

UQFL470 Lesley Synge Collection

Size	1 box, 1 folder
Contents	Reports, photographs, badges, posters, newspaper cuttings, meeting minutes
Date range	1976 to 2012
Biography	Lesley Synge was a participant in the 1970s and 1980s women's movement in Brisbane and the concurrent campaigns against the Queensland government's curtailment of civil liberties. She is a writer and teacher.
Notes	Unrestricted access This collection contains material previously catalogued at F3611.

Box 1

Folder 1

Aurukun material c1970s:

- 1. Report from Aurukun Consultation, 10 May 1976, Cromwell College, 11pp
- 2. Aurukun and Mornington Island: Blacks vs Bjelke Petersen [by Lyndon Shea, Campaign against Racial Exploitation], 4pp
- 3. Black Defence Committee, Statement of Principles, Feb 1977, 5pp

Folder 2

14 photographs, Women's Demonstrations, Brisbane, 1978:

- 1. SWP banner, May Day 1978 [taken by Lesley Singh]
- 2. Women's contingent, May Day 1978 [taken by Lesley Singh]
- 3. International Women's Day rally, 1978, Roma Street forum
- 4. International Women's Day 1978, Megan Martin sells sashes for Working Women's Charter Campaign. Looking in basket is Jane Culvert. Next to Megan (obscured) is Brigette von Olan Bogart from Sydney, now in Melbourne, who often came to Brisbane demonstrations.
- 5. Megan Martin, International Women's Day 1978, with sash, in front of a popular theatre troupe set.
- 6. Three Wenck Sisters. [Taken by Megan Martin], International Women's Day 1978, all wearing sashes. Lesley Wenck at microphone
- 7. Glenda with red flag. In background Marg O'Donnell and children, also Ros Innes with flag and Jane Calvert with sash. Note: the sashes in these three photos were sewn by Megan Martin, Lesley Syngh and ?
- 8. Annette with bracelets and sash



- 9. International Women's Day March 1978, the front line of the march
- 10. Arrest of Glenda Wenck
- 11. King George Square, police having a coffee break in Ann Street [?]
- 12. Megan Martin
- 13. Picket for married women and the right to work, Brisbane, 15 Dec 1977
- 14. Working Women's Charter Group. Banner held by Julie Walkington wearing t-shirt

Folder 3

20 captioned photos, International Women's Day, New Farm Park & Dykes on Bikes performance, 1983:

- 1. Andi Wenck, note hairy legs
- 2. Salvation Army always used this part of the park. Andi negotiating the terms of this IWD "takeover"
- 3. [Andi negotiating...]
- 4. Andi Wenck, Anne O'Keefe and Jay
- 5. Andi and "Emel" Crawley
- 6. Andi and "Emel" Crawley
- 7. Glenda and Emel after show
- 8. Emel behind Gracie?, juggling
- 9. Glenda Wenck on bike, Anne O'Keefe, second cousin from Rockhampton
- 10. Andi, Anne, Gracie? and Glenda
- 11. Andi, Anne, Gracie? and Glenda
- 12. Andi, Anne, Gracie? and Glenda
- 13. Andi, Anne, Gracie? and Glenda
- 14. Glenda Wenck
- 15. Lesley Synge (Wenck) with Paul Oberon
- 16. Lesley
- 17. Boyd brothers came to lots of IWD functions. Andi with Kevin
- 18. Jo Watson with John and Kevin
- 19. Anne Warner sharing a joke with John
- 20. Jo Watson singing with Andi

Folder 4

26 slides, May Day banners, Brisbane 1985



Folder 5

1 photograph, The Women's Army is marching [Lesley Singh]

Folder 6

Badges:

- 1. Land rights not uranium, Brisbane c.1980
- 2. Everyone counts for a nuclear free Australia, Brisbane c.1980
- 3. Ageing hippies against the bomb, c.1982
- 4. I'm really into semiology, c.1982
- 5. This is simply pandering to popular taste, c.1982
- 6. Give Joh the boot, Brisbane 1987 [homemade by Lesley Synge in Maleny]

Folder 7 [previously catalogued at F3611]

Newspaper cuttings, heritage register information, and other material relating to the design and construction of the Torbreck Home Units, 1959 to 2002

Folder 8

Torbrek Home Units, annual general meeting notices and minutes, 2007 to 2012

Folder 1

- 1. Homosexuals demand the right to work drop the charges
- 2. I.W.D. Dance Abraham Mott Hall at the Rocks
- 3. No more Harrisburgs Another nuclear power plant
- 4. Defend the Iranian Revolution Speaker Fatima Fallahi
- 5. Drop the charges against the arrested Women's and Gay Rights demonstrators
- 6. Solar not nuclear
- 7. September 4-11 International Week of Solidarity with Chile

Ephemera removed from collection

Australian Union of Students, Women strike out Fraser, poster Australian Women Against Rape, *Not Good enough…*, c1978] Australian Women Against Rape, *Feminist High School Group*, 1976 [for IWD]

Australian Women Against Rape, Feminist High School Group, 1977 [for IWD]



Brisbane International Women's Day Committee, *International Women's Day*, [1978] [about girls in education; distributed for IWD to High School girls in Brisbane Written by M.L. Cawley and Glenda Wenck with help from Sylvia Innes then QTU as women's Officer]

Brisbane International Women's Day Committee, International Women's Day rally, 11 Mar, c1978

Children by Choice, Legal Abortions..., c1978

Communist League of Australia, Workers of the world unite March May Day with the Communist League, 3rd May, poster

Communist League of Australia, Workers of the world unite March May Day with the Communist League, 5th May, poster

Homosexual Rights not Wrongs, c1978

International Women's Day Committee, rally sash, 1978

Troops Out Committee, badge, Armagh and H-Block, Don't let them die, London, c1976

Troops Out Committee, badge, End British torture in Ireland, London, c1976

Troops Out Committee (Brisbane), Irish women in Struggle, 1981

Troops Out Committee (Brisbane), Suicide or Murder?, [1981?]

Troops Out Committee (Brisbane), British troops out of Ireland, poster

Resistance (Youth Organisation), Resistance Socialist Discussion camp: "Socialism in the eighties', poster

Women's Campaign for Abortion, Abortion rights under attack, poster

Women's House (Brisbane), Yes means yes, No means no, However we dress, wherever we go – Reclaim the night, [*Rouge* magazine poster], nd

Working Women's Charter Campaign, *International Women's Day, 1979* [authors marked in pencil; this was distributed by WWCC to industrial workplaces with many women workers prior to IWD]

Working Women's Charter Campaign, t-shirt, 1978

Publications removed from collection

Campaign Against Racial Exploitation, 'Research project on Conzinc Rio Tinto of Australia, Interim Report', *CARE newsletter*, no. 1, 1977

Civil Liberties Co-ordinating Committee [Queensland Council for Civil Liberties], *Speakers notes*, 1978

'Educate to Liberate' insert, Queensland Teachers' Journal, Mar 1976, Jun 1976

Gay issue, Gay Solidarity Newsletter, 1978

Martin, Megan, *May Day in Queensland*, Building Workers' Industrial Union Queensland Branch, 1979

Martin, Megan, The Working Women's Charter Campaign, 1976

Women's Rights Committee, Women's Rights Newsletter, Jan 74?