The Charles Bocking Collection
of Wadhurst History

DESCRIPTIVE NOTE AND CATALOGUE

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DESCRIPTIVE NOTE

The late Charlie Bocking collected information, both pictorial and written, on just about every aspect of life in Wadhurst and its locality. Everything he found out he sorted into one of three categories:

(a) Photographic
(b) Literary
(c) Notes

Category (a), held in sixteen boxes, has become well known from various public exhibitions of selected items and themes; however, the other two categories have not before now been available to public use. The sequence of Literary items comprises a wide variety of written material on all aspects of Wadhurst life, ranging from one-line descriptions to brochures and small booklets. The Notes were Charlie's jottings and research comments covering a wide spectrum of Wadhurst subjects. As he verified and amplified these notes so he transferred them into the category (b) files.

Initially, Charlie set up quite a complex cross-referencing system involving photo subjects, places, family names, literary sources and research notes. But, inevitably, as both he grew older and his collection grew greater, it became increasingly difficult for him to keep the reference system in step with the widening complexity of the collection. So, where possible, cross-referencing comments have been amended to suit the revised layout, or deleted where no longer needed.

To bring the collection back into coherent order and into a sequence which could be used more easily, the Literary category has been resorted into a simple alphabetical run of the subject headings as allocated by Charlie. Likewise, the Notes, mostly written on small scraps of paper, have been sorted into alpha sequence by heading and, additionally, mounted on to card to facilitate both their preservation and their use.

In respect of the Literary and Notes categories, it should be noted that in some cases the heading allotted by Charlie is only generally descriptive of its subject matter; a fair amount of digression and discussion of other related subjects is often included.

Because some subjects have a large amount of descriptive matter, e.g. the World Wars; the Prizefight; the postal history of Wadhurst (CHB was a philately expert); the Fat Stock Show; the Market and Fair; the decision has been taken to allocate these to their own individual files, outside the main run, for easy reference. Similarly, all literary

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information about local families, previously scattered throughout the collection, has been brought together into a series of files in alpha sequence of family name.

The CATALOGUE is supported by a CARD INDEX formed of three sequences:

1. An item-by-item listing of all the collection
2. A subject heading index
3. A family names index.

Each individual photograph in the collection has been analysed and its pictorial content recorded in the appropriate places in the CARD INDEX. Also recorded in the INDEX are all the subject headings from the Literary and Notes categories. Within the CARD INDEX entries in green ink denote non-photographic items.

Thus the researcher should use in conjunction both the CARD INDEX and this CATALOGUE to trace their particular theme of interest.

Many references to 'VB' are to be found in both the Literary and the Notes series. These references relate to the old Valuation Books of auctioneers H.J. Austen & Sons (Charlie was their chief clerk for nearly 60 years) and which are now preserved at the East Sussex Record Office at Lewes. These Valuation Books are a goldmine of information about hundreds of Wadhurst properties from 1831 to 1959. They are not, unfortunately, indexed overall, but only at the beginning of each book; however, at ref. BC 30 can be found some analytical notes on their contents made by CHB.

The books are available for public use at Lewes and should be ordered under the following references:

Ref. A2232 1831-1870 No prior notice needed.
Ref. A2629 1871-1959 Twenty four hours' notice required by E.S.R.O., also the year(s) of the book(s) to be seen.

In addition to all the above, there has also been preserved in the collection a series of local artefacts and memorabilia. These have been mounted into cases for exhibition and safe-keeping and each provided with a descriptive caption.

The Bocking Collection in its entirety, therefore, comprises:

- A series of boxes of photos and ephemera. (Refs. BC 1 to BC 16)
- A series of files of Literary matter. (Refs. BC 17 to BC 47)
- A series of Notes, under some 600 subject headings. (Refs. BC 48 to BC 52)

- Eight cases of mounted artefacts and memorabilia. (Refs. BC 53 to BC 60)

All these items are now detailed in the following CATALOGUE.
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BC 14 (contd.)  - A needlework executed by World War I Belgian refugees at Hill House. (See The Story of Wadhurst, pp.124-5.)

- A copy of the Wadhurst charter of 1253 in original Latin with translation.

BC 15  - A series of old traders' almanacs dating from 1888 to 1925.

