

BOLTON, GEOFFREY CURGENVEN, 1931-2015

Professor Bolton was born in Perth and educated at the University of Western Australia and Oxford University. University appointments have included establishment of the Australian Studies Centre at the University of London, inaugural Chair of Australian History at the University of Queensland, establishment of the history program at Edith Cowan University, and Chancellor of Murdoch University (2002-2006). Professor Bolton was also a Fellow of the Royal Historical Society (London), Fellow of the Academy of the Social Sciences in Australia, Fellow of the Australian Humanities Academy, Fellow of the Royal Western Australian Historical Society, Chairperson of the Western Australian Maritime Museum's Archaeology Advisory Committee.

Professor Bolton was well known for his excellence in Australian studies. He was awarded the Order of Australia in 1984, presented the Australian Broadcasting Corporation (ABC) Boyer Lectures in 1992 and was named Western Australian of the Year in 2006.

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BA/PA/00/0267	3010	2378A	6 folders	August 1974	refers to the publication, "A Fine country to starve in"
		8585A	34 cm	2008?	refers to Dutch shipwrecks of the West Australian coast
		8670A	1 volume	1 November 2013	refers to the publication, "Alexander Forrest: his life and times"
		8671A	1 volume	1 November 2013	
		9666A	60 cm (5 boxes)	1 November 2016	refers mainly to early research taken in, and about, the Kimberley district
		9667A	34 cm (3 boxes)	27 January 2016	refers to involvement on maritime committees (e.g. Dutch shipwrecks); Community involvement (e.g. City Vision, Elizabeth Quay); manuscripts
		9845A	4 cm (1 wallet)	24 July 2018	Tf rd from Ephemera Collection: PR7624; PR7899. Biographical information of various WA parliamentarians

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Acc. No.	Description
	A Fine country to starve in
2378A/1-6	Research papers for the publication 'Fine country to starve in' (6 folders)
	Dutch shipwrecks of the West Australian coast
8585A/1	Correspondence, reports, copies of newspaper articles etc, presented as background information to the Committee, mostly photocopies. These include; 1993, letter (copy) from P. Pental requesting approval to appoint Professor Bolton, "an eminent historian of international repute", as an adviser to the Committee. Also includes Terms of Reference of the "Select Committee on Ancient Shipwrecks", established 3 Nov 1993, membership Hon P G Pental, J A McGinty, Dr G I Gallop, Dr E Constable, I F Osborne. 1834. Archival references. Transcripts with copies of CSR records and copy of extract from GF Moore's "Diary of ten years of an early settler in WA", n.d. (1834?) re rumours of a shipwreck near Shark Bay. Copies of Perth Gazette Sept, 1834 re aboriginal Wee-ip, (Wee-up) mentioned in GF Moore's Diary, 3 pages. 1927. Photocopies of photos taken at the time of the discovery of relics from the Zuytdorp by Tom Pepper and others. (Loose pages). 1961 – 1994. Correspondence on the various wrecks. May have been submitted to the Select Committee. 1968. Zeewick, (1727), Photocopy of " The wreck of the East Indiaman Zeewyck at the Abrolhos Islands in the year 1727" A translation of the ship's journal, with a short introduction and notes by C. de Heer, (no date). Includes a diary of a WA Newspapers expedition in 1968, compiled by Hugh Edwards. (Loose pages). Also related reports, correspondence etc, (photocopies). 1977. Trial (1622). Photocopy of "Australia's oldest wreck", by Jeremy N. Green, British Archaeological Reports (BAR) Supplementary Series, 27, 1977. 1993 – 1994. Papers for the Select Committee, includes: Agenda for a 1991 meeting of the Australian-Netherlands Committee on old Dutch Shipwrecks; Terms of reference; Opening Statement by Chairman Phillip Pental; list of submissions; transcripts of evidence (D.J Varney, 1994) in Perth, 21st Dec 1993; in Geraldton, 24th Jan 1994; Interim Report, 30th March, 1994. Numbered items, 1 -34, many undated, submitted for information of Committee. Items 31 & 32 missing (may be among other papers). Info on all the wrecks. 1975 – 1993. Zuytdorp. D J Varney's submissions to Committee, includes copies of various reports, articles etc. Numbered 1 -14, some missing, may be in other files. 1954? Undated. Diary of Zuytdorp explorations. Copies of 3 handwritten sections of a notebook about land explorations searching for relics etc of the Zuytdorp, wrecked 1712. Participants were author (unstated, possibly Jay Winter of Daily News, see articles in folder of research by Tresna Shorter for Prof. Bolton), Mrs and Mrs Tom Pepper, Phillip Playford, and John Stokes (skin diver). Sections are; Inland, The Wreck site, The underground caves. 1994. Research Reports re Zuytdorp for Prof. Bolton from Tresna Shorter. Includes reference to "Ellis-van Creveld syndrome in a WA Aboriginal Community", Medical Journal of Australia. Vol 157 Aug 17, 1992, genetic syndrome. 1939 – 1993. Several Shipwrecks. General information on the different wrecks; includes list of various shipwrecks between 1622 and 1942, no source or date; composite copies of articles, 1964 -1993, on Batavia relics and Gilt Dragon; 1991 article in Dutch on relics from Zeewyck and Zuytdorp; handwritten notes on Gilt Dragon and Zuytdorp (Varney), no date or source; 1994, correspondence from G. Bolton on Zeewyck and Zuytdorp incl 2 references dated 1939 re Zuytdorp and E Drage. 1994. Batavia, background information, 6 items. 1941 & 1951. Gilt Dragon, copies of 2 articles.

