

GLASS BOTTLES FOR FUNCTIONAL AND UNKNOWN PURPOSES







Above is a sticky taped pieces of a bottle with *PLANET BRAND* and the earth embossed on it. On the base is AGM. This bottle was found in the quarry dump on Attunga Point.



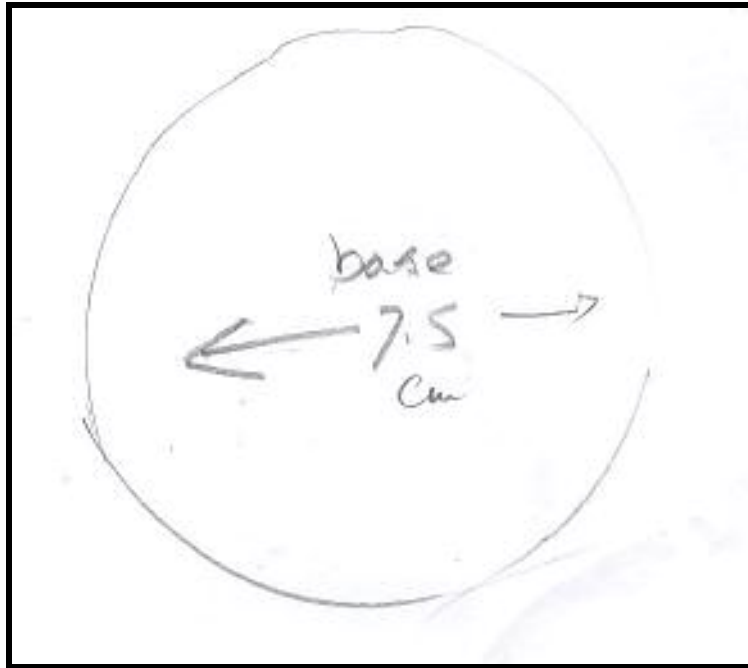
Down Memory Lane – a firm of selling collectables in Fyshwick in Canberra has an unbroken planet bottle and kindly allowed me to photograph it. Following are these photographs.



On the base is AGM – hard to read and on the heel is WC DOUGLASS LTD. What the bottle contained I do not know but would not be surprised if it was a vinegar bottle.



Above is a rubbing from the front of the planet brand bottle found in the park and below is a diagram of the base.



Following are examples of bottles found, the majority of which I am not certain of their purpose





Above are two oil bottles. The one on the left is BP and the one on the right is Esso. Both are examples from e-Bay (2005).



During a period of drought when the ground covers of grass etc were low I accidentally uncovered the above broken bottle on the site of one of Howie's cottages. On the base is ZGBW Ltd. It is shown on the left. The photograph on the right is a similar bottle that I bought recently. It too has ZGBW Ltd on the base. Below are details of this bottle.







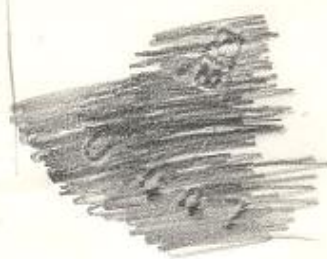
The blue bottle is an old one – probably 19th century or early 20th century. This is from my collection and was not found in Stirling Park. Below is a photograph of the base of an Ammonia bottle. The small tea-cup is probably a part of a child's tea-set or an example of the samples sent to various parts of the world to show the latest wares. It is probably late 19th century or early 20th century. The base of the cup with the gold motif was found in the quarry dump at Attunga Point.





Above are three photographs of a Imperial Quart Bottle with the name of the manufacturer – *J McCARTHY & Co.* A rubbing of this bottle is shown later in this document. Two other Imperial Quart bottles are in my possession. Photographs follow. One has changed into a light purple and has the monogram of AGM on its base. It also has a number of air bubbles caught in the glass.



