</p> <p>Lovewell Blake and Co., Great Yarmouth</p> <p><b>M</b></p> <p>David Macdonald and Sons, Aberdeen</p> <p>William Mackay, Wick</p> <p>H. McGregor, Wick</p> <p>Macrae Duggie, McPherson Ltd., Wick</p> <p>Alexander Miller, Wick</p> <p>Tom Miller, Wick</p> <p>Moray Firth Fishselling Co. Ltd.</p> <p>James More, Fishcurers, Wick</p> <p>Mowat's Garage, Thurso and Wick</p> <p>John Munro, Wick</p>	
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	<p><b>N</b></p> <p>W. Nicolson, Wick</p> <p>North of Scotland Coaling Co. Ltd.</p> <p>North of Scotland Ice Co. Ltd.</p> <p><b>P</b></p> <p>Palgrave Brown and Son Ltd.</p> <p>L.G. Perfect, Gorleston-On-Sea</p> <p><b>R</b></p> <p>Railway Passengers Assurance Company, Aberdeen</p> <p>London Midland and Scottish Railway Co.</p> <p>London and North Eastern Railway Co.</p> <p>John Reid, Wick</p> <p>Ross and McPherson, Wick</p> <p>Royal National Mission To Deep Sea Fishermen, Gorleston-On-Sea</p> <p><b>S</b></p> <p>David Sandison, Wick</p> <p>Shepherd's Harbour Engineering, Wick</p> <p>William Sinclair, Wick</p> <p><b>T</b></p> <p>Thomson Brown Ltd., Wick</p> <p>Tony's Garage, Gorleston-On-Sea</p> <p><b>W</b></p> <p>D.A. Wares</p> <p>Wilfred Weir, Wick</p> <p>Williamson and Millichamp, Gorleston</p> <p>L. Woods, Gorleston</p> <p><b>Y</b></p> <p>Yarmouth Stores Ltd.</p>	
WS/1/1/9/2	Receipts of Payment addressed to Donald Waters and Sons showing gas consumed and rent of meter for quarter to date (1 bundle)	1929-1940
WS/1/1/9/3	Slips and memorandum showing receipt and payment of cash amounts to and from Donald Waters and Son in Wick, Gorleston and Yarmouth pertaining to services rendered, memberships, factors fees, freight rebates, sales and curing of herring (1 bundle)	c.1914-1940



WS/1/1/9/4	Letters of receipt and money order received by Donald Water and Son (1 bundle)	c.1930-1940
WS/1/1/9/5	Receipts received by Donald Waters and Sons from the following companies: John S. Duncan, Wick Arthur Duthie and Co. Richard Irvin and Sons Macrae Duggie, McPherson Ltd. William Miller, Wick The Moray Firth Fishselling Company David Sandison, Wick Thomson, Brown Ltd. The Yare Barrel Factory Company Ltd., Great Yarmouth (1 bundle)	1925-1929
<b>WS/1/1/10</b>	<b>Statements</b> [itemised paper catalogue compiled by Wick Society available, see WS/28/1]	<b>1928-1940</b>
WS/1/1/10/1	Statements addressed to Donald Waters and Son confirming payment of fish, boxes, salt and other supplies and services. The statements were received from the depositor in alphabetical order according to sender. They remain in this order (1 bundle)  Invoices received from but not limited to: <b>D</b> John S. Duncan, Fish Salesman, Wick J. Graham and Son Auctioneers and fish salesmen <b>G</b> Groat and Watt, Wholesale Fish Merchants and Curers W. and J. Gunn, Contractors, Wick <b>H</b> William Harper, Wholesale and Retail Ironmonger <b>S</b> David Sandison Auctioneer and Fish Salesmen Thomas H. Scales and Son Auctioneers, Fish Salesmen and Commission Agents, Edinburgh <b>T</b>	1928-1939

	Tony's Garage, Gorleston-On-Sea <b>Y</b> Yarmouth Stores	
WS/1/1/10/2	Statements received by Donald Waters and Sons from Anglo-American Oil, Aberdeen (1 bundle)	1928-1934, n.d.
WS/1/1/10/3	Payment Statements addressed to Donald Waters and Sons for the purchase of fish and other goods and services.  [ordered alphabetically by seller name A-W]  (22 files)	c.1928-1940
<b>WS/1/1/11</b>	<b>Credits</b>	<b>c.1928-1940</b>
WS/1/1/11/1	Credits notes from Bloomfield's Overseas Ltd., Herring Exporters and Shipbrokers; and Pommer and Thomsen, Herring Exporters, Aberdeen (1 bundle)	1934, 1939
WS/1/1/11/2	Credit notes pertaining to the sale of herring to exporters and importers namely, Andrew Smith and Schultze; Bloomfield's Overseas Ltd.; A. Finkelstein; Julius Jorgensen; J. and A. Meiklejohn; Pommer and Thomsen; Theod. Hellm. Schroder Stettin.; Walter Pieper and Co.; and A. Witherspoon (2 files)	c.1928-1940
<b>WS/1/1/12</b>	<b>Financial Accounts</b>	<b>1935-1939</b>
WS/1/1/12/1	Financial Accounts for D. Waters and Son for the year to 31st March, 1935 (1 item)	31 Mar 1935
WS/1/1/12/2	Financial Accounts for D. Waters and Son for the year to 31st March, 1937 (1 item)	31 Mar 1937
WS/1/1/12/3	Financial Accounts for D. Waters and Son for the year to 31st March, 1938 (1 item)	31 Mar 1938
WS/1/1/12/4	Financial Accounts for D. Waters and Son for the year to 31st March, 1939 (1 item)	31 Mar 1939
<b>WS/1/1/13</b>	<b>Auditing Papers</b>	<b>1914-1939. n.d.</b>
<b>WS/1/1/13/1</b>	<b>Wick and Yarmouth Curing</b>	<b>1928-1939. n.d.</b>
WS/1/1/13/1/1	Yarmouth Curing Season 1928-1929, with itemised costs (1 item)	1928-1929
WS/1/1/13/1/2	Paper marked 'Curing Wick and Yarmouth, Credit Notes for every herring sold for year 1936-1937' (1 item)	1936-1937

WS/1/1/13/1/3	Yarmouth Cash Statement 1938 (6 items)	1938
WS/1/1/13/1/4	Paper marked 'Statement of Wick and Yarmouth Curing 1938 (6 items)	1938
WS/1/1/13/1/5	Wick fish and white fish accounts for the year ending 31 Mar 1939 (3 items)	1939
WS/1/1/13/1/6	Paper marked 'Yarmouth Shipments' detailing itemised costs (1 item)	n.d.
<b>WS/1/1/13/2</b>	<b>Trading Accounts of Messrs A. Mackay and Co., Butchers, Wick</b>	<b>1937-1938</b>
WS/1/1/13/2/1	Trading Account of Messrs A. Mackay and Co., Butchers, Wick, from 12 June to 4 Dec 1937 (1 item)	1937
WS/1/1/13/2/2	Trading Account of Messrs A. Mackay and Co., Butchers, Wick, from 12 June 1937 to 31 Mar 1938 (1 item)	1937-1938
WS/1/1/13/2/3	Trading Account of Messrs A. Mackay and Co., Butchers, Wick, from 1 Apr 1938 to 12 Nov 1938 (2 items)	1938
<b>WS/1/1/13/3</b>	<b>Invergordon Fish Shop</b>	<b>1938-1939</b>
WS/1/1/13/3/1	Paper marked 'Cash Statement regarding taking over of the Invergordon Fish Shop (1 item)	1938
WS/1/1/13/3/2	Statement of Accounts for year ending 31 Mar 1939 (1 item)	1939
<b>WS/1/1/13/4</b>	<b>Various</b>	<b>1912-1915, n.d.</b>
WS/1/1/13/4/1	Paper marked 'Mrs Waters' detailing prices of Property Tax, Poor Rates, Burgh Assessments, insurance, gas accounts and coal accounts (1 item)	1912-1915
WS/1/1/13/4/2	Statement of intromissions by Donald Waters on behalf of the Estate of the late Donald Waters Sr. detailing funeral expenses, personal expenses, cash payments and death duties (1 item)	1914
WS/1/1/13/4/3	Paper marked 'to the concerned for S.S Lhyra and per the Liverpool Salvage Association' detailing costs for labour employed, with itemised costs (1 item)	1914

WS/1/1/13/4/4	Paper marked 'Women's Wages' detailing arles for ten crews and itemised costs for wages, railway fares, insurance stamps and sundries (1 item)  [also see WS/1/1/4 for herring gutters - hours, barrels and pay books; WS/1/4/4/1 for unfilled work agreement records; WS/1/6/12 for herring gutter correspondence]	n.d.
<b>WS/1/1/14</b>	<b>Vehicle Documentation</b>	<b>1937-1939, n.d.</b>
WS/1/1/14/1	The Northern Traffic Area Scotland Form G.V.101. acknowledging receipt of application for insurance of Messrs Donald Waters and Son (1 item)	1937
WS/1/1/14/2	Certificates of Insurance and Registration Book for a 'Mechanically Propelled Road Vehicle' of Donald Waters and Son (4 items)	1938-1941
WS/1/1/14/3	Slips showing daily records of hours of work of drivers under licence holder Donald Waters and Son detailing particulars of journeys and goods (21 items)	1938-1939
WS/1/1/14/4	Blank Fuel Rationing form Z/F/5.I., application for supplementary issue for fortnight (1 item)	n.d.
WS/1/1/14/5	Letter from T.W. Appleyard and J.Y. Sinclair pertaining to Petrol Rationing (1 item)	n.d.
<b>WS/1/1/15</b>	<b>Local rates and assessments</b>	<b>1924-1938</b>
WS/1/1/15/1	Caithness County Assessments for Parish of Wick detailing owner's consolidated rate, addressed to Donald Waters and Sons (2 items)	1924-1925
WS/1/1/15/2	Two letters from the Rating Department, Great Yarmouth to Donald Waters and Sons concerning assessment of rates for a yard owned by Donald Waters and Sons (2 items)	Jun 1929
WS/1/1/15/3	Notices of receipts addressed to Donald Waters and Sons for local municipal, poor and education rates (1 bundle)	1929-1938
WS/1/1/15/4	Notice of Valuation of Lands and Heritages, Burgh of Wick detailing values for the properties of Donald Waters and Son (2 items)	1937-1938
WS/1/1/15/5	Notices of receipts addressed to Donald Waters and Sons for local and general rates in the County Borough of Great Yarmouth (1 bundle)	1926-1938

WS/1/1/15/6	Notice of receipt addressed to Donald Waters and Sons for Town Council of Wick Domestic Water Rate (1 item)	1937-1938
WS/1/1/15/7	Royal Burgh of Wick, Local Rates, received payment slips for Donald Waters (1 bundle)	1926-1932
<b>WS/1/1/16</b>	<b>Order slips</b>	<b>c.1928-1940</b>
WS/1/1/16/1	Order slips for and to Donald Waters for the sale of herring and other services ordered alphabetically by company name (1 file)	c.1928-1940
<b>WS/1/1/17</b>	<b>Railway consignment notes</b>	<b>c.1928-1940, n.d.</b>
WS/1/1/17/1	Railway consignment notes for Donald Waters and Sons for the shipping of herring and other goods by The London Midland and Scottish Railway Company, The London and North Eastern Railway and The Norfolk and Suffolk Joint Railways' Committee (1 bundle)	c.1928-1940
WS/1/1/17/2	Unfilled railway consignment notes for The London Midland and Scottish Railway Company (1 volume, 1 bundle)	n.d.
<b>WS/1/1/18</b>	<b>Bank Account books and cheques</b> [for banking correspondence see WS/1/6/1 and WS/1/6/7/4]	<b>c.1929-1937</b>
<b>WS/1/1/18/1</b>	<b>The Commercial Bank of Scotland</b>	<b>1930-1937</b>
WS/1/1/18/1/1	Cheques paid by Donald Waters and Son through the Commercial Bank of Scotland (3 files)	1930-1937
WS/1/1/18/1/2	Messrs Waters and Son Account book, Commercial Bank of Scotland Ltd (1 volume)	1925-1930
WS/1/1/18/1/3	Messrs Waters and Son Account book, Commercial Bank of Scotland Ltd [blank] (1 volume)	n.d.
<b>WS/1/1/18/2</b>	<b>The Union Bank of Scotland Limited</b>	<b>1929-1933</b>
WS/1/1/18/2/1	Cheques paid by Donald Waters and Son through The Union Bank of Scotland Limited (1 file)	1929-1933
<b>WS/1/1/18/3</b>	<b>National Provincial Bank Limited</b>	<b>1930-1937</b>
WS/1/1/18/3/1	Cheques paid by Donald Waters and Son through National Provincial Bank Limited (1 file)	1930-1937

WS/1/1/18/3/2	Donald Waters Bank book, National Provincial Bank Ltd, Gorleston Branch (1 volume)	1929
<b>WS/1/1/18/4</b>	<b>Cheque Stubs</b>	<b>c.1929-1937</b>
WS/1/1/18/4/1	Cheque stubs from various banks, paid by Donald Waters and Sons (1 file)	c.1929-1937
<b>WS/1/1/19</b>	<b>Telephone service bills</b>	<b>1937-1939</b>
WS/1/1/19/1	Post Office Telephone Service documentation for the use of telephones by D. Waters and Son including charges for local calls made, agreements for telephone services and final accounts (1 bundle)	1937-1939
<b>WS/1/1/20</b>	<b>Various</b>	<b>1811-1940, n.d.</b>
WS/1/1/20/1	Loose pages of handwritten dates and names [possibly employees of Donald Waters and Sons] (6 items)	1811-1917
WS/1/1/20/2	Notebook entitled 'Mrs Cormack and Mrs Waters' detailing cash payments (1908-1909) and dates when men left for Lerwick (1914) (1 volume)	1908-1909, 1914
WS/1/1/20/3	Handwritten statement of Fishcuring Plant, Stock-in-Trade, Cash on Hand, and their effects belonging to the form of Donald Waters, Wick (1 item)	15 Mar 1913
WS/1/1/20/4	Bundle of handwritten financial records concerning insurance accounts, rents received, herring sales, income, repair work and tax (1 bundle) [itemised paper catalogue compiled by Wick Society available, see WS/28/1]	1917-1936, n.d.
WS/1/1/20/5	Income Tax and Land Tax statements addressed to Donald Waters and Son, Wick and Gorleston (5 items)	1925-1926
WS/1/1/20/6	The Potash Notebook including notes of sailings (1 volume)	1930-1931
WS/1/1/20/7	Paid in slip for The Commercial Bank of Scotland Limited from Donald Waters and Son (1 item)	5 Oct 1934
WS/1/1/20/8	Account Book showing data for multiple locations, including Wick, Yarmouth and Invergordon (1 volume) [see also WS/1/1/1]	1935-1939
WS/1/1/20/9	List of goods and prices (1 item)	6 Dec 1936

WS/1/1/20/10	Small account book with no cover (1 item)	c.1938-1940
WS/1/1/20/11	Notebook entitled 'D. Waters and Son' [blank] (1 volume)	n.d.
WS/1/1/20/12	Notebook including stock data and outlays for butcher shop (1 volume)	n.d.
WS/1/1/20/13	Loose pages of handwritten figures for fish shipped and prices, alongside lists of names (1 bundle)	n.d.
WS/1/1/20/14	Handwritten sales and outgoing expenses (1 item)	n.d.
<b>WS/1/2</b>	<b>Legislative and judicial records</b>	<b>1849-1940</b>
<b>WS/1/2/1</b>	<b>Tacks, assignments and leases</b>	<b>1849-1918</b>
WS/1/2/1/1	Tack between Sir George Dunbar, and his Trustees, and Alexander Sinclair, Fishcurer for a piece of land, containing two acres and three fourths of an acre, lying on the North side of the bay of Wick (1 item) [fragile]	1849
WS/1/2/1/2	Assignment, or Sub-Tack by William Shearer, Fisherman, Wick, in favour of Daniel Louttit of a piece of land, containing two acres and three fourths of an acre, lying on the North side of the bay of Wick (1 item)	1859
WS/1/2/1/3	Assignment, or Sub-Tack by Mr Daniel Louttit, Commission Merchant in Pulteneytown, Trustee of the Sequestered Estate of Alexander Sinclair in favour of David Levack, Fishcurer, of a piece of land, containing two acres and three fourths of an acre, lying on the North side of the bay of Wick (1 item)	1861
WS/1/2/1/4	Duplicate Minute of Lease between the Merchant Company Education Board and Messrs D. Waters and Son for a curing yard at Keith Inch, Peterhead (1 item)	1918
<b>WS/1/2/2</b>	<b>Government Bills and Reports</b>	<b>1883-1899</b>
WS/1/2/2/1	Report from the Select Committee on Harbour Accommodation with Proceedings of the Committee, ordered by the House of Commons (1 item)	13 Jul 1883
WS/1/2/2/2	Wick and Pulteney Harbours: A Bill to amend the Pulteney Harbour Act, 1879, the Wick and Pulteney Harbours Order, 1883; to confer further powers upon the Trustees of Wick and Pulteney	1899

	Harbours; and for other purposes, 62 and 63 Vict. – Session 1899 (1 item)	
<b>WS/1/2/3</b>	<b>Caithness County Council Food Control Committee</b>	<b>1939, n.d.</b>
WS/1/2/3/1	Food Control Licence to Trade in Foodstuffs by Retail awarded to Donald Waters and Son (1 item)	9 Oct 1939
WS/1/2/3/2	Caithness County Council Food Control Committee List of Retail Merchants and Grocers; List of Retail Butchers (10 items)	n.d.
<b>WS/1/2/4</b>	<b>Court records</b>	<b>1933-1938</b>
WS/1/2/4/1	High Court of Justice Chancery Division leaflet regarding the matter of the Russian Bank for Foreign Trade (1 item)	22 Feb 1933
WS/1/2/4/2	Letter from Sherriff Court Wick regarding a Workmen's Compensation Acts 1925 to 1931 Memorandum of Agreement between John Downie, Wick driver on board the Steam Diesel "Fisher Boy" WK.152 and eight respondents including D. Waters (2 items)	4 Mar 1938
WS/1/2/4/3	Letter from Sherriff Court Wick regarding the case of John Downie (1 item)	7 Mar 1938
<b>WS/1/2/5</b>	<b>Various</b>	<b>1923-1940</b>
WS/1/2/5/1	Certificates awarded to Donald Waters and Son to act as Wick agents of The Association of Underwriters and Insurance Brokers, Glasgow (2 items)	1923, 1933
WS/1/2/5/2	Customs and Excise, the Old Age Pensions Acts 1904 to 1924 and the Blind Persons Act 1920 application form, completed by Mr Alex Mackay (1 item)	19 Jun 1929
WS/1/2/5/3	Ministry of Labour, Unemployment Insurance Act Arrears Book, for Annie MacDonald issued to D. Waters and Son and stamped thereby on the overside (1 item)	29 Jul 1930
WS/1/2/5/4	Northern Traffic Area Scotland, Road and Rail Traffic Act 1933, A and B Carrier's Licences, guidance on application (2 items)	Apr 1936
WS/1/2/5/5	Widows', Orphans' and Old Age Contributory Pensions Act 1937, application to become a voluntary contributor addressed to Donald Waters (1 item)	6 Jan 1938



WS/1/2/5/6	Royal Burgh of Wick Certificate of Verification for the examination of Weights, Measures and Instruments addressed to D. Waters and Son (1 item)	6 May 1938
WS/1/2/5/7	Health Department, City of Leicester, certificates issued to D. Waters and Son regarding the receipt of fish considered unfit for human food (5 items)	1938
WS/1/2/5/8	Lands Valuation Notice addressed to Donald Waters and Son regarding Fish Shop in Saltoun Street, Wick (1 item)	1938-1939
WS/1/2/5/9	Timber Control, Scottish Areas notice concerning a change of address (1 item)	1 May 1940
WS/1/2/5/10	Private C. Carriers Licence Application form for D. Waters and Son (1 item)	26 Jun 1940
<b>WS/1/3</b>	<b>Insurance records (including correspondence)</b>  [see WS/1/6 for further Donald Waters and Son correspondence. Insurance correspondence has been catalogued here, within the insurance records series, to ensure adequate contextualisation of all insurance archives]	<b>1915-1940</b>
<b>WS/1/3/1</b>	<b>The Prudential Assurance Company Limited</b>	<b>1921-1933. n.d.</b>
WS/1/3/1/1	The Prudential Assurance Company Limited notice to holders of ordinary branch with-profit policies (4 items)	1931
WS/1/3/1/2	Three receipts from The Prudential Assurance Company Limited to Donald Waters and Son regarding fire insurance (3 items)	1921, 1927, 1930
WS/1/3/1/3	Annual Bonus Certificates from The Prudential Assurance Company Limited to Mr Donald Waters Jnr. (5 items)	n.d.
WS/1/3/1/4	Thirty-seven receipts acknowledging renewal of insurance policies through The Prudential Assurance Company Limited (37 items)	1926-1933
WS/1/3/1/5	Certificate, temporary cover note and receipt for insurance through Prudential Assurance Company (3 items)	1907, 1930
<b>WS/1/3/2</b>	<b>North British and Mercantile Insurance Co., Ltd.</b>	<b>1928-1940</b>
WS/1/3/2/1	Pamphlet 'Note of Rates for the Ordinary Risks in Scotland' (1 item)	Mar 1928

WS/1/3/2/2	Twenty-two telegrams from North British and Mercantile Insurance Co., Ltd. to Donald Waters and Sons confirming insurance policies and premiums (22 items)	1936-1939
WS/1/3/2/3	Receipts and notice forms with regard insurance taken by Donald Waters and Sons from North British and Mercantile Insurance Co., Ltd. (18 items)	c.1930-1940
<b>WS/1/3/3</b>	<b>Railway Passengers Assurance Company</b>	<b>1932-1939</b>
WS/1/3/3/1	Liability Assurance (Servants) Policy issued to Donald Waters (1 item)	2 Jul 1932
WS/1/3/3/2	Receipts acknowledging payment from Donald Waters of Workmen's Compensation Insurance, Glass Insurance and Motor Insurance (1 bundle)	1936-1939
<b>WS/1/3/4</b>	<b>General Accident Fire and Life Assurance Company</b>	<b>1927-1932, n.d.</b>
WS/1/3/4/1	Receipts of Life Insurance and Accidental Fire and Life insurance for Donald Waters and Sons (18 items)	1927-1936
WS/1/3/4/2	Renewal Notices for Motor Vehicle Insurance (5 items)	n.d.
WS/1/3/4/3	Correspondence regarding policies taken out by Donald Waters and Sons (1 bundle)	1930-1932
WS/1/3/4/4	Road Traffic Act 1930 Certificates of Insurance (2 items)	1931-1932
<b>WS/1/3/5</b>	<b>Century Insurance Company Limited</b>	<b>1920-1939</b>
WS/1/3/5/1	Fire Policy insurance documents for curing properties in Gorleston owned by Donald Waters and Son (7 items)	1920-1937
WS/1/3/5/2	Fire Renewal Receipts (8 items)	1933-1938
WS/1/3/5/3	Burglary and Housebreaking Business Insurance Policy of Donald Waters and Son, Wick, covering 498 barrels and 150 half barrels of cured herring (1 item)	1927
WS/1/3/5/4	Correspondence regarding policies taken out by Donald Waters and Sons (11 items)	1925-1939
<b>WS/1/3/6</b>	<b>Royal Exchange Assurance Incorporated</b>	<b>1927-1936</b>

WS/1/3/6/1	Receipts of Life Insurance for Donald Waters and Donald Waters Jr (12 items)	1927-1936
WS/1/3/6/2	Notice of Bonus concerning Life Insurance policies (4 items)	1930-1935
<b>WS/1/3/7</b>	<b>The London Steam Ship Owners Mutual Insurance Association Limited</b>	<b>1940</b>
WS/1/3/7/1	Letters addressed to Donald Waters and Son regarding the Norwegian vessel Samev and the discharge of fabricated house materials from Sweden at Pultneytown, Wick (9 items)	5-24 Jan 1940
<b>WS/1/3/8</b>	<b>The Union Marine and General Insurance Company Limited</b>	<b>1931</b>
WS/1/3/8/1	Letters addressed to Donald Waters and Son regarding the vessel Pennsylvania and the condition of cargo (2 items)	20 Aug 1931
<b>WS/1/3/9</b>	<b>Caledonian Insurance Company</b>	<b>1928, 1937-1938</b>
WS/1/3/9/1	Renewal of Fire Policies and Fire Renewal Receipts addressed to Donald Waters Jnr. (6 items)	1928, 1937-1938
<b>WS/1/3/10</b>	<b>The London and Lancashire Insurance Company Ltd.</b>	<b>1915-1940</b>
WS/1/3/10/1	Notices of remittance for the payment of Householders Insurance (11 items)	Feb 1915
WS/1/3/10/2	Receipts acknowledging the payment of annual premiums by Donald Waters and Son (1 bundle)	1927-1938
WS/1/3/10/3	Memorandum concerning the policies and claims of Donald Waters and Son (1 bundle)	1931-1938
WS/1/3/10/4	Letters addressed to Donald Waters and Son regarding accidents and claims to their policies (10 items)	1935-1938
WS/1/3/10/5	Workmen's Compensation Insurance Policy of Donald Waters and Son trading as The Invergordon Fish Shop (1 item)	14 Jul 1938
WS/1/3/10/6	Fire Renewal Notices issued to Donald Waters and Son (7 items)	1938, 1940
<b>WS/1/3/11</b>	<b>Various</b>	<b>1923-1940</b>
WS/1/3/11/1	Letters addressed to Donald Waters and Son regarding their appointment as the Association of	1923

	Underwriters and Insurance Brokers' Agent in Wick (2 items)	
WS/1/3/11/2	Letter from Price, Forbes and Co. Ltd addressed to Donald Waters and Son regarding a cheque in settlement of fees 're claim per Morven Hill' (1 item)	12 Mar 1936
WS/1/3/11/3	Letter from Oughtred and Harrison Limited addressed to Donald Waters and Son regarding 'Rose of England Boiler' (1 item)	23 Dec 1937
WS/1/3/11/4	Letter from The Lincolnshire Steam Trawlers' Mutual Insurance and Protecting Company Limited addressed to Donald Waters and Son regarding 'French Trawler Orient' (1 item)	12 Aug 1936
WS/1/3/11/5	Letter from National Amalgamated Approved Society addressed to Donald Waters and Son regarding 'Mrs Mary A. Page' (1 item)	5 Oct 1932
WS/1/3/11/6	Letters from Navigators and General Insurance Company Limited addressed to Donald Waters and Son regarding 'Pathfinder' (2 items)	1937-1938
WS/1/3/11/7	Letter from D. and J. Nicol Shipowners, Ship and Insurance Brokers addressed to Donald Waters and Son regarding purchase of small vessels (1 item)	29 Nov 1928
WS/1/3/11/8	Letter from United Kingdom Steam Tug and Trawler Insurance and Indemnity Association Limited addressed to Donald Waters and Son (1 item)	7 Jun 1929
WS/1/3/11/9	Letter and receipts from The Northern Assurance Company Limited addressed to Donald Waters and Son regarding 'Neptunus, Pilot Star' (3 items)	1932-1935
WS/1/3/11/10	Letter and receipts from Life Association of Scotland addressed to Donald Waters and Son regarding insurance premiums (3 items)	c.1928
WS/1/3/11/11	Letter from Scottish Co-operative addressed to Donald Waters and Son regarding deductions to invoice (1 item)	10 Sep 1932
WS/1/3/11/12	Letters from Francis Hornor and Son, Chartered Surveyors addressed to Donald Waters and Son regarding 'Bells Marsh Road' (2 items)	1935
WS/1/3/11/13	Letters from William H. Carr Ship and Insurance Broker addressed to Donald Waters and Son regarding 'Bon Avenir drifter' (3 items)	1925

WS/1/3/11/14	Letters from R.W. Gibbon addressed to Donald Waters and Son regarding a survey report (2 items)	May 1929
WS/1/3/11/15	Letters from Dundas Hamilton and Co. addressed to Donald Waters and Son regarding an 'Enid Mary' (2 items)	Apr 1935
WS/1/3/11/16	Letter from Hogg and Robinson addressed to Donald Waters and Son regarding 'Greenigoe' (1 item)	29 Dec 1926
WS/1/3/11/17	Six pieces of correspondence relating to various insurance policies and schemes (6 items)	1930s
WS/1/3/11/18	Letters from Insurance companies regarding policies and claims for motor vehicles, premises and contents, alongside others relating to cargo aboard specific vessels (1 bundle)	c.1930-1940
WS/1/3/11/19	The Scottish Boat Insurance Company Limited receipt book [first two pages filled only] (1 item)	n.d.
<b>WS/1/4</b>	<b>Herring industry records</b>	<b>1898-1940, n.d.</b>
<b>WS/1/4/1</b>	<b>Minutes</b>	<b>1935-1939</b>
WS/1/4/1/1	Minute book of the Herring Industry Board, Wick Area Committee (1 volume) [see also WS/1/4/2]	3 July 1935-18 July 1938
WS/1/4/1/2	Minutes from a meeting of the Wick Fish Merchants at which an agreement was made to form an Association to be called the Wick Fish Merchants Association (1 item) [typed minutes with signatures]	13 Sep 1939
WS/1/4/1/3	Minutes of Meetings of the Directors of The British Herring Trade Association Limited, headed 'Private – Not for Publication' (5 items)	1938, 1940
<b>WS/1/4/2</b>	<b>Herring Industry Board</b> [see also WS/1/4/1/1]	<b>1935-1940, n.d.</b>
<b>WS/1/4/2/1</b>	<b>Herring Industry Scheme 1935</b>	<b>1935, c.1937</b>
WS/1/4/2/1/1	Herring Industry Act, 1935 (2 items)	1935
WS/1/4/2/1/2	Herring Industry Scheme 1935, leaflets and posters of directions and rules (1 bundle) [many duplicate copies]	1935
WS/1/4/2/1/3	Herring Industry Scheme 1935 Curers Licence issued to Donald Waters and Son, Wick	1935

	authorising the employment of seven crews for the curing of herring (1 item)	
WS/1/4/2/1/4	Herring Industry Scheme 1935 Exporter's Licence issued to Donald Waters and Son, Wick (1 item)	1935
WS/1/4/2/1/5	Letters from the Herring Industry Board regarding the Herring Industry Scheme 1935, including 'Rules as to Weekly Returns by Curer' and an excerpt from the Rules issued on Nov 19 1936 (2 item)	c.1937
<b>WS/1/4/2/2</b>	<b>Herring Industry Board publications</b>	<b>1935-1940, n.d.</b>
WS/1/4/2/2/1	Signals to Vessels Engaged in Fishing for Herring leaflet (1 item)	8 Oct 1935
WS/1/4/2/2/2	Powers and Duties of Area Committees Amendments (4 items)	1936-1937
WS/1/4/2/2/3	Loans for Construction of New Boats form and terms and conditions (2 items)	1937
WS/1/4/2/2/4	Third Annual Report, 1938 (2 items)	1938
WS/1/4/2/2/5	Lerwick Area Committee, Scheme for Dealing with over-supply of Herring Leaflet (1 item)	14 Jun 1938
WS/1/4/2/2/6	[Unallocated]	-
WS/1/4/2/2/7	Herring Industry Board, Loans for Construction of New Motor Boats leaflet (1 item)	1939
WS/1/4/2/2/8	Note of Proposed Periods for Kippering (1 item)	n.d.
WS/1/4/2/2/9	Joint Scheme for Supporting Prices for Cured Herring leaflets (2 items)	n.d.
<b>WS/1/4/2/3</b>	<b>Herring Industry Board lists</b>	<b>1938</b>
WS/1/4/2/3/1	Wick Area Committee members list for 1938 (2 items)	1938
WS/1/4/2/3/2	List of Kipperers licensed by the Board as at 31 Mar 1938 (1 item)	31 Mar 1938
WS/1/4/2/3/3	Supplementary list of Kipperers licensed by the Board as at 9 Jun 1938 (2 items)	9 Jun 1938
WS/1/4/2/3/4	List of Salesmen licensed by the Board as at 31 Mar 1938 (4 items)	31 Mar 1938
WS/1/4/2/3/5	Supplementary list of Salesmen licensed by the Board as at 31 Mar 1938 (7 items)	31 Mar 1938

WS/1/4/2/3/6	List of Exporters licensed by the Board as at 31 Mar 1938 (2 items)	31 Mar 1938
WS/1/4/2/3/7	Supplementary list of Exporters licensed by the Board as at 31 Mar 1938 (2 items)	31 Mar 1938
WS/1/4/2/3/8	List of Processors licensed by the Board as at 31 Mar 1938 (2 items)	31 Mar 1938
WS/1/4/2/3/9	Supplementary list of Processors licensed by the Board as at 31 Mar 1938 (1 item)	31 Mar 1938
WS/1/4/2/3/10	Supplementary Lists of Curers licensed by the Board as at 9 Jun 1938 (6 items)	9 Jun 1938
WS/1/4/2/3/11	List of Boats licensed for the summer fishing as at 22 Jun 1938 (10 items)	22 Jun 1938
WS/1/4/2/3/12	Supplementary list of Boats licensed for the summer fishing as at 22 Jun 1938 (1 item)	22 Jun 1938
WS/1/4/2/3/13	Supplementary list of Boats licensed as at 31 Mar 1938 (2 items)	31 Mar 1938
WS/1/4/2/3/14	Supplementary list of Boats licensed for the period 1 Jan to 30 Apr 1938 (2 items)	30 Apr 1938
WS/1/4/2/3/15	List of Boats licensed for the East Anglian Herring Fishing 1938 (5 items)	1938
<b>WS/1/4/3</b>	<b>Fishery Board for Scotland</b>	<b>1938-1940</b>
WS/1/4/3/1	Pamphlet detailing Regulations made and established by the Fishery Board of Scotland under the provisions of the Herring Fishery (Scotland) Act, 1889, 'for the construction and branding of measures for buying, selling, delivering, or receiving fresh herring in the Scotch Herring Fishery' (1 item)	1889
WS/1/4/3/2	Report on the Crown Brand and Herring Trade on the Continent by Mr Alex Millikin, General Inspector of Sea Fisheries (1 item)	1902
WS/1/4/3/3	Report on the Crown Brand and Herring Trade on the Continent by Mr Alex Millikin, General Inspector of Sea Fisheries (1 item)	1904
WS/1/4/3/4	Report of visit of inspection by Assistant Inspector of Sea Fisheries of Herring Trade on Continent (1 item)	1906

WS/1/4/3/5	Fishery Board for Scotland Branding Regulations (1 volume)	25 Feb 1938
WS/1/4/3/6	Fishery Board for Scotland Return forms for Herring Cured [some blank] (8 items)	c.1940
<b>WS/1/4/4</b>	<b>The British Herring Trade Association Limited</b>	<b>1929-1939, n.d.</b>
WS/1/4/4/1	Agreement between Scottish Fishcurers and Women Workers for the Summer Fishing Seasons of 1929 at Shetland, Orkney, Mallaig, and Oban (1 bundle) [uncompleted forms]  [also see WS/1/1/4 for herring gutters - hours, barrels and pay books; WS/1/1/13/4/4 for wages records; WS/1/6/12 for correspondence]	1929
WS/1/4/4/2	Agreement between The British Herring Trade Association and Transport and General Workers Union (Coopers' Section) detailing Conditions of Work and Rates of Wages (1 item)	1937
WS/1/4/4/3	Letter regarding 'the disposal of unshipped stocks', highlighting the appointment of a Committee to address the issue (1 item)	13 Sep 1939
WS/1/4/4/4	Minimum Prices as Fixed by Holding Committee (1 item)	13 Sep 1939
WS/1/4/4/5	Standard Sale note of the British Herring Trade Association including Conditions of Sale and Purchase of Cured Herring (1 item)	n.d.
WS/1/4/4/6	Statement of Accounts, For Year ended 31 <sup>st</sup> March 1940 (1 item)	31 Mar 1940
<b>WS/1/4/5</b>	<b>Records of various other organisations directly referencing the fishing industry</b>	<b>1898-1940, n.d.</b>
WS/1/4/5/1	Letters from the Herring Trade Combine informing of Committee decisions (2 items)	25 Feb 1925
WS/1/4/5/2	Three Reports of the British Herring Marketing Board (5 items)	1931-1932
WS/1/4/5/3	Scottish Kipperers and Herring Freshers Association letters, executive reports and synopsis of meetings (11 items)	1936-1940
WS/1/4/5/4	Report entitled 'Scheme for Stabilisation of Prices of Herring and Products at East Anglia, written by Thomas Archer of Great Yarmouth (3 items)	9 Apr 1940



WS/1/4/5/5	Fish trade Advisory Committee, Fish distribution in time of National Emergency, Instructions to Fishmongers and Fish Friers (2 items)	n.d.
WS/1/4/5/6	Amended Proposed Schedule of periods of kippering of herring landed at the ports and districts indicated should be limited [loose pages] (2 items)	n.d.
WS/1/4/5/7	Blank Herring Industry Board letter head and form (3 items)	n.d.
WS/1/4/5/8	Pamphlet of the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries entitled 'The Composition of Seaweed and its Use as Manure' (1 item)	Aug 1911
WS/1/4/5/9	Pamphlets of the Advisory Committee of the Fishermen's Institute, Wick, detailing an important meeting held in the Free Library (2 items)	1908
WS/1/4/5/10	Pamphlet of the Parish Council of Wick entitled 'Abstract of Accounts of the Parish Council for the year ended 15 May, 1898' (1 item)	1898
<b>WS/1/4/6</b>	<b>Wick and Pulteneytown Chamber of Commerce records directly referencing the fishing industry</b>	<b>1900-1907</b>
WS/1/4/6/1	Report by the Committee to be presented at the Annual Meeting of the Chamber held in the Town and County Hall, Wick (1 item)	1900
WS/1/4/6/2	Report by the Committee to be presented at the Annual Meeting of the Chamber held in the Town and County Hall, Wick (1 item)	1903
WS/1/4/6/3	Report by the Committee to be presented at the Annual Meeting of the Chamber held in the Town and County Hall, Wick (1 item)	1906
WS/1/4/6/4	Report by the Committee to be presented at the Annual Meeting of the Chamber held in the Town and County Hall, Wick (1 item)	1907
<b>WS/1/4/7</b>	<b>Shipping Documents</b>	<b>1931-1938, n.d.</b>
<b>WS/1/4/7/1</b>	<b>Bills of Lading</b>	<b>1931-1938</b>
WS/1/4/7/1/1	Bill of Lading showing trade by Donald Waters and Son to Hamburg. Includes ship name "St Clair". Letterheaded, Currie Line (1 item)	15 Jul 1931
WS/1/4/7/1/2	Bills of Lading showing trade by Donald Waters and Son to Stettin, Hamburg and Danzig. Includes	1931

	ship names "Stella", "Nancy" and "Sojourner". Letterheaded, W. Leslie and Co. Ltd (4 items)	
WS/1/4/7/1/3	Bills of Lading showing trade by Donald Waters and Son to Hamburg and Danzig. Includes ship names "Trader", "Nancy" and "Lappen". Letterheaded, Bloomfield's Overseas Ltd Herring Exporters and Shipbrokers (4 items)	1932, 1935, 1938
WS/1/4/7/1/4	Bill of Lading showing trade by Donald Waters and Son to Hamburg. Includes ship name "Totnes". Letterheaded, Duncan and Jamieson Ltd Herring Exporters Aberdeen (1 item)	8 Jul 1933
WS/1/4/7/1/5	Bill of Lading showing trade by Donald Waters and Son to Danzig. Includes ship name "Bewinter". Letterheaded, Pommer and Thomsen Limited Aberdeen (1 item)	23 Sep 1933
WS/1/4/7/1/6	Bills of Lading showing trade by Donald Waters and Son to Hamburg. Includes ship name "St Clair" (4 items)	1933, 1935
<b>WS/1/4/7/2</b>	<b>Various shipping documents</b>	<b>1934-1936, n.d.</b>
WS/1/4/7/2/1	Certificate of Origin for Cured Herring shipped per vessel "Torra" from Wick by Donald Waters and Son (1 item)	1934
WS/1/4/7/2/2	Tansire Sale documents [blank] (2 items)	n.d.
WS/1/4/7/2/3	Customs and Excise, Account of Charges for Official Attendance record to D. Water, Lloyds Agent, Wick (1 item)	14 Jul 1936
WS/1/4/7/2/4	Customs and Excise, Specification for Goods sent from Wick to Antwerp on the ship "Bes" (1 item)	24 Jun 1936
WS/1/4/7/2/5	Duplicate letter from George Sutherland, Harbour Master, Wick, detailing his survey of the S/S "Osterhav" of Helsingfors, stranded within Sinclair Bay, Caithness (1 item)	29 Aug 1936
WS/1/4/7/2/6	Manifests of Cargo for ships "Bes" and "Quickthorn" bound for Antwerp (4 items)	1936
WS/1/4/7/2/7	Herring Industry Board Return forms detailing purchases, mode of treatment and exports made by Donald Waters and Sons of Wick (10 items)	1937-1939
WS/1/4/7/2/8	Herring Industry Board blank application forms for licences for Kipperers, Boats, Processors, Exporters, Salesmen and Curers; for loans for reconditioning steam drifters; for the purchase of	1937-1938

	steam drifters, herring nets and gear (1 bundle) [many duplicate copies]	
WS/1/4/7/2/9	Blank Herring Industry Board Permit Cards (1 bundle)	n.d.
<b>WS/1/4/8</b>	<b>Herring Industry Boards and Associations correspondence</b>  [see WS/1/6 for further Donald Waters and Son correspondence. Specific herring board correspondence has been catalogued here, within the Herring industry records series, to ensure adequate contextualisation of all archives]	<b>1929-1940</b>
<b>WS/1/4/8/1</b>	<b>Herring Industry Board</b>	<b>1935-1940</b>
WS/1/4/8/1/1	Letters from the Herring Industry Board to Donald Waters and Son regarding Licences, Local Committees, permissions to export cured herring and prices of purchase (1 bundle)	1935-1940
WS/1/4/8/1/2	Herring Industry Board notice detailing 'Powers and Duties of Area Committees as amended Jun 17 1937 (1 item)	22 Jun 1937
WS/1/4/8/1/3	Herring Industry Board Memorandum to Secretaries of Area Committees (2 items)	May 10 1937
WS/1/4/8/1/4	Herring Industry Board, Wick Area Committee notice detailing 'Scheme for Dealing with Over-supply of Herring' by order of the Secretary Alexander S. Begg (1 bundle) [Many duplicate copies]	20 Jul 1938
WS/1/4/8/1/5	Herring Industry Board, Yarmouth Area Committee notice detailing alternative regulations for the period Wednesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> November to Saturday 5 Nov 1938 due to a lack of larger herrings (1 item)	2 Nov 1938
WS/1/4/8/1/6	Copy of letter from the Herring Fishery Board dated 21 Sep 1936 to the British Herring Trade Association Limited regarding the results of discussions at the British Embassy in Berlin between British Exporters and the German Herring Trade (2 items)	21 Sep 1936
WS/1/4/8/1/7	Letter from John Young, Wick regarding private and confidential referees to negotiations between the Herring Industry Board and John Young (1 item)	23 Jul 1938
WS/1/4/8/1/8	Copy of telegram regarding Herring Board Regulations for minimum prices (1 item)	n.d.

<b>WS/1/4/8/2</b>	<b>The British Herring Trade Association</b>	<b>1929-1940</b>
WS/1/4/8/2/1	Letters addressed to Donald Waters and Son regarding the Scottish Herring Curers Association, proposed levy's for fishermen, Meetings of Holders of unsold stock, Meetings of the Exporters and Shipbrokers Branch, War Risk Commodity Insurance and other business related to the herring trade (1 bundle)	1929-1940
<b>WS/1/4/8/3</b>	<b>The British Herring Marketing Board</b>	<b>1931-1933</b>
WS/1/4/8/3/1	Letters addressed to Donald Waters and Son regarding quantities of herring handed to the Board, allocations of cash received for herrings detailing amounts of both, excerpts from Board Minutes and distribution of funds amongst Members (1 bundle)	1931-1933
<b>WS/1/4/8/4</b>	<b>Various</b>	<b>1926, 1938, n.d.</b>
WS/1/4/8/4/1	Letter from the Herring Trade Combine Secretary George Hall addressed to Donald Waters and Son detailing amounts payable in accordance with the scheme of allocation set forth (1 item)	26 Apr 1926
WS/1/4/8/4/2	Letter from Rud. Kanzow, Hamburg detailing a 'Herring Market Report' (1 item)	6 Jan 1938
WS/1/4/8/4/3	Letter to Donald Waters and Son from the White Fish Commission, Westminster acknowledging receipt of forms (1 item)	28 Feb 1938
WS/1/4/8/4/4	Copy of letter from the Fisheries Secretary, Scottish Home Department, Edinburgh to the Secretary, British Herring Trade Association, Aberdeen regarding entry into protected areas (1 item)	10 Apr 1940
WS/1/4/8/4/5	Letter to Donald Waters and Son from the Secretary, Scottish Kippers Association regarding receipt of levy (1 item)	29 Oct 1934
WS/1/4/8/4/6	Copy of telegram regarding a meeting of the Area Committee from Lerwick (1 item)	n.d.
<b>WS/1/5</b>	<b>Lloyd's London records</b>	<b>1903-1940, n.d.</b>
<b>WS/1/5/1</b>	<b>Lloyd's volumes</b>	<b>1903-1935</b>
WS/1/5/1/1	Lloyd's Calendar, published with the approval of the committee of Llyod's, London (1 volume) [no cover]	1903

WS/1/5/1/2	Llyod's Instructions to Agents and their Surveyors (1 volume)	Dec 1928
WS/1/5/1/3	A List of Lloyd's Agents and their Sub-Agents (1 volume)	Jan 1935
<b>WS/1/5/2</b>	<b>Circulars</b>	<b>1919-1938</b>
WS/1/5/2/1	Form for supply of Lloyd's Calendar 1920, postmarked 20 Aug 1919, stamped Donald Waters and Sons (1 item)	20 Aug 1919
WS/1/5/2/2	Instructions to Lloyd's Agents Circular issued by the secretary E. J. Inglefield, London (9 items)	3 Nov 1920
WS/1/5/2/3	Circular concerning the History of Lloyd's and Security of a Lloyd's Policy (3 items)	15 Sep 1921
WS/1/5/2/4	Circular concerning Scale of Fees from the secretary, Lloyd's (3 items)	28 Sep 1921
WS/1/5/2/5	Circular concerning Survey on Damaged Goods (3 items)	19 Apr 1922
WS/1/5/2/6	Lloyd's Standard Form of Arbitration Agreement in Cases of Collision including Supplementary Sheet dated 1 Feb 1924 (2 items) [unfilled]	1 Feb 1924
WS/1/5/2/7	Form of Application for Certificate of Survey (Goods) (1 bundle) [unfilled]	1924
WS/1/5/2/8	Clean Bills of Lading Against Letters of Indemnity (4 items)	15 Jun 1927
WS/1/5/2/9	Lloyd's Annual Statement of Fees Form (1 bundle) [21 unfilled; 1 filled by Donald Waters dated 11 Jan 1928]	11 Jan 1928
WS/1/5/2/10	Circular concerning Ship Surveys (2 items)	10 Nov 1937
WS/1/5/2/11	Circular concerning the Application for Certificate of Survey (Goods) (7 items)	19 Jan 1938
WS/1/5/2/12	Lloyd's Standard Form of Survey Report (Goods) (2 volumes) [unfilled]	c.1920s
WS/1/5/2/13	Lloyd's Standard Form of Salvage Agreement (8 items) [unfilled]	c.1920s
WS/1/5/2/14	Application Form for Lloyd's Agency (7 items) [unfilled]	c.1920s

WS/1/5/2/15	Certificate of Appointment of Surveyor by Lloyd's Agent for the Purpose of Survey on Ship (21 items) [unfilled]	c.1920s
WS/1/5/2/16	Statement showing 'particulars of the Fees received in connection with Lloyd's Agency at...' (1 item) [unfilled]	n.d.
WS/1/5/2/17	Circular concerning Certificates of Quality (3 items)	29 Jan 1923
WS/1/5/2/18	Circular concerning Hague Rules (3 items)	1 Dec 1924
<b>WS/1/5/3</b>	<b>Various</b>	<b>1938, n.d.</b>
WS/1/5/3/1	Lloyd's calendar with picture of the main entrance corridor, Lloyd's (1 item)	1938
WS/1/5/3/2	Lloyd's Standard Form of Survey Report (Goods) for the guidance of Lloyds agents hardboard posters for hanging (2 items)	n.d.
WS/1/5/3/3	Llyod's printed label (1 item)	n.d.
WS/1/5/3/4	Pamphlet detailing Lloyd's Shipping Publications (1 item)	n.d.
<b>WS/1/5/4</b>	<b>Correspondence with London Salvage Association, Lloyds Royal Exchange and Liverpool Salvage Association</b> [see WS/1/6 for further Donald Waters and Son correspondence. Lloyd's correspondence and correspondence received as Agents of Lloyd's London has been catalogued here, within the Lloyd's London records series, to ensure adequate contextualisation of all archives]	<b>1908-1940</b>
WS/1/5/4/1	Letters addressed to D. Waters and Son from the London Salvage Association regarding the location and condition of vessels (1 file)	1908-1938
WS/1/5/4/2	Letters addressed to D. Waters and Son from the Lloyds Royal Exchange London regarding their employment as the Lloyd's Agency for Wick; sub-agents within the Caithness area; the location and condition of vessels; and general business pertaining to the herring fishing industry (2 files)	1913-1940
WS/1/5/4/3	Letters addressed to D. Waters and Son from the Liverpool Salvage Association regarding the location and condition of vessels (1 file)	1914-1937

<p><b>WS/1/6</b></p>	<p><b>Correspondence</b></p> <p><b>Donald Waters and Son correspondence was partially catalogued by Wick Society. The letters were categorised by Business typed; Business handwritten; Customer sales; Tax; Solicitor; Banks; Personal; Postcards; Telegrams; and Telegraphs. Within each category the letters were filed alphabetically. This order has been retained with the exception of letters from herring gutters. These letters have been weeded from the rest and given their own series.</b></p> <p>[for correspondence pertaining to Insurance see WS/1/3/11; Herring Industry Boards and Associations see WS/1/4/8; London Salvage Association, Lloyds Royal Exchange and Liverpool Salvage Association see WS/1/5/4]</p>	<p><b>1883-1945</b></p>
<p><b>WS/1/6/1</b></p>	<p><b>Business typed</b></p> <p><b>Letters are of a business nature, dealing with the curing, sale, export and trade of fish; the purchase of barrels and other appurtenances; and correspondence with local and national bodies and officials.</b></p>	<p><b>c.1914-1945</b></p>
<p>WS/1/6/1/1</p>	<p>Business typed letters, alphabetical (6 files)</p> <p>A collection of typed-letter correspondence to Donald Waters and Sons from several recipients including but not limited to:</p> <p><b>A</b></p> <p>The Admiralty, London</p> <p>The Air Ministry London</p> <p>Mr Aitken, Fishcurer, St. Monance</p> <p>Mr W. Albrow, Eyemouth</p> <p>Mr Allen, Peterhead</p> <p>Messrs Aluminium Union, Strand, London</p> <p>Messrs J. and F. Anderson, Edinburgh</p> <p>Anglo American Oil Co. Ltd, Aberdeen</p> <p>Ashton Bros, Wigan</p> <p>Messrs W. and T. Avery, Glasgow</p> <p>A. Mackay and Co., Butchers, Wick</p> <p><b>B</b></p> <p>Balgownie Engineering, Aberdeen</p> <p>Balnagowan Estate</p>	<p>c.1914-1945</p> <p>[nearly all letters are marked with the day and month, however, very few contain the year]</p>

