

Fort (Admiral's) Point fonds. 6cm Textual records

Administrative History

Fort Point, also known as Admiral's Point, is a point of land situated on the western shore to the entrance of Trinity Harbour. In 1746 it was fortified with three batteries mounting 18 guns, a store house, a powder magazine, barracks for 224 soldiers and a pavilion for 9 officers, all surrounded by parapets and palisades. Today the site has been restored with a walking trail and Interpretation Centre, which tells the history of the Military and Lighthouse keepers.

Custodial history

Scope and content

The records consist of Light Keeper's and Engine Room diaries; fog signal operating reports; Light Keepers Handbook; statement of oil at the Light House; inventory list, correspondence and supplies.

Series 1: Light Keeper's Diary 1967-1968

This diary includes information such as, the date, time of extinguishing, time of lighting, weather conditions and the initials of the Light Keeper that day. In these diaries we find R.C. (Robert Clarke) or T.S. (Thomas Spurrell).

Series 2: Engine Room Diary 1971-1973

This diary includes information such as, the duration (in minutes/seconds) that the fog horn and generators are in use each day.

Series 3: Fog Signal Operating Report 1968-1971

This diary includes information on when the thick weather set in, when the weather cleared, duration of thick weather, when the alarm was started and when the alarm was stopped.

- 3.01 Fog Signal Operating Report November 1968 – July 1969
- 3.02 Fog Signal Operating Report October 1970 – May 1971

Series 4: Light Keeper's Handbook

A handbook for lighthouse keeper's that covers the following sections: administration, communication, emergencies, personal conduct, public relations, records, reports and other correspondence, safety, operational maintenance (mechanical, electrical, miscellaneous and semi-automation).

Series 5: Statements of Oils at Station

Lists of various oils on hand at the station, how much of each oil and how much was used during the month.

5.01 Statements of Oils at Station

Series 6: Time sheets 1969

This series contains three sheets, that record time of extinguishing and lighting the light and weather conditions.

Series 7: Plant and Equipment Inventory

This series contains receipts of inventory as well as an inventory list. The inventory includes everything from scissors, dust pans, lanterns, tools, generators and fire extinguishers.

7.01 Plant receipts

7.02 Inventory List

Series 8: Standard Marine Distress Signals

This series includes a letter and a distress signals sign/poster that light keeper's should know.

8.01 Standard Marine Distress Signals Letter

8.02 Standard Marine Distress Signals Poster

Series 9: Annual Supplies

A list of annual supplies sent to the light house in Trinity, the year is unknown.

Series 10: Correspondence

Includes a letter from Nora Jane Rowe inquiring about the 'Rowe' families who were Light Keeper's at Fort Point.

Location