

UQFL265

Jack Harding Collection

Size 22 boxes

Contents Papers relating to Jack Harding's political and lobbying activities, including papers relating to the Douglas Social Credit Movement and the Social Credit Party of Australia; papers relating to the Monetary Reform League (Rockhampton) and the Rockhampton Anti-Inflation Study Group (which Harding co-founded), papers relating to the Anti-Fluoridation Council, the Central Queensland Society for Prevention of Cruelty, the Capricornia New State Movement. Personal diaries, subject files and correspondence. The collection includes correspondence, minute books, campaign material, newspaper cuttings, subject files, diaries and ephemera.

Date range 1934 to 1989

Biography John Edward 'Jack' Harding was born in Brisbane in 1902 or 1903. His father Edward Harding served in the AIF during WWI and was on a war pension following the war. The family had a soldier settlement block northwest of Rockhampton, where Jack Harding became the secretary of the local settlers' association. During the Great Depression he advanced the Douglas Social Credit concept of Municipal Councils issuing vouchers in return for work done on roads and similar activities. He sold his farm and ran unsuccessfully for the State Parliament as a Social Credit of Australia Party candidate in 1934. Following the Second World War, Harding joined the Labor Party. Because of John Curtin's early support of Social Credit, Harding believed that its ideas might be advanced through the Labor Party. He played a major role in the election of the George Gray to the Federal Parliament for Rockhampton. Harding usually gave his occupation as farmer and business man. From ca. 1944 to ca. 1955 he ran *The Farm Exchange* in Rockhampton's Denham Street together with A E Webb. From the mid-1940s he was active in the Monetary Reform League (Rockhampton) and in 1971 established the Rockhampton Anti-Inflation Study Group. He subscribed to the Australian League of Rights publications and lobbied politicians to incorporate social credit principles into their monetary policies, and to establish a Queensland State Bank. The Labor Party opposed his ideas and expelled him from the party. He advanced Capricornia New State Movement principles and also lobbied against cruelty against animals and the fluoridation of public water supplies. Harding died in May 1991.

Notes Open access

Further manuscript material relating to Social Credit is held in UQFL284 Richard Brockett Collection; FVF403 Social Credit League Ephemera; FVF364 Rockhampton Anti-Inflation Study Group, Ephemera; F1948 *The rise and fall of the Social Credit Party in Queensland* by Philip Cameron

The collection was rehoused in 2018 and box numbers were reallocated. Refer to the chart at the end of this listing to convert old box numbers to new numbers.

Publications have been removed and catalogued separately or discarded.

Box 1

Douglas Social Credit Association / Movement and Social Credit Party of Australia

Item 1

Minute Book, 9 Nov 1934 to 30 Sep 1937

Includes minutes of the

Central Queensland District Council Meeting, 9 Nov 1934, 5 Jul and 27 Sep 1935

Douglas Credit (D. C.) Party, 31 Jan, 14 Feb and 8 Mar 1935

Central Queensland Divisional Conference, 24 Apr 1937, 19 Nov 1937 (loosely tipped-in)

Special Conference of the Central Queensland Branches of the Social Credit Party of Australia, 27 May and 30 Sep 1937

Includes a list of names and addresses at the end

Item 2

Notebook for Central Queensland Division and Rockhampton State Conference, Jul to Aug 1937

Folder 1

Douglas Credit Party of Australia (Queensland Section)

Constitution and Standing Orders. August 1935

16p. Printed wrappers. Printed by H Randall, Brisbane.

Folder 2

Typescripts and ephemera, 1930 to 1940

Folder 3

Correspondence, reports, policy documents, newspaper cuttings, 1934

Folder 4

Correspondence, Reports, Policy documents, Newspaper cuttings, 1934 - 1937

Folder 5

Social Credit Party Records, Correspondence, Reports, Policy documents, Newspaper cuttings, 1935 to 1940

Folder 6

Correspondence, Reports, Policy documents, Newspaper cuttings, 1952 to 1953

Folder 7

Ephemera, including election ephemera, 1934. Includes hand-painted calico banner, 1934

Folder 8

Thoughts of Douglas

Compilation of excerpts from the writings of C H Douglas, c1975

Box 2

Monetary Reform League (items in poor to very poor condition, some loss to paper)