	<p>The Baltic and International Maritime Conference, Copenhagen</p> <p>Mr George Barnes, Peterhead</p> <p>Baxter and Son, Fishsalesmen, Billingsgate, London</p> <p>J.T. Bennet Esq., Fish Trade Advisory Committee, Monument Street, London</p> <p>John Bremner Esq., Fishcurer, Wick</p> <p>William M. Brims, Esq., Solicitor, Thurso</p> <p>Mr Adam Brown, Fraserburgh</p> <p>Messrs T.S.H. Burns and Sons, Solicitors, Dingwall</p> <p><b>C</b></p> <p>Century Insurance Co., Aberdeen</p> <p>Messrs Clarkson and Co., Davidson Street, Glasgow</p> <p>Alexander Clyne, Esq., Merchant, Wick</p> <p>Continental Cellulose, Bruxelles</p> <p>Messrs Cook and Son, Manufacturers, Islington, London</p> <p>Collector of Customs and Excise, Inverness</p> <p>H.M. Customs, Wick</p> <p>Messrs G. Couper and Co., Shipowners, Helmsdale</p> <p>J.W. Challice Esq., Gt. Yarmouth</p> <p><b>D</b></p> <p>The Daily Express, Glasgow</p> <p>Messrs Davidson Paper Sales, Aberdeen</p> <p>The District Lands Valuer, Inverness</p> <p>Messrs Dundas Hamilton and Co., Insurance Brokers, Glasgow</p> <p>Messrs Stewart Duthie and Co., Fishcurers, Gorleston-On-Sea</p> <p><b>F</b></p> <p>Mr Robert Farquhar, Fishmonger, Invergordon</p> <p>Dr Fell, Thurso</p> <p>Messrs William Fiddes and Son, Aberdeen</p> <p>Mr John Forbes, Glasgow</p> <p><b>G</b></p> <p>Mr W.H. Gallant, Gorleston</p>	
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	<p>Messrs D. Gaudie and Sons, Leith</p> <p>The General Assurance Co., Inverness</p> <p>Messrs A.V. George and Co., Auctioneers, Gorleston-On-Sea</p> <p>Messrs E. Goldsmid, Contractors, London</p> <p>Mr A. Goodbrand, Gorleston-On-Sea</p> <p>Mr George Grant, Gorleston-On-Sea</p> <p>Messrs Groat and Watt, Fish Merchants, Aberdeen</p> <p>George Hall Esq., Aberdeen</p> <p><b>H</b></p> <p>Mr D.T. Harper, Wick</p> <p>Messrs Harold and Cormack, Butchers, Wick</p> <p>Messr Hay and Co., Fishcurers, Lerwick</p> <p>Herring Industry Board, Buckingham Gate, London</p> <p>Messrs C. and S. Hines, Fishsalesmen, London</p> <p>Messrs John Howe and Son, Dundee</p> <p>Mr J. Hughes, Pittenweem</p> <p>Mr Hunter, Peterhead</p> <p><b>I</b></p> <p>Walter Inkson</p> <p><b>J</b></p> <p>Mr Thomas Jenkins, Fishcurer, Aberdeen</p> <p>John O'Groat Journal Office, Wick</p> <p>Messrs E. Johnson, Wholesale Fish Market, Leicester</p> <p>Julius Jorgensen Esq., Hamburg</p> <p><b>K</b></p> <p>J.M.N. Keith Esq., Harbour Treasurer, Wick</p> <p>Mr William Kennedy, Canisbay</p> <p>Mr Fred King, Gorleston-On-Sea</p> <p>George King, Berriedale Estate Office</p> <p>Paul Korner Esq., Stettin</p> <p><b>L</b></p> <p>Labour Exchange, Wick</p> <p>Mr Leak, Gt. Yarmouth</p> <p>Lerwick Area Committee</p> <p>Messrs W. Leslie and Co., Aberdeen</p>	
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	<p>The Lincolnshire Steam Trawlers Mutual Insurance Co., Grimsby</p> <p>Lloyd's, Royal Exchange, London and Thurso</p> <p>The London and Lancashire Insurance Co., Aberdeen</p> <p>Jes. Lowrey, London</p> <p>Humphrey Lynde, Solicitor, Gt. Yarmouth</p> <p>The Northern Area Licensing Authority</p> <p>A collection of typed-letter correspondence from Donald Waters and Sons to several recipients including but not limited to:</p> <p><b>M</b></p> <p>Mr William Macaulay, Mid-Clyth</p> <p>Messrs D. McBrayne and Co., Steamboat Agents, Stornoway (regarding return fares for 'herring girls')</p> <p>Messrs David McDonald and Sons, Aberdeen</p> <p>Messrs John McDonald Ltd, Timber Merchant, Inverness</p> <p>Mr James Macdonald, Mac Fish Restaurant, Stromness</p> <p>Messrs H. Macgregor and Son, Clydebank, Glasgow</p> <p>Mr C. McIntosh, Gt. Yarmouth</p> <p>Mr B. McIver, Peterhead</p> <p>Messrs Duncan McIvor, Fishcurers, Stornoway</p> <p>Mr A. Mackay, Timber Merchant, Muir of Ord</p> <p>Mr James Mackay, Lybster</p> <p>Mr Mackenzie, Headmaster, Killimster</p> <p>Messrs Maclean, Merchants, Latheronwheel</p> <p>Mr Richard MacPhail, Fishmonger, Thurso</p> <p>Mr John Macpherson, Merchant, Bonar Bridge</p> <p>Messrs Macrae, Duggie and MacPherson, Fishsalesmen, Mallaig</p> <p>Lady Martineau, Kincaig, Invergordon</p> <p>Mr R. Martin, Fishsalesman, Bolton</p> <p>G.A. Marnoch, Aberdeen</p> <p>R.P. Masson Esq., British Herring Trade Association, Aberdeen</p> <p>Messrs D. Mathieson and Co., Merchants, Tain</p> <p>Merchants Hall, Edinburgh</p>	
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	<p>Mr James P. Miller, Fish Merchant, Wick  Messrs Mono Containers Ltd, London  Mrs Moss, Strathy  Mr Hector Munro, Latheron  Messrs J. and J. Murdoch, Ltd, Glasgow</p> <p><b>N</b></p> <p>National Amalgamated Approved Society, London  National Fishcuring Co., Aberdeen  National Provincial Bank Ltd, Gorleston-On-Sea  (Mr Wood)  Navigators and General Insurance Co., London  Naval Canteen Superintendent, Invergordon  North British Mercantile Insurance Co., Aberdeen</p> <p><b>P</b></p> <p>Messrs Perfects Ltd, Contractors, Gorleston-On-Sea  Petrol Control, Dundee  Messrs W. Pieper and Co., Hamburg  E.D. Pirie Esq., Fishery Officer, Ullapool  Messrs Pommer and Thomson, Herring Merchants,  Danzig and Herring Exporters, Gt. Yarmouth  Messrs R. F. Potter and Co., Central Meat Market,  London  Messrs W. G. Pursell and Co., Commission  Agents, Leith</p> <p><b>R</b></p> <p>The Railway Passengers Assurance Company,  Aberdeen  Railway Station, Portknockie  Mr Isaac Ralph, Nairn  The Rating Officer, Municipal Offices, Gt.  Yarmouth  Receiver of Wreckage, Murdo Stewart Esq.,  Drumbeg (Drifter "Lilacina"; Drifter "Selina"; Drifter  "Broch")  John Reid Esq., Wick  Mr N. Reid, Invergordon  Messrs Andrew Ritchie and Son, Glasgow  Mr Donald W. Robertson, Stroma</p>	
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	<p>James Robertson Esq., County Clerk, Wick  Mr George Robertson, Peterhead  Mrs Alex Robson, Peterhead</p> <p><b>S</b></p> <p>Frank Sime Esq., Timber Merchant, Inverness  Peter Sinclair, Esq., Solicitor, Wick  Mr William J. Sinclair, Stroma  James Skinner Esq., Commercial Hotel, Thurso  George Slater Esq., Aberdeen  Salvage Association, London  Liverpool and Glasgow Salvage Association  Mr David Sandison, Fishsalesman, Wick  Theodore Hellm Schroder Esq., Stettin  Mr Donald Shearer, Thurso  Messrs W. Slaters and Sons, Fishcurers, Aberdeen  Messrs Smith and Schultze, Herring Exporters,  Peterhead  Messrs Alf. Spring and Co., Hull  Mr Donald Stewart, Fishcurer, Kyle  A. Sutherland Esq., Morven, Liverpool  Messrs Sutton Bros, Fishsalesmen, Hartlepool</p> <p><b>T</b></p> <p>R. Themsen Esq., Aberdeen  Messrs Thomson Brown, Fishsalesman, Buckie  Mr W. Tezer, Mallaig  Messrs W. R. Traill, Herring Exporters and  Commission Agents, Aberdeen  Messrs W. Tulley and Co., Hull</p> <p><b>U</b></p> <p>The Union Marine and General Insurance Co.,  Liverpool  The United Dominions Trust Ltd, London  Universal Exhibitions Ltd, London  Mr James Urquhart, Viewhill, London  Miss Urquhart, Invergordon  Van Eeckhaute, De Keukelaere and Co., Ghent  K. Van Zeventer, Vlaardingen</p>	
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	<p>Messrs Walker and Sinclair, Wholesale Stationers, Edinburgh</p> <p>Messrs W. K. Webster and Co., London</p> <p>Messrs Welch Brothers, Fishcurers, Pittenween</p> <p><b>W</b></p> <p>White Fish Commission</p> <p>Wick Fishermen's Association, Wick</p> <p>F. Woldemar Esq., Riga</p> <p>Messrs Wren and Co., London</p> <p>Andrew F. Wylie, Timber Merchant, Ardersier, Inverness-shire</p> <p>The Yare Barrel Factory Company Ltd., Gt. Yarmouth</p> <p><b>Y</b></p> <p>Mr John Young, Gorleston-On-Sea</p> <p>James Young Esq., County Clerk, Thurso</p>	
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M. Farquhar, Pulteneytown, Wick

Janet Findlay, Cullen, Banffshire

Alex Fraser, Tain

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Alex Goodland, Gt. Yarmouth

Mrs B. Gordon, Helmsdale

Robert Gordon, Ulbster

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William Ham, Freswick

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James Hogg, Cromarty

James Hendry, Kingussie

Ralph Horne, Aberdeen

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D. McHardy, Cape Wrath Lighthouse, Durness,  
Sutherland

Mrs G. Mackenzie, Culrain, Ross-shire

William Mackenzie, Halkirk

Mrs McLeod, Berriedale

	<p>D. MacRae, Stranger Head, Flotta, Naval Signal Station</p> <p>J. G. Malcolm, Evanton, Ross-shire</p> <p>A. Manson, Thurso</p> <p>Donald Manson, Scotscalder</p> <p>Melvich Hotel, Sutherland</p> <p>Henry Mitchell, Londonderry, Northern Ireland</p> <p>John Mitchell, Cape Wrath Lighthouse, Durness, Sutherland</p> <p>Hector Munro, Latheron</p> <p>Murdo Munro, Fyrish Farm, Evanton, Easter Ross</p> <p>H. Munro, Kingston Vale, London</p> <p><b>O</b></p> <p>David Oag, Thrumster</p> <p>Mrs Omand, Dornoch, Sutherlandshire</p> <p>J. Omand, Monifieth, Angus</p> <p>Donald W. Robertson, Pentland Hill, Stroma</p> <p><b>R</b></p> <p>Alex Rugg, Wick</p> <p><b>S</b></p> <p>G. Shearer, Lloyds Sub. Agent, Scrabster</p> <p>William J. Sinclair, West End, Stroma</p> <p>John A. Spence, Stroma Lighthouse</p> <p>James Steven, Halkirk</p> <p>Murdo Stewart, Lairg</p> <p>A. Sutherland, Liverpool</p> <p>George Sutherland, Hilltown, Dunbeath</p> <p>Hugh Sutherland, Berriedale</p> <p>Miss J. Sutherland, Lossiemouth, Morayshire</p> <p><b>U</b></p> <p>Chrissie Urquhart, The Fish Shop Invergordon</p> <p>James Urquhart, Conon Bridge, Ross-shire</p> <p><b>W</b></p> <p>William Wood, Balintore, Easter Ross</p>	
<b>WS/1/6/3</b>	<b>Various business correspondence</b>	<b>1914-1940, n.d.</b>
WS/1/6/3/1	Typed, copy and handwritten letters received by Donald Waters and Son concerning the purchase and sale of fish, the rendering of services and	1916-1931, n.d.

	<p>reference to specific vessels, namely, the “Dunleith” and the “Pennsylvania” (1 file)</p> <p>Letters received from:</p> <p><u>Typed letters</u></p> <p>Furness Withy and Co. Middlesbrough  George Henderson, Edinburgh  H. Thomas  Alex R. Mowat  Royal Insurance Co. Ltd., Liverpool  Russian Bank, London  Theod. Hellm. Schroder, Herring Commission Agent  Standard Marine Insurance Co., Liverpool  The Union Marine and General Insurance Company Ltd., Liverpool  Walker and Sinclair, Edinburgh  W.K. Webster, London  S. William Coe &amp; Co., Shipowners, Liverpool  A. Witherspoon, Great Yarmouth</p> <p><u>Copy letters</u></p> <p>Captain G. Shearer, Harbour Master, Wick  Captain Shearer, Scrabster  The Union Marine and General Insurance Company Ltd., Liverpool</p> <p><u>Handwritten letters</u></p> <p>John Weir and Co.  W. Slater and Sons, Aberdeen</p>	
WS/1/6/3/2	Letter to Messrs D. Waters and Son from Lovewell Blake and Co., Great Yarmouth regarding cheque received (1 item)	24 Nov 1914
WS/1/6/3/3	Letter to D. Waters and Son Estate from Estate Duty Office, Edinburgh regarding payment in case of deceased Donald Waters (1 item)	9 Oct 1915



WS/1/6/3/4	Letter from Custom House London regarding Naval and Shipping Intelligence (1 item)	8 Apr 1920
WS/1/6/3/5	Letter of reference/recommendation from Donald Waters and Son concerning Mr William Gunn (1 item)	4 Feb 1927
WS/1/6/3/6	Letter from D.W. Bain advising that the Soviet [ship] have accepted '40/1' barrels of matties (1 item)	18 Feb 1931
WS/1/6/3/7	Letter from R.P. Mason, secretary [company unstated] advising of the sale of Matties to Russia (1 item)	19 Feb 1931
WS/1/6/3/8	Letter to Donald Waters and Son from the Russian Sale Central Committee advising that a discrepancy in respect of the sale of herring has been rectified (1 item)	27 July 1932
WS/1/6/3/9	Letter to Messer's Duncan and Jamieson Ltd., from the Association of Underwriters and Insurance Brokers, Glasgow confirming appointment as an agent (1 item) [letter has faded and suffered water damage]	7 Mar 1933
WS/1/6/3/10	Letter to Messrs D. Waters and Son from the Secretary and Accountant of the Great Yarmouth Water Works Company confirming receipt of payment (1 item)	17 May 1933
WS/1/6/3/11	Letter from Reichs-Kredit-Gessellschaft to Donald Waters and Son regarding payments (1 item)	12 Dec 1933
WS/1/6/3/12	Four typed letters and one handwritten letter addressed to Sandy from D. Waters, sent from 8 Upper Cliff Road, Gorleston on Sea, and pertaining to sales of herring, bank withdrawals and business expenses such as wages (5 items)	1937
WS/1/6/3/13	Letter to John S Duncan, Wick from A.J.M. Munro regarding order of Staves (1 item)	16 Mar 1937
WS/1/6/3/14	Letter to Donald Waters and Son from the Fishery Office, Ullapool confirming no further knowledge of the Drifter "Broch" (1 item)	30 Mar 1938
WS/1/6/3/15	Letters to Captain Shearer, Scrabster regarding vessel "Rose of England" and accounts paid (3 items)	c.1938
WS/1/6/3/16	Letter to Donald Waters and Son from Pommer and Thomsen regarding fish sold (2 items)	10 Nov 1939

WS/1/6/3/17	Letter to Messer's A. Bilbrough and Coy Ltd., London from Donald Waters and Son concerning damage to cargo onboard S/S "Samen" (1 item)	8 Jan 1940
WS/1/6/3/18	Copy of telegraph regarding S/S "Cadillac" landing sick seamen (1 item)	n.d.
WS/1/6/3/19	Inland Press Telegram informing that 'Osterhas visited wreck today' (1 item)	n.d.
WS/1/6/3/20	Letter from Donald Waters and Son regarding Jorgensen Galley Boy and S/S "Willisden" (1 item)	n.d.
WS/1/6/3/21	Letter to Donald Waters and Son from Thomas Dunlop and Son regarding a fishing enquiry from South Africa (1 item)	n.d.
WS/1/6/3/22	Letter to Messrs Price Forbes and Co. Ltd. regarding a survey of the vessel "Morven Hill" (1 item)	8 Dec (no year)
WS/1/6/3/23	Letter from the Russian Scheme Committee concerning the inspection of herrings (1 item)	n.d.
WS/1/6/3/24	Copy letter book of Donald Waters and Son, stamped on inside cover David L. Waters, Bookseller and Stationer, Pulteneytown, Wick (1 volume) [book has suffered from water damage and many of the pages are illegible]	c.1883-1914
WS/1/6/3/25	Letter beginning 'Dear Dan' from G. Meiklejohn reporting that the quality of herring in Great Yarmouth is very poor and prices high and that, therefore, no herring has been bought [J. and A. Meiklejohn Fishcurers, 17 Kent Square, Great Yarmouth] (1 item)	14 Oct 1928
WS/1/6/3/26	Two letters beginning 'Dear Dan' from G. Meiklejohn reporting on the fish prices and sales at Great Yarmouth [J. and A. Meiklejohn Fishcurers, 17 Kent Square, Great Yarmouth] (2 items)	17 Oct 1928
WS/1/6/3/27	Letter beginning 'Dear Dan' from G. Meiklejohn reporting on the quality of fish bought and prices paid [J. and A. Meiklejohn Fishcurers, 17 Kent Square, Great Yarmouth] (1 item)	24 Oct 1928
WS/1/6/3/28	Letter beginning 'Dear Dan' from G. Meiklejohn reporting on the quality of fish bought and prices paid [J. and A. Meiklejohn Fishcurers, 17 Kent Square, Great Yarmouth] (1 item)	28 Oct 1928
WS/1/6/3/29	Letter beginning 'Dear Dan' from G. Meiklejohn reporting on the quality of fish bought and prices	04 Nov 1928

	paid [J. and A. Meiklejohn Fishcurers, 17 Kent Square, Great Yarmouth] (1 item)	
WS/1/6/3/30	Letter beginning 'Dear Dan' from G. Meiklejohn reporting on fish bought and sold [J. and A. Meiklejohn Fishcurers, 17 Kent Square, Great Yarmouth] (1 item)	11 Nov 1928
WS/1/6/3/31	Letter beginning 'Dear Dan' from G. Meiklejohn reporting on the curing market at Yarmouth [J. and A. Meiklejohn Fishcurers, 17 Kent Square, Great Yarmouth] (1 item)	18 Nov 1928
WS/1/6/3/32	Letter beginning 'Dear Dan' from G. Meiklejohn reporting on the final arrangements with regards the staff leaving Yarmouth [J. and A. Meiklejohn Fishcurers, 17 Kent Square, Great Yarmouth] (1 item)	25 Nov 1928
<b>WS/1/6/4</b>	<b>Customer correspondence</b> <b>Letters of correspondence of Donald Waters and Son, Fishcurers, Wick. Letters are of a business nature, mostly letterheaded and in concern to the sale, export and curing of fish.</b>	<b>c.1914-1950</b>
WS/1/6/4/1	Customer letters, alphabetical (7 files) A collection of correspondence both typed and hand-written to Donald Waters and Sons from several recipients including but not limited to: <b>A</b> Fred Adams and Son, Fish and Fruit Salesmen, Swindon The Admiralty, Director of Navy Contracts, London Aktiebolaget Transmarin, Helsingborg, Sweden James Alexander, Fish Salesman and Auctioneer, Glasgow Aluminium Union Limited, Strand London J. and F. Anderson, W. S., Edinburgh Anglo American Oil Company, Aberdeen James Armstrong, Timber Merchant, Inverness W. and T. Avery, Manufacturers of Weighing, Counting, Measuring and Testing Machines, Glasgow <b>B</b> John M. Bain, Wholesale and Retail Fish Merchant, Stornoway	c.1914-1950 [most letters dated to the 1930s]

	<p>Balgownie, Engineering and Dairy Utensil Supplies, Aberdeen</p> <p>The Baltic and International Maritime Conference, Copenhagen</p> <p>Baxter and Son, Oyster and Fish Merchants, London</p> <p>Alexander Beaton, Colliery Agent and Coal Merchant, Bo'ness</p> <p>W. F. Bennyworth, Fish Salesman, Grimsby</p> <p>Bloomfield's Overseas Ltd, Gt. Yarmouth</p> <p>Board of Trade, London</p> <p>Bookless Brothers Ltd, Leeds</p> <p>John Boyle, Fish, Game, Rabbit and Poultry Salesman, Glasgow</p> <p><b>C</b></p> <p>County Council, County Clerk's Office</p> <p>Central Russian Scheme Committee, Aberdeen</p> <p>Sam Chapman and Sons, Fish Docks, Grimsby</p> <p>Clarkson and Co., Glasgow</p> <p>S. William Coe and Co., Shipowners, Brokers and Freight Contractors, Liverpool</p> <p>E. J. Collingwood Ltd, Incorporated Insurance Brokers, Hull</p> <p>M. Cook and Son Ltd, Manufacturers of Cardboard and Corrugated Boxes and Envelopes, London</p> <p>George Couper and Co. Ltd, Salt Merchants and Shipowners, Helmsdale</p> <p>Custom House, Wick</p> <p><b>D</b></p> <p>The Daily Express</p> <p>Darbys, Engineers, Blacksmiths, Gorleston-On-Sea</p> <p>James M. Davidson, Fish Curer, Glasgow</p> <p>G. A. H. Douglas and Co. Ltd, Law and Commercial Stationers, Glasgow</p> <p>Stewart Duthie and Co., Fish Curers, Fraserburgh</p> <p><b>E</b></p> <p>R. Edminson Ltd., Herring Merchants, Hamburg</p> <p>Emergency (Food Defence) Committee, Aberdeen</p> <p><b>F</b></p>	
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	<p>Factory Department Home Office, Aberdeen</p> <p>William Fiddes and Son Ltd, Timber Merchants, Aberdeen</p> <p>J. Findlay, Fish Merchant, Tain</p> <p>Saul Finkelstein, Import of Herring and Consignment House, Danzig</p> <p>Firma C. Admiraal, Noordwijk Aan Zee, Netherlands</p> <p>Fish Trade Advisory Committee, Food (Defence Plans) Department</p> <p>Fishery Board for Scotland, Edinburgh</p> <p>Fishery Office, Ullapool [regarding Drifter 'Broch']</p> <p>J. D. Follows and Sons, Drysalters and Colour Merchants, Derby</p> <p>Price Forbes and Co. Ltd, Arthur Street, London [regarding Drifter 'Drift Fisher']</p> <p>Forge and Hatton Ltd, Wholesale Fish Salesmen, Haddock Curers, London</p> <p><b>G</b></p> <p>A. V. George and Co. Ltd, Auctioneers, Valuers, House and Estate Agents, Gorleston-On-Sea</p> <p>R. W. Gibbon, Insurance Agent and Broker, London</p> <p>G. T. Gillie and Blair Ltd, Steamship Owners, Freight Contractors, Newcastle-On-Tyne</p> <p>Glasgow and Highland Royal Mail Steamers, David MacBrayne Ltd, Stornoway</p> <p>E. Goldsmid Limited, Licensed Bonded Carmen and Motor Haulage Contractors, London</p> <p>Groat and Watt, Wholesale Fish Merchants and Curers, North Esplanade West, Aberdeen</p> <p>George Hall, Herring Exporter, Ship Broker and Commission Agent, Aberdeen</p> <p><b>H</b></p> <p>Archibald Hamilton and Co., Possilpark Paint and Varnish Works, Glasgow</p> <p>Hamilton's Auction Marts Ltd, Dingwall</p> <p>Harbour Master, Scrabster Harbour, Thurso</p> <p>Hay and Company Ltd, Lerwick</p> <p>Geo Henderson, Iron, Steel and Metal Merchant and Manufacturer, Edinburgh</p>	
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	<p>Herrings Import Und Export, G. m. b. H., Herring Commission Agents, Konigsberg</p> <p>Walter Hines, Fish Merchant, London</p> <p>N. V. Hollandsche, Haringmaatschappij (Holland Herring Company)</p> <p>H. H. Holtermann, G. m. b. H., Hamburg</p> <p>Hurst, Nelson and Co. Ltd, The Glasgow Rolling Stock and Plant Works, Motherwell</p> <p><b>I</b></p> <p>Imperial Typewriters, Inverness</p> <p>Inverness Motor Company Ltd</p> <p><b>J</b></p> <p>F. Jary, Fish Salesman and Herring Curer, London</p> <p>David A. Jobson, Iron, Steel and metal Merchant, Dundee</p> <p>James Jones and Sons, Timber Merchants, Larbert, Stirlingshire</p> <p>E. Johnson Ltd, Fish Merchants, Leicester</p> <p>Julius Jorgensen, Herring-Import Commission, Hamburg</p> <p><b>K</b></p> <p>Keyworth and Robinson, Fish Salesmen and Commission Agents, Manchester</p> <p>George King, Portland Estate Office, Berriedale</p> <p>Paul Korner, Herring Commission Agent, Stettin, Poland</p> <p><b>L</b></p> <p>W. R. Leak, Gorleston</p> <p>Frank Leleu, Fish Salesman, London</p> <p>W. Leslie and Co., Ship Brokers and Herring Exporters, Aberdeen</p> <p>London, Midland and Scottish Railway Company</p> <p>Customer Letters, M-Z: A collection of correspondence both typed and hand-written to Donald Waters and Sons from several recipients including but not limited to:</p> <p><b>M</b></p> <p>W. Macconnachie and Co., Steamship and Insurance Brokers, Fraserburgh</p> <p>John M. Macdonald, Timber Merchant, Inverness</p> <p>David Macdonald and Sons, Aberdeen</p>	
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	<p>H. Macgregor and Son, Rusk Manufacturers, Clydebank</p> <p>J. A. Mackay, Family Grocer and Confectioner, Thurso</p> <p>Mrs E. Mackay, Proprietrix, Mackay's Stromness Hotel</p> <p>A. Mackay, Timber Merchant, Muir of Ord, Ross-shire</p> <p>K. M. Macleod, Manufacturers' Agent, Wholesale Merchant and Confectioner, Tain</p> <p>John Macpherson, Ironmonger, General Merchant and Insurance Agent, Bonar-Bridge</p> <p>Joseph Markland, Fish, Rabbit and Poultry Salesman, Bolton</p> <p>John Menzies and Co., Advertising Service Agents, Glasgow</p> <p>A. Miller, Tailor and Draper, Cardiff</p> <p>George Mollison and Sons, Flour Importers, Produce and Fruit Merchants, Preserved Provision Manufacturers, Aberdeen</p> <p>Mono Containers Ltd, Park Royal, London</p> <p>Bert Mowat, Motor Agent and Hirer, Thurso</p> <p>J. and J. Murdoch Ltd, Lithographers, Label, Showcard and Poster Specialists, Glasgow</p> <p><b>N</b></p> <p>National Amalgamated Approved Society, London</p> <p>Naval Offices, Invergordon [Dockyard Pass]</p> <p>Norford Suffling Ltd, Fish Salesmen, Gt. Yarmouth</p> <p>Northern Traffic Area, Scotland</p> <p><b>O</b></p> <p>G. Oxenham and Co., Insurance Brokers, London</p> <p><b>P</b></p> <p>Palmer, Mann and CO., Salt Manufacturers, Sandbach</p> <p>People's Journal, Scotland's National Weekly Newspaper</p> <p>L. G. Perfect and Son, Motor Haulage Contractors, Gorleston-On-Sea</p> <p>Walter Pieper and Co., G. m. b. H., Hamburg</p> <p>Davidson, Pirie and Co., Leith</p>	
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	<p>L. J. Pointing and Son, Pure Colour Manufacturers and Manufacturing Chemists, Hexham-On-Tyne</p> <p>Pommer and Thomsen, Herring Importers and Exporters, Aberdeen and Stettin, Poland</p> <p>W. G. Pursell and Co., Portobello, Midlothian</p> <p><b>R</b></p> <p>Richardson's, Wholesale and Retail Confectioner and Tobacconist, Durham</p> <p>Andrew Ritchie and Son Ltd, Glasgow</p> <p>Royal Hotel, Thurso</p> <p>The Royal Seamen's Pension Fund, London</p> <p><b>S</b></p> <p>The Salt Union Limited, Sales Department, Liverpool</p> <p>J. T. Salvesen and Co., Steam Ship Owners, Ship Brokers, Grangemouth</p> <p>Scottish Kipperers Association, Aberdeen</p> <p>Service Navigation Limited, Cardiff</p> <p>George Sinclair and Sons Limited, Coopers and Cask Merchants, Gateshead-Upon-Tyne</p> <p>Hugh Skinner, General Merchant, Balintore, Fearn</p> <p>Theod. Hellm. Schroder, Herring Commission Agent, Stettin, Poland</p> <p>Sells Ltd, Advertising Agents, London</p> <p>Frank Sime, Timber Merchant, Inverness</p> <p>W. Slater and Sons, Herring Curers and Exporters, Barrell Manufacturers, Merchants, Aberdeen</p> <p>Andrew Smith and Schultze, Herring Exporters, Gt. Yarmouth</p> <p>Springwell Shipping Company Ltd, London</p> <p><b>T</b></p> <p>Franz Tasiaux, Brussels</p> <p>Donald Thomson, Grocer, Provision and General Merchant, Castletown</p> <p>Thurso Engineering and Foundry Co.</p> <p>Transport and General Workers Union, Edinburgh</p> <p>Trident Steam Fishing Co., Ltd, Steam Trawler Owners, Hull</p> <p><b>U</b></p> <p>Unemployment Assistance Board, Agency Office</p>	
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	<p><b>V</b></p> <p>Van Der Heul and Van Der Valk, Groothandel in Haring [Wholesale in Herring], Vlaardingen, Netherlands</p> <p>Van Deventer, Vlaardingen</p> <p><b>W</b></p> <p>Walker and Sinclair, Wholesale Stationers, Edinburgh</p> <p>W. K. Webster and Co., Representatives of Foreign Underwriters, Average Agents, London</p> <p>Welch Brothers, Fish Curers, Keg and Barrell Manufacturers, Pittenweem, Fife</p> <p>Wick Harbour Trust, Harbour Office, Wick</p> <p>Arthur Williams and Son, Fish, Game and Poultry Salesmen, and Commission Agents, Manchester</p> <p>James Wilson, Commission Agent, Wick</p> <p>A. Witherspoon Limited, Herring Exporters and Shipbrokers, Gt. Yarmouth</p> <p>F. Woldemar, Herring Importers, Riga, Latvia</p> <p>Andrew F. Wylie, Wood Merchant and Saw Miller, Ardersier, Inverness-shire</p> <p><b>Y</b></p> <p>The Yare Barrel Factory Company Ltd, Barrell Makers and Wood Merchants, Gt. Yarmouth</p> <p>Gt. Yarmouth Shipping Company Ltd</p> <p>Gt. Yarmouth Town Hall</p> <p>Yarmouth Stores Ltd, Gorleston</p>	
<b>WS/1/6/5</b>	<b>Tax correspondence</b>	<b>1913-1939, n.d.</b>
WS/1/6/5/1	Income, Land, Property and Vehicle taxation notices, assessments and correspondence addressed to Mrs Isabella Waters and Donald Waters and Son (1 file)	1913-1939, n.d.
<b>WS/1/6/6</b>	<b>Solicitor correspondence</b>	<b>1913-1939</b>
WS/1/6/6/1	Discharge by Mrs Esther Davidson in favour of Donald Waters senior's Trustees (1 item)	1913
WS/1/6/6/2	Discharge by Mrs Mary White in favour of Donald Waters senior's Trustees (1 item)	1913
WS/1/6/6/3	Indenture from Albert Ernest Lark to Donald Waters regarding lease of land and premises	14 Nov 1913

	Riverside, Gorleston 3 years from 1 Jan 1913, rent £40 (1 item)	
WS/1/6/6/4	Four letters from D. W. Georgeson Solicitor to Donald Waters and Son (4 items)	1921,1937,1939
WS/1/6/6/5	Letter from Alexander Bruce, Agent for Superior, Town Buildings Wick to Donald Waters and Son giving notice of Ronald James Usher as immediate lawful Superior of the subjects at 10 Francis Street (1 item)	11 Nov 1925
WS/1/6/6/6	Two letters from Middleton, Lewis and Clarke Solicitors to Donald Waters and Sons regarding insurance of the boat 'Greenigoe' (2 items)	1927
WS/1/6/6/7	Letter from Arthur and Macrae Solicitors to Donald Waters and Son regarding sale of kippers (1 item)	7 Mar 1931
WS/1/6/6/8	Six letters from John Reid Chartered Accountant to Donald Waters Esq., regarding accounts at the Bank of Scotland Chambers, Wick (6 items)	1936-1940
WS/1/6/6/9	Three letters from Alexander McAdie Chartered Architect, Surveyor to Donald Waters Esq., regarding a shop in Dempster Street, Wick (3 items)	1937
WS/1/6/6/10	Letter from A. and E. A. Brodie Solicitors informing D. Water of the involuntary liquidation of Thomson, Brown, Ltd. who rented an office at Gorleston from D. Waters (1 item)	1 Apr 1937
WS/1/6/6/11	Letter from Leith and Bruce Solicitors to Donald Waters, Fishcurer, informing of accounts due (1 item)	16 Aug 1937
WS/1/6/6/12	Telegrams from T.S.H. Burns and Son to Donald Waters and Son informing of payment from debtors (3 item)	1938
WS/1/6/6/13	Nine letters from Hector Sutherland and Green Solicitors to Mr Donald Waters regarding Corrective Inventories, Dispositions and Executry's (9 items)	1938
WS/1/6/6/14	Two letters from A. V. George and Co. Ltd. to Donald Waters and Son concerning properties held at Gorleston (2 items)	1939
WS/1/6/6/15	Four letters from Humphrey Lynde Solicitor to Donald Waters and Son re property on Bells Marsh Road and Brush Quay, Gorleston-on-Sea (5 items)	1939

WS/1/6/6/16	Letter from A. Sutherland, Factor of Invergordon Estate Office to Donald Waters and Son regarding the closure of a fish store in Invergordon (1 item)	2 May 1939
<b>WS/1/6/7</b>	<b>Bank correspondence</b> [for bank account books and cheques see WS/1/1/18]	<b>1929-1940</b>
<b>WS/1/6/7/1</b>	<b>The Commercial Bank of Scotland</b>	<b>1929-1939</b>
WS/1/6/7/1/1	Paid in slips and letters for Donald Water Esq. (8 items)	1929-1939
<b>WS/1/6/7/2</b>	<b>Royal Bank of Scotland</b>	<b>1934-1938</b>
WS/1/6/7/2/1	Letters acknowledging receipt of Bank Drafts and documents (3 items)	1934-1938
<b>WS/1/6/7/3</b>	<b>Union Bank of Scotland Limited</b>	<b>1929</b>
WS/1/6/7/3/1	Letters concerning the availability of ground for fishcuring in Garthspool, Lerwick and overdraft facilities (2 items)	1929
<b>WS/1/6/7/4</b>	<b>National Provincial Bank Limited</b>	<b>1936-1940</b>
WS/1/6/7/4/1	Letters of receipt and concerning accounts of Donald Waters and Son (1 bundle)	1936-1940
<b>WS/1/6/7/5</b>	<b>Bank of England</b>	<b>1934</b>
WS/1/6/7/5/1	Anglo-German Exchange Agreement forms, signed Donald Waters and Son, showing Reichsmarks in indicated amounts credited to their Special Account of the Bank of England at the Reichsbank (7 items)	1934
<b>WS/1/6/8</b>	<b>Personal correspondence</b>	<b>1928-1930, n.d.</b>
WS/1/6/8/1	Two death notices, for D. Waters Snr. and Isabella Levack, from D. Waters Jnr. (2 items)	1928, n.d.
WS/1/6/8/2	Handwritten letters sent to Mr Waters from G. Meiklejohn, Fishcurer, from Great Yarmouth discussing herring fishing, employees and other business and personal matters (8 items)	1930
WS/1/6/8/3	Handwritten letters of D. Waters Snr. And D. Waters Jnr. sent between Gorleston on Sea and Wick discussing herring fishing, vessels, sales and other business (1 bundle)	1928-1930
<b>WS/1/6/9</b>	<b>Postcards</b>	<b>c.1930-1940</b>

WS/1/6/9/1	Postcards addressed to Donald Waters and Sons concerning the sale and receipt of herring and other goods and services (1 bundle)	c.1930-1940
<b>WS/1/6/10</b>	<b>Telegrams</b>	<b>1935-1938</b>
WS/1/6/10/1	Post Office Telegrams to and from Donald Waters and Sons (3 files) [itemised paper catalogue compiled by Wick Society available, see WS/28/1]	1935-1938
WS/1/6/10/2	The Graphic Duplicate Telegram Book (1 item)	11 Feb 1937-21 Feb 1938
<b>WS/1/6/11</b>	<b>Telegraphs</b>	<b>1914-1939, n.d.</b>
WS/1/6/11/1	Post Office Telegraphs (2 files) [itemised paper catalogue compiled by Wick Society available, see WS/28/1]	1931-1939, n.d.
WS/1/6/11/2	Post Office Telegraph Copy Slips (17 items)	1914-1939
WS/1/6/11/3	Telegraph stubs (9 items)	1920-1939
<b>WS/1/6/12</b>	<b>Herring gutter correspondence</b> <b>Correspondence was partially catalogued by Wick Society by typed and handwritten letters. This order has been retained. Please note some individuals will appear in both WS/1/6/12/1 and WS/1/6/12/2</b>  [also see WS/1/1/4 for herring gutters - hours, barrels and pay books; WS/1/1/13/4/4 for wages records; WS/1/4/4/1 for unfilled work agreement forms]	<b>c.1914-1945</b>
WS/1/6/12/1	Typed letters from herring gutters, normally crew leaders, to Donald Waters and Son regarding employment of crews and travel arrangements (1file)  <u>Letters received from:</u> Miss Bella Beaten, Stornoway Miss Jeanni Innes and Miss Maggie Innes, Portknockie Miss Maggie Macgregor, Stornoway Miss E. McIntosh, Nairn Miss Janet McIntosh, Nairn Miss Kate Mackintosh, Nairn Miss Annie McIver, Stornoway ('herring girls' agreement)	c.1914-1945 [most letters dated to the 1930s]

	<p>Miss Catherine Mclver, Stornoway  Miss Effie Mclver, Stornoway  Miss Helen Mclver, Stornoway  Miss Mary Mclver, Stornoway  Miss Bella Mackay  Miss Peggy Macleod, Stornoway  Miss Maggie McPherson  Miss Maggie Reid, Buckie</p>	
WS/1/6/12/2	<p>Handwritten letters from herring gutters, normally crew leaders, to Donald Waters and Son regarding employment of crews and travel arrangements (1file)</p> <p><u>Letters received from:</u></p> <p>Miss Bella Beaten, Stornoway  Miss Annie Campbell, Stornoway  Jessie Campbell, Stornoway  Janet Donaldson, Portknockie  Mrs Maggie Hay, Buckie  Jeannie Innes (and crew), Portknockie  Mrs J. Macdonald, Lairg  Miss Johanna MacDonald, Stornoway  Mary Ann Macdonald, Stornoway  Maggie Macgregor, Stornoway  Helen Mclvor, Stornoway  Margaret MacIver, Stornoway  Mary MacIver, Stornoway  Bella Mackay, Stornoway  Jessie McKay, Embo  Maggie Mackay, Stornoway  Christina Maclean, Stornoway  Chrissie Ann MacLennan, Stornoway  Miss Betsy Macleod, Stornoway  Jane Bella MacLeod, Stornoway  Mary MacLeod, Stornoway  Joey McLeod, Stornoway  Peggy Macleod, Stornoway  Marion Morrison, Stornoway</p>	c.1914-1945 [most letters dated to the 1930s]

	Mary Murray, Stornoway Maggie Reid, Buckie Mrs Sinclair. Embo Bella Ann Stewart, Stornoway Jessie Wood, Buckie	
WS/1/6/12/3	Handwritten letters accepting payment in settlement of accidents received by herring gutters whilst under the employ of Donald Waters and Son (3 items)	1916, 1932
<b>WS/1/7</b>	<b>Various</b>	<b>1830-1940, n.d.</b>
WS/1/7/1	Notes and hand drawn plans for a fish shop (1 bundle)	n.d.
WS/1/7/2	The New Herring Book: Scores of Simple Recipes, fourth edition, issued by The Herring Industry Board (3 items)	c.1938
WS/1/7/3	In Search of Silver Treasure recipe booklet, issued by the Herring Industry Board (3 items)	n.d.
WS/1/7/4	Amberg's Patent Indexes [blank] (1 volume)	n.d.
WS/1/7/5	Poster copies of Abstracts from the Factory and Workshop Act 1901, 'to be constantly affixed in the Workshop' (4 items)	1901
WS/1/7/6	Loose business book pages detailing wages, fish sales and stock (1 bundle)	1928, 1933, n.d.
WS/1/7/7	Loose pieces of scrap paper detailing receipt of payment to and from D Waters and Son (1 bundle)	c.1930s
WS/1/7/8	Handwritten notes detailing specifications for materials and dry sulphate (1 item)	c.1930s
WS/1/7/9	Donald Waters and Son Price Lists, some with business names or customer names (5 items)	1930s
WS/1/7/10	Blank stationary pertaining to the business of D Waters and Son and empty envelopes addressed to D Waters and Son (1 bundle)	c.1930s, n.d.
WS/1/7/11	Domino Pure Sugar Cane bag (1 item)	n.d.
WS/1/7/12	1'2 price sign for retail shop (1 item)	n.d.
WS/1/7/13	Alex Cowan and Sons Ltd. Makers advertisement card with photograph and business details (1 item)	n.d.

WS/1/7/14	W. and H. Johnston, Oil Boilers and Refiners advertisement (1 item)	n.d.
WS/1/7/15	'The Picture, the Lesson and the Moral' printed leaflet from Messrs. E.J. Collingwood Ltd., Life Insurance (2 items)	n.d.
WS/1/7/16	'The New Deal for Office Workers' printed leaflet (1 item)	c.1939
WS/1/7/17	Labels, loose papers and sticker for Donald Waters and Son business (1 file)	n.d.
WS/1/7/18	Stickers and papers of Donald Waters and Son for promotion and business use (1 file)	n.d.
WS/1/7/19	The New General Gazetteer; Or Geographical Dictionary by R. Brookes (1 volume) [partial signature within front page 'Waters, Wick']	1830
WS/1/7/20	The Mercantile Navy List and Maritime Directory compiled by J. Clark Hall (1 volume)	1893
WS/1/7/21	MacDonald's Scottish Directory and Gazetteer (1 volume)	1903-1904
WS/1/7/22	Tait's Trawlers and Fisherman's Guide to B.O.T. Examinations, James Brown and Son, Glasgow (1 volume)	1908
WS/1/7/23	The Rapid Ready Reckoner showing at a glance the value of any number of articles from 1/8 to 10,000 with tables of interests, discounts, wages etc., Gall and Inglis, Edinburgh (1 volume)	n.d.
WS/1/7/24	Telephone Directory Aberdeen Area, Crown Copyright Reserved (1 volume)	Jan 1940
WS/1/7/25	Labels and envelopes marked with D. Waters and Son letterhead and that of other fishing and shipping companies (1 file)	n.d.

## WS/2 – Papers pertaining to Wick Harbour and the Fishing Industry

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### RECORDS' CONTEXT

Name of creators: Wick Harbour Pilots; J. & A. Meiklejohn, Fishcurers; British Fisheries Society; Herring Industry Board; John Bremner; various

Administrative history:

#### Wick Harbour Pilots

Harbour Pilots skippered Pilot Boats which would guide vessels into Wick Harbour. The whole bay is visible from the Pilot House (built 1908). Closed in 1953 it was abandoned until 1974 when local historian Iain Sutherland was instrumental in restoring it.

#### J. & A. Meiklejohn, Fishcurers

Fishcurers in Wick and Great Yarmouth.

#### British Fisheries Society

'The British Society for Extending the Fisheries and Improving the Sea Coasts of this Kingdom', known in short (only officially from 1857) as 'the British Fisheries Society', was incorporated by the British Fisheries Society Act 1786 (26 Geo. III, c.106) for the purpose of subscribing a joint stock and therewith to purchase lands and build thereon free towns, villages and fishing stations in the Highlands and Islands of Scotland, in order to improve the fisheries, agriculture and manufactures there and



to put a stop to emigration. Subscribers from all over the country bought shares in the Society. Its headquarters were in London, but its interests were in Scotland, although fishing in general was a concern in the UK in the late 18th century. The Society purchased land in Lochbay, Canna, Tobermory and Ullapool for the construction of villages whose economy was focused on fishing.

In Caithness the Society established a local station at Staxigoe, north east of Wick. In 1803 it purchased land south of Wick, and in 1808 began to construct a harbour on the south side of the river at Wick which was to lead to the growth of Pulteneytown, a model fishing village, much of which was purpose built by Thomas Telford. This and the creation of an outer harbour, commenced in 1824, consolidated the success of the herring industry in and around Wick. In 1833 two years after the outer harbour was completed Wick was second only to Nucleus: The Nuclear and Caithness Archives 2 Fraserburgh in importance as a Scottish Fishing Station.

From about 1810, the Society's interests were much less with fisheries than with their settlements. Other government-aided undertakings had fisheries duties: the Fishery Board for Scotland, constituted under the Herring Fishery (Scotland) Act 1808 (48 Geo. III, c.110), entailed the appointment of fishery officers to manage its concerns. In 1837 the Society sold Lochbay; in 1844 it sold Tobermory; and in 1847 it sold Ullapool. This left Pulteneytown as the sole object of its attention.

Further improvements to the harbour were needed but even after 41 boats were lost in a storm in 1848 the British Fisheries Society could not raise enough money. Finally a grant was secured for a less ambitious plan but storms damaged initial constructions and the building was abandoned in 1873. These setbacks were one reason for the eventual dissolution of the Society: in 1880 Pulteney Harbour Trust took responsibility for harbour affairs (under

the Pulteney Harbour Trust Act 1879: 42 & 43 Vict., ch.cxliv), leaving only administration of the town of Pulteneytown for the Society's Directors to do.

The British Fisheries Society Act 1883 (46 & 47 Vict., ch.ix) gave the Directors power to bring the Society to an end by disposal of its residual property. Over the next few years shareholders received dividends, and the Directors prepared for the property sales, which were finally accomplished in 1892. The final AGM of the Society was held in March 1893 and in June the capital was distributed amongst the shareholders: the Society ceased to exist.

#### Herring Industry Board

The Herring Industry Board was shaped by Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries Walter Elliot, MP for Glasgow Kelvingrove. The Herring Industry Act that created it was passed on 24th May 1935.

The Herring Industry Board had been established to rebuild a fishery which had caught and sold staggeringly large numbers in 1913, but which, by the 30s, was in serious decline.

In 1981 the Herring Industry Board was merged with the White Fish Authority to form the Sea Fish Authority.

#### John Bremner

John Bremner was a seaman, certified as both Skipper and Master. He also served within the Royal Naval Reserves.

Custodial history:

Deposited by the Wick Society

### **RECORDS' CONTENT**

Description:

Wick Harbour Pilots; J. & A. Meiklejohn, Fishcurers; British Fisheries Society; Herring Industry Board; John Bremner

Appraisal:

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Accruals:

No

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Access:	Open
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## ALLIED MATERIALS

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Ref.	Description	Dates
<b>WS</b>	<b>The Wick Society Collection</b>	<b>1476-2022, n.d.</b>
<b>WS/2</b>	<b>Papers pertaining to Wick and Pulteneytown Harbours and the Fishing Industry</b>	<b>1801-1988</b>
<b>WS/2/1</b>	<b>Wick Harbour Pilots</b>	<b>1899-1934</b>
<b>WS/2/1/1</b>	<b>Acts and regulations</b>	<b>1913-1937</b>
WS/2/1/1/1	Pilotage Act, 1913 (1 item)	1913
WS/2/1/1/2	Regulations for Fishing in the Moray Firth (1 item)	15 Feb 1915
WS/2/1/1/3	Fraserburgh Harbour Bye Laws Regulations and Rates of Pilotage of the Fraserburgh Pilotage Authority (1 volume)	1920
WS/2/1/1/4	An Act to confirm certain Pilotage Orders made by the Board of Trade under the Pilotage Act 1913 relating to pilotage in the Pilotage Districts of Arbroath Elgin and Lossiemouth Eyemouth Irvine Thurso and Wick (1 item)	28 Jul 1921
WS/2/1/1/5	Declaration of Health Papers in connection with Port Sanitary Regulations, 1933 (Article 13).	1933

	Papers to be filled out by the Master of a foreign going ship arriving in Great Britain or Northern Ireland from a foreign Port regarding the health of the crew. Blank forms (1 bundle)	
WS/2/1/1/6	Wall display card of Schedule C, Lloyd's Standard Form of Survey Report (Goods) (1 item)	3 Nov 1937
WS/2/1/1/7	Draft Bye- Laws of Pilotage Authority for Wick Harbour (1 item)	1921
<b>WS/2/1/2</b>	<b>Financial records</b>	<b>1899-c.1930</b>
WS/2/1/2/1	Account book. Includes lists of expenses e.g. herring gutting crew wages, crans of fish, coopers, carters, telegrams and peats (1 volume)	1899-1918
WS/2/1/2/2	Receipts for expenses incurred by Wick Harbour Pilots, the Pilot Boat and Pilot House [includes receipt from David Cormack for a new thermometer for Pilot House barometer]  (1 bundle)	1909-1937
WS/2/1/2/3	Bills issued by Wick and Pulteney Harbours Pilots and Wick Harbour Trustees for services rendered (8 items)	1920-1936
WS/2/1/2/4	Accounts for Pilotage. Includes lists of vessel names and tonnage (1 bundle)	1934-1940
WS/2/1/2/5	Table of rates of Pilotage at Fraserburgh (1 item)	c.1930
<b>WS/2/1/3</b>	<b>Correspondence</b>	<b>1914-1934</b>
WS/2/1/3/1	Correspondence sent to Wick Harbour Pilots. Correspondents include: The Bergius Launch and Engine Co., Glasgow The Crampin Steam Fishing Co., Ltd. (complaint regarding the price of bait in Wick) Aberdeen Newspapers Ltd. Dan Anderson, Commission Agent, Fish Mart, Wick British Vice- Consulate, Ostend Duncan MacIver Ltd., Stornoway The Lincolnshire Steam Trawlers' Mutual Insurance and Protecting Company, Ltd. Robert Frayne, Fish Salesman & Licensed Auctioneer, Grimsby D.W. Georgeson, Solicitor	1914-1934

	<p>Inland Revenue, H.M. Inspector of Taxes</p> <p>The North Eastern Steam Fishing Company, Grimsby</p> <p>North of Scotland &amp; Orkney &amp; Shetland Steam Navigation Company (complaints regarding the price of pilotage at Wick)</p> <p>R.E. Popple, Herring &amp; Bait Merchant, Grimsby</p> <p>Stag Line, Ltd. (Payment for taking Mess Room Steward of the S.S. Clintonia ashore to hospital)</p> <p>Frank C. Strick &amp; Co. (Glasgow) Ltd.</p> <p>Hector Sutherland &amp; Green, Solicitors</p> <p>William Taylor, Barrel Manufacturer and Fishcurer, Wick</p> <p>Wick Harbour Trustees</p> <p>Wick Herring Salesmen's Association</p> <p>(1 bundle)</p>	
WS/2/1/3/2	Copy letters and draft correspondence written by the Master Pilot (1 bundle)	1922-1928
WS/2/1/3/3	Telegraphs received by Mackay and Robertson, Pilots at the Pilot Station, Wick. Includes blank telegraph forms (1 bundle)	c.1923-1934
WS/2/1/3/4	Correspondence addressed to Mr Williamson, Pilot, Wick (1 bundle)	1914-1927
<b>WS/2/1/4</b>	<b>Various</b>	<b>1909-c.1930, n.d.</b>
WS/2/1/4/1	Log of Barometer Readings at Wick Pilot Station in 1909 (1 item)	1909
WS/2/1/4/2	Report of the Departmental Committee on Pilotage (1 volume)	1911
WS/2/1/4/3	Copy of a page from book 'Shetland Fishing Boats'. Extract contains information on 'sixerns' and 'fourareens' (1 item)	c.1930
WS/2/1/4/4	Card advising of a change to the position of signals at Wick Harbour (2 items)	n.d.
<b>WS/2/2</b>	<b>J. &amp; A. Meiklejohn, Fishcurers, Wick and Great Yarmouth</b>	<b>1927-1934</b>
WS/2/2/1	Various Invoices, Statements and Credit notes detailing the financial transactions of J. & A.	Oct 1928-Apr 1929

	Meiklejohn, Fishcurers, Great Yarmouth, in their conduct of the herring trade (1 bundle)	
WS/2/2/2	The Union Bank of Scotland Account Book in the name of J. & A. Meiklejohn, No. 2 Account (1 item)	27 Sep 1927-11 Apr 1934
<b>WS/2/3</b>	<b>British Fisheries Society</b>	<b>1786-1925</b>
<b>WS/2/3/1</b>	<b>Acts</b>	<b>1786-1879, n.d.</b>
WS/2/3/1/1	British Society Acts 1786, 1814 and 1844 (1 volume)	1786, 1814, 1844, 1855
WS/2/3/1/2	British Fisheries Society Pulteney Harbour Acts 1857 (1 volume)	1857
WS/2/3/1/3	Two copies of the British Fisheries Society (Pulteney Harbour, &c.) Act 1879 (2 items)	1879
WS/2/3/1/4	British Fisheries Society Miscellaneous Acts (1 volume)	n.d.
<b>WS/2/3/2</b>	<b>Bills</b>	<b>1879, 1883</b>
WS/2/3/2/1	British Fisheries Society (Pulteney Harbour &c.), A Bill For amending the Acts relating to the British Fisheries Society; for vesting in Trustees Pulteney Harbour; and improving and maintaining the same; and for other purposes, 42 & 43 Vict. – Sess.1879 (1 volume)	1879
WS/2/3/2/2	British Fisheries Society Bill to provide for the dissolution of the British Fisheries Society (1 item)	1883
<b>WS/2/3/3</b>	<b>Reports</b>	<b>1892, 1893</b>
WS/2/3/3/1	British Fisheries Society, Report of the Directors and Statement of Accounts (1 item)	Mar 1892
WS/2/3/3/2	British Fisheries Society, Report of the Directors and Statement of Accounts (1 item)	Mar 1893
<b>WS/2/3/4</b>	<b>Excerpts from Feu Charters</b>	<b>1856-1908</b>
WS/2/3/4/1	Excerpt from Feu Charter by The British Fisheries Society in favour of Stephen Davidson dated 1856 (1 item)	1856, 1904
WS/2/3/4/2	Excerpt from Feu Disposition by The British Fisheries Society in favour of James Henderson Esquire dated 1876 (2 items)	1876, 1904, 1921

WS/2/3/4/3	Excerpt from Feu Charter by The British Fisheries Society in favour of The Pulteney Harbour Trustees dated 1881 (1 item)	1881, 1908
WS/2/3/4/4	Excerpt from Feu Charter by The British Fisheries Society in favour of The Pulteney Harbour Trustees dated 1881 (1 item)	1881, 1937
WS/2/3/4/5	Excerpt from Feu Charter by The British Fisheries Society in favour of The Pulteney Harbour Trustees dated 7 Jun 1881 [2 copies] (2 items)	7 Jun 1881, 1904
WS/2/3/4/6	Excerpt from Feu Disposition by The British Fisheries Society in favour of The Wick and Pulteneytown Industrial Co-Operative Society Ltd. dated 1886 (1 item)	1886, 1904
WS/2/3/4/7	Clause from Feu Charter by The British Fisheries Society in favour of William Bruce dated 16 Apr 1857 (1 item)	16 Apr 1857, 1893
WS/2/3/4/8	Clause from Feu Charter by The British Fisheries Society to Mrs Janet Ballantine or Thomson dated 10 Apr 1872 (1 item)	10 Apr 1872, 1893
WS/2/3/4/9	Clause from Feu Charter by The British Fisheries Society in favour of John Milne dated 10 Jun 1884 (1 item)	10 Jun 1884, 1893
WS/2/3/4/10	Excerpt from Feu Disposition by The British Fisheries Society in favour of Reverend William Taylor and others dated 14 June 1850 (1 item)	14 June 1850, 1894
<b>WS/2/3/5</b>	<b>Leases</b>	<b>1896, 1925, n.d.</b>
WS/2/3/5/1	Copy of lease between The British Fisheries Society and The Admiralty dated 1890 (1 item)	1896
WS/2/3/5/2	Copy of lease between The British Fisheries Society and The Admiralty dated 1890 (1 item)	1925
WS/2/3/5/3	Copy of lease between The British Fisheries Society and The Admiralty dated 1890 (1 item)	n.d.
<b>WS/2/3/6</b>	<b>Various</b>	<b>1873-1892</b>
WS/2/3/6/1	Handwritten volume, 'The Past and Present of the British Fisheries Society: A remonstrance & appeal to the Directors and Shareholders of the British Fisheries Society on behalf of merchants, shipowners and others residing at Wick' by W. Paterson Smith, Solicitor, Wick (1 volume)	1873

WS/2/3/6/2	Handwritten loose pages entitled 'sums owing to the British Fisheries Society' (2 items)	c.1893
WS/2/3/6/3	List of Purchases of Pasture and Net Ground at Pulteneytown (1 item)	1893
WS/2/3/6/4	Two letters from Adam Gifford concerning the British Fisheries Society (2 items)	Nov 1892
<b>WS/2/3/7</b>	<b>Plans</b>	<b>1803</b>
WS/2/3/7/1	Two copies of a plan [roughly A4 size] originally attached to Feu Charter granted by Benjamin Dunbar to the British Fisheries Society for extending the fisheries and improving the sea coasts of this kingdom dated 11 Mar 1803. The plan shows the area of land being conferred and provides an Index detailing arable land, lay land, waste land or pasture and moss. Also provided are names and details for highlighted areas (2 items)	1803
<b>WS/2/4</b>	<b>Herring Industry Board Report on Herring Trade on the Continent</b>	<b>1938</b>
WS/2/4/1	Herring Industry Board publication 'Herring Trade on the Continent: Report of visit of Inspection, 1938, by Mr Andrew Anderson (1 item)	1938
WS/2/4/2	Extract from Confidential Report by Mr Andrew Anderson regarding the import of herring to the Continent (1 item)	c.1938
<b>WS/2/5</b>	<b>Papers of John Bremner, Fishmerchant, Barrogill Street, Wick</b>  [this series of archives was found together under the heading Papers of John Bremner. They have been kept together to preserve their original order even though some have a far later date and seem unrelated to John Bremner himself. The provenance of all archives could not be ascertained]	<b>1820-1970, n.d.</b>
<b>WS/2/5/1</b>	<b>Certificates and testimonials</b>	<b>1899-1945</b>
WS/2/5/1/1	Royal Naval Reserve Deferred Pension Certificate for John Bremner. Contains date of birth and physical description of Mr Bremner (1 item)	21 Apr 1899
WS/2/5/1/2	Authority issued by the Board of Trade authorising John Bremner (born 1852) to act as Skipper of fishing boats (1 item)	18 Jun 1910



