

Kitchen Heirlooms



Here are some of the heirlooms that lurk in the kitchen.



This knife and fork are believed to have belonged to my great-grandparents Herbert and Catherine Smith née Seear. The knife was used to cut the wedding cakes of their great-great granddaughters.

The irons belonged to my great-grandmother Clara Woolgar née Dawson.



The chair and the little blue jug belonged to my Granny, Ivy Gertrude Smith née Woolgar. They may have previously belonged to her mother, Clara.



This plate is one of the few heirlooms from my father's side of the family. It was probably bought by my grandparents, Albany and Elizabeth Ann Hogg when visiting Albany's family in Cargreen.



This radio belonged to my parents and dates from the 1940s. It was in daily use in the 1980s and has only recently stopped working. You can still turn it on but it will no longer tune in.



This mixing bowl was a wedding present to my parents in 1947. It is used each year to make Christmas cake and Christmas pudding.



These tins are now in the tool box holding nails and screws, They arrived full of toffees in the 1960s.



These glass dishes date from the 1960s. The large dish and the flower shaped ones were in my childhood home, the two on the sides were Granny Ivy's.

These all bring back memories of the 1960s. The plastic cups were mine. The pink one I used at home, the red one when at Granny's. The pink one was used for guide camps, hence my name in red nail varnish. It has also been used by two succeeding generations.



These 'Moonglow' plates were in daily use in the 1960s and still are today.

Prior to the Moonglow, we used this dinner and tea service. This plate is all that remains.



This early Tupperware salt pot was used daily. There was a companion one in blue for pepper. A few similar pots that had plain lids also survive, minus their lids, which eventually split. 1980s equivalents in darker colours, that were used for dolls, have also endured.



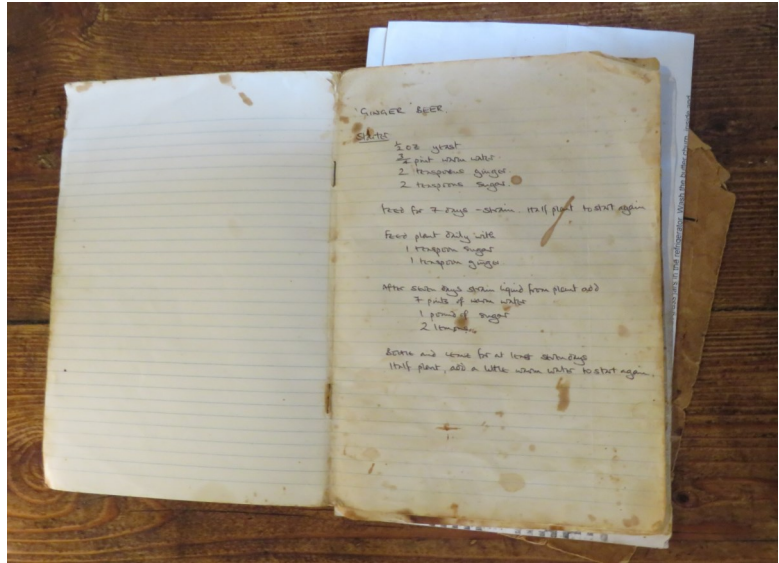
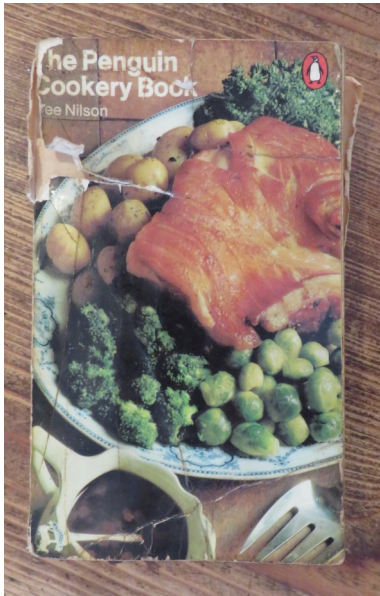
Another legacy from the 1960s is this bottle opener, which was a birthday or Christmas present when I was about twelve.

Two of the aprons date from the 1970s and 1980s. The guide one was a 1990s addition so we had one each to wear while making Christmas cakes and puddings. Snoopy still gets worn once a year for this purpose.

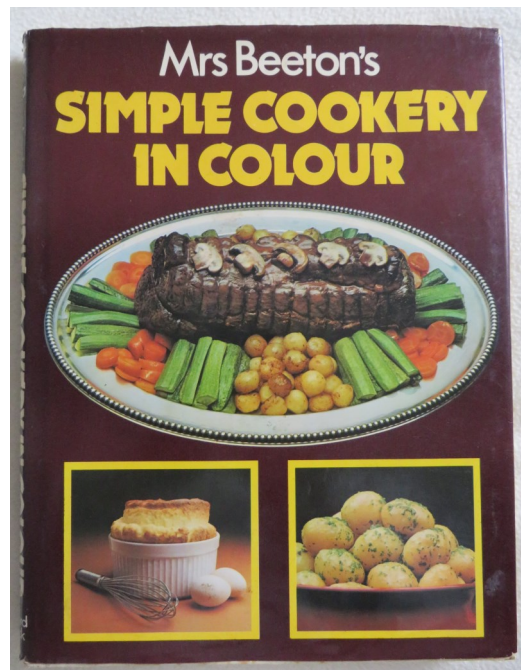


These items have been in my kitchen since the 1980s. The TG Green ware is still on prominent display. There used to be a third, smaller Snoopy tin in yellow, which seems to have gone awol.





1970s and 1980s recipe books.



The cake tins that get used each year for the Christmas cakes.