

UQFL420

Fellowship of Australian Writers (Queensland Section) Collection

Size	17 boxes, 1 parcel
Contents	Minutes, reports, receipts, conference reports, accounts, correspondence, financial and administrative records, newsletters and bulletins of the Fellowship of Australian Writers, Queensland Section (FAW(Q)), and some records of the Fellowship's Redcliffe branch and national and interstate bodies. Papers, typescripts, handwritten manuscripts, newspaper cuttings and personal ephemera of FAW(Q) founding member Constance Gittins. Copies of bulletins produced by the Realist Writers' Group Brisbane.
Date range	1917 to 2006
Biography	The Queensland Section of the Fellowship of Australian Writers had its genesis in the Queensland Authors and Artists Association (QAAA), formed in Brisbane in 1921. Founding members included A.H. Davis (aka Steele Rudd), local literary identity Constance Gittins and Dr Francis Cumberae Stewart, later appointed Professor of Law at the University of Queensland. In 1928 Davis, Mary Gilmore, John le Gay Brereton and others met in Sydney to form a national body that would foster and promote Australian writing. The new group was launched as the Fellowship of Australian Writers and the QAAA became its Queensland branch, formally adopting the title Fellowship of Australian Writers, Queensland Section, in November 1958. Over the years the FAW(Q) attracted both established and aspiring writers and played a significant role in literary events such as the Warana Writers' Festival. It worked fraternally with other local organisations, most notably the Realist Writers' Group and the Brisbane Writers' Group which amalgamated with it in 1970. An affiliated writers' fellowship was formed in Redcliffe in February 1964.
Notes	Unrestricted access, except access is restricted to some material in Boxes 10 and 17. Application for access to restricted material may be submitted to the Fryer Librarian for consideration.

Box 1

Folder 1

QAAA committee minutes, Nov 1951 to Oct 1955

Folder 2

FAW(Q) committee minutes, correspondence, reports and bulletins, Nov 1960 to Nov 1962

Folder 3

FAW(Q) and FAW Redcliffe branch committee minutes, general meeting reports and annual reports, Dec 1962 to Dec 1966

Folder 4

FAW Redcliffe branch committee minutes, general meeting reports, annual reports and correspondence, Jan 1967 to Nov 1969

Folder 5

FAW(Q) committee and general meeting minutes, general meeting reports and financial reports, Nov 1974 to Nov 1977. Includes transcript of a speech by author William Golding, delivered at a Fellowship meeting in Brisbane on 18 Mar 1975.

Folder 6

FAW(Q) committee and general meeting minutes, Feb 1978 to Nov 1982

Folder 7

FAW(Q) committee correspondence and meeting agendas and minutes, 1987

Folder 8

FAW(Q) committee meeting agendas and minutes, general meeting minutes and President's Report, 1988

Folder 9

FAW(Q) committee meeting minutes, general meeting agendas and minutes, correspondence, financial reports and President's Report, 1989

Minute book, FAW(Q) committee meeting agenda and minutes, general meeting minutes, membership list, Secretary's and President's reports and financial reports, Sep 1988 to Nov 1989.
Minute Book, QAAA - FAW(Q) committee minutes, Apr 1958 to Jun 1966

Box 2

Folder 1

FAW(Q) committee meeting agendas and minutes, financial reports, correspondence and President's Report, Jan to Oct 1990

Folder 2

FAW(Q) committee meeting agendas and minutes, general meeting minutes, financial reports and correspondence, Nov 1990 to Oct 1992

Folder 3

FAW(Q) correspondence relating to the R. Carson Gold Memorial Award, 1992

Folder 4

Papers relating to manuscripts of FAW(Q) founding member,
Constance Gittins

Redcliffe branch newsletters, 1969 to 1970

Typed notes on Fellowship general business

Seminar and workshop reports

Undated meeting agendas and minutes

Membership application forms

Entry forms for '\$1000 Short Story Competition'

Constitution and Rules of the Queensland branch

Folder 5

FAW(Q) President's Annual Reports, 1974 to 1976, 1978 to 1981, and a financial report dated 18 Apr 1993

Folder 6

Notes and correspondence relating to a proposed new Constitution for the Fellowship and copies of Constitutions from different periods, 1992

Folder 7

Applications for membership, resignation letters, nominations for office, membership and journal subscription lists and associated correspondence, 1991 to 1992

'Roll Book', 1921 to 1965,

'Register of Service'

Chronological list of office bearers, 1921 to 1953

Box 3

Income and expenditure journal, 1988 to 1992;

Cash receipt books, 1971 and 1989

Petty cash book, 1976 to 1978

Commonwealth Savings Bank Depositor's Pass Book

Phonograph record, 'With Someone Who is You', performed by Bonnie Barnett

Folder 1

Incoming FAW(Q) correspondence, 1963 to 1993, 48 letters. Includes letter dated 11 Nov 1971 from Geoff Goulet from the Right to Read Committee relating to police action against Brisbane bookseller Bill Sutton for selling *Portnoy's Complaint*.

