

# Log Books – South Australia Youth Remand and Assessment Centre (SAYRAC), and others

1961 – 1999

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**Records Location**

These records are part of [Records of the South Australia Youth Remand and Assessment Centre \(c. 1961 - c. 1999\)](#)

## Details

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These Log Books are archived under SAYRAC, the name for the Vaughan House from 1979, but were also kept prior to that change. They also contain information relating to a large number of government institutions operating between 1961 and 1999. A number of different types of log books make up this series including: movement, programme, routine, observation, detention, Centre Duty Officer [CDO], day book, Matron, medical, visitors, maintenance, incident and separation logs.

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## Records

The logs in this series cover the following institutions:

Vaughan House, later SAYRAC, 1963 – 1993 (includes Elizabeth Grace Hostel)

Brookway Park, later SAYRAC, 1974 – 1993, (includes Kulkami Unit)

McNally Training Centre, later SAYTC, 1973 – 1995

Lochiel Park Boys' Training Centre, 1979 – 1989

Kandarik Cottage, 1984 – 1988

Central Region Assessment Unit (Central Region Admission Unit), 1979 – 1989  
Clarence Park Assessment Unit, 1989 – 1991  
Woodville Assessment Unit, 1989 – 1991  
Southern Region Admission Unit [SRAU], 1980 – 1991  
Central Western Admission Unit [CWAU] (Western Region Admission Unit), 1981 – 1991  
Hay Community Unit, 1980 – 1989  
Enfield Community Unit, 1990 – 1999

State Records lists the types of information that can be found in the log books as including:

*Behaviour and moods of youth; Disruptions and action taken; Security checks; Physical check of dangerous materials and objects check; Maintenance needed; Youth currently in detention, length and type of order, date of release and type of offence; Detention record; Names of visitors and phone calls; Name, age and date of birth; Date and time of placement; Reasons for placement; Alternatives tried prior to placement; Authority for length of stay; Date and time of release; Signatories – Residential Worker, Senior and Supervisor; Medication details; Medical appointments; Absconding details – how, when, where and action taken; Admittance and discharges.*  
*Some of the logs in this series do not record the names of those in the Centres.*

## More info

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