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CATEGORY ACTIVITY	University Club/Society University Club
DATE RANGE	1973-1980
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HISTORICAL NOTE	One of the most prominent clubs on the campus since the 1950s, the A.L.P. Club enjoyed a major resurgence after a period of decline ending in 1972. See also the Melbourne University Labor Club and Melbourne University Graduates Labor Club.
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RECORDS RECEIVED INTO CUSTODY

NAME: MELBOURNE UNIVERSITY AUSTRALIAN LABOR PARTY CLUB (MUALP)

ADDRESS: C/o Union House, University of Melbourne

TRANSFEROR: Mr. Ralph McLean, (Secretary 1976-1977)
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DATE OF
TRANSFER: 7 July 1980

MAIN ACTIVITY: Political Club

INCLUSIVE DATES: 1973-1980

GENERAL NOTE: There has been a Labor, Labour, A.L.P., Democratic Socialist, Social Democrat or Socialist Club or Group at Melbourne University since 1925 - and often more than one of these at the same time. The A.L.P. Club barely existed by 1971-1972, but was revived in 1972-1973 and in the years following at the instigation of Jeremy Harper (President 1972-1974) and a number of others. From 1974 to 1980, it has almost certainly been the student political organisation with allegiance to a political party in the University.

Its activities in the 1972-1975 period were mostly holding meetings, forums, social/fund-raising events, publishing booklets and leaflets and enrolling students to vote in parliamentary elections. In the 1975-1980 period, in addition to those activities, it endorsed candidates for S.R.C., Union Council and Union Board elections. Its main successes have been in the S.R.C. elections in 1975, 1976 and (especially) 1979.

The material deposited:

The material deposited includes much of the correspondence and publications from the period 1973 - 1980. Some correspondence and minutes were reported as missing (presumed stolen or lost) in 1976 and 1977. Some correspondence regarding the Chifley Memorial Lecture and the Lecture booklets published by the Club has been destroyed as the Lectures and orders have been finished with. M.U.A.L.P. in the five years to 1980 has published approximately seven campaign stickers, but unfortunately samples have not been retained. Print runs for the badges, stickers and lecture booklets and magazines have, of course varied, but have usually ended up numbering around 2,000. The "run" of Labyrinth, the Club Newsletter, is as complete as possible.

Material has been sorted according to the year applicable. M.U.A.L.P. has often been found to work more effectively for one year without the effectiveness (and therefore record-keeping?) being carried on to the next.

The collection is a combination of the records kept by John Killip (Treasurer 1973-1976), Ralph McLean (Secretary 1976-1977) and the records which have been retained by the Club itself.

GROUP 1. BADGES

- 1/1 1975
Stop Mal Practice.
Shame Fraser Shame.
We Want Gough.
- 1/2 1976
Kerr Must Go.
- 1/3 1977
Don't Rubbish Victoria - Vote Labor.
- 1/4 1979.
Hammer Hamer.

GROUP 2. CORRESPONDENCE - CALPS

- 2/1 National Council of Australian Labor Party Students (CALPS)
Correspondence and circulars.
1977.
- 2/2 CALPS Correspondence and circulars.
1978-1979.

GROUP 3. CORRESPONDENCE AND OTHER MATERIAL

- 3/1 Pre-1976.
- 3/2 1976.
- 3/3 1977.
- 3/4 Elections 1977 Student Electoral Office.
- 3/5 1978.
- 3/6 1979-1980.

GROUP 4. MEMBERSHIP AND "INTERESTED IN JOINING" LISTS AND FORMS

- 4/1 Membership list 1973.
- 4/2 Ditto, 1975.
- 4/3 Ditto, 1976.
- 4/4 Ditto, 1977.
- 4/5 Ditto, 1978.
- 4/6 "Interested in joining" lists 1973-75, 1977 and 1979.
- 4/7 Membership forms and interests questionnaire forms, 1978.

GROUP 5. MINUTES

5/1 Incomplete minutes; general meetings and executive meetings.
1974, 1976.

5/2 Minutes; executive and general meetings
10 Mar. 1977 - 13 Sept. 1978.

GROUP 6. LABYRINTH, CORRECT FACTION AND POLEMIC

6/1 Labyrinth
1973-1980 (incomplete).

6/2 Correct Faction.
1976.

6/3 Polemic
1976-1977.

Ralph McLean
7 July 1980.