

## HUTCHINSON, John Nicholas

John Hutchinson was an ornithologist and a wildlife bird calls recordist. He was the author of the book "Save that Song" and most of the material for this book came from the many letters he wrote, particularly those that were written to his mother.

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		<b>AUDIO FILES</b>
8661A/1-303	1962 - 1988	Field recordings of bird calls and sounds across Western Australia and including some Queensland and Canberra locations. Recorded sounds from birds such as honeyeaters, wedgebills, whipbirds and many others from 1962 to 1988. Each tape reel is accompanied by field notes. 302 audiotape reels which have been digitised and are accessible through the SLWA catalogue at <a href="#">ACC 8661A</a>
10724AD/84 Online	1962, 1965	Tape 1, Track 1 – includes blue winged kookaburra, scissors grinder – School of the Air, John Hutchinson. Used as an introduction to the School of the Air North West.
10724AD/85 Online		Tape 1, Track 2 – several bird calls, no identification.

10724AD/86 Digital Stack ICIP		Tape 3, Track 1 – “Aboriginal Music for the ABC and BBC” introduction by John Hutchinson – recordings of the Waroora Tribe, Mowanjum Tribe.
10724AD/87 Online	1965	Tape 7, Track 1 – John Hutchinson whistling, audio letter to his family while playing back other audio letters he has received to respond.
10724AD/88 Online	1965	Tape 7, Track 2 – John Hutchinson family audio letters. ‘Terrible buzz on this part of the tape...’
10724AD/89 Online	1965	Tape 7, Track 3 – John Hutchinson family audio letters. “Hello Nanna and Pa, this is Bob...John is just back with us from Tasmania...”
10724AD/90 Online	1965	Tape 7, Track 4 – John Hutchinson family audio letters. “Hello Dad, we thought you might be interested to know a little bit about the farm we bought...”
10724AD/91 Online	1965 <sup>?</sup>	Tape 7, Track 4 – John Hutchinson singing and playing guitar, includes ‘The Times They are A-Changing’ by Bob Dylan.
10724AD/92 Online	1962	Tape 6, Track 1 – An audio letter to Rex – including calls of the pied butcherbird, pardolote, a windmill, crow, honeyeaters, mudlark, crested pidgeon, yellow throated miner, and ventriloquist birds.
10724AD/93 Online		Tape 6, Track 2 – A single birdcall, not identified.
10724AD/94 Online		Tape 8, Track 1 – “Hello Dad” – John Hutchinson audio letter from Wyndham – Ord River Scheme – erosion rejuvenation
10724AD/95 Online		Tape 8, Track 2 – “Here we are again...” – John Hutchinson audio letter describing bower birds at his camp site.
10724AD/96 Digital Stack	1966	Tape 10, Track 1 – Kimberley region bird sounds for CSIRO. Includes golden-backed honey eater.
10724AD/97 Online		Tape 10, Track 2 – Bird calls, including the singing honey eater, grey-crowned babbler.
10724AD/98 Digital Stack	1966	Tape 11 – Audition tape John Hutchinson prepared for Nature Notes Programme on Radio Australia.
10724AD/99 Online	3 June 1962	Tape 9, Track 1 – recorded at Derby – includes pied butchers bird, commentary by John Hutchinson. Ends recording with, “I best sign off now so that you can hear these donkeys...”
10724AD/100 Online	3 June 1962	Tape 9, Track 2 – recorded at Derby – sounds of donkeys – unidentified bird
10724AD/101 Online	29 January 1966	Tape 17, Track 1 – bird calls, includes pied butcher bird, great bower bird, recorded in a River Gum
10724AD/102 Digital Stack		Tape 17, Track 2 – copies of recordings sent to CSIRO, includes black-eared cuckoo

