

MAYO FARM

Copyhold of the Manor of Bexhill. Part was in 1919 Freehold of the Manor of Buckholt and subject to a Heriot on death and to an annual Quit Rent of 2d with a Relief of one years Quit Rent on death or alienation.

PROPERTY DETAILS (NGR TQ 7340 0980)

This land was originally part of Preston Farm. This did not become a holding in it's own right until late 19th century.

30 August 1919, at the Devonshire Hotel, Bexhill, the land was sold along with Neves Farm which was adjoining the property to the north. At this time Neves and Mayo were farmed as one and was known as Harris's Farm. The accommodation consisted of a brick built house with stucco finish and a slate roof, this was in two tenements. Brick and tiled barn with a stable and granary. Brick and tile 3 bay cattle lodge and yard. This was part of the estate of Mr Albert Parks and sold by Walter Parks. It was bought by Sydney Message along with Neves farm for £2250. (8)

The two cottages mentioned above housed the carter and cowman. Mr Message built the farm house in 1935 further down the lane. Mr Message also put up a cow shed converted from a World War One army hut. He also installed a milking machine, which, at that time was only the second in use in Sussex. Mr Beaney, drover, lived in one of the cottages then moved to the farm house in the late 1930's. (11)

Note: The Title of this property starts with an Indenture dated 9 November 1869. See Neves farm P5/159.



Farm Cottages now one house Oct 1989



The Barn at Mayo farm Oct 1989

OWNER/TENANT DETAILS

<1567>	Thomas Typpett 10 acres of land part of Prestons paying 11d (1)
c1629	division of land to Simon Wakeham part of Prestons 6d (1)
<1673>	Ric Marden pt of Prestons, Mess Barn 12 acres 1s 1d (2)
<1802	Henry Mayo (3)
<1802>	Elizabeth Mayo Toft Barn and 6 acres as part of Prestons 6d also 2 pieces of land 7d late Henry Mayo (4)
<1808>	Elizabeth Mayo 3 fields 10½ acres Thomas Lansdell tenant (5)
<1823-1831>>	Elizabeth Mayo toft barn 6a part Prestons 6d & 2 pieces of land 7d (3)
<1843>	Walter Duke owner as Mayos land. (7)
<1861>	James Harris aged 61 farmer 40 acres emp 1 man & 1 boy (9)
<1887-1898>	John Wood tenant (10)
<1916>	Foord, Boaz, E.W. Phillpott tenants (10)
<1919	Albert Parks owner House land & buildings (6)
1919 Aug 30-1950	Sidney Message purchased at the sale shown above.
1950>	S.J. Higgs (10)
<1980>	Mr Larkin owner, Mr Kemp tenant (10)

SOURCES

- 1 KAO U269 M20 Maidstone Record Office Manor Rental
- 2 ESRO ADA 49 Manor Rental
- 3 Bexhill Museum Manor Rental
- 4 ESRO RAF Box

- 5 ESRO AMS 5819 Duke of Dorset's Survey
- 6 ESRO Land Tax
- 7 ESRO TD/E 141 Tithe Award
- 8 Bexhill Museum Bill of Sale
- 9 Census 1861
- 10 Bexhill Directories
- 11 Mrs Kay Slater daughter of Sidney message