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A BIBLIOGRAPHY OF THE KAURNA

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Introduction

This bibliography provides a listing of published references to the Kaurna tribe, including historical, ethnographic, archaeological and other references. The bibliography relates to Kaurna territory as defined by Tindale in Aboriginal Tribes of Australia (1974). Thus, for example, the bibliography includes historical references to Aborigines at Clarendon, Balaklava and Yankalilla, although the Aborigines referred to in these historical sources may not necessarily be Kaurna. Likewise the bibliography includes references to archaeological sites throughout Kaurna territory, from Crystal Brook in the north to Cape Jervis in the south. Many published local history texts refer to the Kaurna. However, in most cases these merely provide a brief summary derived from other published accounts. In those cases where local history texts provide information not available elsewhere, they are included in the bibliography.

Other sources of information on the Kaurna

Government records
The Public Records Office of South Australia produced, in 1988, a Guide to records relating to Aboriginal people, which provides a listing of the major groups of Government records containing information relating to Aboriginal history, including the Protector of Aborigines Department, the Aborigines Protection Board, the Police Department, Education Department etc. This four-volume guide is available from the Public Records Office.

Private diaries, journals, notes and manuscripts etc
In May 1990, the Mortlock Library of South Australiana released a two-volume guide to the archival and published material relating to Aboriginal people in its collections. Copies of this guide are available from the Mortlock Library. Other archival material relating to the Kaurna can be found by consulting the general catalogues in the Mortlock Library. The bibliography by Houston (1976) lists a
number of the more significant archival sources relating to the Kaurna.

Newspapers
The Aboriginal Heritage Branch of the SA Department of Environment and Planning has recently produced an index of references to Aborigines in the major Adelaide newspapers from 1836 to 1940. Copies of this index can be consulted at the AHB, the Mortlock Library and at several institutional libraries. Numerous references to the Aborigines of the Adelaide area appear in this index.
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