WS/2/5/1/3	Certificate of Discharge from the vessel 'Kernoozea' for Master John Bremner, aged 22 (1 item)	2 May 1921
WS/2/5/1/4	Certificate of Competency as Mate of a Home Trade passenger ship for John Bremner (1 item)	7 Dec 1923
WS/2/5/1/5	Testimonials to John Bremner's abilities as a seaman (3 items)	14 Feb 1924-28 Oct 1930
WS/2/5/1/6	Certificate appointing John Bremner Skipper in the Royal Naval Reserve (1 item)	25 Jan 1926
WS/2/5/1/7	Certificate of the Service of James Bremner Oag in the Royal Navy. Born 20 January 1916. Address: 5 East Banks, Wick (1 item)	1945
<b>WS/2/5/2</b>	<b>Correspondence</b>	<b>1924-1935</b>
WS/2/5/2/1	Letter from a Captain in Verdun, Montreal confirming John Bremner's service on the S.S. Beauharnois (1 item)	7 Jul 1924-16 Aug 1924
WS/2/5/2/2	Letter from Hugh F. Curry, Commander, R.N., confirming John Bremner, R.N.R. has completed two weeks training in minesweeping (1 item)	9 Mar 1926
WS/2/5/2/3	Letter from H Barber and Son Ltd., Billingsgate regarding a joint business in white fish (1 item)	28 Apr 1932
WS/2/5/2/4	File of correspondence pertaining to John Bremner's fishcuring business (1 file)	1932-1936
WS/2/5/2/5	Telegram regarding a delivery to be confirmed (1 item)	21 Jun 1935
WS/2/5/2/6	Bundle of correspondence regarding the setting up of a Rest House at the Service Bridge in Wick to be used as an Institute for fishermen (1 bundle)	4 Sep 1935-23 Dec 1935
<b>WS/2/5/3</b>	<b>Records pertaining to Wick and Pulteneytown Harbours (Papers of John Bremner)</b>	<b>1857-1969, n.d.</b>
WS/2/5/3/1	Pulteneytown Harbour <b>Bill</b> to enable the British Fisheries Society to enlarge, improve, and maintain Pulteney Harbour (1 item)	1857
WS/2/5/3/2	Wick Harbour Tables of Rates for Vessels and Goods leviable by the Harbour Trustees (1 item)	1914
WS/2/5/3/3	Wick Harbour Regulations for Hire of the Steam Crane on Jetty (1 item)	5 Jul 1915

WS/2/5/3/4	Various Harbour notices (outsized) (7 items)	1916-1949
WS/2/5/3/5	Wick Harbour Register of Electors for the years 1924, 1925 and 1938 (3 items)	1924-1936
WS/2/5/3/6	List of Proprietors of Lands and Heritages, and of Shipowners and Ratepayers of Wick Harbour for the years 1932, 1933, 1935, 1937, 1938, 1943, 1943, 1944 and 1945 (9 items)	1932-1945
WS/2/5/3/7	Wick Harbour Schedule of Rates and Dues for Vessels and Goods (1 item)	1949
WS/2/5/3/8	Timetable of sailings for Leith, Aberdeen, Caithness, Orkney and Shetland (4 items)	Aug 1952-Nov 1952
WS/2/5/3/9	Warning notice regarding the wreck of Naval Armament Vessel 'Isleford' in Wick Bay (1 item)	9 Jan 1954
WS/2/5/3/10	Plan of Wick Harbour showing proposed new breakwater and jetty (1 item)	n.d.
<b>WS/2/5/4</b>	<b>Boat registers</b>	<b>1885, 1900, 1906, c.1980</b>
WS/2/5/4/1	Typed list of boats registered at Wick, 1885 (1 item)	1885, c.1980
WS/2/5/4/2	Typed list of boats registered at Wick, 1900 (1 item)	1900, c.1980
WS/2/5/4/3	Typed list of steam drifters registered at Wick, 1906, with covering letter and handwritten annotations (1 item)	1906, c.1980
<b>WS/2/5/5</b>	<b>Various (Papers of John Bremner)</b>	<b>1820-1970, n.d.</b>
WS/2/5/5/1	Journal recording the boat 'Carry on' of Peel detailing daily activities. Includes details of catches, method used and place of catch (1 item)	28 Jun 1820-14 Jun 1821
WS/2/5/5/2	Invoice from the North of Scotland and Orkney and Shetland Steam Navigation Coy. For freight and charges to Mr Johnston (1 item)	11 May 1888
WS/2/5/5/3	Brochures and adverts for boats and parts for boats (7 items)	c.1913
WS/2/5/5/4	Fishery Board for Scotland poster showing official crown brands (1 item)	21 Jul 1924
WS/2/5/5/5	Quotation form Alex. Robertson & Son for Electric Detonators and Gelignite (1 item)	10 Sep 1935

WS/2/5/5/6	Price quotes given to Wick Harbour Trust for 2 Galvanised Short Link Chains (4 items)	Oct 1935
WS/2/5/5/7	Quotations from A. Robertson & Son and John Harper for Nails, oils, etc (1 item)	c.1935
WS/2/5/5/8	Programme for the inaugural ceremony of the motor Life-boat 'City of Edinburgh' at South Pier, Wick Harbour (2 items)	19 Aug 1939
WS/2/5/5/9	'Sailors News' magazines (5 items)	Jan 1953-Jun 1954
WS/2/5/5/10	'Ship and Boat Builder and Naval Architect' magazines (3 items)	Jun 1953-May 1954
WS/2/5/5/11	'Toilers of the Deep' magazines. The magazine of the Royal Mission to Deep Sea Fishermen (19 items)	Oct 1949-Dec 1955
WS/2/5/5/12	Bank of Scotland wallet containing bank statements for Wick Fish Offal Syndicate (1 item)	23 Nov 1966-21 Feb 1969
WS/2/5/5/13	Programme for the naming ceremony and dedication of the Life-boat 'Princess Marina' at the Wharf, Wick (2 items)	30 Sep 1970
WS/2/5/5/14	Labels for fish boxes. To be sent to Wm. Malcolm Ltd., Fishmongers, Dunoon from John Bremner, Fishcurer, Wick and S.L. Neill, 89 Mitchell St, Glasgow from John Bremner, Fishcurer, Wick (2 bundles)	n.d.
WS/2/5/5/15	Business cards for John Bremner, Fish Merchant, 4 Harbour Terrace, Wick. Contains list of varieties of fish that can be supplied (1 bundle)	n.d.
WS/2/5/5/16	Ticket books printed with 'Bremner' (1 item)	n.d.
WS/2/5/5/17	Various blank stationery items for John Bremner, Fish merchant, 32/34 Barrogill Street, Wick. Includes headed notepaper and invoices (1 bundle)	n.d.
WS/2/5/5/18	'In Search of Silver Treasure' herring recipe booklets (6 items)	n.d.
WS/2/5/5/19	Pantlin Bros. fish labels (2 items)	n.d.
WS/2/5/5/20	Blank order form for kippers from J.D. Follows & Sons, Cummings St., Derby (1 item)	n.d.
WS/2/5/5/21	Typed ticket bearing the inscription 'Burgess Ticket as Freeman of the Royal Burgh of Wick in the	n.d.

	name of William Keith, Taylor, and dated 1769. Presented by Mr. John Robertson' (1 item)	
WS/2/5/5/22	Flags of the British Empire and all Nations including semaphore signals (1 item)	n.d.
WS/2/5/5/23	Poem 'Loss of the Boat "Mary Bella"' printed on card. Regards the loss of the boat 'Mary Bella' during a storm on the 5 <sup>th</sup> February 1895. Includes a verse on each of the fishermen lost (1 item)	n.d.
WS/2/5/5/24	Sign for boxes and barrels from Wm. Fiddes & Son, Ltd., Torry Sawmills, Aberdeen (1 item)	n.d.
WS/2/5/5/25	List of Stores needed for Rocket Life Saving Apparatus, Mercantile Marine Department, Board of Trade (2 items)	n.d.
WS/2/5/5/26	Ink stamp for Cormack's Caller Herring Brand (1 item)	n.d.
<b>WS/2/6</b>	<b>Various</b>	<b>1801-1988</b>
WS/2/6/1	Report to the Honorable the Trustees for Fisheries by William MacLeay Curemaster of Herrings at Wick for the year from 1 <sup>st</sup> April 1800 to the 1 <sup>st</sup> April 1801. Report details fish curers names, number of barrels cured and place barrels exported or sent coastways to. Report is pasted onto yellow backing paper which has newspaper clippings on the reverse side (1 item)	1801
WS/2/6/2	Letter from David Bremner, Clyth, to David Henderson Esq., care of Mr Neil Dryburgh, Fishcurer, Leith. Regards bulwark at Clyth and barrel making (1 item)	3 Jun 1823
WS/2/6/3	Regulations for the Pilots at Pulteney Harbour, 1853; Reports on the Improvement of Pulteney Harbour, 1 <sup>st</sup> April 1881 and cuttings from the Northern Ensign of April 14, 1881 showing proposed harbour works (1 item) [all items bound together]	1853-1881
WS/2/6/4	Letter addressed to John Sutherland Esq., Pulteneytown, Wick, sent from Danzig. Discusses the health of the herring trade in Danzig (1 item)	14 Sep 1878
WS/2/6/5	Certificate from Salzburg Fishing Exhibition (1 item, oversize) [Translation: 'The jury of the General Fishing Exhibition in Salzburg Under the High Protectorate of Sr.(?) imperial and royal highness of the Most Serene Archduke Ludwig Victor in September 1900 has awarded to Mr Gordon	Sep 1900

	Dower, fisherman of Wick, for herring, the Honorary Diploma. Salzburg 5 September 1900' Signatures L-R: The vice-president, the director of the exhibition, the president.]	
WS/2/6/6	Sketch of Wick Harbour Extension Scheme printed at the John o' Groat Journal Office (4 items)	c.1905
WS/2/6/7	Letter of condolence from Caithness Fishermen's Association to Mrs Thomson on the death of her husband, a former President of the Association (1 item)	7 Dec 1906
WS/2/6/8	Receipt for Harbour Dues paid by P. Marcus (1 item)	c.1920
WS/2/6/9	Correspondence addressed to Mr Dower, Fishcurer, Wick regarding supply of fish (1 bundle)	1928
WS/2/6/10	Copies of registry and Bill of Sale for steam ship 'Lillian Maud', WK 687, built 1890 (3 items)	c.1980
WS/2/6/11	Photocopied extract from 1876 Shipping register referring to the "Chieftain" (1 item) [pencilled notes on reverse]	1988
WS/2/6/12	North of Scotland, Orkney and Shetland Shipping Company, Limited blank manifests (3 items)	n.d.
WS/2/6/13	Wick and Pulteney Harbours Memo of Duties to be performed by Assistant Harbourmasters (1 item)	n.d.
WS/2/6/14	Blank returns cards declaring the quantity of herring purchased for curing. To be sent to the Herring Industry Board (2 items)	n.d.
WS/2/6/15	International Fisheries Exhibition Diploma for David Stewart, Fishcurer, Wick (1 item)	1882
WS/2/6/16	An Act to amend the Law relative to the Scottish Herring Fisheries (1 item)	13 Aug 1860
WS/2/6/17	Report of the Select Committee appointed to inquire into the Harbour Accommodation on the Coasts of the United Kingdom (1 volume)	1884
WS/2/6/18	Report of the Royal Commission on Trawling (1 volume)	1885
WS/2/6/19	Notebook of Alexander William Mackenzie, 5 Dunnett Avenue, Wick, relating to motorboat Heather Anne, WK 111. Contains Decca Navigator readings for seine net fishing areas. The Heather Anne was built in 1973 in Buckie and was owned	c.1973

	by Alexander William Mackenzie, Albert Bishop Mackenzie and John S. Duncan Ltd. The boat passed out of the Mackenzie family in 1981 (1 volume)	
WS/2/6/20	Notebooks of A. McKenzie, 6 Smith Terrace, Wick, for boats Copinsay Coast, WK27, and Heather Ann, WK111. Contains Decca Navigator readings for seine net fishing areas (10 volumes)	c.1975
WS/2/6/21	Notebook of C.M. Farquhar. Contains Decca Navigator readings for seine net fishing areas (1 volume)	c.1975
WS/2/6/22	Notebook containing Contains Decca Navigator readings for seine net fishing areas (1 volume)	c.1975

## **WS/3 – Papers pertaining to Peterhead Fishing Industry**

### **RECORDS' IDENTITY STATEMENT**

Reference number:	GB1741/WS/3
Alternative reference number:	-
Title:	Papers pertaining to Peterhead Fishing Industry
Dates of creation:	1882-1918
Level of description:	Sub-fonds
Extent:	7 items
Format:	Paper

### **RECORDS' CONTEXT**

Name of creators:	Various
Administrative history:	-
Custodial history:	Deposited by the Wick Society

### **RECORDS' CONTENT**

Description:	Minutes of lease and assignments pertaining to the Peterhead Fishing Industry
Appraisal:	-
Accruals:	No

### **RECORDS' CONDITION OF ACCESS AND USE**

Access:	Open
Closed until:	-
Access conditions:	Available within the archive searchroom
Copying:	Copying permitted within standard Copyright Act parameters
Finding aids:	Available in the archive searchroom and <a href="#">online</a>

### **ALLIED MATERIALS**

Related material:	WS/1 – Records of Donald Waters and Son, Fishcurers; WHT – Wick Harbour
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Trust; WS/2 - Papers pertaining to Wick Harbour and Fishing Industry

Publication: -  
 Notes: -  
 Date of catalogue: 2023

Ref.	Description	Dates
<b>WS</b>	<b>The Wick Society Collection</b>	<b>1476-2022, n.d.</b>
<b>WS/3</b>	<b>Papers pertaining to Peterhead Fishing Industry</b>	<b>1882-1918</b>
WS/3/1	Minute of Lease between the Governors of the Merchant Maiden Hospital and Robert Mowat, Fishcurer, 1882, of Fishcuring Yard, Keith Inch, Peterhead (1 item)	1882
WS/3/2	Assignment by Robert Mowat in favour of Robert Mackie Stephen, 1891, of Buildings, Erections and Fittings in Yard in Keith Street, Peterhead (1 item)	1891
WS/3/3	Minute of Lease between the Governors of the Merchant Maiden Hospital and Robert M Stephen, 1894, of Fishcuring Yard at Keith Inch, Peterhead (1 item)	1894
WS/3/4	Assignment by Robert Mackie Stephen to George Mowat Stephen of Sheds and other erections in Keith Street, Peterhead (1 item)	1910
WS/3/5	Assignment by George Mowatt Stephen in favour of The Peterhead Fishcuring Company, 1913, Buildings and Erections in Fishcuring Yard, Keith Inch, Peterhead (1 item)	1913
WS/3/6	Minute of Lease between The Merchant Company Education Board and The Peterhead Fishcuring Company, 1913, of Curing Yard at Keith Inch, Peterhead (1 item)	1913
WS/3/7	Minute of Lease between The Merchant Company Education Board and The Peterhead Fishcuring Company, 1918, Of Curing Yard at Keith Inch, Peterhead (1 item)	1918



## **WS/4 – Wick and Pulteneytown Mercantile Debating Society**

### **RECORDS' IDENTITY STATEMENT**

Reference number:	GB1741/WS/4
Alternative reference number:	-
Title:	Wick and Pulteneytown Mercantile Debating Society
Dates of creation:	1860-1957, n.d.
Level of description:	Sub-fonds
Extent:	5 boxes
Format:	Paper

### **RECORDS' CONTEXT**

Name of creators:	Wick and Pulteneytown Mercantile Debating Society
Administrative history:	Wick and Pulteneytown Mercantile Debating Society was established in 1857. The Mercantile, as it was known, was a non-political body which held regular debates between its members and other societies as well as organising social events.
Custodial history:	Deposited by the Wick Society

### **RECORDS' CONTENT**

Description:	Minutes, Roll books, administrative records, financial records, events records, correspondence and various other records of the Society
Appraisal:	-
Accruals:	None expected

### **RECORDS' CONDITION OF ACCESS AND USE**

Access:	Open
Closed until:	-
Access conditions:	Available within the archive searchroom
Copying:	Copying permitted within standard Copyright Act parameters

Finding aids:

Available in the archive searchroom and [online](#)

## ALLIED MATERIALS

Related material:

P7 - Wick and Pulteneytown Mercantile Debating Society (1869-1948) [received from Wick Library]

Publication:

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Notes:

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Date of catalogue:

2023

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<b>WS</b>	<b>The Wick Society Collection</b>	<b>1476-2022, n.d.</b>
<b>WS/4</b>	<b>Wick and Pulteneytown Mercantile Debating Society</b>	<b>1860-1957, n.d.</b>
<b>WS/4/1</b>	<b>Constitution and rules</b>	<b>c.1860, n.d.</b>
WS/4/1/1	Wick and Pulteneytown Mercantile Debating Society Constitution, Rules and Standing Orders (4 items)	c.1860, n.d.
WS/4/1/2	Copy of the rules of the Wick and Pulteneytown Mercantile Debating Society, devised Jan 1860 (3 items)	c.1860, n.d.
WS/4/1/3	Copy of rules regarding conduct of members and length of speeches (2 items)	n.d.
WS/4/1/4	Copies of Wick and Pulteneytown Mercantile Debating Society Standing Orders; including Order of Business, Resolutions of Committees, Conduct of Debate, Amendments and Alteration of Standing Orders (1 bundle)	n.d.
<b>WS/4/2</b>	<b>Minutes</b>	<b>1860-1950</b>
WS/4/2/1	Minute Book No. 2 (1 volume)	7 Nov 1860-12 Nov 1862
WS/4/2/2	Minute Book No.3 (1 volume)	19 Nov 1862-1864
WS/4/2/3	Minute Book No. 4 (1 volume)	5 Oct 1864-3 Apr 1867

WS/4/2/4	Minute Book No. 5 (1 volume)	9 Oct 1867-12 Oct 1870
WS/4/2/5	Minute Book No. 7 (1 volume)	12 Nov 1873-19 Nov 1879
WS/4/2/6	Minute Book No. 8 (1 volume)	Mar 1887-Sep 1889
WS/4/2/7	Minute Book No. 9 (1 volume)	2 Oct 1889-21 Oct 1891
WS/4/2/8	Minute Book No. 10 (1 volume)	28 Oct 1891-8 Nov 1900
WS/4/2/9	Minute Book No. 11 (1 volume)	Nov 1900-Feb 1909
WS/4/2/10	Minute Book No.12 (1 volume)	Nov 1909-Mar 1912
WS/4/2/11	Minute Book (1 volume)	17 Oct 1912-19 Feb 1925
WS/4/2/12	Minute Book No. 14 (1 volume)	8 Oct 1925-14 Oct 1930
WS/4/2/13	Minute Book (1 volume)	21 Oct 1930-20 Dec 1937
WS/4/2/14	Minute Book (1 volume)	10 Jan 1938-23 Nov 1950
<b>WS/4/3</b>	<b>Roll Books</b>	<b>1908-1925</b>
WS/4/3/1	Roll Book (1 volume)	1908-1914
WS/4/3/2	Roll Book (1 volume)	c.1910-1925
<b>WS/4/4</b>	<b>Financial records</b>	<b>1905-1929</b>
WS/4/4/1	Various financial records of the Wick and Pulteneytown Mercantile Debating Society. Mainly receipts for expenses incurred by the Society. Also letters, financial statements and Treasurer's Reports (4 files)  [itemised paper catalogue compiled by Wick Society available, see WS/28/1 - MDS 1-100,101-200, 201-300, 301-338]	1905-1929
<b>WS/4/5</b>	<b>Events</b>	<b>1927-1933, n.d.</b>
WS/4/5/1	Programme for the Society's Burns Concert in Rifle Drill Hall, Wick (1 item)	26 Jan 1927

WS/4/5/2	Programme for the Society's Burns Concert in Parish Church Hall (1 item)	27 Jan 1933
WS/4/5/3	Poster advertising the Society's Burns Concert in the Parish Church Hall (1 item)	27 Jan 1933
WS/4/5/4	Printed 'Menu' card with handwritten list of items provided for 'Tea' and 'Running Buffet' (1 item)	n.d.
<b>WS/4/6</b>	<b>Correspondence</b>	<b>1890-1957, n.d.</b>
WS/4/6/1	Letter book (1 volume)	22 May 1890-12 Jul 1907
WS/4/6/2	Various correspondence (1 file) [itemised paper catalogue compiled by Wick Society available, see WS/28/1 - MDS 339- 480]	1893-1938
WS/4/6/3	Letter book (1 volume)	c.1919
WS/4/6/4	Letter addressed to Dr. Robertson from Angus Macleod, Perth, regarding Mr Macleod's attendance at a Society dinner (1 item)	23 Jul 1957
WS/4/6/5	Copy of the correspondence submitted to the Secretary of State for Scotland by the Wick Mercantile Society regarding a plan for development in Caithness (4 items)	n.d.
<b>WS/4/7</b>	<b>Autograph books</b>	<b>1912-1924</b>
WS/4/7/1	Autograph book (1 volume)	1912-1925
WS/4/7/2	Autograph book (1 volume)	25 Nov 1920-6 Nov 1924
<b>WS/4/8</b>	<b>Subscription Library</b>	<b>n.d.</b>
2/10	Supplement Catalogue of Books in the Mercantile Debating Society's Subscription Library (1 item) [oversized]	n.d.
2/11	Volume containing record of books borrowed from Mercantile Debating Society's Subscription Library (1 volume) [oversized]	n.d.
<b>WS/4/9</b>	<b>Publications</b>	<b>1929</b>
WS/4/9/1	Wick Mercantile Debating Society Magazine, No.1, April 1929. Contains article by Neil. M. Gunn, caricatures of prominent members and adverts for local businesses (1 item)	Apr 1929

WS/4/9/2	Copy of newspaper article from the John o' Groat Journal concerning the publication of the Mercantile Debating Society's new magazine (1 item)	19 Apr 1929
<b>WS/4/10</b>	<b>Various</b>	<b>c.1904-1933, n.d.</b>
WS/4/10/1	Chamber's Twentieth Century Dictionary (1 volume)	c.1904
WS/4/10/2	Wick and Pulteneytown Mercantile Debating Society Syllabus Cards for sessions 1920-21, 1922-23, 1926-27, 1926-27, 1927-28, 1929-30 (12 items)	1920-1930
WS/4/10/3	Poem 'Esquire of Tannach' by The Poet Laureate of Caithness (1 item)	Jan 1933
WS/4/10/4	Notes on a lecture 'Criminals are born not made' (1 bundle)	n.d.
WS/4/10/5	Mock Town Council Election ballot paper. Includes candidate 'U.C. Sparks of the Anti- Electric Light Party' (1 item)	n.d.

## WS/5 – Noss Head Lighthouse

### RECORDS' IDENTITY STATEMENT

Reference number:	GB1741/WS/5
Alternative reference number:	-
Title:	Noss Head Lighthouse
Dates of creation:	1846, 1970, 1980-1981
Level of description:	Sub-fonds
Extent:	10 items
Format:	Paper

### RECORDS' CONTEXT

Name of creators: Alan Stevenson; Northern Lighthouse Board

Administrative history: Noss Head Lighthouse

Noss Head Lighthouse is situated near Wick, Caithness. It was established in 1849 and engineered by Alan Stevenson.

The name Noss Head comes from the Old Norse word 'Snos', a nose, the peak of nose-shaped headland.

The lighthouse was completed in 1849 by Mr Robert Arnot of Inverness, and the light was first exhibited on Monday 18 Jun 1849. A new style of lantern with diagonal instead of vertical framing was first used by Stevenson at Noss Head. Stronger and less liable to intercept light in any particular direction, it was adopted as the standard pattern for the service. The original lamp from Noss Head is now in Wick Heritage Museum (Wick Society).

The lens which is approximately 6ft in diameter rotates by clockwork machinery around a mercury vapour lamp.

An access road from Wick to Noss Head was built by the unemployed poor of the area who were paid 3/6d per day.

The Light was automated in 1987.  
(<https://www.nlb.org.uk/lighthouses/noss-head/>)

### Alan Stevenson

Alan Stevenson FRSE LLD MInstCE (28 April 1807-23 December 1865) was a Scottish civil engineer, known for designing and building lighthouses in and around Scotland.

### Northern Lighthouse Board

Established by Act of Parliament in 1786 as the Commissioners of Northern Light Houses. Responsible for the superintendence and management of all lights, buoys and beacons within Scottish and Isle of Man waters. A non-departmental public body responsible for marine navigation aids around coastal areas.

Custodial history:

Deposited by the Wick Society

## **RECORDS' CONTENT**

Description:

Correspondence from Alan Stevenson to Sir George Dunbar and from the Northern Lighthouse Board to the Principal Lightkeeper. Copies of the Fog Signal Engine Duty Board. Plans of alterations to Noss Head Lighthouse

Appraisal:

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Accruals:

None expected

## **RECORDS' CONDITION OF ACCESS AND USE**

Access:

Open

Closed until:

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Access conditions:

Available within the archive searchroom

Copying:

Copying permitted within standard Copyright Act parameters

Finding aids:

Available in the archive searchroom and [online](#)

## **ALLIED MATERIALS**

Related material:

WS/25/2/10 - Plans of Noss Head Lighthouse Fog Signal Renewal Engine Room Wall Layout and Openings and proposed H.P. air Receiver Layout

National Records of Scotland reference  
 NLC80 – Noss Head Lighthouse, 1891-1967  
 SUTH/5/67 – Oral history recording with John Robertson, lighthouse keeper at Noss Head  
 P196/6 – photographs of Noss Head Lighthouse  
 NC/7/1/201 - RAF Smoke float ashore between Staxigoe and Noss Head Lighthouse, 1943

Publication: -  
 Notes: -  
 Date of catalogue: 2023

<b>Ref.</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Dates</b>
<b>WS</b>	<b>The Wick Society Collection</b>	<b>1476-2022, n.d.</b>
<b>WS/5</b>	<b>Noss Head Lighthouse</b>	<b>1846, 1970, 1980-1981</b>
WS/5/1	Letters from Alan Stevenson to Sir George Dunbar, Ackergill Tower, regarding Noss Head Lighthouse (2 items)	3 Oct 1846- 12 Oct 1846
WS/5/2	Correspondence from the Northern Lighthouse Board to The Principal Lightkeeper, Noss Head Lighthouse regarding operating the fog signal. Attached document entitled 'Fog Signal Duties' (1 item)	13 Jul 1970
WS/5/3	Copies of the Fog Signal Engine Duty Board (4 items)	13 Jul 1970
WS/5/4	Plans of alterations to Noss Head Lighthouse by the Northern Lighthouse Board Engineers Department. Includes details of collimating screens, details of collimating screens and structure and the general arrangement of the new lightroom floor (3 items)	30 Sep 1980-13 Oct 1981



## **WS/6 – Latheron Combination Poorhouse (c.1890-1930)**

An extensive deposit of records pertaining to Latheron Combination Poorhouse was accessioned as part of the Wick Society Collection. Due to the size of this sub-fonds the catalogue is still being worked on by archive staff. As records become available they will appear on our online catalogue.

The sub-fonds includes items of correspondence of the Latheron Parish Inspector of the Poor to and from the councils, poorhouses and institutions of other Scottish parishes regarding applicants for poor relief. Correspondence is often supplemented with other records of contextual relevance (reports, invoices, accounts etc.).

Please ask a member of staff for more details.

## WS/7 – Local Authority records

### RECORDS' IDENTITY STATEMENT

Reference number:	GB1741/WS/7
Alternative reference number:	-
Title:	Local Authority records
Dates of creation:	1797-2001
Level of description:	Sub-fonds
Extent:	4 boxes, 12 volumes
Format:	Paper

### RECORDS' CONTEXT

Name of creators: Royal Burgh of Wick; Caithness County Council

Administrative history: Royal Burgh of Wick

Wick, Caithness, is first mentioned in records dating from the mid-12th century. It was under Norwegian control until 1231 and Auldwick, on a site a little to the south of the present town, was created a burgh of barony for one Nicholas or Neil Sutherland around 1393. A burgh of barony was presided over by a feudal superior who had authority from the Crown to administer justice and to hold barony courts dealing with crimes and matters of good neighbourhood.

Wick was elevated to royal burgh status in 1589 but remained a fairly small town: in 1665 the population was not more than 500. From the middle of the 18th century, however, Wick's importance as a fishing centre began to grow, a development which was reinforced by the harbour improvements of the early 19th century.

A major new development called Pulteneytown was laid out on the south side of Wick Bay by the British Fisheries Society in 1808. Pulteneytown was a parliamentary burgh from 1844 and existed as a separate council until 1902

when it was incorporated into the royal burgh.

By 1840 the population of Wick had grown to 1,250 and the transient population dependent on the fishing industry was much greater.

In 1862 Wick adopted most of the General Police and Improvement (Scotland) Act 1862 (25 & 26 Vict., c. 101) which allowed for the appointment of police commissioners who were responsible for the cleansing, lighting, policing and public health of the burgh. The Burgh Police (Scotland) Act 1892 (55 & 56 Vict., c.55) ended the overlap and sometimes friction which had existed between burgh councils and police commissioners by restricting powers to either one or the other, and police commissioners were abolished completely by the Town Councils (Scotland) Act 1900 (63 & 64 Vict., c.49), in favour of the older term of provost, bailies and councillors.

In accordance with the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1929 (19 & 20 Geo. V, c.25) Wick was classed as a small burgh from 1930 until 1975, when its town council was abolished under the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 (c. 65). Its powers were assumed by Highland Regional Council and Caithness District Council. These in turn were replaced by Highland Council in 1996 under the Local Government etc. (Scotland) Act 1994 (c. 39). The burgh's population at the 1971 census was 7,617.

### Caithness County Council

1889-1930: County Councils were established under the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1889. They assumed the powers of the existing Commissioners of Supply, and of Parochial Boards, excluding those in Burghs, under the Public Health Acts. The County Councils also assumed the powers of the County Road Trusts, and as a consequence were obliged to appoint County Road Boards. Powers of the former Police

Committees of the Commissioners were transferred to Standing Joint Committees, composed of County Councillors, Commissioners and the Sheriff of the county. They acted as the police committee of the counties - the executive bodies for the administration of police. The Act thus entrusted to the new County Councils most existing local government functions outwith the burghs except the poor law, education, mental health and licensing.

Each county was divided into districts administered by a District Committee of County Councillors. Funded directly by the County Councils, the District Committees were responsible for roads, housing, water supply and public health.

Provision was also made for the creation of Special Districts to be responsible for the provision of services including water supply, drainage, lighting and scavenging.

1930-1975: The Local Government Act (Scotland) 1929 abolished the District Committees and Parish Councils and transferred their powers and duties to the County Councils and District Councils

Custodial history:

Deposited by the Wick Society

## **RECORDS' CONTENT**

Description:

Election of Provost and Magistrates records; Articles and Conditions of Roup and Sale; Acts and Plans; Wick Water Supply records; Electoral Registers; Policy documents; Valuation Rolls

Appraisal:

Accruals:

None expected

## **RECORDS' CONDITION OF ACCESS AND USE**

Access:

Open

Closed until:

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Access conditions:

Available within the archive searchroom

Copying: Copying permitted within standard Copyright Act parameters

Finding aids: Available in the archive searchroom and [online](#)

## ALLIED MATERIALS

Related material: BW - Royal Burgh of Wick  
CC - Caithness County Council  
P854 - Caithness Water Supply and Sewerage Provision Records

Publication: -

Notes: -

Date of catalogue: 2023

Ref.	Description	Dates
<b>WS</b>	<b>The Wick Society Collection</b>	<b>1476-2022, n.d.</b>
<b>WS/7</b>	<b>Local Authority records</b>	<b>1826-2001</b>
<b>WS/7/1</b>	<b>Royal Burgh of Wick</b>	<b>1826-1970</b>
WS/7/1/1	List of signatures swearing allegiance to King George on 24 <sup>th</sup> September 1826 at the Election of Provost and Magistrates of the Burgh of Wick. Original document plus three transcripts (4 items)	24 Sep 1826
WS/7/1/2	Articles and Conditions of Roup and Sale of Ground in the Market Place of Wick belonging to the Provost Magistrates and Town Council of the Royal Burgh of Wick (1 item)	1886
WS/7/1/3	Plan of the Market Place of the Royal Burgh of Wick (1 item)	1886
WS/7/1/4	Wick Burgh Extension Order Conformation Act 1902. Inscription inside reads 'To Provost Jamieson, with compliments, H.S. (1 volume) [plan of Wick Harbour loose within front cover]	1902
WS/7/1/5	Royal Burgh of Wick Official Street Plan (1 item)	c.1970
<b>WS/7/2</b>	<b>Wick Water Supply (records of the Royal Burgh of Wick and subsequent bodies responsible for Wick Water supply)</b>  [Prior to 1967, both water supply and sewerage provision was the responsibility of the local	<b>1931-2001</b>

	<p>councils- both town (Royal Burgh of Wick) and county (Caithness).</p> <p>From 1967- 1975 water supply was the responsibility of North of Scotland Water Board, with sewerage provided by the appropriate town and county councils.</p> <p>From 1975- 1996 Highland Regional Council Water and Sewerage Department was responsible for both water and sewerage, followed by the North of Scotland Water Authority from 1996- 2002.</p> <p>From 2002 to time of writing (2023), water supply and sewerage in Caithness is the responsibility of Scottish Water]</p>	
WS/7/2/1	Photocopy of Minute of Agreement between Garden Duff Dunbar Esq. of Hempriggs and the Local Authority of the Burgh of Wick, 1881, Wick Water Supply (1 item)	n.d.
WS/7/2/2	Royal Burgh of Wick Water Works Extension Conditions of Contract, Specification, Schedule of Quantities and Form of Tender (1 volume)	1931
WS/7/2/3	Royal Burgh of Wick Water Works Extension Schedule of Remeasurement of Works (1 volume)	1931
WS/7/2/4	Royal Burgh of Wick Water Department, specification and schedule of proposed scheme to supply the Oldwick District (6 items)	3 Mar 1937
WS/7/2/5	Royal Burgh of Wick Byelaws for preventing waste contamination, Etc. of Water (1 volume)	1946
WS/7/2/6	Royal Burgh of Wick Schedule of Water Charges (1 volume)	15 May 1953
WS/7/2/7	Royal Burgh of Wick Water Supply Phase I, new distribution mains and ancillary works, conditions of contract, specification and schedule of quantities. Tender submitted by William Tawse Ltd (1 volume)	26 Dec 1967
WS/7/2/8	Appendix to Form of Tender for works within the Burgh of Wick, including laying new water mains and sewers (1 volume)	1967
WS/7/2/9	North of Scotland Water Board Wick Water Supply Phase II, new aqueduct, clarifier and ancillary works, conditions of contract, specification and schedule of quantities (1 volume)	23 Sep 1969
WS/7/2/10	North of Scotland Water Authority Integrated Network Management Wick Scoping Study (1 file)	Apr 2001

<b>WS/7/3</b>	<b>Caithness County Council</b>	<b>1912-1973</b>
<b>WS/7/3/1</b>	<b>Electoral Registers</b>	
WS/7/3/1/1	Register of Persons Entitled to Vote in the Election of a Member of Parliament for the County of Caithness for year ending 1 <sup>st</sup> November, 1912. Parish of Bower (1 volume)	1 Nov 1912
WS/7/3/1/2	Register of Persons Entitled to Vote in the Election of a Member of Parliament for the County of Caithness for year ending 1 <sup>st</sup> November, 1912. Parish of Canisbay (1 volume)	1 Nov 1912
WS/7/3/1/3	Register of Persons Entitled to Vote in the Election of a Member of Parliament for the County of Caithness for year ending 1 <sup>st</sup> November, 1912. Parish of Dunnet (1 volume)	1 Nov 1912
WS/7/3/1/4	Register of Persons Entitled to Vote in the Election of a Member of Parliament for the County of Caithness for year ending 1 <sup>st</sup> November, 1912. Parish of Halkirk (1 volume)	1 Nov 1912
WS/7/3/1/5	Register of Persons Entitled to Vote in the Election of a Member of Parliament for the County of Caithness for year ending 1 <sup>st</sup> November, 1912. Parish of Latheron (Berriedale and Dunbeath) (1 volume)	1 Nov 1912
WS/7/3/1/6	Register of Persons Entitled to Vote in the Election of a Member of Parliament for the County of Caithness for year ending 1 <sup>st</sup> November, 1912. Parish of Latheron (Latheron) (1 volume)	1 Nov 1912
WS/7/3/1/7	Register of Persons Entitled to Vote in the Election of a Member of Parliament for the County of Caithness for year ending 1 <sup>st</sup> November, 1912. Parish of Latheron (Lybster and Clyth) (1 volume)	1 Nov 1912
WS/7/3/1/8	Register of Persons Entitled to Vote in the Election of a Member of Parliament for the County of Caithness for year ending 1 <sup>st</sup> November, 1912. Parish of Odrig (1 volume)	1 Nov 1912
WS/7/3/1/9	Register of Persons Entitled to Vote in the Election of a Member of Parliament for the County of Caithness for year ending 1 <sup>st</sup> November, 1912. Parish of Reay (1 volume)	1 Nov 1912
WS/7/3/1/10	Register of Persons Entitled to Vote in the Election of a Member of Parliament for the County of Caithness for year ending 1 <sup>st</sup> November, 1912.	1 Nov 1912

	Parish of Thurso (Thurso Burgh East, South and North) (1 volume)	
WS/7/3/1/11	Register of Persons Entitled to Vote in the Election of a Member of Parliament for the County of Caithness for year ending 1 <sup>st</sup> November, 1912. Parish of Thurso (Thurso West, Thurso East) (1 volume)	1 Nov 1912
WS/7/3/1/12	Register of Persons Entitled to Vote in the Election of a Member of Parliament for the County of Caithness for year ending 1 <sup>st</sup> November, 1912. Parish of Watten (1 volume)	1 Nov 1912
WS/7/3/1/13	Register of Persons Entitled to Vote in the Election of a Member of Parliament for the County of Caithness for year ending 1 <sup>st</sup> November, 1912. Parish of Wick (Keiss) (1 volume)	1 Nov 1912
WS/7/3/1/14	Register of Persons Entitled to Vote in the Election of a Member of Parliament for the County of Caithness for year ending 1 <sup>st</sup> November, 1912. Parish of Wick (Wick Central) (1 volume)	1 Nov 1912
WS/7/3/1/15	Register of Persons Entitled to Vote in the Election of a Member of Parliament for the County of Caithness for year ending 1 <sup>st</sup> November, 1912. Parish of Wick (Wick South-West, Wick South-East) (1 volume)	1 Nov 1912
WS/7/3/1/16	Register of Persons Entitled to Vote in the Election of a Member to Serve in Parliament for the Burgh of Wick between the 31 <sup>st</sup> October 1913 and the 1 <sup>st</sup> November 1914 (1 volume)	31 Oct 1913
WS/7/3/1/17	Register of Persons Entitled to Vote in the Election of a Member to Serve in Parliament for the Burgh of Wick between the 31 <sup>st</sup> October 1914 and the 1 <sup>st</sup> November 1915 (1 volume)	31 Oct 1914
WS/7/3/1/18	Civilian Residence Register (C) and Ratepayers Register (R), Caithness (1 volume)	15 Oct 1945
WS/7/3/1/19	Service Register (X), Caithness (1 volume)	15 Oct 1945
<b>WS/7/3/2</b>	<b>Policy documents</b>	<b>1946</b>
WS/7/3/2/1	Caithness Education Committee Social and Recreational Services Scheme policy documents (1 item)	1946
<b>WS/7/3/3</b>	<b>Valuation Rolls</b>	<b>1954-1973</b>



WS/7/3/3/1	Valuation Roll for the County of Caithness for the Year from Whitsunday 1877 to Whitsunday 1878 (1 item)	1877-1878
WS/7/3/3/2	Valuation Roll for the Parliamentary Burgh of Wick for the Year 1882 to 1883 (2 items)	1882-1883
WS/7/3/3/3	Valuation Roll for the County of Caithness, Burgh of Wick for the year 1933 to 1934 (1 item)	1933-1934
WS/7/3/3/4	Valuation Roll for the County of Caithness, excluding Wick Burgh for the Year from Whitsunday 1953 to Whitsunday 1954 (1 item)	1953-1954
WS/7/3/3/5	Valuation Roll for the County of Caithness, Burgh of Wick for the year 1953 to 1954 (1 item)	1953-1954
WS/7/3/3/6	Valuation Roll for the County of Caithness, Burgh of Wick for the year 1954 to 1955 (1 item)	1954-1955
WS/7/3/3/7	Valuation Roll for the County of Caithness, Burgh of Wick for the year 1956 to 1957 (1 item)	1956-1957
WS/7/3/3/8	Valuation Roll for the County of Caithness (Including Wick Burgh and Thurso Burgh for the year from Whitsunday 1966 to Whitsunday 1967 (1 item)	1966-1967
WS/7/3/3/9	Valuation Roll for the County of Caithness (Including Wick Burgh and Thurso Burgh for the year from Whitsunday 1968 to Whitsunday 1969 (1 item)	1968-1969
WS/7/3/3/10	Valuation Roll for the County of Caithness (Including Wick Burgh and Thurso Burgh for the year from Whitsunday 1972 to Whitsunday 1973 (1 item)	1972-1973
<b>WS/7/3/4</b>	<b>Public Health and Sanitation</b>  Medical Officers of Health and Sanitary Inspectors were introduced by the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1889. They submitted annual reports on the health and sanitation of the county.  Section 58 of the Local Government Act, 1929 enacted that all County Councils must ensure employment of a Medical Officer of Health who does not engage in any private practice. [See also CC/13 Public Health and Sanitation 1893-1937]	<b>1891-1937</b>
WS/7/3/4/1	Letter Book of the County Sanitary Inspector containing General Correspondence (1 volume)	1891-1929

WS/7/3/4/2	Letter Book of the County Sanitary Inspector containing General Correspondence (1 volume)	1930-1935
WS/7/3/4/3	Letter Book of the County Sanitary Inspector containing General Correspondence (1 volume)	1936-1937
WS/7/3/4/4	Letter Book of the County Sanitary Inspector and the Housing Factor containing correspondence concerning Housing (1 volume)	1930-1936
WS/7/3/4/5	Letter book of the County Sanitary Inspector containing correspondence concerning Sanitary Notices (1 volume)	1891-1929
WS/7/3/4/6	Letter book of the County Sanitary Inspector containing correspondence concerning Reports (1 volume)	1892-1929
WS/7/3/4/7	Letter book of the County Sanitary Inspector containing Notices sent to Keepers of Dairies, Cowsheds, and Milkshops (1 volume)	1895-1929
WS/7/3/4/8	Letter Book of the Medical Officer of Health (1 volume)	c.1891-1908
WS/7/3/4/9	Letter Book of the Medical Officer of Health (1 volume)	1908-1914
<b>WS/7/3/5</b>	<b>Education Committee</b> [See also CC/3/3 Education Committee]	<b>1911-1914</b>
WS/7/3/5/1	Education Committee Letter Book (1 volume)	1911-1914
<b>WS/7/3/6</b>	<b>Building Byelaws</b> [See also CC/3 Clerk's Department]	<b>1924-1930</b>
WS/7/3/6/1	Letter Book of Building Byelaws Correspondence with Clerk to Local Authority and Others (1 volume)	1924-1930
<b>WS/7/4</b>	<p><b>Road Trustees of the County of Caithness</b></p> <p>Caithness County Council was established by the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1889. Prior to that the responsibility for the maintenance of roads had been held by different bodies. The earliest statutory provisions for the maintenance of roads in Scotland from 1617 onwards imposed duties on the justices of the peace.</p> <p>In 1669 a further act of parliament introduced the system of forced labour (or 'statute labour') for roads maintenance. Statute labour was effective, at least in some rural areas, but was naturally unpopular. To remedy the defects of personal statute labour, counties or smaller areas obtained</p>	<b>1797-1807</b>

	<p>local acts of parliament for its abolition and the appointment of bodies of 'statute labour trustees'. The trustees would impose a local tax and spend the proceeds on road maintenance. The Road Trustees of the County of Caithness were appointed in 1815 by a local Act of Parliament for 'making effectual the statute labour and for levying conversion money in lieu in certain cases and for otherwise making repairing and regulating High Roads and Bridges in the County of Caithness'. The Road Act 1845 standardised the system and allowed it to be applied generally.</p> <p>In the early 19th century highway construction and maintenance was often the responsibility not only of statute labour trustees, but also of commissioners of supply, turnpike trusts and justices of the peace. The inconvenience of this system led several counties to obtain local acts for the abolition of turnpike trusts and statute labour assessments, in favour of a single county road trust, which would then be responsible for all public roads in the landward area. In Caithness the Caithness Road Trust was established by 'An Act for more effectually making maintaining and keeping in repair the Highways Roads and Bridges within the County of Caithness and for other purposes' 1860.</p> <p>The Roads and Bridges (Scotland) Act 1878 abolished the remaining statute labour trusts and assessments and placed all turnpike roads, statute labour roads, highways and bridges under the control of a single county road trust. County road trusts were abolished in 1890 and their duties assumed by county councils acting through district committees (Local Government (Scotland) Act 1889). In Caithness the County District Committee for Roads was established. The Local Government (Scotland) Act 1929 abolished district committees and transferred all or most of their functions to county councils. County councils were abolished in 1975 and their powers transferred to regional, islands and district councils (Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973). [See also CC/2/1 Road Trustees of the County of Caithness 1815-1891 and CC/10 - Roads Department].</p>	
WS/7/4/1	Minutes of Road Trustees Volume I (1 volume)	1797-1807
<b>WS/7/5</b>	<b>The Highland Council</b>	<b>2000</b>

WS/7/5/1	Caithness Local Plan Consultative Draft, accompanying maps, and General Policies Annex (4 items)	Mar 2000
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**WS/8 – Pulteneytown Estate Papers  
RECORDS' IDENTITY STATEMENT**

Reference number: GB1741/WS/8  
Alternative reference number: -  
Title: Pulteneytown Estate Papers  
Dates of creation: 1840-1977  
Level of description: Sub-fonds  
Extent: 2 boxes  
Format: Paper

**RECORDS' CONTEXT**

Name of creators: Pulteneytown Estate

Administrative history: The Estate was originally feued out by the late Sir Benjamin Dunbar of Hempriggs to the British Fisheries Society. The earliest feu contract was granted in 1803. This was superseded by a Feu contract granted in 1807, which again was superseded by a contract granted in 1823.

The Estate was purchased in 1892 by John Usher of Norton, afterwards John Usher of Norton and Wells Baronet. The Disposition by the British Fisheries Society in his favour is recorded in the Register of Sasines for the County of Caithness, 15 Nov 1892.

In the year 1904 Sir John Usher conveyed the Estate to his son Sir Robert Usher, then Robert Usher of Hallrule, and thereafter to his son Ronald James Usher Esquire.

Custodial history: Deposited by the Wick Society

**RECORDS' CONTENT**

Description: Feu charters, solicitors records, correspondence, accounts and plans pertaining to Pulteneytown Estate

Appraisal: -

Accruals: None expected

## RECORDS' CONDITION OF ACCESS AND USE

Access: Open

Closed until: -

Access conditions: Available within the archive searchroom

Copying: Copying permitted within standard  
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Finding aids: Available in the archive searchroom and  
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## ALLIED MATERIALS

Related material: WS/2/3 – British Fisheries Society

Publication: -

Notes: -

Date of catalogue: 2023

Ref.	Description	Dates
<b>WS</b>	<b>The Wick Society Collection</b>	<b>1476-2022, n.d.</b>
<b>WS/8</b>	<b>Pulteneytown Estate Papers</b>	<b>1840-1977</b>
<b>WS/8/1</b>	<b>Sir John Usher of Norton and Wells, Baronet (1828-1904)</b>	<b>1840-1929, n.d.</b>
WS/8/1/1	Excerpt from Feu Charter in favour of William Henry Buik and Edward Buik dated 14 <sup>th</sup> July 1840. Found inside the excerpt was a printed letter from Adam W. Gifford, Secretary of the East and North of Scotland Liberal Unionist Association (2 items)	1840, 1893
WS/8/1/2	Two copies of Section 62 of Pulteney Harbour Act 1879 stating 'The Trustees may quarry and take stones from the quarries within the property of the Society extending from opposite the South Head of the Bay of Wick to opposite the breakwater for the purpose of making, repairing and maintaining the harbour' (2 items)	1879, 1934
WS/8/1/3	Excerpt from Clause First of Minute of Agreement between John Usher Esquire and others dated 31 May 1888 (1 item)	31 May 1888, 1890

WS/8/1/4	Memorial by Adam W. Gifford W.S. for the Opinion of Counsel (1 item)	1892
WS/8/1/5	Statement showing Collection of Feu Duties and Farm Rents of Pulteneytown Estate at 30 Dec 1893 (1 item)	30 Dec 1893
WS/8/1/6	Copy of Minute of Meeting of the Commissioners of the Burgh of Pulteneytown dated 31 Jul 1893. Reception of John Usher Esquire of Norton and Proprietor of Pulteneytown Estate (1 item)	31 Jul 1893
WS/8/1/7	Letter from Alexander Robertson and Son, Ironmongers, Wick to R.S.W. Leith Esquire stating 'In terms of your instructions we have now carefully examined the fencing of Pulteneytown Estate and in compliance with your request we have now the pleasure to submit the following report' (1 item)	13 Dec 1893
WS/8/1/8	Copy of letter from R.S.W. Leith, Solicitor, Wick, to David Cormack, Burgh Assessor, Wick concerning salmon fishing within estuary lines that are within the property of Mr Usher, Pulteneytown Estate (1 item)	19 Oct 1893
WS/8/1/9	John Usher Esquire, Pulteneytown Accounts for years Whits [Whitsunday] 1894 to Whits 1895 and Whits 1895 to Whits 1896. Abstracts of Mr Leith's Accounts (1 item)	1894-1896
WS/8/1/10	Pulteneytown Estate, Caithness, Account – Charge and Discharge of the Intromissions of R.S.W. Leith, Solicitor, Wick. Factor with the monies received for expenditure on the Estate for the period from Whitsunday 1894 to Whitsunday 1895 (1 item)	1894-1895
WS/8/1/11	Pulteneytown Estate, Account of Expenditure on Pulteney House Property in Vansittart Street and Oldwick (1 item)	1896
WS/8/1/12	Pulteneytown Estate, Account – John Usher Esquire of Norton and Pulteneytown to James Cormack and John Martin, Contractors, Pulteneytown (1 item)	1898
WS/8/1/13	Memorandum for preparation of Feu Contract between John Usher Esquire of Norton and Pulteneytown and Mrs Elizabeth Charleson or Horne (1 item)	1898
WS/8/1/14	Pulteneytown Estate, Particulars for Feu Contract between Sir John Usher and William Bremner, Blacksmith, Pulteneytown (1 item)	1901

WS/8/1/15	Lease by Sir John Usher of Norton and Wells Bart. to the Admiralty of site in Pulteneytown for firing from in connection with rifle usage [includes a plan of the land concerned] (1 item)	1902
WS/8/1/16	Offers for farm in Oldwick (1 item)	1904
WS/8/1/17	Copy of letter from R.S.W. Leith Esquire, Solicitor, Wick, to Mackenzie and Black, W.S. dated 15 Aug 1905 concerning the Feus granted by John Usher during his life time (1 item)	15 Aug 1905, 1920
WS/8/1/18	Four letters from Colonel, Superintending Engineer of the H.M. Naval Establishment, Rosyth concerning quarrying of stone on land held by the Admiralty (4 items)	1904-1905
WS/8/1/19	Inland Revenue (Scotland), An Account of property chargeable with Estate Duty on the death of Sir John Usher of Norton and Wells, Baronet who died on the 24 day of Mar 1904 (1 item)	4 Aug 1904
WS/8/1/20	Copy of Feu Contract between Sir John Usher of Norton and Wells, Baronet and The Officer Commanding 1 <sup>st</sup> Sutherland Highland Rifle Volunteers, Wick (1 item)	n.d., 1929
<b>WS/8/2</b>	<b>Sir Robert Usher of Norton and Wells, Baronet (1860-1933)</b>	<b>1911-1977</b>
WS/8/2/1	Lease between Sir Robert Usher of Norton and Wells, Baronet and Alexander Buchan and Andrew Buchan regarding Salmon Fishing at Wick (1 item)	1911
WS/8/2/2	Note of Rental and Burdens of the Estate of Pulteneytown for the two years from 28 Feb 1917 to 12 Feb 1919 (1 item)	28 Feb 1917-12 Feb 1919
WS/8/2/3	Copy of Memorial for Sir Robert Usher, Baronet, for The Opinion of Counsel, Opinion intus (1 item)	1920
WS/8/2/4	Extract of Disposition by Sir Robert Usher of Norton and Wells, Baronet in favour of Ronald James Usher recorded 15 Jun 1920 [Public Records of Scotland reference 10363] (1 item)	15 Jun 1920, 19 May 1977
WS/8/2/5	Copy of correspondence as to fencing of the Pulteneytown Distillery Mill Dam between the Town Council and John Dewar and Sons after the death of a boy of five years by accidental drowning in the above dam (1 item)	1926
WS/8/2/6	Three letters to Adam W. Gifford Esquire, Edinburgh from Alexander Bruce, Solicitor, Wick	1931



	concerning the requested removal of material from the braes adjoining the roadway leading from the Harbour to the South Head (3 items)	
<b>WS/8/3</b>	<b>Ronald James Usher Esquire (1892-1948)</b>	<b>1932-1964</b>
WS/8/3/1	Minute of Lease between Ronald James Usher Esquire and William Dunnet, Contractor, Wick of the Quarry at The Dogs Haven on the Pulteneytown Estate and renewals of lease in 1933 and 1934 (1 item) [includes a colour plan of the proposed quarry]	1932, 1933, 1934
WS/8/3/2	Minute of Lease and two copies between Ronald James Usher Esquire and William Dunnet, Contractor, Wick of the Dogs Haven and South Head Quarries on the Pulteneytown Estate (3 items)	1936
WS/8/3/3	Copy of correspondence between Wick Harbour Trustees and Mackenzie & Black, W.S. regarding South Head Quarry on Pultneytown Estate (1 item)	1937
WS/8/3/4	Letter from D.W. Georgeson and Son, Solicitors to Alexander Bruce Esquire, Factor for Pulteneytown regarding use of stones being quarried from land leased by Ronald James Usher Esquire to Mr William Dunnett, Contractor (1 item)	5 Feb 1937
WS/8/3/5	Black and white photographs of South Head and Dogs Haven Quarries and the road to the quarries (17 items)	May 1939
WS/8/3/6	Minute of the Trustees of the late Ronald J. Usher of Pulteneytown instructing the Agents to carry through the redemption of feuduties (1 item)	4 Dec 1964
<b>WS/8/4</b>	<b>Electricity Sub Station</b>	<b>1959</b>
WS/8/4/1	Copy of a petition from the Dean of Guild Court of the Burgh of Wick concerning the erection of an electricity sub-station on the piece of ground situated in Brown Place, Wick (1 item) [in original envelope]	17 Apr 1959
WS/8/4/2	Two plans for the erection of an electricity sub-station on the piece of ground situated in Brown Place, Wick (2 items)	1959
<b>WS/8/5</b>	<b>Various</b>	<b>1896, 1942, 1964</b>
WS/8/5/1	Petition of the reverend Alexander Clark, Minister of the Parish of Wick, in the Presbytery of	May 1896

	Caithness and County of Caithness unto the Right Honourable The Lords of Council and Session, Commissioners for Plantation of Kirks and Valuation of Teinds concerning the Glebe Lands (Scotland) Act 1866 (1 item)	
WS/8/5/2	Letter, Form of Requisition and Plan addressed to J.A. Moore, Town House, Wick concerning land at South Head, Wick from W.D. Land Agent, No. 4 Area, Lands Branch, Scottish Command, Edinburgh (4 items)	1942
WS/8/5/3	Affidavit by William Hamilton Cormack, Solicitor, Tain concerning property known as Lot Ten, Grant Street, Wick (1 item)	24 Dec 1964
<b>WS/8/6</b>	<b>Plans</b>	<b>c.1937, n.d.</b>
WS/8/6/1	Printed Street Plan of Wick and Map of Wick and District (1 item)	n.d.
WS/8/6/2	Colour sketch plan showing position of water and electric to Life Boat Shed at Wick (1 item)	n.d.
WS/8/6/3	Plan entitled 'Plan referred to in the foregoing [sic] Disposition and signed as relative thereto', showing Polwarth Gardens an adjoining streets in Edinburgh with annotations in red pen (1 item)	n.d.
WS/8/6/4	Rough sketch of fencing on Pulteneytown Estate not drawn to any scale (1 item)	n.d.
WS/8/6/5	Plan entitled 'Wick R.N.R. Battery' showing approximately the land held by admiralty (1 item)	n.d.
WS/8/6/6	Two copies of plan showing land at South Head including references for South Head and Dog's Haven Quarries, proposed ground for agricultural purposes and meteorological instruments (2 items)	n.d.
WS/8/6/7	Sketch plan of the quarrying ground asked for by Mr William Dunnett, Building Contractor, Wick (1 item)	n.d.
WS/8/6/8	Four copies of a plan showing the proposed site for Wick Coastguard Houses near South Head, Wick (4 items)	c.1937

## **WS/9 – Charters and Sasines**

### **RECORDS' IDENTITY STATEMENT**

Reference number: GB1741/WS/9  
Alternative reference number: -  
Title: Charters and Sasines  
Dates of creation: 1476-1775  
Level of description: Sub-fonds  
Extent: 1 box (oversize)  
Format: Parchment, paper

### **RECORDS' CONTEXT**

Name of creators: Various  
Administrative history: William Sinclair, 1<sup>st</sup> Earl of Caithness

William Sinclair (1410–1480), 1st Earl of Caithness (1455–1476), last Earl (Jarl) of Orkney (1434–1470 de facto, –1472 de jure), 2nd Lord Sinclair and 11<sup>th</sup> Baron of Roslin was a Norwegian and Scottish nobleman and the builder of Rosslyn Chapel, in Midlothian.

