

## **Eastway Farm**

The following information is derived mostly from source material collated by John Usmar in 2007 as part of his study of the Witheridge Outliers.

In the late 17<sup>th</sup> century, from church donation records, Eastway was owned by Henry Quicke.

Prior to 4<sup>th</sup> June 1777, the occupier was Hugh Greenslade, North Devon Record Office 48/25/24

Land tax records list the following owners:

1781 John Chichester, occupier George Venner

1795 John Chichester, occupier John Hedgeman

1796 John Chichester, occupier Wm Hedgeman

1798 Heirs of John Chichester, occupier Wm Hedgeman

1806 Heirs of John Chichester, occupiers Partridge & Wilcocks

1808 John Partridge Gent and Sam Wilcocks, occupied by themselves

1810 John Partridge and S Wilcocks, occupied by themselves until and including 1832, the last year of Land Tax records available online.

John Partridge's will dated 5<sup>th</sup> December 1835, proved 1836, required the executors to liquidate his estate, invest the proceeds and distribute the funds equally between the grandchildren once the youngest reached 21 years of age.

By 1841, from the census of that year, Eastway was occupied by Geo Lee (a labourer), his wife and four children. The 1881 census records the head of the household being Edwin Arscott, a farmer of 90 acres, with his wife, two daughters and a servant living at Eastway. By 1901, Edwin was still living at Eastway with his wife, son and two daughters. One daughter was married to a soldier, married name Legge, and at the time of the census was at Eastway with her baby daughter.

From directory listings, by 1923 Archibald Nott owned Eastway.