

# LGBT Lives: oral histories

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**Author / Creator**

**Queensland Association of Healthy Communities**

**Abstract** Oral histories from members of the lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender community.

**Scope and content** These recordings are the product of the Queensland Association of Healthy Communities, Lesbian Gay Bisexual Transgender (LGBT) History Action Group, Oral History Project, funded by the Brisbane City Council. Community members were trained as part of the project. A range of gay and lesbian people were interviewed including people that have been active at various times in the last 40 years to change the political and social conditions for LGBT people in Queensland. The objectives of oral history project are to build and increase access to a permanent record of LGBT history in Brisbane, to increase the wider community's knowledge and understanding of LGBT history in Brisbane, to increase LGBT people's sense of community history and identity, to develop links between LGBT groups, businesses and individuals and to develop a sense of responsibility in LGBT communities re researching and documenting their histories.

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## Series 1: Tamara Biddulph oral history (26 June 2010)

**Series number** 1

**Series title** Tamara Biddulph oral history

**Date** 26 June 2010

### Scope and content

Tamara Biddulph, mother of two teenagers, talks about coming out as a lesbian and her increasing involvement in the lesbian social and political scene in Brisbane. The interviewer is Nicola Curtis. [Item 28112/1]

### Author / Creator

Queensland Association of Healthy Communities

Biddulph, Tamara (interviewee)

Curtis, Nicola (interviewer)

### Description

**Description** 1 digital audio file (20 min. 16 sec.)

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## Series 2: Jill Bolen oral history (18 June 2010)

**Series number** 2

**Series title** Jill Bolen oral history

**Date** 18 June 2010

### **Scope and content**

Jill Bolen discusses the 1977 investigation into lesbians in the Queensland Police Force. The interviewer is Carol Farr. **Conditions governing access:** *No access to the recording or transcript during the lifetime of the interviewee.* **Conditions governing reproduction:** *No publication or broadcast of the recording or accompanying material during the lifetime of the interviewee without prior written permission of the interviewee.* [28112/2]

### **Author / Creator**

Queensland Association of Healthy Communities

Bolen, Jill (interviewee)

Farr, Carol (interviewer)

### Description

**Description** 1 digital audio file (1 hr. 49 min. 46 sec.)

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## **Series 3: Colin Briton oral history (13 Jun 2010)**

**Series number** 3

**Series title** Colin Briton oral history

**Date** 13 Jun 2010

## Scope and content

Colin Briton talks about his involvement with the gay group Campus CAMP at Queensland University in the 1970s and the political and social situation for gays and lesbians at that time. The interviewer is Neal Fitzgerald. **Conditions governing reproduction:** No publication of the recording or accompanying material without prior written permission of the interviewee. [Item 28112/3]

## Author / Creator

Queensland Association of Healthy Communities

Briton, Colin (interviewee)

Fitzgerald, Neal, 1956- (interviewer)

## Description

**Description** 1 digital audio file (1 hr. 11 min. 42 sec.)

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## Series 4: Carly Cashin and Janelle Fox oral history (25 June 2010)

**Series number** 4

**Series title** Carly Cashin and Janelle Fox oral history

**Date** 25 June 2010

### Scope and content

Oral history interview with Carly Cashin and Janelle Fox who talk about their relationship and the birth of their daughter. The interviewer is Nicola Curtis. In 2 parts. [Item 28112/4]

### Author / Creator

Queensland Association of Healthy Communities

Cashin, Carly (interviewee)

Fox, Janelle (interviewee)

Curtis, Nicola (interviewer)

### Description

**Description** 2 digital audio file (15 min. 37 sec. and 49 min. 49 sec.)

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## Series 5: Douglas Smith oral history (29 Jun 2010)

**Series number** 5

**Series title** Douglas Smith oral history

**Date** 29 Jun 2010

### Scope and content

Douglas Smith talks about his sexuality, coming out and discrimination. [Item 28112/5]

### Author / Creator

Queensland Association of Healthy Communities

Smith, Douglas (interviewee)

Curtis, Nicola (interviewer)

## Description

**Description** 1 digital audio file (28 min. 58 sec.)

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## Series 6: Caroline Clemson and Michelle Martin oral history (10 July 2010)

**Series number** 6

**Series title** Caroline Clemson and Michelle Martin oral history

**Date** 10 July 2010

### Scope and content

Caroline Clemson and Michelle Martin discuss their sexuality, coming out and marriage. The interviewer is Sarah Midgley. **Conditions governing access:** *No access to the recording or transcript during the lifetime of the interviewee.* **Conditions governing reproduction:** *No publication or broadcast of the recording or accompanying material during the lifetime of the interviewee without prior written permission of the interviewee.* [Item 28112/6]

### Author / Creator

Queensland Association of Healthy Communities

Clemson, Caroline (interviewee)

Martin, Michelle (interviewee)  
Midgley, Sarah (interviewer)

## Description

**Description** 1 digital audio file (56 min. 42 sec.)

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## Series 7: John Frame oral history (26 June 2010)

**Series number** 7

**Series title** John Frame oral history

**Date** 26 June 2010

### Scope and content

John Frame talks about his involvement in Queer Radio. The interviewer is Shirleene Robinson.  
[Item 28112/7]

### Author / Creator

Queensland Association of Healthy Communities

Frame, John (interviewee)

Robinson, Shirleene (interviewer)

## Description

**Description** 1 digital audio file (1 hr. 1 min. 49 sec.)

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## Series 8: Shane Garvey oral history (29 June 2010)

**Series number** 8

**Series title** Shane Garvey oral history

**Date** 29 June 2010

**Scope and content**

Interview with Shane Garvey. The interviewer is Shirleene Robinson. [Item 28112/8]