Exchanging his inherited lordship of Nithsdale for lands in Caithness, William was granted the hereditary title Earl of Caithness in 1455. He resigned the Earldom in favour of his second son from his second marriage, William, in 1476.

Custodial history: Deposited by the Wick Society

### **RECORDS' CONTENT**

Description: Charters and Sasines concerning the resignation and conference of land in Caithness  
Appraisal: -  
Accruals: None expected

### **RECORDS' CONDITION OF ACCESS AND USE**

Access: Open

Closed until:	-
Access conditions:	Available within the archive searchroom
Copying:	Copying permitted within standard Copyright Act parameters
Finding aids:	Available in the archive searchroom and <a href="#">online</a>

## ALLIED MATERIALS

Related material:	AS/C - Registers of Sasines, Caithness BW/3/1 - Wick Burgh Chartulary BW/3/5 - Crown precept of sasine on erection of Wick into a royal burgh
Publication:	-
Notes:	-
Date of catalogue:	2023

Ref.	Description	Dates
<b>WS</b>	<b>The Wick Society Collection</b>	<b>1476-2022, n.d.</b>
<b>WS/9</b>	<b>Charters and Sasines</b>	<b>1476-1775</b>
WS/9/1	Charter of Resignation in favour of William Earl of Caithness and Lord of St Clare, of all the lands of Noss, by Oliver Sinclair one of the sons of the said Earl. Original charter and a Latin to English translation (2 items)	4 Aug 1476
WS/9/2	Charter by George, Earl of Caithness and Jean Gordon, Countess of Caithness, his wife, to their son, John Sinclair of Ratter, of lands in Ratter, Corsba[ch?th?], Reister, Hailland and Barony of Akergill (1 item) [charter is in Latin]	19 Apr 1613
WS/9/3	Charter by Jonet Swannie, only daughter and heir of deceased Jonet Richardson of land to John Grot of Tressnes of half farthing udal land in Brassager Northgarth and Outabout in town of Overbuster, Sherifffdom of Orkney. Original charter, a typed overview in English and a photograph surrogate (3 items)	22 Mar 1624
WS/9/4	Sasine by David Sinclair conferring lands in the Earldom and Sherifffdom of Caithness (1 item)	8 Nov 1680

	[possibly David Sinclair of Ratter, please see Index to Caithness Register of Sasines AS/C/3/1, p. 208.]	
WS/9/5	Sasine by Robert Dunbar conferring lands in Caithness (1 item) [please see Index to Caithness Register of Sasines AS/C/3/1, p. 81.]	1682
WS/9/6	Sasine by Joane Cunningham conferring lands in Caithness (1 item) [possibly Jean, lady Ratter, mother of David Sinclair, please see Index to Caithness Register of Sasines AS/C/3/1, p. 63.]	1682
WS/9/7	Sasine conferring the land of Greenland to David Sinclair (1 item) [significant damage to the parchment means that much of the archive is unreadable]	1683
WS/9/8	Charter concerning a case overseen by Sherriff Murray by the complainer James Stewart against George Dunbar, at Elgin. Original charter, alongside both a typed and handwritten transcription (8 items) [the charter is mounted on paper due to damage – with some parts missing entirely]	2 Sep 1698
WS/9/9	Precept of Sasine from Capt. Thomas Dunbar of Westfield of lands in favour of John Sutherland of Wester. Neil(?) Sutherland Officer of Excise in Caithness appearing as procurator and attorney for John Sutherland of Wester. Witnessed at Wick by Notary Public 23 Feb 1775 (1 item) [extremely faded]	23 Feb 1775
WS/9/10	Charter by William Sinclair of Ratter of lands to his son James Sinclair and his son's wife Jean Cunningham (1 item) [extremely faded]	13 Mar 1650

## **WS/10 – Legal Papers**

### **RECORDS' IDENTITY STATEMENT**

Reference number:	GB1741/WS/10
Alternative reference number:	-
Title:	Legal Papers
Dates of creation:	1718-1862, n.d.
Level of description:	Sub-fonds
Extent:	1 box
Format:	Paper

### **RECORDS' CONTEXT**

Name of creators:	Various
Administrative history:	<p>A petition is a formal document served on the accused in proceedings. It gives notice of charges being considered.</p> <p>Answers are a statement setting out the factual and legal response of a party to proceedings raised against them.</p> <p>A memorial is a petition or representation made by one or more individuals to a legislative or other body. When such instrument is addressed to a court, it is called a petition.</p>
Custodial history:	Deposited by the Wick Society

### **RECORDS' CONTENT**

Description:	Petitions and Answers; Memorials; and other various legal records pertaining to the county of Caithness
Appraisal:	-
Accruals:	None expected

### **RECORDS' CONDITION OF ACCESS AND USE**

Access:	Open
Closed until:	-
Access conditions:	Available within the archive searchroom

Copying: Copying permitted within standard Copyright Act parameters

Finding aids: Available in the archive searchroom and [online](#)

### ALLIED MATERIALS

Related material: -

Publication: -

Notes: -

Date of catalogue: 2023

Ref.	Description	Dates
<b>WS</b>	<b>The Wick Society Collection</b>	<b>1476-2022, n.d.</b>
<b>WS/10</b>	<b>Legal Papers</b>	<b>1718-1862, n.d.</b>
<b>WS/10/1</b>	<b>Petitions and Answers</b>	<b>1718-1824</b>
WS/10/1/1	Petition for Alexander Sinclair of Dun, 21 Jan 1718 (1 item)	21 Jan 1718
WS/10/1/2	Bound volume of Petitions involving Mr Robert Sinclair and Master Francis Sinclair, 1732-1734 (1 item)	1732-1734
WS/10/1/3	Answers for Janet Sinclair, Lady Ratter, to the Petition of John Sinclair of Ratter, 11 December 1734 (1 item)	11 Dec 1734
WS/10/1/4	The Petition and Answers of Dame Mary Sutherland, Relict of Sir James Sinclair of Mey Baronet deceased, 14 July 1735 (1 item)	14 Jul 1735
WS/10/1/5	Petitions and Answers involving John Sinclair of Rattar, and his mother, Janet Sinclair Lady Rattar, 25 July 1735-26 February 1736 (1 item)	25 Jul 1735-26 Feb 1736
WS/10/1/6	Answers for David Sinclair of Southdun, to the Petition of David Sinclair Portioner of Brabsterdoren [Brabsterdorrان], 1 December 1716 (1 item)	1 Dec 1716
WS/10/1/7	Petition of Jean Sinclair, spouse to David Sinclair Portioner of Brabsterdorrان, and her said husband; Answers for David Sinclair of Southdun;	c.1739

	Petition of James Sinclair only Son of the deceased Alexander Sinclair of Swinzie, 4 June 1739- 31 May 1739  (1 item)	
WS/10/1/8	Petition of Sir John Sinclair of Longformacus, 14 November 1740 (1 item)	14 Nov 1740
WS/10/1/9	The Petition of William Sinclair of Freswick, 25 February 1741;  The Petition of George Murray of Clairden, 28 February 1741;  Answers for William Sinclair of Freswick to the petition of George Murray of Clairden, 12 June 1741 (1 item)	1741
WS/10/1/10	The Petition of David Sinclair of Southdun, 6 December 1742, 17 December 1742 (1 item)	1742
WS/10/1/11	The Petition of George Sinclair of Ulbster Esq., Provost, Robert Winchester and William Calder, Bailies, and the Dean of Guild, Treasurer, and Council of the Burgh of Wick, Defenders, 29 November 1748;  Answers for John Anderson Merchant and others, Inhabitants and Burgesses of the Burgh of Wick to the Petition of George Sinclair of Ulbster, and others, 19 December 1748 (1 item)	1748
WS/10/1/12	Answers for Alexander Earl of Caithness, to the Petition of George Sinclair of Ulbster, Esq., Provost, Robert Winchester and William Calder, Bailies, and the Dean of Guild, Treasurer, and Council of the Burgh of Wick, 20 December 1748;  The Petition of Alexander Earl of Caithness, 23 January 1749;  Answer for George Sinclair of Ulbster, Esq., to the Petition of Alexander Earl of Caithness, 6 February 1749;  The Petition of George Sinclair of Ulbster, Esq., Provost, Robert Winchester, William Calder, Bailies, and the Dean of Guild, Treasurer, and Common Council of the Burgh of Wick, as representing the Community of the said Burgh, 25 January 1749  (1 item)	1748-1749
WS/10/1/13	Answers for John Anderson Merchant, and others, Inhabitants and Burgesses of the Burgh of Wick to	7 Feb 1749



	the Petition of George Sinclair of Ulbster, and others, 7 February 1749 (1 item)	
WS/10/1/14	The Petition of John Anderson, Merchant, and others, Inhabitants and Burgesses of the Burgh of Wick, 25 February 1749 (1 item)	25 Feb 1749
WS/10/1/15	Answers for George Sinclair of Ulbster, Provost, and the Baillies and Counsellors of the Burgh of Wick, to the Petition of John Anderson and others, 31 May 1749 (1 item)	31 May 1749
WS/10/1/16	The Petition of William Sinclair of Freswick, Esquire, 29 January 1756;  A Relation of the Proceedings in the Execution of the Act and Commission at the Instance of Lady Sinclair and her Daughter, against Mr Sinclair of Freswick, and of the delays and hardships they met with in that affair;  Observations for Lady Sinclair and her Daughter, upon the Answers given in for William Sinclair of Freswick, Esq. to their Condesendence;  Answers for William Sinclair of Freswick, Esq., 3 March 1756  (1 item)	1756
WS/10/1/17	Observations for James Budge of Toftingall on the Answers for David Sinclair of Southdun, to his Petition, 3 July 1758 (1 item)	3 Jul 1758
WS/10/1/18	Petition and Complaint of Barbara Mackay and Margaret Mackay to the Justices of the Peace for the County of Caithness. Concerns an altercation caused by the Mackay's former landlords, John and Christian Farquhar, when the Mackays, who were seasonal herring gutters, chose to stay elsewhere for the season (1 item)	19 Aug 1823
WS/10/1/19	Answers for John Sinclair, Fishcurer, Wick to the Defences of Donald Reid late Tailor now Boatbuilder (1 item)	1824
<b>WS/10/2</b>	<b>Memorials</b>	<b>1741</b>
WS/10/2/1	Memorial for Mr Robert Sinclair of Geise, Advocate, against The Officers of State, 30 June 1741 (1 item)	30 Jun 1741
WS/10/2/2	Memorial for The Officers of State against Mr Robert Sinclair of Geise, Advocate, 7 July 1741 (1 item)	7 Jul 1741

<b>WS/10/3</b>	<b>Various</b>	<b>c.1730-1862, n.d.</b>
WS/10/3/1	Bound volume containing various legal papers regarding Lord Reay and his Estate, c.1730-1800 (1 volume)	c.1730-1800
WS/10/3/2	<p>Bound volume containing</p> <p>The Petition of Mr Francis Sinclair, Pursuer, against Sinclair of Ulbster, Defender, and others, 14 July 1747;</p> <p>Information for Mr Francis Sinclair, Brother to the Earl of Caithness, against George Sinclair of Ulbster, and others, 24 November 1749;</p> <p>Information for George Sinclair Esq. of Ulbster, Defender, against Mr Francis Sinclair Trustee for his Brother Alexander Earl of Caithness, Pursuer, 4 December 1749;</p> <p>Accompt of the Sums raised by John Campbell of Glenorchy, out of the Estate of George Earl of Caithness, when Glenorchy paid Sir Robert Sinclair in 1675;</p> <p>Memorial for George Sinclair of Ulbster, defender, and remarks upon an additional Information given in for Mr Francis Sinclair Pursuer, 7 February 1750;</p> <p>The Petition of Mr Francis Sinclair, Brother to Alexander Earl of Caithness, Pursuer, against George Sinclair of Ulbster, and others, defenders, 8 June 1751;</p> <p>Answers for George Sinclair of Ulbster, Esq., and others, Defenders, to The Petition of Mr Francis Sinclair as trustee for his elder Brother Alexander Earl of Caithness, Pursuer, 2 July 1751;</p> <p>Depositions of Witnesses taken by an Act and Commission on adjusted Interrogatories relative to the Possession of George Earl of Caithness, Son to Mr Francis Sinclair, of the Earldom of Caithness, and to Glenorchy's abstracting the Charter- Chest;</p> <p>The Petition of Mr Francis Sinclair, Brother and Trustee for Alexander Earl of Caithness pursuer, and George Sinclair of Ulbster, Esq., and others, defender, 12 July 1751</p> <p>(1 volume)</p>	1747-1751
WS/10/3/3	Information for Captain Henry Sinclair of Carlourie, Pursuer, and Charger against Christian, Isobel and Margaret Sinclairs Daughters, and apparent Heirs of Line, of the deceased George Sinclair Merchant	1748-1749

	<p>in Wick, and Alexander Melvill Shoemaker in the Cross-Causway, and other Defenders, and Mr James Davidson, Bookseller in Edinburgh, Suspenders, 22 November 1748;</p> <p>Information for Christian, Isabel and Margaret Sinclairs, Daughters and apparent Heirs of the deceased George Sinclair Merchant in Wick, and Alexander Melvil, Husband to the said Isabel, for his interest against Captain Henry Sinclair of Carlowrie, 12 June 1749 (1 item)</p>	
WS/10/3/4	<p>State of the Process, Dame Isabel Lumsden, otherways Sinclair, widow of the deceased Sir James Sinclair of Dunbeath, Baronet, and Jean Sinclair, lawful daughter, and only child procreate betwixt the said Sir James and the said Dame, Isabel Lumsden, his spouse, and Robert Campbell, Linen-manufacturer at Abbey-hill, near Edinburgh, Husband to the said Jean Sinclair, for his interest, against Sir William Sinclair, now of Dunbeath, Baronet, Heir served and retoured to the said deceased Sir James Sinclair, his Father, and William Sinclair of Freswick, 6 August 1754 (1 item)</p>	6 Aug 1754
WS/10/3/5	<p>Bound volume containing:</p> <p>State of the Mutual Processes of Declarator between David Sinclair of Southdun, and his Tenants and James Budge of Toftingall;</p> <p>The Petition of James Budge of Toftingall, 9 February 1758;</p> <p>Answers for David Sinclair of Southdun, to the Petition of James Budge of Toftingall, 20 June 1758</p> <p>(1 volume)</p>	1758
WS/10/3/6	<p>Bound volume containing details of legal proceedings.</p> <p>Includes:</p> <p>Earl Gower and Magistrates of Wick against Sheriffs and Sheriff Clerk of Caithness regarding their removal of the seat of the sheriff court of Caithness to Thurso. January 1824.</p> <p>Replies for John Sinclair of Ulbster, with consent of a Quorum of his curators, James Sinclair of Harpsdale, late Provost of the Burgh of Wick and others, Complainers; to the Answers for John Sutherland of Wester, pretended Provost of the Burgh of Wick, and others. 21 January 1773.</p>	1773-1837

	<p>Miss Jemima MacLeod, of Lynager, with consent of her Curators; against Lieut.-Colonel Benjamin Williamson of Banniskirk, regarding land at Murkle. 16 February 1816.</p> <p>Duplicates for John Sutherland of Wester, Provost of the burgh of Wick, and other Magistrates and Counsellors of that burgh, Respondents; to the replies for John Sinclair of Ulbster, Esq; and others, Complainers. 2 February 1773.</p> <p>Defences- Magistrates of Peterhead, to Summons-Governors of Merchant Maiden Hospital. 30 May 1837.</p> <p>Answers for John Sutherland of Wester, Provost of the burgh of Wick, and other Magistrates and Counsellors of that burgh; to the Petition and Complaint of John Sinclair of Ulbster, Esq. and others. 11 January 1773.</p> <p>Information for George Douglas, Sheriff- Clerk of the County of Caithness and others; in the action of the declarator at the instance of The Magistrates of Wick,- Pursuers. Action to have the Sheriff Court removed to Wick. 2 September 1824.</p> <p>Defences for the Governors of the Maiden Hospital. 15 February 1837.</p> <p>Division of Commonty of Hill of Wick. Case for Harry Craig of Whitehouse, in the Process of Division of Commonty of the Hill of Wick. 21 January 1832</p> <p>(1 volume)</p>	
WS/10/3/7	Excerpt from the charge and discharge between William Sinclair Esq., Freswick and his Trustee and William Sinclair, writer in Thurso (1 item)	1803
WS/10/3/8	Copy of vouchers produced by the Defender with his revised Answers in the process George Brodie against William Sinclair of Freswick (1 item)	1806
WS/10/3/9	Notes of information in prosecution, Ord. Action Brodie against Sinclair of Freswick and a typed transcript (2 items) [original copy has three segments missing due to damage]	1817
WS/10/3/10	Document concerning the trustees of William Sinclair Esq. of Freswick and the said William Sinclair Esq, now residing in Reaster (1 item)	29 Jul 1817
WS/10/3/11	Letters of arrestment, Levick and Begg (1 item)	1825

WS/10/3/12	Account- George Brodie late grieve at Lochend now residing at Bowermadden to William Sinclair Esq. of Freswick and his Trustee and a typed transcript (2 items) [original copy has three segments missing due to damage]	c.1827
WS/10/3/13	Account- William Sinclair Esq of Freswick to George Brodie (1 item)	27 Apr 1827
WS/10/3/14	Answers for William Sinclair Esq., Defender, to the condescendence for George Brodie, Pursuer (1 item) [two segments missing due to damage]	1827
WS/10/3/15	Condescendence for George Brodie v. William Sinclair Esq. of Freswick and a typed transcript (2 items)	6 Sep 1827
WS/10/3/16	Document regarding P. Napier appointing the Pursuer to revise his condescendence and re-lodge the same within ten days (1 item)	22 Nov 1827
WS/10/3/17	Addition to the revised condescendence for George Brodie (1 item)	15 Feb 1828
WS/10/3/18	Account- Mr George Brodie to David Clyne (1 item)	11 Mar 1832
WS/10/3/19	Fragments of an address delivered at a soiree, held at Thurso, July 12, 1842 (2 items)	12 Jul 1842
WS/10/3/20	An Act to amend the acts for the Regulation of Public Houses in Scotland (1 item)	7 Jul 1862
WS/10/3/21	Single torn page of unknown legal action. Mentions Donald Master of Reay (1 item)	n.d.
WS/10/3/22	Bound volume. Pages handwritten in unknown language, possibly Italian (1 item)	n.d.
WS/10/3/23	Typed transcript of notes in margin of 'Condescendence' (1 item)	n.d.

**WS/11 - Papers of Michael J. Gunn**  
**RECORDS' IDENTITY STATEMENT**

Reference number: GB1741/WS/11

Alternative reference number:

Title: Papers of Michael J. Gunn

Dates of creation: 1887-2004

Level of description: Sub-fonds

Extent: 5 linear metres

Format: Paper, photographs, microfilm, floppy disks

**RECORDS' CONTEXT**

Name of creators: Michael J. Gunn, The Clan Gunn Society

Administrative history: Clan Gunn is associated with Caithness and Sutherland in the north of Scotland. Clan Gunn is one of the oldest Scottish Clans, being descended from the Norse Jarls of Orkney and the Pictish Mormaers of Caithness.

The name "Gunn" is believed to come from "Gunni", the grandson of Sweyn Asleifsson, the "Ultimate Viking" hero of the Orkneying Saga.

The first Clan Gunn Society was founded in Thurso, Caithness, in 1821 with the title "The Loyal and United Benevolent Society of the Clan Gunn".

The current Clan Gunn Society was formed in 1960 to "promote a spirit of kinship amongst members of the clan throughout the world". By the early 21<sup>st</sup> century there was a membership of over 350 families worldwide.

One of the main aims of the new Society was to find the Clan Chief, and at the AGM of 1978 it was resolved "that processes should be set in motion to recognise the Commander as Chief of the clan". Interested parties were invited to put forward their claims. The outcome was that, by 1993, four possible claimants had researched their genealogy.

On September 25, 2015, the Lord Lyon King of Arms for Scotland issued an interlocutor recognizing Iain Alexander Gunn of Banniskirk as Chief of Clan Gunn. He is now Iain Alexander Gunn of Gunn, Chief of Clan Gunn.

He previously served as Commander of Clan Gunn for over forty-three years .

Michael J. Gunn is a member of the Clan Gunn Society and writer on the subject of clan and family history. He has written several books including 'Caithness Castles', 'Historical Dictionary of the Albanian Tribes, Clans, and Families', and the forthcoming (at time of writing) 'Sons of the Sword: a genealogical history of the Hereditary Chiefs of the Clan Gunn, descendants of the Pictish Mormaers of Catt, the Viking Jarls of Orkney/Caithness, and the Hereditary Crowners of Caithness'.

Michael was also a document micro photographer and owner of Academic Microforms Ltd., a business specialising in producing microforms of historic documents for archives and libraries.

Custodial history:

Deposited with the Wick Society by Michael J. Gunn.

## **RECORDS' CONTENT**

Description:

Includes research both completed by and collected by Michael J. Gunn relating to the Clan Gunn and other subjects; records of the Clan Gunn Society and the Clan Gunn Heritage Trust; personal papers of Michael J. Gunn and family; and various papers and microfilms produced and collected by Michael J. Gunn.

Appraisal:

Accruals:

## **RECORDS' CONDITION OF ACCESS AND USE**

Access:

Open

Closed until:

Access conditions:

Available within the Archive searchroom

Copying:

Copying permitted within standard Copyright Act parameters

Finding aids:

Available in Caithness Archive Service searchroom

## **ALLIED MATERIALS**

Related material: P912 Papers of Michael J. Gunn

Publication: 'Sons of the Sword: a genealogical history of the Hereditary Chiefs of the Clan Gunn, descendants of the Pictish Mormaers of Catt, the Viking Jarls of Orkney/Caithness, and the Hereditary Crowners of Caithness' by Michael J. Gunn (unpublished at time of writing)

Notes:

Date of catalogue: April 2024

<b>Ref.</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Dates</b>
<b>WS</b>	<b>The Wick Society Collection</b>	<b>1476-2022, n.d.</b>
<b>WS/11</b>	<b>Papers of Michael J. Gunn</b>	<b>1887-2004</b>
<b>WS/11/1</b>	<b>Research, notes, and drafts for the publication 'History of the Clan Gunn' by Michael J. Gunn</b>	<b>c.1980-c.1994</b>
WS/11/1/1	History of the Clan Gunn by Michael J. Gunn draft (1 file)	1982
WS/11/1/2	File entitled 'Penultimate Draft Chapters 1-10' (1 file)	c.1982
WS/11/1/3	File entitled 'Penultimate Draft Chapters 11-22' (1 file)	c.1982
WS/11/1/4	Folder of notes on Gunn history in alphabetical order A-C (1 file)	c.1984
WS/11/1/5	Folder of notes on Gunn history in alphabetical order D-H (1 file)	c.1984
WS/11/1/6	Folder of notes on Gunn history in alphabetical order N-R (1 file)	c.1984
WS/11/1/7	Folder of notes on Gunn history in alphabetical order I-M (1 file)	c.1984
WS/11/1/8	Folder of notes on Gunn history in alphabetical order S-Z (1 file)	c.1984
WS/11/1/9	File entitled 'Chapter 3, the Early Chiefs (1280-1400)' (1 file)	c.1982
WS/11/1/10	File entitled 'Chapter 4, The Crowners' (1 file)	c.1982
WS/11/1/11	File entitled 'Chapter 5, The Years of Blood' (1 file)	c.1982
WS/11/1/12	File entitled 'Chapter 6, The Mackeamishes of Kilearnan (1520-1714)' (1 file)	c.1982



WS/11/1/13	Notes on Chapter 7 (1 file)	c.1982
WS/11/1/14	Notes and research material on Chapter 8, The MacRob's of Braemore and Strathy (3 files)	c.1982
WS/11/1/15	Notes and research material on Chapter 9, The Maclains of Braegaul (1 file)	c.1982
WS/11/1/16	Notes on Chapter 11, The Covenanting Period (1637-1688) (1 file)	c.1982
WS/11/1/17	Notes on Chapter 12 (1 file)	c.1982
WS/11/1/18	Notes on Chapter 13 (1 file)	c.1982
WS/11/1/19	Notes and research material on Chapter 15 (1 file)	c.1982
WS/11/1/20	Notes and research material on Chapters 16, 17, and 18 (1 file)	c.1982
WS/11/1/21	Notes and research material on Chapter 19 (2 files)	c.1982
WS/11/1/22	Notes on Chapter 20, The Clan Gunn Societies (1 file)	c.1982
WS/11/1/23	Notes on Chapter 22 and 24, The Contributions of the Gunns to the Arts and Sciences (2 files)	c.1982
WS/11/1/24	Notes and research material on Chapter 23, Septs (1 file)	c.1982
WS/11/1/25	History of the Clan Gunn: Supplement- The Eighth and Ninth Chiefs (1 file)	c.1980
WS/11/1/26	File entitled 'Crinan' (1 file)	c.1982
WS/11/1/27	File entitled 'Isle of Man' (1 file)	c.1982
WS/11/1/28	File entitled 'Svein (except Dublin raid)' (1 file)	c.1982
WS/11/1/29	File entitled 'Dublin (Svein's Last Raid)' (1 file)	c.1982
WS/11/1/30	File entitled 'Cheyne' (1 file)	c.1982
WS/11/1/31	File entitled 'Caithness (Earldom)' (1 file)	c.1982
WS/11/1/32	File entitled 'Crownier' (1 file)	c.1982
WS/11/1/33	Clan Gunn research notes. Subjects include Crowners and Territory (1 file)	c.1980
WS/11/1/34	File entitled 'Massacre at St.Tayre' (1 file)	c.1982

WS/11/1/35	Draft letter to the editor of The Scots Magazine from Michael J. Gunn regarding 'Tearlath' (1 item)	1 Aug 1988
WS/11/1/36	Folder of photographs, images, and maps [for use in Michael J. Gunn's History of the Clan Gunn] (1 file)	c.1994
WS/11/1/37	Bibliography [for The History of the Clan Gunn] (1 file)	n.d.
WS/11/1/38	Order form for 'History of the Clan Gunn' by Michael J. Gunn (4 items)	c.1980
WS/11/1/39	Photographic negatives of 'miscellaneous items referring obliquely to Clan Gunn history. Red River, Canada' (4 items)	n.d.
WS/11/1/40	Fabric swatches of [Gunn] tartan (2 items)	n.d.
WS/11/1/41	Badges of the Crest of the Chief of Clan Gunn (2 items)	n.d.
WS/11/1/42	Microfilm reel entitled 'Pix for book' (1 item)	n.d.
WS/11/1/43	Box of floppy disks entitled 'Gunn Disks' (1 box)	n.d.
<b>WS/11/2</b>	<b>The Clan Gunn Society and Clan Gunn Heritage Trust</b>	<b>c.1960-2004</b>
WS/11/2/1	Records of The Clan Gunn Society on microfilm (14 items)	c.1960-c.1980
WS/11/2/2	Clan Gunn Society papers. Includes Constitution and Deed of Trust for the Clan Gunn Society and Clan Gunn Heritage Trust, 1961-1990; accounts, newsletters and notes (1 file)	1961-1990
WS/11/2/3	The Clan Gunn Society Magazine, Nos. 1-15 (1 bundle)	1961-1979
WS/11/2/4	Clan Gunn Society papers. Includes newsletters, magazines and other publications and membership lists. File also include Clan Mackay society newsletters and reports (1 file)	1971-1990
WS/11/2/5	Programme for the Clan Gunn Gathering, 1975 (1 item)	1975
WS/11/2/6	Papers of the Clan Gunn Society. Includes information on gatherings and functions, agendas, minutes, accounts, shop sales, magazine, and the newsletter (1 file)	1978-1985
WS/11/2/7	The Clan Gunn Heritage Trust aims and objectives (2 items)	31 Oct 1978

WS/11/2/8	Correspondence regarding Clan Gunn Society activities (1 file)	1980-1982
WS/11/2/9	Financial records and correspondence regarding subscriptions for The Clan Gunn Society (1 file)	1980-1983
WS/11/2/10	Correspondence regarding subscriptions for The Clan Gunn Society (1 file)	1980-1985
WS/11/2/11	Correspondence regarding Clan Gunn Heritage Trust and the Clan Gunn Society, mainly between Michael J. Gunn and Iain A. Gunn of Banniskirk (1 file)	1980-1982
WS/11/2/12	Correspondence with Caithness Field Club (1 file)	1980-1986
WS/11/2/13	Information leaflet on the proposed Clan Gunn Heritage Centre in Latheron, requesting donations towards the setting up of the exhibition (8 items)	c.1980
WS/11/2/14	The Clan Gunn Society information leaflet (5 items)	c.1980
WS/11/2/15	Correspondence regarding subscriptions for The Clan Gunn Society (1 file)	1981-1989
WS/11/2/16	Files entitled 'Australia', 'New Zealand', 'Canada' and 'USA' containing correspondence with clan members from those countries and associated notes (1 file)	1982-1992
WS/11/2/17	Photographs of the Clan Gunn Heritage Museum in Latheron (12 items)	c.1982
WS/11/2/18	Posters for a Clan Gunn Heritage Centre Open Day (2 items)	13 Jul 1982
WS/11/2/19	Correspondence between Mark Rugg Gunn and Michael J. Gunn and accompanying notes (1 file)	1982-1986
WS/11/2/20	Programmes for The Festival of Scotland in London Highland Gathering (3 items)	14 May 1983- 12 May 1984
WS/11/2/21	The Clan Gunn Society Newsletter (5 items)	Aug 1983-Jun 1986
WS/11/2/22	Notes and cuttings [for inclusion in the Clan Gunn Society Newsletter] (1 file)	1983-1984
WS/11/2/23	Gunn Salute: Viking Edition. Newsletter of the Clan Gunn Society of North America- Viking Branch, Volume 7-13 (1 bundle)	1983- 1989
WS/11/2/24	The Gunn Salute: The Newsletter of The Clan Gunn Society of North America, Volume 13-33 (1 box)	1983-2004

WS/11/2/25	Photographs of and information on a Clan Gunn dinner held at The House of Lords (1 file)	12 Apr 1984
WS/11/2/26	Drafts of The Clan Gunn Heritage Centre and Museum Guidebook. Includes plan of the museum; information on displays; a history of the Old Parish Church, Latheron; the history of the clan; photographs; and negatives (1 file)	1984-1988
WS/11/2/27	Correspondence regarding the opening of the Clan Gunn Heritage Centre and Museum and the Clan Gunn gathering of 1985 (1 file)	1985
WS/11/2/28	Various financial records of the Clan Gunn Society (1 file)	1985-1986
WS/11/2/29	Photographs of St. Donan's Day Dinner, House of Lords (4 items)	c.1985
WS/11/2/30	Photograph of a meeting taking place around a conference table. Participants include Michael and Jane Gunn (1 item)	c.1985
WS/11/2/31	Sheet of tickets for various Clan Gunn Gathering events (1 item)	Aug 1985
WS/11/2/32	Correspondence and papers regarding the Clan Gunn Heritage Museum and The Clan Gunn Society (1 bundle)	1987-2005
WS/11/2/33	James Gunn's Newsletter to the Clan Gunn (3 volumes)	1987
WS/11/2/34	Clan Gunn Society of New Zealand newsletters (2 items)	1987-1990
WS/11/2/35	Papers and photographs from Clan Gunn events (1 file)	1988
WS/11/2/36	Photographs of [a Clan Gunn meeting], and items of glassware engraved with the Clan Gunn crest (4 items)	c.1988
WS/11/2/37	Ticket for The Clan Gunn Society Annual 'St Donan's Day' Dinner (1 item)	14 Apr 1989
WS/11/2/38	Newspaper cuttings, programmes, and photographs from The Royal Burgh of Wick Quatercentenary. Includes the presentation by the Clan Gunn of a glass ship to the Royal Burgh of Wick (1 file)	1989
WS/11/2/39	Newspaper articles regarding a civic reception for the Clan Gunn Society in Caithness (3 items)	Oct 1990- Nov 1990

WS/11/2/40	Council of the Clan Gunn meeting agenda (1 item)	20 Jul 1991
WS/11/2/41	The Clan Gunn Society Dinner Menu (1 item)	24 Jul 1991
WS/11/2/42	The Clan Gunn Society Membership List (1 volume)	Nov 1991
WS/11/2/43	'Gunnsmove', the magazine of The Clan Gunn Society of Nova Scotia (1 bundle)	1991-2004
WS/11/2/44	Minutes of meetings of The Clan Gunn Society and associated papers (1 bundle)	1992-1998
WS/11/2/45	Papers from the Clan Gunn Gathering in Caithness in 1994 (1 volume)	1994
WS/11/2/46	Covering letter from Alastair Gordon to Michael J. Gunn enclosing papers on the Clan Sutherland Society and a paper on Adam Gordon (1 file)	1994
WS/11/2/47	W. de Graff correspondence with Michael J. Gunn (1 volume)	1998-1999
WS/11/2/48	'Gunnsmove' calendar (2 items)	1999-2000
<b>WS/11/3</b>	<b>Gunn Genealogies, Family Histories, and Births, Deaths and Marriages</b>	<b>1709-1988</b>
WS/11/3/1	Note in Latin. Mentions Alexander Gordon, Georgina Gordon and Adamus Gun, Kinbrace (2 items)	15 Jul 1709
WS/11/3/2	Gunn family papers [family of Michael J. Gunn]. Includes genealogies, notes and family correspondence (1 file)	1963-c.1980
WS/11/3/3	Gunn: A Genealogy. Compiled by Drewey Wayne Gunn 1959-1963 (1 volume)	1972
WS/11/3/4	The Gunns of Kinlochlaggan: A Scottish Diaspora (1 volume)	1979
WS/11/3/5	Births of Gunns in England and Wales 1837-1896 (1 file)	c.1980
WS/11/3/6	Deaths and Marriages of Gunns in England and Wales 1837-1896 (1 file)	c.1980
WS/11/3/7	Births, Deaths, and Marriages of Gunns in England and Wales 1897-1930 (1 file)	c.1980
WS/11/3/8	Extracts of Gunn births, baptisms, marriages, and deaths from Old Parish Registers (1 bundle)	c.1981
WS/11/3/9	Various notes, genealogies, and correspondence regarding various Gunn lineages (1 file)	1980-1983

WS/11/3/10	Correspondence between Dr Colin Gunn and Michael J. Gunn with accompanying notes (1 file)	1980-1985
WS/11/3/11	Correspondence between Edith Gunn Jensen and Michael J. Gunn regarding Gunn connections in the USA and Canada with accompanying notes (1 file)	1982-1986
WS/11/3/12	Papers concerning the claim of Jack Alexander Gunn of Australia to the Chiefship of the Clan Gunn (1 file)	1982-1987
WS/11/3/13	'The Sword of Trelawny: Captain John Innes Gunn, December 1831' by Edith Gunn Jensen and associated correspondence. The Trelawney Sword was presented to John Innes Gunn 'by the inhabitants of Trelawney, Jamaica to Captain John Gunn "to invince their gratitude for his energy in quelling the rebellion" (1 file)	1985
WS/11/3/14	Copy of 'Memoirs of Georgia' and various North American Gunn genealogies (1 file)	c.1985
WS/11/3/15	IGI Batch Number Index guide (1 volume)	1988
WS/11/3/16	Genealogical tree of George the Crowner, killed by the Keiths 1479 or 1511 (1 item)	n.d.
WS/11/3/17	Genealogy charts, rough drafts (1 file)	n.d.
<b>WS/11/4</b>	<b>Research notes and material compiled by Michael J. Gunn (not Gunn related)</b>	<b>1969-1998</b>
WS/11/4/1	Notes and research material on Caithness castles undertaken by Michael J. Gunn (1 file)	1969-c.1985
WS/11/4/2	Genealogical tree showing Macintoshes in the Parishes of Tongue and Farr (1 item)	c.1980
WS/11/4/3	Typed article 'Bucholie Castle- The Swansons and Mowats' by D.B. Miller (1 item)	c.1980
WS/11/4/4	Notes and cuttings on the Maclains of Breagall and their families and descendants in Cattaig, Dale, Badbea (1 file)	1983
WS/11/4/5	Various magazine articles on clans, the Highlands, castles, and John Muir (1 bundle)	c.1989
WS/11/4/6	'Scot-Kings, Normans and Vikings: A Study of Northampton's role in Anglo-Scottish affairs c.1090-1190' by Michael J. Gunn (1 file)	1993
WS/11/4/7	Some notes on the British surname of Bowers (1 <sup>st</sup> draft) by Michael J. Gunn (1 bundle)	1995

WS/11/4/8	'Wick Old Parish Church: A Brief History and Guide' by Michael J. Gunn. One copy marked '2 <sup>nd</sup> Draft marked copy' (2 volumes)	1998
<b>WS/11/5</b>	<b>Personal Papers of Michael J. Gunn and Family</b>	<b>1979-1992</b>
WS/11/5/1	Papers pertaining to Michael J. Gunn's career in micrographics (1 file)	1979-1987
WS/11/5/2	Academic Microforms business card (1 item)	c.1980
WS/11/5/3	Various personal correspondence addressed to Michael and Jane Gunn (1 file)	1980-c.1983
WS/11/5/4	Letter from Vicky Gunn, Glasgow, to her parents Michael and Jane Gunn, Durham (2 items)	29 Oct 1985
WS/11/5/5	Letter from Alex Gunn, London, to his parents Michael and Jane Gunn, Durham (3 items)	6 Nov 1985
WS/11/5/6	Photographs [of Jane Gunn and others at Ushaw College, Durham] (1 bundle)	c.1985
WS/11/5/7	Professional photographs of Michael J. Gunn in Highland dress (6 items)	c.1985
WS/11/5/8	Professional photographs of Jane Gunn in evening dress (3 items)	c.1985
WS/11/5/9	Photographs and other papers from the graduation of Victoria Gunn from the University of Glasgow (1 file)	8 Jul 1988
WS/11/5/10	Papers, Photographs and memorabilia from Michael and Jane Gunn's trip to the USA where they attended Clan Gatherings and met with members of the Clan Gunn (2 files)	1988
WS/11/5/11	Correspondence, newspaper cuttings, and notes regarding Michael J. Gunn's nomination of Pipe Major Jim Christie for a UK honour (1 file)	1988
WS/11/5/12	Tickets, receipts, and other memorabilia from a holiday to Portugal (1 file)	1989
WS/11/5/13	Programmes, press cuttings and other memorabilia from events attended by Michael and Jane Gunn celebrating the Queen Mother's 90 <sup>th</sup> birthday, including the conferment of The Freedom of Caithness upon her (1 file)	1990
WS/11/5/14	Papers, photographs, and information pertaining to Michael and Jane Gunn's trip to North America where	1990

	they attended Clan Gatherings and met with members of the Clan Gunn (3 files)	
WS/11/5/15	Programmes, tickets, and photographs for various events attended by Michael and Jane Gunn (1 bundle)	1991-1992
WS/11/5/16	Note from 'Elspeth' to Michael and Jane Gunn (1 item)	17 Sep 1992
WS/11/5/17	Letter from David Whyte, Rector of Golspie High School, thanking Michael J. Gunn for the gift of his book on Micro Photography for the school library (1 item)	24 Sep 1992
WS/11/5/18	Papers pertaining to Michael J. Gunn's call to serve on a jury (4 items)	1992
<b>WS/11/6</b>	<b>Various</b>	<b>1887-1996</b>
WS/11/6/1	Microfilm reel entitled 'The Miner 1887-1888' (1 item)	1887-1888
WS/11/6/2	Microfilm reel entitled 'Hastings Vol. 2-10' (1 item)	1909-1918
WS/11/6/3	Microfilm reel entitled 'Scottish Mineworker' (2 items)	13 Apr 1929
WS/11/6/4	Microfilm reel entitled 'Scottish Mineworker and The Fife' (1 item)	n.d.
WS/11/6/5	Microfilm reel entitled 'Operative Tailors of Scotland' (1 item)	n.d.
WS/11/6/6	Microfilm reel entitled 'Royal College of Surgeons of England- Russell Claude LORD BROCK Surgical notebooks, etc.' (1 item)	n.d.
WS/11/6/7	Box of slides of mediaeval paintings and documents (1 box)	n.d.
WS/11/6/8	Floppy disk entitled 'Standard Letters: 1.;2. LPL;3.' (1 item)	n.d.
WS/11/6/9	Untitled microfilm reel (1 item)	n.d.
WS/11/6/10	Microfilm reel entitled 'LPL MS.596 and MS. 623' (1 item)	n.d.
WS/11/6/11	Photographs of the view along the riverbank at Dwyfor, Gwnedd, Wales, showing the birthplace of D. Lloyd George; Lady Olwen Lloyd George; and John Grigg, author of Lloyd George biography (3 items)	Mar 1980
WS/11/6/12	Order of Service for Durham Cathedral's Procession with Carols (1 item)	30 Nov 1985-1 Dec 1985



WS/11/6/13	Newspaper articles and photographs concerning a storm in Caithness that sunk two boats in Wick Harbour, the 'Glen Loth' and the 'Acorn' (4 items)	Jan 1984
WS/11/6/14	Helmsdale and District Highland Games programme and raffle tickets (6 items)	15 Aug 1987
WS/11/6/15	Order of Service for the Caithness Federation SWRI 65 <sup>th</sup> Birthday Service of Praise (1 item)	23 Aug 1987
WS/11/6/16	The Gaelic Society of London newsletter (1 item)	19 Oct 1987
WS/11/6/17	Bureau of Scottish Interests newsletters (3 items)	1987
WS/11/6/18	Information leaflet on The Northern Studies Centre: a Research Institute for the North of Scotland (1 item)	c.1988
WS/11/6/19	Photographs of the Queen Mother's visit to the Old Parish Church, Wick (2 items)	c.1989
WS/11/6/20	Grant of Arms to The Royal Burgh of Wick Community Council (1 item)	1989
WS/11/6/21	Caithness Explorer magazine (1 item)	1989
WS/11/6/22	Helmsdale and District Highland Games programme (1 item)	19 Aug 1989
WS/11/6/23	Photocopy of German magazine 'P.M.' (1 item)	21 Apr 1989
WS/11/6/24	Programme for 'Scotland's Glory', a Highland day in the heart of London, organised by The Royal Scottish Pipe Band Association (1 item)	10 Jun 1990
WS/11/6/25	Helmsdale and District Highland Games programme, tickets, poster, and newspaper cutting (8 items)	18 Aug 1990
WS/11/6/26	Ticket and programme for The London Caithness Association Annual Dinner and Dance (2 items)	9 Nov 1990
WS/11/6/27	Copy of employment contract between Patrick Wood of Dennistoun, Van Diemen's Land and Robert Officer, Colonial Surgeon in the colony of Van Diemen's Land and sheep farmer in Port Philips, New South Wales; and their employee James Swanson, Labourer, signed on the 6th of March 1841 (3 items)	c.1990
WS/11/6/28	Programme for The Robert Gordon University Heritage Convention (1 volume)	Sep 1993
WS/11/6/29	'Tak Tent', the newsletter of The Heraldry Society of Scotland (1 item)	Nov 1996

WS/11/6/30	Crest of unknown organisation incorporating a galley with three Scotland flags, 2 stars and a stag (1 item)	n.d.
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## **WS/12 - Wick and Pulteneytown Industrial Co-Operative Society**

### **RECORDS' IDENTITY STATEMENT**

Reference number:	GB1741/WS/12
Alternative reference number:	-
Title:	Wick and Pulteneytown Industrial Co-Operative Society
Dates of creation:	1941-1943
Level of description:	Sub-fonds
Extent:	1 file, 5 items
Format:	Paper

### **RECORDS' CONTEXT**

Name of creators: Wick and Pulteneytown Industrial Co-Operative Society; The Scottish Co-operative Wholesale Society

Administrative history: The Scottish Co-operative Wholesale Society (SCWS) was founded to serve the Scottish co-operative movement as a wholesaler in 1868. Membership was open only to registered co-operative societies and employees of the society.

During the 1880s, the SCWS extended the principle of co-operative trading further by setting up the first of its many manufacturing enterprises, producing a wide range of products such as polishes, bleaches, insecticides, and disinfectants and a range of pharmaceuticals.

The strategy of the firm was to attempt to control its own supply of raw materials. This involved the acquisition of grain mills and timber suppliers in Canada, and a tea plantation in Ceylon, for example. Apart from industrial production, it also extended into service industries, including hotels, transport and banking. The Funeral Undertaking Department was particularly successful, and was at one time responsible for 73 per cent of all funerals in Scotland.

SCWS also moved into retailing, and either opened local branches or took

over small local societies, often as they fell into financial difficulties.

Wick and Pulteneytown Industrial Co-Operative Society ran two stores from the late 19<sup>th</sup> century selling provisions and general groceries. The other business endeavours of the society, or its founding date, are unclear due to a lack of archival evidence.

By order of the Committee a Special General Meeting was called on 22 Dec 1942 to consider the question of the Voluntary Liquidation of the Society.

Custodial history:

Deposited by the Wick Society

## **RECORDS' CONTENT**

Description:

Reports, correspondence and posters of the Wick and Pulteneytown Industrial Co-Operative Society

Appraisal:

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Accruals:

None expected

## **RECORDS' CONDITION OF ACCESS AND USE**

Access:

Open

Closed until:

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Access conditions:

Available within the archive searchroom

Copying:

Copying permitted within standard Copyright Act parameters

Finding aids:

Available in the archive searchroom and [online](#)

## **ALLIED MATERIALS**

Related material:

P563 - Scottish Co-Operative Wholesale Society, Thurso Branch; GB243/CWS - Scottish Co-operative Wholesale Society (Glasgow City Archives)

Publication:

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Notes:

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Date of catalogue:

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<b>Ref.</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Dates</b>
<b>WS</b>	<b>The Wick Society Collection</b>	<b>1476-2022, n.d.</b>
<b>WS/12</b>	<b>Wick and Pulteneytown Industrial Co-Operative Society</b>	<b>1941-1943</b>
<b>WS/12/1</b>	<b>Reports</b>	<b>1941-1943</b>
WS/12/1/1	Typed Quarterly report for the Wick and Pulteneytown Industrial Co-Operative Society, Limited, for quarter ended 4 <sup>th</sup> March 1941 (1 item)	14 Apr 1941
WS/12/1/2	Handwritten Quarterly report for the Wick and Pulteneytown Industrial Co-Operative Society, Limited, for quarter ended 2 <sup>nd</sup> December 1942 (1 item)	2 Dec 1942
WS/12/1/3	Typed Quarterly report for the Wick and Pulteneytown Industrial Co-Operative Society, Limited, for quarter ended 2 <sup>nd</sup> February 1943 (2 items)	2 Feb 1943
<b>WS/12/2</b>	<b>Correspondence</b>	<b>1942-1943</b>
WS/12/2/1	File containing correspondence between the Scottish Co-operative Wholesale Society Ltd. and the Wick and Pulteneytown Industrial Co-operative Society regarding the liquidation of the latter (1 file)	1942-1943
<b>WS/12/2</b>	<b>Posters</b>	<b>22 Dec 1942</b>
WS/12/3/1	Notice of Wick & Pultneytown Industrial Co-Operative Society Special General Meeting in the Women's Club, Vansittart Street, Pultneytown (1 item)	22 Dec 1942

**WS/13 – Carnegie Public Library, Wick**  
**RECORDS' IDENTITY STATEMENT**

Reference number: GB1741/WS/13  
Alternative reference number: -  
Title: Carnegie Public Library, Wick  
Dates of creation: 1843-1981  
Level of description: Sub-fonds  
Extent: 2 boxes  
Format: Paper

**RECORDS' CONTEXT**

Name of creators: Carnegie Public Library, Wick; various

Administrative history: A Carnegie library is a library built with money donated by Scottish-American businessman and philanthropist Andrew Carnegie. A total of 2,509 Carnegie libraries were built between 1883 and 1929, including some belonging to public and university library systems. 1,689 were built in the United States, 660 in the United Kingdom and Ireland, 125 in Canada.

Wick Parish Carnegie Public Library was founded in 1891. From the 1930s it was run by Caithness County Council, from 1975 by Highland Regional Council and from 1996 by The Highland Council.

The library building also accommodated the Wick Heritage Centre until 1979 when it moved to new premises in Bank Row.

Until 2017 the Carnegie building was also the home of the Caithness Archive Centre, which is now a part of Nucleus: The Nuclear and Caithness Archives in Wick.

