

John Stanton Davis Mellick Archive

Accession number 31553

Author / Creator

Mellick, J. S. D. (John Stanton Davis), 1920-2023.

Abstract Correspondence, papers, photographs, minutes, mementos, speeches, research notes and reports.

System of arrangement Arranged into 10 series

Description 8 archival boxes

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Series 1: Photograph albums

Series number 1

Series title Photograph albums

Scope and content

Photographs collected by Mellick relating to his military service, prior to and during the Second World War.

Description

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Items in this series:

Photograph album (1936-1943)



Unit ID 31553/1

Date 1936-1943

Scope and content

Photographs date from Mellick's time as a cadet in 1937, training at Enoggera, 1939; Lytton Camp, 1940; Royal Military College, Duntroon; Milne Bay, 1943. *Many images are captioned.*

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Photograph album (1943-1945)



Unit ID 31553/2

Date 1943-1945

Scope and content

Photographs of: Salamau 1942; Milne Bay 1943; Toowoomba, Mareeba, Brisbane, 1944; Lae, 1944; Japanese surrender, Morotai 1945. *Many images are captioned.*

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Series 2: Certificates (1939-2005)

Series number 2

Series title Certificates

Date 1939-2005

Scope and content

Certificates and mounted photographs relating to Mellick's military service, PhD, and Order of Australia (1940-2005). *Other certificates are located in [Series 5: Education](#)*

Author / Creator

Description

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Items in this series:

Certificates, photographs (1940-2005)



Unit ID 31553/3

Date 1940-2005

Scope and content

Folder 1 Certificates

- Commission for Lieutenant, Commonwealth Military Forces (CMF), 1939
- Certificate of Service, CMF & Australian Military Forces (AMF) 1940-1945
- Mentioned in Despatches, 1947
- Doctor of Philosophy, University of Queensland, 1978
- 50th Anniversary of the Victory in the Pacific, 1945-1995
- Award of the Medal of the Order of Australia, 2005

Folder 2 Photographs

- Group, Officers Mess, Signals, non commission officers, 1940 (image is captioned)
- Major Mellick, studio portrait, signed, 3 March 1940
- Major Mellick, undated in military uniform
- Major Mellick, 1939-1945
- Group, Officers and Staff, HQ 5th Division, 1945
- Dr Mellick in graduation gown, c1978
- Lieut. Colonel Mellick, 4th Signal Regiment with memorial plaque

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Series 3: Military archive (1939-2013)

Series number 3

Series title Military archive

Date 1939-2013

Scope and content

Military reports and records, newspaper clippings, insignia, and correspondence relating to Mellick's service during the Second World War.

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Items in this series:

Military insignia (1939-1945)



Unit ID 31553/4

Date 1939-1945

Scope and content

Military insignia mounted on A3 sized board:

- Shoulder patch, HQ, 1st Australian Army
- Shoulder patch, HQ, 5th Australian Division
- Shoulder patch, Signals, 5th Australian Division
- Overseas service stripes
- Lapel insignia, AIF

Description

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Military reports, ephemera (1942-1943)



Unit ID 31553/5

Date 1942-1943

Scope and content

- Routine order, 1 January 1942

Report of Patrol by No.3 Section, Milne Bay, 3 March 1943

- Map Gili Gili of Milne Bay area, New Guinea, 1943
- Japanese occupation invasion currency

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Newspaper clippings (1939-1945)



Unit ID 31553/6

Date 1939-1945

Scope and content

- *Guinea Gold* newsletters, 10 January 1945; 8 May 1945; 9 May 1945; 29 June 1945; 15 August 1945; 16 August 1945; 17 August 1945
- *The Courier Mail*, 4 September 1939; 8 May 1945
- *The Telegraph*, 8 May 1945

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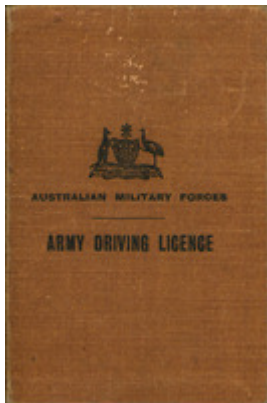
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Military records (1939-1945)