Item 1

Minute Book, 18 Apr 1944 to 1 Jun 1945

Item 2

Minute Book, 15 Jun 1945 to 12 Sep 1946

Item 3

Minute Book, 3 Oct 1946 to 11 Apr 1950

Item 4

Minute Book, 16 May 1950 to 2 Oct 1951

Item 5

Committee for the J E Harding Keppel Campaign

Keppel Campaign Minute Book, 14 Mar to 18 Apr 1944

Item 6

Information Sheets, Vol. 1, No. 1 to Vol. 6, No. 3 , 1 Nov 1948 to [Oct] 1954

Folder 1

Bretton Woods subject folder

Includes correspondence to Members of the Commonwealth Parliament, petitioning them to vote against the ratification of the Bretton Woods agreement, and their responses, 1944 to 1946

Folder 2

Correspondence, including to and from *The Electoral Campaign*, 1944

Folder 3 (requires further cleaning)

Correspondence, 1945

Box 3

Monetary Reform League (items in poor to very poor condition, some loss to paper)

Folder 1

Correspondence, 1945

Folder 2

Correspondence, newspaper cuttings, 1946 to 1947

Folder 3

Correspondence, 1949 to 1950

Folder 4

Correspondence, 1950 to 1952

Folder 5

Correspondence, 1953

Folder 6

Correspondence, 1953 to 1954

Folder 7

Typescripts by J E Harding

Debt and Taxation; Inflation

Box 4

Monetary Reform League (items in poor to very poor condition, some loss to paper)

Correspondence, 1948 to 1950 (loose in box)

Box 5

Rockhampton Anti-Inflation Study Group

Each folder contains correspondence, newspaper cuttings, reports and newsletters

Folder 1

Records, Apr 1975

Folder 2

Records, May 1975

Folder 3

Records, Jun 1975

Folder 4

Records, Jul to Aug 1975

Folder 5

Records, unsorted 1975

Folder 6

Records, Jan 1976

Folder 7

Records, Apr 1976

Box 6

Rockhampton Anti-Inflation Study Group

Each folder contains correspondence, newspaper cuttings, reports and newsletters

Folder 1

Records, Jul 1976

Folder 2

Correspondence with Colin Carige, MHR, Jun to Dec 1976

Folder 3

Records, Jan to Mar 1977

Folder 4

Records, Feb 1977

Folder 5

Records, Apr 1977

Folder 6

Records, Sep 1977

Folder 7

Records, Nov 1977

Folder 8

Records, unsorted 1977

Box 7

Rockhampton Anti-Inflation Study Group

Each folder contains correspondence, newspaper cuttings, reports and newsletters

Folder 1

Records, Jan 1978

Folder 2

Records, Mar to Apr 1978

Folder 3

Records, May 1978

Folder 4

Records, Jun 1978

Folder 5

Records, Jun 1978

Folder 6

Records, Jul 1978

Folder 7

Records, Sep to Oct 1978

Folder 8

Records, Nov 1978

Folder 9

Records, Nov 1978 to Jan 1979

Box 8

Rockhampton Anti-Inflation Study Group

Each folder contains correspondence, newspaper cuttings, reports and newsletters

Folder 1

Records, Jan 1979

Folder 2

Letters to MLAs re State Bank (Reserve Bank of Queensland), Sep to Oct 1979

Folder 3

Records, unsorted 1970s

Folder 4

Records, unsorted 1970s

Folder 5

Records, unsorted 1970s

Box 9

Rockhampton Anti-Inflation Study Group

Loose in box

Unsorted correspondence, newspaper cuttings, reports, discussion papers and newsletters, 1970s

Box 10

Rockhampton Anti-Inflation Study Group

Each folder contains correspondence, newspaper cuttings, reports and newsletters

Folder 1

Records, Mar 1980

Folder 2

Records, Apr 1980

Folder 3

Records, Jul 1980

Folder 4

Records, 1981 to 1982

Folder 5

Records, Mar 1982

Folder 6

Records, 1984

Folder 7

Records, 1985

Folder 8

Records, unsorted 1980s

Folder 9

Rockhampton Prices Committee

Correspondence, 1968 to 1969

Box 11

Anti-Fluoridation Association (Anti-Fluoridation Council)