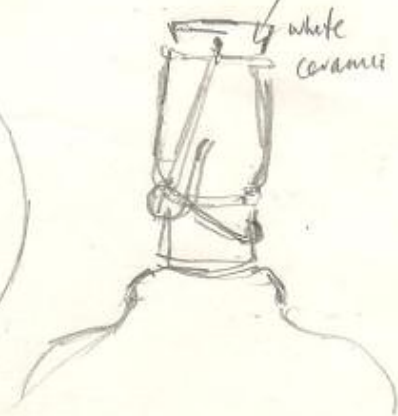


AA
U447

clear glass

height include top
30cm

white
ceramics



IMPERIAL QUART

J. Mc CARTHY & CO

BOTTLE MERCHANT

front
MEVVOY STREET

ALEXANDRIA

PHONE 5308



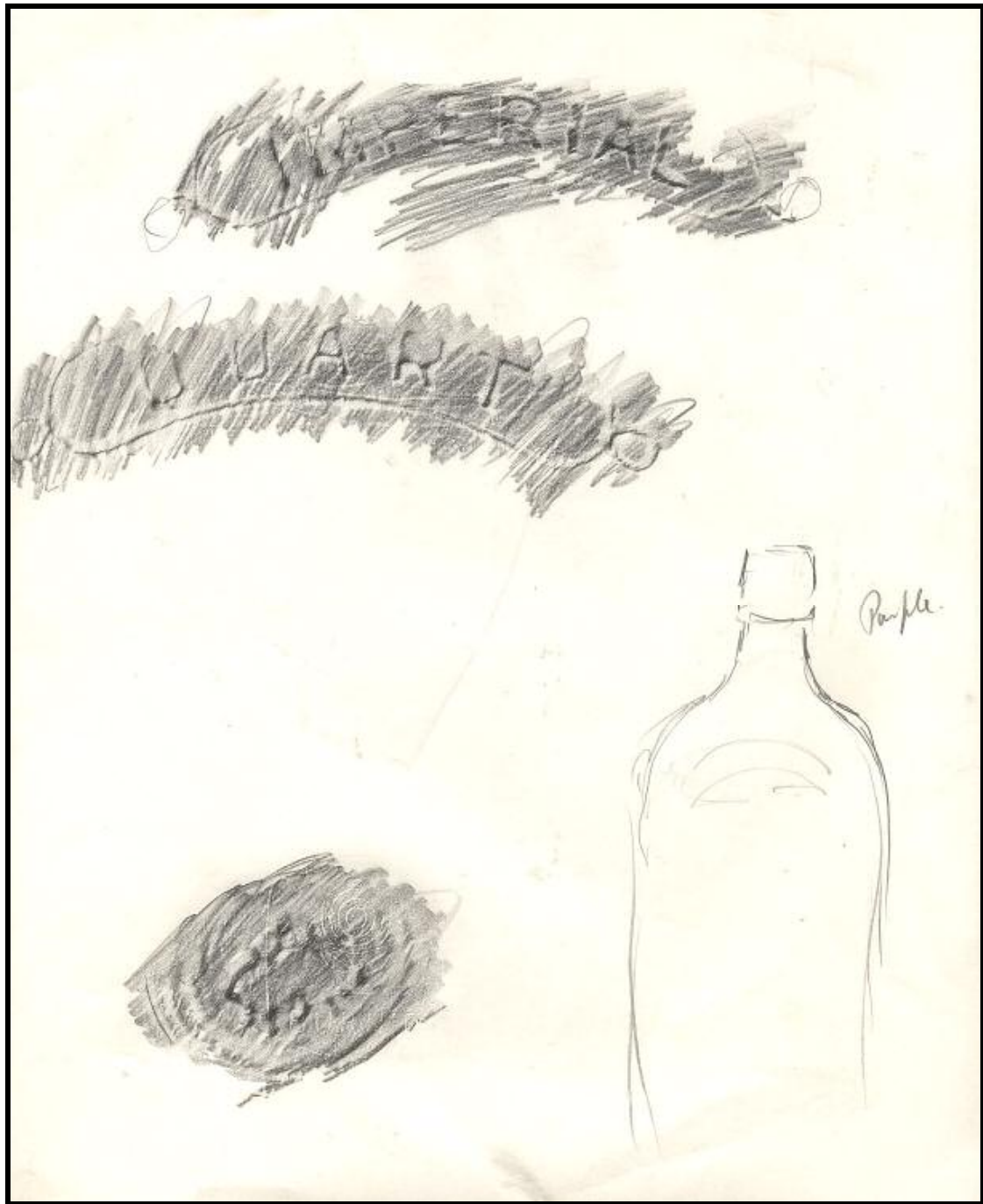
height
29.5 cm



clear glass

MAP - PA - QUART

← reverse.