Folder 2

Outgoing FAW(Q) correspondence, 1962 to 1968, 9 letters. Includes copy of undated letter from Dymphna Cusack as national President of the Fellowship, relating to controversy over the Commonwealth Literary Fund

Folder 3

Annual membership subscriptions and late subscriptions, 1993

Folder 4

FAW(Q) committee meeting agendas and minutes, Queensland branch balance sheets and term deposit documents, 1989 to 1993

Folder 5

Receipts and invoices, cancelled cheque, booking receipts and expense statements, 1992 to 1993

Folder 6

Invitations

Application form for 1971 Warana Writers' Convention completed by Elizabeth Jolley

Completed Fellowship membership application

Typed notes by Treasurer J. Daniels about Brisbane Writers' Group journal *Scope*

Typescript of 'The Genesis of the Warana Writers' Conventions' by Maida Simmons

Referendum paper on proposal to provide funds for a Cultural Centre in Fortitude Valley

Box 4

Framed and illustrated print of a poem 'From the Room of Two Windows' by E.J. Brady; with inscription 'Printed and produced by John Gartner's Hawthorn Press, specially as a favour for his friend E. J. Turner'.

Folder 1

FAW(Q) library's 'Acquisition Book', 'Library Catalogue' (2 books), shelf plan and memo regarding borrowing of books

Folder 2

Typed and handwritten poems by E. Bulcock, Harold C. Dickinson, Ernest Briggs, James Devaney and Lilian Wooster Greaves; 2 letters from Edna Carroll to 'Margaret', 1975

Correspondence between James Devaney and the editor of *Scope*, Margaret Connah, 1975, 5 letters

Newspaper cuttings relating to Ernest Briggs

3 posters respectively titled 'Literature', 'Drama' and 'Art'

Folder 3

Typescript of 'History of the Fellowship of Australian Writers, Redcliffe Branch, Queensland'

Typescript of 'History of the Dickens Fellowship, Brisbane' by Martha L. Young

4 copies of *The School Paper* published by the Education Department of Victoria (1967, 1969)

Box 5

Two handwritten manuscripts by Constance Gittins: 'Shade and Shine' (nd), comprising 20 poems, and 'M.S.S. Book No. 1' (1896), comprising 22 poems. There is also an account book detailing sales of Gittins' poems and articles from 1917 until 1927, an account book detailing gifts and sales of *All Things Needful* (1924), cuttings from newspaper titles annotated with verse titles, a certificate issued by Buckingham Palace to Gittins to accompany a medal commemorating the Royal Silver Jubilee on 6 May 1935, and a typescript of a speech 'The Unappeasable Mind' delivered by Ernest Briggs to the Fellowship in Brisbane on 18 April 1961.

Folder 1

Typescripts of articles, stories and an obituary by Constance Gittins, 1919 to 1931

Folder 2

Handwritten poems, commentary and transcriptions by Constance Gittins, and a newspaper cutting about the *Westringia* plant

Folder 3

Typescripts of poems for the 'Window Column' by Constance Gittins, often written under the pseudonym 'Peter Pan', 1924 to 1925

Folder 4

Manuscript of an early draft of 'The Forked Stick' by Jean Mary Scott, nd

Folder 5

Newspaper cuttings of poems and articles by Constance Gittins and her sister Gladys Jackson, 1927 to 1952

Box 6

Folder 1

Copies of FAW(Q) 'Bulletin', Apr 1960 to Aug 1965

Folder 2

Constitution of the Commonwealth Council of the Fellowship of Australian Writers, 1964

Bulletins of the Realist Writers' Group Brisbane, 1965

Papers and meeting notices relating to plans to establish a United Cultural Council, 1964 to 1965

Australian Council for the Arts Interim Report to the Prime Minister (2 copies) and associated correspondence, 1973

Amnesty International notice of monthly meeting, 1973

Folder 3

Minutes and associated papers of FAW federal council, federal executive and federal council meetings, 1980 to 1982. The material is enclosed in the original folder which is inscribed with details of travel arrangements for federal conferences and contains a working draft of an amended federal constitution.

