



Ben Gadd fonds

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Part Of: Ben Gadd fonds

Description Level: 1 / Fonds

Fonds Number: M590

V810

Sous-Fonds: M590

V810

Accession Number: 2021.20

2024.01

Reference Code: M590 / V810 / S61

GMD: Digital image

Drawing

Negative

Newspaper clipping

Photograph

Photograph print

Postcard

Published record

Textual record

Video

Transparency

Date Range: 1956-2018

Physical Description: ca. 7.9 metres of textual records -- ca. 274 maps -- 29 VHS tapes --
ca.15 discs with digital files -- 21 cassettes -- photographs -- oversized
materials -- USB stick with 15 slideshows

History /

Biographical:

Ben Gadd (1946-) is a retired naturalist, guide, geologist, instructor, freelance writer and award-winning author based in the Canadian Rockies.

Ben was born in Colorado Springs, Colorado in 1946. He met his wife, Cia (Langdon) Gadd at Colorado College in 1965, and the couple married four weeks later. Ben and Cia had two sons, Will and Toby. Ben and his family relocated to Jasper in the late 1960s. Ben later attended the University of Lethbridge and graduated with a Bachelor's degree in Earth Science in 1972.

Between 1976 and 1980, Ben taught classes at Mount Royal College and the Southern Alberta Institute of Technology; he later taught additional classes at Grant MacEwan College and Lakeland College. From 1981, Ben also worked as a seasonal naturalist/guide for Parks Canada. Ben left Parks Canada in 1985 to start an independent naturalist guiding business with Cia based in Jasper and other parts of the Canadian Rockies, which the couple continued to operate for over two decades.

Ben published his best-known work, "Handbook of the Canadian Rockies", through his publishing company Corax Press in 1986. The second edition of "Handbook of the Canadian Rockies" received multiple awards after its release in 1995. Ben's fiction book, "Raven's End" won the title of Best Canadian Rockies Book at the Banff Mountain Film and Book Festival in 2001 and became a Canadian bestseller. Overall, Ben has authored or co-authored 11 books and received nearly one dozen awards for his achievements as a writer, researcher and guide. Ben continued to lead guided hikes and school programs until his retirement in 2016.

Scope & Content:

Fonds consists of materials pertaining to Ben Gadd's personal life and career as an environmental researcher, educator, interpretive guide, publisher, public speaker and author, ca.1956-2018. Fonds includes maps, research materials, publication notes/drafts, correspondence, contracts, photographs, video and sound recordings, and other related material. Materials donated in 2024 include one USB stick containing

Notes:

Ben Gadd fonds arrangement:

Series I : Personal records

- Subseries A : Travel guides and maps
- Subseries B : Education and early writings
- Subseries C : Personal interest files
- Subseries D : Other personal and collected

Series II : Research and publication records

- Subseries A : Handbook of the Canadian Rockies
- Subseries B : Other publications

Series III : Professional records

- Subseries A : Parks Canada Records
- Subseries B : Interpretive guiding
- Subseries C : Teaching records
- Subseries D : Other contracts and projects

Series IV : Legal and financial records

- Subseries A : Legal records
- Subseries B : Financial records

Name Access:

Gadd, Ben

Gadd, Cia

Subject Access:	Education
	Research
	Publication
	Environment
	Geology
	Tourism
	Family and personal life
	Personal and Professional Life
	Academics
	Guiding
	Guides
	Businesses
	Finances
	Conservation
	Wildlife
	Natural history
	Sports and recreation
Geographic Access:	Canada
	Alberta
	Jasper National Park
	Banff National Park
	Yoho National Park
	Kootenay National Park
	Lethbridge
	United States of America
	Colorado
	Canadian Rocky Mountains
Reproduction Restrictions:	Copyright restrictions apply
Language:	English
	French
	Dutch
Category:	Education
	Environment
	Family and personal life
	Sports, recreation and leisure
Title Source:	Title based on contents of fonds
Processing Status:	Processed / Unprocessed

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Calgary Mountain Club - visual

<https://archives.whyte.org/en/permalink/descriptions55062>

Part Of: Chic Scott fonds
Description Level: 3 / Series
Fonds Number: M57 / V40 / S47
Series: V40 / XII: Calgary Mountain Club
Sous-Fonds: V40
Accession Number: 6772
Reference Code: V40 / XII
GMD: Photograph

Digital image

Date Range: 1978 - 1998

Physical Description: photographs

History /

Biographical:

Originally, the CMC was the meeting point of Canada's top climbers who gathered together to plan expeditions, plot potential first ascents and discuss the advancement of their chosen sport. Today, it still provides this function but also serves as a means for new climbers to meet.

