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Climbing journals, correspondence and working papers, 1965 – 2009, undated, of Peter Hodgkiss, mountaineer and publisher [1936 – 2010] and the Ernest Press.

Peter Hodgkiss was born in Leeds in 1936 but spent most of his life in Glasgow. He was a keen sportsman, with interests in rowing and cycling and a lifelong passion for mountaineering. In 1985, with Jack Baines (who died in 1996), Hodgkiss set up the Ernest Press specialising in mountain and mountaineering publications. The Ernest Press received much acclaim as the publisher of four winners of the Boardman Tasker Prize for mountain literature. It was also noted as the publisher of numerous guidebooks and journals for various mountaineering clubs and latterly for its Mountain Biking guidebooks.

The journals are of particular interest as a record of the climbing activities of a keen mountaineer. The correspondence files consist of Peter Hodgkiss' personal as well as business letters while book files relates to his business activities with the Ernest Press.

Purchased, 2012.

1 – 46	Climbing Journals
47 – 54	Correspondence
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1 – 46 Climbing Journals

Journals of climbing expeditions, 1965-1979, in Scotland, England and Europe, but also family holidays. Some of the journals include lists of peaks climbed and their heights.

1	1965-1966
2	1967
3	1968
4	1969
5	1970
6	1971
7	1972
8	1973
9	1974
10	1975
11	1976-1977 [incomplete]
12	1978
13	1979
14	1980
15 – 16	1981 [2 journals]
17 – 20	1982-1983 [4 journals]
21	1984
22	1985
23	1986
24 – 25	1987 [2 journals]

26 – 27	1988 [2 journals]
28 – 29	1989 [2 journals]
30	1990
31 – 32	1991[2 journals]
33	1992
34	1993
35	1994
36	1995
37 – 38	1996 [2 journals]
39	1997
40	2003
41 – 42	2004 [2 journals]
43	2005
44	2007
45	2008
46	undated

47 – 54 Correspondence

- 47 Letters, 1967 – 1998, of Janet Adam Smith, with some copy replies
- 48 Letters and related papers, 1981, concerning the Lurcher's Gully Enquiry and Appeal
- 49 Letter, 1987, of Bill Murray
- 50 Correspondence, 1994 – 1999, largely relating to manuscripts rejected by the Ernest Press
- 51 Correspondence, 1996 – 1999, with related press cuttings, largely relating to the Ernest Press
- 52 Correspondence, 1996, undated
- 53 Letters, 1997 – 2002, of Keith Treacher concerning Siegfried Herford, with related papers
- 54 Correspondence and programmes, 1997 – 2006, for the International Festival of Mountaineering sponsored by the Ernest Press

55 – 105 Book files

Correspondence, accounts, photographs, art work and reviews, 1990 – 2002, relating to books produced by the Ernest Press

55 – 76	General
77 – 84	Alpine Club
85 – 86	British Mountaineering Council of Britain
87 – 90	Climbers' Club
91 – 99	Fell and Rock Climbing Club

100 – 103 Mountain Bike Guides
104 – 105 Miscellaneous

55 – 76 General

- 55 Ben Nevis panorama, 1987
- 56 L Oppenheimer, *Heart of Lakeland*, 1988
- 57 – 58 Will McLewin, *In Monte Viso's Horizon*, 1990
- 57 Correspondence and related papers
- 58 Art work and photographs
- 59 Bob Allan, *On High Lakeland Fells*, 1990 and 1993
- 60 Peter Drummond and Ian Mitchell, *The first Munroist : the Reverend A.E. Robertson: his life, Munros and photographs*, 1993
- 61 Bennet, Crowe and Turner, *Climbing in North-East England*, 1995, 2003
- 62 Nigel Shepherd, 'Ski Mountaineering', 1995 – 1997
- 63 Janet Adam Smith's *Mountain Holidays*, 1996 – 2000. With obituaries and Order of Service for her funeral, 1999. Copies of Janet Adam Smith, *From I A Richards. Essays in his honour*, 1973 and 'Books in my Life', reprinted from the *Book Collector*, Winter, 1988
- 64 G Dutton, *Marginal Garden*, 1997
- 65 Chris Sladden, *The Welsh Rivers*, 2003
- 66 Michael Ward, *Everest. A thousand years of exploration*, 2003
- 67 *Symonds Yat*, 2003
- 68 George Rodway, George Finch, 2003 – 2004
- 69 *More letters to the Secretary of a Golf Club*, 2004
- 70 Heather McDermid, *My Halls, House and Hovels*, and *Leicestershire Country Park Walks*, 2004, 2009
- 71 Peter Berg, Whympier, *Scrambles among the Alps*, 2006
- 72 John Biggar, *The Andes*, 2007 Spanish edition

- 73 P J McEwan, Autobiography, 2009
- 74 Typescripts of essays by Steve Dean, undated
- 75 CD of text of Johanna Merz, 'The Dew in the Morning', undated
- 76 Mennell, typescript of 'Chalet Life in Switzerland in 1866', undated

77 – 84 Alpine Club

- 77 General, 1995 – 2009
- 78 Journal, 1991 – 2008
- 78 1991 – 1997
- 79 2002 – 2005
- 80 2006
- 81 2007 – 2008
- 82 – 84 Guides:
- 82 *Dolomites*, Vols.1 and 2
- 83 *Mont Blanc*, Vol.s1 and 2
- 84 *Valais Alps West*

85 – 86 British Mountaineering Council of Britain

- 85 *The First Fifty Years*, 1999
- 86 Lancashire Guidebook, 1999

87 – 90 Climbers' Club

- 87 *Southern Sandstone*, 1992
- 88 Dave Viggers, *Climbers' Club Guide to Wales: Pembroke Supplement*, 2002
- 89 Nigel Coe, *Swanage*, 2002
- 90 *Forest of Dean*, 2006

91 – 99 Fell and Rock Climbing Club

- 91 – 93 Journal
- 91 1996
- 92 2004
- 93 2006
- 94 – 99 Guides
- 94 Borrowdale guide, 1990
- 95 Scafell/Eskdale Guide, 1995
- 96 Langdale Guide, 1999
- 97 Selected Climbs guide to the English Lake District, 2003
- 98 Gable and Pillar Guide 2007
- 99 Buttermere and St Bees, 2008

100 – 103 Mountain Bike Guides

- 100 North Yorkshire Mountain Bike Guide, *My Moors*, 1994, 1998
- 101 Artwork for North York Moors and other Mountain Bike Guides
- 102 *Perth Mountain Bike Guide*, 2000-2001
- 103 Art work probably for the Inverness Mountain Bike Guide, undated

104 – 105 Miscellaneous

- 104 Correspondence, minutes and accounts, 2000-2008, relating to Scottish Mountaineering Trust [Publications]
- 105 Book Reviews

106 – 109 Personal papers

- 106 Scottish Mountaineering Club, printed Rules, lists of members, and menu cards, 1917 – 2006
- 107 *SMC News*, 1997 – 2007
- 108 Correspondence, newsletters and press cuttings, 1975 – 1994, of the Junior Mountaineering Club of Scotland
- 109 Obituaries of climbers, 1999 – 2008