



THE UNIVERSITY OF MELBOURNE ARCHIVES

NAME OF COLLECTION	BRIGHTON LADIES BENEVOLENT SOCIETY
ACCESSION NO	A.1984.0156
CATEGORY	Community and Political, organisations
ACTIVITY	Welfare organisations
DATE RANGE	1863-1977
SIZE OF COLLECTION	6 archives boxes
HISTORICAL NOTE	<p>The Society was formed at a meeting on 18 March 1863, held at the request of the Brighton Municipal Council, of the Brighton representatives on the Committee of the St. Kilda and Brighton Ladies Benevolent Society. Its chief object was to 'relieve the wants of the poor, especially females'. A new Constitution, including the change of name from the Brighton Ladies Benevolent Society to the Brighton Benevolent Society was passed at the general meeting of 19 November 1985 (copy of the new and the original Constitutions, together with the Deed of Trust, pp48-56) Mr. G Hofsteede, the first known male member of the Society since Mr Budd was elected Hon. Treasurer in March 1863, was present at this meeting and read the Constitution. The Society continues to assist in cases of hardship referred by government and other agencies.</p>
DATE OF TRANSFER	
ACCESS CONDITIONS	Access: Restricted
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DATE	October 1984

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RECORDS RECEIVED INTO CUSTODY

NAME; Brighton Ladies Benevolent Society

TRANSFEROR; Mrs. M. Pooler,

DATE RECEIVED: 22 September 1984

INCLUSIVE DATES: 1863-1980

TYPES OF RECORD: Minutes, accounts

QUANTITY; 6 Standard boxes; 72 cm.

GENERAL NOTE: The Society was formed at a meeting on 18 March 1863, held at the request of the Brighton Municipal Council, of the Brighton representatives on the Committee of the St. Kilda and Brighton Ladies Benevolent Society. Its chief object was to "relieve the wants of the poor, especially females." The Society continues to assist in cases of hardship referred by government and other agencies.

LIST OF RECORDS:

GROUP 1 Minutes of Committee and General Meetings

GROUP 2 Financial Records

GROUP 3 Miscellaneous

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GROUP 1. MINUTES OF COMMITTEE AND GENERAL MEETINGS

1 [1/1 18 March 1863 - 6 October 1869
1/2 3 November 1869 - 1 September 1875

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- 1 1/3 15 September 1875 - 7 May 1879
- 2 1/4 17 May 1892 - 14 May 1895
1/5 11 June 1895 - 21 March 1899
Books missing
- 1/6 4 September 1906 - 1 August 1916
Books missing
- 3 1/7 6 June 1922 - 6 June 1933 (Spine and edges of pages
damaged)
1/8 4 July 1933 - 1 March 1939
Books missing
1/9 3 February 1942 - 6 May 1952
1/10 3 June 1952 - 6 June 1961
4 July 1961 - 5 September 1967
3 October 1967 - 13 October 1977

GROUP 2 FINANCIAL RECORDS

- 4 2/1 Cash Book, 30 June 1888 - 27 December 1894.
Shows amounts collected by members, donations, names of those to whom money has been paid, amounts deposited in Bank, Building Society.
- 2/2 Cash Book, 1 January 1895 - 31 December 1900 (Dated on fly-leaf "to December 31st 1895", with 1895 crossed out and 1900 inserted in biro).
Contents as in 2/1.
- 2/3 Cash Book, 1 January 1901 - 31 December 1910
From 3 November cases referred to only by name of visitor.
- 2/4 Cash Book, 1 January 1939 - August 1951.
Shows under "Cash", Donations, Collections, Interest, Sundries, Bank, under "Contra" name of recipient (i.e. shopkeeper), amount for the case assisted, printing and stationery, commission, sundries and bank.
- 5 2/5 Cash Book, 1951 - 31 March 1967.
Contents as for 2/4.
- 2/6 Book labelled "B.L.B.S. Accounts from July 1935".
Pages 1-52 have been cut out.
P.52. One entry only "Cain. 10 Pearson St. Gardening".
p.53-60 "Cases taken over from Sus. Dep. 1933" - from 16 October.
(59 torn at lower corner).
Thereafter are recorded monthly accounts paid to trades people, July 1935 - November 1949.
- 2/7 Continuation of the above, December 1949 - October 1976.
- 2/8 Ledger, 1 October 1897 - 31 December 1963.
Contains accounts Melbourne Savings Bank, E.S.7 A. Ltd. Stock A/c, and Deposit A/c, Bank of Australia, 7th War Loan, Bank of N.S.W., Australian Deposit and Mortgage Bank, Victoria Mutual, St. James and Queen Building Societies, E.S. & A. Chartered Bank, Government Compassionate Fund, (various A/cs), Estate S. O'Neill,