- A series of posters of various events between 1900 and 1906.

- A copy of a map of 1774 by J. Sprange of all roads within 14 miles of Tunbridge Wells.

BC 16  - A box of miscellaneous documentation relating to exhibitions of the Bocking Collection.

The next references (BC 17 to BC 25) relate to the files of Literary material, arranged in alpha order of subject.

BC 17  - Wadhurst - Old History: a preamble across many aspects of Wadhurst life.

- Aircraft (old time)
- Amen Alley
- Antiques Club
- Antiques Fair
- Bartley Mill
- 'Best Kept Village' Competition

BC 18  - Bewl Reservoir
- Billiards Club
- Blacksmiths' Forges
- Blue Caps, Cousley Wood
- Books on Sussex
- Bowls Club
- British Legion
- Brownies
BC 18 (contd.) - Buckhurst Place
- Buckland House, Cousley Wood
- Buckland Hill Farm, Cousley Wood
- Burnt Ash Garage
- Bus Tickets
- Car Parking
- Chamber of Trade
- Cheesman & Newington (Fire in 1979)

BC 19
- Churches and Chapels
- Church Gate Cottages
- Civil Defence (1982)
- Concert Programmes (1874-1882)
- Cousley Wood Playgroup
- Conservation
- Cricket Club
- Croft Cottages, High Street
- Doctors
- Dramatic Club
- Farmers' Club

BC 20
- Fazan Court
- Fete (1975)
- Fife & Drum Band
- Fire Brigade
- Flower Show
- 'Food for Thought' Exhibition (1976)
- Football Club
- Gardening Association

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BC 20 (contd.)  
- Gardners Stores  
- 'Good Neighbour' Scheme  
- Great Shoesmiths  
- Greig's Garage  
- Grosvenor Bowls Club (Tunbridge Wells)  
- Gymkhana  
- Harbour Records Shop  
- Harvest Festival  
- 'Have a Go!' (with Wilfred Pickles - 1950)  
- Hobbitt Shop  
- Holgate House, Ticehurst  
- Holbeam Wood Farm  
- Hops  
- Horse Show  
- Hospice at Home

BC 21  
- Hygeia Lodge, High Street  
- Institute (see Town House)  
- International Stores  
- Iron Works  
- Ketley Cottage, Cousley Wood  
- Lamberhurst views  
- Library  
- Livestock Farmers  
- Lloyds Bank  
- Lodge, The  
- Luck's Land  
- Lucksland House  
- Mark Cross
BC 21 (contd.) - Mayhurst, Wadhurst Park
- Mayhurst Arts Trust
- Midsummer Festival (1976)
- Mount, The - Faircrouch Road
- Music Society
- National Westminster Bank
- Nursery Centre
- Oil Exploration
- Old Time Dance Club
- Olives, The
- 'Open Door' Club
- Ordnance Survey Maps (1877-78)

BC 22 - Parish Council Debates and Decisions. This file contains numerous accounts of Parish Council actions on a very wide variety of Wadhurst subjects. Also included is Charlie's analysis of the series of Parish Magazines he once kept.

BC 23 - Parish Council Election Papers (1949)
- Pell Bridge
- Pharmacies
- Police
- Posthorn, The
- Pritchards Garage
- Ratcliff's Butchers
- Registrars
- Rifle Ranges
- Riseden Mill
- Rotarians
- Schools

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- Scouts and Cubs
- Silver Jubilee (1977)
- Southlands Cottage, Cousley Wood
- South Park
- Sports (1922)
- Station (British Rail)
- Storm (1974)
- Subbuteo Factory
- Sunnybank Laundry
- Sweeps
- Telephone Exchange
- Tidebrook History
- Tower Mill, Mark Cross
- Town Band
- Town House (see Institute)
- Town Lands
- Town Meadow
- Tradesmen, Old-time
- Tunbridge Wells General Hospital
- Uplands, The
- Upper High Street Cottages
- Varipak Ltd.
- Vine Cottage, High Street
- W.A.S.P. (Wadhurst Area Society for Protection and Preservation)

BC 25
- Wadhurst Park (or Wadhurst Hall)
- Washwell Lane Cottages
- Watson, E. (& Sons)
BC 25 (contd.) - Weekes Bakery
- 'Welcome Club'
- Wenbans
- Wheelwrights
- Whiligh
- Wine Circle
- Women's Institute
- Wright's Brewery, Durgates
- Yeomans Farm
- Youth Club

