



GUIDE TO THE VICTOR BRISSON AND HARVEY BISSELL COLLECTION

DESCRIPTIVE SUMMARY

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| Collection Number: | RB019 |
| Title: | Victor Brisson and Harvey Bissell Collection |
| Collection Dates: | 1928 - 1936 |
| Creator: | Unknown |
| Languages Represented: | English, French |
| Extent: | 1 box |
| Repository: | University of Sydney Library, Rare Books and Special Collections |
| Abstract: | The Victor Brisson and Harvey Bissell Collection comprises logbooks of ships' voyages made in the South Pacific, the Americas and Australia from 1928 to 1936. |

ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Provenance

Unknown

Access

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Biographical Notes

The Bissell family manufactured Bissell carpet sweepers.
Captain Victor Brisson was born in France and lived in Polynesia for over 20 years.

Scope and Content Note

The Victor Brisson and Harvey Bissell Collection comprises logbooks of voyages undertaken by Harvey Bissell and the Bissell family, Pasadena, USA, in the boats "Wanderlust", "Ariadne" and "Bissy Girl". The vessels were captained by Victor Brisson who compiled the logs. The voyages were made in the South Pacific, the Americas and Australia between 21 October 1928 and 4 July 1936.

Local Subject Headings

Bissell, Harvey Sutherland.
Logbooks.
Yachting.
Polynesia -- Description and travel.

DESCRIPTION OF SERIES

Box Contents

- 1 Logbook of "Wanderlust", 21 October 1928 - 11 May 1929

Manuscript, 1 volume

- Logbook is written in French
"Wanderlust" was 53 gross tons and 84 feet long
- 1 Logbook of "Wanderlust", 12 May 1929 - 23 November 1929
- Manuscript, 1 volume
Logbook is written in French
- 1 Logbook of "Wanderlust", 24 November 1929 - 21 July 1930
- Manuscript, 1 volume
Logbook is written in English and French
- 1 Logbook of "Wanderlust", 20 December 1930 - 23 July 1931
- Manuscript, 1 volume
Logbook is written in French
- 1 Logbook of "Wanderlust", 24 July 1931 - 31 January 1932
- Manuscript, 1 volume
Logbook is written in French
- 1 Logbook of "Ariadne", 1 February 1932 - 2 August 1932
- Manuscript, 1 volume
Logbook is written in French
The "Ariadne" was a 147 foot schooner. During the year-long voyage the yacht visited islands in the South Pacific, Indonesia, Mauritius, Madagascar, South Africa, St Helena and the West Indies before returning to the United States.
- 1 Logbook of "Ariadne", 3 August 1932 - 17 November 1933
- Manuscript, 1 volume
Logbook is written in French
- 1 Logbook of "Bissy Girl", 18 November 1933 - 7 September 1934
- Manuscript, 1 volume
Logbook is written in French
- 1 Logbook of "Bissy Girl", 8 September 1934 - 15 January 1935
- Manuscript, 1 volume
Logbook is written in French
- 1 Logbook of "Bissy Girl", 16 January 1935 - 5 July 1936
- Manuscript, 1 volume
Logbook is written in French
- 1 Miscellaneous material, ca. 1927 - ca. 1933
- Manuscript fragments, telegrams and newspaper cuttings