



# Royal Flying Doctor Service. Queensland Section records

**Accession number** 29462

**Date** 1927-2000

**Author / Creator**

**Royal Flying Doctor Service of Australia. Queensland Section.**

**Scope and content** Photograph albums, cuttings books and log books created by the Royal Flying Doctor Service, Queensland Section.

**Description** 4 scrapbooks; 28 photograph albums (& index); 8 folders photographs; 2 folders slides; 2 video tapes; 1 booklet; 1 flag.

**Administrative / Biographical history** On 15 May 1928, as a result of the vision and effort of the Reverend John Flynn, the Australian Inland Mission Aerial Medical Service (later renamed the Royal Flying Doctor Service) was opened in Cloncurry, Queensland. Although the RFDS began in Queensland, the Queensland Section was not registered in its own right until 1939. The Cloncurry base remained operational until 1964 when it was relocated to Mt Isa.

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## Series 1: Scrapbooks (1957-1994)

**Series number** 1

**Series title** Scrapbooks

**Date** 1957-1994

**Scope and content**

4 scrapbooks containing news paper articles and photograpphs relating to the Royal Flying Doctor Service and its activities in Queensland.

Description

**Description** 4 scrapbooks

**Locate** OMOSBOX Box 5545 O/S; Box 7050 O/S; Box 18684 O/S

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Items in this series:

### Scrapbook (1971)

**Unit ID** 29462/1

**Date** 1971

**Scope and content**

A scrapbook with newspaper articles and photographs about Saxby Round-up, an annual event held in country Queensland.

Description

**Description** 1 scrapbook

**Locate** OMOSBOX Box 18684 O/S

## Scrapbook (1936-1957)

**Unit ID** 29462/2

**Date** 1936-1957

### Scope and content

Large scrapbook containing newspaper articles about the Royal Flying Doctor Service and its activities in Queensland. [Many pages are loose, fragile]

### Description

**Description** 1 scrapbook

**Locate** OMBOX Box 7050 O/S

## Scrapbook (1979-1986)

**Unit ID** 29462/3

**Date** 1979-1986

### Scope and content

A scrapbook with newspaper articles about the Royal Flying Doctor Service and its activities in Queensland.

### Description

**Description** 1 scrapbook

**Locate** OMBOX Box 18684 O/S

## Scrapbook (1990-1994)

**Unit ID** 29462/4

**Date** 1990-1994

### Scope and content

A scrapbook with newspaper articles about the Royal Flying Doctor Service and its activities in Queensland.

### Description

**Description** 1 scrapbook

**Locate** OMOSBOX Box 5545 O/S

## Series 2: Albums (1927-2000)

**Series number** 2

**Series title** Albums

**Date** 1927-2000

### Scope and content

Photograph albums relating to the activities of the Royal Flying Doctor Service, in Queensland. Included are images of the people of the Aurukun, Doomadgee and Mapoon Aboriginal Missions; the towns of Karumba, Burketown, Thylungra, Bedourie, and Birdsville; images relating to the 'Queen of the Outback' contest and 'Spirit of Queensland' awards; Flying Doctor Service clinics in Charleville, Cairns, Cloncurry, Mount Isa and Townsville; social and fundraising functions; the history of the service; and the School of Distance Education. [Items 5-31]

### Description

**Description** 28 albums

**Locate** OMOSBOX Box 5545 O/S; Box 9750 O/S; Box 17872 O/S; Box 17875 O/S; Box 17877 O/S; Box 17891 O/S; Box 17892 ; Box 17937 O/SO/S; Box 17894 O/S; Box 17934 O/S; Box 17935 O/S; Box 17936 O/S; Box 24095 O/S; Box 24096 O/S; Box 24281 O/S

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Items in this series:

## Albums (1960-1991)

**Unit ID** 29462/5

**Date** 1960-1991

### Scope and content

Royal Flying Doctor Service Queensland Section Photograph Album (index headings A and B)  
Photograph album containing images of Aboriginal people at Aurukun Mission, Doomadgee Mission, Mapoon Mission, Pormpuraaw (Edward River Mission) and other locations. A list of captions is included (index heading A). Photograph album containing images of aircraft. A list of captions is included (index heading B).