BC 26 - Wadhurst Fat Stock Show

BC 27 - Wadhurst Charter (AD 1253)
- Wadhurst Market

BC 28 - Prize Fight at Wadhurst in 1863 - John C. Heenan v. Tom King.
- 3 Articles describing Wadhurst, from: Sussex Life, Sussex County Magazine and Sussex Country Weekly.
- Conversational reminiscences of:
  D. Griffin
  G. Pritchard
  Mrs Fuller
  F. Hodder
  Brig. C.E.F. Turner

- An account of Wadhurst Park compiled by Philip Evemy & Associates Ltd.
- 'Some Notes on Wadhurst' - a draft speech by CHB to the local Chamber of Trade.
- Wadhurst at War:
  Various documents describing both World Wars as they affected the Wadhurst locality.

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BC 29  -  Public Houses and Inns in and around Wadhurst.

BC 30  -  Description of old Valuation Books formerly belonging to H.J. Austen & Sons and subsequently transferred to the East Sussex Record Office at Lewes.
-  Four different brochures describing Wadhurst Church.
-  Five guides and directories to Wadhurst, with a locality map by E. Watson & Sons.
-  A booklet entitled 'John Ullathorn - A Poem', by Edward Hollamby of Tunbridge Wells (1866). This is dedicated to 'The Landowners and the Unemployed' and seems to be rooted in the locality of Speldhurst.
-  Original auction valuation book, dated 23 October 1847, for Bayham Cottage, Frant, the property of Mrs Tyzard.
-  Documents describing the crash of the jet aircraft in Wadhurst High Street on 20 January 1956.

BC 31  -  Various documents relating to the Foley family of Wadhurst. Some notes appear to be by Alfred Wace in preparation for his 'Story of Wadhurst' based on Miss Mary Foley's researches. Possibly several of the pages may be Miss Foley's originals from her 1894 Lecture. Genealogical papers, seemingly by Miss Foley, describe her family; Foley family photos are also included. There is also later correspondence by Vivien Rhys Davids. Sketchbook watercolours (by Miss Foley?) depict the Vicarage study, a New Forest charcoal burner, the Weald seen 'from Wadhurst glebe', and an ink sketch postcard of Lower Cousley Wood.


BC 33  -  A comprehensive history of the Wadhurst postal service, including a unique and irreplaceable collection of many hundreds of local postmarks dating from the 1870s to the 1970s.
The following twelve files contain notes and narratives on very many Wadhurst families ranging from a single line to, in some instances, many pages.

BC 34  - ABEL-SMITH to BASSETT
BC 35  - BEACH to CASTERTON
BC 36  - CHAPMAN to CUTBUSH
BC 37  - DANCY to FOOTE
BC 38  - FORD to HANNINGTON
BC 39  - HARDMAN to KNIGHT
BC 40  - LADDS to MITCHELL
BC 41  - MITTEN to NORRIS
BC 42  - OLIVER to REDMAN
BC 43  - REED to SMITH
BC 44  - SMYTHERTAN to WAITE
BC 45  - WALLIS to YOUNG
BC 46  - This file contains several hundred obituary notices in relatively random order.
BC 47  - A file of various correspondence received by CHB on numerous Wadhurst places and families.

Five boxes of Notes arranged under the following headings:

BC 48  - Accidents
         - Adverts. (Early Traders)
         - Ailsa Craig
         - Aircraft disasters
         - Ambulances
         - Angling Club
         - Anniversaries
         - Antiques Club
         - Antiques Fair
         - Apps Farm
         - Apsley Farm
         - 'Atora' - Bullock cart deliveries
         - Aubers Ridge battle - 9 May 1915
         - Auction Sales