10724AD/103 Online	July [...], Saturday 8 May [...]	Tape 2 <sup>7</sup> or 12 <sup>7</sup> , Track 1 – John Hutchinson audio letter from research station in Carnarvon – cattle to meatworks at Wyndham and Derby – bird calls in the Kimberley
10724AD/104 Digital Stack	1966	Tape 16, Track 1 – copies of recordings prepared for CSIRO Bird & Animal Sounds Library, Canberra. Includes peaceful dove.
10724AD/105 Digital Stack	1966	Tape 16, Track 2 – copies of recordings prepared for CSIRO Bird & Animal Sounds Library, Canberra. Includes white-winged Triller.
10724AD/106 Digital Stack <b>ICIP</b>		Tape 13, Track 1 – Audio letter that includes copies of recordings made for the ABC & BBC. John Hutchinson describes Aboriginal children's participation in coroboree ceremonies and songs. Includes recordings of the children singing – a man singing accompanied by guitar. JH describes a bird-watching picnic with a group of boys at Pandoo Creek, Carnarvon.
10724AD/107 Online		Tape 13, Track 2 – Audio letter continues. JH continues to describe the bird-watching picnic with a group of boys at Pandoo Creek, Carnarvon.
10724AD/108 Online	8 May 1965	Tape 14, Track 1 – Audio letter to Rex, Joan, Roslyn & Anne from Wyndham. Edge of the Tidal Marsh – Aerodrome – refers to tapes for Bob and Joy
10724AD/109 Online	8 May 1965	Tape 14, Track 2 – Audio letter to Rex, Joan, Roslyn & Anne from Wyndham continues. Hammersley Ranges, Roebourne, Port Hedland – Broome is different from any other town – Derby, boab trees – Fitzroy Crossing, Halls Creek.
10724AD/110 Online	1965	Tape 15, Track 1 – Audio letter. JH visits station south of Broome, and a donkey puts its head in the window of the car – describes a car accident – tourists – brand new electric fridge at bachelors' quarters.
10724AD/111 Online	1965	Tape 15, Track 2 – Audio letter continues. JH describes spiders and flies – describes the birds of the Tropic of Capricorn, including the Wedge Bill (aka Bell Birds), 'ventriloquist birds' – recordings of these calls.
10724AD/112 Digital Stack <b>ICIP</b>	1959	Vinyl record hand-cut by John Hutchinson – Aboriginal singers recorded 1959. Track 1 – A song about a snake. Soloist: Albert Kennedy of La Grange. (Description from photocopied vinyl label may not match content)
10724AD/113 Digital Stack <b>ICIP</b>	1959	Vinyl record hand-cut by John Hutchinson – Aboriginal singers recorded 1959. Track 2 – A love song about a man "Yarrunda". Soloist: not identified. (Description from photocopied vinyl label may not match content)
10724AD/114 Digital Stack	1959 <sup>7</sup>	Vinyl record hand-cut by John Hutchinson – Aboriginal singers recorded 1959. Track 3 – Children singing "Hark the Herald Angels Sing" (not described on vinyl label)
10724AD/115 Digital Stack <b>ICIP</b>	1959	Vinyl record hand-cut by John Hutchinson – Aboriginal singers recorded 1959. Track 4 – Soloist: not identified. (not described on vinyl label)

10724AD/116 Digital Stack ICIP	1959	Vinyl record hand-cut by John Hutchinson – Aboriginal singers recorded 1959. Track 5 – A love song about a girl called “Jarrada”. Duetists: Albert and Broda. (Description from photocopied vinyl label may not match content)
10724AD/117 Digital Stack ICIP	1959	Vinyl record hand-cut by John Hutchinson – Aboriginal singers recorded 1959. Track 6 – Group: not identified. (not described on vinyl label)
10724AD/118 Digital Stack ICIP	1959	Vinyl record hand-cut by John Hutchinson – recorded 1959. Track 1 – Aboriginal children aged 5-14 years of Port Hedland “Two Mile Camp,” singing children’s dancing songs accompanied by their own orchestra (tins, sticks, etc). Didjeridoo player: Tony Aleck, 14 years old.
10724AD/119 Digital Stack ICIP	1959	Vinyl record hand-cut by John Hutchinson – recorded 1959. Track 2 – Group: not identified. (not described on vinyl label)
10724AD/120 Digital Stack ICIP	1959	Vinyl record hand-cut by John Hutchinson – recorded 1959. Track 1 – Aboriginal people of La Grange singing corroboree music. Soloist: Gordon McKay of Port Hedland “One Mile Camp” singing and describing a story about the first motor truck replacing the camel wagons to cart wool between Roebourne and Madga <sup>2</sup> Downs. (Description from photocopied vinyl label may not match content)
10724AD/121 Digital Stack ICIP	1959	Vinyl record hand-cut by John Hutchinson – recorded 1959. Track 2 – Aboriginal people of Port Hedland “One Mile Camp” singing ballads. (Description from photocopied vinyl label may not match content)
10724AD/122 Digital Stack ICIP	1959	Vinyl record hand-cut by John Hutchinson – recorded 1959. Digitised as a single track: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. St[...] Corroboree, Pardoo, Port Hedland. Describes [n...]</li> <li>2. Pardoo Aboriginals singing about Japanese bombing of Broome, [...]</li> <li>3. Old song f[...] Anna Paise<sup>2</sup> [...]</li> <li>4. Port Hedland “Two Mile” Camp children with their own orchestra (sticks, tins, bottles etc). A dance.</li> <li>5. Roebourne Aboriginals coffins corroboree. Describes N[...] S[...]</li> </ol> (Description from photocopied vinyl label may not match content)
		<b>CORRESPONDENCE</b>
2201A/1	11 January 1960	To his mother from Gascoyne Research Station, Carnarvon
2201A/2	18 August 1968	To his mother from Forrest River Mission
6281A/1		Undated correspondence relating to his trip to England
6281A/2	1959	Correspondence to his mother from Carnarvon and the Kimberley
6281A/3	1960	Correspondence to his mother from Carnarvon and the Kimberley
6281A/4	1961	Correspondence from Carnarvon
6281A/5	1962	Letter to John from E.G. Evans
6281A/6	1963	Letters to John and his mother