Unit ID 31553/7

Date 1939-1945

Scope and content

- Army Driving Licence
- Australian Soldiers Pocket Books
- Record of service book
- Booklets regarding life in the army
 - Return to Civil Life handbook
 - Physical Training Without Apparatus handbook
 - Customs of the Army
- *Salt* 22 October 1945
- Soldiers paybooks
- Extract re 'Mentioned in Despatches'

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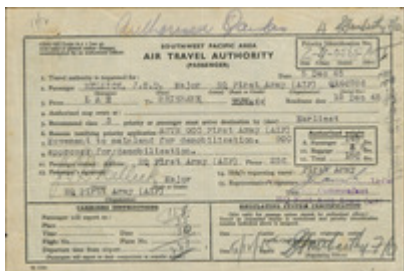
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Correspondence WW2 (1939-2014)



Unit ID 31553/8

Date 1939-2014

Scope and content

- Travel authority
- Certificate of service
- Documents of discharge
- Several letters sent to Mellick while serving overseas
- Cartoons clipped from magazines and newspapers
- Poems and song lyrics

Selected content available online

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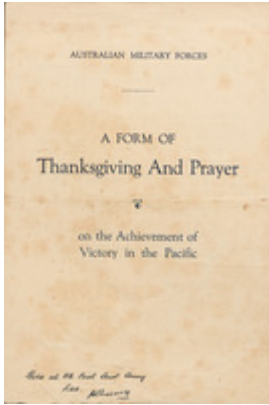
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Surrender documents (1945)



Unit ID 31553/9

Date 1945

Scope and content

Documents, orders and instructions relating to the surrender of Japanese forces, New Guinea, September 1945. Includes two maps of Ocean Island, and one of Nauru, 1945

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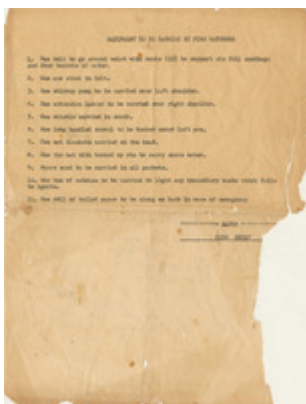
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Civil defence (1939-1945)



Unit ID 31553/10

Date 1939-1945

Scope and content

- List of items to be carried by fire watchers
- Identity card in the name of Lucretia Katts
- Civil defence instructions
- '*The Australian Red Cross*' December 1939
- Notes relating to defence installations in Queensland during the Second World War

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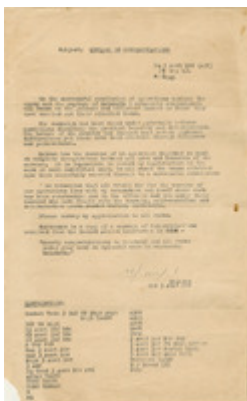
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Military maps (1942-1943)



Unit ID 31553/11

Date 1942-1943

Scope and content

- Aerial photographs of Lae and Buna areas, New Guinea
- Maps of Salamaua and surrounds
- Message of congratulations re the capture of Salamaua

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Newspaper clippings (1982-2006)

Unit ID 31553/12

Date 1982-2006

Scope and content

Commemorative issues and articles relating to major events during the Second World War.

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HQ 5th Australian Division papers (1939-2015)

Unit ID 31553/13

Date 1939-2015

Scope and content

Correspondence, newspaper clippings, photographs relating to members of HQ 5th Division Association.

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Access

Copyright status Copyright undetermined

4th Signal Regiment papers (1961-2005)

Unit ID 31553/14

Date 1961-2005

Scope and content

Correspondence, papers relating the Mellick's association with the 4th Signal Regiment

Description

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Royal Australian Signal Corps papers (1958-1995)

Unit ID 31553/15

Date 1958-1995

Scope and content

Correspondence, papers relating the Mellick's association with the Royal Australian Signal Corps

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Memorial plaques (1994-2013)

Unit ID 31553/16

Date 1994-2013

Scope and content

Correspondence, papers and commemorative items relating to memorial plaques:

- Pacific Islands Regiment
- Royal Australian Corps of Signals
- Australian Women's Army Service
- 5th Australian Division Signals, Townsville
- Rocky Creek War Memorial Park, Tolga

Description

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Thomas Joseph Daly memorabilia (1942-2003)

Unit ID 31553/17

Date 1942-2003

Scope and content

Notes, articles, correspondence and photographs relating the late Lieutenant-General Sir Thomas Joseph Daly KBE, CB, DSO (1913-2004) who served with Mellick in New Guinea during the Second World War.

