

Lady McKay (Beverley Prowse) papers

Accession number TR 1818

Date 1950s - 1980s

Author / Creator

Prowse, Beverley, 1932-2000

Abstract Personal papers of Lady McKay (nee Beverley Prowse).

Scope and content Photographic and textual records relating to the life and career of Beverley Prowse (later Lady McKay) who in her early days was a model in Australia and in England, and who, in later life worked on behalf of Australian interests in London. The collection also includes 'The View from Camelot', a proposal for her autobiography (Box 9567).

System of arrangement Arranged into 6 series

Description 4 boxes

Administrative / Biographical history Lady Mackay, nee Beverley Prowse was born in Mackay, Queensland on 27 September 1932. The family subsequently relocated to Toowoomba, and Beverley moved to Melbourne in 1953 to pursue a modelling career. In 1954, she won the Miss Victoria competition, and in 1955 left Australia for London to compete in the Miss World competition. In 1963, she married 70 year old millionaire showman Jack Hylton who died in 1965. In 1973, she married Alick Mackay, deputy chairman of News International (knighted in 1977.) As Lady Mackay, she was well known in Australian circles in London and served on a number of committees including the British-Australia Society, the Order of Australia Association and the Bicentennial Ball Committee of which she was chairperson.

Access restrictions Unrestricted access.

Copyright status Multiple copyright statuses.

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Notes English

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Series 1: Clippings (1963-1991)

Series number 1

Series title Clippings

Date 1963-1991

Description

Description 0 clippings files

Locate OMBOX Box 9567

Items in this series:

Jack Hylton clippings (1963-1990)

Unit ID TR 1818/1

Date 1963-1990

Description

Description 0 clippings files

Beverley Prowse clippings (1968-1990)

Unit ID TR 1818/2

Date 1968-1990

Description

Description 0 clippings files

Sir Alex McKay clippings (1977)

Unit ID TR 1818/3

Date 1977

Description

Description 0 clippings files

Lady McKay clippings (1991)

Unit ID TR 1818/13

Date 1991

Scope and content

Clippings from Toowoomba and Mackay Newspapers re Lady McKay

Description

Description 0 clippings files

Series 2: Administrative records (1979-1990)

Series number 2

Series title Administrative records

Date 1979-1990

Description

Description 0 administrative records 0 photographs

Locate OMBOX Box 9567

Items in this series:

Administrative records (1979)

Unit ID TR 1818/4

Date 1979

Scope and content

Administrative records including photographs of the 1979 Royal Flower Ball.

Description

Description 0 administrative records

Administrative records (1985-1988)

Unit ID TR 1818/6

Date 1985-1988

Scope and content

Correspondence, photographs and invitations re the Inaugural Banquet 1985

Description

Description 0 administrative records

Administrative records (1988-1989)

Unit ID TR 1818/8

Date 1988-1989

Scope and content

Administrative records including photographs re fundraising for the Australian Studies Centre, University of London.

Description

Description 0 administrative records

Administrative records (1988)

Unit ID TR 1818/9

Date 1988

Scope and content

Administrative records including photographs re Bicentennial Ball 1988

Description

Description 0 administrative records

Administrative records (1984-1990)

Unit ID TR 1818/10

Date 1984-1990

Scope and content

Administrative records including some regarding the Bicentennial Ball 1988.

Description

Description 0 administrative records

Series 3: Correspondence (1980-1984)

Series number 3

Series title Correspondence

Date 1980-1984

Scope and content

Correspondence: Britain-Australia Society Council

Description

Description 0 correspondence

Locate OMBOX Box 9567

Items in this series:

Correspondence (1980-1984)

Unit ID TR 1818/5

Date 1980-1984

Scope and content

Correspondence: Britain-Australia Society Council

Description

Description 0 correspondence

Series 4: Personal papers (1987)

Series number 4

Series title Personal papers

Date 1987

Description

Description 0 documents (photocopied)

Locate OMBOX Box 9567

Items in this series:

Personal papers (1987)

Unit ID TR 1818/7

Date 1987

Scope and content

Guest list and invitation: Australia Day Dinner 1987

Description

Description 0 documents (photocopied)

Series 5: Photographs (1953-1988)

Series number 5

Series title Photographs

Date 1953-1988

Description

Description 0 photographs

Locate OMBOX Box 9567 OMOSBOX Boxes 9588 ; 15408 O/S

Items in this series:

Slides (photographs) (1988)

Unit ID TR 1818/11

Date 1988

Scope and content

35mm slides and captions from Bicentennial Ball 1988

Description

Description 0 slides (photographs) (Original photographic negative: black-and-white)

Locate OMBOX Box 9567

Access

Access restrictions Unrestricted access

Copyright status In copyright

Photographic album (1953-1956)

Unit ID TR 1818/14

Date 1953-1956

Scope and content

Photographic album relating to early modelling career of Beverley Prowse and to the Miss Victoria competition.

Description

Description 1 photograph album

Locate OMBOX Box 9567

Access

Access restrictions Unrestricted access

Copyright status Multiple copyright statuses

Photographs and ephemera (1953-1956)

Unit ID TR 1818/15

Date 1953-1956

Scope and content

Photographs and ephemera relating to early modelling career of Beverley Prowse and to the Miss Victoria competition. This material was originally placed inside the front cover of the photographic album, item 1818/14.

Description

Description 0 photographs 0 ephemera

Locate OMOSBOX Box 9588 O/S

Access

Access restrictions Unrestricted access

Copyright status Multiple copyright statuses

Photograph album (1963-1966)

Unit ID TR 1818/16

Date 1963-1966

Scope and content

Photographic album relating to marriage of Beverley Prowse and Jack Hylton.

Description

Description 1 photograph album

Locate OMOSBOX Box 9588 O/S

Access

Access restrictions Unrestricted access

Copyright status In copyright

Photographs (1965)

Unit ID TR 1818/17

Date 1965

Scope and content

Photographs and partial photographic album relating to modelling career of Beverley Prowse.

Description

Description 0 photographs 0 photograph album

Locate OMOSBOX Box 15408 O/S

Access

Access restrictions Unrestricted access

Copyright status In copyright

Photograph album (30 May 1973)

Unit ID TR 1818/18

Date 30 May 1973

Scope and content

Photograph album relating to marriage of Beverley Prowse Hylton and Alex McKay on 30 May 1973.

Description

Description 1 photograph album

Locate OMOSBOX Box 15408 O/S

Access

Access restrictions Unrestricted access

Copyright status In copyright

Photograph album (1953-1966)

Unit ID TR 1818/19

Date 1953-1966

Scope and content

Photographic album comprised of images selected from personal family albums and grouped thematically as follows: Family and early life in Australia; early career and life in London; Jack Hylton; Sir Alex McKay

Description

Description 1 photograph album

Locate OMOSBOX Box 9577 O/S

Series 6: Ephemera (1989)

Series number 6

Series title Ephemera

Date 1989

Description

Description 0 documents

Locate OMBOX Box 9567

Items in this series:

Australia Day Dinner menu and guest list (1989)

Unit ID TR 1818/12

Date 1989

Description

Description 0 documents