6281A/7	1964	Letters from John during his trip to Europe to his family
6281A/8	1965	Letters to his family from the Kimberley and a trip to Europe then Tasmania
6281A/9	1966	Letters to his mother from the Kimberley
6281A/10	1967	Letters to his mother and his brother Max from Carnarvon
6281A/11	1968	Letters to his mother and brother Max from the Kimberley
6281A/12	1969	Letters to his mother and brother Max from the Kimberley
6281A/13	10 March 1970	Letter to his mother from Carnarvon
6281A/14	1971	Letters to his mother and father from Carnarvon
6281A/15	20 June 1972	Letter to his mother from Carnarvon
6281A/16	9 January 1977	Letter to John from 'Lexie'
6281A/17	20 November 1987	Letter to John from M.J. Howard
10724A/1-11	1960 - 1963	Letters to his mother, incomplete
10724A/12	12 July 1959	Letter to his mother from Carnarvon
10724A/13	23 September 1959	Letter to brother Max from Carnarvon
10724A/14	31 October 1959	Letter to his mother from Carnarvon
10724A/15	10 December 1959	Letter to Norm and Pauline from Carnarvon
10724A/16	8 February 1960	Letter to Norm from Carnarvon
10724A/17	8 February 1960	Letter to brother Max from Carnarvon
10724A/18	7 April 1960	Letter to Norm from Carnarvon
10724A/19	30 June 1960	Letter to his mother from Port Hedland
10724A/20	19 August 1960	Letter to Norm from Lenricker <sup>?</sup> Outcamp (N.T., W.A. border)
10724A/21	15 April 1961	Letter to Mrs. Byford from Carnarvon
10724A/22	2 June 1961	Letter to Norm from Carnarvon
10724A/23	31 July 1961	Letter to Norm from Carnarvon
10724A/24	14 August 1961	Letter to Norm and Pauline from Carnarvon, receipt attached
10724A/25	20 September 1961	Letter to his mother from Carnarvon
10724A/26	28 September 1961	Letter to brother Max from Carnarvon
10724A/27	5 December 1961	Letter to his mother from Carnarvon
10724A/28	6 February 1962	Letter to Norm from Carnarvon, receipt attached
10724A/29	24 February 1962	Letter to Norm from Carnarvon
10724A/30	12 March 1962 <sup>?</sup>	Letter to Norm from Carnarvon
10724A/31	8 June 1962	Letter to his mother from Wyndham
10724A/32	22 August 1962	Letter to Norm from Derby
10724A/33	16 August 1963	Letter to Norm and Pauline from Carnarvon
10724A/34	27 September 1963	Letter to Norm from Carnarvon
10724A/35	17 October 1963	Letter to Norm from Carnarvon
10724A/36	6 September 1965	Letter to Norm from Carnarvon
10724A/37	28 November 1965	Letter to Pauline and Norman from Paul and Roslyn
10724A/38	24 May 1966	Letter to Norm from Wyndham
10724A/39	3 April 1967	Letter to Norm from Carnarvon
10724A/40	7 June 1967	Letter to Norm from Wyndham
10724A/41	25 April 1968	Letter to Norm from Derby
10724A/42	23 August 1968	Letter to Norm from Kununurra
10724A/43	18 September 1968	Letter to his mother from Kununurra
10724A/44	8 October 1968	Letter to Norm from Roebourne
10724A/45	28 October 1968	Letter to Norm from Carnarvon
10724A/46	29 December 1968	Letter to his mother from Whim <sup>?</sup> Creek
10724A/47	8 July 1969	Letter to brother Max and Joan from Exmouth
10724A/48	8 July 1969	Letter to brother Max from Exmouth
10724A/49	30 July 1969	Letter to his mother from Wittenoom
10724A/50	5 June 1970	Letter to Norm from Carnarvon
10724A/51	9 July 1970	Letter to Norm from Derby