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Military inventory (1914-2015)

Unit ID 31553/18

Date 1914-2015

Scope and content

Inventory created by Mellick detailing many but not all documents in the collection that relate to his military service.

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Correspondence, Australian War Memorial (1998-2007)

Unit ID 31553/19

Date 1998-2007

Scope and content

Correspondence relating to the proposed donation of material to the Australian War Memorial by Mellick

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Capture of Rabaul (1945)

Unit ID 31553/20

Date 1945

Scope and content

Copy of plan of operations devised by staff of HQ First Army, for the capture of Rabaul; principally prepared by Mellick in conjunction with Lieutenant Colonel K. Shave, it does not include the original maps.

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Series 4: Military archive (1914-1919)

Series number 4

Series title Military archive

Date 1914-1919

Scope and content

Material relating to the service of John J. Mellick #1768 No.4 Squadron, Australian Flying Corps.

[View service record](#) National Archives of Australia.

Description

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Items in this series:

Realia (1914-1918)

Unit ID 31553/21

Date 1914-1918

Scope and content

- Wartime shaving mirror
- Identity disc and chain for Jack Mellick #1768, Australian Flying Corps

Description

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Photographs (1917-1918)

Unit ID 31553/22

Date 1917-1918

Scope and content

- Leighterton Airfield, England
- No.4 Squadron Australian Flying Corps
- Mellick with fighter aircraft
- German tank, Villers Bretonneux

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Postcards (1917-1918)

Unit ID 31553/23

Date 1917-1918

Scope and content

- 1 November 1917, to his mother
- 20 December 1917, to his sister Ivy
- Xmas New Years 1918-19 greetings

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Souvenirs (1917-1919)

Unit ID 31553/24

Date 1917-1919

Scope and content

- Program, Anzac Day 1919, Rouelles, France
- Menu, Leighterton Transport dinner, 1919
- *Beltana Bugle*, shipboard publication issued as a memento of the voyage of HMAT A72 June-July 1917

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Biographical notes (undated)

Unit ID 31553/25

Date undated

Scope and content

Biographical notes relating to several men who served during the First World War

- **Kenneth Murray** #3339, 38th Infantry Battalion
- **Leon Maxwell Gellert** (1892-1977) #392, 10th Infantry Battalion
- **Stanley Charles McPhee** #3741, 57th Infantry Battalion

Links to their service records, National Archives of Australia

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Series 5: Education

Series number 5

Series title Education

Scope and content

Correspondence, resumes, certificates of achievement and qualification relating to Mellick's education from primary to tertiary level.

Description

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Items in this series:

Certificates (1934-2001)

Unit ID 31553/26

Date 1934-2001

Scope and content

Certificates of achievement and education; examination results; souvenir booklets

- Central Technical College
- Queensland University of Technology
- St John Ambulance Association
- University of Queensland

Includes '*Dutton Park State School centenary 1884-1984*' which Mellick attended 1925 to 1932

Description

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Correspondence (1933-2015)

Unit ID 31553/27

Date 1933-2015

Scope and content

Correspondence relating to Mellick's academic appointments and achievements from:

- Buranda State School (Boys)
- Brisbane Grammar School
- Royal Military College, Duntroon
- Association of Accountants of Australia
- University of Queensland

Includes several versions of his 'curriculum vitae' detailing his academic and military career.

Description

Description 1 folder

Locate OMBOX Box 21483

Series 6: Correspondence

Series number 6

Series title Correspondence

Scope and content

Files collated by Mellick which contain correspondence, clippings, photographs and other items of memorabilia, arranged by institute or association.