### Description

**Description** 2 albums

**Locate** OMBOX Box 17894 O/S [oversized material]; Box 24095 O/S; Box 24096 O/S; Box 24281 O/S

### Other

### Notes

Images originally housed in 'sticky back' albums have been rehoused to archival volumes. Oversized loose images [mostly laminated] and papers are housed in Box 17894 O/S

## Album (1937-1990)

**Unit ID** 29462/6

**Date** 1937-1990

### Scope and content

Photograph album containing photographs of areas served by the Royal Flying Doctor Service, including: Karumba, Burketown, Thylungra, Werrington Clinic, Bedourie and Birdsville. A list of captions is included (index heading C).

### Description

**Description** 1 album

**Locate** OMOSBOX Box 17935 O/S

## Album (1973-1991)

**Unit ID** 29462/7

**Date** 1973-1991

### Scope and content

Photograph album containing photographs of 'Queen of the Outback' contestants A list of captions is included (index heading D1-D165).

### Description

**Description** 1 album

**Locate** OMOSBOX Box 17877 O/S

## Album (1993-1997)

**Unit ID** 29462/8

**Date** 1993-1997

### Scope and content

Photograph album containing photographs of 'Queen of the Outback' contestants A list of captions is included (index heading D166-D234).

### Description

**Description** 1 album

**Locate** OMOSBOX Box 17934 O/S

## Album (1986-2000)

**Unit ID** 29462/9

**Date** 1986-2000

### Scope and content

Photograph album containing photographs of Royal Flying Doctor Service Auxiliary staff. A list of captions is included (index heading E).

### Description

**Description** 1 album

**Locate** OMOSBOX Box 17936 O/S

### Album (1974-1983)

**Unit ID** 29462/10

**Date** 1974-1983

#### Scope and content

Photograph album containing photographs of clinics, evacuations and patient treatments. A list of captions is included (index heading F1-F163).

#### Description

**Description** 1 album

**Locate** OMOSBOX Box 17936 O/S

### Album (1930-1994)

**Unit ID** 29462/11

**Date** 1930-1994

#### Scope and content

Photograph album containing photographs of clinics, evacuations and patient treatments. A list of captions is included (index heading F163-F259).

#### Description

**Description** 1 album

**Locate** OMOSBOX Box 17936 O/S

### Album (1951-1994)

**Unit ID** 29462/12

**Date** 1951-1994

#### Scope and content

Photograph album containing photographs of displays about the Royal Flying Doctor Service.

A list of captions is included (index heading G and H1).

#### Description

**Description** 1 album

**Locate** OMOSBOX Box 17872 O/S

### Album (1986)

**Unit ID** 29462/13

**Date** 1986

#### Scope and content

Photograph album containing photographs of social functions relating to the Royal Flying Doctor Service. They include the John Flynn Memorial Address given by HRH Prince Philip, at the Sheraton Brisbane Hotel in May 1986 A list of captions is included (index heading H2).

#### Description

**Description** 1 album

**Locate** OMOSBOX Box 17891 O/S

### Album (1927-1989)

**Unit ID** 29462/14

**Date** 1927-1989

#### Scope and content

Photograph album containing photographs of social functions relating to the Royal Flying Doctor Service. A list of captions is included (index heading I1-I243).

#### Description

**Description** 1 album

**Locate** OMOSBOX Box 17875 O/S

### Album (1977-1994)



**Unit ID** 29462/15

**Date** 1977-1994

**Scope and content**

Photograph album containing photographs of social functions relating to the Royal Flying Doctor Service. A list of captions is included (index heading I244-I354).

