

Children's Pool, RG005.04

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Descriptive Summary

Title: Children's Pool, RG005.04

Dates: 1930 - Present

Collection Number: RG005.04

Creator/Collector: La Jolla Historical Society

Extent: .5 linear feet

Repository: La Jolla Historical Society, La Jolla, California 92037

Abstract: The Children's Pool Collection is made up of photographs and archival material collected by the La Jolla Historical Society since the 1930s to use for historical research and reference. The Collection contains information on the Children's Pool in La Jolla, a gift of Ellen Browning Scripps. Miss Scripps desired to make a pool for the children where they could play in the ocean and remain safe. She decided to build a breakwater in the little cove near the Casa de Manaña, utilizing rocks already near the shore for that purpose. Opening day was on May 31st, 1931 when the Pool was presented to the City of San Diego in Miss Scripps name. Topics in this Collection pertain to the history and heritage of La Jolla, California; its people, places and events. A container list is included on the PDF and HTML versions.

Language of Material: English

Access: The Collection is open for research

Publication Rights: The La Jolla Historical Society holds the copyright to any unpublished materials

Preferred Citation: Courtesy of the La Jolla Historical Society

Acquisition Information: RG005.04

Biography/Administrative History: The La Jolla Historical Society inspires and empowers the community to make La Jolla's diverse past a relevant part of contemporary life.

The La Jolla Historical Society's Collections encompass over 80 years of actively collecting archival material, books, maps, scrapbooks, ephemera, fine art, newspapers, street and land use files, business and personal documents and historic and archaeological artifacts. The Society boasts over 20,000 photographs, over 1000 postcards, 400-plus architectural drawings and approximately 200 oral history recordings.

Collecting was initiated by Howard Randolph and volunteers on the historical committee of the Library Association of La Jolla. The Collection began by gathering photographs and documentation in the late 1930s, which later became the nucleus of the La Jolla Historical Society's Collections. The Society was created in 1963.

Through many moves in location the Society continued collecting and expanding. Accumulated Collections took on its current construct in 2010 after the renovation of the La Jolla Historical Society's campus of structures in central La Jolla, which consists of the 1904 Wisteria Cottage and 1940s Balmer Annex used for exhibits and programming, and a 1909 cottage used for business and research offices. The late Ellen Browning Scripps' 1916 automobile garage was also renovated and now houses the Collection in a modern collections storage facility. Materials are housed in archival boxes, sleeves, envelopes and other archival-safe materials and are cared for according to standards and best practices of the

museum profession. In 2016, the Society initiated new PastPerfect Museum Software to manage and catalog its Collections and in 2018 started using the Online Archive of California to upload searchable information from its Collections to enable improved public access. The Society will continue these processes and look forward to utilizing new opportunities to collect, preserve and share the history of La Jolla.

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RG005 – Subject Files (Large) Collection Box 04 – Children’s Pool

Not contained in folders

Book. Doctoral thesis by Martha Patricia Argomedo Manrique (written in Spanish). “Antropología y Naturaleza” (Anthropology and Nature). An analysis of the Children’s Pool conflict through an anthropological lens. 2012.

Large booklet. Environmental Impact Report. “La Jolla Children’s Pool.” Regarding plans to dredge sand from Children’s Pool to South Casa beach. *The City of San Diego Development Services Department*. Drafted March 23, 2009.

Thin booklet. “Preliminary Plan for the La Jolla Coastline.” *The La Jolla Coastline Community Workshop*. March 1989.

Newspaper Articles – Seals

Newspaper article. “Rare visit from sea lion.” *La Jolla Light*. July 10, 1980.

Newspaper article. “Swimmers, Seals Are Both Vying for a Piece of the Rock in La Jolla.” *Los Angeles Times*. “August 24, 1992.”

Newspaper article. “Seals’ presence irks beachgoers.” *La Jolla Light*. “May 15, 1997.”

