

# Shetland Museum & Archives



## Discovery Box Catalogue

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## Introduction

Shetland Museum & Archives have a number of Discovery Boxes and photograph packs available for loan to nurseries, schools, care homes and community groups.

Loans boxes were established for use by schools and specific boxes were created for reminiscence activities by care homes and groups. The boxes may however, be suitable for use by many different groups for different topics.

The following pages contain details on the contents of the boxes (as of September 2006) and photograph packs with suggestions of which school and nursery topics they may be suitable for.

The contents of the boxes can be used for a variety of different purposes including

- Literacy activities
- Reminiscence sessions
- Art
- Drama
- Table top displays

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## **Booking**

### **Loan Period**

Loan Period is 1 month but can be extended near the end of your loan, if no one else has booked the box/pack

### **“Browsing”**

If you wish to come and have a look at the Loans Boxes and Photograph packs please phone Kirsty Kennedy to arrange a date and time.

### **Booking**

Boxes and photograph packs can be booked up to 6 months in advance by either phone or email. You will be sent a letter to confirm your booking.

### **Collection & Returning**

We are unable to deliver boxes and photograph packs to schools and groups. Please phone or email to discuss the collection and returning of loans.

## Crofting

The Crofting Discovery Box may be suitable for the following topics

- Victorians
- Shetland
- Life in the past / Granny's Attic etc. (as some of the objects in this box were used from 1700 to present day)
- Clearances

Contents

Teachers notes

Kishie Making with Lowrie Copland Video

Rural Life in Shetland by Ian Tait Book

### Artefacts

Child size Kishie & peats

Kishie Needle

Box iron

Horn spoon x2

Horn tumbler

Koli Lamp

Cairds

Makin Belt

Knitting swatches

Glove Boards

Heuck and sharpening stone

Sheep tether

Wool for cairding

## First Shetlanders

Suitable for the following topics

- Stone Age
- Iron Age
- Picts
- Geology topics – how early man used stone

Contents; Artefact notes

### Artefacts

Hammerstone

Pounder

Pre-historic pottery fragments

Soapstone fragments

Scraper

Club

Midden

Charcoal

Metal slag (iron age)

## Fishing

Suitable for the following topics

- Fishing
- Herring fishing
- The sea
- Shetland

Contents ; Teachers Notes

### Artefacts

Stone fishing sinker (replica)

Luder horn (Haaf fishing)

Net needles x2

Sail Maker's Palm (one with needles) x 2 (Herring fishing)

Coopers tool x2 (Herring fishing)

Sul and Spreader (Home/ subsistence fishing)

Boat model – LK125 Girl Georgia (Herring fishing)

## Granny's Attic

Suitable for the following topics;

- Houses & Homes
- My family,
- Old & New
- 1950s -1970s
- Then & Now

### Contents;

Artefact notes

### Artefacts

Typewriter

Records x5

Muff

Stoneware Hot Water bottle

Albion Scales & weights

Typhoo Tea Packet

Tea Leaf Holder

Rotary Whisk

Biscuit Cutters

Enamel Bowl

Butter Pats

Mary Quant Stockings

Morphy Richards Noiseless hairdryer

Electric Trouser press

Hair Curler

Radio (No longer works)

“Valet Safety Razor”

Ever-Ready “Ambassador” Razor

Shaving Brush x2

## Toys

Suitable for the following topics

- Victorians
- Children in the Past
- Christmas

### Contents

Teachers Notes, Photograph packs

### Replica Artefacts

Whip and Top (Cone Shaped) x2

Whip and Top (Mushroom shaped) x2

Diabolo x4

Cup and Ball x4

Acrobat squeeze toy x 4

Kaleidoscope x 4

Stagger x 4

## The Victorians

Topics Covered by this box; Transport and Communication  
Homes & Domestic, Life Leisure, Clothes and etiquette

### Contents;

Teachers' Notes Folder, Photograph Folders, artefact labels

### Artefacts

Muff                      Top Hat                      Bowler Hat  
Spats                      Collar                      Starched shirt  
Button Hook              Umbrella                      Stole  
Singer Sewing Machine  
Pince-Nez  
Jet Mourning Brooch  
Brass Visiting Card Box with Visiting Card (decorative stones missing)  
Watch Chain  
Magic Lantern Slides  
Opera Glasses  
Young's Great Book of Secrets  
Bible  
Invalid's Cup  
Washboard  
Sunlight Soap and advertising postcard  
Carpet Beater  
Bellows  
Chamber pot  
Flat iron  
Sugar cutters and sugar cone.  
Butter Pats  
Coins

