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Interim finding aid

RUSSELL_I01

**Sound recordings collected by
Graeme Russell and Tim Hill, 2005**

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SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

Date: 2005

Extent: 2 sound cassettes (ca. 90 min. each) : analogue, mono.

Production history

These recordings feature oral history interviews with Iris Russell conducted by Tim Hill and Graeme Russell at Port Stephens, NSW, in November and December 2005. They were created as part of a cultural heritage assessment of Soldiers Point by Tim Hill Heritage Management and Planning for the Department of Environment and Conservation (NSW). Mrs Russell, a Worimi elder, discusses Soldiers Point Village, Bagnalls Beach Aboriginal Reserve, and the Ridgeway family of Karuah and Nelsons Bay. Les Russell and Elaine Larkin also contribute to the second recording session.

RELATED MATERIAL

Transcripts, prepared by Tim Hill, are held in the AIATSIS Audiovisual Archive. For a complete listing of related material held by AIATSIS, consult the Institute's Mura® online catalogue at <http://mura.aiatsis.gov.au>. To conduct a search of available audio finding aids, please [click here](#).

ARCHIVIST'S NOTE

This finding aid was compiled from information provided by Tim Hill. Detailed item descriptions, featuring timing points, are not yet available as the collection has not been auditioned by AIATSIS staff.

ITEM LIST

Field recording number	AIATSIS item number	Description
Field tape 1, Side A	RUSSELL_I01-020188	Graeme Russell interviews Iris Russell about her early life at Karuah, her family connections to Soldiers Point, and the grave she discovered at Soldiers Point where a caravan park was later established
Field tape 2, Side A	RUSSELL_I01-020189	Tim Hill interviews Iris Russell about her early recollections of Soldiers Point, a men's initiation site, fishing, boating, her family, and the Bagnalls Beach land claim