Newspaper cartoon. Depicts a sea lion ahead of a man standing in line to use the “Children’s Pool Lavatory.” *La Jolla Light*. October 9, 1997.

Newspaper article. “Tests seal mystery’s end.” *La Jolla Light*. “February 5, 1998.”

Newspaper article. “Council hears possible solutions for seals’ pool pollution.” *La Jolla Village News*. “February 19, 1998”

Newspaper article. “Council committee to dig out Children’s Pool sand.” *La Jolla Village News*. “May 14, 1998.”

Newspaper article. “A case of pollution: seal in or seal off the Children’s Pool.” *La Jolla Village News*. “July 9, 1998.”

Newspaper article. “Forum to explore seal deal at Children’s Pool.” *La Jolla Light*. “July 19, 1998.”

Newspaper article. “Children’s Pool options meeting set.” *La Jolla Village News*. “July 16, 1998.”

Newspaper article. “Seal beach meeting expands format.” *La Jolla Light*. “July 23, 1998.”

Newspaper article. “Children’s Pool meeting tonight.” *La Jolla Village News*. “July 23, 1998.”

Newspaper article. “Seals reign at beach until spring.” *La Jolla Light*. “July 30, 1998.”

Newspaper article. "The future of Children's Pool: Citizens favor coexistence." *La Jolla Village News*. July 30, 1998.

Newspaper article. "Town Council votes to support city's seal action." *La Jolla Light*. "August 20, 1998."

Newspaper article. "Seal with a List." *La Jolla Light*. February 4, 1999.

Newspaper article. "Seal forum slated." *La Jolla Light*. "February 11, 1999."

Newspaper article. "Children's Pool report draws little feedback." *La Jolla Light*. "February 25, 1999."

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Newspaper article. "City says seals and sand stay." *La Jolla Village News*. "April 1, 1999."

Newspaper article. "Protest planned at Children's Pool." *La Jolla Light*. "March 18, 1999."

Newspaper article. "Council buries seal sand plan." *La Jolla Village News*. March 25, 1999.

Newspaper article. "Council deadlocked on dredging plan for Children's Pool." *La Jolla Light*. March 25, 1999.

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Newspaper article. "Volunteers consider formation of seal 'docent' program." *La Jolla Light*. "April 8, 1999."

Newspaper article. "City seals off Children's Pool." *La Jolla Village News*. "April 8, 1999."

Newspaper article. "Coastal Commission Oks seal reserve." *La Jolla Light*. November 25, 1993.

Newspaper article. "Council OKs reserve for seals off La Jolla." *San Diego Union-Tribune*. "February 2, 1993."

Newspaper article. "Group seeks pinniped pals." *La Jolla Village News*. "May 6, 1999."

Newspaper article. "Decision looms on Seal Rock Reserve." *La Jolla Village News*. "August 5, 1999."

Newspaper article. "Where have all the harbor seals gone?" *La Jolla Village News*. "September 2, 1999."

Photographs with captions. "Children's Pool situation heats up." *La Jolla Light*. September 9, 1999.

Newspaper article. "Vargas holding out hope for Children's Pool future." *La Jolla Light*. "October 7, 1999."

Newspaper article. "Activists bark as seal released in kelp bed off LJ." *La Jolla Village News*. May 24, 2000.

Newspaper article. "Seals now on view via Web site." *La Jolla Village News*. "August 30, 2000."

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Newspaper article. "Seal pups popping out at Pool." *La Jolla Village News*. March 14, 2001.

Newspaper article. "What every swimmer should know before taking the plunge." *La Jolla Light*. September 26, 2002.

Photograph with caption. Excerpt: "The first harbor seal pup of 2003 at the Children's Pool suns next to mom Jan 27." *La Jolla Village News*. "January 29, 2003."

Survey. "Q: Do you think the seals should be removed from the Children's Pool?" February 20, 2003.