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Auctioneers
- Australian link with Wadhurst
- 'Autocar' of Tunbridge Wells
- Avards Farm
- Bakers and Confectioners
- Balaclava Inn
- Baldocks
- Band of Hope
- Bankside
- Bardown Cottage
- Bardown Farm
- Barelands, Frant
- Barrows Bush
- Bartley Mill
- Bassett's Farm
- Battenhurst, Stonegate
- Beales Barn
- Beales Barn Farm
- Beales Oak
- Beaumans Farm, Ticehurst
- Beech House Press, Ticehurst
- Beech Lodge Farm
- Beeches Cottage
- Beeches Farm
- Beeching & Co.
- Beechy Toll
- Beer Tasting
- Beggars Bush
- Bell Hotel, Ticehurst
- Belmont
- Benge's Cottages
- Bensfield
- Best Beech Hotel
- 'Best Kept Village' Contest
- Bewkes, Lamberhurst
- Bewl Reservoir
- Biplane Crash
- Birchett's Green Farm

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BC 48 (contd.) - Blinkbonnie
- Board of Guardians, Ticehurst
- Bonfire Society
- Bopeep Farm
- Bowls Club
- Brewers
- Brewery House, Durgates
- Brick Kiln Farm, Ticehurst
- Bricklehurst Manor Farm
- Brickworks
- Bridge Inn, Ticehurst
- Brightling
- Brinkhurst Fields
- British Legion
- British Rail
- Brockfield, Mayfield Lane
- Brooks' Bakery
- Broomden Farm, Ticehurst
- Bryants Farm
- Buckhurst Farm
- Buckhurst Place
- Bugsey's Farm
- Bungalow Field, Cousley Wood
- Burnt Oak Ground
- Burwash Gas Works
- Bus Shelter
- Busses Green Farm
- Butchers' Shops
- Buttons Farm
- Camden Farm
- Car Parking
- Castle Walk
- Catts Cottage
- Centenarians
- Chapels and Churches
- Cheesman's Farm
- Cheesman & Newington
- Chemists
BC 48 (contd.)
- Chequers Farm
- Chequers Inn, Ticehurst
- Chessons Farm, Ticehurst
- Chittinghurst Farm
- Church Gate Cottages
- Church Lads Brigade
- Church Lands
- Churchsettle Farm
- Claphatch, Ticehurst
- Clare House, Ticehurst

BC 49
- Clayhall Cottages, Stonegate
- Clock House
- Clowes Marionettes
- Coal Wharf
- Cock Farm
- Cockmount Farm
- Coffee House
- Colkins Mill Street
- Colleens, The
- Community Directory
- Coombe Farm
- Coopers Farm
- Corn Market
- Coronations (1937 and 1953)
- Cottenden Farm, Stonegate
- Court Lodge Farm
- Cousley Wood Speed Limits
- Cousley Wood Barn
- Cousley Wood Bungalows
- Cousley Wood Bus Shelter
- Cousley Wood Farm
- Cousley Wood Forge
- Cousley Wood Land
- Cousley Wood Mill
- Cousley Wood Street
- Cousley Wood Veterans Association
- Cranford, Castle Walk

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BC 49 (contd.)  - Cricket
  - Crime Watch
  - Crittle's Court
  - Croft Cottages
  - Crossways, Old Station Road
  - Crouches Farm
  - Crowhurst
  - Crundwell's Farm
  - Curates
  - Cures (country)
  - Cycle Shops
  - Dairy Show
  - Dale Hill Farm, Ticehurst
  - Darbys Farm
  - Davis Cottages
  - Davis Place, Sparrows Green
  - Day's Cottage, Pell Green
  - Dens Farm
  - Development (local)
  - Dewhurst Farm
  - Dewhurst Lodge
  - Dinosaurs
  - Doctors
  - Dooles Farm
  - Downash, Flimwell
  - Drill Hall
  - Duke of York Inn, Ticehurst
  - Durgates Dairy
  - Durgates Gill
  - Durgates Lodge
  - Durgates Villa
  - Eagles Farm
  - Earls Farm, Mark Cross
  - Earlye Farm
  - East Sussex County Council
  - Eatonden Manor Farm
  - Edgehill
  - Elephants Head, Hook Green

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BC 49 (contd.)

