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Finding aid

MATHEWS_J08

**Sound recordings collected by
Jimmie Barker, 1972**

ACCESS

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SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

Date: 1972

Extent: 2 sound tape reels (2 hrs. 9 min.) : analogue, mono ; 5 in. + field tape report sheets

Production history

These recordings were collected in June 1972 by Jimmie Barker. They feature Mr Barker discussing parts of his life story, as well as information on his language, Muruwari.

The recording project was initiated by Janet Mathews, who obtained funding from the AIAS to provide recording equipment and consumables.

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ARCHIVIST'S NOTE

This finding aid was compiled from information provided by Janet Mathews and audition sheets prepared by AIATSIS staff.

ITEM LIST

Archive number	Field recording number	Description
002614A	Field tape 93B	Oral history and discussion by Jimmie Barker
002614B	Field tape 94B	Oral history, discussion and Muruwari word list and sentences with Jimmie Barker

ITEM DESCRIPTIONS

002614A/Field tape 93B

Performer/speaker(s): Jimmie Barker
Subject keywords: Oral history, Racial discrimination, Race relations – Massacres, murders, poisonings etc – To 1900
Language/people: Muruwari / Murrawarri
Places: Brewarrina (N NSW SH55-06), Enngonia (N NSW SH55-06)
Recording quality: Fair

Archive item number	Timing point	Description	Date	Place
MATHEWS_J08-002614A	00:00:00	Jimmie Barker talks about envy and distrust of non-Indigenous people by Indigenous people.	June, 1972	Brewarrina, NSW
	00:35:45	Jimmie Barker speaks of his family and friends.		
	00:58:30	Jimmie Barker speaks of the Enngonia (North Bourke) massacre and of discrimination.		
	01:03:40	End of field tape 93 B and end of MATHEWS_J08-002614A.		

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002614B/Field tape 94B

Performer/speaker(s): Jimmie Barker

Subject keywords: Racial discrimination, Oral history, Vocabulary – Word lists, Vocabulary & grammar

Language/people: Muruwari / Murrawarri

Places: Brewarrina (N NSW SH55-06)

Recording quality: Fair

Archive item number	Timing point	Description	Date	Place
MATHEWS_J08-002614B	00:00:00	Jimmie Barker speaks of racial discrimination.	June, 1972	Brewarrina, NSW
	00:13:45	Jimmie Barker discusses his inventions.		
	00:34:55	Jimmie Barker provides a Muruwari word list and sentences.		
	01:05:00	End of field tape 94B and end of MATHEWS_J08-002614B.		

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