Newspaper article. "Drawing battle lines in the sand over seals." *San Diego Union-Tribune*. "February 24, 2003."

Newspaper article. "Seal refuge sinks at meeting." *La Jolla Village News*. "February 26, 2003."

Newspaper article. "Committee: Seals must go." *La Jolla Light*. February 27, 2003.

Newspaper article. "Swimmers, seals may share." *La Jolla Village News*. "March 19, 2003."

Newspaper article. "A town divided: Seal debate rages again." *La Jolla Light*. March 20, 2003.

Newspaper article. "Council dives back into Seal Reserve discussion." *La Jolla Village News*. March 26, 2003

Newspaper article. "Swimmers, seals clash at Children's Pool beach." *La Jolla Light*. March 27, 2003.

Newspaper article. "City Council orders study of Pool cohabitation." *La Jolla Light*. April 3, 2003.

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Newspaper article. "Swimmer files suit against city over seals." *La Jolla Light*. March 25, 2004.

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Newspaper article. "NMFS wants rope for pup season." *La Jolla Village News*. November 25, 2004.

Newspaper article. "Seal scuffle stuns beach-goer." *La Jolla Village News*. "January 16, 2007."

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Newspaper article. "Visitors see evidence of seal pup births at Children's Pool." *La Jolla Village News*.

Newspaper article. "Children's Pool still sealed off." *La Jolla Village News*. October 9.

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Letter to the editor. "Seal supporters' couch potato mindset." *La Jolla Village News*.

Letter to the editor. "LJ's seal beach has global consequences." *La Jolla Light*. March 18, 1999.

Letter to the editor. "Was Pollution article anti-seal." June 6, 2002.

Letter to the editor. "To preserve is to serve." *La Jolla Light*. "July 18, 2002."

Letter to the editor. "Taking back our beach." *La Jolla Light*. "January 23, 2003."

Letter to the editor. "Beach belongs to all." *La Jolla Light*. "January 30, 2003."

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Letter to the editor. "The pool is ours." *La Jolla Light*. February 6, 2003.

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Newspaper article (editorial). "Battle cry in council chambers: The seals must go." *La Jolla Light*. February 13, 2003.

Letter to the editor. "Respecting the purpose of gift." *La Jolla Light*. February 13, 2003.

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Letter to the editor. "Nostalgia's winning – and that's sad." *La Jolla Village News*. March 5, 2003.

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Letter to the editor. "Should Pool be Sea World North?" *La Jolla Light*. "March 20, 2003."

Letter to the editor. "We cherish our seal colony." *La Jolla Light*. "March 20, 2003."

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Letter to the editor. "Here's to civilized discourse." *La Jolla Light*. "March 27, 2003."

Letter to the editor. "Do only humans have God-given rights?" *La Jolla Village News*. "April 2, 2003."

Poem. "Children's Beach" by Scotty Irie. *La Jolla Light*. "April 2, 2003."

Newspaper article (editorial). "Let's focus on the bigger picture: Let sleeping seals lie." *La Jolla Light*. April 3, 2003.

Letter to the editor. "Harmless protest ended badly." *La Jolla Light*. "April 3, 2003."

Letter to the editor. "Take your corners." *La Jolla Village News*. "April 9, 2003."

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Letter to the editor. "Council decision was courageous." *La Jolla Village News*. "April 9, 2003."

Letter to the editor. "They should have known better." *La Jolla Village News*. "April 9, 2003."

Letter to the editor. "Seal Rock Reserve vanished into sunset." *La Jolla Village News*. "April 16, 2003."

Letter to the editor. "Shark attack and health risks at Children's Pool." *La Jolla Village News*. "June 11, 2003."

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Newspaper article (editorial). "Clearer heads must prevail at Children's Pool." *La Jolla Light*. April 27, 2006.

Short biography of Ellen Scripps and her contributions.

Letter to the editor. "Barking about seals." *La Jolla Village News*. "Jan 22."