A detailed history of the Carnegie Public Library can be accessed here:  
<http://www.caithness.org/community/libraries/wicklibrary/history/index.htm>

Custodial history: Deposited by the Wick Society

## RECORDS' CONTENT

Description:	By-Laws, Minutes; Committee and Annual Reports; Financial records; Insurance records; Papers relating to library collections; Construction and building works records; Correspondence: Various
Appraisal:	-
Accruals:	None expected

## RECORDS' CONDITION OF ACCESS AND USE

Access:	Open
Closed until:	-
Access conditions:	Available within the archive searchroom
Copying:	Copying permitted within standard Copyright Act parameters
Finding aids:	Available in the archive searchroom and <a href="#">online</a>

## ALLIED MATERIALS

Related material:	P11 - Wick Carnegie Public Library
Publication:	-
Notes:	-
Date of catalogue:	2023

Ref.	Description	Dates
<b>WS</b>	<b>The Wick Society Collection</b>	<b>1476-2022, n.d.</b>
<b>WS/13</b>	<b>Carnegie Public Library, Wick</b>	<b>1843-1981</b>
<b>WS/13/1</b>	<b>Bye-Laws</b>	<b>1889</b>
WS/13/1/1	Wick Parish Public Library Bye- Laws (1 item)	1889
<b>WS/13/2</b>	<b>Minutes</b>	<b>1898</b>
WS/13/2/1	Minutes of meeting of quarter sessions (1 item)	25 Oct 1898
<b>WS/13/3</b>	<b>Committee and Annual Reports</b>	<b>1894-1965</b>

WS/13/3/1	Wick Parish Public Library Report by the Committee (1 item)	1894-1895
WS/13/3/2	Caithness County Library Annual Report (1 item)	1933
WS/13/3/3	Caithness County Library Annual Report (1 item)	1934
WS/13/3/4	Caithness County Library Annual Report (1 item)	1936
WS/13/3/5	Caithness County Library Annual Report (1 item)	1937
WS/13/3/6	Caithness County Library Annual Report (1 item)	1938
WS/13/3/7	Caithness County Library Annual Report (1 item)	1939
WS/13/3/8	Caithness County Library Annual Report (1 item)	1940
WS/13/3/9	Caithness County Library Annual Report (1 item)	1941
WS/13/3/10	Caithness County Library Annual Report (1 item)	1942
WS/13/3/11	Caithness County Library Annual Report (1 item)	1943
WS/13/3/12	Caithness County Library Annual Report (1 item)	1944
WS/13/3/13	Caithness County Library Annual Report (1 item)	1945
WS/13/3/14	Caithness County Library Annual Report (1 item)	1954
WS/13/3/15	Caithness County Library Annual Report (1 item)	1955
WS/13/3/16	Caithness County Library Annual Report (1 item)	1957
WS/13/3/17	Caithness County Library Annual Report (1 item)	1959
WS/13/3/18	Caithness County Library Annual Report (1 item)	1962
WS/13/3/19	Caithness County Library Annual Report (1 item)	1963
WS/13/3/20	Caithness County Library Annual Report (1 item)	1965
<b>WS/13/4</b>	<b>Financial records</b>	<b>1894-1930, n.d.</b>
<b>WS/13/4/1</b>	<b>Receipts</b>	<b>1925-1927</b>
WS/13/4/1/1	Receipts for goods and expenses (1 bundle)	1925-1927
<b>WS/13/4/2</b>	<b>Cheques</b>	<b>1911-1930</b>
WS/13/4/2/1	Cheques related to the operating of Wick Library and cheque stub books (1 bundle)	1911-1930
<b>WS/13/4/3</b>	<b>Expenses</b>	<b>1894</b>



WS/13/4/3/1	Wick Parish Public Library Bazaar expenses and proceeds (1 item)	1894
<b>WS/13/5</b>	<b>Insurance records</b>	<b>1889-1924</b>
WS/13/5/1	The Lancashire Insurance company insurance certificate (1 item)	29 Sep 1889
WS/13/5/2	Royal Insurance Company Limited insurance certificate (1 item)	1923-1924
<b>WS/13/6</b>	<b>Papers relating to library collections</b>	<b>1843-1981</b>
WS/13/6/1	Plan of an invention by Alexander Bain dated 1843 (1 item)	1843
WS/13/6/2	Plan of an invention stamped 'Thurso Public Library' (1 item)	c.1872
WS/13/6/3	Draft of a Bill to Constitute the Commonwealth of Australia [for display in Wick Library] (1 item)	3 Feb 1899
WS/13/6/4	Handwritten and typed lists of Library Books. Includes information about the Carnegie Library e.g. date of opening, attendance figures and income (1 bundle)	c.1910-1981
WS/13/6/5	Catalogue of Pamphlets held at Caithness County Library, Wick (1 item)	c.1928
WS/13/6/6	Bookplate. Bears the text 'Caithness County Library, Wick, John Mowat Collection' (1 item)	c.1955
<b>WS/13/7</b>	<b>Construction and building works records</b>	<b>1895-1929, n.d.</b>
<b>WS/13/7/1</b>	<b>Construction records</b> [see also WS/13/8/1]	<b>1895, 1898, n.d.</b>
WS/13/7/1/1	Copy of measurements for all work, carpenter and joiner work, iron work, plumber work, slater work, glazier work, plaster work for Carnegie Public Library, Wick (1 volume) [back page is original copy detailing what is included in the volume, alongside signatures]	1895
WS/13/7/1/2	Copy of measurements of carpenter and joiner work for Carnegie Public Library, Wick (1 item)	1895
WS/13/7/1/3	Copy of measurements of iron work for Carnegie Public Library, Wick (1 item)	1895
WS/13/7/1/4	Copy of measurements of plaster work for Carnegie Public Library, Wick (1 item)	1895

WS/13/7/1/5	Copy of measurements of glazier work for Carnegie Public Library, Wick (1 item)	1895
WS/13/7/1/6	Copy of measurements of plumber work for Carnegie Public Library, Wick (1 item)	1895
WS/13/7/1/7	Copy of measurements of slater work for Carnegie Public Library, Wick (1 item)	1895
WS/13/7/1/8	Copy of measurements of painter work for Carnegie Public Library, Wick (1 item)	1895
WS/13/7/1/9	Report on Plans for the Carnegie Public Library, Wick (1 item) [addressed from 17 Young Street, Edinburgh]	1895
WS/13/7/1/10	Contract between the Parish Council of Wick, Tait and Reid and various other contractors to build a new Public Library at the corner of Cliff Road and Sinclair Terrace, Pulteneytown (1 item)	1896
WS/13/7/1/11	Correspondence to George Bain, librarian, from Leadbetter and Fairley detailing total costing of construction (1 item)	1 Dec 1898
WS/13/7/1/12	Report on sketch plans for the Public Parish Library, Wick (1 item)	n.d.
WS/13/7/1/13	List of donors towards the construction of the library and its funds (2 items)	n.d.
WS/13/7/1/14	Notes regarding the Wick Parish Carnegie Free Public Library including date of foundation stone being laid, when the 'new' building was opened and its contents as well as final cost (1 item)	n.d.
<b>WS/13/7/2</b>	<b>Building works records</b>	<b>1929</b>
WS/13/7/2/1	Specifications of New Office within Carnegie Library, Wick including carpenter, plumber, mason, and lath and plaster work (1 bundle)	1929
WS/13/7/2/2	Sinclair Macdonald plan of new office for Carnegie Library, Wick (2 items)	Oct 1929
WS/13/7/2/3	Dean of Guild Court Petition for Warrant to Alter Building in Sinclair Terrace. Petitioner: Wick Parish Carnegie Free Public Library Committee. Respondent: Andrew Rugg, Sheriff Clerk Depute (1 item)	Nov 1929
<b>WS/13/8</b>	<b>Correspondence</b>	<b>1895-1977, n.d.</b>

WS/13/8/1	Correspondence between Leadbetter and Fairley and George Bain, Librarian, Wick regarding building works (1 file) [see also WS/13/7]	1895-1899
WS/13/8/2	Correspondence between George Bain, Librarian, and various parties (1 file)	1894-1920
WS/13/8/3	Correspondence to library regarding Alexander Bain's Trust (2 items)	24 Jan 1901
WS/13/8/4	Envelopes addressed to the librarian, Wick Library (8 items)	1911-1943
WS/13/8/5	Correspondence between Carnegie Free Public Library and The Carnegie United Kingdom Trust (1 file)	1913-1921
WS/13/8/6	Correspondence and receipts from the Union Bank of Scotland regarding deposits paid into the Committee of Wick Parish Free Public Library's account (1 file)	1926-1928
WS/13/8/7	Various correspondence and papers relating to the running of the library (1 file)	1926-1977
WS/13/8/8	Correspondence addressed to Doctor Robertson, Wick Library (1 file)	1948-1963
WS/13/8/9	Letter to the Librarian, Wick, from J. Steven, South Africa. Includes details about his police career, family and emigration (1 item)	17 Apr 1951
WS/13/8/10	Notice addressed to County Librarian, Wick, to supply the book 'Mensuration and Spherical Geometry' to I. Greenaway, Stirlingshire (2 items)	14 May 1952
WS/13/8/11	Envelope addressed to captain D. W. Milligan, Librarian, Carnegie library, Wick (1 item)	n.d.
<b>WS/13/9</b>	<b>Various</b>	<b>1887-1958</b>
WS/13/9/1	Scrapbook containing newspaper articles about Wick Library (1 volume)	1887-1901
WS/13/9/2	Testimonials in favour of Fred W. Robertson, M.A., PH.D., F.S.A (SCOT.). References testifying to Fred Robertson's efficient performance as County Librarian written by James Robertson, County Clerk; Ian McHardy, Director of Education for Caithness and Rev. Dr. John MacInnes (1 item)	Apr 1942
WS/13/9/3	Various papers pertaining to the daily business of the Library (1 bundle)	1926-1958

## **WS/14 – Wick Riverside Improvement Scheme**

### **RECORDS' IDENTITY STATEMENT**

Reference number: GB1741/WS/14

Alternative reference number: -

Title: Wick Riverside Improvement Scheme

Dates of creation: 1886-1961, n.d.

Level of description: Sub-fonds

Extent: 3 boxes

Format: Paper

### **RECORDS' CONTEXT**

Name of creators: Wick Riverside Improvement Scheme/  
Committee, Wick and Pulteneytown  
River Improvements' Scheme, Wick and  
Pulteneytown Riverside and Town  
Improvement Committee

Administrative history: The Wick and Pulteneytown River  
Improvements' Scheme was a plan for  
improvements on the river and its banks,  
conceived by Wick Town Council in  
partnership with a committee of 'local  
gentlemen' in 1892.

As well as improving the amenity of the  
town, the scheme was intended to  
provide employment to those out of  
work, addressing destitution among local  
people due to the failure of the fishing  
the previous year.

Custodial history: Deposited by the Wick Society

### **RECORDS' CONTENT**

Description: Papers of the body known variously as  
Wick Riverside Improvement Scheme/  
Committee, Wick and Pulteneytown  
River Improvements' Scheme, Wick and  
Pulteneytown Riverside and Town  
Improvement Committee

Appraisal: -

Accruals: None expected

### **RECORDS' CONDITION OF ACCESS AND USE**

Access:	Open
Closed until:	
Access conditions:	Available within the archive searchroom
Copying:	Copying permitted within standard Copyright Act parameters
Finding aids:	Available in the archive searchroom and <a href="#">online</a>

## ALLIED MATERIALS

Related material:	-
Publication:	-
Notes:	-
Date of catalogue:	2023

Ref.	Description	Dates
<b>WS</b>	<b>The Wick Society Collection</b>	<b>1476-2022, n.d.</b>
<b>WS/14</b>	<b>Wick Riverside Improvement Scheme</b>	<b>1886-1961, n.d.</b>
<b>WS/14/1</b>	<b>Minutes</b>	<b>1894-1917</b>
WS/14/1/1	Draft minutes and notes of various meetings held to address town improvements (1 file)	1894-1917
<b>WS/14/2</b>	<b>Financial records</b>	<b>1892-1947</b>
WS/14/2/1	Receipts and Invoices for expenses incurred by Wick Riverside Improvements Committee (1 file)	1892-1945
WS/14/2/2	Financial statements (1 file)	1896-1947
WS/14/2/3	Bank book in the name of The North British Mercantile Insurance Company Limited (1 item)	1930-1936
<b>WS/14/3</b>	<b>Administrative records</b>	<b>1892-1946</b>
<b>WS/14/3/1</b>	<b>Insurance records</b>	<b>1938-1946</b>
WS/14/3/1/1	Various Insurance documents (1 file)	1938-1946
<b>WS/14/3/2</b>	<b>Building Works records</b>	<b>1892-1911</b>
WS/14/3/2/1	Job specifications and quotes for work undertaken by Wick and Pulteneytown Riverside and Town	1892-1911

	Improvement Committee at various sites including Wick Riverside and Bignold Park (1 bundle)	
WS/14/3/2/2	Minute of agreement between D.R. Simpson on behalf of Wick and Pulteneytown Riverside Improvement Scheme and Thomas Munro regarding the erection of a dyke on East side of Glebe (2 items)	1893
WS/14/3/2/3	Papers regarding a delivery of concrete from Knight, Bevan and Sturge of London (3 items)	1893
<b>WS/14/3/3</b>	<b>Employee records</b>	<b>1893-1899</b>
WS/14/3/3/1	Papers of the Working Men of the Riverside. Includes minutes of meetings and records of hours worked and wages (1 file)	28 Jan 1893-15 Nov 1899
<b>WS/14/4</b>	<b>Correspondence</b>	<b>1892-1948, n.d.</b>
WS/14/4/1	Circular setting out the aims of Wick and Pulteneytown River Improvements' Scheme (4 items)	Feb 1892
WS/14/4/2	Correspondence addressed to Hector Sutherland regarding Ackergill Lifeboat (1 bundle)	1892-1897
WS/14/4/3	Correspondence received by Wick Riverside Improvement Committee (1 bundle)	1892-1894
WS/14/4/4	Various telegrams (1 bundle)	1892-1908
WS/14/4/5	Correspondence received by Wick Riverside Improvement Committee (1 file)	1895-1899
WS/14/4/6	Various correspondence and legal papers regarding the weir constructed on Wick River and the resulting damage to neighbouring farmland (1 file)	1896-1900
WS/14/4/7	Notice informing the Secretary of Wick Riverside Improvement Scheme of a nuisance at Wick Riverside, namely a large accumulation of offensive matter and of an offensive stagnant pool of water (1 item)	May 1897
WS/14/4/8	Notice regarding a meeting of the Churchyard Improvement Committee (1 item)	19 Jul 1899
WS/14/4/9	Correspondence received by Wick Riverside Improvement Committee (1 bundle)	1900-1905
WS/14/4/10	Correspondence received by Wick Riverside Improvement Committee (1 bundle)	1906-1917

WS/14/4/11	Correspondence received by Wick Riverside Improvement Committee (1 bundle)	1936-1948
WS/14/4/12	Copies of correspondence sent by Wick Riverside and Town Improvement Committee (1 bundle)	1939-1948
WS/14/4/13	Ground Note agreeing to pay Wick Riverside and Town Improvement Committee for ground to stage a Circus Performance (2 items)	Feb 1944
WS/14/4/14	Draft letter requesting a grant to buy 15 rowing boats for boating on Wick River (1 item)	n.d.
WS/14/4/15	Handbill appealing for contributions towards the cost of boats for boating on Wick River (1 item)	n.d.
WS/14/4/16	Correspondence received by Wick Riverside Improvement Committee (1 bundle)	n.d.
<b>WS/14/5</b>	<b>Wick Gala records</b>	<b>1904-1961, n.d.</b>
WS/14/5/1	Gala Day Programme of Games (1 item)	7 Sep 1904
WS/14/5/2	Gala Day Programme of Games (3 items)	6 Sep 1905
WS/14/5/3	Various rough notes including handwritten programmes of events, lists of competition entrants and prize winners (1 bundle)	c.1905
WS/14/5/4	Gala Day Programme of Games (1 item)	5 Sep 1907
WS/14/5/5	Gala Day Programme of Games (1 item)	30 Aug 1933
WS/14/5/6	Gala Day Programme of Games (1 item)	28 Jul 1937
WS/14/5/7	Various notes and letters entering Servicemen for Gala competitions (1 bundle)	c.1943
WS/14/5/8	Gala Day Programme of Games (1 item)	20 Jul 1946
WS/14/5/9	Typed list of games for Gala (1 item)	9 Aug 1947
WS/14/5/10	Gala Day Programme (1 item)	17 Jul 1948
WS/14/5/11	Highland Games, Riverside Grounds, Wick, Programme of Events (1 item)	19 Aug 1961
WS/14/5/12	Wick Gala Programme of Events (1 item)	n.d.
WS/14/5/13	Notebook containing lists of winners of various Gala events (1 volume)	n.d.
WS/14/5/14	Wick Gala competition cards recording the winners of various events (8 items)	n.d.

WS/14/5/15	Postcard addressed to George Wares requesting a bill of the Gala Day Sports be sent to Bella A. Bremner (1 item)	n.d.
<b>WS/14/6</b>	<b>Various</b>	<b>1894-1946, n.d.</b>
WS/14/6/1	Pages of rough notes (1 bundle)	1894-1946
WS/14/6/2	Schedule for signing and completing deeds (1 item)	1900
WS/14/6/3	Wick and Pulteneytown Riverside and Town Improvement Committee Concert Programme (1 item)	31 Aug 1921
WS/14/6/4	Conditions of Sale applicable to New Sectional Hut at Watten (1 item)	1946
WS/14/6/5	Typed account of Wick Riverside Gala, held September 1895 (1 item)	n.d.
WS/14/6/6	Handwritten pages of shorthand (3 items)	n.d.
WS/14/6/7	Handwritten scale of charges and regulations governing the hire of boats on Wick River (1 item)	n.d.
WS/14/6/8	Resolutions of protest against the Liquor Traffic (Local Control) Bill (3 items)	n.d.
WS/14/6/9	Lists of subscribers (5 items)	n.d.
WS/14/6/10	Headed notepaper for Wick and Pulteneytown Riverside and Town Improvement Committee (2 items)	n.d.
WS/14/6/11	Blank meeting notices for Wick and Pulteneytown Riverside and Town Improvement Committee (7 items)	n.d.
WS/14/6/12	Grant under the Physical Training and Recreation Act, 1937 Questionnaire. Partly filled in application for boating on Wick River (1 item)	n.d.
WS/14/6/13	Empty envelope addressed to Thomas Munro, Contractor, Francis Street (1 item)	n.d.
WS/14/6/14	Business Card for Trechmann Weekes and Co. Ltd. (1 item)	n.d.
<b>WS/14/7</b>	<b>Plans and posters</b>	<b>1886-1938, n.d.</b>
WS/14/7/1	Wick and Pulteney Harbours Plan, elevation and section shewing proposed reconstruction of Service Bridge (1 item)	12 Nov 1886



WS/14/7/2	Plan of weir (2 items)	18 Mar 1893
WS/14/7/3	Wick River Improvement Scheme Plan showing site of proposed weir (1 item)	13 May 1896
WS/14/7/4	Wick Riverside Improvements Plan and Section of existing weir and proposed new salmon ladder (2 items)	Jul 1897
WS/14/7/5	Wick Riverside Improvements Plan and Section of existing weir and proposed new salmon ladder (1 item)	Apr 1898
WS/14/7/6	Plan of Wick River Footbridge Cross Section, full size, 'B' Concrete Footway (1 item)	2 Jun 1911
WS/14/7/7	Plan and elevation of Bridge [footbridge] across Wick River (1 item)	15 Jun 1911
WS/14/7/8	Gala Day poster. Held at Wick Riverside on Wednesday 6th September, no year (1 item)	c.1920
WS/14/7/9	Gala Day poster. Held at Wick Riverside on Wednesday 21st August 1935 (1 item)	21 Aug 1935
WS/14/7/10	Gala Day poster. Held at Wick Riverside on Wednesday 3rd August 1938 (1 item)	3 Aug 1938
WS/14/7/11	Colour drawing of Boating Pavilion (1 item)	n.d.
WS/14/7/12	Drawing of River Walk (1 item)	n.d.
WS/14/7/13	Plan of new fences at Bignold Park (1 item)	n.d.
WS/14/7/14	Plan of North Shore, Wick (1 item)	n.d.

**WS/15 – Wick Herring Queen and Gala  
RECORDS' IDENTITY STATEMENT**

Reference number: GB1741/WS/15  
Alternative reference number: -  
Title: Wick Herring Queen and Gala  
Dates of creation: 1933-1963  
Level of description: Sub-fonds  
Extent: 5 boxes  
Format: Paper, photograph

**RECORDS' CONTEXT**

Name of creators: Wick Herring Queen Committee; various

Administrative history: This event was first held in 1937 and was organised by a sub-committee of the Wick Riverside and Town Improvements Committee which had been in existence since the reclamation of tidal lands in the centre of the town early in the twentieth century. The idea seems to have come from the Coronation of King George VI, which had been held earlier the same year.

Another factor was that the fishing in Wick had been very bad for the previous six years and the fishing fleet had dwindled to a handful of boats. The Herring Queen committee resolved to try to bring a little pageantry and cheer to the town and organised a festival which exceeded their most optimistic hopes.

A girl, who to begin with, had to have at least one parent connected with the herring industry, was elected Queen. On the day of her crowning, which took place at the Braehead, she was taken to sea on a drifter, escorted by as many of the fleet as wished to join. They carried passengers and the flotilla went as far as the mouth of Wick Bay where they turned to present a very impressive spectacle as they steamed in convoy back to the harbour. While the exact number of spectators was not counted, about 8,000 people watched the arrival

of the first Herring Queen. On landing she was greeted by the Provost and other dignitaries, escorted to the crowning platform, where the crown was placed on her head by the previous year's Queen.

The crown itself was made of tinned copper with Ensign Armorial of Wick surrounded by symbols of the town's connection with the sea and the fishing industry. The insignia is surrounded by a rope, supported by two dolphins and is leaning on crossed tridents. The frame of the crown is in the form of a net, with herring superimposed, a design drawn from the arms of the Burgh of Pulteneytown, which lies on the south side of the river and amalgamated with Wick in 1901.

When the ceremony was over a procession of decorated lorries and carts went through the main streets of the town to gather money for local causes. Many local organisations took part in the parade. The Queen was elected for a year and in this capacity she attended many local functions, opening sales of work, garden fetes and other fund-raising activities.

There were no festivals from 1939 to 1948 but by then the herring fishing in Wick was in terminal decline. The last Herring Queen was elected in 1953, the same year as the herring fishing ceased in the traditional way. The organisers saw no point in holding a Herring Queen ceremony when no herring were being landed, so the committee was dissolved and responsibility passed back to the Town Improvements Committee, who changed the name to Gala Queen and continue to hold this ceremony and procession in July every year.

The crown, cup and cloak loaned by Wick River Committee on 20th September 2000 is on display at Wick Heritage Museum.

### Wick's Herring Queens

1937 - Miss Reta Shearer

1938 - Miss Alice Taylor

1939 - Miss Isobel Cormack

No ceremonies were held from 1940 to 1948

1949 - Miss Ray Mackay - now Mrs Richard

1950 - Miss Mary Halcro

1951 - Miss Joyce Maleham

1952 - Miss Marie Simpson

1953 - Miss Christine Gunn

After 1953 the ceremony became the Gala Queen Procession

[Source: [caithness.org](http://caithness.org)]

Custodial history:

Deposited by the Wick Society

### **RECORDS' CONTENT**

Description:

Minutes, financial records, programmes, mixed files, correspondence, posters and signs

Appraisal:

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Accruals:

None expected

### **RECORDS' CONDITION OF ACCESS AND USE**

Access:

Open

Closed until:

Access conditions:

Available within the archive searchroom

Copying:

Copying permitted within standard Copyright Act parameters

Finding aids:

Available in the archive searchroom and [online](#)

### **ALLIED MATERIALS**

Related material:

P172 - Wick Herring Queen, souvenir programmes  
P273 - Souvenir Programme for the Wick Herring Queen Pageant

P634/1/11 - 'Grandma Remembers: A Caithness Childhood' by Jane Waite  
P874/1 - Ray Richards Herring Queen  
P921/3/1 - Black and white postcards of the Herring Queen, Wick  
WS/14 - Wick Riverside Improvement Scheme

Publication: -

Notes: -

Date of catalogue: 2023

<b>Ref.</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Dates</b>
<b>WS</b>	<b>The Wick Society Collection</b>	<b>1476-2022, n.d.</b>
<b>WS/15</b>	<b>Wick Herring Queen and Gala</b>	<b>1933-1963</b>
<b>WS/15/1</b>	<b>Minutes</b>	<b>1950-1955</b>
WS/15/1/1	Minute Book, Wick Herring Queen Committee (1 volume)	10 Apr 1950-17 May 1951
WS/15/1/2	Minutes, Wick Herring Queen Committee (1 file)	1951-1955
<b>WS/15/2</b>	<b>Financial records</b>	<b>1931-1951</b>
WS/15/2/1	Cash Book, Wick Herring Queen Committee (1 volume)	1937-1950
WS/15/2/2	Cash Book, Wick Herring Queen Committee (1 volume)	1950-1955
WS/15/2/3	List of names and monetary amounts (6 items) [possibly donors or subscribers to Wick Herring Queen Committee fund]	c.1950s
WS/15/2/4	List of donations and expenses (1 bundle)	c.1950s
WS/15/2/5	Various financial documents (1 file)	c.1950s
WS/15/2/6	Civic Week Financial Statement 1951 (1 item)	29 Oct 1951
<b>WS/15/3</b>	<b>Programmes</b>	<b>1937-1953</b>
WS/15/3/1	Wick Herring Queen programme (1 item)	1937
WS/15/3/2	Wick Herring Queen Souvenir Programme (1 item)	1939
WS/15/3/3	Wick Herring Queen and Festival Week programme (1 item)	1951

WS/15/3/4	File of detailed programmes for the Chairman, Wick Police and others (1 file) [also various handwritten notes]	1951
WS/15/3/5	Wick Civic Week programme (1 item)	1952
WS/15/3/6	Wick Herring Queen Festival 1952 Souvenir Programme (2 items) [1 copy has been used to plan the 1953 festival and contains a photograph dated 4 July 1953 of Christine Gunn age 15, daughter of skipper John Gunn, Dunelin Sinclair Terrace]	1952
WS/15/3/7	Wick Herring Queen Festival 1953 Souvenir Programme (2 items)	1953
<b>WS/15/4</b>	<b>Mixed files</b>	<b>1938-1963</b>
WS/15/4/1	Wick Herring Queen Committee Carnival Week and Crowning Ceremony and Procession 1938 Prize List (1 volume)	1938
WS/15/4/2	File containing minutes of meetings, notes, invoices, and programmes all pertaining to the Herring Queen Festival of 1949 (1 file)	1949
WS/15/4/3	File containing notes, invoices, invitations and programmes all pertaining to the Herring Queen Festival of 1950 (1 file)	1950
WS/15/4/4	Wick Herring Queen Festival Carnival Procession award winners including best decorated fishing boats, fancy dress. Inventory, receipts, unsold tickets and one from 1951, names of Queen and court members, returned cheques, accounts (1 file)	1952
WS/15/4/5	Wick Herring Queen Festival. Prize list, inventory, receipts, unsold tickets, names of Queen and court members, returned cheques, accounts, competition entries for Shop Window Spotting Competition and results (1 file)	1953
WS/15/4/6	Wick Herring Queen Committee various correspondence and copies of minutes (1 file)	1954-1963
<b>WS/15/5</b>	<b>Correspondence</b>	<b>1950-1962</b>
WS/15/5/1	Wick Herring Queen Committee correspondence regarding the 1951 Herring Queen Festival. Includes a programme for the event (1 file)	1950
WS/15/5/2	Wick Herring Queen Committee correspondence regarding the 1951 Herring Queen Festival (1 file)	1951

WS/15/5/3	Wick Herring Queen Committee correspondence. Includes planning for the 1952 Herring Queen Festival and associated events and planning for the 1953 Festival (1 file)	1952
WS/15/5/4	Wick Herring Queen correspondence (1 file)	1953
WS/15/5/5	Wick herring Queen correspondence (1 file)	c.1950-1960
<b>WS/15/6</b>	<b>Posters and signs</b>	<b>1933-1952, n.d.</b>
WS/15/6/1	Gala Day poster, Riverside, Wick (4 items)	6 Sep 1933
WS/15/6/2	Gala Day poster, Riverside, Wick (2 items)	21 Aug 1935
WS/15/6/3	Gala Day poster, Riverside, Wick. Print date of 5 Aug 1936 overwritten with 28 Jul 1937 (1 item)	5 Aug 1936
WS/15/6/4	Gala Day poster, Riverside, Wick (2 items)	3 Aug 1938
WS/15/6/5	Gala Day poster, Riverside, Wick (1 item)	19 Jul 1939
WS/15/6/6	Gala Day poster, Riverside, Wick (1 item)	2 Aug 1941
WS/15/6/7	Gala Day poster, Riverside, Wick (1 item)	10 Jul 1943
WS/15/6/8	Gala Day poster, Riverside, Wick (1 item)	20 Jul 1946
WS/15/6/9	Posters for Wick Herring Queen Festival Public Dances (2 items)	Jul 1951
WS/15/6/10	Wick Herring Queen Festival posters (1 bundle)	1952
WS/15/6/11	Event Signs. Includes 'Herring Queen Committee', 'Treasurer', 'Car Park' and 'Pay Here' (1 bundle)	n.d.
<b>WS/15/7</b>	<b>Various</b>	<b>1949-1951, n.d.</b>
WS/15/7/1	Notebook containing copies of advertisements and cuttings from newspapers regarding the Herring Queen Festival (1 item)	1949-1951
WS/15/7/2	Typed copy of speech by the seventh Wick Herring Queen (2 items)	c.1950s
WS/15/7/3	Various written notes (1 bundle)	c.1950s
WS/15/7/4	Typed list of Wick Herring Queen Festival events (2 items)	c.1950s
WS/15/7/5	Blank Wick Herring Queen Committee stationery (1 bundle)	c.1950s

WS/15/7/6	Wick Herring Queen Committee Judge badges (1 box)	c.1950s
WS/15/7/7	Envelope containing poem 'Herring Queen Greetings' (3 items)	Jul 1951
WS/15/7/8	Cards detailing sections of the 1951 Wick Herring Queen Festival (1 bundle)	1951
WS/15/7/9	Sashes decorated with 'Thurso', 'Staxigoe', 'Lybster' and 'Keiss' (4 items)	n.d.
WS/15/7/10	Wick Herring Queen Festival Carnival Procession entrance tags (1 bundle)	n.d.
<b>WS/15/8</b>	<b>Material from other Caithness Galas</b>	<b>1950-1952</b>
WS/15/8/1	Thurso Gala Week Souvenir Programme (1 item)	Jul 1950
WS/15/8/2	Thurso Town Improvements Committee Festival Gala Week programme (2 items)	14 Jul 1951-21 Jul 1951, 19 Jul 1952-26 Jul 1952
WS/15/8/3	The British Legion Halkirk and District Branch Gala Week Programme (1 item)	11 Aug 1951-17 Aug 1951



## **WS/16 – Records of Caithness music festivals**

### **RECORDS' IDENTITY STATEMENT**

Reference number:	GB1741/WS/16
Alternative reference number:	-
Title:	Records of Caithness music festivals
Dates of creation:	1904-1964, n.d.
Level of description:	Sub-fonds
Extent:	4 boxes
Format:	Paper

### **RECORDS' CONTEXT**

Name of creators:	Caithness Music Festival; Wick Musical Association; Wick Music Festival Association; Caithness County Musical Committee; Wick Philharmonic Society; Caithness County Orchestra; Caithness and Sutherland Musical Festival; Carnegie Committee for Music and Drama; various
Administrative history:	<p>The Wick Musical Association was constituted in 1904 and the first Wick Music Festival is reported to have taken place in 1924.</p> <p>From then on music festivals have been a consistent occurrence within Caithness and continue now, as of 2023.</p>
Custodial history:	<p>Deposited by the Wick Society</p> <p>Wick Society collected many records pertaining to music festivals in Caithness and this sub-fonds represents the accumulation of these records.</p> <p>Represented within this sub-fonds are records pertaining to the Caithness Music Festival; Wick Musical Association; Wick Music Festival Association; Caithness County Musical Committee; Wick Philharmonic Society; Caithness County Orchestra; Caithness and Sutherland Musical Festival.</p> <p>It is unclear where the overlap between many of these societies and events lay. The records have been kept together as</p>

this was how they were received from the depositor.

## RECORDS' CONTENT

Description:	Constitutions; Minutes; Financial records; Correspondence; Syllabi and programmes; various
Appraisal:	-
Accruals:	None expected

## RECORDS' CONDITION OF ACCESS AND USE

Access:	Open
Closed until:	-
Access conditions:	Available within the archive searchroom
Copying:	Copying permitted within standard Copyright Act parameters
Finding aids:	Available in the archive searchroom and <a href="#">online</a>

## ALLIED MATERIALS

Related material:	-
Publication:	-
Notes:	-
Date of catalogue:	2023

Ref.	Description	Dates
<b>WS</b>	<b>The Wick Society Collection</b>	<b>1476-2022, n.d.</b>
<b>WS/16</b>	<b>Records of Caithness music festivals</b> [itemised paper catalogue compiled by Wick Society available, see WS/28/1]	<b>1904-1964, n.d.</b>
<b>WS/16/1</b>	<b>Constitutions</b>	<b>n.d.</b>
WS/16/1/1	Caithness County Music Committee constitution (3 items)	n.d.
WS/16/1/2	Caithness County Orchestra draft constitution and members list (3 items)	n.d.
<b>WS/16/2</b>	<b>Minutes</b>	<b>1904</b>

<b>WS/16/2/1</b>	<b>Wick Musical Association</b>	<b>1904-1928</b>
WS/16/2/1/1	Minute book of Wick Musical Association (1 volume) [including newspaper clippings, constitutions, and rules]	1904-1928
<b>WS/16/2/2</b>	<b>Caithness County Music Committee</b>	<b>1961-1963</b>
WS/16/2/2/1	Caithness County Music Committee Minutes (1 volume)	1961-1963
WS/16/2/2/2	Caithness County Music Committee Minutes (1 item)	3 Jul 1961
<b>WS/16/2/3</b>	<b>Wick Philharmonic Society</b>	<b>19 Apr 1939</b>
WS/16/2/3/1	Wick Philharmonic Society Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 19 <sup>th</sup> April 1939 (3 items)	19 Apr 1939
<b>WS/16/2/4</b>	<b>Caithness County Orchestra</b>	<b>1950-1951</b>
WS/16/2/4/1	Caithness County Orchestra Minutes (6 items)	1950-1951
<b>WS/16/3</b>	<b>Financial records</b>	<b>1920-1962</b>
<b>WS/16/3/1</b>	<b>Receipts and Invoices</b>	<b>1924-1962</b>
WS/16/3/1/1	Receipts, invoices and financial statements (1 file)	1921-1923
WS/16/3/1/2	Receipt book (1 volume)	1924-1925
WS/16/3/1/3	Receipts and Invoices (1 bundle)	1924
WS/16/3/1/4	Receipts and Invoices (1 bundle)	1925
WS/16/3/1/5	Receipts and Invoices (1 bundle)	1926
WS/16/3/1/6	Receipts and Invoices (1 bundle)	1927
WS/16/3/1/7	Receipts and Invoices (1 bundle)	1928-1929
WS/16/3/1/8	Receipts and Invoices (1 bundle)	1930-1949
WS/16/3/1/9	Receipts and Invoices (1 bundle)	1950-1959
WS/16/3/1/10	Receipts and Invoices (1 bundle)	1960-1962, n.d.
<b>WS/16/3/2</b>	<b>Cash Books</b>	<b>1920-1952</b>
WS/16/3/2/1	Wick Musical Festival Association Cash Book (1 volume)	1920-1936
WS/16/3/2/2	Wick Musical Festival Association Cash Book (1 volume, 2 items) [correspondence from bank,	1922-1953

	1953, and proposed alteration in constitution, n.d., found within Cash Book, inside front cover]	
<b>WS/16/3/3</b>	<b>Various</b>	<b>1924-1962</b>
WS/16/3/3/1	File containing various financial records, many within the same pages or documents, including Financial Statements, wage receipts, prize lists, notes on accounts, account summaries, lists of patrons and members (1 file)	1924-1930
WS/16/3/3/2	Caithness County Music Committee Postages (1 volume)	1959-1962
<b>WS/16/4</b>	<b>Correspondence</b>	<b>1923-1961, n.d.</b>
WS/16/4/1	Correspondence related to Caithness Music Festival and other performances and workshops (1 file)	1923-1953
WS/16/4/2	Correspondence related to Caithness Music Festival and other performances and workshops (1 file)	1954
WS/16/4/3	Correspondence related to Caithness Music Festival and other performances and workshops (1 file)	1955-1956
WS/16/4/4	Correspondence related to Caithness Music Festival and other performances and workshops (1 file)	1957-1958
WS/16/4/5	Correspondence related to Caithness Music Festival and other performances and workshops (1 file)	1959-1962
WS/16/4/6	Correspondence related to Caithness Music Festival and other performances and workshops, including a drawing of a Wick Musical Festival Association logo (1 file)	n.d.
<b>WS/16/5</b>	<b>Syllabi and programmes</b>	<b>1922-1964</b>
WS/16/5/1	Wick Musical Association Grand Ballad and Choral Concert Programme (1 item)	1922
WS/16/5/2	Wick Musical (Competition) Festival Association, First Annual Festival, letter that accompanied syllabus (1 item)	Sep 1923
WS/16/5/3	Wick Musical Festival Association Syllabus for Festival (2 items)	1924

WS/16/5/4	The Official Syllabus of the First Wick Musical (Competition) Festival (1 item)	1924
WS/16/5/5	Wick Musical (Competition) Festival Programme (3 items)	1924
WS/16/5/6	Wick Musical (Competition) Festival Association, Second Annual Festival, letter that accompanied syllabus (1 item)	1925
WS/16/5/7	Wick Musical (Competition) Festival Programme (2 items)	1925
WS/16/5/8	The Official Syllabus of the Second Wick Musical (Competition) Festival (1 item)	1925
WS/16/5/9	The Official Syllabus of the Third Wick Musical (Competition) Festival (2 items)	1926
WS/16/5/10	Third Wick Musical Festival time table, list of competitors and general instructions (2 items)	1926
WS/16/5/11	Wick Musical (Competition) Festival Programme of Third Festival (1 item)	1926
WS/16/5/12	The Official Syllabus of the Fourth Wick Musical (Competition) Festival (1 item)	1927
WS/16/5/13	Wick Musical (Competition) Festival Programme of Fourth Festival (1 item)	1927
WS/16/5/14	Caithness and Sutherland Musical (Competition) Festival Programme (1 item)	1928
WS/16/5/15	The Official Syllabus of the Fifth Caithness and Sutherland Musical (Competition) Festival (2 items)	1928
WS/16/5/16	Official Syllabus for Sixth Caithness and Sutherland Musical (Competition) Festival (2 items)	1930
WS/16/5/17	Caithness and Sutherland Musical (Competition) Festival Programme of Sixth Festival (2 items)	1930
WS/16/5/18	Wick Philharmonic Society Fourth Concert Programme (1 item)	1940
WS/16/5/19	Caithness Spring Music Week souvenir programme (1 item)	1951
WS/16/5/20	Second Caithness Spring Music Week souvenir programme (1 item)	1952
WS/16/5/21	Tenth Caithness Music Festival Programme and Syllabus (3 items)	1959

WS/16/5/22	Eleventh Caithness Music Festival Programme (1 item)	1960
WS/16/5/23	Thirteenth Caithness Music Festival Syllabus with accompanying handwritten notes (1 bundle)	1962
WS/16/5/24	Fifteenth Caithness Music Festival Programme (1 item)	1964
<b>WS/16/6</b>	<b>Caithness County Music Committee One-Day Choral Conductors Course</b>	<b>1957-1958</b>
WS/16/6/1	Correspondence between the Corporation of Aberdeen Education Department and Mr Curtis Craig, County Music Organiser, Wick (1 bundle)	1957-1958
WS/16/6/2	Receipts and Invoices (1 bundle)	1958
WS/16/6/3	Newspaper Clipping Advertisement, Prospectus and Acceptance Letter (3 items)	1958
WS/16/6/4	A short report on the Conductors Course by John B. Dalby (1 bundle)	1958
WS/16/6/5	Completed Application Forms (1 file)	1958
<b>WS/16/7</b>	<b>Mixed files of correspondence, minutes, financial records and other records</b>	<b>1954-1963</b>
WS/16/7/1	Caithness Music Festival cover letter, school meals and transport information, programme summary, additional programme, place winners' concert programme, transport and meals schedule and school meals location map (1 bundle)	1954
WS/16/7/2	Caithness Music Festival programme, instructions for inscription of trophies, transport and meal schedule, blank permission slip and blank scoring sheet (1 bundle)	1955
WS/16/7/3	Caithness Music Festival programme, handwritten notes regarding performances, transport for school children cover letter and blank school and group entry forms (1 bundle)	1956
WS/16/7/4	Caithness Education Committee information cover letter, permission slip, transport of school children, outline programme, transport of children arrangements, transport and meal schedule (1 bundle)	1958

WS/16/7/5	Caithness Music Festival place winners' concert programme, invitation letter, inscription of trophies instructions and blank scoring sheet (1 bundle)	1958
WS/16/7/6	Volume containing Festival correspondence, minutes of public meeting, financial summaries, list of participants and music, correspondence with adjudicators involving music choice, transport and meal arrangements, venue hire, and advertisement script (1 volume)	1958-1963
WS/16/7/7	Caithness Music Festival Outline of Programme, handwritten scoring notes, final results, syllabus, Caithness County Council Education Committee confirmation of grant (1 bundle)	1959
WS/16/7/8	Caithness Music Festival transport arrangements, list of order of competitors with accompanying notes (1 bundle)	1960
WS/16/7/9	Caithness Music Festival transport arrangements, programme, correspondence confirming use of High School hall, information booklet including permission and entry slip, rules, and handwritten notes regarding the programme and application for grant funding (1 bundle)	1961
WS/16/7/10	Volume containing Music Committee general correspondence relating to election of committee members, sheet music, The British Federation of Music Festivals 1963 conference program, a directory of drama adjudicators, and correspondence with The Albion Orchestra (1 volume)	1963
<b>WS/16/8</b>	<b>Various</b>	<b>1908-1962, n.d.</b>
WS/16/8/1	Wick Music Association "Messiah" book of words (1 item)	1908
WS/16/8/2	Register of Entries for Wick Musical Festival (1 volume)	1925-1928
WS/16/8/3	Unsigned Diploma Certificate for Caithness and Sutherland Musical Competition Festival 1930 (1 item)	1930
WS/16/8/4	Unsigned First Class Certificate for Caithness and Sutherland Musical Competition Festival 1930 (1 item)	1930
WS/16/8/5	Caithness Music Festival large poster time-table for the sixth, eighth and tenth festival (3 items)	1930-1934

WS/16/8/6	List of Trophy winners (3 items)	1952-1954
WS/16/8/7	Caithness Music Festival place winners' concert programme (1 item)	1953
WS/16/8/8	Catalogues for 'Contemporary Scottish Paintings' and 'Paintings by John Duncan Fergusson' (2 items)	1954
WS/16/8/9	The British Federation of Musical Festivals paperwork including 1960 Conference Programme, registration form and report of the general board, the 1961 General Meeting and Conference reservation form, report of the central board, conference programme and The British Federation of Music Festivals revised classifications notification and public liability insurance 1955 (1 bundle)	1955, 1960-1961
WS/16/8/10	Scottish Amateur Music Association Annual Report 1956-57, Scottish Amateur Music Association Bulletin 1957, Scottish Amateur Music Association Bulletin No.2 Autumn 1958 and Scottish Amateur Music Association agenda and minutes 1960 (1 bundle)	1957-1960
WS/16/8/11	Miscellaneous paperwork related to organisations outside Caithness; including the Forty-Seventh Glasgow Musical Festival 1958 Time-Table and completed application form, Ross and Cromarty Music Committee Report 1959-1961, and Scottish National Orchestra Season 1958-1959 (1 bundle)	1958-1961
WS/16/8/12	Scottish Committee of the Arts Council of Great Britain Season (5 volumes)	1958-1963
WS/16/8/13	'You Never Can Tell' draft itinerary and information for local organisers (1 bundle)	1960
WS/16/8/14	Advertising leaflets and programmes for 'You Never Can Tell', the Intimate Opera 'Timon of Athens', 'Gentleman's Island' and 'The Lottery', the Intimate Opera 'True Blue', 'The Music Master' and 'Ten o'clock Call' and for The Children's Theatre (1 bundle)	1960-1962
WS/16/8/15	'The Servant of Two Masters' final itinerary, accommodation, and information for local organisers (1 bundle)	1961
WS/16/8/16	Children's Theatre, Bertha Waddell's famous company draft itinerary, press handout,	1961



	requirements for local organisers, and final itinerary (1 bundle)	
WS/16/8/17	'True Blue', 'The Music Master', and 'Ten o'clock Call', an Intimate Opera notes to organisers and stage setting (1 bundle)	1962
WS/16/8/18	Draft itinerary for Halkirk-Kirkwall-Wick travelling dates (1 item) [possibly 1959 since matches touring dates]	n.d.
WS/16/8/19	The Intimate Opera Company of Great Britain (2 volumes)	n.d.
WS/16/8/20	Intimate Opera itinerary (1 bundle)	n.d.
WS/16/8/21	Carnegie Committee for Music and Drama policy, information, and registration forms (1 bundle) [blank registration forms]	n.d.
WS/16/8/22	A Directory of Drama Adjudicators (1 volume)	n.d.
WS/16/8/23	Programmes from outside performances including artists such as Meta Forrest, Ian Gilmour, Gwendolen McGill, Constance Carrodus, David Imrie, and the Perth Theatre Company's touring production of 'Plaintiff in a Pretty Hat', 'Gaslight', and 'Who Cares?' (1 bundle)	n.d.
WS/16/8/24	Caithness County Music Committee calling cards (6 items) [blank]	n.d.

**WS/17 –1st Wick Scout Group  
RECORDS' IDENTITY STATEMENT**

Reference number: GB1741/WS/17  
Alternative reference number: -  
Title: 1st Wick Scout Group  
Dates of creation: c.1920-1954, n.d.  
Level of description: Sub-fonds  
Extent: 2 boxes  
Format: Paper, photograph

**RECORDS' CONTEXT**

Name of creators: 1st Wick Scout Group; various  
Administrative history: Scouting, as a worldwide organisation is well organised, well developed and extremely well supported, both at a local and national level.

1st Wick Scout Group has a proud tradition dating back to the early 20<sup>th</sup> century within Wick. As the 1st Scout troop to be formed within Caithness, they are extremely proud to carry the title of 1st Caithness as part of their identity.

Scouting, as a whole, has since developed over the preceding decades and currently (2023) caters for boys and girls of all ages from 6 years old through to 25 years of age.

This is well demonstrated within the Wick Scout Group via Beavers, Cubs, Scouts, Explorers and Network Scouts.

Custodial history: Deposited by the Wick Society

**RECORDS' CONTENT**

Description: Enrolment records; Administrative records; Financial records; Correspondence; Scout notebooks and diaries; Concerts and plays; Certificates, badges and other paraphernalia; Published materials

Appraisal: -  
Accruals: None expected

### **RECORDS' CONDITION OF ACCESS AND USE**

Access: Open  
Closed until: -  
Access conditions: Available within the archive searchroom  
Copying: Copying permitted within standard Copyright Act parameters  
Finding aids: Available in the archive searchroom and [online](#)

### **ALLIED MATERIALS**

Related material: P313 - Wick 1st Troop Boy Scouts  
P615 - Wick Scouts, minute books and papers  
P640 - 5th Caithness 2nd Wick Group Boy Scouts  
P812 - Papers of Jessie (Dot) and Arthur Doull  
Publication: -  
Notes: -  
Date of catalogue: 2023

<b>Ref.</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Dates</b>
<b>WS</b>	<b>The Wick Society Collection</b>	<b>1476-2022, n.d.</b>
<b>WS/17</b>	<b>1st Wick Scout Group</b>	<b>c.1920-1954, n.d.</b>
<b>WS/17/1</b>	<b>Enrolment records</b>	<b>1931-1939</b>
WS/17/1/1	1 <sup>st</sup> Wick Rover Crew Roll Book and Investiture Records (2 volumes) [both in original cardboard sleeve]	1931-1939
WS/17/1/2	1 <sup>st</sup> Wick Scouts Bundle of Enrolment Record Cards and Proficiency certificates (1 file)	1935-1938
<b>WS/17/2</b>	<b>Administrative records</b>	<b>1946-1953, n.d.</b>

WS/17/2/1	North British and Mercantile Short Period Fire Insurance for six Bell tents at Nethybridge Inverness (1 item)	Jul 1946
WS/17/2/2	The Boy Scouts Association, Amendments to Scottish P.O.R. (1 item)	1949
WS/17/2/3	Independent Patrol Activities Records. To be completed by Patrol Leaders (1 bundle)	1951-1953
WS/17/2/4	Notes on Correct Uniform (Current Scottish Rules) leaflet (1 item)	n.d.
WS/17/2/5	Uncompleted forms for Record of Service, Particulars of Group Scouters, Annual Registration and Voucher Application (4 items)	n.d.
<b>WS/17/3</b>	<b>Financial records</b>	<b>c.1930-1950</b>
WS/17/3/1	Order Book for supplies for camps (1 volume)	c.1930
WS/17/3/2	Contributions paid notebook (1 volume)	c.1930
WS/17/3/3	Memo Book of Payments made by each patrol (1 volume)	1938
WS/17/3/4	Book of Payments made by each Patrol member towards a holiday (1 volume)	1941-1942
WS/17/3/5	Receipts and Statements (1 bundle)	1945-1951
WS/17/3/6	Statement of proceeds from a concert "Crest of a Wave" in Rifle Drill Hall Wick (1 item)	20-21 Dec 1945
WS/17/3/7	C Yuill Esq., receipt for subscription to The Scouter (1 item)	24 Mar 1950
<b>WS/17/4</b>	<b>Correspondence</b>	<b>1937-1954</b>
WS/17/4/1	Letter describing a visit from Canadian scouts visiting Britain and flying to Wick (1 item)	29 Aug 1937
WS/17/4/2	Correspondence to Mr J Yuill from Glasgow County Scout Council mentioning the Empire Exhibition and National Rally and includes the Wick Programme while staying there (5 items)	15 Apr 1938, 9 Jun 1938
WS/17/4/3	Letter from Clyde Navigation Trust granting permission for Wick Boy Scout visit (1 item)	29 Jun 1938
WS/17/4/4	Letter from The Boy Scouts Scottish Headquarters concerning Scholarship possibilities in Kansas (1 item)	31 May 1951

WS/17/4/5	Correspondence from Earl Haig Fund regarding Scouts using their collecting tins for selling Coronation programmes (1 item)	17 Jan 1953
WS/17/4/6	Correspondence to J Yuill, c/o Messrs R Finlayson & Co, Electrical Engineers, Wick (1 item)	8 Mar 1954
WS/17/4/7	S.H.Q. circular letter regarding annual meetings, conferences, courses and other news (1 item)	1954
<b>WS/17/5</b>	<b>Scout notebooks and diaries</b>	<b>c.1930-1937, n.d.</b>
WS/17/5/1	Notebook of meetings, activities and contributions (1 item)	c.1930s-1940s
WS/17/5/2	Diary of Scout meetings including games, activities, awards. Includes loose pages, camp daily routine for Culrain. [William H Simpson Wick High School Stag Patrol] (1 volume)	1936-1937
WS/17/5/3	Detailed accounts of a first class journey cycling from Wick to Latheronwheel (1 bundle)	Aug 1937
WS/17/5/4	Part of booklet (beginning page 9) detailing First Principles and Drills to be carried out by Scouts (1 item)	n.d.
WS/17/5/5	Pencil drawn map with pressed Sycamore leaf inside (2 items)	n.d.
WS/17/5/6	Attributes of a scout. Typed list. Includes, Trusty, Thrifty, Brotherly, Loyal (1 bundle)	n.d.
<b>WS/17/6</b>	<b>Concerts and plays</b>	<b>c.1930-1948</b>
WS/17/6/1	Programme for a concert. Includes words to various songs including 'Up Girls and at 'em'. Typed humorous song about a hockey match (1 bundle)	c.1930
WS/17/6/2	Gang show seating plan (2 items)	1948
<b>WS/17/7</b>	<b>Certificates, badges and other paraphernalia</b>	<b>1934-1950, n.d.</b>
WS/17/7/1	Framed Rover Instructor's Certificates for Donald Alexander and John Yuill (2 items)	6 Apr 1934
WS/17/7/2	Badge Certificates, list of recipients (4 items)	1937-1938
WS/17/7/3	Greater New York round felt coaster (1 item)	c.1950
WS/17/7/4	Boy Scouts Pennant flag, felt and metal (1 item)	c.1950

WS/17/7/5	Badges (16 items) [in envelope]	n.d.
<b>WS/17/8</b>	<b>Published materials</b>	<b>c.1920-1954, n.d.</b>
WS/17/8/1	McGlennon's Annual Pantomime. Programme of songs (1 item)	c.1920
WS/17/8/2	Scouting Sketches by Lord Hampton (1 volume)	1928
WS/17/8/3	Useful Growls and Palavers (1 volume)	1929
WS/17/8/4	Scouting in Pictures poster (1 item)	c.1930
WS/17/8/5	Individual Exercises in School Geography (1 volume)	15 Aug 1931
WS/17/8/6	The Scouter Warrants. Lists of groups at home and abroad (1 item)	1932-1934
WS/17/8/7	The 29 <sup>th</sup> Laugh Book and Programme (1 item)	1933
WS/17/8/8	Newspaper cutting describing 5000 Scouts attending rally at Perth (1 item)	26 Jun 1933
WS/17/8/9	The Scout magazine (4 items) [two dated 1955]	1933, 1954, 1955
WS/17/8/10	The Scouter, The Headquarters Gazette (11 items)	1934-1939
WS/17/8/11	The Tenderfoot Times (1 item)	13 Apr 1934
WS/17/8/12	The Scout Show (1 volume)	13-21 Apr 1934
WS/17/8/13	Silent Drills by Signs (1 volume)	1935
WS/17/8/14	The Quest of The Boy [J Yuill Feb 1940 written inside] (1 volume)	1935
WS/17/8/15	The Scout and Guide Shop (1 item)	Jun 1935
WS/17/8/16	The Scottish Scout magazine [John Yuill written on one] (4 items)	Dec 1934-Dec 1936
WS/17/8/17	Scoutannica (1 volume)	1937
WS/17/8/18	World Rover Scout Rally (1 item)	1939
WS/17/8/19	The Jamboree Cook's Book (1 volume)	c.1940
WS/17/8/20	German Ovaltine advert with colourful Scout graphics (1 item)	c.1950
WS/17/8/21	Small tourist map of central London (1 item)	c.1950

WS/17/8/22	The Town that Would Have a Pageant (1 volume)	1952
WS/17/8/23	Jamboree Journal of World Scouting (2 items)	1954
WS/17/8/24	Morse Code story book (1 volume)	n.d.
WS/17/8/25	Blacks Campcraft Greenock (1 volume)	n.d.

**WS/18 – Wick Swimming Clubs**  
**RECORDS' IDENTITY STATEMENT**

Reference number: GB1741/WS/18  
Alternative reference number: -  
Title: Wick Swimming Clubs  
Dates of creation: 1925-1978  
Level of description: Sub-fonds  
Extent: 2 boxes  
Format: Paper

**RECORDS' CONTEXT**

Name of creators: Wick Trinkie Swimming Club; Northern Swimming Club

Administrative history: Wick has two outdoor swimming pools – the Trinkie and the North Baths.

Wick Trinkie Swimming Club

The Trinkie is a natural sea water pool situated on the outskirts of Wick past the old coastguard station at Wick's South Head. The pool is 25m long and has 4 lanes. Trinkie is the Scottish word for trench. The pool was created in the early 20<sup>th</sup> century from part of a quarry. It is maintained by the Trinkie Heritage Preservation Group (2023).

Northern Swimming Club

The North Baths swimming pool is located just outside Wick Harbour on the north side. Crowds still gather (2023) to attend the annual swimming gala of the now defunct Northern Swimming Club.

A history of the North Baths by Harry Gray can be read here:

<http://www.caithness.org/community/environment/friendstrinkieorthbaths/histornorthbaths.htm>

Custodial history: Deposited by the Wick Society

**RECORDS' CONTENT**



Description: Minutes, Membership records; Financial records; Correspondence; various

Appraisal: -

Accruals: None expected

### **RECORDS' CONDITION OF ACCESS AND USE**

Access: Open

Closed until: -

Access conditions: Available within the archive searchroom

Copying: Copying permitted within standard Copyright Act parameters

Finding aids: Available in the archive searchroom and [online](#)

### **ALLIED MATERIALS**

Related material: P954/3 - Photograph of Scouts canoeing at the Trinkie in the 1950s

Publication: -

Notes: -

Date of catalogue: 2023

<b>Ref.</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Dates</b>
<b>WS</b>	<b>The Wick Society Collection</b>	<b>1476-2022, n.d.</b>
<b>WS/18</b>	<b>Wick Swimming Clubs</b>	<b>1925-1978</b>
<b>WS/18/1</b>	<b>Wick Trinkie Swimming Club</b>	<b>1925-1967, n.d.</b>
<b>WS/18/1/1</b>	<b>Minutes</b>	<b>1937-1948</b>
WS/18/1/1/1	Minutes of meeting of the Wick Trinkie Swimming Club Committee (1 item)	17 Dec 1937
WS/18/1/1/2	Wick Trinkie Swimming Club notebook containing minutes of meetings notes (1 item)	Apr 1939-May 1940
WS/18/1/1/3	Note of minute of meeting held 16 Mar 1948 of Wick Trinkie Swimming Club (1 item)	16 Mar 1948
<b>WS/18/1/2</b>	<b>Membership records</b>	<b>1938-1939, n.d.</b>

WS/18/1/2/1	Wick Trinkie Swimming Club blank membership cards (5 items)	1938
WS/18/1/2/2	Wick Trinkie Swimming Club blank membership cards (1 bundle)	1939
WS/18/1/2/3	Wick Trinkie Athletic Club lists of members and office bearers (2 items)	n.d.
<b>WS/18/1/3</b>	<b>Financial records</b>	<b>1925-1946, n.d.</b>
WS/18/1/3/1	£3000 5% War Loan 1929 to 1947 purchase and settlement by Order of the Commercial Bank of Scotland Ltd. Wick Branch (1 item)	12 Mar 1925
WS/18/1/3/2	Financial records of the Wick Trinkie Swimming Club. Includes invoices, receipts, pages of accounts and a bank book (1 bundle)	1935-1940
WS/18/1/3/3	Quotations issued to Wick Harbour Trust for various supplies (1 bundle)	1936-1939
WS/18/1/3/4	Aberdeen Savings Bank book for the Trinkie Athletic Club (1 item)	Jun 1938-Sep 1938
WS/18/1/3/5	Trinkie Swimming Club Account Book (1 volume)	Apr 1938-Jun 1939
WS/18/1/3/6	Accounts and list of prize-winners from the Aquatic Gala, North Bath, 18 Jul 1938 (4 items)	18 Jul 1938
WS/18/1/3/7	The Trinkie Swimming Club notebook containing notes of expenses (1 item)	22 Apr 1946-30 Apr 1946
WS/18/1/3/8	Aberdeen Savings Bank blotters (5 items)	n.d.
<b>WS/18/1/4</b>	<b>Correspondence</b>	<b>1954-1967</b>
WS/18/1/4/1	Wick Trinkie Swimming Club correspondence regarding a diving stage (4 items)	20 May 1954-21 Jun 1954
WS/18/1/4/2	Various Northern Swimming Club correspondence and financial statements (1 bundle)	1955-1967
<b>WS/18/1/5</b>	<b>Various</b>	<b>1938-1952. n.d.</b>
WS/18/1/5/1	Empty envelopes used in connection with the Trinkie Swimming Club (7 items)	1938-1956
WS/18/1/5/2	Wick Trinkie Swimming Club blank notebook (1 item)	c.1940
WS/18/1/5/3	Blank Wick Trinkie Swimming Club stationery (5 items)	c.1940

WS/18/1/5/4	Wick Civic Week Programme (1 item)	Aug 1952
WS/18/1/5/5	Folder of carbon paper (1 item)	n.d.
WS/18/1/5/6	Programme for a dance. Includes list of dances e.g. Quickstep, waltz and foxtrot (1 item)	n.d.
<b>WS/18/2</b>	<b>Northern Swimming Club</b>	<b>1920-1978</b>
<b>WS/18/2/1</b>	<b>Minutes</b>	<b>1920-1956</b>
WS/18/2/1/1	Northern Swimming Club Minute Book. Includes membership lists for 1920-1922 (1 volume)	29 May 1920-18 May 1939
WS/18/2/1/2	Northern Swimming Club Minute Book. Includes black and white photograph of the opening of the new swimming pavilion at the North Head Swimming Pool, Wick on the 8 Aug 1956 (1 volume)	20 Apr 1955-8 Dec 1978
WS/18/2/1/3	Northern Swimming Club notebook. Contains minutes and other notes (1 volume)	1955-1956
WS/18/2/1/4	Northern Swimming Club notebook. Contains minutes and other notes (1 volume)	1956-1957
WS/18/2/1/5	Draft Minutes of a meeting of the Northern Swimming Club (1 item)	28 Mar 1956
<b>WS/18/2/2</b>	<b>Membership records</b>	<b>1936-1957</b>
WS/18/2/2/1	Membership Cards for the Northern Swimming Club. Only one is completed, for Andrew Sinclair (1 bundle)	1936-1957
<b>WS/18/2/3</b>	<b>Financial Records</b>	<b>1938-1956</b>
WS/18/2/3/1	Financial Records of the Northern Swimming Club. Includes receipts and cash statements (1 bundle)	1938-1956
WS/18/2/3/2	Invoices issued to the Northern Swimming Club for expenses incurred in the running of the club (2 items)	1938
<b>WS/18/2/4</b>	<b>Correspondence</b>	<b>1955-1957</b>
WS/18/2/4/1	Correspondence of the Northern Swimming Club (5 items)	2 Aug 1955-15 Aug 1957
<b>WS/18/2/5</b>	<b>Various</b>	<b>1955-1956, n.d.</b>
WS/18/2/5/1	Northern Swimming Club events programmes (4 items)	22 Aug 1955-22 Aug 1956

WS/18/2/5/2	Handwritten information on the shelter and toddler's pool built with funds raised by the Northern Swimming Club (1 item)	c.1956
WS/18/2/5/3	Ticket for a Northern Swimming Club Social (1 item)	n.d.
<b>WS/18/3</b>	<b>Records pertaining to both the Trinkie and Northern Swimming Clubs</b>	<b>1938</b>
WS/18/3/1	Minutes of meeting of the Herring Queen Committee held to discuss having a swimming gala during Herring Queen Carnival week (1 item)	16 Feb 1938
WS/18/3/2	Minutes of combined meeting of the Northern and Trinkie Swimming Clubs (1 item)	23 Jun 1938
WS/18/3/3	Minutes of a joint meeting of the Northern and Trinkie Swimming Clubs (1 item)	23 Jun 1938

**WS/19 – An Comunn Gaidhealach (The Highland Association), Wick Branch  
RECORDS' IDENTITY STATEMENT**

Reference number:	GB1741/WS/19
Alternative reference number:	-
Title:	An Comunn Gaidhealach (The Highland Association), Wick Branch
Dates of creation:	1926-1953, n.d.
Level of description:	Sub-fonds
Extent:	1 box
Format:	Paper

**RECORDS' CONTEXT**

Name of creators: An Comunn Gaidhealach (The Highland Association), Wick Branch

Administrative history: An Comunn Gàidhealach is a company limited by guarantee and a voluntary membership organisation, with charitable status, founded in Oban in 1891 as a vehicle for the preservation and development of the Gaelic language.

