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**Sound recordings collected by
Julia Koppe, approximately 1971-2000**

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SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

Date: Approximately 1971-2000

Extent: 59 audiocassettes (approximately 68 hours) : analogue, mono.

Production history

These recordings were collected at Palm Island, Queensland, by educator Julia Koppe during fieldwork between 1971 and 2000. The purpose of the recordings was to document English usage by Indigenous primary school students of that community with a view to improved education for those students. The work was in part sponsored by the Bernard Van Leer Foundation. The collection also features interviews with adult community members and others. Speakers on the recordings include Jim Harvey, Joe Garbutt, Jack Whaleboat, Dave Henry, Azren, Sammy-Jo, Kristan, Lawrence Kerr, Eric Wilson, Eric Webster, Terrence Coolburra, Janet Charles, Shirley Brown, Shaun Maynard, Priscilla Curley, Valmai Curley, Lenisha Parker, Nadine Dagan, Vanessa Clay, Emmalita Baira, Tony, Willy, Ezra, Derek Hero, Robert Haines, Wiljie, Ursula Nallajar, Theresa Thimble, Esther Bell, Stella Bell, Carol Fisher, Ian McDonald, Jason Coolburra, Frankie Walsh, Sylvia Reuben, Mary Twaddle, Talit Geia, Trifina Yasserie, Krishna Hughes, Emmalita Baira, Ursula Doomadgee, Selwyn Wilson, Lucille Kidner, Sophie Oui Senior, Caleb Oui, Toby Daisy, Ozzie Barry, Bella Walsh, Libby Mirs, Sybil Nallajar, Penny Richardson, Rebecca Stephenson, Mersaine, Clivie Poynter, Jimmy Little, Gloria Walton, Matilda Nardoo, Jimmy Walsh, Corey Geesu, Phyllis Bulsey, Bill Blackley, Leon Coutts, Shaun Cummings, Carmel Powell, Ursula Nallajar, Sophie Oui Junior, Patrick Puttaburra, Ian Palmer, Justine Thimble and unidentified participants. The collection was deposited with AIATSIS on 27 August 2010.

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ARCHIVIST'S NOTE

The collection has not been arranged in chronological order. Many of the original recordings have not been dated.

This finding aid was compiled from information provided by James Cook University and William Koppe. Detailed item descriptions, featuring timing points, are not yet available as the collection has not been auditioned by AIATSIS staff.

ITEM LIST

Archive number	Field recording number	Description
	18	Interviews with Jim Harvey and Joe Garbutt, Palm Island, Qld, not dated
	19	Recordings of English usage at Palm Island, Qld, not dated
	72	Recording with Jack Whaleboat and Dave Henry, Palm Island, Qld, November 1983
	73	Discussion, Palm Island, not dated
	74	Discussion with Azren, Sammy-Jo and Kristan, 8 September 1994
	92	Discussion with second year students, Palm Island, Qld, 26 August 1994
	100	Discussion on racial perceptions with an unidentified child, Palm Island, Qld, 30 August 1994
	107	Discussion on the community at Palm Island, not dated
	130	Interviews with Lawrence Kerr and Eric Wilson, Palm Island, Qld, 9 November 1987
	131	Interview with Eric Webster, Palm Island State School, Qld, 9 November 1987
	132	Interview with Terrence Coolburra, Palm Island, Qld, 10 November 1987
	133	Interview with Janet Charles and Shirley Brown, Palm Island, Palm Island, 10 November 1987
	134	Interview with Janet Charles, Palm Island, Qld, 10 November 1987
	135	Interviews with Leon Coates, Shaun Maynard, Priscilla Curley, Valmai Curley and Lenisha, Palm Island, 17 November 1988
	136	Interviews with Nadine Dagan, Vanessa Clay, Emmalita Baira, Tony, Willy and Ezra, Palm Island, State School, Qld, 1 December 1988
	137	Interviews with Derek Hero, Robert Haines, Wiljie, Ursula Nallajar and Theresa Thimble, Palm Island State School, Qld, 2 December 1988
	138	Informal interview with Palm Island children, Palm Island, Qld, 20 May 1989
	139	Interviews with Esther Bell, Stella Bell and Carol Fisher, Palm Island, Qld, 20 May 1989
	140	Interview with Ian McDonald, Palm Island, Qld, 17 July