Folder 4

Newspaper cuttings relating to Queensland and Australian literary events and personalities, 1961 to 1973

Folder 5

Flyers, programmes, press releases, newspaper cuttings, bulletins and blank forms relating to the FAW(Q) and its activities and interests, 1957 to 1985

Box 7

Folder 1

FAW(Q) Annual Reports and Balance Sheets, 1960 (5 copies), 1961 (4 copies)

2 copies of *AQA Xmas Magazine*, 1926

Souvenir pamphlet commemorating the unveiling of the Steele Rudd Memorial at Toowong Cemetery, 14 Oct 1956

Copy of 'Writer's World' bulletin, Dec 1963

Copy of *Queensland Writing*, 1957

Copy of 'Quill: Organ of the Quil Club of Australia', Apr 1964

Folder 2

Incomplete set of FAW(Q) newsletter *Fellowship News*, Jun 1965 to Aug 1974

Copies of Brisbane Writers' Group publication *Anthology*, 1955 to 1962

Additional copies of *Fellowship News*, 1965 to 1967

Additional copies of *Anthology*, 1955 to 1960

2 copies of *Queensland Writing* (1964)

Box 8

FAW 'New South Wales Members' Bi-monthly Bulletin', Oct 1979

FAW(Q) bulletin *Fellowship News*, Aug 1965

Copies of 'Bulletin Federal Council FAW', Aug 1974 and May 1975 (2 copies)

'Tentative Programme Warana Writers' Weekend', Sept 1973

Copies of *Spectrum*, volume 1 numbers 1-6, 1969 to 1970

Box 9

Parcel of 'Reserved' signs

2 FAW(Q) business stamps and 3 business stamps respectively bearing the words 'secretary', 'president' and 'not negotiable'

Parcel of white and brown dress buttons

Badge inscribed with the words 'Pat Price, Fellowship of Australian Writers'

Warana Spring Festival letterhead

Winding handle of unknown derivation

Box 10

[Access to material in this box is restricted. Application for access to restricted material may be submitted to the Fryer Librarian for consideration.]

Receipt books, 2001 to 2005

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Receipts for membership and other expenses, 2002

Folder 2

Receipts for membership and other expenses, 2001

Box 11

Folder 1

Accounts, 2003

Folder 2

Accounts, 2004

Folder 3

Accounts, 2005

Folder 4

Gaming Machine – Community Benefit Fund, 1996

Folder 5

Carson Gold Short Story Competition, 1996

Folder 6

Jupiter's Casino – Community Benefit Fund, 1996

Folder 7

Literary Walk, 1996

Folder 8

Fun Day Grant (Unsuccessful), 1996

Folder 9

Committee Meetings, 1995 and Jan 1996

Box 12

Folder 1

Grants, Applications, and Acquittals

Folder 2

Correspondence and works from Bill Rosser

Folder 3

Grants, 1996

Folder 4

Federal Council of the Fellowship of Australian Writers Conference, 1994

Folder 5

Federal Council of the Fellowship of Australian Writers Conference, 1995

Folder 6

Correspondence regarding Incorporation Application, 1996

Folder 7

Federal Council

Correspondence, Federal, 1987-1988

Minutes of the Federal Conference, 28 Feb to 1 Mar 1986

Correspondence, Agenda, and Reports, 1987 Federal Conference

Correspondence, Agenda, and Reports, 1988 Federal Conference

Correspondence and Reports, 1989 Federal Conference

Correspondence and Reports, 1990 Federal Conference

Curriculum Vitae of Clare Mendes for the position of Victorian Representative on The Young Writers Tour.

Correspondence, The Young Writers Tour, 1994-1995

Correspondence, Literature Board's Grant to Dymocks, 18 Nov to 1 Dec 1994

Letter to J Hamilton from R Kelly, 5 Sep 1989

Letter to G Harwood from P Hamlyn, 3 Apr 1990

Letters from H Horton to Federal Presidents, 22 May 1986 to 16 Nov 1988, 14 letters

Letter (incomplete) to D Grant from person unknown, 15 Dec 1986

Letter to H Lindsay from L Moalem, 9 Dec 1986

Letter to D Grant from P Nelson, 9 Dec 1986

Letter to State Presidents from D Grant (Federal President), 15 April 1986

Letter from J Hamilton to M Bridgstock, 17 Dec 1988-16 Feb 1989, 3 letters

Letter from M Chandler to President of FAW-Q, 18 Feb 1989

Letter (Draft), to J Hamilton from person unknown, 23 Mar 1988

Letter to M.G.P. Howgate from The Treasurer of Federal Council, 12 July 1986

Letter (incomplete) to J Hamilton from FAW (Q), 3 Oct 1988

Letter to D Grant from I Templeman, Fremantle Arts Centre, 31 Oct 1986

Cover letter for *Bulletin*, signed J S H (J Hamilton), Feb 1987

Statement of Receipts and Payments, Federal Council, 7 May 1986 to 31 Mar 1987

Statement of Receipts and Payments, FAW (NSW) and FAW (Tas), 1986

President's Report, 1987-1989

President's Newsletter; Aug 1986, Oct 1986, Dec 1986, Jan 1987

Position Paper, Symposium, 17 Nov 1986

Memo re: A National Policy for Literature, 9 Jul 1986 and 14 Aug 1986

Membership form for the National Book Council

National Book Council Newsletter, Symposium 'Towards A National Policy for Literature', Nov 1986