The Association is usually referred to as “An Comunn”, the Association. For many throughout the world An Comunn is the body which represents the Gaelic language.

Queen Elizabeth was a patron of An Comunn Gàidhealach, and the Charity No. is SCO01282.

The aims of the Association are to support and develop all aspects of the Gaelic language, culture, history and heritage at local, national and international levels by:

- 1) Promoting the use of the language in everyday community life.
- 2) Promoting the study and development of Gaelic language, literature, music, drama and all other related art forms.

- 3) Actively seeking official recognition and use of Gaelic as a living language and national asset by local, national and European Governments and other agencies, by co-operating with all other organisations engaged in the provision of Gaelic language and culture.

An Comunn Gàidhealach is non-political and non-sectarian, and membership is open to anyone sharing the above objectives.

The Wick Branch was founded in 1925 with the aim of 'reviving and fostering interest in the Language, Literature and Traditions of the Highlands generally'.

Meetings were held quarterly at the Carnegie Public Library and occasionally at the Pulteneytown Academy, Wick.

Custodial history:

Deposited by the Wick Society

## **RECORDS' CONTENT**

Description:

Constitution; Financial records; Correspondence; various

Appraisal:

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Accruals:

None expected

## **RECORDS' CONDITION OF ACCESS AND USE**

Access:

Open

Closed until:

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Access conditions:

Available within the archive searchroom

Copying:

Copying permitted within standard Copyright Act parameters

Finding aids:

Available in the archive searchroom and [online](#)

## **ALLIED MATERIALS**

Related material:

P34 - An Comunn Gaidhealach (Wick Branch)

Publication:

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Notes: -

Date of catalogue: 2023

<b>Ref.</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Dates</b>
<b>WS</b>	<b>The Wick Society Collection</b>	<b>1476-2022, n.d.</b>
<b>WS/19</b>	<b>An Comunn Gaidhealach (The Highland Association), Wick Branch</b>	<b>1926-1953, n.d.</b>
<b>WS/19/1</b>	<b>Constitution</b>	<b>n.d.</b>
WS/19/1/1	Constitution and Rules for Branches (2 items)	n.d.
<b>WS/19/2</b>	<b>Financial records</b>	<b>1926-1953</b>
WS/19/2/1	Members Subscription and Account Book (1 volume)	1926-1931
WS/19/2/2	Receipts for expenses incurred in the running of An Comunn Gaidhealach (The Highland Association) Wick Branch (1 file)	1934-1952
WS/19/2/3	Cash Book for An Comunn Gaidhealach, Wick Branch (1 volume)	1939-1953
WS/19/2/4	Handwritten notes detailing monies paid by members and notes of expenses (7 items)	1944-1948
<b>WS/19/3</b>	<b>Correspondence</b>	<b>1932-1953</b>
WS/19/3/1	Correspondence received by An Comunn Gaidhealach (The Highland Association) Wick Branch, much of it addressed to Mr Cochrane, Secretary (1 file)	1932-1953
<b>WS/19/4</b>	<b>Various</b>	<b>1930-1953, n.d.</b>
WS/19/4/1	Syllabus of Meetings (1 bundle)	1930-1953
WS/19/4/2	Cards reminding members of annual subscriptions are due (1 bundle)	n.d.
WS/19/4/3	Blank prize labels [for inserting into prize books] (1 bundle)	n.d.

## **WS/20 – The National Independent Order of Oddfellows, Wick Branch**

### **RECORDS' IDENTITY STATEMENT**

Reference number:	GB1741/WS/20
Alternative reference number:	-
Title:	The National Independent Order of Oddfellows, Wick Branch
Dates of creation:	1904-1908
Level of description:	Sub-fonds
Extent:	4 items
Format:	Paper

### **RECORDS' CONTEXT**

Name of creators: The National Independent Order of Oddfellows

Administrative history: The Oddfellows society is a friendly society with branches across Britain. Officially set up around 1850 to protect and care for its members at a time when there was no welfare state, trade unions or national health service. The aim was to provide help to members when they needed it.

Being a non-profit making society, the Oddfellows profits are passed back to its members in the form of benefits.

By around 1900 there were Oddfellows lodges in Scotland affiliated with the National Independent Order, Scottish Order, Manchester Unity and Caledonian Order of United Oddfellows.

Custodial history: Deposited by the Wick Society

### **RECORDS' CONTENT**

Description: Minutes; Statement of Receipts and Expenditure

Appraisal: -

Accruals: None expected

### **RECORDS' CONDITION OF ACCESS AND USE**



Access: Open

Closed until: -

Access conditions: Available within the archive searchroom

Copying: Copying permitted within standard Copyright Act parameters

Finding aids: Available in the archive searchroom and [online](#)

### ALLIED MATERIALS

Related material: P768/5/3/19 - Photograph of Wick Oddfellows (c.1920)

Publication: -

Notes: -

Date of catalogue: 2023

Ref.	Description	Dates
<b>WS</b>	<b>The Wick Society Collection</b>	<b>1476-2022, n.d.</b>
<b>WS/20</b>	<b>The National Independent Order of Oddfellows, Wick Branch</b>	<b>1904-1908</b>
WS/20/1	The National Independent Order of Oddfellows Loyal St. Aires Lodge, No. 1099, Wick, Statement of Receipts and Expenditure for the Year ending 31 Dec 1904 (1 item)	31 Dec 1904
WS/20/2	The National Independent Order of Oddfellows Loyal St. Aires Lodge, No. 1099, Wick, Statement of Receipts and Expenditure for the Year ending 31 Dec 1907 (2 items)	31 Dec 1907
WS/20/3	National Independent Order of Oddfellows-Inverness District, Minutes of the forty-fourth half-yearly meeting, held in the Oddfellows' Hall, Tain, on 25 Jan 1908 (1 item)	25 Jan 1908

## **WS/21 – Watten Young Men’s Mutual Improvement Association**

### **RECORDS’ IDENTITY STATEMENT**

Reference number: GB1741/WS/21

Alternative reference number: -

Title: Watten Young Men’s Mutual Improvement Association

Dates of creation: c.1863-1962

Level of description: Sub-fonds

Extent: 2 boxes

Format: Paper

### **RECORDS’ CONTEXT**

Name of creators: Watten Young Men’s Mutual Improvement Association

Administrative history: The Watten Young Men’s Mutual Improvement Association was founded c.1863.

In the Rules of the Association from c.1863 Sir Robert Anstruther, Honorary President, states that ‘in the absence of libraries, reading-rooms, or any such means of mental culture within the reach of young men resident in Watten, there was felt a necessity for a considerable time for the institution of some Association, having for its objects mental improvement, the acquisition of confidence and facility in expressing one’s ideas, and a cultivation of friendly intercourse among those young men of the parish who would be desirous to unite mutual “self-help”.’

The Association, then known as Watten Mutual Improvement Association, was dissolved in 1962.

Custodial history: Deposited by the Wick Society

### **RECORDS’ CONTENT**

Description: Rules and Bye-Laws; Minutes; Financial records; Correspondence; Events; Dissolution; various

Appraisal: -  
 Accruals: None expected

### **RECORDS' CONDITION OF ACCESS AND USE**

Access: Open  
 Closed until: -  
 Access conditions: Available within the archive searchroom  
 Copying: Copying permitted within standard Copyright Act parameters  
 Finding aids: Available in the archive searchroom and [online](#)

### **ALLIED MATERIALS**

Related material: -  
 Publication: -  
 Notes: -  
 Date of catalogue: 2023

<b>Ref.</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Dates</b>
<b>WS</b>	<b>The Wick Society Collection</b>	<b>1476-2022, n.d.</b>
<b>WS/21</b>	<b>Watten Young Men's Mutual Improvement Association</b>	<b>c.1863-1962</b>
<b>WS/21/1</b>	<b>Rules and Bye-Laws</b>	<b>c.1863-1896, n.d.</b>
WS/21/1/1	Rules of the Watten Young Men's Mutual Improvement Association (1 item)	c.1863
WS/21/1/2	Rules of the New Reading Room, Watten (1 item)	1 Dec 1896
WS/21/1/3	The Watten Mutual Improvement Association Rules and Bye- Laws (2 items)	n.d.
<b>WS/21/2</b>	<b>Minutes</b>	<b>1863-1962</b>
WS/21/2/1	Minute Book of the Watten Young Men's Mutual Improvement Association. Includes Rules of the Association and list of members (1 volume)	19 Jan 1863-16 Apr 1867

WS/21/2/2	Minute Book of the Watten Young Men's Mutual Improvement Association (1 volume)	26 Nov 1867-20 Apr 1876
WS/21/2/3	Minute Book of the Watten Young Men's Mutual Improvement Association (1 volume)	8 Mar 1904-19 Jan 1909
WS/21/2/4	Excerpts from minutes of meetings of Watten Hall Trustees (2 items)	1908-1910
WS/21/2/5	Minute Book of the Watten Young Men's Mutual Improvement Association (1 volume)	26 Jan 1909-18 Apr 1913
WS/21/2/6	Minute Book of the Watten Young Men's Mutual Improvement Association (1 volume)	12 Nov 1922-14 Jan 1936
WS/21/2/7	Minute Book of the Watten Young Men's Mutual Improvement Association (1 volume)	4 Feb 1936-2 Mar 1954
WS/21/2/8	Minute Book of the Watten Young Men's Mutual Improvement Association (1 volume)	16 Mar 1954-6 Mar 1962
<b>WS/21/3</b>	<b>Financial records</b>	<b>1935-1962</b>
WS/21/3/1	Account Book of the Watten Young Men's Mutual Improvement Association (1 volume)	1935-1962
WS/21/3/2	Invoices for expenses related to the Centenary celebrations (3 items)	9 Mar 1961-18 Apr 1961
<b>WS/21/4</b>	<b>Correspondence</b>	<b>c.1954-1961</b>
WS/21/4/1	Three letters to the editor, concerning the year 1954-1955, subsidies and platonic friendship (1 bundle)	c.1954
WS/21/4/2	Letter from David M. Nimmo of Kapuskasing, Ontario, Canada, regretting he will not be able to attend the Centenary celebration (1 item)	2 Mar 1961
WS/21/4/3	Telegram from 'Leitch' regretting he will be unable to attend the Centenary celebration (1 item)	10 Mar 1961
<b>WS/21/5</b>	<b>Events</b>	<b>1934-1961</b>
WS/21/5/1	Handwritten draft copies of the report on the Annual Social of 1934 (6 items)	1934
WS/21/5/2	Proposed Reorganisation of the social and recreational activities in the County of Caithness (5 items)	c.1946
WS/21/5/3	Watten Y.M.M.I.A. invitation card for Centenary celebration held in Rosebank Hotel on Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> March 1961 (1 item)	Feb 1961

WS/21/5/4	Watten Y.M.M.I.A Centenary Dinner Programme (2 items)	10 Mar 1961
WS/21/5/5	Newspaper cutting containing an account of Watten Y.M.M.I.A. Centenary celebrations in Rosebank Hotel on 10 <sup>th</sup> March 1961 (1 item)	Mar 1961
<b>WS/21/6</b>	<b>Dissolution</b>	<b>1962</b>
WS/21/6/1	Statement signed by the President and Vice President of the Watten Mutual Improvement Association (formerly Watten Y.M.M.I.A) on the termination of the Association, confirming a credit balance of £26.4/-, to be distributed equally between Watten Brownie Pack, Watten Girl Guide Company, Watten Life Boy Team and Watten Company Boys' Brigade (1 item)	1962
<b>WS/21/7</b>	<b>Various</b>	<b>c.1930-1961</b>
WS/21/7/1	Various poems. Many humorous and written in Caithness Dialect, and related to the Association. Subjects include Christmas and New Year (1 bundle)	c.1930-c.1957
WS/21/7/2	Editorials written for the Association's annual magazine. Includes reviews of local, national and international events (1 bundle)	1948-1953
WS/21/7/3	Various handwritten musings on subjects including local news and gossip, wit and humour and proverbs. Includes an account of a member's impressions of his first meeting of the WYMMIA (1 bundle)	c.1950
WS/21/7/4	Various handwritten speeches and stories. Titles include but not limited to 'A Nation of Snobs', 'A Parable of the Festive Season', 'A True Story of the Great War', 'Bachelor House-Keeping', 'Peace, Whence Cometh it', 'Farming Subsidies', 'That a Man is Unduly Influenced by his Wife', 'The National Health Service' (1 bundle)	c.1950
WS/21/7/5	Various typed essays on subjects including 'Burns Anniversary', 'Painless Extraction', 'Societies in Watten', 'An Old Parable, Can we Moderns Learn from it?' and 'A Note on the Life- History of the Salmon' (1 bundle)	c.1950
WS/21/7/6	Paper Napkins printed with 'Watten Y.M.M.I.A. 1861-1961' (2 items)	1961

## **WS/22 – Papers of James Sutherland, Brough, East Clyth**

### **RECORDS' IDENTITY STATEMENT**

Reference number:	GB1741/WS/22
Alternative reference number:	-
Title:	Papers of James Sutherland, Brough, East Clyth
Dates of creation:	1865-1917
Level of description:	Sub-fonds
Extent:	2 files
Format:	Paper

### **RECORDS' CONTEXT**

Name of creators: James Sutherland; Board of Agriculture for Scotland; Crofters Commission; various

Administrative history: James Sutherland was born to James and Mary Sutherland in 1851. He followed his father into crofting and fishing, working at the herring fishing at Wick while a young man.

James married Ann Finlayson on the 24 Jan 1890. They had sons James, George and Hugh, and daughters Mary Ann and Isabella.

He spent his life on his croft at Brough, East Clyth, and was involved in the land reform movement on Clyth Estate.

Locally he was known as 'Jamie at the Brig'.

He died at home, on the 10 Apr 1940, aged 91 years.

Custodial history: Deposited by the Wick Society

### **RECORDS' CONTENT**

Description:	Correspondence; Financial records; Published material
Appraisal:	-
Accruals:	None expected

## RECORDS' CONDITION OF ACCESS AND USE

Access:	Open
Closed until:	-
Access conditions:	Available within the archive searchroom
Copying:	Copying permitted within standard Copyright Act parameters
Finding aids:	Available in the archive searchroom and <a href="#">online</a>

## ALLIED MATERIALS

Related material:	-
Publication:	-
Notes:	-
Date of catalogue:	2023

Ref.	Description	Dates
<b>WS</b>	<b>The Wick Society Collection</b>	<b>1476-2022, n.d.</b>
<b>WS/22</b>	<b>Papers of James Sutherland, Brough, East Clyth</b>	<b>1865-1917</b>
<b>WS/22/1</b>	<b>Correspondence</b>	<b>1865-1915, n.d.</b>
WS/22/1/1	Character reference for James Sutherland addressed from Bruan Lodge (1 item)	8 Dec 1865
WS/22/1/2	Court Summons addressed to James Sutherland for an action brought against him by Adam Sharp Esquire of Clyth for non- payment of rent (1 item)	14 Dec 1885
WS/22/1/3	Draft of a letter to William McKenzie Esq., Chief Clerk to the Crofters Commission from James Sutherland asking the Commission to fix a fair rent for his holding (1 item)	11 Sep 1886
WS/22/1/4	Letter addressed to James Sutherland, Brough, East Clyth from William MacKenzie of the Crofters Commission, stating that the matter he referred to in his letter will be considered when his case is dealt with (1 item)	5 Oct 1887

WS/22/1/5	Letter from the Crofters Commission informing James Sutherland that his rent has been fixed at £12. Application no.1435 (1 item)	7 Dec 1896
WS/22/1/6	Notice to complete a schedule informing the Board of Agriculture for Scotland of land held for the purpose of compiling a Register of Small Holdings (1 item)	Dec 1912
WS/22/1/7	Letter addressed to James Sutherland, Brough, from the Board of Agriculture for Scotland with leaflets regarding the Landholders Act enclosed (4 items)	11 Apr 1913
WS/22/1/8	Draft letter applying to D.W. Georgeson, Factor of Clyth Estate, for an enlargement of holdings from Bruan Lodge Farm, and grazing at the Dam Park to be held collectively by James Sutherland, W Sutherland, A Clyne, Peter Campbell, A Forbes and D McKenzie (1 item)	28 Feb 1914
WS/22/1/9	Fair copy of WS/21/1/8 above marked received by the Board of Agriculture for Scotland, 14 Mar 1914 (1 item)	28 Feb 1914
WS/22/1/10	Letter addressed to Mr John A. Bain, Bruan Lodge Farm, Mid- Clyth, from the Board of Agriculture for Scotland acknowledging receipt of his letter received 19 Mar 1914 (1 item)	19 Mar 1914
WS/22/1/11	Letter addressed to Henry Clyne, East Clyth from the Board of Agriculture for Scotland informing him that a fee of 1s. 6d. is payable by each applicant for their application to enlarge their holdings (2 items)	20 Mar 1914
WS/22/1/12	Postcard that reads: 'Sir I enclose you a POV for 15/. according to your request in respect of our applications for extensions of our holdings from Bruan Lodge Farm. Yours truly, Henry Clyne and others (1 item)	31 Mar 1914
WS/22/1/13	Draft letter addressed to the Secretary of the Board of Agriculture for Scotland signed by Henry Clyne and others. The letter asks the Board to take over Bruan Lodge Farm for a period of one year when the present tenant is evicted, to prevent the fixing of another tenant (1 item)	Apr 1914
WS/22/1/14	Letter from the Board of Agriculture for Scotland informing James Sutherland, Bridgend, East Clyth, that his application for an Enlargement of Holding has been rejected (2 items)	15 Jun 1914



WS/22/1/15	Provisional Valuation of Burying Ground, Mid-Clyth, addressed to Mid-Clyth Cemetery Committee, c/o Jas. Sutherland, Esq., Bridgend, East Clyth (2 items)	17 Jul 1914
WS/22/1/16	Letter requesting the householder to 'state the names of those of your household willing to enlist for the War' from the Parliamentary Recruiting Committee (Scottish Section). A handwritten note on the reverse reads: 'General Remarks. Let the government dispense with Landlords altogether and let the ground be the Governments or the peoples and then they would fight for their own Independence and let the land be all brought under cultivation then in less than 20 years hence there would be a lot of young me[n] in Scotland to fight for Britain's Independence' (2 items)	Dec 1914
WS/22/1/17	Letter from the Infantry Record Office, Perth requesting information on Mr Sutherland's son, serving in the Seaforth Highlanders (1 item)	4 Feb 1915
WS/22/1/18	Notice sent to Annie F. Sutherland requesting her attendance at a meeting to consider her claim for the payment of an allowance from naval or military funds as a dependant of James A. Sutherland (1 item)	19 Apr 1915
WS/22/1/19	Letter from the Board of Agriculture for Scotland to Henry Clyne enquiring whether D. Miller, Brough, had been refunded his exchequer fee (1 item)	17 Jul 1915
WS/21/1/20	Envelope addressed to Jas. Sutherland Esq. from the Board of Agriculture for Scotland (1 item)	n.d.
WS/21/1/21	Envelope addressed to Mr D. Campbell, East Clyth, Ulbster P.O., Wick from the Board of Agriculture for Scotland (1 item)	n.d.
<b>WS/22/2</b>	<b>Financial records</b>	<b>1886, 1912</b>
WS/22/2/1	Invoice from Drummond Brothers, Agricultural Seedsmen, 82 George St, Edinburgh, for goods bought by tenants on Clyth Estate and sent by steamer to Wick. Names on the invoice are as follows: James Sutherland, Donald McLeod, John Campbell, Peter Campbell, William Clyne, John Forbes, Adam Clyne, Mrs Sutherland and Peter Cormack (2 items)	19 Apr 1886
WS/22/2/2	Notice of Rent Collection on Clyth Estate from D.W. Georgeson, Factor (1 item)	18 Nov 1912

WS/22/2/3	Receipt for £12 of rent paid by James Sutherland at Martinmas 1912 for his croft at Brough, East Clyth (1 item)	30 Dec 1912
WS/22/2/4	Receipt for £1 and 15 shillings received from James Sutherland signed by D.W. Georgeson (1 item)	30 Dec 1912
<b>WS/22/3</b>	<b>Published material</b>	<b>1885, 1912</b>
WS/22/3/1	A Plea for the Nationalisation of the Land by G.B. Clark, M.D., F.R.C.S.E., (London: William Reeves, 1885). First published in 1881 (1 volume)	1885
WS/22/3/2	Information leaflets published by the Board of Agriculture for Scotland regarding the Small Landholders (Scotland) Act 1911 (4 items)	1912
WS/22/3/3	Complete Ready Reckoner. Inscribed 'James Sutherland East Clyth his book bought the year 1856' (1 volume)	1856
<b>WS/22/4</b>	<b>Various</b>	<b>c.1887-1917</b>
WS/22/4/1	Note detailing the extent of James Sutherland's croft and improvements made by both tenant and landlord (1 item)	c.1887
WS/22/4/2	Extract Entry of Birth for George Donald Sutherland, son of James Sutherland (1 item)	24 May 1898
WS/22/4/3	Blank application form to the Scottish Land Court under the Small Landholders (Scotland) Acts, 1886 to 1911. Form entitled 'Application by neighbouring Landholders for Allocation of the Holding of a deceased Landholder' (1 item)	c.1912
WS/22/4/4	Handwritten note listing the hours worked at Bruan Lodge on the hay crop and at stooking (1 item)	1917
WS/22/4/5	OS Map Caithness Sheet XXXIV.4 with 'lands applied for' marked. Fragile (2 items)	c.1911

## **WS/23 – Papers pertaining to Alexander Bain, inventor**

### **RECORDS' IDENTITY STATEMENT**

Reference number:	GB1741/WS/23
Alternative reference number:	-
Title:	Papers pertaining to Alexander Bain
Dates of creation:	1942, n.d.
Level of description:	Sub-fonds
Extent:	1 file
Format:	Paper

### **RECORDS' CONTEXT**

Name of creators: Alexander Bain; R.S. Bain, Edinburgh

Administrative history: Alexander Bain (12 Oct 1811-2 Jan 1877) was a Scottish inventor and engineer who was first to invent and patent the electric clock. Bain installed the railway telegraph lines between Edinburgh and Glasgow.

Bain was born in Watten, Caithness, Scotland. Bain's father was a crofter. Bain had a twin sister, Margaret, and, in total, he had six sisters and six brothers. Bain did not excel in school and was apprenticed to a clockmaker in Wick.

Having learned the art of clockmaking, he went to Edinburgh, and in 1837 to London, where he obtained work as a journeyman in Clerkenwell. Bain frequented the lectures at the Polytechnic Institution and the Adelaide Gallery and later constructed his own workshop in Hanover Street.

In 1840, desperate for money to develop his inventions, Bain mentioned his financial problems to the editor of the *Mechanics Magazine*, who introduced him to Sir Charles Wheatstone. Bain demonstrated his models to Wheatstone, who, when asked for his opinion, said "Oh, I shouldn't bother to develop these things any further! There's no future in them." Three

months later Wheatstone demonstrated an electric clock to the Royal Society, claiming it was his own invention. However, Bain had already applied for a patent for it. Wheatstone tried to block Bain's patents, but failed. When Wheatstone organised an Act of Parliament to set up the Electric Telegraph Company, the House of Lords summoned Bain to give evidence, and eventually compelled the company to pay Bain £10,000 and give him a job as manager, causing Wheatstone to resign.

In December 1841, Bain in conjunction with Lieutenant Thomas Wright RN, patented a method for using electricity to control railway engines by turning off steam, marking time, giving signals, and printing information at different locations.

Bain worked on an experimental facsimile machine in 1843 to 1846. He used a clock to synchronise the movement of two pendulums for line-by-line scanning of a message.

On 12 December 1846, Bain, who was then living in Edinburgh, patented a chemical telegraph. He had seen that the Morse and other telegraphs then in use were comparatively slow, due to the mechanical inertia of their moving parts, and realized that the signal current could be used to make a readable mark on a moving paper tape soaked in a mixture of ammonium nitrate and potassium ferrocyanide, which gave a blue mark when a current was passed through it.

Bain's electric clocks come from two stages of development between the 1840s and the 1860s. Examples can be seen in the National Maritime Museum of London, the London Science Museum, the Royal Scottish Museum, and the Deutsches Uhrenmuseum. The most rare and interesting mantel clocks are in private hands. One featured in the "Electrifying Time" exhibition in 1977 at the London Science Museum. Bain sometimes found complex and ornate solutions to relatively simple, although

not easy to solve problems.

Initially Bain made a considerable sum from his inventions but, due to poor investments, became poor, and in 1873 Sir William Thomson, Sir William Siemens, Latimer Clark and others obtained a Civil List pension for Bain from Prime Minister William Ewart Gladstone of £80 per year.

Bain was buried in the Auld Aisle Cemetery, Kirkintilloch.

Custodial history:

Deposited by the Wick Society

## **RECORDS' CONTENT**

Description:

Copies of works by Alexander Bain; Research notes and papers about Alexander Bain, compiled by R.S. Bain, Edinburgh

Appraisal:

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Accruals:

None expected

## **RECORDS' CONDITION OF ACCESS AND USE**

Access:

Open

Closed until:

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Access conditions:

Available within the archive searchroom

Copying:

Copying permitted within standard Copyright Act parameters

Finding aids:

Available in the archive searchroom and [online](#)

## **ALLIED MATERIALS**

Related material:

P238 – Alexander Bain Papers  
P268 – Lecture on Alexander Bain  
P610 – Alexander Bain vs Samuel Morse

Publication:

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Notes:

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Date of catalogue:

2023

Ref.	Description	Dates
<b>WS</b>	<b>The Wick Society Collection</b>	<b>1476-2022, n.d.</b>
<b>WS/23</b>	<b>Papers pertaining to Alexander Bain</b>	<b>1942, n.d.</b>
<b>WS/23/1</b>	<b>Copies of works by Alexander Bain</b>	<b>1846-1869, 1942</b>
WS/23/1/1	Copy of Alexander Bain's petition to the House of Commons. The petition seeks recognition for his inventions and accuses Charles Wheatstone and William Fothergill Cooke of fraud (1 bundle)	1846, c.1942
WS/23/1/2	Copy of 'A Short History of the Electric Clocks with explanations of their principles and mechanism, and instructions for their management and regulation' by Alexander Bain, Patentee (1 bundle)	1852, c.1942
WS/23/1/3	Copy of 'A Treatise on Numerous Applications of Electrical Science to the Useful Arts' by Alexander Bain (1 bundle)	1869, c.1942
<b>WS/23/2</b>	<b>Research notes and papers about Alexander Bain, compiled by R.S. Bain, Edinburgh</b>	<b>1942, n.d.</b>
WS/23/2/1	Draft of a paper on Alexander Bain and the electric telegraph (1 bundle)	27 Apr 1942
WS/23/2/2	Type-written copy of a paper on Alexander Bain and the electric telegraph (1 bundle)	27 Apr 1942
WS/23/2/3	Handwritten extracts from 'History of Electric Telegraphy to 1837' by J.J. Fahie, London, 1884 (1 bundle)	13 Jun 1942
WS/23/2/4	Letter from William Blackwood and Sons Ltd. To R.S. Bain, Edinburgh, informing him they cannot publish his book 'Alexander Bain, Electric Clock and Telegraph Inventor' (1 item)	23 Jun 1942
WS/23/2/5	Handwritten extracts from 'Electric Telegraph: Was it invented by Professor Wheatstone?' by W.F. Cooke, 1856 (1 bundle)	25 Sep 1942
WS/23/2/6	Handwritten extracts from various publications concerning the work of Alexander Bain (1 bundle)	c.1942
WS/23/2/7	Draft of a paper on Messrs Cook and Wheatstone's connections to Alexander Bain (1 bundle)	n.d.
WS/23/2/8	Type-written copy of a paper on Messrs Cook and Wheatstone's connections to Alexander Bain (1 item)	n.d.

## **WS/24 – Papers pertaining to Ian Mackay, journalist**

### **RECORDS' IDENTITY STATEMENT**

Reference number:	GB1741/WS/24
Alternative reference number:	-
Title:	Papers pertaining to Ian Mackay
Dates of creation:	1922-1967
Level of description:	Sub-fonds
Extent:	2 files, 1 volume
Format:	Paper, photograph

### **RECORDS' CONTEXT**

Name of creators:	Ian Mackay; William Mackay [Ian's brother]; various
Administrative history:	<p>Ian Mackay was born John Mackay in Wick in 1898. He was re-born only when he joined the <i>News Chronicle</i> thirty-six years later as Ian Mackay.</p> <p>He was a well-recognised name amongst the writing profession. Firstly as a labour correspondent, secondly as a diarist, and thirdly as an essayist. Common in all of them were an acutely observant eye for the significant and the absurd in our human story. His Diary in the <i>News Chronicle</i> became one of his best known features.</p> <p>Ian died, following the delivery of a speech at the Labour Party Conference, in Morecambe on 3 Oct 1952.</p>
Custodial history:	Deposited by the Wick Society

### **RECORDS' CONTENT**

Description:	Correspondence; Photographs; Published material
Appraisal:	-
Accruals:	None expected

### **RECORDS' CONDITION OF ACCESS AND USE**

Access:	Open
Closed until:	-
Access conditions:	Available within the archive searchroom
Copying:	Copying permitted within standard Copyright Act parameters
Finding aids:	Available in the archive searchroom and <a href="#">online</a>

## ALLIED MATERIALS

Related material:	-
Publication:	-
Notes:	-
Date of catalogue:	2023

Ref.	Description	Dates
<b>WS</b>	<b>The Wick Society Collection</b>	<b>1476-2022, n.d.</b>
<b>WS/24</b>	<b>Papers pertaining to Ian Mackay</b> [itemised paper catalogue compiled by Wick Society available, see WS/28/1]	<b>1922-1967</b>
<b>WS/24/1</b>	<b>Correspondence</b>	<b>1948-1967</b>
WS/24/1/1	Correspondence of Willie Mackay [Ian's brother], Edinburgh, regarding the gathering of material for a book about Ian Mackay and other correspondence with the News Chronicle, Daily Express, BBC and others (1 bundle)	1948-1967, n.d.
WS/24/1/2	Handwritten letter from Ian Mackay to his mother holding forth on religious conversion (15 items)	c.1950
WS/24/1/3	Christmas card with black and white portrait photograph on the inside of Ian and Rosemary Mackay (1 item)	c.1950
<b>WS/24/2</b>	<b>Photographs</b>	<b>1922-c.1940</b>
WS/24/2/1	Black and white portrait photograph. Inscription on the back reads 'To Mother from Jock, London, April 14 1922' and 'Don't Forget that letter Bill' (1 item)	14 Apr 1922



WS/24/2/2	Black and white portrait photograph postcard of Ian and Rosemary Mackay in Bournemouth (1 item)	c.1930
WS/24/2/3	Black and white portrait photograph of Ian and Rosemary Mackay on the beach (1 item)	c.1930
WS/24/2/4	Black and white landscape photograph of Ian Mackay and Pastor Horne inscribed 'at Mauchline Ayr where Burns lived' and 'This is Daddy Aulds grave in The Holy Fair' (1 item)	c.1930
WS/24/2/5	Black and white portrait photograph of Ian Mackay (1 item)	c.1940
<b>WS/24/3</b>	<b>Published material</b>	<b>1944-1953</b>
WS/24/3/1	Bundle of newspaper cutting relating to the death of Ian Mackay and some of the articles he wrote (1 file)	1944-1975
WS/24/3/2	The Real Mackay, Being Essays by Ian Mackay (1 volume)	1953
WS/24/3/3	Excerpt from The Brewers Guardian on Ian Mackay playing Santa (2 items)	Dec 1953

## **WS/25 – Maps, Charts and Plans**

### **RECORDS' IDENTITY STATEMENT**

Reference number: GB1741/WS/25

Alternative reference number: -

Title: Maps, Charts and Plans

Dates of creation: 1833-1978, n.d.

Level of description: Sub-fonds

Extent: 2 boxes, 3 items

Format: Paper, linen, wood

### **RECORDS' CONTEXT**

Name of creators: Various

Administrative history: These maps, charts and plans were collected over many decades by the Wick Society from various different depositors, many of them locals who had connections with the fishing industry or local government departments.

Custodial history: Deposited by the Wick Society

### **RECORDS' CONTENT**

Description: Maps, charts and plans relating to the fishing industry and the built environment of Caithness

Appraisal: -

Accruals: None expected

### **RECORDS' CONDITION OF ACCESS AND USE**

Access: Open

Closed until: -

Access conditions: Available within the archive searchroom

Copying: Copying permitted within standard Copyright Act parameters

Finding aids: Available in the archive searchroom and [online](#)

### **ALLIED MATERIALS**

Related material: P803 – Maps and Plans  
SM - Sinclair Macdonald & Son,  
Architects of Thurso

Publication: -

Notes: -

Date of catalogue: 2023

<b>Ref.</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Dates</b>
<b>WS</b>	<b>The Wick Society Collection</b>	<b>1476-2022, n.d.</b>
<b>WS/25</b>	<b>Maps, Charts and Plans</b>	<b>1833-1978, n.d.</b>
<b>WS/25/1</b>	<b>Maps and Charts</b>	<b>1872-1962, n.d.</b>
WS/25/1/1	Map of Wick: Moray Street, Francis Street and East Banks (1 item)	1872
WS/25/1/2	Map of Wick: Robert Street to Thurso Street (1 item)	1874
WS/25/1/3	Map of Sinclair's Bay, Noss Head and Wick. Portrait style (1 item)	1876
WS/25/1/4	Map of the Port and Vicinity of Wick (1 item) [very fragile]	1883
WS/25/1/5	Seafarer's Chart Scotland's North Coast (1 item)	1884
WS/25/1/6	Map of Scotland's East Coast, Peterhead to Pentland Firth including Moray Firth (1 item)	1913
WS/25/1/7	Seafarer's chart Pentland Firth (1 item)	1915
WS/25/1/8	Map of the Port and Vicinity of Wick (1 item)	1922
WS/25/1/9	Seafarer's chart Fair Isle to Wick with the Orkney Islands (1 item)	1942
WS/25/1/10	Map of Watten, Caithness. Consisting of 5 sheets. Surveyed by the School of Architecture and Surveying, 165 Prisoner of War Camp under the direction of the Dipl. Bau.-Und Verm. Ing. Karl Balzer. Drawn by Hans Koch (7 items)	c.1945
WS/25/1/11	Close's Fishermen's Chart of Scotland, North and West Coasts (1 item)	1946

WS/25/1/12	War Office Edition map of Wick One inch map with National Grid military system. Scotland Sheet 12.1 (1 item)	1950
WS/25/1/13	Seafarer's Chart Pentland Firth and Approaches (1 item)	1958, 1972
WS/25/1/14	Map of proposed extension to Wick Burgh showing existing boundary and proposed new boundary (1 item)	n.d.
WS/25/1/15	Map of Watten Parish on wooden scroll by Robert W. Murray (1 item) [very fragile]	n.d.
WS/25/1/16	Copy of a map of Duncansby Headland (1 item)	n.d.
WS/25/1/17	Synoptic chart and instructional seafaring maps for areas mainly outside Caithness but including the Moray Firth (1 bundle)	1913-1974
WS/25/1/18	Double sided map with Caithness on one side and Bremen- Hannover on the reverse. Published by the War Office (1 item)	1944
WS/25/1/19	Photocopies of maps of Wick and its Harbour and Sarclet Harbour (5 items)	c.2000
WS/25/1/20	Copy of Map of Lands of Duncansby with names on crofts (1 item)	Sep 1917
<b>WS/25/2</b>	<b>Plans</b>	<b>1833-1978, n.d.</b>
WS/25/2/1	Plan of Pulteneytown. Printed below the title of the plan reads: 'The proposed alterations and improvements are shewen in red lines. The strands made are shewn in yellow. The Walklines thro' the feus let shew those built upon, and the red lines shew the feus enclosed with stone walls: Feus having neither of these lines are neither built upon or enclosed'. Handwritten in ink beneath: 'Signed in token of authentication as a Duplicate of the Plan lodged with the Society's Secretary – March 1834, Samuel Smith, Secretary B.F. Society' [British Fisheries Society] (1 item)	1833
WS/25/2/2	Plan of part of the Estate of Lybster adjoining the Harbour. Surveyed by Robert Forsyth Junior (1 item)	1850
WS/25/2/3	A ground plan of a purposed steading for Ackergill Mains Farm (1 item)	Oct 1859
WS/25/2/4	Plan of Pulteneytown by William Crow (1 item)	1872

WS/25/2/5	Plan of the Farms of Quoys of Reiss, Lower Reiss and Wester in the Parish of Wick by J.D. Miller, Surveyor (1 item)	1874
WS/25/2/6	Plan of Part of the Royal Burgh of Wick, Showing Lines of Sewage and Gas Pipes, compiled from the Ordnance Survey by John J. Cronin, C.E. Wick (1 item)	1893
WS/25/2/7	'Tidal Waters' Wick Harbour Scheme Plans and Sections under the Public Works Facilities Act 1930 (2 items)	1930
WS/25/2/8	Plans for alterations and additions to Municipal Buildings, Bridge Street, Wick (5 items)	1931
WS/25/2/9	Plan of proposed Memorial Shrine for Wick War Memorial and Remembrance Committee (1 item)	Jul 1947
WS/25/2/10	Plans of Noss Head Lighthouse Fog Signal Renewal Engine Room Wall Layout and Openings and proposed H.P. air Receiver Layout (5 items) [see also WS/5]	1962, 1978
WS/25/2/11	Bundle containing various plans for Wick Harbour including: Proposed reconstruction of Retaining Wall at Harbour Terrace, North Harbour Inner Basin Plan, Draw Bridge over new passage between Port Henry and Inner Basin of North Harbour (5 items)	n.d.
WS/25/2/12	Plans for alterations to Dorrery Lodge, Halkirk by Sinclair Macdonald Architects, Thurso (2 items)	25 Dec 1913
WS/25/2/13	Plans of sections of a villa proposed to be erected on Coronation Street, Wick by Arthur Bruce Esq., by Sinclair Macdonald Architects, Thurso (1 item)	n.d.
WS/25/2/14	Copy of a Plan of the Estates of Scouthel and Lynegar in the County of Caithness; the Property of William Horne Esq. (1 item)	1833, n.d.

## **WS/26 – Miscellanea**

### **RECORDS' IDENTITY STATEMENT**

Reference number:	GB1741/WS/26
Alternative reference number:	-
Title:	Miscellanea
Dates of creation:	1580-c.2021, n.d.
Level of description:	Sub-fonds
Extent:	10 boxes
Format:	Paper, photograph

### **RECORDS' CONTEXT**

Name of creators:	Various
Administrative history:	-
Custodial history:	Deposited by the Wick Society

### **RECORDS' CONTENT**

Description:	Miscellanea of the Wick Society Collection
Appraisal:	-
Accruals:	None expected

### **RECORDS' CONDITION OF ACCESS AND USE**

Access:	Open
Closed until:	
Access conditions:	Available within the archive searchroom
Copying:	Copying permitted within standard Copyright Act parameters
Finding aids:	Available in the archive searchroom and <a href="#">online</a>

### **ALLIED MATERIALS**

Related material:	-
Publication:	-
Notes:	-

<b>Ref.</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Dates</b>
<b>WS</b>	<b>The Wick Society Collection</b>	<b>1476-2022, n.d.</b>
<b>WS/26</b>	<b>Miscellanea</b>	<b>1580-c.2021, n.d.</b>
<b>WS/26/1</b>	<b>Constitutions</b>	<b>1951, n.d.</b>
WS/26/1/1	Caithness & Sutherland Unionist Association Constitution and Rule Book (5 items)	Jan 1951
WS/26/1/2	Edinburgh University Caithness Students' Association Constitution (1 item)	n.d.
WS/26/1/3	Wick Ratepayer's Association Draft Constitution (1 item)	n.d.
<b>WS/26/2</b>	<b>Minutes</b>	<b>1871-1939</b>
WS/26/2/1	Minutes of a Special Meeting of the Caithness Railway Company (1 item)	3 Mar 1871
WS/26/2/2	Copy of minute agreed to at a meeting of the Building Committee, held in the U.P. Church, for the congregation to be asked to contribute to the fund to build a Church. Contains list of subscribers (1 item)	2 May 1877
WS/26/2/3	Minutes of Meeting at Craiglockhart regarding the death of the Reverend Donald Sutherland (1 item)	11 Jun 1890
WS/26/2/4	Notice of A.G.M. of the Wick and Pulteneytown Chamber of Commerce. Includes agenda and list of members (1 item)	13 Jan 1938
WS/26/2/5	Agenda for Caithness Education Committee meeting (1 item)	3 May 1939
WS/26/2/6	Wick Branch of the Scottish Union of Bakers, Confectioners, and Bakery Workers Minute Book. Includes notes of a researcher whose father was George Flett, master baker (1 volume)	14 Jan 1929- 9 Jan 1978
WS/26/2/7	Ulbster Burial Ground Minute Book. Also contains invoices, school photograph and correspondence from the Imperial War Graves Commission (1 volume)	Dec 1913- 25 Dec 1964
WS/26/2/8	Sutherland and Caithness Railway Bill: Minutes of Evidence (1 volume)	3 May 1871

WS/26/2/9	Minute and Account Book of the Caithness Casualty Fund. Includes meetings of the Committee for Sarclet Widows and Orphan's Relief Fund (2 volumes)	1864-1964
<b>WS/26/3</b>	<b>Correspondence</b>	<b>1832-1985, n.d.</b>
WS/26/3/1	Letter to the Electors of the County of Caithness from William Horne (1 item)	21 Jul 1832
WS/26/3/2	Letters to the Electors of the County of Caithness from George Sinclair (2 items)	1835
WS/26/3/3	Letter to George Sinclair Esq. MP for Caithness, from 'An Elector, W.W.M.'. Printed by P. Reid, Printer, Wick. The letter complains about Sinclair's performance as M.P. following his election in the wake of the Great Reform Act of 1832 (1 item)	26 Nov 1835
WS/26/3/4	Envelope addressed to Mr I. Sutherland [Iain Sutherland, co-founder of Wick Society], Wick Heritage Centre, containing various documents including:  Marriage banns of John Bruce and Margaret Calder, 29 June 1863  Rent receipt issued to Mr Bruce for a property in Henrietta Street, 1875  Rent receipts issued to John Bruce, Moulder, Thurso, 1879- 1880  Receipts for school fees for Mary and Donald Bruce's attendance at North Public School, n.d.  Invoice issued to Mr Calder, Shore Lane for the attendance of E.S. Sinclair, Physician and Surgeon, 30 Dec 1865  Receipt issued to Donald Bruce from William Rae for printing 100 funeral letters, 29 Nov 1880  Notice requesting Poor Rates for St Cuthbert's or West Kirk Parish, 1871- 1872  Receipt issued to John Bruce, Moulder, Louisburgh for rent of dwelling house in Louisburgh, 11 Nov 1878  Receipt issued to John Bruce for his payment of £80 sterling for a property at East Banks, 1890  (13 items)	1863-1890
WS/26/3/5	Correspondence addressed to James G. Duncan, Esq., from James Innes Sutherland, Reay Cottage, by Thurso (1 bundle)	18 Mar 1885-18 Dec 1885



WS/26/3/6	Letter from James Cruickshanks to Provost Rae regarding having an article published in the Northern Ensign (2 items)	23 Jun 1885
WS/26/3/7	Card and envelope celebrating the Jubilee of Uniform Penny Postage (2 items)	2 Jul 1890
WS/26/3/8	Photocopy of a letter written by Alexander Hay, Clerk to Dunnet Parish Council, to the Secretary of the Congested District Board regarding road building in the parish. Dated 11 May 1898. Obtained from the Scottish Record Office Reference: AF42/201 (1 item)	11 May 1898, n.d.
WS/26/3/9	Letter addressed to Commandant Botha, Cradock, Kaapkolonie (Cape Colony) informing him of the death of Stephanes Johannes Paulus Kruger (2 items)	14 Jul 1904
WS/26/3/10	Various postcards. Includes some local scenes, stage actresses and R.M.S. Metagama. Most contain messages and addresses (1 bundle)	1908-1938
WS/26/3/11	Letter written by Queen Alexandra on the death of her husband King Edward VII expressing thanks for the sympathy extended to her and her family. Published by Raphael Tuck and Sons Ltd. Contains ornately decorated border (2 items)	10 May 1910
WS/26/3/12	Correspondence regarding the Scottish Exhibition of National History, Art and Industry (1 item)	19 Dec 1911
WS/26/3/13	Printed letter addressed to the Tenantry on the Ulbster Estates informing them that John George Tollemache Sinclair had transferred ownership of the Estates to his grandson, Archibald Henry Macdonald Sinclair (1 item)	10 May 1912
WS/26/3/14	Letter from John A. Bain to Mr A. Sharp, Rothes (1 item)	8 Apr 1914
WS/26/3/15	Two letters from W. Grant to Mr Mowat discussing Caithness dialect and sayings (6 items)	1919-1920
WS/26/3/16	Letter to the editor of the John o' Groat Journal from R.G. Macdonald, Dunedin (1 item) [appears to be a covering letter for an article they have submitted to the paper]	14 Nov 1922
WS/26/3/17	Two letters addressed to Mrs D. Sutherland, West Banks, Newton Road, Wick from family members in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, U.S.A. and Glasgow (5 items)	1922-1923

WS/26/3/18	Letter to Provost Duchart from unknown correspondent, 73 Buxton Street, North Adelaide, South Australia (1 item)	16 Sep 1931
WS/26/3/19	Empty envelopes addressed to Andrew Sinclair, Rhind House, Wick; Bennie Sutherland, Sibster, Halkirk; Nellie Falconer, Seaforth Avenue, Wick and an airmail letter from Kirkwall to Wick (4 items)	1934-1957
WS/26/3/20	Letter and envelope sent by Shetland's first air mail from The Shetland Times to the editor of the John o' Groat Journal (2 items)	23 Nov 1937
WS/26/3/21	Letter addressed to Mr Begg, from R.A. Coghill, Killimster Mains, Wick requesting his commission for the purchase of cattle and sheep (1 item)	21 Jan 1938
WS/26/3/22	Correspondence addressed to Mr Gunn, 15 Vansittart Street, Wick, regarding his debts (3 items)	1939
WS/26/3/23	Letter from John Bruce, 17 Melville Street, Portobello, Midlothian to Fred [Robertson] (1 item)	15 Sep 1948
WS/26/3/24	Telegram from Buckingham Palace thanking the Provost and the Royal Burgh of Wick for their well wishes on the occasion of the Queen's Coronation (1 item)	5 Jul 1953
WS/26/3/25	Correspondence between Mr William Sinclair, Harbour Treasurer, Wick, and George Bruce, Convenor of the Caithness Charities Campaign regarding collecting tins (2 items)	27 Feb 1956- 10 Mar 1956
WS/26/3/26	Information sent to Iain Sutherland on the restoration of the Faroese Sail Training Smack "Westward Ho" and its visit to Aberdeen (1 item)	14 June 1968
WS/26/3/27	Incomplete letter, sent to Margaret Scott, from Ms. Geldard-Brown, Canada, regarding a woman named Violet and what to do with her effects in the event of her death. Also details on the sender's family and their hospitality businesses in Halkirk, Brawl and Strathmore (3 items)	11 Jul 1985
WS/26/3/28	Postcard addressed to Miss A.D. Munro, Bignold Hospital, Lybster, from James and Louise hoping she is much better (1 item)	n.d.
WS/26/3/29	Envelope containing sharkskin used as glass in Eskimo windows, sent from Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada (2 items)	n.d.

WS/26/3/30	Post Office Telegraphs received at Wick regarding fishing (2 items)	n.d.
WS/26/3/31	Correspondence of John Robson, owner of Lynegar Farm from 1905 to 1932. Contains particulars of his qualifications and experience, and testimonials from figures in the industry (1 file)	1934-1940
<b>WS/26/4</b>	<b>Financial records</b>	<b>1803-1950, n.d.</b>
WS/26/4/1	Account Book. Includes details of account for William Sinclair of Freswick to George Brodie, Grieve at Lochend for outlays on the Mains of that Estate and also for other cash 'leayed out' to other Mains in Greenland. Details payments made for 'bolls' of oat meal and other goods, as well as cash received (1 item)  [there is no clear indication of the provenance of the account book or the owner, however it seems likely to be in reference to 'William Sinclair of Lochend, which estate he acquired by purchase, in 1778, for £2,015, was grandson of John Sinclair of Forss, and Barbara Sinclair, and succeeded his cousin-german, Robert Sinclair of Freswick, in 1794. He was a Doctor of Medicine, and practised for many years in Thurso, and the county generally, before succeeding to the estates. He acquired Thura by purchase in 1801. He was twice married; and died on 15th March 1838, aged 90' (John Henderson, <i>Caithness Family History</i> , 1884, p. 57.)]	1803-1804
WS/26/4/2	Invoices made out to Mr Bentley Innes Esquire of Thrumster from John Banks, Chemist and Druggist for various tinctures and mixtures; and Francis Henderson, Grocer and Meal Dealer, Sarclet for loaves (2 items)	1864-1877
WS/26/4/3	Account of Mr William Peatrie, Manager for the Roperie [Ropery], Pulteneytown to John Ross, Mason, Wick for building works (1 item)	1819-1820
WS/26/4/4	Invoice and covering letter sent to William Petrie, manager of Rope & Sail Manufactory, Wick for ironmongery (1 item)	Sep 1819
WS/26/4/5	Various cheques and deposit slips for Commercial Banking Company of Scotland (1 bundle)	1835-1946
WS/26/4/6	Invoice made out to Robert Innes Esquire of Thrumster from James Henderson & Co., Brewers and Distillers (1 item)	14 Jan 1835

WS/26/4/7	Copy of receipts issued to John Bruce from North Public School for payment of school fees for Donald and Mary Bruce (1 item)	27 Oct 1864
WS/26/4/8	Copy of list of blacksmith's prices, agreed on at a meeting of master Blacksmiths, held in Sutherland's Coffee House, Wick on 1 Mar 1872 (1 item)	1872, c.1980
WS/26/4/9	Copy of receipt for rent paid to Andrew Manson, Thurso (1 item)	1880
WS/26/4/10	Various receipts from fish salesmen and local shops (10 items)	1881-1956
WS/26/4/11	Wick and Pulteneytown Gas Light Company Meter Book for the Pilot House (1 item)	1910-1911
WS/26/4/12	Account book for The William Cowper Memorial Fund (1 item)	1918
WS/26/4/13	Bundle of receipts for rates paid by Donald Waters (1 bundle)	1927-1932
WS/26/4/14	Receipts from various establishments for meals. Includes receipt made out to Mrs Munro for a Wedding Party dated 24 Jun 1927 (7 items)	1927-1936
WS/26/4/15	Various receipts for motoring expenses and notice of a shareholders meeting for The Petrol Users & Traders' Supply Society, Ltd (13 items)	1929-1936
WS/26/4/16	Note of Valuations at Caithness Steam Mills, Wick. Lists company assets including buildings, furniture, plant and machinery, horses and vehicles etc. (1 item)	c.1930
WS/26/4/17	Aberdeen Savings Bank Book for Mr Walter E. Craig (1 item)	1932
WS/26/4/18	Unemployment Book and receipt for same in the name of Margaret McGregor (2 items)	1935
WS/26/4/19	Quotation from Laurie & Co. Ltd., Electrical Engineers, for installing Electric Light in Butcher's shop in Dempster Street, Wick (1 item)	21 May 1937
WS/26/4/20	Financial Accounts and Invoices for A. Mackay & Co., Butchers, 45 Dempster Street, Wick (5 items)	1938
WS/26/4/21	Cheques signed by John Gunn for various expenses (1 bundle)	1950

WS/26/4/22	Copy of a receipt from D.R. Simpson, Ironmonger, made out to John S. Simpson, Stroma for brass hinges, drawer knobs, a grate and fender (1 item)	n.d.
WS/26/4/23	Blank counterfoil receipt book for unknown organisation, possibly a Masonic Lodge (1 item)	n.d.
WS/26/4/24	Account Book of D. Sutherland, Sawmill, Union Street, Wick (1 volume)	1956-1959
<b>WS/26/5</b>	<b>Photographs</b>	<b>c.1900-c.1970, n.d.</b>
WS/26/5/1	Unidentified portrait photograph on fabric (1 item) [Sutherland written on reverse]	c.1900
WS/26/5/2	Photograph and information regarding Edward Francis Tudor James, a hermit who arrived in Wick in 1908 and who lived in an old gunpowder magazine on the north headland of Wick bay (4 items)	c.1908
WS/26/5/3	Mounted colour photograph of John o' Groats. Field of sheep in the foreground with John o' Groats Hotel in the background (1 item)	c.1970
WS/26/5/4	Mounted photograph of shop E. Campbell and Co. with 4 staff and delivery boy standing in front (1 item) [photograph is very faded]	n.d.
<b>WS/26/6</b>	<b>Literature, poetry and music</b>	<b>c.1863-c.1980, n.d.</b>
WS/26/6/1	Notebook filled with observations, poetry and short stories. Includes an account of the laying of the foundation stone at Wick Harbour (1 item)	c.1863
WS/26/6/2	Poem 'On Reading the Speech of the Laird of Hempriggs at the Agricultural Dinner' by P.S. (1 item)	2 Mar 1882
WS/26/6/3	'The Battle of the Boundaries: An Historical Poem found under the foundation stone of Kettleburn'. Author unknown (2 items)	c.1882
WS/26/6/4	Songbook for Handel's 'Samson'. Performance by Wick Musical Association in the Rifle Drill Hall, Wick (1 item)	26 Feb 1909
WS/26/6/5	Poem 'The Recruiter' by Wandering Tyke (1 item)	8 Aug 1915

WS/26/6/6	Poem 'The Hoosie on the Heicht' by B. Printed and sold for one penny per copy, proceeds to various War Funds (1 item)	1915
WS/26/6/7	Poem 'Pictures on the Wall' by Z.Y.Z (1 item)	Feb 1917
WS/26/6/8	Various songbooks. Includes 'Maiden of Morven from Songs of the North', 'Songs of the Hebrides' and 'Wipers: The March Song of The Ypres League' (1 file)	c.1925
WS/26/6/9	Copy of 'The Wick Song' sheet music and lyrics. Words by Ian McHardy, Music by A.M. Small. Written and composed for Wick's First Broadcast (1 item)	1939
WS/26/6/10	Fairy stories, incomplete. Author unknown (1 item)	c.1940
WS/26/6/11	Envelope addressed to Iain Sutherland, Wick Society containing two plays and a poem written by Ian McHardy and a covering letter (5 items)	9 Jan 1976
WS/26/6/12	Lone Star: A Comedy in One Act by James McLure script (1 item)	c.1980
WS/26/6/13	Various poems and songs. Mostly Caithness subjects and some in Caithness dialect (1 bundle)	n.d.
WS/26/6/14	Poems by George Wallace Levack, Bankhead, Wick entitled 'In Praise of the Pulteney Water' and 'The Old Man of Wick' (1 item)	n.d.
WS/26/6/15	Poem 'Dear Old Wick! A sincere and an affectionate exclamation from a humble bard to a worthy and generous people'. Author unknown (1 item)	n.d.
WS/26/6/16	Handwritten short story entitled 'A Nor'land Idyll' by John S. Macleod. Written for the magazine of the Glasgow Caithness Literary Association (1 item)	n.d.
WS/26/6/17	Untitled song about fairies. Author unknown (1 item)	n.d.
WS/26/6/18	Untitled religious poem. Author unknown (1 item)	n.d.
WS/26/6/19	Poem 'The Ulbster Hounds' described as 'an anonymous poem written by the lawyers of Wick in collaboration with the Town Clerk's Office. The references are personal and impertinent, but the fun of the thing appealed immensely to the voters of 1880' (1 item)	n.d.