Description

**Description** 1 album

**Locate** OMOSBOX Box 17875 O/S

**Album (1931-1998)**

**Unit ID** 29462/16

**Date** 1931-1998

**Scope and content**

Photograph album containing photographs documenting the beginnings of Royal Flying Doctor Service (early airplanes, radios, a plane crash, etc.). A list of captions is included (index heading J). Photographs of the Council members of Royal Flying Doctor Service (years 1935-1997). A list of captions is included (index heading K).

Description

**Description** 1 album

**Locate** OMOSBOX Box 17934 O/S

**Album (1957-1992)**

**Unit ID** 29462/17

**Date** 1957-1992

**Scope and content**

A photograph album with photographs of Royal Flying Doctor Service staff. A list of captions is included (index heading L).

Description

**Description** 1 album

**Locate** OMOSBOX Box 17892 O/S

### Album (1951-2000)

**Unit ID** 29462/18

**Date** 1951-2000

#### Scope and content

Photograph album containing images of celebrities and Royal Flying Doctor Service staff. They include: Sir Hudson Fysh; Padre Fred McKay; R C Ketter; Sir Colin Hannah; Malcolm Fraser; Sir James and Lady Ramsay; King of Tonga; and many other well known officials and personalities. A list of captions is included (index heading M).

#### Description

**Description** 1 album

**Locate** OMOSBOX Box 17935 O/S

### Album (1988-2000)

**Unit ID** 29462/19

**Date** 1988-2000

#### Scope and content

Photograph album containing images of donations being presented to and memberships awarded by the Royal Flying Doctor Service. A list of captions is included (index heading N).

#### Description

**Description** 1 album

**Locate** OMOSBOX Box 17935 O/S

### Album (1928-1988)

**Unit ID** 29462/20

**Date** 1928-1988

### Scope and content

Photograph album containing images of Royal Flying Doctor Service radio sets and radio operators. A list of captions is included (index heading O).

#### Description

**Description** 1 album

**Locate** OMOSBOX Box 17877 O/S

### Album (1950-1997)

**Unit ID** 29462/21

**Date** 1950-1997

#### Scope and content

Photograph album containing images of Royal Flying Doctor Service buildings in Charleville. A list of captions is included (index heading P).

#### Description

**Description** 1 album

**Locate** OMOSBOX Box 17877 O/S

### Album (1960s)

**Unit ID** 29462/22

**Date** 1960s

#### Scope and content

Photograph album containing images of Royal Flying Doctor Service buildings in Charters Towers A list of captions is included (index heading S). Also included are photographs of Royal Flying Doctor Service buildings in Cloncurry A list of captions is included (index heading T).

#### Description

**Description** 1 album

**Locate** OMOSBOX Box 17872 O/S

## Album (1992)

**Unit ID** 29462/23

**Date** 1992

### Scope and content

Photograph album containing images of the construction of Royal Flying Doctor Service visitors' centre in Cairns. A list of captions is included (index heading U).

### Description

**Description** 1 album (approximately 66 photographs)

**Locate** OMOSBOX Box 17937 O/S

## Album (1960-1993)

**Unit ID** 29462/24

**Date** 1960-1993

### Scope and content

Photograph album containing images of the School of Distance Education (Cairns, Charleville, Mount Isa). A list of captions is included (index heading V).

### Description

**Description** 1 album (approximately 66 photographs)

**Locate** OMOSBOX Box 17937 O/S

## Album (1995-1997)

**Unit ID** 29462/25

**Date** 1995-1997

### Scope and content

Photograph album containing images of the official opening of the Brisbane Base (1995); photographs of the corner of Queen and Eagle Streets. A list of captions is included (index heading W) Photographs of the official opening of the Townsville Base (24 February 1997). A list of captions is included (index heading X) Photographs of the official opening of the Rockhampton Base (1995). A list of captions is included (index heading Y)

## Description

**Description** 1 album (approximately 80 photographs)

**Locate** OMOSBOX Box 17937 O/S

## Album (1987-1988)

**Unit ID** 29462/26

**Date** 1987-1988

### Scope and content

Royal Flying Doctor Service. Queensland Section. Cairns Visitor Centre photograph album and scrap book. The album contains copies of plans, newspaper clippings, photographs, souvenirs of fund raising events including the Hinkler Bicentennial Air Race, 1988 and the Chillagoe Rodeo; along with promotional brochures and photographs of esteemed visitors.