- English Historical Farm Records
- Ely Place
- Eridge Hunt
- Evans & Sons
- Everson & Bradley Ltd.
- Extracts from 1914 Directory
- Eyry, The
- Ezriel Cottages
- Faircourt
- Faircrouch
- Faircrouch Farm
- Fairhaven
- Farm Sales
- Farmers Club
- Farms
- Fazan Court
- Field's Retreat
- Finnybridge Farm
- Flattenden Farm
- Flowery Bank
- Foard, W.J. & Co.
- Foot, W. & Son
- Football Club
- Forge Cottage
- Forge House
- Fossett's Circus
- Four Keys Inn
- 'Four Wents'
- Foxes Bank
- Foxes Farm
- Foxhole Farm
- Frankham Farm
- Free Heath Farm
- Freight Farm
- Frights Farm
- Fruit Preservation Centre
- Fryerling
- Gardens

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BC 49 (contd.)
- Gardners Stores
- Garway, South View Road
- Gatehouse Farm, Woods Green
- Gilmanscroft
- Girl Guides
- Glass Bottles
- Glebe Land, Frant
- Glebe Land, Wadhurst
- Glen, The
- Gordon House
- Grafton Cafe, Pell Green
- Granham, Tapsells Lane
- Great Buckhurst Farm
- Great Butts
- Great Butts Farm
- Great Durgates
- Great Durgates Farm
- Great Pell
- Great Shoesmiths
- Great Shoesmiths Farm
- 'Green' named localities
- Greenhurst, Old Station Road
- Green Lane Cottage
- Green Man Farm
- Greens Farm
- Greenwood Farm
- Gregories Farm
- Greig, Ben, Ltd.
- Greyhound Hotel
- Grocers
- Grub Farm
- Guide Book
- Hall Cottages
- Hammerden Farm, Ticehurst
- Harlackenden Farm
- Harvest Suppers
- Haven, The
- Hawkwell, Old Station Road
BC 49 (contd.)

- Hawthornlea
- Hazelbank, The Marlpit
- Heathfield Dairy
- Heathfield History
- Helix House, Upper High Street
- Henley Farm, Frant
- Hermitage, The
- High Snape
- Highfield (and Highfield House)
- Highfields Farm
- High House, Cousley Wood
- High Street, Ticehurst
- High Street, Wadhurst
- High Trees, Durgates
- Hill Cottage, Cousley Wood
- Hill House
- Hills Farm
- Hillside Villas
- Hoathly Farm, Lamberhurst
- Hobden, W. - Wheelwrights
- Holmfield
- Home Farm Butchers
- Hook Green Farm
- Hop Villa
- Hope Cottage
- Hops
- Horsegrove Farm
- Hospital Sunday
- Howells Farm
- Howpasley, Cousley Wood
- Hummel, A. - Jewellers
- Hunters Hall Farm

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- Huntleys Mill, Ticehurst
- Husher - Carpenter & Builder
- Hygeia Lodge
- International Stores
- Inverey

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BC 50 (contd.)
- Iron Railings
- I.T.M.A. (8 March 1947)
- Ivy Chimneys
- Keens & Hawkins - Bakers
- Ketley Farm, Flimwell
- Kildare, Frant
- Ladies' Luncheon Club
- Ladymeads Farm
- Lamberhurst History
- Lamberhurst Brewery Ltd.
- Lambkin Corner
- Landscapes Farm, Ticehurst
- Langham Farm
- Lansdowne Villa
- Larches, The, Cousley Wood
- Laurel House
- Lees, The, Balaclava Hill
- Legends, Local
- Lephams, The
- Library and Reading Room
- Lime Trees, Cousley Wood
- Limes, The
- Lindridge, W. & Co.
- Lindridge Lodge Farm
- Lindridge Place Farm
- Little Bewl Bridge
- Little Brissendens
- Little Buckhurst Farm
- Little Butts
- Little Durgates
- Little Durgates Farm
- Littlehaven, Woods Green
- Little House, Cousley Wood
- Little Moseham
- Little Pell Farm
- Little Shoesmiths Farm
- Lloyds Bank
- Lockyers Farm

