

Chris Marchant fonds

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Fonds Description

Chris Marchant fonds– 1956-1984; predominant 1976-1984.
15 cm of textual material

Biographical Sketch

Christopher John Marchant ([20–]-2012) was born in Cheam, England. He obtained his Ph.D. from Southampton University and became a senior scientific officer with the Royal Botanic Gardens at Kew. During this time, he spent a year at the Canadian Department of Agriculture in Ottawa and shortly after that; he took a new position at UBC's Botanical Garden. Marchant worked on revegetation schemes on the Point Grey Cliffs for many years, including providing a list of plants that would assist in the control of the erosion. From 1970 to 1981, Marchant was a research scientist and associate professor in the Botanical Garden and at the Department of Botany. He served on the executive committees of the Canadian Botanical Association and the Alpine Garden Club of BC. After leaving UBC, Marchant set up his own forestry consulting company and tree nursery. He moved to Nelson and later to Chase.

Scope and Content

The fonds consists of field notebooks, reference materials and a forestry report written by Marchant. Of particular note to UBC is Marchant's research in the summer of 1979 on the botany of the cliffs at Point Grey.

Notes

Source of title proper: The title is based on the provenance of the fonds.

Immediate Source of Acquisition: These materials were donated by Jean Marchant via Professor Iain Taylor on 12 March 2020.

Related Materials: For further information on cliff erosion at UBC, please also see the Cliff Erosion series in the Board of Governors fonds, University Endowment Lands Collection, UBC Subject File Collection, University Campus and University Endowment Lands Maps and Plans Collection

No further accruals are expected.

File List

Box 1

- 1-1 Field Notebook 1976
- 1-2 [UBC] Cliff Erosion Scheme #2 [Field Notebook] May 1977 & May-July 1979
- 1-3 [Work Diary/Notebook] [1980-1982]
- 1-4 [Notebook Finances] [NRC Grant no 675194] 1971-1974
- 1-5 Field Record Book, 1981 [UBC Vancouver]
- 1-6 Taxonomy and Distribution of the Genus *Spartina* by David George Moberley
[Reference material, photocopy, 1956]
- 1-7 Research Report: A Guide to Selection and Propagation of Some Native Woody
Species for Land Rehabilitation in British Columbia by Christopher Marchant
and Jennifer Sherlock, 1984.