**Author / Creator**

Queensland Association of Healthy Communities

Garvey, Shane (interviewee)

Robinson, Shirleene (interviewer)

Description

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## Series 9: Rodney Goodbun oral history (20 May 2010)

**Series number** 9

**Series title** Rodney Goodbun oral history

**Date** 20 May 2010

**Scope and content**

Rodney Goodbun talks about activism & volunteering. The interviewer is Shirleene Robinson.  
[Item 28112/9]

**Author / Creator**

Queensland Association of Healthy Communities

Goodbun, Rodney (interviewee)

Robinson, Shirleene (interviewer)

### Description

**Description** 1 digital audio recording (52 min. 27 sec.)

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## Series 10: Samantha Looker oral history (26 June 2010)

**Series number** 10

**Series title** Samantha Looker oral history

**Date** 26 June 2010

### Scope and content

Samantha Looker talks about her sexuality, coming out and opening Mint Cocktail Bar, a lesbian cocktail bar in West End, Brisbane. **Conditions governing access:** No access to the recording or accompanying material for 20 years from the recording date without prior written permission of the interviewee **Conditions governing reproduction:** No publication of the recording or accompanying material for 20 years from the recording date without prior written permission of the interviewee [Item 28112/10]

### Author / Creator

Queensland Association of Healthy Communities

Looker, Samantha (interviewee)

Midgley, Sarah (interviewer)

### Description

**Description** 1 digital audio file (1 hr. 50 min. 18 sec.)

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## Series 11: Carol Low oral history (10 Jun 2010)

**Series number** 11

**Series title** Carol Low oral history

**Date** 10 Jun 2010

**Scope and content**

Carol Low talks about working on the 'Prejudice & Pride' exhibition. The interviewer is Carol Farr.  
[Item 28112/11]

**Author / Creator**

Queensland Association of Healthy Communities

Low, Carol (interviewee)

Farr, Carol (interviewer)

Description

**Description** 1 digital audio file (1 hr. 37 min. 6 sec.)

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## Series 12: Ricki Menzies oral history (07 Jul 2010)

**Series number** 12

**Series title** Ricki Menzies oral history

**Date** 07 Jul 2010

**Scope and content**

Ricki Menzies talks about working for the LGBT community and the Queensland Council for LGBTI Health (QAHC). The interviewer is Sarah Midgley. [Item 28112/12]

#### **Author / Creator**

Queensland Association of Healthy Communities

Menzies, Ricki (interviewee)

Midgley, Sarah (interviewer)

#### Description

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## Series 13: Sally Morris oral history (24 June 2010)

**Series number** 13

**Series title** Sally Morris oral history

**Date** 24 June 2010

#### **Scope and content**

Sally Morris talks about her sexuality, coming out and her involvement with Open Doors Youth Service in Brisbane. The interviewer is Shirleene Robinson. **Conditions governing access:** No access to the recording or accompanying material without prior written permission of the interviewee. **Conditions governing reproduction:** No publication of the recording or accompanying material without prior written permission of the interviewee.

**Author / Creator**

Queensland Association of Healthy Communities

Morris, Sally

Robinson, Shirleene (interviewer)

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## Series 14: Jessica Payne oral history (3 July 2010)

**Series number** 14

**Series title** Jessica Payne oral history

**Date** 3 July 2010

### Scope and content

Jessica Payne talks about the equal love campaign. The interviewer is Sarah Midgley.

[Item 28112/14]

### Author / Creator

Queensland Association of Healthy Communities

Payne, Jessica (interviewee)

Midgley, Sarah (interviewer)

## Description

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## Series 15: Nikea Ranger oral history (27 June 2010)

**Series number** 15

**Series title** Nikea Ranger oral history

**Date** 27 June 2010

**Scope and content**

Nikea Ranger talks about her sexuality, coming out and discrimination. The interviewer is Sarah Midgley [Item 28112/15]

**Author / Creator**

Queensland Association of Healthy Communities

Ranger, Nikea (interviewee)

Midgley, Sarah (interviewer)

Description

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## Series 16: Emma Rattray oral history (30 June 2010)

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**Series title** Emma Rattray oral history

**Date** 30 June 2010

### Scope and content

Emma Rattray talks about her sexuality and coming out. **Conditions governing access:** No access to the recording or accompanying material without prior written permission of the interviewee. **Conditions governing reproduction:** No publication of the recording or accompanying material without prior written permission of the interviewee. [Item 28112/16]

### Author / Creator

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Rattray, Emma (interviewee)

Curtis, Nicola (interviewee)

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## Series 17: Bill Rutkin oral history (05 Feb 2010)

**Series number** 17

**Series title** Bill Rutkin oral history

**Date** 05 Feb 2010

### Scope and content

Bill Rutkin talks about his sexuality and life as a gay man in Queensland during the late 1960s and 1970s. The interviewer is Shirleene Robinson. **Conditions governing access:** No access to the recording or accompanying material without prior written permission of the interviewee.

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### Author / Creator

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Rutkin, Bill (interviewee)

Robinson, Shirleene (interviewer)

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## Series 18: Roger Sawkins oral history (15 June 2010)

**Series number** 18

**Series title** Roger Sawkins oral history

**Date** 15 June 2010

### Scope and content

Roger Sawkins talks about his involvement in the Quakers and from the early 1970s in the lesbian and gay counselling service, police gay liaison committee and the youth accommodation service Prospect House. The interviewer is Neal Fitzgerald. In two parts. **Conditions governing reproduction:** No publication of the recording or accompanying material without prior written permission of the interviewee. [Item 28112/18]

### Author / Creator

Queensland Association of Healthy Communities

Sawkins, Roger (interviewee)

Fitzgerald, Neal, 1956- (interviewer)

### Description

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