WS/26/6/20	Sheet music 'Goodbye, Dunbeath, Goodbye'. Written and composed by William Gunn (2 items)	n.d.
WS/26/6/21	Poem 'Lines on the Lamented Loss of the Clyth Fishermen'. The poem is about the Clyth fishing disaster 27 Jan 1876 (1 item)	n.d.
WS/26/6/22	Poem 'The Loss of the Boat "Charlotte" of Wick'. Describes the loss of the Charlotte on 13 Feb 1893 (1 item)	n.d.
WS/26/6/23	Handwritten manuscript titled 'African Adventures and Reminiscences'. Author unknown (1 bundle)	n.d.
WS/26/6/24	Handwritten poem headed 'To the Mercantile Debating Society'. Poem about Caithness' past and includes references to various characters. Author unknown (2 items)	n.d.
WS/26/6/25	Handwritten poem about Caithness at New Year and illicit stills at Newton Hill. Author unknown (1 item)	n.d.
WS/26/6/26	'The Ten Years Conflict' by R.G. Macdonald. Short story regarding the settlement or 'call' of a minister to the church in the Kirk of Bal-moine (1 item)	n.d.
<b>WS/26/7</b>	<b>Programmes</b>	<b>1905-1965, n.d.</b>
WS/26/7/1	Programme for 1 <sup>st</sup> Sutherland Highland Rifle Volunteers Parade Service in Lady Yester's Parish Church (1 item)	17 Sep 1905
WS/26/7/2	Programme for Grand Concert and Cantata under the auspices of the Mey Choral Society (1 item)	1 Mar 1907
WS/26/7/3	Programme for a Grand Ballad Concert organised by Wick Musical Association in the Rifle Drill Hall (1 item)	2 Jan 1908
WS/26/7/4	Programme of games for a visit of Seaforth Highlanders, Grand Sports event at Riverside, Wick (1 item)	10 Jul 1909
WS/26/7/5	Programme for the consecration of the New Masonic Hall, Thurso (1 item)	6 Aug 1909
WS/26/7/6	Advert for a showing of 'Bella Donna' starring Pola Negri at La Scala, Breadalbane Terrace, Wick Mounted on card (1 item)	c.1920
WS/26/7/7	Programme for Grand Ballad and Choral Concert in the Rifle Drill Hall, Wick (1 item)	9 Dec 1921

WS/26/7/8	Programme for An Comunn Gaidhealach Grand Highland Concert in Breadalbane Hall (1 item)	19 Mar 1926
WS/26/7/9	Programme for a concert in the Rifle Hall, Wick. Performers include Wick Junior Girls' Choir, Wick Male Voice Choir and Wick Amateur Military Band. Lists the names of those in the choirs and band (1 item)	5 May 1926
WS/26/7/10	New Pavilion Programme, December 1930 (1 item)	1930
WS/26/7/11	Programme for Grand Bazaar held in The Rifle Hall, Wick to raise funds for the Bignold Hospital Aid Committee (1 item)	Aug 1931
WS/26/7/12	Programme for the Scottish Community Drama Association Preliminary Festival in the Rifle Hall, Wick (1 item)	17 Feb 1936
WS/26/7/13	Programme for Grand Concert in Rifle Drill Hall, Wick (1 item)	5 Mar 1936
WS/26/7/14	Programme for Wick North School Bazaar (1 item)	20 Aug 1936
WS/26/7/15	Programme for Jas. T. Sinclair's Second Annual Old New Year's Night Celebration in the Rifle Hall, Wick (1 item)	12 Jan 1938
WS/26/7/16	Programme for the Third Annual Old New Year's Eve Celebration Supper and Dance in The Rifle Hall, Wick (1 item)	11 Jan 1939
WS/26/7/17	Souvenir Programme for the Seventh Annual County Ball celebrating Old New Year (1 item) [the front cover features a photograph of 'Miss 1943' Irene Davidson]	13 Jan 1943
WS/26/7/18	Programme for Grand Variety Concert in aid of the 51 <sup>st</sup> (Highland) Division Comforts Fund in the Breadalbane Cinema, Wick (1 item) [the back cover features a photograph of the RAF Blue Eagles Band]	16 Feb 1944
WS/26/7/19	Programme for an Anniversary Parade in Trieste (1 item)	2 May 1946
WS/26/7/20	Programme for a Recital of Popular Classical Music in Wick Old Parish Church Hall (1 item)	23 Feb 1951
WS/26/7/21	Programme for the Caithness Coronation Pageant (1 item)	1953
WS/26/7/22	Two programmes for The Society of Commercial Teachers Conference Dinner at the Royal British	5 Jun 1954



	Hotel, Edinburgh (2 items) [the back page of each programmes contains autographs]	
WS/26/7/23	Programme for unofficial opening of Seaforth Club Extension. Collection in aid of British Legion and Atomic Club (1 item)	Jun 1965
WS/26/7/24	Programme for A Variety Entertainment in aid of the Bairns' Boot Fund, in the Rifle Hall, Wick on Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> November (1 item)	n.d.
<b>WS/26/8</b>	<b>Syllabi</b>	<b>1934-1940</b>
WS/26/8/1	Edinburgh John o' Groat Benevolent Association Syllabus for seasons 1934-35, 1935-36, 1936-37, 1937-38 and 1938-39 (6 items)	1934-1939
WS/26/8/2	Glasgow Caithness Benevolent Association Syllabus for seasons 1934-35, 1935-36, 1936-37, 1937-38, 1938-39 and 1939-40 (6 items)	1934-1940
WS/26/8/3	London Caithness Association Syllabus for seasons 1934-35, 1935-1936, 1937-38 and 1938-39 (4 items)	1934-1939
WS/26/8/4	The Scottish Society of Vancouver Syllabus for season 1938-1939 (1 item)	1938-1939
<b>WS/26/9</b>	<b>Essays and other unpublished secondary sources</b>	<b>c.1915-c.2021, n.d.</b>
WS/26/9/1	Loose pages from a biography of Arthur Bignold, including copies of photographs of Arthur Bignold and Charlotte Lucy Bignold (1 bundle)	c.1915
WS/26/9/2	Envelope containing notes, photographs and correspondence regarding Communion Tokens of Caithness by the late Mr John Mowat F.S.A.(Scot), author of Bibliography of Caithness. Includes the small volume 'List of Communion Tokens of the County of Caithness' by John Mowat (1 item)	c.1927
WS/26/9/3	Volume titled 'Alexander Miller, West Banks Terrace, Wick'. Inside are handwritten notes on 'Freemasonry, Some Reminiscences' and a loose sheet containing a list of properties and yearly rent for each (1 volume)	c.1945
WS/26/9/4	Bundle of essays entered into 'The 'Searcher' Essay Competition', run by the John o' Groat Journal on the subject 'The Future of Caithness and Sutherland. Also includes related correspondence (1 file)	Dec 1946

WS/26/9/5	Essays on the subject 'My Caithness Schooldays', submitted for adjudication in the 'Searcher Memorial Essay- Writing Competition'. Written by John Manson, Gills; Nana Rogers, Thurso and 'Junior' (1 file)	c.1950
WS/26/9/6	Information leaflet on the history of the Westward Ho, fishing vessel (1 item)	c.1980
WS/26/9/7	Bundle of essays on various history topics including 'Life in the Russian Zone', 'The Wars of the Covenant', 'Sir Andrew Wood of Largo' and 'The First Scots Prime Minister'. All handwritten. Author unknown (1 file)	n.d.
WS/26/9/8	Various essays on Caithness history including 'The Road to Altmarlach' and transcriptions from local newspapers (1 file)	n.d.
WS/26/9/9	Typed history of Quoad Sacra Parish of Pulteneytown Established Church up to May 1894 (2 items)	n.d.
WS/26/9/10	Photocopies from chapter of unknown book of the Routes of the North Mail Coach from Edinburgh to Thurso (3 items)	n.d.
WS/26/9/11	'New Stone Age People of Caithness, Section 1 and 2'. Plastic-comb bound volumes containing teaching materials for primary age children including information sheets, illustrations, book lists and assessments (2 volumes)	n.d.
WS/26/9/12	Essay titled 'The Police Raids of 1941', concerning the arrest of Scottish Nationalists. Author unknown (1 item)	1944
WS/26/9/13	Typed and handwritten notes titled 'The Mowats: Some notes towards a Family History by John Mowat, F.S.A.Scot., IV The Mowats in Caithness' (1 item)	c.1950
WS/26/9/14	'A Tourist's Guide to Wick', Part I and II by J. Sutherland. A walking guide to Wick (2 items)	c.1960
WS/26/9/15	'Memories of Wick Radio' by Sandy Aitchison (1 item)	c.2021
WS/26/9/16	"Reminiscences of a Childhood in Caithness", by Charles Keith Sutherland – being an account of life in Lanergill, Watten in the 1920s (school days, children's games, etc.	2002

	<p>Charles Keith Sutherland (5 Jun 1919-26 May 1993) was born in Lanergill Schoolhouse, Watten. His father, John Sutherland, was the schoolmaster there and his mother, Annie Sutherland nee Keith, was also a teacher. After finishing university in Edinburgh, his studies disrupted by the Second World War, Charles Keith Sutherland became a teacher in Falkirk.</p> <p>(1 volume)</p>	
<b>WS/26/10</b>	<b>World War One and Two</b>	<b>1914-1946</b>
WS/26/10/1	Printed leaflet detailing Weekly Rates of Pay of Private Soldiers in the Regular Army and Special Reserve (1 item)	10 Nov 1914
WS/26/10/2	Poster entitled 'War!! England, Germany and Ireland' warning young Irishmen against joining the English Army or Navy (1 item)	c.1914
WS/26/10/3	File regarding the Cigarette and Tobacco Fund for servicemen. Includes typed list of all the contributors to the Weekly Dispatch Cigarette and Tobacco Fund, 'Good-Luck' fund thank you correspondence to A.W. Dunnett, Harbour Office, Wick regarding monies raised for troop welfare, 'Tobacco Fund' correspondence regarding monies raised for troop welfare and list of contributors (1 file)	1914-1915
WS/26/10/4	Clan Mackay Society Roll of Honour of members of the Mackay Clan serving in the Forces of the British Empire, on sea and land, during the European War, 1914-1915 (1 item)	May 1915
WS/26/10/5	Souvenir of the Great War of 1914-1915 featuring an image of the H.M.S. Royal Arthur (1 item) [written on the back 'Mickey Mackay Loch Street, belonged to Granddad']	1915
WS/26/10/6	Letter from the War Office stating the burial place of Second Lieutenant W.O. MacBeth, 5 <sup>th</sup> Black Watch (1 item)	9 Oct 1917
WS/26/10/7	Certificate congratulating Major Josiah James Robertson, 5 <sup>th</sup> Battalion Seaforth Highlanders, on being awarded the Distinguished Service Order, from the Provost, Magistrates and Councillors of the Royal Burgh of Wick (1 item)	1917
WS/26/10/8	Programme for Thanksgiving Service for End of Hostilities, in Wick Parish Church (1 item)	13 Nov 1918

WS/26/10/9	Poster proclaiming 'Victory: Germany signs the Armistice' (1 item)	Nov 1918
WS/26/10/10	No.204269 Private George Barnie Bruce Seaforth Highlanders. Honourable Discharge Certificate (1 item)	28 Sep 1918
WS/26/10/11	Menu and Toast List from a dinner held in honour of Lt. Colonel J.J.C. Davidson in Meredith's Hotel. The last page contains signatures of those who attended (1 item)	23 May 1919
WS/26/10/12	Programme for a Banquet to celebrate the granting of the Freedom of the Burgh of Wick to General The Rt. Hon. Baron Horne of Stirkoke and Rear-Admiral Sir E. Sinclair Alexander-Sinclair (1 item)	29 Oct 1919
WS/26/10/13	Order of Service for the Unveiling of the Wick War Memorial. Includes list of fallen (3 items)	31 Oct 1923
WS/26/10/14	Remembrance leaflet featuring Wick War Memorial and Roll of Honour (1 item)	1923
WS/26/10/15	Prisoner of War Air Mail Post form (blank) (1 item)	c.1940
WS/26/10/16	Motor Fuel Ration Book (1 item)	c.1940
WS/26/10/17	Article 'Memorial erected where three Battalions met: to the memory of Seaforths who fell in the fighting in Sicily' (1 item)	1944
WS/26/10/18	Christmas card from R.A.F. Smith, 48 Alicia Gardens, Kenton Harrow, Middlesex (1 item)	Nov 1945
WS/26/10/19	My Family's war record certificate. Awarded to every child (2 items)	8 Jun 1946
WS/26/10/20	Original letters, documents, and recordings from Hillhead Primary School's Primary 7 project collecting the memories of those who served at RAF Wick during the Second World War. The memories were published in 'Wings Over Wick' (1 box)	1992
WS/26/10/21	Second World War Education Pack (1 box)	1995
<b>WS/26/11</b>	<b>Sports</b>	<b>1859-1936</b>
WS/26/11/1	Rules and Regulations of Saint Fergus Cricket Club, Instituted 1859 (1 item)	1859

WS/26/11/2	Membership cards for Thistle Football Club for seasons 1933-1934, 1934-1935 and 1935-1936 (3 items)	1933-1936
WS/26/11/3	Report of the match between Wick Thistle and Wick Groats cut from the John o' Groat Journal of 12 <sup>th</sup> December 1936 (1 item)	12 Dec 1936
<b>WS/26/12</b>	<b>Posters</b>	<b>1905-1961, n.d.</b>
WS/26/12/1	Poster, Jumble Sale in the Rifle Drill Hall (2 items)	11 Oct 1905
WS/26/12/2	Photocopy of a poster for an auction sale at Rockhill, Auckengill on Saturday 17 <sup>th</sup> March, 1928. The sale was a disposal of the belongings of Mr James Mowat as he was leaving the county (1 item)	1928, n.d.
WS/26/12/3	Poster, Thurso Branch British Legion, Grand Highland Gathering, Sir George's Park, Thurso (5 items)	15 Jul 1942
WS/26/12/4	Poster, Athletic Display held at Wick Riverside (1 item) [top right corner missing]	14 Jun 1944
WS/26/12/5	Posters, Open Pairs Bowling Tournament on Rosebank Green, Wick, held as part of Wick Civic Week, 5-12 Aug 1950 and blank list of entries (4 items)	7 Aug 1950
WS/26/12/6	Poster, Highland Games at Riverside Grounds, Wick (3 items)	19 Aug 1961
WS/26/12/7	Poster, Wick Riverside Boating Committee, for boating charges and regulations (1 item)	n.d.
WS/26/12/8	Posters, Sailors' Day Appeal (1 bundle)	n.d.
WS/26/12/9	Poster, Herring Week, Herring Industry Board (1 item)	n.d.
WS/26/12/10	Poster for Fresh Scottish Kippers (1 item)	n.d.
WS/26/12/11	Poster, public meeting of the inhabitants of the Town and Parish of Wick to consider the state of the Old Churchyard, Wick (1 item)	7 Jul (no year)
WS/26/12/12	Poster, Royal National Lifeboat Institution Flag Day (1 item)	6 May (no year)
WS/26/12/13	Poster, Life-Boat Dance in the Assembly Rooms, Wick (4 items)	30 Sep (no year)

<b>WS/26/13</b>	<b>Various</b>	<b>1580-2001, n.d.</b>
WS/26/13/1	Wall- hanging of The Confession of Faith of 1580 (1 item)	1580, n.d.
WS/26/13/2	Copy of a transcript of Wick Burgh charter (1 item)	1589, n.d.
WS/26/13/3	Various Book-plates (7 items)	1742-c.1820
WS/26/13/4	Excerpt of a document [includes pages 5-8] complaining about the process of electing officials to the Royal Burgh of Wick (1 item)	c.1770
WS/26/13/5	Copy of 'Report to John Sinclair of Ulbster, Bart., Chairman of the Society for the Improvement of British Wool, of the State of Sheep Farming along the Eastern Coast of Scotland, and the interior parts of the Highlands' by Andrew Ker (1 bundle)	1791, n.d.
WS/26/13/6	Militia Balloting List for the Parish of Latheron. List of men in the Parish of Latheron between the age of nineteen and twenty three years inclusive and liable to be Balloted under the Militia Act for Scotland made up in August 1797 in terms of that Act (1 item)	Aug 1797
WS/26/13/7	Handwritten list of Burgh voters and Burgesses, Wick (1 item)	1 Nov 1833
WS/26/13/8	View of the Town of Thurso with part of the Pentland Firth and Orkney Islands. From a drawing by Lieutenant William Bain, 1834. Printed by Forrester and Nichol (1 item)	c.1834
WS/26/13/9	Petition to George Dunbar, Master of Duffus, Patron of the Church and Parish of Wick from the undersigned members of the Kirk Session, Heads of Families and other inhabitants of the Parish of Wick addressed asking that Reverend Kenneth M. Phin be appointed Wick Parish minister following the death of his father, Robert Phin. Contains the names of approximately 1000 male parishioners (1 item)	c.1840
WS/26/13/10	Petition to Lady Duffus from the female parishioners of the Established Church, Wick asking that Reverend Kenneth M. Phin be appointed Wick Parish minister following the death of his father, Robert Phin. Contains the names of approximately 800 female parishioners (1 item)	c.1840

WS/26/13/11	Copy of an advert for a raffle to win a currant bun, organised by George Cordery, Baker, 25 Nov 1848 (2 items)	1848, n.d.
WS/26/13/12	Poster summarising the contents of the John o' Groat Journal of Friday, Jun 28 1850 (1 item)	c.28 Jun 1850
WS/26/13/13	View of the Town and Vicinity of Thurso from a drawing by Robert Forsyth, Land Surveyor, 1851. Printed by Schenck & McFarlane (2 items)	c.1851
WS/26/13/14	Indenture of Apprenticeship between Messrs Findlater and Company of Russell Street, Dublin, Brewers and Alexander McKay, Wick, Caithness (1 item)	17 Mar 1857
WS/26/13/15	Copy Books containing pages of handwriting practice belonging to Johanna or Jane Wood (6 items)	1858-1859
WS/26/13/16	Article 'Judgement of the Court of Session in the Thurso Property Case' (1 item)	c.1859
WS/26/13/17	Invitation to the funeral of Donald Bruce (1 item)	30 Dec 1864
WS/26/13/18	Marriage certificate of Thomas Latta and Laura S. Waters in St. Paul's Church, Southwark, Surrey (2 items)	25 Dec 1867
WS/26/13/19	Copy of the Particulars of the Estate of Lybster (3 items)	1 Aug 1868, n.d.
WS/26/13/20	Handwritten information regarding the discovery of eight silver rings or ancient wrist or ankle rings near Rattar, Dunnet (1 item)	c.1870
WS/26/13/21	Copy of final intimation for West Kirk Parish Poor Rates (1 item)	1871-1872, n.d.
WS/26/13/22	Copy of a Certificate of Discharge for Seaman William McKenzie from the ship Wild Deer after a voyage to Otago 6 Nov 18[73] (1 item)	c.1873, n.d.
WS/26/13/23	Imitation Bank Note drawn by hand in pen and ink by William Gunn, mounted on card (1 item)	1874
WS/26/13/24	Certificate of chemical analysis of 5 samples of water sent to the laboratory by James Reiach, High Street, Wick (1 item)	12 May 1876
WS/26/13/25	Extract of an entry in a Register of Births for Alexander Miller, born 13 Apr 1878, Breadalbane Crescent, Pulteneytown (1 item)	3 May 1878

WS/26/13/26	Certificate from the Paris Exposition of 1878 awarded to A. Begg for a Canadian Sleigh or Cutter (1 item)	1878
WS/26/13/27	Specification of Cutting Burn and Surface Drains on the farm of Halsary, the property of Sir Robert Anstruther, Baronet (1 item)	May 1885
WS/26/13/28	Document detailing the history of the Congregational Chapel, Wick. Includes a list of Deacons and members (1 item) [some areas faded due to water damage]	21 Nov 1882
WS/26/13/29	Copy of a Certificate of Discharge for Seaman and Sailmaker William McKenzie from the ship Taranaki after a voyage to New Zealand (1 item)	30 Apr 1882, n.d.
WS/26/13/30	Copy of certificate removing George Sinclair, Number 1335 Gunner, from the Muster Roll of the 1 <sup>st</sup> Caithness Artillery (1 item)	5 Apr 1888, n.d.
WS/26/13/31	Diary of a journey from Glasgow to San Francisco. Handwritten account by William Rae, 1516 Alcatraz Avenue, Berkeley, California, U.S.A, (formerly of Elzy, Wick) of his journey by steamboat from Glasgow to Quebec, overland by rail to Vancouver, on by boat to Seattle, then by rail to San Francisco (1 file)	May-Jun 1888
WS/26/13/32	Agreement binding William Dallas, Breadalbane Crescent, to a six- year apprenticeship with I.H Buik and Company, Rope and Sail Manufacturers, Pulteneytown (1 item)	1 Oct 1889
WS/26/13/33	Particulars of the Personal Estate of the Reverend Donald Sutherland (1 item)	8 Jun 1890
WS/26/13/34	'The Bazaar'. Publication advertising a Bazaar held in the new Rifle Drill Hall in Dempster Street, Wick. Includes an account of how the new hall came to be built and the history of Wick Rifle Volunteers (1 item)	10 Sep 1890
WS/26/13/35	Envelope containing cuttings of advertisements for books of local interest plus loose sheet of same (2 items)	c.1890
WS/26/13/36	Elementary Certificate certifying Daniel Weir has passed the prescribed examination in Musical Memory, in Time, in Tune and in Sight Singing at the Tonic Sol-Fa College, London (1 item)	20 Mar 1893



WS/26/13/37	Certificates awarded to Mr Peter Munro, Munsary, Swiney for prizes won at His Grace The Duke of Portland's Caithness Estates Show (3 items)	20 Aug 1896
WS/26/13/38	Order of Service for a public service in Wick Parish Church for the funeral of the Right Honourable W. E. Gladstone (1 item)	28 May 1898
WS/26/13/39	Printed speech delivered by Lieutenant Colonel Waters, Indian Medical Service (a native of Bower, Caithness), to the St. Andrew's Society, Bombay, 1899 (1 item)	1899
WS/26/13/40	Royal National Lifeboat Institution. Report on the Barque "Hans" of Sweden (1 item)	3 May 1900
WS/26/13/41	Copy of the Proclamation of His Majesty the King at the Mercat Cross, Wick at Noon of Saturday 26 Jan 1901 (1 item)	26 Jan 1901, n.d.
WS/26/13/42	Order of Service for a public service in Wick Parish Church for Her Majesty Queen Victoria (9 items)	2 Feb 1901
WS/26/13/43	Map of the 'Cheife Harbours in the Islands of Orkney 1760'. Printed c.1903 (1 item)	1760, c.1903
WS/26/13/44	The Globe Pass- Book. Handwritten on front cover is the following: W. Miller Crew, Mr Hugh McKay, Argyle Sq. (1 item)	1904-1905
WS/26/13/45	Return of the Areas, Population, and Valuation of Counties, Burghs, and Parishes in Scotland (1 item)	1905
WS/26/13/46	Printed account of Mr Harmsworth, M.P.'s visit to Caithness and a meeting of Liberal delegates at Thurso where the Land Bill was discussed (1 item)	21 Aug 1906
WS/26/13/47	Form of Application for shares in a limited liability company formed by Wick Curling Club to fundraise for a Curling Pond in Janetstown (1 item)	Dec 1906
WS/26/13/48	Certificate of Service awarded to Sergeant William Reid, 1 <sup>st</sup> Caithness R.G.A., who served 18 Mar 1899 to 31 Mar 1908 (1 item)	c.31 Mar 1908
WS/26/13/49	Order of service for a Memorial Service in Wick Parish Church for the funeral of King Edward VII (1 item)	20 May 1910
WS/26/13/50	Life Insurance documents for William A. Leys, 10 Kinnaird Street, Wick (1 item)	Dec 1910

WS/26/13/51	Blank transire forms (6 items) [a transire is a customs document on which the cargo loaded on to a ship is listed]	c.1910
WS/26/13/52	Pages from a diary. Blank apart from notes on bank interest rates (3 items)	1911
WS/26/13/53	Small Landholders (Scotland) Act, 1911 (1 item) [badly damaged with sections unreadable]	1911
WS/26/13/54	'The New Crofters Bill' printed and distributed with Mr Harmsworth's [MP] compliments (1 item)	1911
WS/26/13/55	List of pupils sitting the Leaving Certificate Examination in Drawing- Lower Grade in Pulteneytown Academy Higher Grade School (3 items)	1910-1912
WS/26/13/56	Pamphlet promoting cheap trips to the Continent, August Bank Holiday (1 item)	1912
WS/26/13/57	National Health Insurance Book of Horseman William Donaldson, Houstry, Watten, Caithness (1 item)	1912-1914
WS/26/13/58	With Compliments slip from the Board of Agriculture for Scotland (1 item)	16 Jul 1913
WS/26/13/59	National Health Insurance: Explanatory Memorandum for the Information of Farmers and Farm- Workers (1 item)	Apr 1915
WS/26/13/60	Various In Memoriam Cards. Cards for Benjamin Doull, James H. Lyall, Donald Farquhar and one anonymous (4 items)	1918-1946
WS/26/13/61	Caithness Education Authority, Regulations for Sick Leave of Teachers (1 item)	12 Feb 1920
WS/26/13/62	Subscription form for the proposed Pulteneytown Temperance Hall (1 item)	c.1920
WS/26/13/63	Menu for a dinner held on R.M.S.P. Avon (1 item)	8 Jul 1922
WS/26/13/64	Carriage of Goods by Sea Act, 1924 - Rules relating to Bills of Lading (1 item)	1924
WS/26/13/65	Train ticket departing from Buchanan Street, Glasgow (1 item)	8 May 1924
WS/26/13/66	Ticket for a Song Recital by the Wick Junior Girls' Choir (1 item)	9 May 1924

WS/26/13/67	Certificate of Identity for Naval or Greenwich Hospital Pension for John Bremner (1 item)	8 Aug 1924
WS/26/13/68	Article 'Model (Imaginary) of John o' Groats House' (1 item) [the article includes a photograph of the model]	c.1924
WS/26/13/69	Notebook belonging to Margaret E. MacBeth, 8 Upper Dunbar Street, Wick. Contains notes on nursing, recipes and Bible verses. Includes photograph of woman seated in garden dated 10 Nov 1925 (2 items)	c.1925
WS/26/13/70	Certificate of membership to the Alliance of Honour for R.J.G. Millar, Wick (1 item)	26 May 1926
WS/26/13/71	Licence to Drive a Motor Car or Motor Cycle for James Mowat, Keiss (1 item)	1 Jun 1927
WS/26/13/72	Wick Industrial Exhibition Certificate, 3 <sup>rd</sup> Prize for Fancy Knitting awarded to Miss C Oag, signed by J S Robertson and W H Christie and D M Christie (1 item)	Feb 1928
WS/26/13/73	Wick Industrial Exhibition Certificate, Special Diploma for Display of Wool Work awarded to Wick High School, ? Black , signed Wm Christie (1 item)	Feb 1928
WS/26/13/74	Wick Industrial Exhibition Certificate, Special Diploma for Meritorious Exhibits of Handwork and Drawing awarded to Wick High School (1 item)	Jul-Mar 1928
WS/26/13/75	Wick and Pulteneytown 'Monthly Visitor' Evangelical Christian publication (1 item)	Aug 1928
WS/26/13/76	Information Leaflets pertaining to Entertainments Duty (3 items)	1928-1931
WS/26/13/77	Mawson's "Gladiator" Plate, Pyro-Soda Developer, advert (1 item)	1929
WS/26/13/78	Souvenir volume presented to R.J.G. Millar Esq., editor of the John o' Groat Journal on his retirement, from representatives of the Glasgow Caithness Benevolent Association, the Edinburgh John o' Groats Association, the London Caithness Association and various overseas Caithness associations (1 item) [print date given as 29 Apr 1930, however, a presentation card within the front cover also gives a date of 1936]	29 Apr 1930, 1936
WS/26/13/79	Brochure for The Highland Exhibition, Inverness, 4 Aug 1930-20 Sep 1930 (1 item)	Aug 1930

WS/26/13/80	Blank Form of Application for shares in Press Limited (1 item)	1930
WS/26/13/81	Class report for Margaret Ainslie, Secondary Department, Wick High School. Session 1930-1933 (1 item)	1930-1933
WS/26/13/82	In Memoriam booklet containing the obituary and Public Appreciations of George Alexander Oag Green, Town Clerk and Ex- Provost of Wick (1 item)	Mar 1932
WS/26/13/83	Day School Certificate (Higher), 1932, General Paper (1 item)	14 Mar 1932
WS/26/13/84	Certificate stating John o' Groats House Hotel is a member of the Hotels and Restaurants Association of Great Britain (1 item)	3 Jun 1932
WS/26/13/85	Booklet containing an account of a Public Appreciation of Pastor John Horne (1 item)	Jul 1932
WS/26/13/86	The Secrets of Danish Bacon, New Year advert (1 item)	1937
WS/26/13/87	A.R.P. Examination for Members of the Boys Brigade at Wick (1 item)	c.1940
WS/26/13/88	Radio Times [Anderson 22 McArthur Street] (1 item)	21 Feb 1941
WS/26/13/89	Invitation to a Social Evening in the Mutual Service Club-rooms, Scalesburn, Wick (1 item)	11 Feb 1942
WS/26/13/90	Order of Service for Women's World Day of Prayer (1 item)	12 Mar 1943
WS/26/13/91	Wick and Pulteneytown District Nursing Association Membership Card for Miss Mowat, Buchollie, Caithness (1 item)	1944-1946
WS/26/13/92	Election material for prospective Caithness and Sutherland M.P. Archibald Sinclair (2 items)	1945
WS/26/13/93	The 1945 Calendar of Goodwill (1 item)	1945
WS/26/13/94	List of wrecks in the Pentland Firth from 1799 with covering letter sent to the editor of the John o' Groat Journal. Information includes date, ship's name, master, cargo, departure port, destination port, where wrecked, number of lives lost and any further details. List compiled by John Bremner (3 items)	27 Mar 1947

WS/26/13/95	Booklet containing an account of a Public Presentation to Mr Renwick J.G. Millar, retired editor of the John o' Groat Journal (1 item)	Oct 1947
WS/26/13/96	Plan for a Training Course, to be held at Wick High School and Miller Academy, Thurso, for leaders and potential leaders of social and recreational organisations in developing activities (1 item)	1947
WS/26/13/97	Financial breakdown and organisational notes for a whist drive held in Rosebank Pavilion, Wick (5 items)	16 Feb 1949
WS/26/13/98	Catalogue for the 14 <sup>th</sup> Annual Exhibition of the Society of Caithness Artists (1 item)	Aug 1949
WS/26/13/99	Plan for Development in Caithness and the Northern Scottish Counties (1 item)	c.1950
WS/26/13/100	Records of Inspector's visits under the Weights and Measures Acts to Pulteney Distillery (4 items)	23 Aug 1951-8 Dec 1961
WS/26/13/101	Sailing Timetables Leith, Aberdeen, Caithness, Orkney, Shetland (1 item)	1951-1956
WS/26/13/102	Article of proclamation from the Privy Council office relating to Queen Elizabeth the Second (1 item)	6 Feb 1952
WS/26/13/103	Wooden box labelled 'The John Mowat Collection'. Inside is a note: 'Collection of Caithness Church Communion tokens to be given to the County Library at Wick' signed John Mowat, June 1952, plus 4 Caithness place name cards (1 item)	Jun 1952
WS/26/13/104	Coronation Pageant Caithness 1953 Notebook. Contains list of names and addresses (1 item)	1953
WS/26/13/105	Order granting Bessie Leith the Order of the British Empire (O.B.E.), signed by Queen Elizabeth the Second (1 item)	1 Jan 1954
WS/26/13/106	Wreck and Salvage notices Wr.38 and Wr.39 issued by the Ministry for Transport (4 items)	c.1960
WS/26/13/107	Particulars of the Estate of Lybster, for sale by public roup on 16 Sep 1868. Sent to the editor of the John o' Groat Journal with a covering letter (4 items)	1868, 24 Apr 1969
WS/26/13/108	'Portland Star: Fishing from Lybster'. Magazine compiled by members of the Youth Clubs in Caithness on the fishing industry in Lybster (1 item)	c.1970

WS/26/13/109	Bundle of photocopies of pages from various publications regarding the fishing industry. Includes extracts from 'Scots Fisherfolk' by Peter F. Anson, published by the Banffshire Journal Ltd, 1950 (1 bundle)	c.1980
WS/26/13/110	Pulteneytown and Thrumster Church Newsletter, February 1993 (1 item)	Feb 1993
WS/26/13/111	Linoleum plaque inscribed 'SCDA One Act Play Festival Scottish Finalist Kirkcaldy 1997' (1 item)	1997
WS/26/13/112	Laminated certificate awarded to Wick Players for "Lone Star" from the SCDA 66 <sup>th</sup> Scottish Final Festival of One-Act Plays (1 item)	17 Apr 1998
WS/26/13/113	Copies of original documents regarding the Rothesay and Caithness Fencibles and Captain Swanson's involvement with the regiment (c.1800-1900). Includes covering letter to Mr Sutherland [Iain Sutherland, co-founder of Wick Society], Wick Heritage Centre, from Hugh Davidson and information on the Swanson Silver Box (1 file) [see also P566/64 - Rothesay and Caithness Fencibles]	8 Jun 2001, c.1800-1900
WS/26/13/114	Handwritten notes on various gases used as weapons and their effects (2 items)	n.d.
WS/26/13/115	Report on the Energy Transformation Exhibition, held in the Assembly Rooms, Wick (1 item)	n.d.
WS/26/13/116	Duffus Family Tree. Tree begins with the death of William Sutherland of Duffus in 1624 (1 item)	n.d.
WS/26/13/117	Small booklet of verses entitled 'My thoughts for you' (1 item)	n.d.
WS/26/13/118	Bookmark. The Twenty- Third Psalm (1 item)	n.d.
WS/26/13/119	Booklet containing Bible verses titled 'Beyond the Veil' (1 item)	n.d.
WS/26/13/120	Excerpt from a letter to a Mr Mowat regarding the two memorial stones of Calder (1 item)	n.d.
WS/26/13/121	Communication from the Sutherlandshire Parliamentary Representation Election Fund to members (1 item)	n.d.
WS/26/13/122	Will's Cigarettes card featuring picture of Inlaid Mahogany Chair (1 item)	n.d.

WS/26/13/123	Ardath Cigarettes rewards catalogue (1 item)	n.d.
WS/26/13/124	Nature's Health Food leaflet. Information on herring including recipes (1 item)	n.d.
WS/26/13/125	Business card for A. Johnston, Photographer, Market Place, Wick and Princes Street, Thurso (1 item)	n.d.
WS/26/13/126	Sale advert for Woollen Draper and Haberdasher, Castletown (1 item)	n.d.
WS/26/13/127	Merry Maxims Book (1 item)	n.d.
WS/26/13/128	GPO Stamps Booklet (1 item)	n.d.
WS/26/13/129	Loose pages from a workbook signed 'John Macintosh Port Skerry by Thurso', containing handwritten mathematical problems (1 item)	n.d.
WS/26/13/130	'Godliness Intensely Practical' booklet by the Rev. James Work (1 item)	n.d.
WS/26/13/131	Northern Star Scotch Whisky bottle labels. 'Northern Star Very Old Scotch Whisky, A. Dallas Wares, Steamboat Inn, Harbour Place, Pulteneytown (2 items)	n.d.
WS/26/13/132	Photocopy of a drawing of Broch at Nybster, Caithness (1 item)	n.d.
WS/26/13/133	Copy of a drawing of Canisbay Church, Caithness (1 item)	n.d.
WS/26/13/134	Alexander & Keith, Wholesale & Retail Grocers, Bakers, Confectioners, &c., Wick brown paper bag (1 item)	n.d.
WS/26/13/135	Flyers for St Paul's Lodge International Organisation of Good Templars meetings (1 bundle)	n.d.
WS/26/13/136	Envelope containing a label for 'Finest Old Pulteney Whisky, E. Campbell & Co., Wine & Spirit Merchants, 19 Dempster Street, Pulteneytown, Wick' (2 items)	n.d.
WS/26/13/137	Copy of Millar [Miller] Family Tree. Includes Alexander Millar, Field of Noss, Merchant in Staxigoe and founder of the herring fishing, born 1742, died 1835 (1 item)	n.d.

WS/26/13/138	BBC Internal Mail envelope containing article on Television Camera Tubes (3 items)	n.d.
WS/26/13/139	Photocopy of an alphabetical list of persons entitled to vote at the School Board Election for the district of Keiss on 3 Apr 1909. Includes professions of those listed and the area where they lived (8 items)	3 Apr 1909, n.d.
WS/26/13/140	Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance Benefits Card for J. Bremner (1 item)	n.d.
WS/26/13/141	Route map book for Inverness to London via Blair Atholl, Stirling, Carlisle and Great North Road (1 item)	n.d.
WS/26/13/142	Advertisement for Neil Leitch, Watchmaker, 32 Bridge Street, Wick. Features illustrations of various rings, a wedding, silver wedding and golden wedding (1 item)	n.d.
WS/26/13/143	Two whisky labels mounted on backing paper - Old Castles Whiskey, Wick and Grand Old Parr whisky, Leith (1 item)	n.d.
WS/26/13/144	Handwritten note regarding line and fly fishing. Mentions Donald Bethune and James Sinclair of Dunbeath (1 item)	n.d.
WS/26/13/145	Label for Raggett's Nourishing Stout, sold by A.F. Kelly, Wick (1 item)	n.d.
WS/26/13/146	Paper bag for a mixture of coffee and chicory sold by A.F. Kelly, Market Place, Wick (1 item)	n.d.
WS/26/13/147	Various postage stamps (8 items)	n.d.
WS/26/13/148	Pencil drawing by James Black of a statue of 3 figures, two women and a man (1 item)	n.d.
WS/26/13/149	Colour drawing of a man giving a coin to a family with their hands held out (1 item)	n.d.
WS/26/13/150	Workshop & Laboratory Record. Students workbook on learning metal work and forging. Includes extensive, detailed drawings and in-depth explanations (1 volume)	1925-1927
WS/26/13/151	Woodwork Manual Instruction Course Books, First to Third Year. Used in Wick High School (3 volumes)	11 Apr 1933



WS/26/13/152	Notebook containing religious writings. Also includes plan of Hillhead Farms belonging to Sir Benjamin Dunbar (1 volume)	c.1805
WS/26/13/153	Handwritten volume entitled 'Watten surnames of some of those belonging to or connected with the parish in alphabetical order' (1 volume)	c.1900
WS/26/13/154	Pulteneytown Parish Church Proclamation of Banns (1 volume)	1896-1902
WS/26/13/155	Pulteneytown Parish Church Proclamation of Banns (1 volume)	1903-1910
WS/26/13/156	Post Office Engineering Department Technical Pamphlets for Workmen (8 volumes)	1919-1936
WS/26/13/157	Wooden case containing glass plate negatives of various monuments, possibly belonging to Rev. D. Munro, Maxwelltown, Dumfries (1 item)	c.1932
WS/26/13/158	Farm diary for the farms of Philips Mains and Hollandmey, Canisbay parish, tenanted by William Sinclair (1 volume)	1950-1954
WS/26/13/159	File containing [material from a display on Caithness newspapers] and pages from a photo album containing photographs of ships including the Silvermaple, [Merchant Navy] personnel, and photographs taken in the Far East, [Africa], and California (1 file)	c.1940-c.2008
WS/26/13/160	A Compendium or General Abridgement of the Faculty Collection of Decisions of the Lords of Council and Session. Fragile (1 volume)	4 Feb 1752-1817
WS/26/13/161	Second Report from the Committee on Acts regarding the use of Broad Wheels, and other Matters relating to the Preservation of the Turnpike Roads and Highways of the Kingdom (1 volume)	1806
WS/26/13/162	Correspondence explanatory of the Measures adopted by Her Majesty's Government for the Relief of Distress arising from the Failure of the Potato Crop in Ireland (1 volume)	1846
WS/26/13/163	Various Christian pamphlets and published material (1 box)	c.1880-c.1920
WS/26/13/164	Copies of pages of [a Wick Church's Baptismal Register 1871-1884] (6 items)	n.d.
<b>WS/26/14</b>	<b>Scrapbooks</b>	<b>c.1830-c.1930</b>

WS/26/14/1	Scrapbook compiled by [a member of the Horne family, Stirkoke]. Contains original drawings, paintings, prose and poetry (1 volume)	c.1830-c.1850
WS/26/14/2	Newspaper Cuttings Scrapbook. Contains cuttings of news from WWI (1 volume)	c.1914-c.1930
WS/26/14/3	Scrapbook containing articles on agricultural topics. Fragile (1 volume)	c.1920

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<b>WS/27/1</b>	<b>Published volumes and articles</b>	<b>1833-2022, n.d.</b>
WS/27/1/1	Hoppus's Measurer Greatly Enlarged and Improved with extended Tables of Scantlings (1 volume) [handwritten note on inside cover, Daniel Bremner is John Bremner father, Daniel Bremner Carpenter 37 Telford Street Pulteneytown Wick]	1833
WS/27/1/2	Quarterly Journal of Agriculture, Vol. I., pp.121-219 and Vol. X., pp.1-152 (1 volume) [no covers or title pages, loosely bound]	1830, 1840
WS/27/1/3	Excerpt articles from publication 'Proceedings of the Society, January 13, 1903' entitled 'Notice of a prehistoric cairn on Callahy Hill' and 'Sutherland and Caithness in Ancient Geography' (1 item)	13 Jan 1903
WS/27/1/4	The Bridgeport, The Motor That Motes, Owner's Manual (1 volume)	1909
WS/27/1/5	Article from the Transactions of the Edinburgh Geological Society Vol. XI., Part I, 'A Boulder containing Ammonites, from Dunbeath, Caithness' by Alexander Sutherland (1 item)	17 Mar 1915
WS/27/1/6	The Fisherman's Nautical Almanack, tide tables, and directory of all British Fishing Vessels, by O.T Olsen (6 volumes)	1917, 1918, 1941, 1965, 1973, 1979
WS/27/1/7	Small Electric Motors. How to make and use them (1 volume) [belonged to Alex Munro]	c.1920
WS/27/1/8	Model Steam Turbines. How to design and build them (1 volume) [belonged to Alex Munro]	c.1920
WS/27/1/9	The Anglo-American ARAB Platen Printing Machine, Josiah Wade Ltd Halifax (1 volume)	c.1920
WS/27/1/10	Kelvin and Kelvin Sleeve Marine Engines (1 volume)	Apr 1924
WS/27/1/11	The Motor Manual 25 <sup>th</sup> Edition (1 volume)	1925
WS/27/1/12	'Caithness 1925', published volumes of Caithness photographs taken by Herbert Sinclair (3 volumes)	1925

WS/27/1/13	'Sketches of Northern Humour in Black and White' by the late Mr Bert Simpson, Wick (1 volume)	1925
WS/27/1/14	Petter Universal Oil and Petrol engines advertising leaflet (1 item)	Jul 1930
WS/27/1/15	'Caithness Your Home' by Herbert Sinclair. Contains photographs, pen pictures and memories (1 volume)	Nov 1930
WS/27/1/16	Brooke Marine Motors (1 volume)	c.1930
WS/27/1/17	Biography of David Sutherland, M.P. He was born in Wick and emigrated to Australia in 1840 (1 item)	16 Apr 1931
WS/27/1/18	The Austin Ten-Four Spare Parts Price List (1 volume)	Feb 1933
WS/27/1/19	Morris Commercial Instruction Book (1 volume)	Jul 1937
WS/27/1/20	Magazine of articles and photographs including The Dunbeath Coast by Neil M Gunn (1 item) [pages missing]	c.1940
WS/27/1/21	Instruction Manual and Parts List for Deering New Ideal Grain Binder (2 volumes)	c.1940
WS/27/1/22	Power Wiring Diagrams by A.T. Dover (1 volume)	1944
WS/27/1/23	Early Days of Freemasonry in Wick by Bro. Alexander Miller (1 item)	Apr 1945
WS/27/1/24	Instruction Book for Bedford 30-40 cwt and 2-3 ton (1 volume)	Aug 1947
WS/27/1/25	Caithness- And The War 1939-1945. Inscription reads 'To Mary and Fred with best wishes N.M. Glass, Dec. 1948'. Contains bundle of newspaper clippings regarding local people in the Services, photographs of the aftermath of the Hill Avenue and Bank Row bombings and handwritten notes on William Watters, Fishcurer in Staxigoe and Captain John Cormack, husband of Jane Levack (1 volume)	1948
WS/27/1/26	Caithness – And The War 1939-1945, original manuscript with notes and newspaper clippings (2 files)	c.1948
WS/27/1/27	Over the Ord by Herbert Sinclair. Collection of photographs, memories and poetry compiled in 1947-1948 (1 volume)	c.1949

WS/27/1/28	Apkoway no. 223 and no. 224 advertising sheets (2 items)	c.1950
WS/27/1/29	The Morris Commodore (Mark III) Marine Engine Manual First Edition. Contains detailed fold out diagrams (1 volume)	c.1954
WS/27/1/30	Postcards from Caithness book. Published by North of Scotland Newspapers (1 volume)	1992
WS/27/1/31	The Church in the Square: Pulteneytown Parish Church, 1842-1992 (1 volume)	1992
WS/27/1/32	Magazine article on Clan Mackay by W. Mackay Mackenzie (1 item)	n.d.
WS/27/1/33	Article titled Kennedys in Orkney and Caithness (1 item)	n.d.
WS/27/1/34	Leaflet on Kelvin 4 Cylinder Models (1 item)	n.d.
WS/27/1/35	Pages from a publication detailing celebrations across Caithness for the Coronation Year, including messages from the Convener of Caithness and Provosts of Wick and Thurso (1 item)	1953
WS/27/1/36	Bairnson's Exmeridian Tables: Being the shortest method yet offered to the public, printed by Alexr. Malcolm & Co., Ltd, London (1 volume)	c.1888
WS/27/1/37	Sun's True Bearing or Azimuth Tables, computed for intervals of four minutes, between the parallels of latitude 30 and 60 inclusive by John Burwood (1 volume)	1907
WS/27/1/38	West Coast of Scotland Pilot, Part 1. from The Mull of Galloway to Rudh're, originally compiled by rear-admiral Henry C. Otter C.B., and staff-commander G.F. McDougall R.N. (1 volume)	1911
WS/27/1/39	Knots and Splices, a very complete work by Captain Jutsum, Cardiff (1 volume) [inscription on inside front cover, [?] Bain 16 Smith Tce Wick 26.8.22, John McKenzie 15 Smith Tce Wick]	1921
WS/27/1/40	Supplied for the Public Service, regulations for the Royal Naval Reserve (officers), published by His Majesty's Stationery Office (1 volume) [inscription on inside front cover, Issued to Skipper J. Bremner RNR 2327WSA 4 Harbour Tce Wick]	1922
WS/27/1/41	Nicholls's Seamanship and Nautical Knowledge for Second Mates', Mates', and Masters' Examinations	1939

	by Charles H. Brown (1 volume) [sticker label on inside cover, Kenneth [F. Funkie?] School of Navigation Royal Technical College Glasgow, handwritten on cover page, Cadet Kenneth [F. Funkie?] s/s Burma]	
WS/27/1/42	Sea Breezes, The Ship Lovers' Magazine, No. 233, Vol. XXIV (1 volume) [handwritten on inside cover pages, Donald Leith Keiss, followed by a letter]	Apr 1939
WS/27/1/43	The Dittybox; The Navy's Own Magazine, edition no.9 (1 volume)	Mar 1945
WS/27/1/44	The Dittybox; The Navy's Own Magazine, edition no.50 (1 volume)	Aug 1948
WS/27/1/45	Introduction to Trawling by A. Hodson (1 volume) [stamp on inside cover, John Bremner Fishcurer 23 Jun Entd Wick]	1948
WS/27/1/46	The Sword of The North: Highland Memories of the Great War (1 volume)	1923
WS/27/1/47	John Nicolson: A Brief Biography by The Wick Society for an exhibition of his work (1 item)	2022
WS/27/1/48	Wylie and Lochhead House Furnishing Price List (1 volume)	1864
WS/27/1/49	First Year French Grammar Textbook. Inscribed 'Margaret Isobel Horne, bequeathed to [Evelyn] Murray July 1907, 86 Rue Gachard, Brussels (1 volume)	c.1894
WS/27/1/50	The Triumphs of the Printing Press by Walter Jerrold (London:S.W. Partridge and Co., 1900). Inscribed 'Spittal Public School Prize to Metta Munro for Regular Attendance' (1 volume)	Jul 1900
WS/27/1/51	Coaching Days and Coaching Ways by W. Outram Tristram (London; Macmillan and Co, 1903) (1 volume)	1903
WS/27/1/52	Cobalt Souvenir and Cookbook. Contains recipes and photographs of Cobalt, Ontario (1 volume)	1908-1909
WS/27/1/53	Saga Book of The Viking Club Vol. VI (1 volume)	1908-1909
WS/27/1/54	Orkney and Shetland Records, Viking Club Old-Lore Series (11 volumes)	1909-1942

WS/27/1/55	Viking Club Old-Lore Miscellany of Orkney, Shetland, Caithness and Sutherland (8 volumes)	1909-1914
WS/27/1/56	Viking Club Caithness and Sutherland Records (2 volumes)	1909-1910
WS/27/1/57	The Rev. Alexander Pope, Reay, Caithness, by Rev. D. Beaton (3 volumes)	1910
WS/27/1/58	A Short Syntax of New Testament Greek by Rev. Nunn (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 1912) (1 volume)	1912
WS/27/1/59	Yearbook of the Viking Society for Northern Research (1 volume)	1913
WS/27/1/60	Flora, or Self Deception by A.L.O.E. (London: Thomas Nelson and Sons, 1914). Awarded to Winnie Miller, Class 2A, South Public School for 2 <sup>nd</sup> in General Excellence (1 volume)	1914
WS/27/1/61	Saint Joan by Bernard Shaw (London: Constable and Company Ltd., 1925). Inscribed to Bill, from Jock, Xmas 1925 (1 volume)	1925
WS/27/1/62	Viking Society for Northern Research Saga-Book Vol.XII Part V (1 volume)	1945
WS/27/1/63	Prospectors' Guide for Uranium and Thorium Minerals in Canada (Ottawa: Bureau of Mines, 1948) (1 volume)	1948
WS/27/1/64	Dictionary of Musical Terms compiled by Felix White (London: Routledge, 1961) (1 volume)	1961
WS/27/1/65	New books catalogue for Arthur Bruce's Bookshop, Bridge Street, Wick (1 volume)	Jul 1964
WS/27/1/66	A Flying Start to the Day: Reminisces of Inverness' own airline, Highland Airways, and of its legendary founder, Capt. Ernest Edmund Fresson, O.B.E., by Peter V. Clegg (1 volume)	1986
WS/27/1/67	Willie Miller, This is Your Life. Biography of William Miller, presented to Wick Society Museum on behalf of William P. Miller O.B.E., Rotary Paul Harris Fellow, by the Rotary Club of Anstruther (1 volume)	Dec 1990
WS/27/1/68	Fishing Boats magazine, Issue No. 17, Summer 2000. Contains article on Wick Heritage Museum (1 item)	2000



WS/27/1/69	Poem 'Equality' by Mary Bradford Whiting (1 item)	n.d.
WS/27/1/70	Shakespeare's Plays 'The Tempest' (London: Blackie and Son, n.d.). Inscribed 'May H. Miller, Class VI, Wick High School' (1 volume)	n.d.
WS/27/1/71	Allan's Reference Guide to the Ballroom with a Few Hints on Drawing-Room Etiquette (Glasgow: Mozart Allan, n.d.) (1 volume)	n.d.
WS/27/1/72	The Ready Reckoner or Commercial Handbook (1 volume)	n.d.
WS/27/1/73	Copy of 'What I Saw While Upon the Fairies' Hillock, being a true narrative of my recent startling and wonderful experience there' by George Wallace Levack, published by the John o' Groat Journal in 1900 (8 items)	n.d.
WS/27/1/74	Kelly's Key to Homer's Odyssey Books 7 to 12 by Roscoe Mongan (London: James Cornish and Sons, n.d.) (1 volume)	n.d.
WS/27/1/75	The Free Church of Scotland Monthly Record (8 items)	1863-1867
<b>WS/17/2</b>	<b>Newspapers</b>	<b>c.1840-1953</b>
WS/27/2/1	Various editions and special editions of the John O'Groat Journal (2 boxes)	c.1840-1953
WS/27/2/2	Various editions of the Northern Ensign (2 boxes)	c.1852-1918
WS/27/2/3	Editions of various newspaper publications including the Sports Favourite, Northern Herald, People's Journal, The Bailie and The Catholic (1 box)	c.1850-1950

## **WS/28 – Catalogues compiled by the Wick Society**

### **RECORDS' IDENTITY STATEMENT**

Reference number:	GB1741/WS/28
Alternative reference number:	-
Title:	Catalogues compiled by the Wick Society
Dates of creation:	c.1980-2000
Level of description:	Sub-fonds
Extent:	2 boxes
Format:	Paper

### **RECORDS' CONTEXT**

Name of creators:	Wick Society
Administrative history:	Members of the Wick Society undertook cataloguing of some of the archives held within the Wick Society Collection during the 1980s and 1990s.  These original catalogues were deposited along with the rest of the collection.
Custodial history:	Deposited by the Wick Society

### **RECORDS' CONTENT**

Description:	Catalogues to collections compiled by Wick Society
Appraisal:	-
Accruals:	None expected

### **RECORDS' CONDITION OF ACCESS AND USE**

Access:	Open
Closed until:	-
Access conditions:	Available within the archive searchroom
Copying:	Copying permitted within standard Copyright Act parameters
Finding aids:	Available in the archive searchroom and <a href="#">online</a>

## ALLIED MATERIALS

Related material: -  
Publication: -  
Notes: -  
Date of catalogue: 2023

Ref.	Description	Dates
<b>WS</b>	<b>The Wick Society Collection</b>	<b>1476-2022, n.d.</b>
<b>WS/28</b>	<b>Catalogues compiled by the Wick Society</b>	<b>c.1980-2000</b>
WS/28/1	Wick Society catalogues for the following collections: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Donald Waters Collection</li><li>- Wick Musical Festival</li><li>- Watten Young Men's Mutual Improvement Association</li><li>- Alexander Bain</li><li>- Swimming Club</li><li>- An Comunn Gaidhealach</li><li>- Clyth Estate</li><li>- Sheriff Court</li><li>- Plans and Maps</li><li>- Wick Library</li><li>- Ian Mackay</li><li>- Mercantile Debating Society</li><li>- Miscellaneous Documents</li></ul> (2 boxes)	c.1980-2000
WS/28/2	CD-ROM containing the index to The Johnston Collection Database of Studio Portraits (1 item)	c.2009

## **WS/29 - Wick Model Yacht Club**

### **RECORDS' IDENTITY STATEMENT**

Reference number: GB1741/WS/29  
Alternative reference number: -  
Title: Wick Model Yacht Club  
Dates of creation: 1954-1974  
Level of description: Sub-fonds  
Extent: 2 boxes  
Format: Paper

### **RECORDS' CONTEXT**

Name of creators: Wick Model Yacht Club  
Administrative history: Wick Model Yacht Club was instituted in 1926.  
The club has 2 classes of yachts- 4ft and 5ft.  
Racing is held on Sarclet Loch, near Wick, which is a natural loch and is approximately 3/4 miles long.  
Each Saturday in spring there are 2 races a day, each a single run, from the top of the loch (north) to the bottom (south) and back, covering roughly 1.5miles.  
The sailing season starts mid-February and ends in June.  
<https://wmyc.co.uk/>  
Custodial history: Deposited with the Wick Society by Wick Model Yacht Club.