	1954 – 1993. Zuytdorp. Mainly photocopies (from Max Cramer?) of media coverage, (some composites) on the discovery of the wreck of Zuytdorp. Periods covered are 1954 – 1959; 1963 - 1968; 1971 – 1978; 1983 – 1988. Also correspondence from M Cramer, 1964 – 1968; article on “phyria variegata” disease, no date or source; copy of map of route of Zuytdorp and Belvliet, in 1711; 1992 & 1993, copy of application for grants funding for an expedition, to Australian Research Council (ARC). 1941 – 1988, PERSONALITIES. David Hunter (1941) 1 item (no explanation), may have been related to Bandy’s; Bandy family 1852 – 1924, (related to Drage’s), 2 extracts from RWG Bandy’s book, “Into the Sunrise”, n.d. Drage family tree approx 1837 – 1988 3 items, including Funeral notice, 1901; Fred Mallard, 1986 1 item; Tom Pepper, 3 items incl. transcripts of 2 Oral Histories, 1966 & 1981, and obit by Hugh Edwards, 1985. Undated. Extract, (3 pages,copy) from “ Uncovering the Murchison”, by W.H. Anderson. Sections on 1. The explorers, 2. The pastoralists and 3. The prospectors. No date or source. 1964/65 - 1993. WA Museum. Various brochures, some undated, including 3 on various wrecks: in Mandurah (1991), Geraldton and Southern coast, (1993), and a copy of plans for a new Geraldton Region Museum, no date approx 1992.
8585A/2	1967. Marathon Beach Walk. Report and pictures of a walk along the beach from Perth to Geraldton, (13 days in December 1967), loose photocopied pages. Participants were: Darcy Farrell (TVW Ltd), Jim Cruthers TVW Ltd, Bill Macartney TVW Ltd. Hale School students, Trenn McCurry (16), Philip Dempster, (15), John Cruthers (14). 1968. Zuytdorp Expedition. Proposal to search in areas near the site of the wreck, looking for evidence of Dutchmen who came ashore, especially at the Crayfish Bay site, loose photocopied pages and copies of background articles dated May – Oct 1968. Some of the 7 participants same as above and they were briefed “before departure” by Dr Colin Jack-Hinton of the WA Museum. No report of outcome. 1989. “Doits to Ducatons”; The coins of the Dutch East India Company ship “Batavia”. Booklet by S.J. Wilson, WA Museum, 1989. 1981 – 1991. Australian Netherlands Committee on Old Dutch Shipwrecks, (ANCODS). Correspondence and 2 reports. Prof Bolton was Chairman of the committee. 1990? Research Application for grant, to Australian Research Council, (ARC) by Jeremy Green and P. Clark for “Maritime archaeological historical and ethnographic investigation of maritime technology in the pre-modern period with particular reference to the Batavia, and “shell first” construction”, with supporting documentation. “Unfinished Voyages”? Extract probably from this publication, but no date or source, includes short pieces on WA Shipwrecks 1622 – 1850. Incl. Trial, Batavia, Vergulde Draek, Zuytdorp and Zeewijk. 1992, December. Batavia relics. Report of the Select Committee on the Batavia relics to the Legislative Assembly by Phillip Pendal. 1993, December - 1994, November. Select Committee Minutes, Agendas, correspondence etc. Includes some facsimiles (faded), eg Ministerial response to Recommendations, and list of submissions. Also 3 small pages of notes, probably made by Prof Bolton, (handwritten). 1994. Ancient Shipwrecks, Reports to Select Committee. Includes Drafts and Interim reports and Final Report, but not in published format, also letter to accompany copy of the Final Report dated 30.9.1994. 1994. Evidence to the Select Committee, transcripts of 21st, 23rd, 28th and 30th of March. 1995. Heritage Laws. Report with Recommendations to Legislative Assembly from “The Select Committee on Heritage Laws” presented by Hon P.G. Pendal, MLA, 23rd January, unbound. Also “Maritime Archaeology Act”, No 66 of 1973 (WA) and “Historic Shipwrecks Act”, 1976 (reprint Oct 1992), (Federal).