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BC 50 (contd.)
- Lodge, The
- Lodge Hill Farm
- Lovibonds, St. James' Square
- Lower Cousley Wood
- Lower Cousley Wood Farm
- Lower Tolhurst Farm
- Luck Bros. - Builders
- Lucks Farm, Cousley Wood
- Lucks Land
- Lucksland House
- Manor Farm
- Maplesden, Ticehurst
- Maplesden Brickyard
- Mapplehurst Farm
- Maps
- Mark Cross Inn
- Markwicks Farm
- Marling Place
- Marlpit Cottage
- Marlpits
- May, E.D. - Chemists
- Mayfield Fair (1856)
- Maynard, G.M. - Photographers
- Mereworth Cottages
- Middle House, High Street
- 'Midsummer Merrymaking' (1928)
- Mid-Sussex Water Company
- Mill House, Riseden
- Mills
- Min. of Agric., Fish & Food (1939)
- Monks Lane Bungalow
- Monks Park
- Morgans Farm
- Morley, H. - Coachbuilders
- Moseham House
- Mount, The
- Mount Farm
- Mount Pleasant Farm
BC 50 (contd.)
- Mousehall Farm
- Muddles
- Mullins Trust
- Mumpumps, Hurst Green
- Murders
- Myskins, Ticehurst
- Napsbury
- National Westminster Bank
- Neals
- Neighbouring Farmers Inn
- New Barn Farm
- New House
- New House Farm
- Newlands Cottage
- Newhams Farm
- Nomans Wood Farm
- Norwoods Farm, Ticehurst
- Nursery Centre
- Nutlands Farm
- Oak Cottage
- Oak Glen
- Oakhurst
- Oakover, Ticehurst
- Oaks, The
- Oakwood
- Old Barn, The
- Old Chapel Farm
- Old Durgates Farm
- Old Police Cottage
- Old Queen's Head
- Old Wadhurst Plate
- Ordnance Survey Maps
- Osbornes Farm
- Owls Castle Farm
- Parish Magazine - Extracts
- Parsons Wood
- Pashley Farm, Ticehurst
- Pear Tree Cottage

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BC 50 (contd.)  - Pedigree Sussex Cattle
  - Pell
  - Pell Bridge
  - Pell Bridge Cottages
  - Pell Green Farm
  - Pell Hill
  - Pennybridge Farm
  - Perrins Farm
  - Pimlico Land
  - Place Names
  - Play Group
  - Poem 'The Cygnet' (Sport?)
  - Police
  - Polish Crisis
  - Poll Cards

BC 51
  - Pook Pit
  - Poor Law Admin. (1765-1809)
  - Porter, R. - Wheelwright
  - Posthorn Cafe
  - Poundland
  - Primmers
  - Priory Farm, Frant
  - Prospect House
  - Prospect Place
  - Public Houses
  - Pykes Directory (1885)
  - Quarry Cottages
  - Quedley Farm, Flimwell
  - Quoits
  - Rates
  - Ravensdale Farm
  - Reading Room
  - Records & Surveys
  - Red Lion
  - Reeds Farm
  - Reference Books
  - Remembrance Day

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- Renhurst
- Rich Fields
- Riseden
- Riverhall Farm
- Riverhall Mill
- Riverhall Poultry Farm
- Rockway
- Roselea
- Rotary Club
- Round Oak Farm
- Round Table
- Roundabouts (i.e. Carousels)
- Royal Sussex Regt.
- St. George's Hall
- Sandyden Lodge
- Sawyers - Fishmonger
- Saxonhurst Fields
- Schools
- Scouts
- Scrag Oak Farm
- Scrag Oak Manor
- Seaview Poultry
- Sellens Farm
- Sewers
- Shepherd's Cottage
- Ship (named 'Wadhurst')
- Shoemaker's Shop
- Shoesmiths Farm
- Shoesmith, A.K. & J.L.
- Shovers Green Farm
- Singehurst Farm
- Skinners Farm
- Slade Farm
- Smiths Farm
- Snape
- Snape Farm
- Snape Wood Estate
- Sodom, Lower Cousley Wood
- South Eastern Gas Board
- Spindlewood Hotel
- Standen Butchers
- Star Benefit Society
- Station Poultry Farm
- Steels Farm
- Stevensons - Carrier
- Stonecross Farm
- Stonegate Farm
- Stream Farm
- Sunflowers
- Sunnyhill
- Surveys & Records
- Swallow Barn
- Swatlands
- Sweetings Lane
- Swifts Farm
- Tappington Farm
- Tapsells Farm
- Taylor & Weller
- Telephone Exchange
- Tennis Club
- Tetesworth
- Thatched Cottage
- Three Chimneys
- Three Oaks Farm
- Ticehurst Board of Guardians
- Ticehurst Rural District Council
- Tidebrook Manor Farm
- Tidebrook House
- Tidebrook Place
- Tidebrook Gymkhana

