

Reference Number: **1987.0094**
Collection/Series Title: **STADIUMS PTY. LTD.**

Creator	Stadiums Pty Ltd
Creator's Activity/Occupation	Entertainment promoters
Creator's Historical Note <p>Established in 1899 by John Wren and Dick Lean, the company was Sydney based and registered in 1914. as Stadiums Ltd. It specialized in promoting boxing and wrestling events. It became Stadiums Pty. Ltd. in 1937. The company built the Stadium venues in Sydney, Melbourne, and Brisbane. In 1958 the West Melbourne Stadium became the Festival Hall. The Sydney building was demolished in 1964. By the 1960's Stadiums was promoting its own concert attractions. It continued to be run by the Wren and Lean families in Melbourne.</p>	
Date Range of Collection/Series	1914-1983
Size/Extent	49 boxes, photographs
Access Conditions	Access: Open
Scope and Content of Collection/Series <p>Framed photographs of boxers and wrestlers; loose photographs including of the Festival Hall, Gracie Fields and other entertainers; share register 1914-1955; private ledger 1915-1952; Minute Books, 1914- 1918, Directors' 1937-1972, Annual General Meetings 1937-1972; Register of Members, Financial Statements and Balance Sheets; Bookings Diaries c. 1960's-1980's; Programmes for boxing events, concerts (extensive); Correspondence ; Nat Fleischer's The Ring Record Book 1948-1955 (incomplete); press cuttings; memorabilia e.g. boxing gloves.</p>	
Collection Category	Business, organisations
This document dated	24/12/2014

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Unit/Box	Item Number	Title	Date Range	Description
1987.0094 Unit 1	1987.0094.0000 .0001		1914-1950	Financial Records 1914-1950
1987.0094 Unit 2	1987.0094.0000 .0002		1915-1960	Balance sheets 1915-1960
1987.0094 Unit 3	1987.0094.0000 .0003		1914-1963	Minute Book 28 May 1914-31 July 1918; Misc. programmes 1958-1963
1987.0094 Unit 4	1987.0094.0000 .0004		1954-1971	Financial Statements 1954-1971
1987.0094 Unit 5	1987.0094.0000 .0005		1944-1967	Ledger Bank Deposits 1944; Clippings 1967
1987.0094 Unit 6	1987.0094.0000 .0006		1914-1972	Share Register c1948-1972; Share Register 5 June 1914-14 November 1955; Ledger 1 March 1915-29 February 1936
1987.0094 Unit 7	1987.0094.0000 .0007		1923-1949	T.S. Andrews World's Sporting Annual Record Book 1923, 1926; The Ring Record Book & Boxing Encyclopaedia 1948, 1949; Note book-Phone Directory, n.d.
1987.0094 Unit 8	1987.0094.0000 .0008		1950-1955	The Ring Record Book & Boxing Encyclopaedia 1950, 1953, 1955
1987.0094 Unit 9	1987.0094.0000 .0009		1957-1959	The Ring Record Book & Boxing Encyclopaedia 1957, 1958, 1959
1987.0094 Unit 10	1987.0094.0000 .0010		1960-1962	The Ring Record Book & Boxing Encyclopaedia 1960, 1961, 1962
1987.0094 Unit 11	1987.0094.0000 .0011		1963-1965	The Ring Record Book & Boxing Encyclopaedia 1963, 1964, 1965
1987.0094 Unit 12	1987.0094.0000 .0012		1966-1968	The Ring Record Book & Boxing Encyclopaedia 1966, 1967, 1968
1987.0094 Unit 13	1987.0094.0000 .0013		1969-1971	The Ring Record Book & Boxing Encyclopaedia 1969, 1970, 1971
1987.0094 Unit 14	1987.0094.0000 .0014		1972-1974	The Ring Record Book & Boxing Encyclopaedia 1972, 1973, 1974