Item 1

Anti-Fluoridation Association

Minute Book, 3 Jul 1956 to 16 Aug 1968

Item 2

Anti-Fluoridation Association

Cash Book, 27 Jul 1949 to 6 Mar 1989

Item 3

Anti-Fluoridation Council of Australia

Cash Book, 1 Jul 1951 to 9 Jul 1984

Loose in box

Unsorted correspondence, newspaper cuttings, articles, 1956 to 1961

Box 12

Anti-Fluoridation Association (Anti-Fluoridation Council)

Unsorted correspondence, newspaper cuttings, articles, 1961 to 1967

Box 13 (formerly Box 37)

Anti-Fluoridation Association (Anti-Fluoridation Council)

Unsorted correspondence, newspaper cuttings, articles, 1964 to 1971

Box 14 (formerly Box 35)

Anti-Fluoridation Association (Anti-Fluoridation Council)

Unsorted correspondence, newspaper cuttings, articles, 1968 to 1971

Box 15

Central Queensland Society for Prevention of Cruelty

Item 1

Constitution and Rules, 1957

Item 2

Minute Book, 29 Feb 1933 to 25 Mar 1949

Item 3

Minute Book, 6 May 1949 to 30 Jun 1950

Each folder contains correspondence, newspaper cuttings, reports and newsletters

Folder 1

Records, 1966 to 1967

Folder 2

Records, 1967 to 1968

Folder 3

Records, 1969 to 1970

Folder 4

Records, 1971 to 1972

Folder 5

Records, 1973

Folder 6

Records, 1973 to 1974

Folder 7

Records, 1973 to 1974

Box 16

Central Queensland Society for Prevention of Cruelty

Folder 1

Records, 1973 to 1974

Folder 2

Records, 1974 to 1975

Folder 3

Records, 1976

Folder 4

Records, 1975 to 1980

Folder 5

Records, 1978

Box 17

Central Queensland Society for Prevention of Cruelty

Folder 1

Records, 1979

Folder 2

Records, 1980

Folder 3

Records, 1980

Folder 4

Records, 1981

National Parks / Capricornia Conservation Council

Folder 5

Records, 1974

Folder 6

Hyacinth Research

Folder 7

Records, 1977

Box 18

Natural Health Practitioners

Unsorted correspondence with Natural Health Practitioners (Naturopaths, Chiropractors) about Natural Health, including Fluoridation of Drinking Water (loose in box)

Folder 1

Australian League of Rights Annual Health Seminar, May 1978

Folder 2

Typescript, *The Grape Cure for Cancer and Other Diseases*, by Johanna Brandt, ca. 40p, c1948

Box 19

Diaries

Item 1

Diary Book of General Office Work. J Harding, Robinson Rd, Nundah, Brisbane. Working address: 331 Queen St, Brisbane, c1935

Item 2

Diary, Jan 1936 to Jun 1937

Item 3

Diary, Jan 1938 to Nov 1939

Item 4

Diary, Jul 1945 to Aug 1947

Item 5

Diary, Aug 1947 to Sep 1948

Item 6

Diary, Sep 1948 to Aug 1949

Item 7

Diary, Aug 1949 to Aug 1950

Item 8

Diary, Sep 1950 to Feb 1951

Item 9

Diary, Feb 1951 to Jan 1952

Item 10

Diary, Jan 1952 to Jun 1953

Item 11

Diary, Jan 1954 to Aug 1954

Item 12

Diary, Jan 1954 to Jan 1955

Item 13

Diary, Aug 1959 to Feb 1963

Item 14

Diary, Feb 1963 to Aug 1965 (some loss to paper)

Item 15

Diary, Sep 1963 to Sep 1967

Item 16

Diary, Sep 1967 to Jan 1969

Item 17

Diary, Feb 1969 to Apr 1970

Item 18

Diary, Apr 1970 to Apr 1972

Item 19

Diary, May 1972 to Mar 1973

Box 20

Diaries

Item 1

Diary, Mar 1973 to Jul 1973 (some loss to paper)

Item 2

Diary, Jul 1973 to Jan 1975

Item 3

Diary, Jan 1975 to Nov 1976

Item 4

Diary, Nov 1976 to Jul 1978

Item 5

Diary, 1974 to 1978

Item 6

Diary, 1979 to 1983

Item 7

Diary, 1980

Item 8

Diary, Mar 1982 to Dec 1982

Item 9

Diary, 1987 to Dec 1990

Item 10

Diary, Aug 1988 to Sep 1990

Item 11

Diary, Aug 1988 to Sep 1990

Box 21

Miscellaneous Groups subject folders

Folder 1

Cattlemen's Union of Australia: First Cattlemen's Convention. Folder with President's address, standing order, constitution, resolutions, manuscript notes, Dec 1976