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Items in this series:

Alderley Presbyterian Church

Unit ID 31553/28

Scope and content

Papers, correspondence and publications collated by Mellick which relate to his association with Alderley Presbyterian Church (1956-1976)

Description

Description 1 folder

Locate OMBOX Box 21484

Ann Street Presbyterian Church

Unit ID 31553/29

Scope and content

Papers, correspondence and publications collated by Mellick which relate to his association with Ann Street Presbyterian Church, 1988

Description

Description 1 folder

Locate OMBOX Box 21484

Centre for Pacific Studies

Unit ID 31553/30

Scope and content

Papers, correspondence and publications collated by Mellick which relate to his association with the Centre for Pacific Studies, (1996-2002).

Description

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Locate OMBOX Box 21484

Marist College, Ashgrove

Unit ID 31553/31

Scope and content

Papers, correspondence and publications collated by Mellick which relate to his association with Marist College, Ashgrove. Here Mellick donated a plaque to commemorate the use of one of the school buildings by Headquarters 5th Australian Division, during the Second World War (1992-1997).

Description

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Locate OMBOX Box 21484

Pharmaceutical Society

Unit ID 31553/32

Scope and content

Papers, correspondence, publications and certificates collated by Mellick which relate to his association with the Pharmaceutical Society of Australia, Queensland branch (1946-2005). Mellick first qualified as a pharmacist in 1949; operated and managed 'Mellick's Pharmacy, Samford Road, Enoggera as well as Winstanley Street, Carina with his brother Oliver; was made a Fellow of the Pharmaceutical Society of Australia, and Life Member. Includes small album of mounted photographs taken during the award-ceremony when Mellick was made a Fellow, 24 April 2001.

Description

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Presbyterian Church of Australia

Unit ID 31553/33

Scope and content

Papers, correspondence, newspaper clippings and minutes collated by Mellick which relate to his association with the Presbyterian Church of Australia (1966-1997)

Description

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Locate OMBOX Box 21484

St Andrews War Memorial Hospital

Unit ID 31553/34

Scope and content

Papers, correspondence and publications collated by Mellick which relate to his association with St Andrew's War Memorial Hospital, where he served on the Board of Governors (1964-2014).

Description

Description 1 folder

Locate OMBOX Box 21494

St Paul's Presbyterian Church

Unit ID 31553/35

Scope and content

Papers, correspondence, newsletters and programs collated by Mellick which relate to his association with St Paul's Presbyterian Church, Brisbane (1959-2015). Mellick served as Chairman of the Restoration Task Force, St Paul's Presbyterian Church from 1982 to 1999
Includes:

- Annual reports. Restoration Trust, 1987-1995
- 'Koinonia' quarterly newsletters, December 2002, March 2005, March 2011
- Order of service 'Gallipoli 1915 remembrance'

Description

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Locate OMBOX Box 21494

University of Queensland

Unit ID 31553/36

Scope and content

Papers, correspondence, and newspaper clippings collated by Mellick which relate to his association with the University of Queensland (1959-2010)

- Member, Board of Studies in Pharmacy, 1959-1962

Lecturer, English & Australian literature at the university, from 1968 retiring as a senior lecturer in 1985

- Member, the Chairman, Grace College Council, 1981-1983

Description

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General correspondence (1956-2017)

Unit ID 31553/37

Date 1956-2017

Scope and content

Papers, correspondence, cards, letters of appreciation, orders of service.

Description

Description 1 folder

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Series 7: Order of Australia

Series number 7

Series title Order of Australia

Scope and content

Photographs, correspondence and memorabilia relating to the awarding of the Medal of the Order of Australia to Mellick, 14 April 2005

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Items in this series:

Order of Australia (2005)

Unit ID 31553/38

Date 2005

Scope and content

Photographs, correspondence and memorabilia relating to the awarding of the Medal of the Order of Australia to Mellick, 14 April 2005.

Description

Description 1 folder

Locate OMBOX Box 21485

Series 8: Speeches & addresses

Series number 8

Series title Speeches & addresses

Scope and content

Copies of speeches, readings, notes, and correspondence relating to speeches presented by Mellick to a variety of institutes and organisations between 1971 and 2011.