Archive number	Field recording number	Description
		1989
	141	Interview with Jason Coolburra, Palm Island, Qld, 18 July 1989
	142	Interviews with Priscilla Curly and Frankie Walsh, Palm Island State School, Qld, 26 July 1989
	143	Interviews with Priscilla Curley and Sylvia Reuben, Palm Island, Qld, 26 July 1989
	144	Interview with Sylvia Reuben, palm Island, Qld, 26 July 1989
	145	Interviews with Mary Twaddle and Talit Geia, Palm Island, Qld 27 July 1989
	146	Interviews with Trifina Yasserie and Maynard Roe, Palm Island, Qld, 14 August 1989
	147	Interviews with Lenisha Parker and Krishna Hughes, Palm Island, Qld, 15 August 1989
	148	Interviews with Emmalita Baira and Ursula Doomadgee, Palm Island State School, Qld, 24 October 1989
	149	Interview with Ursula Doomadgee, Palm Island, Qld, 24 October 1989
	150	Interview with Ursula Doomadgee, Palm Island, Qld, 24 October 1989
	151	Interviews with Ursula Doomadgee, Selwyn Wilson and Lucille Kidner, Palm Island, Qld, 24 October 1989
	152	Interviews with Ian Palmer (Year 7) and Wiljie Nugent (Year 7), Palm Island, 25 October 1989
	153	Interviews with Sophie Oui Senior, Caleb Oui, Toby Daisy, Ozzie Barry and Bella Walsh, Palm Island State School, Qld, 26 October 1989
	154	Interviews with Libby Mirrls, Sybil Nallajar, Penny Richardson, Rebecca Stephenson, Caleb Oui, Mersaine and Clivie Poynter, Palm Island, Qld, 26 October 1989
	155	Tape 1, Palm Island, Qld, September 2000
	156	Tape 2, Palm Island, Qld, September 2000
	157	Jimmy Little, Gloria Walton and Matilda Nardoo at Palm Island, Qld, 23 September 200
	183	Interview with Jimmy Walsh at Palm Island State School, Qld, November 1987
	184	Interviews with Corey Geesu, Trifina Yasserie and Phyllis Bulsey, Palm Island State School, Qld, 2 December 1988

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	185	Interviews with Bill Blackley and Lenisha Parker 15 August 1988
	186	Interviews with Miaynard, Leon Coutts, Shaun Cummings, Priscilla, Valmai and Lenisha, Palm Island, Qld, 17 November 1988.
	187	Interviews with Garcia, Ethel, Zita, Lenisha, Priscilla and Valmai, Palm Island, Qld, 17 November 1988
	208	Carmel Powell and the "Hilltop" group at Palm Island, Qld, not dated
	213	Interview with Torres Strait Islander children, Palm Island, Qld, not dated
	219	Interviews with children, Palm Island, Qld, not dated
	220	Extracts from children's uses of English from Cherbourg and Palm Island, not dated
	230	Interviews with Ursula Nallajar and Bill Blackley, Palm Island, Qld, 15 August 1989
	233	Interviews with children, Palm Island, Qld, not dated
	235	Interviews with Year Two children, Palm Island, 26 November 1971
	237	Discussion with Ian McDonald, Palm Island, Qld, 17 July 1989
	238	Reading testing and discussion with Sophie Oui Junior, Palm Island, Qld, not dated
	249	Reading testing with an unidentified child, Palm Island, Qld, not dated
	253	Interviews with children, Palm Island, Qld, not dated
	258	Interview with Lenisha Parker, Palm Island, Qld, 15 August 1989
	261	Interviews with children, Palm Island, Qld, not dated
	262	Interviews with children, Palm Island, Qld, 3 March
	267	Interviews with Sylvia Reuben and Mary Twaddle, Palm Island, Qld, 27 July 1989
	269	Interviews with Patrick Puttaburra and Ian Palmer, palm Island, Qld, 25 October 1989
	278	Interviews with Bella Walsh and Justine Thimble, Palm Island, Qld, 23 October 1989
	282	Speech given by unidentified male speaker, not dated