## Description

**Description** 1 album

**Locate** OMOSBOX Box 17876 O/S

## Index (Undated)

**Unit ID** 29462/27

**Date** Undated

### Scope and content

Index to the photograph albums in Series 2 and to the loose photographs in Series 3 (item 38).

## Description

**Description** 1 index

**Locate** OMBOX Box 18689 O/S grey album

## Album (1992)

**Unit ID** 29462/28

**Date** 1992

### Scope and content

Aircraft Display Construction Photograph Album (Parts 1 and 2) containing photographs of an aircraft display in Cairns in 1992.

#### Description

**Description** 2 albums

**Locate** OMBOX Box 5545 O/S

### Album (1983-1990)

**Unit ID** 29462/29

**Date** 1983-1990

#### Scope and content

Charleville Photograph Album, containing photographs of the Royal Flying Doctor Service in Charleville, including some photographs of the flood in 1990.

#### Description

**Description** 1 album

**Locate** OMBOX Box 9750 O/S

### Album (1999)

**Unit ID** 29462/30

**Date** 1999

#### Scope and content

Spirit of Queensland Awards Photograph Album, containing photographs taken at the Spirit of Queensland Awards held in 1999.

#### Description

**Description** 1 album

**Locate** OMBOX Box 9750 O/S

### Album (Undated)

**Unit ID** 29462/31

**Date** Undated

**Scope and content**

Cairns Base Photographs, containing photographs taken at the Cairns base of Royal Flying Doctor Service.

Description

**Description** 1 album

**Locate** OMBOX Box 9750 O/S

## Series 3: Photographs (1927-2002)

**Series number** 3

**Series title** Photographs

**Date** 1927-2002

**Scope and content**

This series contains loose and partially mounted photographs principally related to the following:

- Royal Flying Doctor Service Outback Quest 1998
- Royal Flying Doctor Service Outback Quest 2000
- Royal Flying Doctor Service Spirit of Queensland Awards

Included are indexes for (headings B to F and H to Y)

Description

**Description** 8 folders

**Locate** OMOSBOX Box 5546 O/S ; Box 9750 O/S ; Box 9751 O/S ; Box 10843 O/S ; Box 18389 O/S

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Items in this series:

### **Outback Quest (1998)**

**Unit ID** 29462/32

**Date** 1998

**Scope and content**

Photographs relating to the Royal Flying Doctor Service 'Outback Quest 1998'.

#### Description

**Description** 1 folder

**Locate** OMOSBOX Box 9750 O/S

### **Outback Quest (2000)**

**Unit ID** 29462/34

**Date** 2000

**Scope and content**

Photographs of the 2000 Royal Flying Doctor Service 'Outback Quest' entrants.

#### Description

**Description** 1 folder

**Locate** OMOSBOX Box 5546 O/S

### **Spirit of Queensland Awards (2001)**

**Unit ID** 29462/35

**Date** 2001



**Scope and content**

Photographs of the 2001 Royal Flying Doctor Service 'Spirit of Queensland' Awards.

**Description**

**Description** 1 folder

**Locate** OMOSBOX Box 5546 O/S

**Spirit of Queensland Awards (2002)**

**Unit ID** 29462/36

**Date** 2002

**Scope and content**

Photographs of the 2002 Royal Flying Doctor Service 'Spirit of Queensland' Awards.

**Description**

**Description** 1 folder

**Locate** OMOSBOX Box 9751 O/S

**Royal Flying Doctor Service (1927-1971)**

**Unit ID** 29462/33

**Date** 1927-1971

**Scope and content**

Miscellaneous old photographs of Royal Flying Doctor Service staff, equipment, bases and patients.

**Description**

**Description** 1 folder

**Locate** OMOSBOX Box 5546 O/S

**Royal Flying Doctor Service (1927-1971)**

**Unit ID** 29462/37

**Date** 1927-1971

**Scope and content**

Miscellaneous old photographs of Royal Flying Doctor Service staff, equipment, bases and patients.

