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Physical description

A light grey short sleeved, collared shirt constructed from heavy cotton fabric and machine stitched with light grey thread at the hem and sleeve edges and white thread elsewhere. The shirt features set-in short sleeves with an underarm seam; the sleeve edges have been turned back and hemmed with grey cotton. The shirt fastens down the centre front with five round plastic buttons. The front left hand side of the shirt features a breast pocket with a pseudo flap design on it. The shirt has double stitched seams and two small slits at either side of the shirt near the waist. The back of the shirt appears to be slightly longer than the front. At the top inside centre of the shirt, just below the collar, is a small rectangular white synthetic manufacturers label with the red text that reads "STYLED / BY / Crysal / 1". The shirt appears to be discoloured around collar and under the armpits, and there is a stain on the front of the shirt.

Statement of significance

The collection consists of documents, photographs, scrapbooks, clothing and other memorabilia from the careers and personal lives of Emma (Emilie) Roach, a well-known and successful equestrian, and her husband John (Jack) Burton, who made several record-breaking drives in motor vehicles across Australia during the 1910s and 1920s.

Born in Narrandera, New South Wales, in 1898, Roach began equestrian competition at the age of 10, and continued through most levels and types of competition, remaining an unpaid amatuer, until her retirement in 1955. Her main competitions and successes were in the show-ring. After Burton and Roach married in 1925, they lived in Sydney for many years and travelled from there to agricultural shows in New South Wales, Victoria and Queensland where Roach would compete and Burton worked in motor vehicle sales and writing articles for motoring magazines.

Object information

What

Type	Shirts
Collection	Colledge Family collection
Material	Textile - non specific, Plastic - non specific

When

[1914-1960](#)

Who

Associated person
[Miss Emilie Roach](#)

Where

Place of use
[Australia](#)

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