### Archival replicas

Sailing route Map & timetable 1871  
Northlink Route map 2005  
Road Map  
Lerwick Map 1878  
Lerwick Map 1900  
Envelope  
Telegram  
Pirates of Penzance programme 1895

## Victorian School

### Contents

School strap

Slate & pencil (Replica) x15

Slate duster x10

Dip pens (Replica) x15

Ink pots (Replica) x5

Vere Foster's Copy Book (Replica) x1 (Can be photocopied)

Copywriting sheet (Can be photocopied)

German textbook

Mop Cap & Apron (Age 5 –7)

Mop Cap & Apron (Age 8 – 10)

1 bottle of ink (to use)

“The Victorian Schoolday” teachers manual & resource pack

## Whaling

Suitable for the following topics;

- The Sea
- The Victorians
- Shetland in the past
- Fishing
- Coping with the Cold

### Contents

Teachers notes, photographs, labels for artefacts and photos

### Artefacts

Harpoon

Blue Whale's Ear drum x2

Sperm Whale's teeth x3

Baleen x1

## World War 1

### Contents

Teachers notes, photographs, labels for artefacts and photos

### Artefacts

Trench Periscope

Lee Enfield Rifle

Pocket Knife

Croce al Merito di Guerra (War Merit Cross)

War Medals and Ribbons of W.Watt

Memorial Picture Mount

Tobacco Tin & Photograph of Tobacco Tin

Section of Trench Map (Photocopy)

## Shetland during WW2

### Related Boxes

- Your Past, Their Future
- A Night Out
- In the Kitchen (household goods from 1920s -1940s)

### Contents

Teachers notes, Photograph pack

### Paper Replicas

Adult Food Ration Books x4  
Clothing Book x2  
Puddings Leaflet x5  
Identity Card of Shelia Johnston x5  
Identity Card of Katherine Young x5  
Police Pass of J.T.A Johnson x 10  
"Missing" Notification x4  
Schools Concert Ticket x5  
Identity Card & Certificate of Residence in a Protected Area of Margaret Sinclair x5 of each  
Identity Card & Certificate of Residence in a Protected Area of Katherine Young x5 of each  
Police Pass & certificate of Residence in a Protected Area of Roberta Johnston x 5 of each  
Motor fuel Rations book x 2  
Dried milk p/card x 3

Section of Ration Book x4  
Making the Most of the Sugar x5  
Bread waste Leaflet x4  
Home Guard Certificate x5  
Military Identity Card of John Johnson x5  
Prisoner of War Notification x5  
T Dance Ticket x5

### Artefacts

Civilian Gas Mask in Box x2  
Babies' Gas Mask  
A.R.P Whistle  
A.R.P Bell  
A.R.P Helmet  
Helmet with Camouflage netting  
Lee Enfield Rifle  
Box of Coins (18 in total)  
Cartridge cases x2  
Shell Dressing

R.A.F Uniform  
Aeroplane Compass  
Ammunition Box  
Khaki Bag  
Pair of Stockings

### Replica Laminated Posters

"Mother Don't Forget Baby's Cod Liver Oil and Orange Juice"  
Certificate for raising money etc. for the Overseas League  
"Women wanted for Evacuation Service"

“Wait! Count 15 slowly before moving in the blackout”  
“Be in Fashion Cover your hair”  
“Leave this to us Sonny – You Ought to be out of London”  
“Be like Dad, Keep Mum!”  
“ Carry your identity card always”  
“AFS London needs auxiliary firemen now”  
“Grow your own food”  
“Hitler will send no warning – so always carry your gas mask”

## **“Their Past Your Future” Outreach Kit**

This kit was developed in 2005 as part of the innovative “Their Past Your future” project which involved people in learning and commemorating the sixtieth anniversary of the end of the second World War.

There are only 3 of these kits across the whole of Scotland and Shetland Museum and Archives was awarded one by the Scottish Museums Council, available from mid December 2005.

The materials and activities in this kit can be used by any age group and for both formal and informal learning.