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Newspaper article. "Children's Pool ramp eroding; harming beach." *La Jolla Light*. "September 1, 1988."

Newspaper article. "Little Ellen Scripps Would Want It So." *San Diego Tribune*. "October 16, 1963."

Newspaper article. "City Rededicates Pool In Ellen Scripps' Honor." *San Diego Union* "October 14, 1967."

Newspaper article. "Once upon a time there was a pool." *La Jolla Light*. "February 7, 1980."

Newspaper article. "Children's Pool wall will get repair job." "May 29, 1980."

Newspaper article. "Children's Pool seawall gets yet another set of railings." *The Daily Transcript*. "December 22, 1983."

Newspaper article. "Funds for improvements to Children's Pool OK'd." *The Daily Transcript*. "February 9, 1984."

Newspaper article. "A study in wisdom, and white." *San Diego Union*. "May 21, 1984."

Newspaper article. "Women are components in live art." *San Diego Tribune*. October 24, 1983.

Newspaper article. "Performance lives at La Jolla's Cove." *Los Angeles Times*. May 22, 1984.

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Newspaper article. "From image to art form." *San Diego Union*. March 25, 1984.

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Newspaper article. "'Whisper' resounds through La Jolla in audible tribute to art and aging." *La Jolla Light*. May 17, 1984.

Newspaper article. "Children's Pool may be closed until year's end." *La Jolla Village News*. "October 30, 1997."

Newspaper article. "Surf is up, so are bacteria levels." *La Jolla Village News*. "December 3, 1998."

Newspaper article. "Children's Pool Report Ready for Public Review." *La Jolla Light*. January 28, 1999.

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Newspaper article. "Support gathers for pool facelift." *La Jolla Light*. "1984."

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Correspondence. From Ida P. Seltzer to La Jolla City Council. Complaint regarding "negroes" swimming with "whites". "July 9th, 1936."

Collection of images and accompanying letter. Depict Catherine James and Nancy Starrett along with many children they instructed as part of a beach class they organized in the summer of 1947.

Act of California State Legislature (excerpts). Grants the city of San Diego the Children's Pool as well as surrounding land and water under certain conditions. Passed June 15, 1931. Effective August 14, 1931.

Correspondence (2 letters). Between Hiram N. Savage and Captain W.C. Crandall. Regarding the buildup of sand along the breakwater and

possible reopening of sluiceways. Dated April 7, 1932 and April 20, 1932, respectively.

Packet. Documents the history of Children's Pool and argues for the Pool to be open to humans.

Academic paper. "Until Kingdom Come' The Design and Construction of La Jolla's Children's Pool." *The Journal of San Diego History*.

Invitation. From the Mayor for the ceremony for the rededication of Ellen Browning Scripps' Children's Pool. October 12, 1967.

Correspondence. From Deputy Mayor of San Diego Mike Gotch to La Jolla Town Council. Regarding the allocation of \$15,000 for improvements to the Children's Pool, among other topics.

News release. From Deputy Mayor of San Diego Mike Gotch. Regarding the allocation of \$15,000 for improvements to the Children's Pool.

Correspondence. From marine biologist Doug Gibson, to Hany Elwany. Subject: "Beach Profile and Biological Survey at La Jolla Children's Pool."

Magazine article. "A Beach for Both Seals and People?" *National Geographic*. June 1999.

Newsletter and flyers. Published by La Jolla Friends of the Seals. Newsletter from October 1999.

Photo with caption. Excerpt: "Construction has begun on the La Jolla Cove Wall Replacement and Bluff Improvement Project..." *La Jolla Village News*. April 1, 2004.

Excerpt from book. "La Jolla - A Celebration of the Past" (pg. 20). Chronology of sand buildup and sluices at Children's Pool.

Land Use

Report and correspondence. Entail the planning for the construction of the breakwater at Children's Pool. Report: March 1931.

