

NOMINATION TO THE ACT HERITAGE REGISTER

Please note that the information below represents the indicative heritage values supplied by the nominator and are not the views of the ACT Heritage Council (the Council).

This nomination is yet to be assessed by the Council against the heritage significance criteria established under the Heritage Act 2004.

Acceptance of a nomination is a preliminary, threshold step and ought not to be taken as indicative of any particular outcome concerning the Council's assessment of the nomination.

**TILLYARD-WARDLE ARCHIVAL COLLECTION
CANBERRA AND DISTRICT HISTORICAL SOCIETY
PO BOX 315, CURTIN 2605**

The nomination was received on 06 May 2026 and accepted on 10 June 2026.

The Tillyard-Wardle Collection is an archival collection held by the Canberra and District Historical Society (CDHS), comprising diaries, correspondence, photographs, manuscripts and related papers dating from 1895 to 1992.

The collection was created primarily by Patience Australie Wardle (née Tillyard) and includes material generated by her parents and siblings, documenting their family life, professional work, travel, community involvement and everyday experiences over much of the 20th century.

The collection records long-standing connections with Canberra from 1928, including the establishment of the Tillyard family in the national capital, the scientific career of Dr Robin John Tillyard, and Patience Wardle's involvement in women's organisations, wartime service, historical research and the Canberra and District Historical Society.

The collection brings together personal writings and visual material that describe domestic life alongside wider social and national events such as the Great Depression and the Second World War, providing a sustained personal record of life in Canberra and Australia across several generations.