

The Institution of Engineers, Australia: Sydney Division

Engineering Heritage Committee

ORAL HISTORY PROGRAM

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COUNTER	SUBJECT	NAMES & KEYWORDS
Tape 1 Side A		
000-014	Leader and identification	
015 -075	Born Concord West, Sydney 31st March 1933 Family Background. Parents, Father's occupation, Sister.	
076-110	Early schooling. Mortlake, Flemington, Blacktown, Parramatta	St Ambrose School Parramatta Marist Bros.
110-156	Secondary Education. favourite subjects maths & physics athletics sport. 880 yds and mile. Influence of Brothers at M.B. Bro. Anselm partic.	Parramatta Marist Bros
157-181	Start of work Mines Dept survey draftsm'n Comm. Schol'ship Civil Engineering U of S	Mines Dept.

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182-204	University life.	Universty of Sydney
205-249	Water Board Des. Br. then field work Snowy Mtns as student. Alan McConnel big influence	Sydney Water Board
250-289	Thiess Bros one year. Cooling water tunnel Wangi PS. Field Work major interest Married while there.	Thiess Bros
290-299	"Game Plan" for engineering career. Marriage	
300-353	Dowsett Eng. 4 yrs. Tender prep. also field supervision of works at Newcastle steelwks etc. Competitive climate	Dowsett Engineering Works at Newcastle
354-380	Resolution of disputes with Contractors. Arbitration, Courts, negotiation. Differences between Gov'mt and Commercial clients.	Contract disputes
381-407	Humes Eng. pre-cast bridge conc. sections for Capt. Cook Bridge.	Humes Eng. Capt. Cook Bridge
408-417	Ray Fitzpatrick Quarries residential developm'ts	Fitzpatrick Quarries
Side B		
0-40	Fitz. Q. contin. Sydney-Newcastle Expressway transfer to K.D. Morris	Fitz. Quarries
41-109	Danjera Dam Shoalhaven. Earth fill, stone facing, concrete. 3 yr. proj. Site prep. for Jervis Bay Atomic Energy Power Station	White Industries
110-155	Comm. success large projects credit availability crucial.	Financing Projects
156-169	Control of Site Works. Quality Assurance.	Control of Works

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170-191	Problems on major works. -materials, design, work force	Problems
192-204	Site prep. Kingsf'd Smith Int. Airport	Kingsford Smith Airport
205-258	Joined BML. family life enhanced Special Proj. Div. Group Const. Mgr. Prospect Quarry.	Senr. Engr. Tech. Serv. BMI
259-277	Quarry Mgr. hardware const	Prospect Quarry
278-289	Consultant with Abingnano.	Abigroup
290-310	Tender Prep. Nigeria roadwks.	Abigroup-
311-334	Critical path planning-impact of computers.	Computers
335-359	M2 Motorway debt & equity arrgmts Protests	M2 Motorway
360-379	Anecdotes. Dismissal of wrong workers	Anecdotes
380-392	Retirement plans Conclusion of interview	Conclusion