Scope & Content:

Series consists of photographs pertaining to the Calgary Mountain Club and its activities.

Name Access: Scott, Chic
Calgary Mountain Club

Subject Access: Organizations
Exploration
Travel
Club
Mountaineering
Mountains
Climbing
Community events
Sports and recreation

Geographic Access: Canada
Alberta
Calgary
Canadian Rocky Mountains

Access Restrictions: Reference only

Reproduction Restricted: copyright remains with creator not museum

Restrictions:

Language: English

Related Material: M57 / XII

Category: Exploration, discovery and travel
Sports, recreation and leisure

Biographical Source <http://www.calgarymountainclub.com/main.php?page=about>
Notes:

Title Source: Title based on contents of file

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Canadian Hiker's and Backpacker's Handbook - images and illustrations

<https://archives.whyte.org/en/permalink/descriptions56403>

Part Of: Ben Gadd fonds
Description Level: 5 / File
Fonds Number: M590
V810
S61
Series: V810 / II : Research and publication records
Sous-Fonds: V810
Sub-Series: V810 / II / B : Other publications
Accession Number: 2021.20
Reference Code: V810 / II / B / DF - 3 to 6
GMD: Digital image
Responsibility: Some materials produced by Lonnie Springer
Date Range: 2004-2007
Physical Description: 4 compact discs : 246 digital files
Scope & Content:

File consists of four CDs containing 235 image files, 10 text files and one PDF. Content pertains to cartoon illustrations by Lonnie Springer and photographs which were used in Ben Gadd's book, "The Canadian Hiker's and Backpacker's Guide".

Notes: Contents of individual discs in file:

V810 / II / B / DF - 3 : "Lonnie's Illustrations" [9 image files]
V810 / II / B / DF - 4 : "Lonnie's drawings + photos" [1 PDF]
V810 / II / B / DF - 5 : "Book Photos" [191 image files]
V810 / II / B / DF - 6 : "Pacific Rim National Park Reserve Parks Canada: West Coast Trail Centennial Media Kit 2007" [35 image files, 10 text files]

Name Access: Gadd, Ben
Subject Access: Photography

Publication
Guiding
Environment
Recreation
Hiking

Geographic Access: Canada
Alberta
British Columbia

Reproduction	Restrictions may apply
Restrictions:	
Language:	English
Related Material:	M590 / II / B / 61
Category:	Environment
	Sports, recreation and leisure
Title Source:	Title based on contents of file
Processing Status:	Processed

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Cheviot Mine press images

<https://archives.whyte.org/en/permalink/descriptions56029>

Part Of:	Ben Gadd fonds
Description Level:	5 / File
Fonds Number:	M590
	V810
	S61
Series:	V810 / I : Personal records
Sous-Fonds:	V810
Sub-Series:	V810 / I / C : Personal interest files
Accession Number:	2021.20
Reference Code:	V810 / I / C / DF - 1
GMD:	Photograph
	Digital image
Responsibility:	Produced by Ben Gadd
Date Range:	2005
Physical Description:	1 CD : 25 JPG images files, 1 word document
Scope & Content:	File consists of one CD containing images and a corresponding word document pertaining to the Cheviot Mine development project near Cadomin, Alberta.
Name Access:	Gadd, Ben
Subject Access:	Mines and mineral resources
	Mining
	Natural resources
	Natural history
	Landscape
Geographic Access:	Canada
	Alberta
	Cadomin
	Jasper National Park
Reproduction Restrictions:	Restrictions may apply
Language:	N/A
Category:	Natural resources
Title Source:	Title based on contents of file
Processing Status:	Processed