Correspondence: September 1930.

Correspondence. From J.C Harger to J.B. Pendleton. Regarding the jurisdiction over the breakwater. July 11, 1930.

Report. "Investigation of Children's Pool, La Jolla, California." Subject: "Phase I, Feasibility of Reopening Sluiceways." *Land Development Review Division of City of San Diego*. April 29, 1998.

Report. "La Jolla Children's Pool Beach Management and Water Quality Improvement Project." *Scripps Institution of Oceanography*. August 27, 1998.

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Correspondence. From Don J. Riley, on behalf of the Seal Guardian Society of La Jolla, to Lawrence C. Monserrate, Environmental Review Manager for the City of San Diego. RE: "Public Notice of Proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration Review and Public Comments." February 18, 1999.

Report. "Public Notice of a Draft Mitigated Negative Declaration." Regarding using hoses or using bioacoustics to remove seals from beach. *Land Development Review Division of City of San Diego*. October 20, 2009.

Report. "Mitigated Negative Declaration: Children's Pool Dredging." *Land Development Review Division of City of San Diego*.

CD. "Negative Declaration No. 225045: Children's Pool Closure."

Photographs (copies)

Photograph with caption. Excerpt: "Construction crews began work last week recapping and adding new railing to the Children's Pool seawall." "September 10, 1981."

Photograph with caption. Excerpt: "Workers apply epoxy by hand on the Children's Pool seawall in preparation for laying a new cement cap." "September 24, 1981."

Photograph with caption. Excerpt: "Kevin Wheeler, 9, left and his brother Martin, 13, brace themselves against the sea wall at the Children's Pool in La Jolla as a huge wave crashes against it." November 13, 1981.

Photograph with caption. Excerpt: "This couple seems too engaged to notice a 10-foot wave Tuesday crashing over the seawall at the Children's Pool." "January 24, 1985."

Photograph with caption. Depicts the newly completed breakwater from further up the coast. March 28, 1930.

Photograph with caption: "Timber cribs, trestle, pile driver drilling hole with 32-inch casing." October 22, 1930.

Photograph with caption: "Rotary drill at outer end of reef." October 22, 1930.

Photograph with caption: "Jet pump belted to Climax 125 H.P. engine, top of false work and Hercules 50 H.P. engine being moved to false work." October 22, 1930.

Photograph with caption: "West crib, false work, pumps and concrete mixer at shore end of breakwater." November 19, 1930.

Photograph with caption: "28-inch bit used for drilling cutoff trench." October 15, 1930.

Photograph with caption: "Portion of cutoff trench from opposite 2+30 outward before unwatering. Note man using pneumatic spade to cut pilot trench in advance of drilling." November 19, 1930.

Photograph with caption: "Pile driver rigged as derrick with clamshell bucket excavating for foundation within coffer dam. Note the 32-inch casing on the false work to the right." October 31, 1930.

Photograph with caption: "Breakwater – showing outside slope and curves. Gate recesses over sluiceways in wall are in the foreground." January 21, 1931.

Photograph with caption: "Contraction joint at outer end of section 1 (Station 1+58.0). Note rails in place and horizontal step in first pour of section 2." November 26 1930.

Photograph with caption: "Seas breaking against breakwater. Second section from outer end has concrete only three weeks old – no damage." January 17, 1931.

Photograph with caption: "A bird's eye view, hitherto only seen by airplane travelers or sea gulls, shows the famous Casa children's pool, built by La Jolla benefactress Miss Ellen Browning Scripps. *La Jolla Light*. "June 24, 1965."

Photograph. Depicts Children's Pool from the end of the breakwater. June 15, 1931.

Photographs

Photograph. Depicts the breakwater and the beach from Coast Blvd. "May 13, 1931."

Photograph. Depicts a couple dozen people on the beach. A couple with a baby can be seen in the foreground.

Photograph. Depicts a massive wave breaking on the breakwater. The railing has been knocked into the water.

