

Lancaster University Special Collections and Archives

Fred Robinson Butterfield (1905-1999) collection

Box List

Description

Identifier: BFR

Accession Number(s): ACC/2007/3

Extent: 1 box (2 albums, 4 sheets of 35mm negatives; 1 album of safety film negatives.)

Dates: 1920s-1930s

Scope and Content: Photographic albums and corresponding negatives created by Fred Butterfield while cycling in the Lake District in the 1920-1930s.

History: Fred Robinson Butterfield (1905-1999) was the oldest of two sons of Jonas and Annie Jane Butterfield (nee Robinson). He was born 1905 Jan 24 in Keighley. In the years after the first world War, Butterfield took up cycling and became the first secretary of the Keighley Road Club. He was also interested in photography and documented his cycle journeys around Yorkshire and the Lake District. He joined the RAF during World War Two and was stationed in Myanmar (then Burma). He returned home to Farnhill in 1946 where he lived until his death in 1999.

On his death, his children donated his photographic albums related to the Lake District to the University. His remaining collection was donated to several archives including: Keighley Library (photos and documentation re. Keighley Road Club); Special Collections Library, University of Bradford (photos and negatives re. Yorkshire Dales); Yorkshire County Cricket Club (photographs of uncle & cricketer, Emmett Robinson).

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Notes: This box list was created in July 2025 by Katie Waring.

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Box 1

Item	Description	Date
1	Album containing safety film negatives labelled with locations.	1920s-1930s
2	4 x sheets of 35mm negatives, labelled with locations.	1920s-1930s
3	Photograph Album 'A Ramble in Lakeland, June 1930'	June 1930
4	Photograph Album 'The English Lakes	1920s-1930s