	1994. "Guidelines for the Management of Australia's Shipwrecks". Australian Institute for Maritime Archaeology Inc and the Australian Cultural Development Office. 1994. "Historic Shipwrecks National Research Plan". Draft for comment by Sarah Kenderdine and Mark Staniforth with Leigh Edmonds and Gaye Nayton, 21 November. n.d. Cassette tape by Bruce Melrose on "The wreck of the Batavia, the geography" (<i>see also 8585A/Box 3, for related sketch map</i>)
8585A/3 OSM	Folio sized photocopies of newspapers articles about various wrecks by Hugh Edwards, Jay Winter and James Henderson from Daily News, West Australian, Independent Magazine and Sunday Times, various dates, 1950s to 1980s. Also includes: "Daily Journal of West Australian Newspapers' 1958 expedition to investigate the wreck of the Dutch ship Zuytdorp lost on the coast of the Southland, latitude 27deg.13min, June 1712", by Hugh Edwards (loose pages), with supporting document, memo to Mr Burton on " Underwater activities for 1958 -59 summer. Also copies of memos, contracts etc relating to Alan Robinson's search for the Tryall off the Monte Bello Islands and Channel Nine's involvement with the project in 1969 (loose pages). Also sketch map by Bruce Melrose on "The wreck of the Batavia, the geography", undated (<i>see also 8585A/Box 2, for related audio cassette</i>) Sketch map shows location of the Batavia Wreck and " The race of the boats, 17/9/1629", location of the various islands and the routes of Pelsaert, on the "Saadam", Weibbe Hayes and the murderers', including notes on numbers murdered in two locations, Beacon Island and "Batavia's Graveyard".
	PUBLICATIONS
8670A	1958. "Alexander Forrest: his life and times", notes and a letter from G. Bolton inside front cover
8671A	1954. "The life and times of Alexander Forrest", typescript, bound
	ACC 9666A – Papers mainly concerned with the Kimberley, WA
ACC 9666A/1	<i>Hand-drawn maps, showing station names and leaseholders/owners</i> 1. Kimberley District, 1890 . 20 x 26 cm. 2. Ruby Plains and Vesteyland Stn 1914. 20x26 cm. 3. Kimberley Division. 1953. 38 x 48 cm. (<i>stored in OSM</i>) 4. MacRobertson Miller Aviation Co. Pty. Ltd. Map of regular air services, Perth-Darwin and branch routes. 31 July 1951 (<i>stored in OSM</i>) 5. Kimberley District. 1955. 6. West Kimberley, showing Roebuck Bay, Derby, Collier Bay and inland rivers. n.d. 20 x 26 cm. 7. Margaret River area, 1903. Shows leaseholders. 20 x 26 cm. 8. Moola Bulla, Lamboo, Koongie Park, Rockhole, Ruby Plains, 1903. 20 x 26 cm. 9. Turkey Creek, Halls Creek, 1903, 20 x 26 cm. 10. Three maps, each 20x26 cm; Seven maps, 20 x 33 cm. Most not dated, some with little detail
ACC 9666A/2	1. Draft manuscript, "The Kimberley since 1967" 2. Draft manuscript, "Kimberleys 1912-1967" 3. Draft 2 manuscript, "The Kimberleys 1912-1967"
ACC 9666A/3 CHART SHELVES	"The last years of Moola Bulla, 1952-1955"/Fred Chaney, plus letter to GB regarding Sam Lovell's information regarding removal of the Aboriginal people from Moola Bulla
ACC 9666A/4 CHART SHELVES	File, "Kimberleys", Includes:

