

GNOWANGERUP ABORIGINAL MISSION

Gnowangerup Aboriginal Mission was on 61 hectares of land around Muir Hill, Gnowangerup, on land owned by founders Brother Hedley W Wright and Sister Wright of the Australian Aboriginal Mission Order. It was founded in 1935. School age children from the Mission attended the Gnowangerup State School, and younger children attended a kindergarten. Between 1926 and 1935, the Wrights administered a government Aboriginal Reserve in Gnowangerup and the earliest records are from this period.

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Source: Native Welfare Annual Reports 1954, 1955, 1961; also Great Southern Herald, 2 June 1999, pages 6 & 7.

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SUMMARY OF CLASSES					
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REQUEST USING THIS NUMBER		DESCRIPTION
ACC		CERTIFICATES
		<i>Birth Registration Certificates</i>
6390A/1	1938	1938. Dept. of Native Affairs certificate book certifying that parents unable to pay requisite fee for birth registration. Two certificates (#252 & 253) plus notes of one stillborn, and one death at 3 days. Rest of book blank and not filmed.
		<i>Burial Certificates.</i>
6390A/2	1935-1952	April 1935 – April 1951. Undertaker's Certificate of Burial book, H W Wright of Gnowangerup. 76 entries.
6390A/3	1951-1960	June 1951 – April 1960. Certificate of burial or other disposal of body, Hedley William Wright, Undertaker, Gnowangerup. 50 burials in native cemetery and one in Baptist cemetery.

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6390A/4	1960-1962	July 1960 – June 1962. Certificate of burial or other disposal of body, H W Wright, Gnowangerup. 16 entries.
		FINANCIAL RECORDS
6390A/5	1938	1938. Receipt and expenditure book
		LISTS - RESTRICTED
6390A/7	1936	30 June 1936. Number of Aboriginals and half-caste Aboriginals in the Gnowangerup Mission by various categories.
6390A/8		Lists of families, and children written on pages, envelopes, and paper scraps. Various give birth dates, ages, and other comments.
6390A/9		Exercise book containing list of mission residents and date of birth as at 1942. Only 5 pages used.
6390A/10		Typed transcripts of #7 and 8.
		REGISTERS
		<i>Marriage - RESTRICTED</i>
6390A/11	1927-1948	March 1927 – January 1948.
6390A/12	1948-1954	August 1948 – January 1954.
6390A/13	1954-1959	June 1954 – April 1959. Note: most of the 1950s marriages took place at the Minister's residence.
6390A/14	[ca.1938?]	n.d. [ca.1938?] Information Paper for Registration of Marriage Thomas Charles Hardy and Ruth Woods.
		<i>Ration.</i>
6390A/6	1938-1942	1938 – 1942. Ration register. Includes some personal notes.

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NAME ON BAPTISMAL CERTIFICATE		
DATE OF BAPTISM		
PARENT'S NAMES		

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NAMES OF COUPLE BEING MARRIED		
DATE OF MARRIAGE		

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