

Research Collections



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

Processing Status: Processed

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Banff, Alta album

https://archives.whyte.org/en/permalink/descriptions55736

Part Of: Jim Brewster family fonds

Description Level: 6 / Item

Fonds Number: M439 / V90

Series: V. Brewster family

Sous-Fonds: V90

Accession Number: 2021.26

Reference Code: V90 / IV / PD - 1
GMD: Photograph

Date Range: [ca. 1900-1915]

Physical Description: 1 album (50 photographs: b&w; 14.8 x 12.3 cm)

History / Biographical:

See fonds level description.

Scope & Content:

Item consists of a small photo album bound in maroon leather with "Photographs" stamped on the front. Written on the inside of the front cover is "Tressa Brewster Banff, Alta" in black ink - Lade "Tressa" Brewster (nee Bagley) was Jim Brewster's first wife and mother of Fern. Photographs pertain to landscapes taken throughout Alberta, mostly in and around Banff National Park, mounted on pages with built-in windows - some are annotated.

Name Access: Brewster, Tressa (Lade)

Subject Access: Activities

Animals

Banff Jasper Highway

Buildings

Buildings and facilities

Deer Elk

Environment and Nature Family and personal life

Glaciers

Landscapes

Mount Assiniboine

Mountains
Photography

Rivers Scenery

Temple Mountain

Wildlife

Geographic Access: Banff

Lake Louise Bow Lake Assiniboine

Banff National Park

Alberta Canada

Language: English

Conservation: Leather of cover worn along edges, many photographs severely faded,

some warped, spine coming loose at the binding towards the back.

Biographical Source

Notes:

https://www.findagrave.com/memorial/50087841/tressa-brewster

Title Source: Title based on item

Processing Status: Processed

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Brewster Ball song sheets

https://archives.whyte.org/en/permalink/descriptions57442

Part Of: Jim Brewster family fonds

Description Level: 5 / File Fonds Number: M436

V90

Series: M436 / VI: Later acquisitions

Sous-Fonds: M436
Accession Number: 2023.09
Reference Code: M436 / VI / 3
GMD: Textual record

Date Range: 1962

Physical Description: 0.1 cm of textual records

Scope & Content:

File consists of song sheets with satirical lyrics produced for a "Brewster Ball" event in 1962.

Access Restrictions: No restrictions apply
Reproduction No restrictions apply

Restrictions:

Language: English

Title Source: Title based on contents of file

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Brewster family collected photographs

https://archives.whyte.org/en/permalink/descriptions57436

Part Of: Jim Brewster family fonds

Description Level: 5 / File Fonds Number: V90

M436

Series: V90 / VI: Later acquisitions

Sous-Fonds: V90 Accession Number: 2023.09

Reference Code: V90 / VI / PA - 5 to 134

GMD: Photograph

Print

Date Range: [ca.1900-1950]

Physical Description: 130 photograph prints: b&w; 20 x 25 cm or smaller

Scope & Content:

File consists of collected photographs depicting Fern and Jim Brewster, as well as friends, extended family members and other unidentified individuals. Images depict local events, including Banff Indian Days and Banff Winter Carnival; a funeral ceremony, possibly for Jim Brewster; professional and candid portraits [mostly unidentified]; military events; views of Banff and surrounding landmarks; and related subjects.

Notes: Some photographs are annotated

Name Access: Brewster, Fern

Brewster, Jim

Subject Access: Family

Family and personal life

Community life
Community events
Banff Indian Days
Banff Winter Carnival

Military

Funeral

Geographic Access: Canada

Alberta Banff

Language: N/A

Category: Family and personal life

Sports, recreation and leisure

Military

Environment
Cultural pluralism

Indigenous Peoples

Title Source: Title based on contents of file

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Brewster Family Photographs

https://archives.whyte.org/en/permalink/descriptions952

Part Of: Jim Brewster family fonds

Description Level: 5 / File

Fonds Number: M436 / V90

Series: V. Brewster family

Sous-Fonds: V90

Accession Number:

Reference Code: V90 / IV / PA - 468 to 601

GMD: Photograph

Tintype

Date Range: [ca. 1898-1980]

Physical Description: ca.134 photographs: prints; some oversize.

History / Biographical:

See fonds level description

Scope & Content:

File pertains to photographs of Jim Brewster and family; other Brewster family members including John & Bella Brewster, Bill Brewster, Lade Bagley Brewster, Fern Brewster, George Clarkson, Edmee Moore (also Edmee and Charlie Reid's wedding), Pearl Moore, Philip Moore, George Brewster family and friends, Jack Brewster; also Rudolf Aemmer, Joe and Don Brewster, hockey team photos; views of Jim Brewster's house on Bow Avenue; Bow Falls, Banff townsite, Mount Royal Hotel, Mount Norquay Ski Lodge and ski school, Jim Brewster with school class, Banff Station; Irvine Castle, Ireland. One item is tintype

Name Access: Brewster, Jim

Brewster, Bill

Brewster, George

Brewster, Jack Alexander Brewster, Jack Walker

Moore, Edmee Moore, Pearl

Moore, Phil

Subject Access: Activities

Brewster Transport Company Ltd.