Description

**Description** 1 folder

**Locate** OMOSBOX Box 9751 O/S

**Royal Flying Doctor Service (Undated)**

**Unit ID** 29462/38

**Date** Undated

**Scope and content**

Loose pages of photographs of Aboriginal people, several are duplicates of images held in previous albums. Many of the images have captions on the rear. Included are images of people from Edwards River Mission, Doomadgee Mission, Aurukun Mission, Mornington Island Mission, Mitchell River Mission, Augustus Downs Station, Nicholson Station. Some of the larger format photographs were taken or reproduced by newspaper photographers.

Description

**Description** 1 folder

**Locate** OMOSBOX Box 18389 O/S

**Index (Undated)**

**Unit ID** 29462/39

**Date** Undated

**Scope and content**

Royal Flying Doctor Service Photographs. Loose photographs indexed according to the index in Series 2, Item 27 (Index headings B to F and H to Y)

Description

**Description** 1 folder

**Locate** OMOSBOX Box 10843 O/S

## Series 4: Slides, negatives (1960-1990)

**Series number** 4

**Series title** Slides, negatives

**Date** 1960-1990

**Scope and content**

Loose photographic slides relating to the activities of the Royal Flying Doctor Service, in Queensland.

### Description

**Description** Approximately 50 negatives ; Approximately 220 slides

**Locate** OMOSBOX Box 10843 O/S ; Box 10844 O/S

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### Items in this series:

#### Slides (1960-1990)

**Unit ID** 29462/40

**Date** 1960-1990

**Scope and content**

Loose slides, including slides of the Cairns base and a number of slides from the 1980s.

#### Description

**Description** 1 folder

**Locate** OMOSBOX Box 10843 O/S

### Slides (1960-1990)

**Unit ID** 29462/41

**Date** 1960-1990

#### Scope and content

Indexed photographic slides covering the following topics: Aborigines-A, Aircraft-B, Areas served-C, Queen of the Outback-D, Caravan-E, Clinics-F, Displays-G, John Flynn-H, Functions-I, Historical-J, Miscellaneous-K, Personalities-L, Radio-M, School of the Air-N, Treating Patients-O, Charleville Base Buildings-P, Mount Isa Base Buildings-Q, Cairns Base Buildings-R, Charters Towers Base Buildings-S, Cloncurry Base Buildings-T (some slides are missing).

#### Description

**Description** 1 folder

**Locate** OMOSBOX Box 10844 O/S

## Series 5: User's guides (1983)

**Series number** 5

**Series title** User's guides

**Date** 1983

#### Scope and content

Royal Flying Doctor Service. Queensland Section, User's guides for outstations Bound volume containing 5 booklets: Directory and information for outstations. 1 July 1972 [64 pages] User's guide for outstations. September 1977 [24 pages] User's guide for outstations. January 1981 [23 pages] User's guide for outstations. 1 May 1983 [23 pages] A mantle of safety over the network.

December 1982 [12 pages] [Item 42]

## Description

**Description** 1 guide

**Locate** OMOSBOX Box 10844 O/S

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# Series 6: Video tapes (1960-1990)

**Series number** 6

**Series title** Video tapes

**Date** 1960-1990

## Scope and content

Two videotapes about Royal Flying Doctor Service. Queensland Section: the material relates mainly to the Mt Isa base and Cairns base. [Item 43]

## Description

**Description** 2 video tapes

**Locate** OMOSBOX Box 18389 O/S

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## Series 7: Flag (1960-1990)

**Series number** 7

**Series title** Flag

**Date** 1960-1990

### Scope and content

Small representation of the Royal Flying Doctor Service flag, mounted with a silky-oak frame. Included is an explanation of the design which was adopted for the Queensland Section of the RFDS. [Item 44]

### Description

**Description** 1 flag (mounted)

**Locate** OMOSBOX Box 17636 O/S

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