



Jim Brewster family fonds

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Part Of:	Jim Brewster family fonds
Description Level:	1 / Fonds
Fonds Number:	M 436 V 90
Sous-Fonds:	M 436 V 90
Accession Number:	79, 85, 108, 357, 451, 1618, 3350, 3808, 5274, 6019, 2021.26, 2023.09
Reference Code:	M436 / V90
GMD:	Photograph Album Negative Photograph print Textual record Corporate record Diary Map Plan Private record Published record
Date Range:	[ca.1875-ca.1978]
Physical Description:	24 cm of textual records. -- ca.830 photographs : prints, negatives. -- 12 photograph albums (ca.1000 prints). -- 1 motion picture

History /

Biographical:

James Irvine Brewster, 1882-1947, came to Banff with his parents in 1888. While still boys, he and his brother Bill started guiding fishing parties and later formed an outfitting partnership. With silent partners Fred Hussey and Phil Moore, they established Brewster Brothers in 1904. Jim Brewster and Hussey left the business in 1906. In 1909, Jim returned to guide the business. Under his control, it became a major transportation supplier, Brewster Transport Company. Fern Brewster, 1902-1967, daughter of Jim Brewster and Lade Brewster (d.1915), was a sportswoman, businesswoman and homemaker. She was involved in the operation of Sunshine ski area and was a director of Brewster Transportation after her father's death. Fern Brewster's married names were Clarkson and Dooley. Adele (Dell) Brewster (Sibbald), 1896-1983, Jim Brewster's second wife, was also a director of Brewster Transportation.

Scope & Content:

Fonds consists of papers and photographs of James Irvine (Jim) Brewster, Fern Brewster, Dell Brewster and the Brewster family.

I. James Irvine Brewster papers and photographs, before 1948 and ca.1959, consist mainly of professional papers and photographs relating to guiding and outfitting activities, and to Brewster Transport Company records, including Sunshine ski area records. Series includes correspondence, diaries, legal papers, Sunshine Lodge addition papers, Brewster house plans and other material. Correspondence is incoming and outgoing letters between Brewster and Hussey, clients, and associates regarding guiding and outfitting, real estate speculation and personal matters, etc. 1906-1907. Diaries pertain to guiding, hunting and horse trips, 1897-1901, 1904-1906; entries mainly record clients, territory covered and game observations and records. Also includes articles and hand-drawn map by Brewster on hunting, 1903-1906. Includes 54 photographs pertaining to Brewster Transport after Jim Brewster period.

II. Fern Brewster papers and photographs, before 1967, includes mainly personal papers, correspondence, recipes, press clippings and photographs regarding friends and family, education, Jim Brewster's death and cooking. Correspondents include Carl Rungius, Les Peters, Charlie Beil and Fern Bedaux.

III. Dell Brewster papers, 1925-1967, pertain mainly to Jim Brewster's death. Dell Brewster photographs pertain to the Sibbald, Grier and McDougall families.

IV. Brewster family papers and photographs pertain to Jack Walker Brewster, and Brewster family and friends.

V. Other material, before 1978, consists of greeting cards.

VI. Later Acquisitions, pertain to various Brewster family members including Fern Brewster, Jim Brewster, and Pat Brewster.

Name Access:	Brewster, Dell Brewster, Fern Brewster, Jack Walker Brewster, Jim
Subject Access:	Brewster Transport Company Family and personal life Sports, recreation and leisure Transportation
Access Restrictions:	No restrictions on access Copyright, privacy, commercial use and other restrictions may apply
Language:	Language is English
Finding Aid:	Finding aids and reference tools: arrangement outline file description and index electronic finding aid microfilm copies of albums photographic copy of map video copy of motion picture
Creator:	Brewster, Dell Brewster, Jim
Category:	Family and personal life Sports, recreation and leisure Transportation
Title Source:	Title based on contents of fonds

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