



THE UNIVERSITY OF MELBOURNE ARCHIVES

NAME OF COLLECTION	Matilda Women's Refuge
ACCESSION NO	100/224; VWLLFA No.43
CATEGORY	Community and Political, organisations
ACTIVITY	Feminist collectives
DATE RANGE	1979-1984
SIZE OF COLLECTION	24 cm. (2 archives boxes)
HISTORICAL NOTE	<p>Following public meetings and the drafting of a constitution, the North West Region Women's Refuge Committee was formed by twelve women volunteers in 1975 to obtain funds for a refuge in the North West suburbs of Melbourne. Two part-time workers were eventually employed and Matilda Women's Refuge opened in a rented house in Brunswick in March 1978. Matilda became fully funded under the Commonwealth's Supported Assistance Accommodation Program until its closure in 1989. During its life Matilda published a newsletter, 'Seasponge Monthly'. This collection is No.43 of the Victorian Women's Liberation and Lesbian Feminist Archive</p>
DATE OF TRANSFER	2000
ACCESS CONDITIONS	Part restricted
NOTE ON COLLECTIONS	<p>All issues of Seasponge Monthly are embargoed for 70 years from date of transfer to protect the privacy of those the Refuge assisted, who might be identified in this internal publication.</p> <p>Whole boxes of EMBARGOED material are listed & marked on the outside and described as EMBARGOED on the list.</p>

Box No	Series No	Description	Date
NOTE ON LISTING		Data converted from a FilemakerPro Database in 2008. Series and Item numbers follow the original numbering system established for the VWLLFA. For boxes, the Collection Number precedes the box number. For item identifiers, the Collection Number precedes a classification number and an item number.	
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DATE		September 2010	

Box No	Series No	Description	Date
1	43/01/01	Correspondence: assorted	1979 - 1983
	43/01/02	Funding Applications Department of Community Welfare Services (DCWS)	
	43/01/03	Job Applications 1 general coordinator child-care worker child -care worker	March 1979 June 1979 October 1979
	43/01/04	Job Applications 2 general coordinator housing coordinator	January 1980 August 1980
	43/01/05	Job Applications 3 finance-general coordinator child-care coordinator general coordinator worker in a feminist refuge	January 1981 January 1981 March 1981 August 1981
	43/01/06	Job Applications 4 refuge worker	March 1982
	43/01/07	Job Applications 5 finance worker	June 1982 - 1
	43/01/08	Job Applications 6 refuge worker	June 1982 - 2
	43/01/09	Job Applications 7 refuge worker	October 1982
	43/01/10	Job Applications 8 refuge worker finance worker refuge worker	February 1983 June 1983 October 1983
	43/01/11	Job Applications 9 refuge worker finance worker child -care coordinator	March 1984 April 1984 June 1984
	43/01/12	Minutes of meetings: assorted	1982
	43/01/13	Miscellaneous	
	43/01/14	Publications Periodicals: Rouge no 8; 3CR Cram Guide	June / July 1980 July / Aug 1984
1	43/01/15	Response: National Women's Advisory Council no 2, November 1980	

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		no 3, April 1981 no 4, September 1981	
1	43/01/16	The Scarlet Letter (CSMC newsletter): Welfare Rights 1980 August 1980 October 1980 February 1980 June 1980 December 1980	
	43/01/17	Resignations	1979 - 1984
	43/01/18	Volunteers	
1	43/01/19	Women's Refuges	
		BOX 2 IS EMBARGOED until 2070	
2	43/01/01	One letter extracted from file 43/01/01 in box 1	
	43/02/01	Seasponge Monthly –assorted material *	
	43/02/02	Seasponge Monthly * no 1 May 1978 no 3 July 1978 no 4 August 1978 no 5 September 1978 no 6 October 1978 no 7 November 1978 no 8 December 1978	1978
	43/02/03	Seasponge Monthly * no 9 January 1979 no 10 February 1979 no 11 March 1979 no 12 April 1979 no 13 May 1979 no 14 June 1979 no 15 July 1979 no 16 August 1979 no 17 September 1979 no 18 October 1979 no 19 November 1979	1979
	43/02/04	Seasponge Monthly * no 1 February 1980 no 2 April 1980 - June 1980 - November 1980	1980
2	43/02/05	Seasponge Monthly * no 1 March 1981 no 2 June 1981 - September 1981 - October 1981 pre-Xmas	1981

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	43/02/06	Seasponge Monthly * January 1982 March 1982 April 1982 May 1982 June 1982 July 1982 October 1982 November 1982	1982
2	43/02/07	Seasponge Monthly * 1984	1984

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