Children Family

Family and personal life

Hockey Home

Mount Royal Hotel

Photography

Portrait Skiing Ski areas Travel

Weddings

Geographic Access: Norquay Ski Hill

Bow Falls Banff

Banff National Park

Alberta Canada Ireland

Language: English

Title Source: Title based on contents of file

Processing Status: Processed

Images



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Brewster family photographs. -- [before 1978].

https://archives.whyte.org/en/permalink/descriptions951

Part Of: Jim Brewster family fonds

Description Level: 3 / Series

Series: IV. Brewster family Reference Code: V90 / 602 - 695

V90/PC/7-9

Physical Description: ca.100 photographs : prints.

Title Source: Title based on contents of file

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Brewster Tally-Ho and golfers at Banff Springs Golf Course

https://archives.whyte.org/en/permalink/descriptions49286

Part Of: Jim Brewster family fonds

Description Level: 6 / Item Fonds Number: V90

Reference Code: v90 / na66 - 1970

GMD: Photograph

Negative, copy

Date Range: ca. 1907-1914

Physical Description: 1 photograph: negative: copy negative

Scope & Content:

Image of a large carriage pulled by four horses in front of a building - people golfing in

foreground

Subject Access: Buildings and memorials

Sports and Recreation

Transportation

Women

Geographic Access: Alberta

British Columbia

Images



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Brewster Transport Company Photographs

https://archives.whyte.org/en/permalink/descriptions922

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Description Level: 5 / File
Fonds Number: M436 / V90
Series: I. Jim Brewster

Sous-Fonds: V90

Accession Number:

Reference Code: V90 / I / PA - 123 to 235

GMD: Photograph

Date Range: [ca. 1905-1959]

Physical Description: 113 photographs: prints; some duplicates, 1 oversize

History / Biographical:

See fonds level description

Scope & Content:

File pertaints to photographs of Brewster Transport operations, facilities, cars, buildings, staff, etc. Includes scenic views with Brewster packard touring cars at Banff, Kootenay and Yoho NP, Banff Springs Hotel; Mount Royal Hotel; Brewster buses; Jim and Bill Brewster with Brewster Transport car, ca.1920; Brewster's Royal Hawaiian fleet of packards, ca.1927; views of Columbia Icefield area and chalet construction, ca.1938, also military training hut?; sketch map showing route from Mt. Norquay ski area to Mount Royal Hotel, n.d. Fifty four views date from. ca.1959, after Jim Brewster's death (V90 / 182-235)

Name Access: Brewster, Jim
Subject Access: Brewster Brothers

Brewster Transport Company Ltd.

Horses

Professional and Personal Life

Transportation

Geographic Access: Banff

Banff National Park

Alberta Canada

Language: English

Title Source: Title based on contents of file

Processing Status: Processed

Images



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Brewster Transport sightseeing book, Japanese translation

https://archives.whyte.org/en/permalink/descriptions57445

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Description Level: 5 / File Fonds Number: M436

V90

Series: M436 / VI: Later acquisitions

Sous-Fonds: M436
Accession Number: 2023.09
Reference Code: M436 / VI / 7
GMD: Textual record

Published record

Date Range: 1970

Physical Description: 1 volume: 15.5 x 23 cm

Scope & Content:

File consists of one booklet published by Brewster Transport Company Ltd. containing a Japanese translation of a Banff sightseeing tour.

Subject Access: Travel

Tourism

Tourist information

Language

Brewster Transport Company Ltd.

Transportation

Buses

Language: Japanese

English

Category: Transportation

Title Source: Title based on contents of file

Processing Status: Processed

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Canadian Rockies negatives

https://archives.whyte.org/en/permalink/descriptions55738

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Description Level: 5 / File
Fonds Number: M439 / V90

Series: IV. Brewster family

Sous-Fonds: V90 Accession Number: 2021.26 Reference Code: V90 / N / NA - 01 to NA - 128

GMD: Photograph
Date Range: [ca. 1900-1915]

Physical Description: 128 photographs: b&w nitrate negatives; 11.8 x 8.4 cm

History / Biographical:

See fonds level description.

Scope & Content:

File consists of 128 black and white photographic negatives of unidentified people, mountain landscapes, wildlife, and scenic views from throughout Banff National Park and surrounding areas.

Notes: Negatives were removed from their original housing in a negatives album

(V90 / PD - 2) prior to processing

Subject Access: Activities

Animals

Banff Jasper Highway

Buildings

Buildings and facilities

Deer Elk

Environment and Nature Family and personal life

Glaciers Landscapes

Mount Assiniboine

Mountains
Photography

Rivers Scenery

Temple Mountain

Wildlife

Geographic Access: Banff

Lake Louise

Banff National Park

Assiniboine

Alberta

British Columbia

Canada

Language: English

Conservation: Many negatives warped - NA - 13 is folded in half

Related Material: V90 / PD - 2

Title Source: Title based on item

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