10724A/52	19 August 1970	Letter to his mother from Marble Bar
10724A/53	3 November 1970	Letter to Norm from Carnarvon
10724A/54	1 December 1970	Letter to Norm from Carnarvon
10724A/55	28 August 1971	Letter to Norm from Exmouth
10724A/56	13 October 1971	Letter to Norm from Carnarvon
10724A/57	14 October 1971	Letter to Norm from Carnarvon
10724A/58	6 December 1971	Letter to John from J.X. Thomas
10724A/59	5 January 1972	Letter to Norm from Carnarvon
10724A/60	6 January 1972	Letter to Norm from Carnarvon
10724A/61	17 July 1972	Letter to Norm from Carnarvon
10724A/62	11 September 1972	Letter to his father from Carnarvon
10724A/63	16 November 1972	Letter to Norm from Carnarvon
10724A/64	17 November 1972	Letter to Norm from Carnarvon
10724A/65	6 July 1984	Letter to Margaret from Bill Jones <sup>2</sup> in Stafford
10724A/66	30 July 1984	Letter to John from Norm in Kalbarri
10724A/67	10 August 1984	Letter to Norm from Balingup
10724A/68	15 August 1984	Letter to John from Norm in Kalbarri, with notes for BBC radio programme attached
		<b>CORRESPONDENCE - Photostat copies</b>
10724A/69	11 August 1959	Letter to his mother from Carnarvon
10724A/70	5 October 1960	Letter to Bob from Derby
10724A/71	16 March 1962	Letter to Norm from Carnarvon
10724A/72	1 June 1965	Letter to Bob from Wyndham
10724A/73	7 December 1964	Letter to Bob from Carnarvon
10724A/74	1 July 1975	Letter to Dr F. H. Bauer with enclosures
10724A/75	9 August 1965	Letter to Bob from Carnarvon
10724A/76	10 May 1966	Letter to Bob from Wyndham
10724A/77	12 November 1967	Letter to Bob from Carnarvon
10724A/78	25 December 1968	Letter to Bob
10724A/79	23 April 1969	Letter to Bob from Derby
10724A/80	14 June 2015	Letter from Anne Yardley, Oral Historian
		<b>DIARIES</b>
10724A/81		List of diary headings
10724A/82		Typed diary 'September Holiday Trip North'
		<b>FILES</b>
10724A/83		Photocopies of covers of recordings produced by the BBC and Cornell Laboratory of Ornithology. Photocopies of reels and letters and hand-cut vinyl with some notations. Not all notations match up with the audio recordings digitised by the donor.
6281A/18		<b>LISTS</b>
		Lists of things to see and to buy
6281A/19		<b>NEWSPAPER CUTTINGS</b>
		Newspaper cuttings concerning John Hutchinson
6281A/20		<b>NOTES</b>
6281A/21		Handwritten notes on subjects in the publication of "Save that Song" with black and white bird photographs
		Handwritten notes for typing on subjects of interest to John Hutchinson

10724A/123		Handwritten notes and ideas for the publication "Save that Song"
10724A/124		Details on urea bags at Exmouth
10724A/125		Colour photocopy of family photo taken January 1964
		<b>POSTERS</b>
6281A/22		Posters of coloured photographs for inclusion in book "Save that Song" (3 sheets)
		<b>PROOFS</b>
6281A/23 OSM		Last Proof mocked up as a book with hard cover
6281A/24 OSM		Printers Proof A3 size typed with black and white photographs for book "Save that Song"
6281A/25		Printers Proof A3 size typed, no photographs; 2 copies each with different notations
6281A/26		<b>RECEIPTS</b>
6281A/27	18 August 1964	Membership of Scottish YHA
	27 October 1965	Entry into an Indian National Park
6281A/28		<b>REPORTS</b>
	1934	Wyalkatchem State School Annual Report for John Hutchinson [Infants and Firsts]
6281A/29		<b>SCRIPTS</b>
6281A/30		Original Script of Chapters for book "Save that Song"
		Script of Book "Save that Song" with notations

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