- Toll Gate
- Tolman, F.J. & Co.
- Total Abstinence Society
- Town Band
- Town Court Farm
- Towngate
- Trade Changes
- Traders of the Past
- Tramps
- Turzes Farm, Burwash
- U.F.O.s
- Underwood Sales
- Upper Turnpike Gate
- Upper Walllands Farm
- Usher, James - Builder
- Vicarage
- Volunteers
- Wadhurst & District Poultry Society
- Wadhurst Almshouses
- Wadhurst Castle
- Wadhurst Chamber of Trade
- Wadhurst Charities
- Wadhurst College
- Wadhurst Footpaths Society
- Wadhurst General News
- Wadhurst Horse Show
- Wadhurst Ironmongers
- Wadhurst Motor Co. Ltd.
- Wadhurst Parish Council
- Wadhurst Park
- Wadhurst Union Society
- Walk, The
- Walken Farm
- Wallcrouch Farm
- Wallcrouch P.O.
- Walters Cottages
- Walters Farm
- Wanganui, Turners Green
- Warri, Turners Green
- W.A.S.P.
- Water Supply
- Watergate Farm
- Watson, E. & Sons
- Weald Hall
- Wealden District Council
- Weddings
- Week Farm
- Weekes, Victor, Ltd.
- Welland Farm
- Welland Manor
- Wellington Place
- Welshes Farm, Ticehurst
- Wenbans Farm
- West Cottage, Ticehurst
- West Wynd, Mayfield Lane
- Weston's Farm
- Wheelwrights
- Whiligh
- Whinmans
- Whist Drives
- Whitegates Farm
- White Magpie
- Wick House (Wyck House)
- Wickhurst Farm
- Willowvale Homes
- Windmill Farm
- Windmills
- Wishwood Bridge
- Witherenden Mill
- Witherenden Mill Farm
- W.I.
- Wood Villa
- Woodknowle Farm
- Woodside, Best Beech Hill
- World Wars
- Wright's Brewery
- Wyck House (Wick House)
- Wyndgate
- Yellowcoat Wood, Flimwell
- Yellow Lines (High Street)
- Yeomans

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BC 52 (contd.) - Yew Tree, Old Station Road
- Yew Tree Green Farm
- Young Conservatives Talk (1964)
- Youth Centre

The following references (BC 53 - BC 60) describe a series of artefacts mounted and boxed for display.

BC 53 - A piece of wood found during the rebuild of Gobles shop in 1888, commemorating the builders, W.A. Skinner & Son.
- Two old horseshoes found at Wadhurst Market in the 1950s.
- Some metal crosses used by local bakers for marking 'hot cross' buns.

BC 54 - Some ancient cattle bones found during excavations in Wadhurst High Street in 1960.

BC 55 - A selection of lapel badges from various local and some national organisations, including those of Charlie Bocking when Secretary of the Wadhurst Fat Stock Show.

BC 56 - Parts of German bombs from second World War raids.
- A mechanism identity plate from an ME110 brought down at Little Butts Farm on 4 September 1940.
- An Army spoon once belonging to 'SX 8951'.
- A pocket wallet embossed: '1940 Dunkirk Veterans Association East Kent'.

BC 57 - Portions of iron ore, charcoal and residual slag from the iron workings at Brookland Wood, probably 18th century. (See: WADHURST - Town of the High Weald by A. Savidge and O. Mason [1988], pp.33-34.)

BC 58 - A selection of bottles and labels from Wright and Sons' Holmesdale Brewery at Durgates.

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BC 59
- A pair of sugar nippers; an old seal; a paperweight depicting Cousley Wood; an S.E. and C.R. railway sign from Wadhurst Station; a fragment of the wooden frame of an aircraft that crash-landed near the station on 16 October 1925.

BC 60
- A plate, a saucer, two candlesticks and a mug, all made of china, and each having a depiction of Wadhurst church exterior.
- A portion of an old oak shingle removed from Wadhurst church spire in 1968 during re-shingling.
- A piece of roof-light glass from Wadhurst church vestry recovered after the fire of 1911.