

## Cardboard and metal cylindrical container

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#### **Description**

This container was with the fly fishing equipment that belonged to Thomas Lloyd Forster Rutledge, who was a keen fisherman. During the 1930s, he and some friends spent some time camping and indulging his passion for fly fishing for trout near the Crackenback river in the Snowy Mountains in New South Wales.

#### Physical description

A beige, natural cardboard and metal cylindrical container with removable metal lid. The metal components are corroded dark brown and there are several yellow paint specks.

### Statement of significance

This collection comprises over two hundred objects belonging to the Rutledge family of 'Gidleigh', a pastoralist property first established near Bungendore, NSW, in 1855. The collection includes tools used for agricultural practices, animal and household management, and equipment used for fly-fishing and horse-riding. Collectively, these objects illustrate aspects of rural life and domestic activities undertaken most notably by Jane (Jean) Ruth Morphy Forster Rutledge (1853-1932) and her son Thomas Lloyd Forster Rutledge (1889-1958) during the late nineteenth and early twentieth centuries.

This collection is illustrative of broad areas of Australian social history including pastoralism, medicine and veterinary science, and domestic and recreational lives. The land at 'Gidleigh' was first granted to Admiral Philip Parker King (1791-1856) in 1834, and was subsequently purchased in 1855 by Irish settler Thomas Rutledge (1817-1904) to run sheep and cattle. The family owned and managed the property for 150 years until 2005. This collection offers significant research potential into both rural self-sufficiency, and agricultural and veterinary technologies.

# **Object information**

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Type <u>Containers</u>

Collection Gidleigh Collection

Dimensions H 40mm x Dia 40mm

Material <u>Cardboard</u>,

Metal - non specific, Paint - non specific

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Associated date

1880-1950

The collection spans the late nineteenth to mid

twentieth centuries.

■ Who

Mrs Jane (Jean) R. Forster Rutledge

The collection is associated with three generations of the Rutledge family.

Mr William F. Rutledge

User

Lieutenant Colonel Thomas L. Rutledge

Mr William S. Rutledge

Where

Associated place

<u>Bungendore</u>, <u>New South Wales</u>, <u>Australia</u> This collection was used at 'Gidleigh', near

Bungendore, NSW.

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