Description

Description 4 folders

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Items in this series:

Speeches & addresses (1971-1977)

Unit ID 31553/39

Date 1971-1977

Scope and content

Speeches, readings, notes and correspondence

- The English Association of Queensland, 1975
- Liberal Party Health Seminar, 1976
- Brisbane Grammar School Old Boys Association, 1976
- National Trust of Queensland, 1977

Description

Description 1 folder

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Speeches & addresses (1978-1987)

Unit ID 31553/40

Date 1978-1987

Scope and content

Speeches, readings, notes and correspondence

- National Convention of Private Hospitals, 1978
- Pharmaceutical Society of Queensland, 1978
- Anzac Day Address, 1979
- Remembrance Day, 1979
- St Francis Theological College, 1983
- Remembrance Day, 1983
- Private Hospital and Nursing Homes Assoc.1985
- St Paul's Presbyterian Church, 1986
- Emmanuel College, 1987
- Pine Rivers High School, 1987
- Society of Women Writers, Queensland, 1987
- Grace College, 1987
- Education Department, Qld, seminar, 1987

Description

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Speeches & Addresses (1988-1994)

Unit ID 31553/41

Date 1988-1994

Scope and content

Speeches, readings, notes and correspondence

- Expo '88, Pavillion de La France, 1988
- St Paul's Presbyterian Church, Ann Street, 1988, 1993, 1994
- King's College, 1990
- Royal Australian Signals Association, 1990
- Grace College, 1992

Description

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Speeches & addresses (1995-2011)

Unit ID 31553/42

Date 1995-2011

Scope and content

Speeches, readings, notes and correspondence

- St Paul's Presbyterian Church, 1997, 1997, 2002, 2011
- St Andrew's War Memorial Hospital, 1999
- Pharmaceutical Society of Australia, 2001
- Margaret McPhee Tribute, 2002
- Friends of Fryer Library, nd

Description

Description 1 folder

Locate OMBOX Box 21486

Series 9: Literary reviews

Series number 9

Series title Literary reviews

Scope and content

Newspaper cuttings and correspondence relating to reviews of works authored by Mellick.

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Items in this series:

Reviews (1982-2011)

Unit ID 31553/43

Date 1982-2011

Scope and content

Newspaper cuttings, correspondence, commenting on works authored by Mellick.

Description

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Series 10: Published material

Series number 10

Series title Published material

Scope and content

Articles, papers, and issues of published material, containing items authored by Mellick

Description

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Items in this series:

A man called 'Rollie'

Unit ID 31553/44

Scope and content

Correspondence relating to, and bound copy of '*A man called Rollie*', a biography of Rolland Arthur Busch, to which Mellick contributed.

Description

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Writers' footprints

Unit ID 31553/45

Scope and content

Speech notes, correspondence relating to Mellick's work '*Writers' footprints*' published in 2010

Author / Creator

Mellick, John Stanton Davis

Description

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The Passing guest

Unit ID 31553/46

Scope and content

Photographs, advertisements, newspaper clippings, reviews, correspondence relating to Mellick's work '*The Passing Guest: a life of Henry Kingsley*' Mellick was awarded a doctorate in 1978 based on his thesis entitled '*Henry Kingsley: a biography*' which was subsequently published by University of Queensland Press, 1983

Description

Description 2 folders

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Authored works

Unit ID 31553/47

Scope and content

Articles, papers, and issues of published material containing items authored by Mellick; including papers submitted for his B.A. (Hons) degree at the University of Queensland.

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Locate OMBOX Box 21487

Publications

Unit ID 31553/48

Scope and content

Publications containing items by or about Mellick.

- Annual report. Brisbane Grammar School, 1934, 1935
- Shoulder to shoulder, 1966
- The Makar, August 1967
- Brisbane Grammar School magazine, December 1986
- Pictorial history of wartime Mareeba, 1995
- Grammar news, 1998, 2005

Australian pharmacist, 2005

- The Tattler, Tattersall's Club Brisbane, 2005
- Alumni news, University of Queensland, 2005
- Club news, United Services Club, 2008
- Newsletter, Pharmaceutical Society of Australia, 2005

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