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Chic Scott fonds

<https://archives.whyte.org/en/permalink/descriptions603>



Part Of: Chic Scott fonds
Description Level: 1 / Fonds
Fonds Number: M57 / S47 / V40
Sous-Fonds: M57
S47
V40
Accession Number: 6499
6772
7330
8110
8123
2014.8295
2014.8311
2014.8374
2015.8559
2019.57
2021.15 (unproc)
Reference Code: M57 / S47 / V40
GMD: Machine-readable data file
Digital image
Motion picture
Video
Photograph
Photograph print
Sound recording
Cassette
Reel to reel
Textual record
Private record
Published record
Date Range: 1982-2021
Physical Description: Sound recordings: 224 audio tape cassettes, 7 audio tape reels. -- 78 CD-ROM. with digital files -- Moving images: 148 videocassettes: 133 Hi8, 15 VHS. ; 149 DVDs -- 4.2 m textual records

History /
Biographical:

Charles (Chic) C. Scott, b.1945, is a mountaineer, mountain guide and writer based in Banff, Alberta, Canada. Scott climbed extensively in the western Canada and the Himalayas until the mid-1970s. He guided extensively in the European Alps for five seasons, ca.1970, and worked as a climber for "The Eiger Sanction," a Hollywood movie starring Clint Eastwood. Scott resumed climbing in 1988, after a period working at the University of Calgary. His publications include "Alpinism," editor, "Ski Trails in the Canadian Rockies," "The History of the Calgary Mountain Club", "Summits and Icefields", "Pushing the Limits: the Story of Canadian Mountaineering", "Powder Pioneers : Ski Stories from the Canadian Rockies and Columbia Mountains", and "Deep Powder and Steep Rock : the Life of Mountain Guide Hans Gmoser".

Scope & Content:

Fonds consists of interviews, research notes, manuscripts, printed and digital photographs, and other materials produced and collected by Chic Scott between 1982 and 2021. Content pertains to Chic's various publications and research projects, the Canadian Himalayan Foundation, the Canadian '82 Everest Expedition, and collected and personal materials. Items in fonds are arranged mostly by individual projects/areas of research.

Notes:

Fonds consists of 15 series:

Series I : Pushing the Limits
Series II : Mountain Romantics
Series III : Summits and Icefields
Series IV : Powder Pioneers
Series V : Deep Powder and Steep Rock
Series VI : Ski Trails of the Canadian Rockies
Series VII : Hans Gmoser Film Collection
Series VIII : The Canadian Himalayan Foundation
Series IX : The Book of Mortimer
Series X : Tommy and Lawrence
Series XI : The Yam
Series XII : Calgary Mountain Club
Series XIII : Young at Heart
Series XIV : Chic Scott personal records
Series XV : A LIFE IN THE WILD: The Story of Mountain Explorer John Baldwin

Access to interviews limited to VHS reference compilations.

Name Access:

Scott, Charles (Chic)

Scott, Chic

Subject Access:

Exploration, discovery and travel

Sports, recreation and leisure

Publication

Research

Personal and Professional Life

Mountaineering

Interview

Organizations

Biography

Access Restrictions:

Some restriction/s on access

Copyright, privacy, commercial use and other restrictions may apply

Language:

Language is English

Finding Aid:

Finding aids and reference tools: reference copy recordings

Finding aids and reference tools series and file description

Creator:

Scott, Chic

Category:

Exploration, discovery and travel

Sports, recreation and leisure

Title Source:

Title based on accession record and contents of fonds

Processing Status:

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Collected personal photographs, reference scans

<https://archives.whyte.org/en/permalink/descriptions55291>

Part Of: Chic Scott fonds
Description Level: 5 / File
Fonds Number: M57
S47
V40
Series: V40 / V : Deep Powder and Steep Rock
Sous-Fonds: V40
Accession Number: .
Reference Code: V40 / V / DF - 13 to 33
GMD: Digital image
Photograph
Date Range: 2006 - 2008
Physical Description: 21 recording discs with digital files

Scope & Content:

File consists of 21 CDs containing digital image files which were collected from friends and family members of Hans Gmoser, for use in the creation of book Deep Powder and Steep Rock. Content pertains to Hans Gmoser's personal life and events with friends; skiing and other mountaineering trips; images from a trip to Austria with Chic Scott, Margaret Gmoser and others; trips to Yoho, the Bugaboos and Mount McKinley; and other personal events.