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1987.0094 Unit 15	1987.0094.0000 .0015		1975-1977	The Ring Record Book & Boxing Encyclopaedia 1975, 1976, 1977
1987.0094 Unit 16	1987.0094.0000 .0016		1960-1963	Diaries with news clippings 1960, 1961, 1962, 1963
1987.0094 Unit 17	1987.0094.0000 .0017		1967-1969	Diaries with news clippings 1967, 1968; Advertisements 1969
1987.0094 Unit 18	1987.0094.0000 .0018		1969-1970	Diaries with news clippings 1969, 1970
1987.0094 Unit 19	1987.0094.0000 .0019		1971-1972	Diaries with news clippings 1971, 1972
1987.0094 Unit 20	1987.0094.0000 .0020		1973-1974	Diaries with news clippings 1973, 1974
1987.0094 Unit 21	1987.0094.0000 .0021		1975-1976	Diaries with news clippings 1975, 1976
1987.0094 Unit 22	1987.0094.0000 .0022		1960s-1970s	Programmes - concerts 1960s-1970s
1987.0094 Unit 23	1987.0094.0000 .0023		1977-1981	Programmes for concerts and other events 1977, 1978, 1979, 1980, 1981
1987.0094 Unit 24	1987.0094.0000 .0024		1959-1977	Diary 1959, 1961, 1962, 1963, 1964; Diary with clippings 1977
1987.0094 Unit 25	1987.0094.0000 .0025		1964-1966	Diary with clippings 1964, 1965, 1966
1987.0094 Unit 26	1987.0094.0000 .0026		1965-1970	Diaries 1965-1970
1987.0094 Unit 27	1987.0094.0000 .0027		1974-1982	Booking Diaries 1974-1982
1987.0094 Unit 28	1987.0094.0000 .0028		1950s-1960s	Booking Diaries 1950s-1960s
1987.0094 Unit 29	1987.0094.0000 .0029		1960s-1970s	Booking Diaries 1960s-1970s
1987.0094 Unit 30	1987.0094.0000 .0030		1960-1969	Index cards - records of fights, A-L 1960-1969
1987.0094 Unit 31	1987.0094.0000 .0031		1960-1969	Index cards - records of fights, M-Z 1960-1969
1987.0094 Unit 32	1987.0094.0000 .0032		1970	Index cards - records of fights, A-L 1970
1987.0094 Unit 33	1987.0094.0000 .0033		1970	Index cards - records of fights, M-Z 1970
1987.0094 Unit 34	1987.0094.0000 .0034		1967-1979	Boxing News 1967; Contacts Directory (n.d.); Directory of active boxers in Victoria 1970s; Current Australian Titleholders 1970s

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1987.0094 Unit 35	1987.0094.0000 .0035		1968-1969	Boxing News 1968, 1969; Index of British Boxers 1969 (in 2 small volumes)
1987.0094 Unit 36	1987.0094.0000 .0036			Boxing books and magazines
1987.0094 Unit 37	1987.0094.0000 .0037			Objects - pair of leather boots and a groin guard
1987.0094 Unit 38	1987.0094.0000 .0038			Objects - 2 pairs of boxing gloves
1987.0094 Unit 39	1987.0094.0000 .0039		1973-1975	Australian Boxing Alliance Membership Cards 1973-1975
1987.0094 Unit 40	1987.0094.0000 .0040			Photographs and slides
1987.0094 Unit 41	1987.0094.0000 .0041			Wrestling photos; Programmes; Expanding file
1987.0094 Unit 42	1987.0094.0000 .0042			Boxing photographs; John Wren photographs
1987.0094 Unit 43	1987.0094.0000 .0043			Programmes
1987.0094 Unit 44	1987.0094.0000 .0044			Concert programmes
1987.0094 Unit 45	1987.0094.0000 .0045			Concert programmes
1987.0094 Unit 46	1987.0094.0000 .0046			Cartoon - Rigby on a New Years night; Cartoon by Wells - King of the Heavyweights. The Trump Card; Boxing Cartoons; Cartoon by Wells - "When King meets King"; Cartoon by Wells - That Human Nut Cracker Mr Lewis; City of Mordialloc community youth centre award to Mr Dick Lean Jnr
1987.0094 Unit 49	1987.0094.0000 .0049		1962-1965	Mould affected photographs; Gama; Jim Londos; Roscoe Manning; Hal Rumberg; Chief Little Wolf; Rube Wright; Dutch Swing College Band 1965 Tour; Victorian Symphony Orchestra 1962
1987.0094 Unit 47	1987.0094.0001		1937-1972	Directors Meetings/Minutes 1937-1972

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1987.0094 Unit 48	1987.0094.0002		1937-1972	Directors Meetings/Minutes 1937-1972
OSBA Unit 5	1987.0094.0003			Signed photograph of Jack Claybourne (a successful wrestler during the 40s & 50s who toured Australia. Holder of the Kentucky Negro Championship)
OSBB Unit 22	1987.0094.0004			Photograph of Roy Orbison
OSBB Unit 22	1987.0094.0005			Photograph - Hughie Dwyer, Hughie Mehegan, Herb McCoy
OSBB Unit 22	1987.0094.0006			Photograph - Untitled; contains musicians
OSBB Unit 22	1987.0094.0007			Photograph - Earl McCready: Champion of the British Empire
OSBB Unit 22	1987.0094.0008			Photograph - The Fighting Sands Brothers
OSBB Unit 22	1987.0094.0009			Photograph - Les Darcy - Mid-weight Champion of Australia
OSBB Unit 22	1987.0094.0010			Photograph - Australias British Commonwealth Title Holder
OSBB Unit 22	1987.0094.0011			Photograph - Volley Ball - Japan v Australia - Festival Hall 1974
OSBB Unit 22	1987.0094.0012			Photograph - Hector Thompson. Australian and British Commonwealth Champion
OSBB Unit 22	1987.0094.0013		1945	Photograph - Con Clinga, 21/5/1945
OSBB Unit 22	1987.0094.0014			Photograph - Geo. Baillieu, Llew Edwards, R.L. Baker
OSBB Unit 22	1987.0094.0015			Photograph - Vic Calteal? - Welterweight Champion of New Zealand
OSBB Unit 22	1987.0094.0016			Photograph - Eddie McGoorty
OSBB Unit 22	1987.0094.0017			Photograph - Waldemar Holberg
OSBB Unit 22	1987.0094.0018			Photograph - Al Hoosman