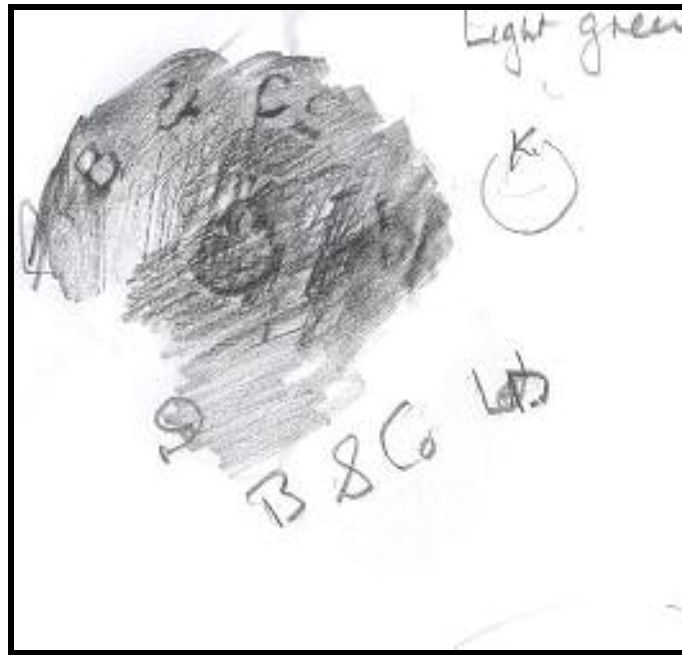
Above is an IMPERIAL PINT bottle in my collection. On the base is M4, M, AGM. It is clear glass and is a two piece mould. It is 24.75 cm in height and 9 X 5.75 cm across the base. These bottles were used for many different liquids such as methylated spirits. Below left is a bottle found in Haines Creek. On the right is a black glass bottle – late 19th or early 20th century. I included this bottle as an example of earlier bottles that those generally found in the area of the park. Some black pieces were found. Below is a detail of the base of a light green bottle that is of a similar size to the planet brand base.



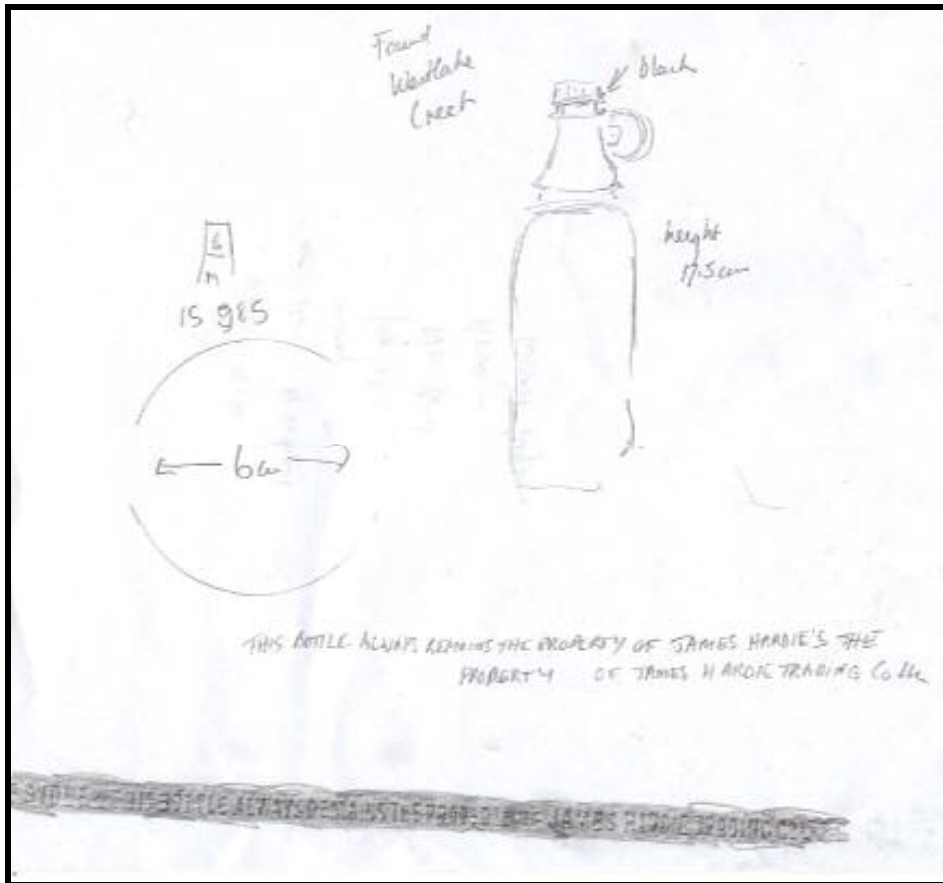


Above and below right – Raw linseed oil bottle.





Above is a bottle that has AGM with skirt and the year 1941 on the base. The glass in the base area is uneven in thickness. I now believe that it may have held vinegar.



Above is a rubbing and diagram of a James Hardie bottle that contains a liquid used for cleaning windows and glass. It was rubbed off when it dried. Below top left is a fragment of a glass bottle with *LANDS* embossed on it. The purpose of this bottle is not known.





Above and below Meltone bottle – used for cleaning shoes. The cap has a man with monocle – black coat, striped trousers and has a walking stick.





Above a milk glass container with openings at either end. This belongs to the 1950s? and was found on the hilltop opposite Lotus Bay. Below is an ink bottle found in the Northern Territory at Hatches Mine (closed 1954).



The following three photographs are of a small poison's bottle.





Above left – top view of the poison bottle. On the right and below are details of a broken soft drink bottle found on the Duntroon Camp site (1920s-1950s).