Notes: Most discs in file include related handwritten notes [by Chic Scott?] and scanned paper copies of images on discs.

Name Access: Scott, Chic
Gmoser, Hans
Gmoser, Margaret
Dopf, Franz
Delesalle, Philippe
White, Brad

Subject Access: Skiing
Mountains
Mountaineering
Winter sports
Sports
Recreation
Family and personal life
Entertainment
Travel
Hiking

Geographic Access:	Canada Alberta Bugaboos Banff Canadian Rocky Mountains Mount McKinley British Columbia Yoho National Park Austria
Reproduction Restrictions:	Restrictions apply - reference use only
Language:	English
Category:	Exploration, discovery and travel Family and personal life Sports, recreation and leisure
Title Source:	Title based on contents of file
Processing Status:	Processed

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Eric Mountjoy exhibit images

<https://archives.whyte.org/en/permalink/descriptions55884>

Part Of:	Ben Gadd fonds
Description Level:	5 / File
Fonds Number:	M590 V810 S61
Series:	V810 / III : Professional records
Sous-Fonds:	V810
Sub-Series:	V810 / III / D : Other contracts and projects
Accession Number:	2021.20
Reference Code:	V810 / III / D / DF - 1 to 2
GMD:	Photograph Digital image
Responsibility:	Photographs produced by Roger Macqueen
Date Range:	1958-1959 2009
Physical Description:	Two discs (80 image files) -- 10 paper reference copies of images

Scope & Content:

File consists of two discs containing digital image files which were used in the creation of an exhibit about Dr. Eric Mountjoy at the Jasper-Yellowhead Museum and Archives. File also includes printed paper copies of 10 images which are included on the two discs. Images pertain to Eric Mountjoy and fellow geologists assessing and working in areas near Miette, Alberta.

Notes:	Discs are labelled on front: V810 / III / D / DF - 1 : "Roger Macqueen's slides Miette mapsheet geo party 1958" [contains 60 image files] NOTE: DF - 1 is accompanied by typed summary list of images in file V810 / III / D / DF - 2 : "Roger Macqueen's slides Miette mapsheet (1st 7 images), rest are Shell Canada 1959" [contains 20 image files]
Name Access:	Mountjoy, Eric
Subject Access:	Research Science and technology Geology Environment Education Museums
Geographic Access:	Canada Alberta Jasper National Park Miette
Reproduction Restrictions:	Restrictions may apply
Language:	English
Related Material:	Corresponding textual records processed as file M590 / III / D / 4
Category:	Environment Education
Title Source:	Title based on contents of file
Processing Status:	Processed

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Hans Gmoser scanned images

<https://archives.whyte.org/en/permalink/descriptions55290>

Part Of:	Chic Scott fonds
Description Level:	5 / File
Fonds Number:	M57 S47 V40

Series:	V40 / V : Deep Powder and Steep Rock
Sous-Fonds:	V40
Accession Number:	.
Reference Code:	V40 / V / DF - 7 to 12
GMD:	Digital image Photograph
Date Range:	2006 - 2008
Physical Description:	6 recording discs : 112 digital files
Scope & Content:	File consists of 6 CDs containing scanned copies of images pertaining to Hans Gmoser, which were collected by Chic Scott for use in creation of the book Deep Powder and Steep Rock. Images include views of Lake O'Hara and various mountain landscapes; Margaret and Hans Gmoser; Hans with friends; heli-skiing trips [1967 and 1969]; and other skiing and backpacking trips.
Notes:	Discs in file accompanied by printed paper copies of images
Name Access:	Compton, Ethan Gmoser, Hans Gmoser, Margaret Scott, Chic Patterson, Art Engler, Bruno
Subject Access:	Family and personal life Sports Recreation Winter sports Skiing Hiking Helicopter skiing Helicopters Airplanes Exploration Travel Transportation Landscapes Mountains Mountaineering
Geographic Access:	Canada Alberta Lake O'Hara Bugaboos Canadian Rocky Mountains
Reproduction Restrictions:	Restrictions apply - reference use only
Language:	English

