

P1002 Coghill Papers of Stemster Mains Farm

RECORDS' IDENTITY STATEMENT

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Title: Coghill Papers of Stemster Mains Farm

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Extent: 2 boxes, 0.000393 GB

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RECORDS' CONTEXT

Name of creators: The Coghill family, Stemster Estate, The Scottish Association of Young Farmers' Clubs, various publishers

Administrative history: Stemster Estate lies in the parishes of Bower and Thurso. In the mid-1800s it was owned by Captain D. Henderson.

Stemster Mains Farm has been in the Coghill family since 1951. It is run by Donald Coghill and his three sons Robert, George, and Danny. The farm has always been home to a Cheviot flock.

Custodial history: Deposited by Robert J. Coghill, August 2022

RECORDS' CONTENT

Description: Maps of Stemster Estate; various published volumes and articles on agriculture in Caithness and the UK; certificates of achievement in Young Farmers' competitions for Robert Coghill, Halkirk; digital photographs of the Coghill family

Appraisal:

Accruals: Not expected

RECORDS' CONDITION OF ACCESS AND USE

Access: Open

Closed until:

Access conditions:

Copying: Copying permitted within standard Copyright Act parameters

Finding aids: Available in Caithness Archive Service searchroom

ALLIED MATERIALS

Related material:

Publication:

Notes:

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Ref.	Description	Dates
P1002	Coghill Papers of Stemster Mains Farm	1814-2022
P1002/1	The Scottish Association of Young Farmers' Clubs Certificates	1972
P1002/1/1	Certificate awarded to Robert Coghill, Halkirk, for winning first prize in the Sheep Shearing Competition (Machine), organised by The Scottish Association of Young Farmers' Clubs (Cheviot Section) at The Royal Highland Show in 1972 (1 item)	1972
P1002/1/2	Certificate awarded to Robert Coghill, Halkirk, for winning the Lister Handpiece Champion Sheep Shearer competition, organised by The Scottish Association of Young Farmers' Clubs at The Royal Highland Show in 1972 (1 item)	1972
P1002/1/3	Certificates of Merit awarded to Robert Coghill, Halkirk, by the Scottish Association of Young Farmers' Clubs for achievements in sheep shearing, stock judging, speechmaking and chairing a YFC (8 items)	1972
P1002/2	Photographs	c.1954, 2022
P1002/2/1	Black and white image of the Coghill family outside [Stemster House] (1 digital file)	c.1954, 2022
P1002/2/2	Black and white image of the Coghill family seated on a tractor and trailer, registration no. SK3 118 (1 digital file)	c.1954, 2022

P1002/3	Maps	c.1841-c.2000
P1002/3/1	Photographic reproduction of a map of Scarmclate showing Clayock and C[G]elshfield and names of tenants, c.1841 (1 item)	c.1841, c.2000
P1002/3/2	Photographic reproduction of a map of the Estate of Stemster in the parishes of Bower and Thurso, the property of Captain D. Henderson, 1847 (1 item)	1847, c.2000
P1002/3/3	Photographic reproduction of a map of Clayock and Gelshfield, c.1850 (1 item)	c.1850, c.2000
P1002/4	Published Volumes	1814-2021
P1002/4/1	General Report of the Agricultural State and Political Circumstances of Scotland, Volume 1 (1 volume)	1814
P1002/4/2	The Code of Agriculture; Including Observations on Gardens, Orchards, Woods and Plantations; with an Account of all the Recent Improvements in the Management of Arable and Grass Lands by the Right Honourable Sir John Sinclair, Bart., Founder of the Board of Agriculture. Handwritten inscription reads 'Alexander Henderson Esq. of Stemster from the Author John Sinclair' (1 volume)	1832
P1002/4/3	Treatise on Sheep; their Breeds, Management, and Diseases (1 volume)	1837
P1002/4/4	Treatise on Cattle; their Breeds, Management, and Diseases (1 volume)	1838
P1002/4/5	Farmers Annual, 1951 (1 volume)	1951
P1002/4/6	The Scottish Farmer: Special Album Number. Includes article on North Country Cheviots by Hon. R.M. Sinclair, Thurso East Mains (1 volume)	1 Jan 1955
P1002/4/7	Wool Away!; the Technique and Art of Shearing by Godfrey Bowen (1 volume)	1963
P1002/4/8	Early and Traditional Cultivating Implements in Scotland by Alexander Fenton (1 volume)	1962-1963
P1002/4/9	Once Upon a time in Caithness: Our Pictorial Heritage, edited by Clive Richards (1 volume)	2005
P1002/4/10	Those Were the Days in Caithness: A Panorama of People and Places in Caithness, edited by Clive Richards (1 volume)	2006

P1002/4/11	The Aberdeen Angus Cattle Society Review: the official journal of the Aberdeen Angus Cattle Society (1 volume)	1 Jan 2021
P1002/5	Newspaper and magazine articles	1948-2009
P1002/5/1	Copy of 'Farming News'. Contains articles on Caithness farming (1 volume)	1 Jan 1948
P1002/5/2	Article from the John o' Groat Journal newspaper on a flock management training course at Stemster Mains (1 item)	10 Mar 1972
P1002/5/3	Article from the Press and Journal newspaper on the Highland area Young Farmers' Club speechmaking competition. Runner-up was Halkirk YFC. Includes photographs (1 item)	10 Feb 1975
P1002/5/4	Article from the Press and Journal newspaper on the North Country Cheviot sale of shearling rams at Thurso (1 item)	4 Sep 1976
P1002/5/5	Article from 'The Scottish Farmer' on the North Country Cheviot sale of rams at Hawick (1 item)	18 Sep 1976
P1002/5/6	Articles from 'The Scottish Farmer' magazine on Alistair Clyne of Noss and the North Country Cheviot Sheep Society; and the Coghill family of Stemster Mains and their Cheviot flock (2 items)	24 Aug 1996
P1002/5/7	John o' Groat Journal newspaper featuring an article on a breeding scheme to produce Wagyu beef, established by John Sutherland and carried out at Stemster Mains (1 item)	4 Sep 2009