Folder 2

South Africa / Rhodesia, c1970

Folder 3

Australian League of Rights

Folder 4

Australian League of Rights

Correspondence with *Trogan*, a code-name for Don ?? of Aspley, who worked in the Premier's Department. *Trogan's* and Harding's correspondence primarily relates to a State Bank and the aims of the *League*, almost certainly the *Australian League of Rights*, 1979 to 1983

Folder 5

The Farm Exchange (Harding & Webb), c1950

Folder 6

Central Queensland Advancement League, 1943 to 1952

Folder 7

Central Queensland Consumers' Association, 1973

Folder 8

Capricornia New State Movement, 1966 to c1980

Folder 9

Australian Defence Association, 1982

Folder 10

Church of England, Diocese of Rockhampton, 1950 to 1952

Folder 11

Select Committee on Education, Submission by Mrs Rona Joyner, 1978

Folder 12

Australian Labor Party, 1960

Folder 13

Voice of Indignant People (V.I.P.) Movement, c1980

Folder 14

Central Queensland Rights Association, 1961

Folder 15

Christian Alternative, 1983

Item 1

Group photograph of 15 men outside building, c1935

No identification

Item 2

Exercise Book titled, *Brisbane Distribution August 1979*

Purpose unclear

Box 22

Private correspondence, typescripts

Folder 1

Private Correspondence

Folder 2

Private Correspondence

Folder 3

Private Correspondence relating to J C Huxley's loan from the Agricultural Bank, 1957 to 1958

Folder 4

Private Correspondence, 1944 to 1947

Folder 5

Private Correspondence, 1953 to 1954

Folder 6

Private Correspondence, 1959 to 1960

Folder 7

Private Correspondence, 1967 to 1968

Folder 8

Private Correspondence, 1982

Folder 9

Typescript, *The Blood Message*, by Ronald Leighton, 7p, c1952

Item 1

Typescript, *The Vicissitudes of Life. An autobiography*. By J W Fletcher. 191p. 8 Dec 1955

Item 2

Typescript, *Some startling facts of recent history*. By L D Byrne, c1949 [attributed according to the copy in the John Horn Blackmore collection at Glenbow Museum, Calgary, Canada]

Box and Folder Number Conversion Chart

Old no.	New no.
Box 1	Publications
Box 2	Unspecified Papers
From Box 3	Boxes 11-12 (Anti-fluoridation)
From Box 4	Boxes 11-12 (Anti-fluoridation), 22 (Personal)
Box 5	Publications
Box 6	Publications
Box 7	Box 22 (Correspondence); Publications
Box 8	Box 22 (Correspondence); Publications
Box 9	Box 22 (Correspondence); Publications
From Box 10	Boxes 11-12 (Anti-fluoridation); 15 (Prevention of Cruelty); 21 (Capricornia New State Movement)
Box 11	16, 17 (Prevention of Cruelty);
From Box 12	Box 1 (Social Credit); Publications
From Box 13	Box 1 (Social Credit)
From Box 14	19 (Diaries); Publications
Box 15	Publications
Box 16	Boxes 11-12 (Anti-fluoridation)
From Box 17	Boxes 5-10 (Anti-Inflation); Boxes 11-12 (Anti-fluoridation);
Box 18	Boxes 5-10 (Anti-Inflation)
Box 19	Publications
Box 20	Publications
Box 21	Publications
From Box 22	Box 1 (Social Credit); Boxes 11-12 (Anti-fluoridation); Publications
From Box 23	Box 1 (Social Credit); Publications
Box 24	Box 19 (Diaries)
Box 25	Box 20 (Diaries)

Old no.	New no.
Box 26	Publications
Box 27	Publications; unspecified
Box 28	Unspecified
Box 29	Publications
Box 30	Publications
Box 31	Publications
Box 32	Publications
Box 33	Box 3; Publications
Box 34	Box 9
Box 35	Box 14 (Anti-fluoridation)
From Box 36	Boxes 5-10 (Anti-Inflation)
Box 37	Box 13 (Anti-fluoridation)
Box 38	Publications
Box 39	Publications
Box 40	Publications
Box 41	Box 2
Box 42	Box 4