

Reference Number: **2007.0022**

Collection/Series Title: **FRASER, JOHN MALCOLM**

<b>Also Includes</b>	2011.0074
<b>Creator</b>	Fraser, John Malcolm
<b>Creator's Activity/Occupation</b>	Politicians - Farmers - Prime ministers
<b>Creator's Historical Note</b> <p>(John) Malcolm Fraser was born on 21 May 1930 in Melbourne. The Fraser family lived in NSW before moving to 'Nareen', a sheep station in western Victoria, in 1943. Malcolm Fraser attended Tudor House School in NSW (1940-1943) and Melbourne Grammar (1944-1948). In 1949 he was admitted to the University of Oxford to study 'Modern Greats' (politics, philosophy and economics). Malcolm Fraser was elected Liberal member for Wannon in Western Victoria in 1955. He gained his first Cabinet post as Minister for the Army in 1966 and later became Minister for Education and Science (1968-1969 and 1971-1972) and Minister for Defence (1969-1971). He became leader of the Liberal Party in March 1975, and in November was appointed caretaker Prime Minister following the dismissal of the Whitlam government. He served as Prime Minister until 1983. Following his political career, Malcolm Fraser has maintained a role in world affairs, as Co-Chair of the Commonwealth Eminent Persons Group on South Africa (1985-1986) and Chair of the UN Secretary-General's Expert Group on African Commodity Issues (1989-1990). In 1987 he founded CARE Australia, the country's largest non-political, non-religious overseas aid organisation. In 1997 he led a Commonwealth Observer Mission to Pakistan to monitor the national elections. Malcolm Fraser remained actively interested in issues such as human rights and the rule of law until his death on 20 March 2015.</p>	
<b>Date Range of Collection/Series</b>	1979-1982
<b>Size/Extent</b>	0.34 metres (2 boxes)
<b>Access Conditions</b>	Access: Open
<b>Scope and Content of Collection/Series</b> <p>Birthday and election congratulatory messages and replies. This series contains congratulatory letters, cards and telegrams to former Prime Minister J M (Malcolm) Fraser from friends, political colleagues, staff and members of the public on the occasion of his 50th birthday (21 May 1980) and in relation to the return of his Liberal-Coalition Government at the election on 18 October 1980. The series also includes a smaller number of congratulatory letters and cards relating to Mr Fraser's birthday in 1982. In most cases, copies of replies are attached to the incoming correspondence. Some items are currently held at the National Archives of Australia (see list for details). Formerly National Archives of Australia series M1362.</p>	
<b>Collection Category</b>	Community and Political, individuals
<b>This document dated</b>	2/01/2019

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Unit/Box	Item Number	Title	Date Range	Description
2007.0022 Unit 1	2007.0022.0000 1	50th birthday: Congratulatory letters, cards and telegrams	24 April 198014 July 1980	R W Adcock Miss Knowles and Western Australian Young Liberals. Previous control number 1
2007.0022 Unit 1	2007.0022.0000 2	50th birthday: Congratulatory letters, cards and telegrams	19 May 198014 July 1980	Miss R Lane Sir G Yeend. Previous control number 2
2007.0022 Unit 1	2007.0022.0000 3	50th birthday: Congratulatory letters, cards and telegrams	c.1 December 197928 May 1980	Mr and Mrs J Allen Mr and Mrs J Wyld. Previous control number 3
2007.0022 Unit 1	2007.0022.0000 4	50th birthday: Birthday greetings with no address	20 May 198028 May 1980	Includes list of staff at The Lodge and Kirribilli House. Previous control number 4
2007.0022 Unit 1	2007.0022.0000 5	1982 birthday: Congratulatory letters and cards	29 April 198221 June 1982	Mrs M Barry Miss M Wilson. Previous control number 5
2007.0022 Unit 1	2007.0022.0000 6	Election 1980: Address list for replies	31 October 1980	Address list for replies. Previous control number 6
2007.0022 Unit 2	2007.0022.0000 7	Election 1980: Congratulatory letters. Book 2.	12 October 198022 December 1980	Includes letters to those who lost seats and Liberal Party branches, letters from federal and state Members of Parliament and constituents. Previous control number 7
2007.0022 Unit 2	2007.0022.0000 8	Election campaign 1980: Congratulatory letters and replies. Book 3	19 October 198024 November 1980	Includes address list. Previous control number 8

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