	- Two reports by GB, written in letter format, marked "report no. 1", from Continental Hotel, Broome, dated July 6 1952 and "no.2", from Halls' Creek, dated August 2 1952 - Letter from Thomas Cahill to JW Durack, 18 March 1926: responding to a request? From JWD, provides information about cattle droving during 1883 to 1886? - Letter from Thomas Cahill to JW Durack 25 April 1926, refers to an article, "Pioneer droving trips by CHB in "The Australasian of March 27, 1926", verifies and expands information in the article - General correspondence, 1951-1983, some is reminiscences of the correspondent - Manuscript, "Reminiscences" by Richard Allan "A new deal for Kimberley" by Kimberley M. Durack. 1946. Includes a questionnaire - Research material, handwritten notes and printed material, statistics - Newspaper cuttings
ACC 9666A/5	Durack dispute, 1995
ACC 9666A/6	File: Sir Charles Court, c2001-2006. Includes: One letter from Sir Charles Court to GB, re GBs notes on his experiences in the Kimberley Conference papers, some with no author name, some not by GB: "Sir Charles Court in Western Australian history: a conference on his life and politics" (program) - "Sir Charles Court and the Western Australian imagination", incomplete manuscript - "Court the energiser"/Peter Jones - "Charles Court and the fulcrum of Noonkanbah"/David Ritter - "Report from the Japanese perspective by Mr Norio Sholl... on the early stages of the development of the North West Shelf Natural Gas Project through to becoming a trusted and reliable major exporter of LNG" - "Sir Charles Court and the development of Japan-Australia iron ore trade" - "A compass point north/Roderick H Carnegie"
ACC 9666A/6	- Copy of Robert Gibbins' manuscript, "Robert Button", with hand-written (4p.) covering letter to GB "Remembrance Day speech, 2004 "Who do we think we are?" <i>see also A Battler: the life and times of Robert Button /Robert Gibbins, at QB/BUT</i>
ACC 9666A/7	General correspondence, 1999-2012
ACC 9666A/8	Alexander Forrest's expedition 1879 and early development of the cattle industry. Draft paper by GB, with accompanying emails to/from Cathie Clement. (2011?)
ACC 9666A/9	Frank Hahn memorial. Foreword by GB, 1995
ACC 9666A/10	Stephen Grew, reflection by GB, 2010?
ACC 9666A/11	Ellis Alfred Robinson, reflection by GB, n.d.
ACC 9666A/12	Article by GB: "Tommy Dower and the Perth newspapers". <i>Aboriginal history</i> , v12: pp1-2:1998
ACC 9666A/13	After dinner speech given at the 150 th anniversary of the Supreme Court of Western Australia, 18 June 2011. No author stated
ACC 9666A/14	Paper, Thomas Henry Marshall, c1862-1900, by GB. N.D.
ACC 9666A/15	Paper, "The Overlands reconsidered". Not dated, author not stated
ACC 9666A/16	Manuscript, "Encountering Aboriginal Australia". No author stated, not dated. Some minor edits
ACC 9666A/17	Rough, hand-written notes
ACC 9667A/Box 1	- Correspondence. September 1994- - Maritime Archaeology Advisory Committee (MAAC). Mainly minutes and correspondence. 2000s.

