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Adding Context to resources – the 'List' Feature in Trove

'Lists' is a new feature that enables you to collect things together in a group and add your own context. These could be resources you find in Trove or web pages not in Trove. When you create a list it can be for you only to see (private) or for other people to see (public). You can name the list whatever you like, add a description for the list and a description for each item in the list. You can order the list and add as many items as you like to the list. If you make the list public it becomes a Trove resource in its own right and will be found in search results. Other people will be able to tag, comment and rate it. You need to be registered and logged in to Trove to create or edit a list. Your username will be displayed on the list. The 'lists' feature can be used in a variety of different ways to suit your own purpose and context. Some examples are listed below.

Personal Use
*   Gather together resources on a topic. E.g. 'My name is Ned Kelly'
    http://trove.nla.gov.au/list?id=1179, Development of Railways http://trove.nla.gov.au/list?id=1122.
*   Make a list of your favourite resources. E.g. 'Rose Holley: Favourites'
    http://trove.nla.gov.au/list?id=384.
*   Put newspaper articles that mention your family history into a list, and add other items such as your own personal genealogy website to the list. E.g. 'Bruce Moses Farquhar Sloss (21 January 1889 – 4 January 1917)' http://trove.nla.gov.au/list?id=2178.
*   Make a list of your own published items that are in Trove.

Researchers/Students
*   Keep a track of useful items you find or want to get for your research, and add notes to the items. E.g Collecting teapots http://trove.nla.gov.au/list?id=1797
*   Make a booklist, bibliography, or list of items. E.g. 'INN333 assignment three reading list' http://trove.nla.gov.au/list?id=1062
*   Work collaboratively on research with people in the online environment using the lists as a tool.

Educators
*   Create a teaching resource kit. E.g. Burke and Wills http://trove.nla.gov.au/list?id=82
*   Create a topic trail for students to use for homework/in the classroom. E.g. 'Muslim Perspectives into Australian Schools' http://trove.nla.gov.au/list?id=2047
*   Add useful resources you find to a list.

Institutions
*   Showcase special items in your collection E.g. 'Ellis Rowan Flowers from the National Library of Australia' http://trove.nla.gov.au/list?id=2338
*   Use it as a theme, slideshow, or topic trail feature. E.g. 'Music Resources Theme: Love Revisited' http://trove.nla.gov.au/list?id=1666, 'Songs and Music of NSW Places' http://trove.nla.gov.au/list?id=196;
*   Create a virtual exhibition.
*   Replicate a useful reading or resource list that your institution may have on its website or hard copy.

How to Create, Edit, Find, Tag and Link to Lists

1. Creating a new list
To create a new list:

- Log in, if you have not already.
- Find the first item you want to add to the list and go to the item details page for that item.
- Click on "Add to my lists"
- Fill in the name for your new list and click "Add to list".

2. Adding items to a list
Resources can be added to a list from the item details page, which is the same page you currently use to tag or comment on an item. You can also create a new list at the same time. There is currently one exception: you cannot add archived web pages.

You can also add any web page outside Trove to a list. For example, you could create a list about interesting Indonesian architecture containing books, journal articles and photographs described on Trove and a variety of web pages on the subject. Just view the list, make sure you are logged in, and click on "Add a webpage to list".

3. Editing a list
Each list can be given a description, and you can also write a note (description) about each item in the list. Choose if you want the notes private or public. These descriptions and notes can all be edited. Also:

- You can change the order of items in a list.
- You can choose a thumbnail image to display by the list title.
- You can add and remove items from the list.
- You can change the list from private to public.
- You can delete the list.

4. Finding your lists
Your lists appear on your user profile, under the "Lists" tab. To see your user profile, login and click on your user name. Your private lists can only be seen by you.

To see everyone's lists, click on the 'lists' link at the top of any screen.

Lists will appear in the search results if the search keywords are found in a list title or description.

5. Tagging, Commenting and Rating lists
If your list is public other people (as well as yourself) will be able to add relevant tags and comments to the list. When adding a comment there is also an option to rate the list.

6. Linking to Your lists
Every list has a unique url. You can either paste the url or use the 'Link to this page' button to paste the url into a webpage or another application. The url is persistent and unique. This means it will not change (even when the list is edited) and will remain accessible so long as the creator of the list does not delete the list.