

Fort William Caledonian Society fonds

1917-1931

2 cm of textual records

Administrative history

The Fort William Caledonian Society was inaugurated on 31 Jan. 1917, and was the first of its kind in Fort William. Its objectives were "the encouragement and practice of Scottish customs; the cultivation of a taste for Scottish History, Poetry, and Song and to unite more closely Scotchmen and those of Scottish descent". Only those of Scottish birth or descent, or those married to such, were eligible for membership. The society also addressed applications for relief to needy members and supported or sponsored social and cultural events. The organization originated in 1917 in response to a request by the Burns Supper Committee and Supporters and was preceded by a Caledonian Society in Port Arthur.

Scope and Content

The Fort William Caledonian Society records is composed of minutes, a constitution, and by-laws, regarding the meetings and rules of the society.

Series E 37/1/1 - Minutes - 140 p. - Jan. 1917-Jan. 1919

Minutes, including an inaugural meeting contained in a black scribbler. There is also one loose poem.

Series E 37/2/1 - Constitution and by-laws - 4 p. - 1931

The constitution and by-laws, 1931 in two bound copies with four pages each.