	3. Manuscript, "A History of the Western Australian Museum, 1889-1959", by Ian Crawford
	4. "Where is the Aagterkerke?" By Hugh Edwards. Ring-bound. Signed copy, from the author to GB, 2012
	5. "Select Committee on Ancient Shipwrecks. Report to the Legislative Assembly by PG Pandal 17 August 1994 (GB Consultant Advisor)
	6. "With subtle embassy" by David Hutchison, 2012
	7. Transcript of interview of GB by Professor Neville Meaney, Murdoch University, 11 September 1986, on behalf of the National (Library) of Australia Transcribed by Jane Craig, 1991
	8. Crossroads: the Murdoch Lecture for 2000, by GB
ACC 9667A/Box 2	ANCODS (GB representative)
	1. Australian Netherlands Committee on Old Dutch Shipwrecks (ANCODS). Background paper and letter (photocopy) from Australian National Maritime Museum (ANMM), 11 May 2010
	2. Report: ANCODS 2002: Report on the Dutch shipwreck collections, Myra Stanbury
	3. 11 th meeting of ANCODS, 8-20 December 2002
	4. 12 th meeting of ANCODS, 5 August 2009
ACC 9667A/Box 3	CITY VISION. ELIZABETH QUAY (GB committee member)
	1. Independent review of the draft Perth Waterfront Development – statement of heritage effects, by Pearson and Marshall for Hocking Planning and Architecture, 25 November 2010
	2. Perth Waterfront Development. Strategic Heritage Management Plan, Hocking Heritage Studio, October 2011
	3. Perth Waterfront Project. Heritage interpretation strategy. January 2012. Ring-bound folder, with covering letter to GB from John Day, Minister for Planning; Culture and the Arts; Science and Innovation
	4. Draft Report on the Written Submissions of Invited Experts on Difficulties in the Perth City Waterfront Development (Elizabeth Quay). 10 January 2013
	5. CityVision 2013, Elizabeth Quay, Independent Enquiry. Submissions the proposed Perth Waterfront Development. Ten submissions in one ring-binder. Two loose submissions
	6. Report on the Written Submissions of Invited Experts on Difficulties in the Perth City Waterfront Development (Elizabeth Quay). 31 January 2013
	7. Loose papers, mainly emails, minutes of a meeting 3 December 2012, naming suggestions for streets in Elizabeth Quay
ACC 9667A/Box 4	MANUSCRIPTS: LAND OF VISION AND MIRAGE
	1. Land of vision and mirage. Manuscript, typescript, marked "my copy". 153p. + end notes + 1 loose sheet of hand-written comments. Ms lightly edited. In ring-bound binder
	2. Land of vision and mirage. Manuscript, typescript, 257p. + end notes. Ms lightly edited. In ring-bound binder
	3. Land of vision and mirage. Research notes, reviews, copy of agreement with UWA Press (unsigned)
ACC 9667A/Box 5	MANUSCRIPTS
	1. (William Gordon Brookman manuscript). Early manuscript, typescript. Handwritten note on cover states, "This looks like an early draft...". Edited, 68p., then various pagination. Spring back binder
	2. (William Gordon Brookman manuscript). Early manuscript, typescript, various pagination + accompanying letter to "Dear Geoffrey from Christina Lyall, nee Ball, with p.s., "I am not entirely sure that this is his last draft..."

	3. John Ramsden Wollaston: the making of a pioneer priest, by GC Bolton, 1985. Booklet ISBN 0958884102
	4. The making of a historian: Tom Stannage, 1944-1973. First draft, with alterations. Related research material
	5. Daphne Street. Research notes only. Handwritten in an exercise book.
ACC 9670A (b51455201)	An historical geography of the pastoral occupation of six major river basins in the north west of Western Australia, thesis by Colleen Margaid O'Grady. See separate catalogue record.
	BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCHES
ACC 9845A	1973-1974. Biographical information requested of various people by Prof. Bolton for the following ex-WA parliamentarians: 1. Burchell, Reginald (<i>previously PR7899A/1</i>) 2. Carpenter, William Henry (<i>previously PR7899A/2</i>) 3. Conolly, JRA (<i>previously PR7899A/3</i>) 4. Croft, John William (<i>previously PR7899A/4</i>) 5. Gilchrist, Archibald (<i>previously PR7899A/5 and PR7624</i>) 6. Includes 2 letters: 4 May 1917, from "The Bungalow", Perth Forrest to George Sands; 4 October 1930, Collier to F Alexander (<i>previously PR7899</i>) <i>Previously catalogued at PR7899 and PR7624</i>

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