



THE UNIVERSITY OF MELBOURNE ARCHIVES

NAME OF COLLECTION	Youth Hostels Association Of Victoria
ACCESSION NO	1986.0145
CATEGORY	Community and Political, organisations
ACTIVITY	Recreational organisations
DATE RANGE	1939-1957
SIZE OF COLLECTION	36 cm. (3 archives boxes), photographs
HISTORICAL NOTE	A branch of world-wide organization, Y.H.A. was established in Victoria in 1939 to provide cheap overnight accomodation for members participating in outdoor activities. Aided after W.W.II. by the National Fitness Council, the Association now offers a range of activities and also metropolitan accomodation.
DATE OF TRANSFER	4 Sept 1986
ACCESS CONDITIONS	Access: Open This collection may not be available for immediate retrieval. Please discuss with Archive staff.
DESCRIPTION	YHA Council and Executive minutes of meetings 1939-1957; Annual general meetings 1940-1954; Australian Youth Hostel Association Annual Conference minutes 1947-1957; circulars 1940-1947; "News"; 4 early membership cards; maps; travel brochures.
NOTE ON COLLECTIONS	Photographs housed separately
LISTED BY	Anne Crawford
DATE	3 Sept 1986

Folio 1 & 4 28 photos taken on the inaugural walk, Easter 1940, and on a cycling trip.

- 3 Boxes 4 early membership cards -
- 1) photostat of Ian McLaren's card, membership No. 7, issued 4.5.40.
 - 2) Life membership card No. 8 issued to Roy Busby on 1.7.48.
 - 3) Life membership card No. 18 issued to Roy Busby after establishment of AYHA.
 - 4) Life membership card No. 62 issued to Eric Quinlan in 1952 with enclosed receipt for six pounds six shillings.

Maps from Roy Busby's collection:

- 1) Werribee Gorge dated 9.6.08.
- 2) The Grampians tourist brochure and map dated 11.3.20.
- 3) Geelong & District tourist map and brochure dated 18.11.24.
- 4) Mt Dandenong & District tourist map and brochure dated 17.9.20.
- 5) Mt Macedon Woodend & District tourist map and brochure dated 20,7,22.
- 6) Booklet "Across the Alps" by Broadbent (a YHA member), Omeo to Bright and The Buffalo, motor route dated 1922.
- 7) Bairnsdale, published by the Army in 1942.
- 8) Broadbent's Victoria & Riverina, western half dated (?) 1956.
- 9) Railway map of Victoria, published by Sands & McDougall no date, Price: Two shillings, coloured.

Box containing 6 books of minutes etc:

- 1) Minutes and accounts of YHA Vic AGMs from 30/9/40 to 26/5/54.
- 2) Minutes of Council and Executive meetings of YHA Vic from 1939 to 31/12/49.
- 3) Minutes of Council and Executive from 1/1/50 to 31/12/54.
- 4) Minutes of Council and Executive from 1/1/55 to 31/12/57.
- 5) News Circulars from 5/12/1940 to 1949 (This book may contain some News Circulars previously missing from our collection.)
- 6) Minutes of AYHA Annual Meetings from the inaugural Warrandyte meeting on 25-27/1/47 to 28/4/57.

As all these books were damaged in the office fire in 1963, I hope something can be done to conserve them.

I would appreciate two photocopies of them if possible - one for me to use as working papers, and one for you to keep for anyone wishing to refer to them at the archives.

In the box you collected last month was an envelope containing the original Articles of Association, these were also badly singed. It is possible we have a printed version of them.

Thanks,

Alan Crawford