



## THE UNIVERSITY OF MELBOURNE ARCHIVES

<b>NAME OF COLLECTION</b>	J.C. Taylor & Sons Aust. Pty Ltd
<b>ACCESSION NO</b>	1995.0090
<b>CATEGORY</b>	Business, organisations
<b>ACTIVITY</b>	Builders
<b>DATE RANGE</b>	1963-1988
<b>SIZE OF COLLECTION</b>	2 boxes
<b>HISTORICAL NOTE</b>	<p>The firm was founded in 1860 in Geelong by John Charles Taylor, and two of his sons, John William and Henry Alfred soon joined him in partnership. John Charles Taylor &amp; brother James left London 1852, arrived Geelong 1853, &amp; initially worked for McAlpine, builder. The business encompassed a saw and planing mill and a joinery factory. John Charles retired in 1904 and the running of the company passed on to his sons. In 1915 the firm was incorporated as a Proprietary Company and the business expanded with a flourishing timber merchant retailing trade. A major fire in 1924 completely destroyed the mill, joinery factory and office buildings with the loss of much stock and work. The firm worked in all parts of Victoria, including constructing army camps during WWII, post-war housing and most of the Ford plant at Geelong. A Melbourne Branch of the company was established in 1929 and was relocated to Richmond. The company was placed in liquidation in 1990.</p>
<b>DATE OF TRANSFER</b>	8 Nov 1995
<b>ACCESS CONDITIONS</b>	Access: Open
<b>DESCRIPTION</b>	<p>Promotional booklet, historical summaries, lists of clients, contracting principles, lists of architects and Master Builders Association members, correspondence (mainly letters of commendation and thanks); D.A. Taylor Family Trusts material; papers re sale of Taylor's family company interests to his brother John McL.Taylor.</p>
<b>LISTED BY</b>	Frank Strahan
<b>DATE</b>	16 Nov 1995

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RECORDS RECEIVED INTO CUSTODY

NAME: J.C. Taylor Pty Ltd.

NOTE: A Third Accession from this Geelong generated building company, via Mr. Don Taylor, now of Business Associates International,

LIST OF RECORDS

J.C. TAYLOR & SONS PTY. LTD. (THIRD ACCESSION)

- Box 1
1. Promotional Booklet, introducing executives, list of clients, historical notes, photographic illustrations of major building works by the Company. c. 1982. Two copies, plus a photocopy.
  2. Corporate Survival, Centenarian Company lists its Peers - article by Tim Duncan on Australia's 100 Oldest Businesses (Taylors being one of them), Business Review Weekly, 12 January 1988.
  3. Clients - alphabetical file (loose leaf) shows Name, Address and Telephone Number. Provision for entry of Principal, Contact and Cross Code, but these very rarely given. No date. There is a prefacing letter to J. Horstead, Project Engineer, Australian Portland Cement, 15 April 1982. This sets out the range of the Company's experience and specifies building works done. It is taken that this is a form letter as to requests for contracts.
  4. Master Builders' Association of Victoria, Reference re Tenders at 29 May 1972. Members Identification. Gives Company names, telephone numbers, contact names.
  5. Various Forms of Contracting a Project being elements for consideration in constructing a tender. Two pages typescript. No date.

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6. Architects List. Alphabetical listing of architects, giving name, address and telephone number. Loose leaf, no date.
7. Insurance Manual, prepared by Sedgwicks Pty. Ltd. No date, but related interleaved material is 12 August 1982.
8. Correspondence. A scattered collection, mostly being letters of appreciation and thanks. Arranged by date. 26 April 1973 - 16 July 1985, plus 3 undated. Fifty letters in all.
9. Press Cuttings. Twelve Cuttings in all (eleven photocopies, one original). 1 February 1967-26 August 1981 plus 3 undated.
10. Photographs.  
Six copies of enlarged colour print, aerial photo of central Geelong looking to Corio Bay and Cunningham and Yarra Piers. 31 x 24.5 cms. Accompanying Geelong Central Area Strategy Plan brochure, mapping above area. Enlarged colour print, International Mail Centre Victoria 23.5 x 18.5 cms. No dates.
11. Donald Angus Taylor. Curriculum Vitae, along with accompanying certificates and letters of appreciation and thanks. Photocopies 1961-1985.
12. Letters of appreciation and thanks, also press cuttings. Photocopies 1963-1985.
- Box 2 13. Papers re sale of D.A. Taylor's family company interests to his brother John McLean Taylor; also subsequent credit check. 1983.
14. D.A. Taylor Family Trusts Material. One loose leaf Volume. First D.A.T. Pty Ltd.:

Minutes 25 June 1975 - 2 December 1983, at which latter meeting it was resolved to have a change of name to Intent Group Pty. Ltd., minutes of which follow, 30 April 1984 - 5 March 1985.

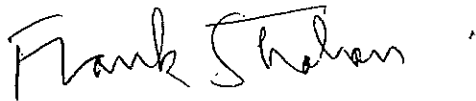
Ledger 30 June 1975 - 30 June 1987.

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D.A. Taylor Nominees Pty. Ltd. Minutes 9 October 1975 - 1 May 1985  
Ledger 27 November 1975 - 30 June 1988.

15. Angus Holdings Pty. Ltd. Financial Statements and reports at 30th April 1983, A.H.G. Clarke & Co., Chartered Accountants.
16. Possible Valuation of Shares in Angus Holdings Pty. Ltd. as a basis for Discussion/Negotiation, A.H.G. Clarke & Co. 30 April, 1983.



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16 November, 1995