### Related Boxes

- Shetland in WW2
- A Night Out
- In the Kitchen (household goods from 1920s -1940s)

Contents

Guidance Notes

Postcard Sets

Personal Story cards

Posters

CD's and DVD

Replica objects

A PDF of the guidance notes and full contents can be emailed on request

## Childhood

### Artefacts

School bell

Slate, Slate Pencil and cloth (Replica)

Ink Pot x2

Book given as prize "On Honour by E.D Adams"

Parker Ink bottle

School Atlas

Johnsons Advertising Postcard x2

Girl's gloves

Cigarette cards

A4 sheet suggesting Bairn's Games

## A Night By the Fire

Suitable for the following topics

- Homes in the past
- Shetland
- Crofting
- Leisure

### Artefacts

Typhoo Tea

Makkin Belt

Pirn

Hesp Tree

Glove boards

Wool and Yarn x6

Swatches

Net mending needles

Shoe Last

Radio Theme Tunes audiotape

Pipe and bag of tobacco

Rummy cards

Magazine cover postcard x2

Records x2

Toasting Fork

Fire Poker

Nip Glasses x2

Reestit Mutton

Guddiks sheet

## Major Events (nationally & locally)

### Photos

W00046 – First aeroplane to land in Shetland

R00977 – earl of Zetland I and II at Victoria pier

A101242 – Victory celebrations parade passing Central school

SM00220 – Tensing Norgay and Edmund Hillary after climbing Everest

NE00097 – new Gilbert Bain hospital being Constructed

### Artefacts

1953 Coronation of Queen Elizabeth II purse

Hamefarin Festival Recording 1960

1977 Silver Jubilee Souvenir Shopping Bag

nip glass x2

Charles and Diana mug

## In the Kitchen

### Contents

Facilitator notes, photographs, labels for artefacts and photos

Suitable for the following topics

- Homes in the past 1920s – 1930s
- WW2

### Artefacts

Typhoo tea

Tea Caddy and Spoon

Tea Leaf Strainer

Butter Pats

Household Scales

Frying Pan

Pudding Mould

Sponge Mould

Rolling pin

Mixing bowl

Measuring cups

Bakelite eggcup

Carbolic Soap

## Saving and Shopping

Suitable for the following topics

- Food
- Shopping
- Transport

### Artefacts

Pre-decimal coins & notes

Butter Stamp

Shop Scoop

Wireless Licence Savings Bank

Post Office Savings Bank

Dundee Marmalade Jar

Cyphoids

Puwite Cleaner

Shetland Almanac & Directory 1949

White Cardinal Polish

1951 Supplement Trade Catalogue

W Gray's Bottle

Co-op Tea

Sloans Liniment

Bonum Toothache Reliever

Meggezones

Will's Gold Flake Cigarettes

Senior Service Packet

Wild Woodbine Cigarette Packet

Warlock Rich Dark Flake Tin

Pair of Spectacles

Mending Cotton

Lucky Charm Stockings Packet

Three Knots, Delustra stockings

Allenburys Pastilles

Flour bag

Comptons Gravy Salt

Mirror

Advertisements x2

## Washday

Suitable for the following topics

- Clothes
- Homes in the past
- The Victorians

### Artefacts

Sunlight Soap

Washboard

Flat Iron

Petrol Iron

Electric Iron (1950s)

Laundry tongs x2

Wooden Pegs x2

Sock board

Glove Board

Daz advert postcards x2

Sunlight Soap advert postcards x2

Long johns & vest

Nightie

Gloves

## A Night Out

Suitable for the following topics

- Women in War

### Artefacts

Ladies' Shingling Clipper

Hair Dryer

Box of Eclipse Hair Pins

Lady Jane Flat Curler

Hair grips

Lavender Water

Perfume Bottle

Nail Buffer

Rolls Razor

Razor, Hone and Shaving Tube

Shaving Brush

Ladies Gloves x2

Fur Collar

Nylon Stockings

Embroidered Handkerchief

Gentleman's White Gloves

Black Bow Tie

Pipe

Ogden's Spliced Walnut Plug

Bag of Tobacco

Cigarette Case

Advert for Robert Wilson Tour 1953

Nip Glass x2

Hip Flask

Advert postcards for McEwan's Ale x2

Sensory bottles containing spirits x3

Pre-decimal coins and notes

Tape of fiddle tunes and interviews from Shetland Archives

## Photograph Packs

- Commercial Street
- Transport
- Fishing Boats
- Water in the past
- Lerwick through the Ages