Photograph. Caption: "Dedication of the Children's Pool given by Miss Ellen Scripps, on May 13, 1931."

Photograph. Depicts the beach and stairway from the distal end of the breakwater. June 15, 1931.

Photograph. Depicts a view of the Children's Pool from Coast Blvd. "1931."

Photograph. Depicts a view from the proximal end of the breakwater facing northeast, towards Shell Beach and Scripps Park.

Photograph. Depicts a sign inscribed with the following: "Please do not go on the beach! Please watch seals from the sea wall or sidewalk. Going on the beach can scare and stress seals. Your choice matters!"

Photograph. Depicts around a dozen people at the distal end of the breakwater all looking out towards the ocean.

Photograph. Depicts a massive wave breaking on the breakwater in white waters. Taken from Coast Blvd.

Photograph. Depicts a massive wave breaking on the breakwater, this time much closer. The wave nearly obscures the breakwater.

Photograph. Depicts a large wave breaking along the cliffs west of the South Casa Beach.

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Photograph (aerial). Depicts the Children's Pool and the Casa de Mañana from the west.

Photograph. Depicts a large wave breaking on the breakwater, which is lacking railing. Large pillars can also be seen along the breakwater, presumably from construction.

Photograph. Depicts a large wave breaking along the distal end of the breakwater.

Photograph. Depicts the beach and the breakwater from Coast Blvd. March 5, 1938.

Photograph. Depicts an incredibly large wave breaking and towering over the breakwater.

Photograph. Depicts a western view of the shoreline from the beach prior to construction of the breakwater. The Colonial Hotel and the Cabrillo Hotel can be seen.

Photograph. Depicts a crowd in front of the Casa de Mañana listening to a man speaking into a microphone, presumably for the dedication of the breakwater. The speaker and others seated in chairs can be seen in the foreground. May 31, 1931.

Photograph (panoramic). Depicts a large crowd gathered in front of the Casa de Mañana, presumably for the dedication of the breakwater. Several young boys in uniform, around a dozen men, and a megaphone can be seen in the foreground.

Photograph. Depicts Seal Rock, many pelicans and sea gulls perched upon it. March 5, 1938.

Photograph. Depicts the beach, Shell Beach, and the distal end of the breakwater from the stairway to the beach.

Photograph. Depicts a massive wave breaking on the breakwater. The railing can be seen bent into the white water. "1983."

Photograph. Depicts the western shoreline from the beach. Some tents and many early cottages can be seen.

Photograph. Depicts a small crowd gathered on the beach facing a colony of seals on the beach. "January 1995."

Photograph. Depicts a crowd of people looking out at the breakwater from the area by the lifeguard station. A man with a film camera can be seen in the foreground. "*La Jolla Light*." "January 8, 1987."

Photograph. Depicts five men out on the breakwater. White waters and large waves are seen just beyond them. "December 1982."

Photograph. Depicts the beach and the breakwater from the base of the breakwater. Two people and a trashcan can be seen in the foreground. "*La Jolla Light*." "February 9, 1984."

Photograph. Depicts bent railings on the breakwater. "*La Jolla Light*."

Photograph. Depicts the new railing along the breakwater. Two sea gulls can be seen perched on it. "*La Jolla Light*." "December 22, 1983."

Photograph. Depicts the breakwater and beach from Coast Blvd. A few seals can be seen on the rocks along the breakwater. "May 1982."

Photograph. Depicts a large crowd gathered in front of the Casa de Mañana at the dedication of the breakwater. Taken south of the Casa. May 31, 1931.

Photograph. Depicts a small crowd gathered at the stairway down to the beach for rededication of Children's Pool. October 18, 1962.

Photograph. Family of four in the water at the Children's Pool with innertube. Parents: Hubert and Nettie Coles. Children: Annette (Henry) and Florence (Helubergen?). c1945-1946.