Category: Environment
 Exploration, discovery and travel
 Family and personal life
 Sports, recreation and leisure
 Transportation

Title Source: Title based on contents of file

Processing Status: Processed

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Interpretive guiding, etc.

<https://archives.whyte.org/en/permalink/descriptions55999>

Part Of: Ben Gadd fonds

Description Level: 5 / File

Fonds Number: M590
 V810
 S61

Series: V810 / III : Professional records

Sous-Fonds: V810

Sub-Series: V810 / III / B : Interpretive guiding

Accession Number: 2021.20

Reference Code: V810 / III / B / DF - 1 to 2

GMD: Digital image
 Photograph

Responsibility: Images in DF-2 produced by Jon Shields

Date Range: 2002
 2005

Physical Description: 2 CDs : 92 digital files

Scope & Content:

File consists of two compact discs photographs pertaining to Ben's work as an interpretive guide in Jasper National Park in 2002 and 2005. First disc is titled "The Strongest Link: Discover, Dream, Design, Deliver, Jasper 2002" and contains 29 digital files, including JPG images and HTML links; second disc contains 63 image files produced by Jon Shields, pertaining to a guided hike led by Ben Gadd in July 2005.

Name Access: Gadd, Ben

Subject Access: Guiding
 Recreation
 Hiking
 Mountains
 Environment
 Tourism

Geographic Access: Canada
Alberta
Jasper National Park

Reproduction Restrictions: Restrictions may apply

Language: English

Category: Environment
Sports, recreation and leisure

Title Source: Title based on contents of file

Processing Status: Processed

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Operation Bow-Athabasca exhibit images

<https://archives.whyte.org/en/permalink/descriptions56020>

Part Of: Ben Gadd fonds

Description Level: 5 / File

Fonds Number: M590
V810
S61

Series: V810 / III : Professional records

Sous-Fonds: V810

Sub-Series: V810 / III / D : Other contracts and projects

Accession Number: 2021.20

Reference Code: V810 / III / D / DF - 3 to 5

GMD: Digital image
Photograph

Responsibility: Images in file V810/III/D/DF-3 originally produced by Barry Corneil between 1965 and 1966.

Date Range: 2012

Physical Description: 3 CDs : 38 JPG files, 14 PDF files

Scope & Content:

File consists of three compact discs containing a total of 38 JPG image files and 14 PDF files. Images were used in the creation of an exhibit titled "Operation Bow-Athabasca" at the Canmore Museum and Geoscience Centre, which Ben Gadd contributed to in 2012. Some content from discs was also used in Ben's published book, also titled "Operation Bow-Athabasca". Images, exhibit and book pertain to a geological survey of the Canadian Rockies between Canmore and Jasper, including Banff National Park and the Columbia Icefields.

Notes:	Contents of individual discs:
	V810 / III / D / DF - 3 : "Barry Corneil OBA pics '65-'66" [18 JPG files]
	V810 / III / D / DF - 4 : "PDFs of OBA panels 2012 Full-res, as imaged by West Canadian Graphics, May 2012" [14 PDF files]
	V810 / III / D / DF - 5 : "Operation Bow-Athabasca photos Ray Price collection" [20 JPG files]
Name Access:	Gadd, Ben Corneil, Barry
Subject Access:	Environment Education Research Publication Geology Hiking Natural history Mountains Glaciers Museums
Geographic Access:	Canada Alberta Canadian Rocky Mountains Jasper National Park Banff National Park Icefields Parkway Columbia Icefield
Reproduction Restrictions:	Restrictions may apply
Language:	English
Category:	Environment Education
Processing Status:	Processed

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