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OSBB Unit 22	1987.0094.0019			Photograph - Ambrose Palmer
OSBB Unit 33	1987.0094.0020			Colour photograph of Joan Armatrading and band
OSBB Unit 33	1987.0094.0021		1975	Photograph - "Wedding at Festival Hall." 19th April 1975, Rocky Romero and Maureen Kirke
OSBB Unit 33	1987.0094.0022			Photograph - "How dare you speak to me like that Take that you cad!"
OSBB Unit 33	1987.0094.0023			Photograph - Two men playing golf
OSBB Unit 33	1987.0094.0024		1972	Group photograph of the Footscray Boxers-Trainers Re-union, 11th October 1972
OSBB Unit 33	1987.0094.0025			Photograph - Aboriginal Champions; Cocoa Jackson, Bindi Jack, Lionel Rose, George Bracken, Elly Bennett, Harry Hayes
OSBB Unit 34	1987.0094.0026			Photograph - Lady Baden Powell & girl guides, nd
OSBB Unit 34	1987.0094.0027			Photograph of a boxer signed 'to Mr Lean'
OSBB Unit 34	1987.0094.0028			Photograph - Dave Sands
OSBB Unit 34	1987.0094.0029		1956	Photograph - Melbourne Stadium nearing completion, 1956
OSBB Unit 34	1987.0094.0030			Photograph - Claude Varner
OSBB Unit 34	1987.0094.0031		1915	Photograph - Stadium Recruiting Rally, Ballarat 1915
OSBB Unit 34	1987.0094.0032		1956	Photograph - Australian Dancing Championships, 1956
OSBB Unit 34	1987.0094.0033			Cartoon by WELLS, 'One for his Knob!'
OSBB Unit 34	1987.0094.0034			Colour photograph - Unidentified man holding music score

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OSBB Unit 34	1987.0094.0035			Photograph - Queen Elizabeth II & Prince Phillip, shaking hands with a man wearing a kilt
OSBB Unit 34	1987.0094.0036		c1940	Photograph of Australian Featherweight Champion Leo White AKA 'Kid' Young c1940
OSBC Unit 5	1987.0094.0037			Three photographs mounted together, 2 are of John Steicker and 1 of Martin Ludecke
OSBC Unit 5	1987.0094.0038			Two photographs mounted together - John Fosgren disqualified for assaulting the referee
OSBC Unit 10	1987.0094.0039			Photograph - Wrestler Dr Len Hall
OSBC Unit 10	1987.0094.0040			Photograph - Wrestler Ray Steele
OSBC Unit 10	1987.0094.0041		1938-1939	Large photograph of wrestler Ted Cox 'King Kong Cox' toured Australia & NZ 1938-1939
OSBC Unit 10	1987.0094.0042			Photograph - Princess White Deer (wife of Chief Thunderbird)
OSBC Unit 10	1987.0094.0043			Photograph - Sammy Stein, Jewish Heavyweight Champion of the World
OSBC Unit 10	1987.0094.0044			Photograph - Two men wrestling, one of whom is Ted Thye, Lightweight Champion of the World
OSBC XL	1987.0094.0045			Photograph - A horse race. Accompanying text is almost illegible reads Sydney, Doncaster Handicap, Owner: J. Wren, Trainer: J. Donohoe, Rider L. Fischer (3/4/1915?)
MD46/1	1987.0094.0046			Watercolour of John Wren's horse "The Rover"
MD78/4	1987.0094.0047			Photograph of Frank Sinatra

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MD78/4	1987.0094.0048		1960	Photograph of the Ralph Dupas Vs George Barnes bout at Sydney stadium 1960. Record gate attendance with 13,000 pounds taken.
MD78/4	1987.0094.0049		1956	Photograph of the Olympic Games 1956, Melbourne stadium
MD78/4	1987.0094.0050			Photograph of Louis (Satchmo) Armstrong
MD78/5	1987.0094.0051		1968	Photograph of Lionel Rose, World Bantamweight Champion 1968
MD78/5	1987.0094.0052		1956	Photograph of the Olympic Games 1956 at the Melbourne Stadium
MD78/6	1987.0094.0053			Photograph of an un-named wrestler
MD78/6	1987.0094.0054		1965	Photograph - Archbishop of Canterbury, 14th March 1965
	1987.0094.0055			Photograph - Horse, possibly Melbourne Cup; Item missing as at July 2014.
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