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- Donations, Subscriptions, General Expenses, Cases Assisted, Interest, Capital, State Savings Bank, Revenue.
 "Journal". 1 January 1910 - 31 December 1964.
 Records interest received, total donations, subscriptions etc.
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- 2/10 Balance Sheets and Statement of Receipts and Expenditure 1934 - 1973 (1935 missing).
 101st Annual Report and Statement of Receipts and Expenditure, to 31 December 1963.
 105th Annual Report and Statement of Receipts and Expenditure, to 31 December 1967.
 109th Annual Report and Statement of Receipts and Expenditure, to 31 December 1971.
 111th Annual Report and Statement of Receipts and Expenditure, to 31 December 1972.
 115th Annual Report and Statement of Receipts and Expenditure, to 31 December 1977.
 Financial Statements January - March 1978.
 Balance Sheet as at 31 December 1978.

N.B. Annual Reports are also to be found in Minute Books.

- 2/11 The Charities Board of Victoria.
 Forms filled in showing number of males, females and children to whom relief had been afforded during the year, with receipts and source of funds, expenditure on relief and other expenses during the financial year.
 1 July 1944 - 30 June 1945/1960-1961; information for 1962 on writing-paper; 1962-1963/1966-1967.

- 2/12 E.S. & A./A.N.Z. Bank Statements.
 1945 - 1955
 1955 - 1963
 1968 - 1970
 1971 - 1972
 1973 - 1976
 1977 - 1980.

- 2/13 Cheque Butts
 June 1938 - 22 November 1979.

- 2/14 Deposit Butts
 23 May 1941 - 13 March 1964.

- 2/15 Donation Receipt Books
 August 1947 - August 1959
 March 1965 (one)
 August - 1964 - December 1966
 December 1966 - 4 February 1971
 September 1975 - 22 April 1980.

- 2/16 Bank Pass-Books
 E.S. 7 A. Bank Ltd. February 1937 - January 1945.
 The Savings Bank, 316 Collins Street,
 5 December 1910 - 1 June 1945.
 The State Savings Bank of Victoria
 19 June 1946 - 14 February 1966.

- 2/17 Receipts for money on term deposit 1968-1976 (4).

- 2/18 Two memoranda from E.S. & A. Bank re opening of Deed Box.

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BoxGROUP 3 MISCELLANEOUS

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- 3/1 List of trades people in Brighton and district.
 - 3/2 Reports from Footscray, Yarraville, Sandringham and Malvern Benevolent Societies 1968-1969.
Brighton Blind Home Auxiliary 1968.
Travellers' Aid Annual Report 1962.
Mrs. L. Higgins to "Thelma", 9 October 1968 concerning invitation from Salvation Army Womens' Guild to an "afternoon".
 - 3/3 Letterhead 1960's
 - 3/4 Leaflets: Commonwealth Savintgs Bank, Hints to Treasurers 1957 and 1966.
Decimal Currency Board Banking in Dollars and Cents (1966?)

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2 October 1984.