

## INTERVIEW LOG SHEET

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An interview with Elizabeth Michelmore by Bernard O’Neil on 16 December 2004 in regards to the history of the South Australian Department of Agriculture.

Time	Subject	Proper names
<b>Tape 1, Side A</b>		
0:25	Born, Murray Bridge; home on a block; early contact with Department of Agriculture; death of brother; marriage	Murray Bridge; brother, Peter; Roseworthy College; Andrew Michelmore; sister, Sally; brother, John; Air Force
3:55	Family history – arrival in Australia, goldfields, orchard, State Heritage house, refrigerating apple exports	Thomas Pugh; Sydney; Sierra Leone; Norwood Town Hall; Adelaide Hills; Balhannah; England
6:15	Personal interest in botany and farms; opening up the 90-Mile Desert; husband’s role as Agricultural Adviser	Keith; Andrew Michelmore; AMP; Paul Heap
8:30	Life in 90-Mile Desert; nature of AMP settlers; ‘assistant’ Agricultural Adviser; established farming families; soldier settlements; house improvements; home office; move to Naracoorte; birth of twins; community spirit	Tailem Bend; Murray Bridge; Andrew Michelmore; AMP; Keith; Naracoorte; [Tom] Playford
17:40	Husband’s work – in the Department, Army and Air Force service; agronomy vs vet work	Andrew Michelmore; Roseworthy College; Minnipa; Streaky Bay; Keith; brother, Peter; Naracoorte; Heap
21:10	Husband’s work for the Development Bank; re-joining the Department in 1962; women’s role in country town	Keith; Andrew Michelmore; Development Bank; Adelaide; Netherby; Minnipa; CWA
23:25	Worked in London; teaching career	Murray Bridge; London; England
24:20	Country town life – Women’s Agricultural Bureau, the Department as a hub, Minnipa Research Centre; asbestos housing and conditions, community and school work, sense of community; International Women’s Day prize; father’s work as District Clerk; returned servicemen; parents’ community involvement; prizes at the Adelaide Show	Women’s Agriculture Bureau; CWA; Minnipa; Tony Whitehill; Botanic Gardens; West Coast; Andrew Michelmore; Adelaide; Netherby; Keith; Murray Bridge; sister, Mrs Smith; father; Murray Bridge; Adelaide Show
<b>Tape 1, Side B</b>		
0:05	Role as ‘assistant’ Agricultural Advisor	Keith; Minnipa; Nuriootpa; Andrew Michelmore;
3:20	Use of vehicles; husband and domestic chores; children on field trips; helping husband on fieldwork	Minnipa; Andrew Michelmore; Keith; Adelaide; Barossa
8:40	Role as ‘assistant’ Agricultural Advisor	Andrew Michelmore; Nuriootpa; Keith; Minnipa
11:05	Women in agriculture	AMP; Keith; Andrew Michelmore; Barossa
13:45	Moves around the State; government and own housing; husband’s type of work	Minnipa; Nuriootpa; Streaky Bay; Andrew Michelmore; Tanunda; 90-Mile Desert
18:45	Report writing	
19:45	Type of work; husband’s farming background; Viticultural Centre; salary	Keith; West Coast; Nuriootpa; Strathalbyn; Andrew Michelmore
23:50	Staff relations; report writing; weed chart design	Andrew Michelmore; Adelaide; Western Australia
28:45	University degrees versus Roseworthy diplomas; employment preference to females; son’s work	Michael Michelmore; Roseworthy; New Guinea; New South Wales; Port Augusta
<b>Tape 2, Side A</b>		
0:15	Teaching experiences in agriculture and wine	Barossa
1:15	Husband’s work in the Barossa; transition to consultants; radio talks; phone enquiries; Bureau meetings	Michael Michelmore; New South Wales; Nuriootpa; Andrew Michelmore; Tanunda
5:30	Bureau meetings and radio (2WV, 5CK) presentations	Keith; Minnipa; Nuriootpa; Jon Lamb; Andrew Michelmore; Ian Doyle; Port Pirie
9:10	Building house; retirement 1984; moving around the State	Nuriootpa; Tanunda; Andrew Michelmore; Adelaide

12:45	Work relationships; Roseworthy Old Scholars Association – husband President, self a life member; post-retirement interest in the work; husband lecturing at Roseworthy; relations between CSIRO, Waite and Department	Andrew Michelmore; Roseworthy Old Scholars Association; brother, Peter; son, Michael; Adelaide; Waite Institute; CSIRO; SARDI
17:45	Attending conferences, seminars and meetings	Andrew Michelmore
18:30	Husband's death; wife's interest in husband's work; work in the Herbarium; volunteer interests; roadside plantings	Adelaide; Andrew Michelmore; Coolabah Club of South Australia; Trees for Life; Highways Department; Society for Growing Australian Plants; Men of the Trees
21:45	Husband's nature; speech impediments	Andrew Michelmore; Michael Michelmore; New Guinea
25:00	Changes to Agricultural Adviser's role	Don Dunstan; Andrew Michelmore