### **RECORDS' CONTENT**

Description: Includes Time Books, membership records, and other records created in the running of Wick Model Yacht Club. Time Books include competition names, dates, yachts taking part, times, and results.

Appraisal: -  
Accruals: -

### **RECORDS' CONDITION OF ACCESS AND USE**

Access: Open

Closed until: -

Access conditions: Available within the Archive searchroom

Copying: Copying permitted within standard Copyright Act parameters

Finding aids: Available in Caithness Archive Service searchroom

## **ALLIED MATERIALS**

Related material: -

Publication: -

Notes: -

Date of catalogue: May 2024

<b>Ref.</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Dates</b>
<b>WS</b>	<b>The Wick Society Collection</b>	<b>1476-2022, n.d.</b>
<b>WS/29</b>	<b>Wick Model Yacht Club</b>	<b>1954-1974</b>
<b>WS/29/1</b>	<b>Time Books</b>	<b>1954-1963</b>
WS/29/1/1	Time Book (1 volume)	1954
WS/29/1/2	Time Book (1 volume)	1955-1956
WS/29/1/3	Time Book. Includes lists of yachts and owners (1 volume)	1957-1961
WS/29/1/4	Time Book (1 volume)	1962-1963
WS/29/1/5	Time Book (1 volume)	1963
WS/29/1/6	Time Book (1 volume)	1964
WS/29/1/7	Time Book (1 volume)	1965
WS/29/1/8	Register of Yachts and Owners and Time Book. Includes reports of competitions (1 volume)	1966
WS/29/1/9	Time Book. Includes reports of competitions and prize list (1 volume)	1967
WS/29/1/10	Time Book (1 volume)	1968
WS/29/1/11	Time Book (1 volume)	1969

WS/29/1/12	Time Book. Includes reports of competitions (1 volume)	1970
WS/29/1/13	Time Book. Includes reports of competitions (1 volume)	1972
WS/29/1/14	Time Book (1 volume)	1974
WS/29/1/15	Time Book (1 volume)	1992
<b>WS/29/2</b>	<b>Various</b>	<b>1952-1974</b>
WS/29/2/1	Aberdeen Savings Bank Book (1 item)	1952-1967
WS/29/2/2	List of Cup Winners (1 item)	1955
WS/29/2/3	Cash Book (1 volume)	1963
WS/29/2/4	List of stock at close of season (1 item)	1963
WS/29/2/5	Membership Lists (1 file)	1964-1971
WS/29/2/6	Notebook containing rough notes from A.G.M. (1 volume)	17 Feb 1965
WS/29/2/7	Excerpt from Minutes of Annual General Meeting held on 17 <sup>th</sup> February 1965 (7 items)	17 Feb 1965
WS/29/2/8	Correspondence between A. Sinclair and Lord Thurso's office regarding 'Model Boats' magazine (2 items)	27 Jun 1966- 11 Jul 1966
WS/29/2/9	Appeal for Funds circular, donation envelopes, and record of donations (1 bundle)	May 1968
WS/29/2/10	Racing Fixtures (1 file)	1969-1974
WS/29/2/11	List of entries for 5ft and 4ft Class (1 item)	n.d.

## **WS/30 - The Institution of Highway Engineers**

### **RECORDS' IDENTITY STATEMENT**

Reference number: GB1741/WS/30

Alternative reference number: -

Title: The Institution of Highway Engineers

Dates of creation: 1947-1961

Level of description: Sub-fonds

Extent: 4 boxes

Format: Paper

### **RECORDS' CONTEXT**

Name of creators: The Institution of Highway Engineers, The Institution of Highway Engineers- Scottish Branch, and William Munro.

Administrative history: The Institution of Highway Engineers was formed in 1930 to promote the consideration and discussion of all questions affecting the profession of Highway Engineering, to promote research in connection with Highway Engineering, and to educate and improve the knowledge of those in the profession. The Institution was instrumental in promoting the building of motor roads after the Second World War.

William Munro became Assistant Engineer to the County of Caithness on the 18<sup>th</sup> of January 1960. Prior to this he was Divisional Road Surveyor for Kincardine County Council, based in Montrose. He was appointed to that role in 1946.

William Munro was Honorary Secretary and Treasurer of the Scottish Branch of the Institution of Highway Engineers. The Scottish Branch was inaugurated in Edinburgh on the 2<sup>nd</sup> of June 1951. He gave up his position when he moved to Caithness.

Custodial history: Papers belonged to William Munro, Honorary Secretary and Treasurer of the Scottish Branch of the Institution of Highway Engineers from 1951 to 1960. Subsequently deposited with the Wick Society.

## RECORDS' CONTENT

Description:	Minutes, correspondence, financial, and other records of the Institution of Highway Engineers and the Institution of Highway Engineers-Scottish Branch. Records of William Munro's employment at Kincardine County Council.
Appraisal:	-
Accruals:	-

## RECORDS' CONDITION OF ACCESS AND USE

Access:	Open
Closed until:	-
Access conditions:	Available in Archive searchroom
Copying:	Copying permitted within standard Copyright Act parameters
Finding aids:	Available in Caithness Archive Service searchroom

## ALLIED MATERIALS

Related material:	-
Publication:	-
Notes:	-
Date of catalogue:	May 2024

Ref.	Description	Dates
<b>WS</b>	<b>The Wick Society Collection</b>	<b>1476-2022, n.d.</b>
<b>WS/30</b>	<b>The Institution of Highway Engineers</b>	<b>1947-1961</b>
<b>WS/30/1</b>	<b>The Institution of Highway Engineers- UK</b>	<b>1947-1960</b>
WS/30/1/1	Correspondence (1 file)	1947-1959
WS/30/1/2	Minutes (2 files)	1956-1959
WS/30/1/3	Annual Reports (1 file)	1947-1956



WS/30/1/4	Correspondence between N.W. Jenson, Secretary of The Institution of Highway Engineers, and William Munro, Honorary Secretary of The Institution of Highway Engineers- Scottish Branch (1 file)	1953-1960
<b>WS/30/2</b>	<b>The Institution of Highway Engineers- Scottish Branch</b>	<b>1950-1961</b>
WS/30/2/1	Correspondence (1 box)	1950-1961
WS/30/2/2	Minutes (4 files)	1951-1959
WS/30/2/3	Annual Reports (1 file)	1951-1959
WS/30/2/4	Financial Records and Associated Correspondence (1 file)	1955-1960
WS/30/2/5	Notices of Meetings (1 file)	1951-1957
WS/30/2/6	Nominations for Office Bearers (1 file)	1955-1960
WS/30/2/7	Accounts, Correspondence, and other Papers from the Annual Luncheon (1 file)	1954-1959
<b>WS/30/3</b>	<b>Papers of William Munro</b>	<b>1947-1960</b>
WS/30/3/1	Papers relating to William Munro's employment as Divisional Road Surveyor for Kincardine County Council (1 file)	1947-1960

## **WS/31- The John o' Groat Steam Laundry Company Ltd.**

### **RECORDS' IDENTITY STATEMENT**

Reference number: GB1741/WS/31

Alternative reference number:

Title: The John o' Groat Steam Laundry Company Ltd.

Dates of creation: 1911-1988

Level of description: Sub-fonds

Extent: 4 shelves

Format: Paper

### **RECORDS' CONTEXT**

Name of creators: The John o' Groat Steam Laundry Company Ltd.

Administrative history: The John o' Groat Steam Laundry Company Ltd. was established around 1912. Based in Newton Road, Wick, it was in business until the 1990s and was formally dissolved in 2000.

Custodial history: Deposited by the Wick Society

### **RECORDS' CONTENT**

Description: Financial records, correspondence and other records of the John o' Groat Steam Laundry Company Ltd.

Appraisal:

Accruals: Not expected

### **RECORDS' CONDITION OF ACCESS AND USE**

Access: Open

Closed until: -

Access conditions: Available within the archive searchroom

Copying: Copying permitted within standard Copyright Act parameters

Finding aids: Available within the archive searchroom and [online](#)

### **ALLIED MATERIALS**

Related material:

P46 - Records of the John o' Groats Steam Laundry; SM/1930/13 John o' Groat Laundry, Newton Road, Wick, Wick parish: plans, sections and elevations and architect's job file; P980 John o' Groat Laundry and Murray Villa; P380/4/1 Black and white photographs of the staff of John o' Groats Laundry

Publication:

Notes:

Date of catalogue:

Nov 2024

<b>Ref.</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Dates</b>
<b>WS</b>	<b>The Wick Society Collection</b>	<b>1476-2022, n.d.</b>
<b>WS/31</b>	<b>The John o' Groat Steam Laundry Company Ltd.</b>	<b>1911-1988</b>
<b>WS/31/1</b>	<b>Financial Records</b>	<b>1911-1988</b>
<b>WS/31/1/1</b>	<b>Invoices and Accounts</b>	<b>1911-1950</b>
WS/31/1/1/1	Invoices and accounts for expenses incurred in the construction and setting up of the new laundry (1 bundle)	1911-1913
WS/31/1/1/2	Invoices and accounts for building work and equipment for the laundry (1 bundle)	1927-1928
WS/31/1/1/3	Invoices and accounts for machinery, equipment, building work and other expenses (1 bundle)	1929-1950
<b>WS/31/1/2</b>	<b>Cash Books</b>	<b>1918-1982</b>
WS/31/1/2/1	Cash Book (1 volume)	1918-1922
WS/31/1/2/2	Cash Book (1 volume)	1949-1964
WS/31/1/2/3	Cash Book (1 volume)	1964-1974
WS/31/1/2/4	Cash Book (1 volume)	1975-1982
<b>WS/31/1/3</b>	<b>Wages Books</b>	<b>1925-1988</b>
WS/31/1/3/1	Wages Book (1 volume)	1925-1926
WS/31/1/3/2	Wages Book (1 volume)	1931-1937
WS/31/1/3/3	Wages Book (1 volume)	1937-1942
WS/31/1/3/4	Wages Book (1 volume)	1942-1945

WS/31/1/3/5	Wages Book (1 volume)	1945-1951
WS/31/1/3/6	Wages Book (1 volume)	1951-1957
WS/31/1/3/7	Wages Book (1 volume)	1957-1963
WS/31/1/3/8	Wages Book (1 volume)	1963-1970
WS/31/1/3/9	Wages Book (1 volume)	1970-1976
WS/31/1/3/ 10	Wages Book (1 volume)	1976-1978
WS/31/1/3/ 11	Wages Book (1 volume)	1978-1981
WS/31/1/3/ 12	Wages Book (1 volume)	1984-1986
WS/31/1/3/ 13	Wages Book (1 volume)	1986-1988
<b>WS/31/1/4</b>	<b>Other Ledgers</b>	<b>1912-1978</b>
WS/31/1/4/1	Laundry Ledger (1 volume)	1912-1914
WS/31/1/4/2	General Ledger (1 volume)	1923-1962
WS/31/1/4/3	Carpet Cleaning Ledger (1 volume)	1927-1937
WS/31/1/4/4	Bad Debts Ledger (1 volume)	1943-1982
WS/31/1/4/5	Demand Orders Cashed Ledger. Also includes diary of Training Sessions for Season 1961 (1 volume)	1961-c.1970
WS/31/1/4/6	Purchase Ledger (1 volume)	1967-1978
WS/31/1/4/7	Laundry Ledger (1 volume)	1974-1975
<b>WS/31/1/5</b>	<b>Banking records</b>	<b>1912-1967</b>
WS/31/1/5/1	British Linen Bank Book (1 volume)	1912-1915
WS/31/1/5/2	The National Bank of Scotland Limited Bank Book (Kirkwall Branch) (1 volume)	1920-1931
WS/31/1/5/3	British Linen Bank Book (1 volume)	1935-1938
WS/31/1/5/4	British Linen Bank Book (1 volume)	1938-1940
WS/31/1/5/5	British Linen Bank Book (1 volume)	1959-1962

WS/31/1/5/6	British Linen Bank Book (1 volume)	1962-1966
WS/31/1/5/7	British Linen Bank Book (1 volume)	1966-1967
WS/31/1/5/8	Paid cheques (1 bundle)	1967
<b>WS/31/2</b>	<b>Correspondence</b>	<b>1911-1978</b>
WS/31/2/1	Letter Book No. 1 (1 volume)	1911-1914
WS/31/2/2	Letter Book No. 2 (1 volume)	1914-1932
WS/31/2/3	Correspondence between Wick Burgh Council, John o' Groat Steam Laundry and D.W. Georgeson, Solicitor regarding Special Water Charges (1 file)	1922-1923
WS/31/2/4	Letter from Hill and Herbert, Engineers and Machinists, regarding an order (2 items)	5 Nov 1923
WS/31/2/5	Correspondence and accounts with D.W. Georgeson and Son, Solicitors (1 file)	1929-1948
WS/31/2/6	Correspondence between RAF Wick and the John o' Groat Steam Laundry regarding quoting for washing airmen's clothes, bedding, and towels (2 items)	Sep 1939
WS/31/2/7	Letter from Angus MacLeod, Master of SY Oriana regarding payment of a bill (1 item)	15 Oct 1941
WS/31/2/8	Letter from D.W. Georgeson Solicitors regarding the case of the John o' Groat Steam Laundry Co. v. Budge (1 item)	16 Jul 1942
WS/31/2/9	Correspondence regarding the placing of a Post Office Telegraph on the boiler house chimney of the Laundry (2 items)	6 Aug 1945
WS/31/2/10	Correspondence from Caithness County Council regarding the company's purchase of a Decontamination Centre adjoining Laundry premises (4 items)	Jan 1946
WS/31/2/11	Letter from Darlington District Hospital Management Committee regarding the purchase of a Collar Blocking Machine (1 item)	28 Nov 1968
WS/31/2/12	Correspondence from Sinclair Macdonald and Son regarding an extension to the Pressing Area and alterations to Office Accommodation (6 items)	Dec 1970
WS/31/2/13	Correspondence regarding an additional electricity supply to the Laundry and the Agreement for Supply (5 items)	1974

WS/31/2/14	Letter from the proprietors of Thurso Laundry accepting the offer and conditions [for the sale of the Laundry] (1 item)	24 Nov 1978
WS/31/2/15	Carbon copy of a letter from the US Naval Communication Station regarding a Blanket Purchase Agreement (1 item)	n.d.
<b>WS/31/3</b>	<b>Various</b>	<b>1911-1981</b>
WS/31/3/1	Various plans and specifications for the John o' Groat Steam Laundry, including later additions and proposed layout of machinery (1 file)	1911-1931
WS/31/3/2	Feu Charter by the Trustees of Garden Duff Dunbar in favour of The John o' Groat Steam Laundry Company Limited, Wick, of Lot of Ground at Newton Road, Wick, for site of Laundry (1 item)	1912
WS/31/3/3	Contract of Employment for Percy McGhan, manager of the John o' Groat Steam Laundry (1 item)	17 Feb 1916
WS/31/3/4	Test certificate for a Compressor (2 items)	2 Mar 1916
WS/31/3/5	Various Insurance Policy documents (1 bundle)	1927-1955
WS/31/3/6	Glaitness Steam Laundry Company, Kirkwall, list of directors, shareholders, and balance sheet; and plan of laundry (very fragile) (1 file)	31 Dec 1928
WS/31/3/7	Papers for a Commer 35 Cwt Lorry (7 items)	1942-1943
WS/31/3/8	British Launderers' Research Association Memorandum and Articles of Association (1 item)	27 Jul 1950
WS/31/3/9	Laundry Chemistry (London: British Launderers' Research Association, 1955) (1 volume)	1955
WS/31/3/10	Estimate for a General-Purpose Press from Baker Perkins Ltd. (1 item)	24 May 1956
WS/31/3/11	Papers regarding motor fuel rationing (1 bundle)	1973
WS/31/3/12	Timecards for Harry Taylor, Martin Burt, and T. Rosie (8 items)	1978-1981

## **WS/32 Mowatt's Garage**

### **RECORDS' IDENTITY STATEMENT**

Reference number: GB1741/WS/32

Alternative reference number:

Title: Mowatt's Garage

Dates of creation: 1935-1985

Level of description: Sub-fonds

Extent: 1 shelf

Format: Paper

### **RECORDS' CONTEXT**

Name of creators: Mowatt's Garage

Administrative history: Mowatt's Garage was founded by William John Mowatt (b.1892) in 1919 in Alexander Place, Wick. The business moved to larger premises in George Street in 1930 where it remained until 2003.

Mowatt's were agents for Ford, Standard Triumph, and Esso fuel. The garage sold, serviced, and repaired motor vehicles.

In 1952 William J Mowatt was joined by his sons Donald and William and his daughter Minnie in the business which also ran a taxi service, along with the agency for Hillman, Humber, and Sunbeam cars (Rootes Group), and Nuffield Tractors.

After the death of William Mowatt Snr. in 1963 his sons took control of the business with the Rootes Group agencies, then Chrysler Talbot which later became Peugeot.

For many years before the opening of the ambulance depot in Wick the Mowatt brothers were the contractors for the ambulance service, running this from their garage.

In the 1980s the Mowatts also purchased the firm of Kirkhill Motors in Green Road, Wick, where they carried on the business for about 10 years until its closure when the site was sold for housing.

After the retirement of Donald Mowatt, William and his wife Brenda ran the business. After her death, William continued to serve Caithness

motorists with Peugeot cars and Shell Motor Fuels, making his one of the longest held Peugeot dealerships in the United Kingdom.

On William's retiral in 2003, the premises in George Street were sold to the Caithness Tyre Company.

Custodial history: Deposited by the Wick Society

## RECORDS' CONTENT

Description: Business records of Mowatt's Garage

Appraisal:

Accruals: Not expected

## RECORDS' CONDITION OF ACCESS AND USE

Access: Open

Closed until: -

Access conditions: Available within the archive searchroom

Copying: Copying permitted within standard Copyright Act parameters

Finding aids: Available within the archive searchroom and [online](#)

## ALLIED MATERIALS

Related material:

Publication:

Notes:

Date of catalogue: Nov 2024

Ref.	Description	Dates
<b>WS</b>	<b>The Wick Society Collection</b>	<b>1476-2022, n.d.</b>
<b>WS/32</b>	<b>Mowatt's Garage</b>	<b>1935-1985</b>
<b>WS/32/1</b>	<b>Cash Books</b>	<b>1935-1974</b>
WS/32/1/1	Cash Book (1 volume)	Apr 1935-Dec 1937
WS/32/1/2	Cash Book (1 volume)	Jan 1938-Jul 1944



WS/32/1/3	Cash Book (1 volume)	1943
WS/32/1/4	Cash Book (1 volume)	Apr 1947-Oct 1957
WS/32/1/5	Cash Book (1 volume)	Nov 1951-Mar 1954
WS/32/1/6	Cash Book (1 volume)	Mar 1954-Jun 1957
WS/32/1/7	Cash Book (1 volume)	Jul 1957-Oct 1960
WS/32/1/8	Cash Book (1 volume)	c.1960-c.1962
WS/32/1/9	Cash Book (1 volume)	1973-1974
<b>WS/32/2</b>	<b>Sales Books</b>	<b>1958-1985</b>
WS/32/2/1	Sales Book- No. 1 Pump (1 volume)	13 Feb 1985-31 Mar 1985
WS/32/2/2	Sales Book- No. 1 Pump (1 volume)	31 Mar 1985-16 May 1985
WS/32/2/3	Sales Book- No. 1 Pump (1 volume)	17 May 1985-30 Jun 1985
WS/32/2/4	Sales Book- No. 1 Pump (1 volume)	30 Jun 1985-14 Aug 1985
WS/32/2/5	Sales Book- No. 2 Pump (1 volume)	24 May 1985-19 Jul 1985
WS/32/2/6	Sales Book- Diesel (1 volume)	1 Dec 1982-22 Jun 1984
WS/32/2/7	Sales Book- Diesel Pump (1 volume)	16 Jun 1984-20 Sep 1985
WS/32/2/8	Sales Book- Diesel (1 volume)	23 Jun 1984-3 Oct 1984
WS/32/2/9	Sales Book- Motor Vehicles (1 volume)	11 Jan 1958-20 Aug 1959
WS/32/2/10	Sales Book- Paraffin/Stores etc.	3 Mar 1983-6 Aug 1984
<b>WS/32/3</b>	<b>Agency Information</b>	<b>c.1977-c.1985</b>
WS/32/3/1	Chrysler Sunbeam Service Training Pack (1 box)	c.1977

WS/32/3/2	Talbot Dealer Advertising Manual (1 file)	c.1980
WS/32/3/3	Peugeot/Talbot Certified Pricing Schedule (1 file)	1985
WS/32/3/4	Chrysler Used Vehicle Merchandising (1 file)	c.1985
<b>WS/32/4</b>	<b>Various</b>	<b>1972-1984</b>
WS/32/4/1	Commercial Union Insurance documents (1 bundle)	1972-1983
WS/32/4/2	Job Card Book (1 volume)	1979
WS/32/4/3	Invoices made out to the Scottish Ambulance Service for transport of patients (5 items)	1 Nov 1980-1 Sep 1984
WS/32/4/4	Letter of Thanks from J.A. Wilson, Scottish Development Department (1 item)	4 May 1984
WS/32/4/5	Invoice from Pentland Auto-Electrical Repairs Ltd. (1 item)	6 Jul 1984
WS/32/4/6	Note written on Mowatt's Garage headed notepaper with short biography of the business (1 item)	n.d.

## **WS/33 Wick Co-operative Women's Guild**

### **RECORDS' IDENTITY STATEMENT**

Reference number: GB1741/WS/33

Alternative reference number:

Title: Wick Co-operative Women's Guild

Dates of creation: 1945-2002

Level of description: Sub-fonds

Extent: 1 box

Format: Paper, photograph

### **RECORDS' CONTEXT**

Name of creators: Wick Co-operative Women's Guild

Administrative history: A meeting was convened by the Area Committee of the Co-operative Women's Guild on the 26<sup>th</sup> of April 1945 with the object of forming a Guild in Wick. A Guild was duly formed, and it was agreed the Wick Branch would be named Wick Co-operative Women's Guild, the place of meeting be the Women's Club, and the evening of meeting be Thursday.

The Wick Branch was dissolved on the 23<sup>rd</sup> of January 2002, with the last meeting held on the 23<sup>rd</sup> of January 2002.

The Co-operative Women's Guild was established in 1883 by working class women in the Co-operative movement to provide representation and spread co-operation in communities where women had traditionally been a big part of the workforce and had increasing spending power.

The group setting up the guild did so to allow women more time to attend meetings and focus on issues which most affected them. Alice Acland started a 'women's corner' column in the Co-operative News to talk about women in the movement and society in general in 1883. This was the beginning of what would become the guild. This was followed up by the 1883 Co-operative Congress in Edinburgh where a small group met in person to make positive steps with Alice Acland as its first leader - it was different to groups run by middle class women doing things 'for' or 'to' the working classes. This

ethos remained central to the guild through its history.

In 1889 Margaret Llewellyn Davies took over as President and had new aims for the organisation. By now it was recognized that women were making the spending decisions in households and that they were choosing to spend the bulk of their money in co-ops where their 'divi' could be a lifeline. Davies wanted to harness this 'basket power' and use it to campaign for changes.

The guild was therefore involved in many campaigns, especially in the early twentieth century. They were heavily involved in the campaign for female suffrage. The Guild continued to campaign until universal suffrage was finally granted in 1928.

Other campaigns included those around maternity rights and financial support for working class women, who often had large families due to a lack of access to contraception and sexual health information. The Guild supported the work of Marie Stopes in family planning and better provision of maternity and infant care. This led to the Shipley Society opening the first ever co-operative maternity care centre in 1920- which would have been a radical move in the pre-NHS years.

The Guild finally ceased to exist in 2016 after 133 years of work for working women's rights - due to a lack of new younger members.

From <https://www.co-operativeheritage.coop/blog/the-story-of-the-co-operative-womens-guild>

Custodial history:

Deposited by the Wick Society

## **RECORDS' CONTENT**

Description:

Minute Books, Cash Books, Membership Records, Syllabi, Photographs

Appraisal:

Accruals:

Not expected

## **RECORDS' CONDITION OF ACCESS AND USE**

Access:

Open

Closed until:

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Access conditions: Available within the archive searchroom

Copying: Copying permitted within standard Copyright Act parameters

Finding aids: Available within the archive searchroom and [online](#)

## ALLIED MATERIALS

Related material: WS/12 Wick and Pulteneytown Industrial Co-Operative Society, P858 Thurso Industrial Co-operative Society 1820-1967

Publication:

Notes:

Date of catalogue: Dec 2024

Ref.	Description	Dates
<b>WS</b>	<b>The Wick Society Collection</b>	<b>1476-2022, n.d.</b>
<b>WS/33</b>	<b>Wick Co-operative Women's Guild</b>	<b>1945-2002</b>
<b>WS/33/1</b>	<b>Minute Books</b>	<b>1945-1981</b>
WS/33/1/1	Minute Book (1 volume)	Apr 1945-Aug 1956
WS/33/1/2	Minute Book (1 volume)	Oct 1956-Dec 1970
WS/33/1/3	Minute Book (1 volume)	Dec 1970-Jan 1981
<b>WS/33/2</b>	<b>Financial Records</b>	<b>1945-2002</b>
WS/33/2/1	Cash Book (1 volume)	Apr 1945-1980
WS/33/2/2	Cash Book (1 volume)	1980-2002
WS/33/2/3	Bank Book (1 item)	1975-2000
<b>WS/33/3</b>	<b>Various</b>	<b>1945-1990</b>
WS/33/3/1	Membership Book (1 volume)	Apr 1945-1968
WS/33/3/2	Syllabus (6 items)	1982-1990
WS/33/3/3	Notebook containing rough notes (1 volume)	c.1990-c.1988

WS/33/3/4	Photograph of a Guild outing. Inscription on the back reads: Front Row:- Poppy Plowman, Auntie Maggie Bella- Annie Jean- Betty Oliphant- Jeannie Oliphant- Nelly Sinclair (Mother's Friend), Cousin Margaret Manson to right behind Maggie Bella (her daughter who married Donnie Sutherland- Hamish Henderson's Uncle) (1 item)	c.1950
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## **WS/34 Papers of John Donaldson and Noel Donaldson**

### **RECORDS' IDENTITY STATEMENT**

Reference number: GB1741/WS/34

Alternative reference number:

Title: Papers of John Donaldson and Noel Donaldson

Dates of creation: c.1910-2003

Level of description: Sub-fonds

Extent: 1 file

Format: Paper, photograph

### **RECORDS' CONTEXT**

Name of creators: John Donaldson, Noel Donaldson

Administrative history:

John Edward Donaldson was born in 1907, to James Donaldson, Fishcurer, and Mrs Donaldson, West Park.

He studied at Aberdeen and Oxford Universities, gaining M.A. and B.A. degrees. He returned to Wick in the early 1930s and started a freelance journalism business that continued into the 1960s, excepting the war years.

John married Elizabeth Shand Milne in 1936 in Aberdeen. They had four of a family; James born in 1940, Barbara born in 1943, Noel born in 1945, and Lois born in 1948.

Shortly before the war, John Donaldson was commissioned in the Territorials, serving with the Seaforth Highlanders as Captain from 1939 to 1945.

He had an active interest in municipal affairs and was elected to Wick Town Council in 1937.

As a journalist, Donaldson covered events in Caithness and reported many events of national importance in the north of Scotland. He was affectionately known locally as 'Hot News'. As well as newspaper correspondence, he contributed to magazines and journals. His wife Elizabeth was associated with him in his early work, and both his sons, James and Noel, followed him into journalism.

He died suddenly at his home at 19 Thurso Street on the 23<sup>rd</sup> of February 1967, aged 60.

John's son Noel joined the Wick-based freelance agency run by his father at the age of 15 and took over the agency in 1967.

Successive jobs took him from The Orcadian to the Banffshire Advertiser, the Ellon Times, the Largs and Millport Weekly News and the Greenock Evening Telegraph. He returned to Wick in 1993 to work as a reporter with the Caithness Courier and John O' Groat Journal, covering news and producing a regular column, Wicker's World, a mix of opinions, anecdotes, nostalgic snippets and archive photos.

In 2008 Noel won the Barron Trophy, which recognises lifetime achievement in journalism in the Highlands and Islands.

Custodial history: Deposited by the Wick Society

## **RECORDS' CONTENT**

Description: Family photographs, photographs of Caithness places, various Caithness publications and programmes

Appraisal:

Accruals:

## **RECORDS' CONDITION OF ACCESS AND USE**

Access: Open

Closed until: -

Access conditions: Available within the archive searchroom

Copying: Copying permitted within standard Copyright Act parameters

Finding aids: Available within the archive searchroom and [online](#)

## **ALLIED MATERIALS**

Related material: P390/5 Photographs of John Donaldson, P752 Photograph of Wick Service Bridge, P839 and P924 'Caithness in the 18<sup>th</sup> Century' by John Donaldson

Publication: Caithness in the 18<sup>th</sup> Century by John Donaldson

Notes: -



<b>Ref.</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Dates</b>
<b>WS</b>	<b>The Wick Society Collection</b>	<b>1476-2022, n.d.</b>
<b>WS/34</b>	<b>Papers of John Donaldson</b>	<b>c.1910-2003</b>
<b>WS/34/1</b>	<b>Photographs</b>	<b>c.1910-2003</b>
<b>WS/34/1/1</b>	<b>Photographs of John Donaldson and family</b>	<b>c.1910-c.1975</b>
WS/34/1/1/1	Photograph of the staff of James Donaldson's Fishcuring Yard. Includes coopers and herring gutters (1 item)	c.1910
WS/34/1/1/2	Wedding photograph. Bride and groom unknown. Includes wedding party (1 item)	c.1910
WS/34/1/1/3	Photograph of a large party of well-dressed people in front of a brick building (1 item)	c.1910
WS/34/1/1/4	Photographs of A Company of the 4/5 <sup>th</sup> Battalion the Seaforth Highlanders at camp at Dreghorn (6 items)	c.1940
WS/34/1/1/5	Photographs of John Donaldson in uniform (3 items)	c.1940
WS/34/1/1/6	Various photographs of John Donaldson and his family (1 bundle)	c.1940-c.1960
WS/34/1/1/7	Photograph of a band playing at John o' Groats Hotel featuring Willie Lyall on drums, Noel Donaldson and Bobby Coghill on accordion, with [Jim Kemp] (1 item)	c.1975
<b>WS/34/1/2</b>	<b>Various photographs</b>	<b>c.1910-2003</b>
WS/34/1/2/1	Photograph of Forse House, Latheron (1 item)	c.1910
WS/34/1/2/2	Photograph of Rosebank House, Wick (1 item)	c.1925
WS/34/1/2/3	Photograph of unknown airfield (1 item)	c.1935
WS/34/1/2/4	Photograph of Wick Harbour Bridge under construction (1 item)	c.1936
WS/34/1/2/5	Photograph of a [Royal Horse Artillery soldier] giving instructions to soldiers in uniform and tin helmets (1 item)	c.1943
WS/34/1/2/6	Photocopies of photographs of people at work and a function at [Wick Radio Station] (3 items)	c.1950

WS/34/1/2/7	Various photographs of Royal visits to Caithness (1 bundle)	c.1970-c.1980
WS/34/1/2/8	Photographs of Caithness General Hospital, Wick, under construction (2 items)	c.1985
WS/34/1/2/9	Photograph of Wick Bridge , Riverside Nursing Home and the Royal Bank taken from River Street (1 item)	c.2000
WS/34/1/2/10	Photograph of Wick Harbour Bridge plaque (1 item)	c.2000
WS/34/1/2/11	Photographs of Wick Gala (3 items)	2003
<b>WS/34/2</b>	<b>Various</b>	<b>1911-1996</b>
WS/34/2/1	Reminiscences of Forty Years in Wick (with some reflections thereon) by Ex-Bailie Smitton, J.P. (1 volume)	10 Jan 1911
WS/34/2/2	Genealogical Bibliography of Caithness and Sutherland by The Rev. D. Beaton (1 volume)	1928
WS/34/2/3	Wick North Parish Church Centenary Souvenir (1 volume)	1930
WS/34/2/4	"The Wicker" Jubilee Magazine: 1 <sup>st</sup> Wick Company The Boys' Brigade (1 volume)	Jan 1937
WS/34/2/5	Ticket for a New Year Supper and Concert in 'The Church of Scotland Hut' (1 item)	2 Jan 1940
WS/34/2/6	The Land of Britain: The Report of The Land Utilisation Survey of Britain, Part 15: Caithness (1 volume)	1944
WS/34/2/7	Caithness Music Festival Programme (1 volume)	Jun 1949
WS/34/2/8	Wick: Official Guide of the Town Council (1 volume)	c.1950
WS/34/2/9	Souvenir Brochure for the opening of St Annes's Church, Thurso (1 volume)	24 Mar 1960
WS/34/2/10	Contact card for 'Donaldson News' (1 item)	c.1970
WS/34/2/11	Caithness Life, Issues 1 and 2 (3 volumes)	1987
WS/34/2/12	Motor Caithness. Booklet giving information on three themed routes around Caithness (1 volume)	c.1995
WS/34/2/13	Caithness District Council: Gone, But Not Forgotten (1 volume)	1996

## **WS/35 Papers of the Stalker Family, Auckengill**

### **RECORDS' IDENTITY STATEMENT**

Reference number: GB1741/WS/35

Alternative reference number:

Title: Papers of the Stalker Family, Auckengill

Dates of creation: c.1873-1997

Level of description: Sub-fonds

Extent: 2 boxes

Format: Paper, photograph, metal, fabric

### **RECORDS' CONTEXT**

Name of creators: The Stalker family

Administrative history: George Stalker was born to John Stalker and Elisabeth Duthie on the 19<sup>th</sup> of May 1848 in Kincardine parish, Perthshire. Charlotte Simpson was born to James Simpson (fisherman and pilot) and Margaret Robertson, on the 24<sup>th</sup> of May 1851 in Stroma, Canisbay parish. She was a sewing mistress, presumably in Stroma School, where she met George Stalker.

George Stalker and Charlotte Simpson were married in 1873 in Stroma. They had children Margaret (1875), John (1876), James (1878), Elizabeth (1880), David (1883), Hugh (1885), Annie (1888), Robert (1891), and William (1895).

George became head teacher at Auckengill School, and the family lived at the Schoolhouse there. He was appointed on the 17<sup>th</sup> of December 1877 after leaving Stroma Society School, where he was Head Teacher from February 1870. He retired age 65 in December 1912 and was replaced by his daughter Lizzie. George Stalker died in Cupar in 1926, aged 78. His wife Charlotte died in Cupar in 1925, aged 74.

Elizabeth (Lizzie) Duthie Stalker attended both Keiss and Auckengill Schools and subsequently became a pupil teacher. She went on to study at the West End School of Cookery in Glasgow. She became a member of

the Educational Institute of Scotland in 1906. Lizzie commenced duty as Assistant Teacher at Keiss School on the 5<sup>th</sup> of November 1907. She became head teacher of Auckengill School on 23<sup>rd</sup> December 1912 until November 1917. Lizzie Stalker married James Johnston White in 1922 in Cupar. She died on the 16<sup>th</sup> of December 1941.

Hugh Stalker, born in 1885, served with the 1<sup>st</sup> Cheshires. Extracts of a letter he wrote from the trenches appeared in the John o' Groat Journal (8<sup>th</sup> Jan 1915) and the Northern Ensign (12<sup>th</sup> Jan 1915).

Robert Macallan Stalker was born in 1891 in Keiss. He was educated at Auckengill School, Wick High, and St Andrews University. He joined the 5<sup>th</sup> Battalion Seaforth Highlanders in 1915 as a Second Lieutenant before transferring to the Royal Flying Corps (RFC) as a Lieutenant (Observer) in 22 Squadron. The RFC was the air arm of the British Army from 1912 to 1918. On the 1<sup>st</sup> of April 1918 it merged with the Royal Naval Air Service to become the Royal Air Force (RAF).

He was killed in action on the 8<sup>th</sup> of September 1916, shot down over Flers during the Battle of the Somme. Lieutenant Eynon Bowen was pilot, with Robert as Observer. He is remembered on the Arras Flying Services Memorial in Pas de Calais, France.

By the 1921 Census, there were no Stalkers listed living in Caithness.

S.M.S. Hindenburg was a battlecruiser of the German Imperial Navy. The ship took part in short fleet operations in 1917-18 but saw no major action. Hindenburg was interned at Scapa Flow in November 1918 and scuttled in June 1919.

Custodial history:

Deposited by the Wick Society

## **RECORDS' CONTENT**

Description:

Photographs, school and college records, records of Robert Stalker's service in WWI, and published material of the Stalker family, Auckengill

Appraisal:

Accruals: Not expected

### **RECORDS' CONDITION OF ACCESS AND USE**

Access: Open

Closed until: -

Access conditions: Available within the archive searchroom

Copying: Copying permitted within standard Copyright Act parameters

Finding aids: Available within the archive searchroom and [online](#)

### **ALLIED MATERIALS**

Related material: CC/5/3/6 Records of Auckengill School

Publication:

Notes:

Date of catalogue: Dec 2024

<b>Ref.</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Dates</b>
<b>WS</b>	<b>The Wick Society Collection</b>	<b>1476-2022, n.d.</b>
<b>WS/35</b>	<b>Papers of the Stalker Family, Auckengill</b>	<b>c.1873-1997</b>
<b>WS/35/1</b>	<b>Records of Elizabeth Duthie Stalker (Lizzie)</b>	<b>1880-1960</b>
WS/35/1/1	Extract Entry of Birth for Elizabeth Duthie Stalker, born 8 <sup>th</sup> August 1880 (1 item)	24 Aug 1880
WS/35/1/2	Merit Certificate for examinations in Reading, Writing, Arithmetic, English, Geography, and Domestic Economy (1 item)	May 1894
WS/35/1/3	Mapping Book belonging to Lizzie Stalker, Keiss Public School. Contains hand drawn maps (1 item)	c.1895
WS/35/1/4	Teacher Training certificates (9 items)	1901-1910
WS/35/1/5	Certificate of Membership of the Educational Institute of Scotland (1 item)	17 Nov 1906
WS/35/1/6	Handwritten notes for First, Second, and Third Courses at West End School of Cookery. Contains	1909-1910

	recipes, cleaning methods, and household management (3 volumes)	
WS/35/1/7	First Class Certificate of Merit in Butter making (1 item)	Jul 1914
WS/35/1/8	Envelope addressed to Miss Eliza D. Stalker, Auckengill School (1 item)	1916
WS/35/1/9	Notebook containing handwritten instructions for sewing and knitting and details of jam making (1 volume)	1916-1960
WS/35/1/10	Notebook containing handwritten lessons for infant school children (1 volume)	n.d.
WS/35/1/11	Notebook containing handwritten recipes (1 volume)	n.d.
WS/35/1/12	Notebooks of handwritten sheet music (2 volumes)	n.d.
<b>WS/35/2</b>	<b>Records of Robert Stalker (Bob)</b>	<b>c.1914-1997</b>
WS/35/2/1	Photographs of Robert (Bob) Stalker and colleagues in uniform during World War One (8 items)	c.1914-c.1916
WS/35/2/2	1914-15 Medal awarded to Robert Stalker of the Seaforth Highlanders (1 item)	1915
WS/35/2/3	Field Service Postcard addressed to George Stalker from Bob (1 item)	13 Jul 1915
WS/35/2/4	Postcard of French soldiers making rings from the noses of German shells. Addressed to Mrs Stalker from Bob (1 item)	4 Sep 1915
WS/35/2/5	Blank postcard of a zeppelin (1 item)	c.1915
WS/35/2/6	Boxed Seaforth Highlanders Sporan 'Sweetheart Brooch' (2 items)	c.1915
WS/35/2/7	Postcards of the 5 <sup>th</sup> Battalion Seaforth Highlanders in France (2 items)	May 1916
WS/35/2/8	Letter from Ally Budge to Dr Duff enclosing two poems by Ewart Alan Mackintosh (one in memory of Robert Stalker) and an extract from the War Diary of the Fifth Seaforths that mentions R. Stalker (7 items)	1994
WS/35/2/9	Letter from the Commonwealth War Graves Commission to Mrs C.J. Duff advising that Lieutenant Robert Macallan Stalker's name appears on Arras Flying Services Memorial (1 item)	21 Aug 1997
<b>WS/35/3</b>	<b>Photographs and Postcards</b>	<b>c.1873-c.1930</b>

WS/35/3/1	Professional portraits of the Stalker family (15 items)	c.1873-c.1905
WS/35/3/2	Photograph of George and Margaret Stalker with the pupils of Auckengill School (1 item)	c.1890
WS/35/3/3	Studio portrait of an elderly man. Taken by Humphrey, Wick (1 item)	c.1890
WS/35/3/4	Photograph of an elderly couple outside their home. Taken by Humphrey, Wick (1 item)	c.1890
WS/35/3/5	Postcard of the Old Veterans of Auckengill and Nybster. Includes George Stalker (1 item)	c.1900
WS/35/3/6	Postcards sent to the Stalker family (4 items)	c.1904-c.1913
WS/35/3/7	Photograph of a couple outside a wooden house with drystone wall in the foreground (1 item)	c.1910
WS/35/3/8	Photographs of sea vessels, at sea and in dry dock (4 items)	c.1920
WS/35/3/9	Postcards written to the White family. Includes puffins at Dunnet Head and the Seaforth Highlanders Memorial at Edinburgh Castle (1 bundle)	c.1920-c.1930
WS/35/3/10	Family portrait taken at the wedding of Elizabeth Stalker and James White. Includes names of all those pictured (2 items)	4 Aug 1922
WS/35/3/11	Group photograph. Annotation on the reverse reads 'Auckengill Stevens, Kennedys and Nicholsons' (1 item)	c.1930
WS/35/3/12	Photograph of Stroma Lighthouse with the Orkneys in the background (1 item)	c.1930
WS/35/3/13	Photograph of [Wick High Street] (1 item)	c.1930
WS/35/3/14	Black and white postcards of Caithness scenes. Includes Tinkers' Cave, Wick; Summerbank, Nybster; Post Office, Auckengill; and other Auckengill and Nybster scenes (1 bundle)	c.1930
<b>WS/35/4</b>	<b>Published Material</b>	<b>1897-1908</b>
WS/35/4/1	Bible inscribed 'George Stalker, Aukengill' (1 volume)	1897
WS/35/4/2	'Scottish Songs Illustrated', ed. Alfred W. Tomlyn (Valentine and Sons Ltd: Dundee, Edinburgh and London, n.d.) belonging to A[nnie] S. Stalker (1 volume)	c.1900

WS/35/4/3	'The "Ideal" Cookery Book' by Lilian Clarke (Brumby and Clarke Ltd: Hull, n.d.) (1 volume)	c.1900
WS/35/4/4	'The Doctor: A Tale of the Rockies' by Ralph Connor (The Westminster Co., Ltd.: Toronto, 1906). Inscribed 'To Father, with best wishes, Xmas 1906, from Jack' (1 volume)	1906
WS/35/4/5	'My Guide: A Word for Every Day' miniature book belonging to Lizzie D. Stalker (1 volume)	1906
WS/35/4/6	Allan's Collection of Reels and Strathspeys, Quadrilles, Waltzes, Country Dances, Highland Schottisches, Jigs, Hornpipes, &c&c arranged for Pianoforte, belonging to L.D. Stalker (Lizzie) (1 volume)	1908
WS/35/4/7	Allan's 110 Songs of Scotland without words arranged in a familiar style for the Pianoforte, belonging to Annie Stalker (1 volume)	1908
WS/35/4/8	'John Nicolson, Nybster, 1843-1934' (1 volume)	n.d.
<b>WS/35/5</b>	<b>Various</b>	<b>c.1905-c.1918</b>
WS/35/5/1	Drawing Book belonging to William Stalker, Auckengill Public School. Contains drawings of plants (1 item)	c.1905
WS/35/5/2	Black ribbon embroidered with 'S.M.S. Hindenburg' (1 item)	c.1918



## **WS/36 Papers of the Clyne family of Noss**

### **RECORDS' IDENTITY STATEMENT**

Reference number: GB1741/WS/36

Alternative reference number:

Title: Papers of the Clyne family of Noss

Dates of creation: 1958-1992

Level of description: Sub-fonds

Extent: 1 box, 1 volume

Format: Paper, photograph

### **RECORDS' CONTEXT**

Name of creators: The Clyne family of Noss

Administrative history: The Clyne family farmed the Noss peninsula from 1892 until the death of brothers William Noss Clyne (Noss) and George A.D. Clyne (Alister) in 2018. Their father George Clyne bought Noss Farm in 1924.

George and his wife Elizabeth had three of a family; Noss, Euphemia, and Alister.

Noss and Alister lived as neighbouring farmers after the death of their father George in 1958. Noss farmed at Noss Farm, and Alister at Field of Noss Farm.

Their sister Euphemia (Fiona) went on to become a successful theatre and film actress. She married Jimmy Gilbert, an RAF airman who had been stationed at RAF Wick, in 1951. Jimmy became a TV producer and director.

Noss Clyne married Elizabeth (Beth) Cochrane, a physiotherapist, in Glasgow Cathedral on February 8, 1951. Noss and Beth had four daughters. Beth passed away in 1981.

Alister Clyne married Margaret Ewing in Wick in 1954. Margaret passed away in 2009.

The Clyne family were initially butchers with a shop in Bank Row in Wick, before moving into farming, renting five farms at one time in Caithness.

Custodial history: Deposited by the Wick Society

## RECORDS' CONTENT

Description: Account books of Clyne family businesses, photographs and family histories

Appraisal:

Accruals:

## RECORDS' CONDITION OF ACCESS AND USE

Access: Open

Closed until: -

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## ALLIED MATERIALS

Related material: P693 Hamilton's Auction Mart, P1002/5/6  
Scottish Farmer article on Alister Clyne and the North Country Cheviot Sheep Society, P1010/1  
Photograph of Staxigoe Dramatic Society (Fiona Clyne pictured)

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<b>WS</b>	<b>The Wick Society Collection</b>	<b>1476-2022, n.d.</b>
<b>WS/36</b>	<b>Papers of the Clyne family of Noss</b>	<b>1958-1992</b>
WS/36/1	Account book for Noss and Staxigoe farms, operated by the Clyne family (1 volume)	1958-1965
WS/36/2	Account Book of Clyne's of Wick, Farmers and Meat Purveyors, Bank Row, Wick (1 volume)	1961-1964
WS/36/3	Photographs of Margaret Clyne, Noss, presenting trophies (2 items)	c.1960-c.1980
WS/36/4	Family Tree of Alexander Millar, said to have refused to sign the Covenant in 1638 and was banished,	1964

	compiled by Donald Macdonald-Millar. Also includes biography of said Donald Macdonald-Millar sent to Alister Clyne of the Field of Noss (10 items)	
WS/36/5	Explanatory note detailing the history of the Doulls in Caithness (1 item)	c.1980
WS/36/6	Newspaper cutting of a photograph and caption showing a reunion of the Wick Old Parish Church choir of 1945 (1 item)	Dec 1992
WS/36/7	Newspaper cutting of the Home Guard shooting team who won the Macworth Praed Challenge Trophy in 1946. Includes Alister Clyne (1 item)	n.d.
WS/36/8	Photocopy of a photograph of the Caithness Agricultural Society's first Flower Show in 1966. Includes Dodo Robertson, Sandy Dallas, Alister Clyne, Horace Henderson, Peter Ewing, Margaret Henderson, and the sons of John Gunn, Sibster (2 items)	n.d.

## **WS/37 Papers of the Wares and MacBeath families**

### **RECORDS' IDENTITY STATEMENT**

Reference number: GB1741/WS/37

Alternative reference number:

Title: Papers of the Wares and MacBeath families

Dates of creation: 1827-1897

Level of description: Sub-fonds

Extent: 1 file

Format: Paper

### **RECORDS' CONTEXT**

Name of creators: George Wares, Alexander Wares, and the MacBeath family

Administrative history: George Wares, Fish Curer and Merchant in Wick, was born in 1763 to Farquhar Wares and Christian Barnie. He married Elizabeth Bremner in 1791. They had children Alexander, Janet, Margaret, Marjory and Elizabeth Wares. He died in 1843.

Alexander Wares was a Bank Agent in Wick. He died on the 30<sup>th</sup> of April 1886.

Elizabeth Wares married James MacBeath. He was Master of the Smack 'Rose', and Captain of the 'Thistle'. They lived at 14 Carmelite Street in Aberdeen and had children William, George, Elizabeth, James, Farquhar, and Jane MacBeath.

Custodial history: Deposited by the Wick Society

### **RECORDS' CONTENT**

Description: Personal, legal, and employment papers of the MacBeath family, and papers relating to the Estate of Alexander Wares

Appraisal:

Accruals: Not expected

### **RECORDS' CONDITION OF ACCESS AND USE**

Access: Open

Closed until: -

Access conditions: Available within the archive searchroom

Copying: Copying permitted within standard Copyright Act parameters

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<b>WS/37</b>	<b>Papers of the Wares and MacBeath families</b>	<b>1827-1897</b>
<b>WS/37/1</b>	<b>Papers of the MacBeath family</b>	<b>1827-1891</b>
WS/37/1/1	Testament to the praiseworthy conduct of Captain McBeath when the Sloop 'Rose' of Wick became waterlogged, signed by C.H. Bowen, Lt. R.N. (1 item)	6 Jan 1827
WS/37/1/2	Transcript of parish register entries of the births and baptisms of the children of James MacBeath and Elizabeth Wares in the parish of Wick between 1819 and 1835 (1 item)	c.1835
WS/37/1/3	Death certificate of Elizabeth McBeth (MacBeath) (1 item)	28 May 1857
WS/37/1/4	Invitation to the funeral of Elizabeth MacBeath née Wares, issued by her sons William and James (1 item)	29 May 1857
WS/37/1/5	Letter from George MacBeath, Vancouver Island, to his brother regarding the death of his brother's wife and conditions in Vancouver (1 item)	7 Mar 1872
WS/37/1/6	Document issued by the Republic of Honduras granting William MacBeath a passport so he can travel on the vessel 'Surprice' (1 item)	22 Sep 1873
WS/37/1/7	List of voyages undertaken by [William MacBeath] between 1841 and 1885. Document begins 'Wick 1834- 4 February commenced apprentice as Ship	c.1885

	Carpenter with Mr James Bremner and left Pulteney' (1 item)	
WS/37/1/8	Petition, William MacBeath and Others for Appointment of new Trustees on the Estate of the deceased George Wares (1 item)	22 Apr 1887
WS/37/1/9	Draft Charter of Novodamus by the Duke of Sutherland in favour of William MacBeath for subjects in Kirk Lane, Wick (1 item)	1891
<b>WS/37/2</b>	<b>Papers relating to the Estate of Alexander Wares</b>	<b>1881-1897</b>
WS/37/2/1	Copy Trust Disposition and Settlement of Moveable Estate by Alexander Wares (1 item)	12 Apr 1881
WS/37/2/2	Copy Trust Disposition and Settlement by Alexander Wares (1 item)	28 Nov 1882
WS/37/2/3	Minutes of Meeting of The Trustees of the late Alexander Wares (1 item)	1 Dec 1886
WS/37/2/4	Account of the funds and intromissions of the Executors with the Moveable Estate of the late Mr Wares shewing Scheme of Division (2 items)	18 Dec 1886
WS/37/2/5	Valuation by John Swanson of House Property and Ground in Wick and Pulteneytown which belonged to the late Alexander Wares Esquire. Includes the Caledonian Hotel, shops, dwelling houses, offices, and stores, all in Bridge Street; Curing Yards with Cooperages and Stores in Saltoun Street; Public House in High Street and Kirk's Lane; and ground at Mount Hooly (1 item)	7 Nov 1887
WS/37/2/6	Wares Trust Statement of Sales of Property (1 item)	Dec 1887
WS/37/2/7	Excerpt from General Trust Disposition and Settlement of the late Alexander Wares (1 item)	1887
WS/37/2/8	Minutes of Meeting of the Trustees of Alexander Wares (1 item)	Feb 1888
WS/37/2/9	Approximate Statement showing the amount due by each beneficiary under the Personal and Real Estate of Alexander Wares (1 item)	22 Jul 1892
WS/37/2/10	Copy Renewal of Lease by Miss Wares to The Union Bank of Scotland for subjects in Bridge Street, Wick (1 item)	1897