Constitution of the Federal Council

Constitution, FAW (NT), 21 Feb 1986

Constitution, FAW (WA)

Grimm, D 1986, 'If you can tell a yarn you can probably write it', *Centralian Advocate*, 26 September, np

Methold, K 1989, 'title unknown', *New Australian Writing*, 31 January, np.

Notes for Federal Conference Submission by J Williams, nd

Information Sheet, FAW (NT), nd

List of branch offices across Australia, nd

Newsletter, FAW (ACT), 8 March 1989

Annual Report, State Sections, 1987-1988

State President's Annual Report, FAW (WA) & (NT), 1986

Financial Statement, FAW (Q), 1986-1987

Seminar Notes, National Book Council, 23 Nov 1987

Report by D Grant re: Creative Writing Courses in WA, Feb 1987

List of Writing Courses in Victoria, Feb 1987

State Treasurer's Report, FAW (V), 31 Dec 1986

Invoice to M Bridgstock from Griffith University, 28 Feb 1989

Box 13

Menu Options for 75th Anniversary Dinner

Summarised History of the FAW (Q), 1971-1982

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75th Anniversary

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75th Anniversary

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Carson Gold Short Story Competition Winners

Folder 4

Carson Gold Short Story Competition

Folder 5

Carson Gold Short Story Competition-Old Notes

Folder 6

Miscellaneous, 1997-1998

Folder 7

Minutes, 1997-1998; includes Minutes from Federal Conference 1998

Folder 8

Minutes and Planning, 2003-2004

Box 14

Receipt books from 17 Nov 1989 - 8 Jan 1997

Folder 1

Meetings, 1991-1992 and 1996-2000

Folder 2

Minutes, 1981 and 1990-1992

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Minutes, 1991-1993

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Minutes, 1994-1996 and 1995 Federal Conference

Folder 5

Minutes, 1996-2000

Folder 6

Minutes, 2000-2002

Box 15

Guest Book from the 75th Anniversary, 13 Jul 1996

Folder 1

Correspondence, 1983-1984

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Correspondence, 1989-1990

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Correspondence, 1990-1991

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Correspondence, 1992-1993

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Correspondence, 1994-1998 continue

Folder 6

Correspondence 1994-1998

Folder 7

Correspondence, 1999-2006

Box 16

Carson Gold Deposit Book, 1996

Folder 1

Documentation, 1996-1997

Folder 2

Treasurer's Reports, 1996-2002

Folder 3

Accounts, 1994-1995

Folder 4

Accounts, Feb 1995-Jul 1996

Folder 5

Accounts, Aug 1996-Jun 1997

Folder 6

Accounts, Jul 1997-Nov 1998

Folder 7

Accounts Jan 1999-Nov 1999

Folder 8

Miscellaneous

Box 17

[Access to material in this box is restricted. Application for access to restricted material may be submitted to the Fryer Librarian for consideration.]

Credit Listing Bank Book - Duplicate, nd

Credit Listing Bank Book – Triplicate, nd

Credit Listing Bank Book – Duplicate, 15 Feb 1996-15 Oct 1998

Credit Listing Bank Book – Duplicate, 1994-1996

List of Attendance at Meetings Book, 1984-1993

Carson Gold Receipts, 1996

Receipt Book, 1993-1996

Correspondence Register, 8 Dec 1988-21 Aug 1990

Correspondence Register, 29 Aug 1990-15 Aug 1992

Correspondence Register, 15 Aug 1992-15 Nov 1992

Account Book, 21 Feb 1993-20 Oct 1993

Minutes, 18 Nov 1986-16 Aug 1988

Folder 1

Publication *Active Voices*, 2 Jun-1 Jul 2000

Folder 2

Treasurer's Reports, 1991

Folder 3

Deposit Correspondence, Jan 1994

Folder 4

Request for Sponsorship, 1999

Folder 5

Correspondence and Life Members, 1992-1994

Folder 6

Correspondence from Federal Council and other Australian Branches, 17 Jun 1991-15 Jun 1992

Parcel 1

FAW (Q) 75th Anniversary Plaque