

# UQFL616

## Rod Fisher Collection

<b>Size</b>	4 boxes, 1 tube
<b>Contents</b>	Personal papers, correspondence, publications, theses, unpublished research papers, photographs, maps
<b>Date range</b>	1959 to 2011
<b>Biography</b>	<p>Rodney 'Rod' Munro Fisher (1942-2017) was born in Melbourne to Enid and Lance Fisher. He attended the University of Melbourne, graduating BA in 1962 and DipEd in 1963. From 1964 to 1969 he taught history and physical education in secondary schools in Victoria and in Alberta, Canada. After completing postgraduate studies and a Master's thesis on the Elizabethan theologian William Perkins at the University of Saskatchewan in 1970, Fisher went to Cambridge where he was supervised by Sir Geoffrey Elton in his doctoral dissertation <i>The Inns of Court and the Reformation 1530-1580</i>. In 1974 Fisher commenced teaching Tudor and Stuart history at the University of Queensland. From about 1980 Fisher began to immerse himself in local history and started offering subjects in interdisciplinary, community and applied history. Fisher put his ideas into practice by restoring a shop-house in Wellington Street, Petrie Terrace and by organising walking tours of the suburbs of Brisbane. In 1981 he co-founded the Brisbane History Group with Helen Gregory and in 1988 began to lobby for a professional association to represent historians. This resulted in the formation of the Brisbane Historians Institute, now the Professional Historians Association (Queensland). In 1991 he established the UQ Applied History Centre. After retiring from the University in 2001, Fisher became an independent historian and consultant. He published works on Silvester Diggles, <i>Diggles Down Under</i> (2003), as well as <i>Boosting Brisbane</i> (2009), <i>Signs of Separation</i> (2009) and a trilogy of books <i>The Best of Colonial Brisbane</i> (2012), <i>Bygone Brisbane</i> (2016) and <i>Queenslanders: Their Historic Timbered Homes</i> (2016). In 2011 Fisher moved to Brazil. He died on 28 June 2017.</p>
<b>Notes</b>	Unrestricted access. Access to Box 2 restricted until 2044

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### Box 1

#### Folder 1

Personal papers, including curriculum vitae, publication record, autobiographical sketches, emails received in reply to his 'farewell thee well [Brisbane]' message to friends.

#### Folder 2

Degree certificates (Melbourne, Saskatchewan, Oxford, Cambridge), 1959 to 1974  
Personal documents (marriage, academy, teaching, references, travel) 1959 to 1980s

**Folder 3**

Articles relating to the Inns of Court. Offprints of 12 published papers, 1974 to 1988

**Folder 4**

Nude portraits (crayon drawings) 1973

**Item 1**

*William Perkins and the Christian commonwealth*, MA thesis, Saskatchewan 1970

**Item 2**

*The Inns of Court and the Reformation 1530-80*, PhD thesis, Cambridge 1974

**Box 2 - Access to Box 2 restricted until 2044****Items 1 – 3**

Correspondence with family, wives and partners, 1960s to 1990s in three blue binders, numbered P1 to P3. Folder P1 also contains poems and newspaper cuttings.

**Box 3****Folder 1**

Researching and writing local history, 1987; Applied and public history, 1998 [illustrations incl UQ photos]; UQ Applied History Centre, Progress report 1994-99; UQ Applied History Centre, Publications information, 1998 [Applied folder]

**Folder 2**

Promotion to reader file. Contested application, reports, references, appeal, outcome, 1997

**Inscribed publications, the author's own copies****Folder 3**

*Signs of Separation*, sesquicentennial promopack, 2009; Publication & exhibition brochures 2000s

**Item 1**

*The ten dollar bets: A history of Killam and district*, Alberta 1967

**Item 2**

*Petrie-Terrace Brisbane 1858-1988*, Woolcock & Fisher

**Item 3**

*Your house has a history: Keys to unlocking its past*, BCC 2004;

**Item 4**

*Resumed in protest* (Hale St protest), Haymann 1994

**Unpublished Projects****Folder 4**

Petrie Terrace from the past to the future: Comments on the BCC proposals for a development control plan, 1982; 'Social objectives in the conservation of an inner suburb', 1984; 'Turning the clock back on Brisbane's early suburbs', 1987 [Planning folder]

**Folder 5**

Linking heritage – Up, down and around the Brisbane River, BLHN report, contents 2007; Dust to dust – A house history ... of Bowen Hills, National Museum of Australia, contents 2007; The Turrbal people in Brisbane history, Native Title report, contents 2009; Yeronga Memorial Park – A slight history of Brisbane's finest breathing space, BCC 2010 [Consultancy folder]

**Folder 6**

Brisbane History Hub formation 2002-10 (Naval Stores, Kangaroo Point; All Hallows Gatehouse, Fortitude Valley; National Trust House, William St) [Hub folder]

**Folder 7**

St Lucia campus heritage tour, 1998 (by UQ Applied History Centre postgrad team, coordinated by me, for Brisbane History Group) [University folder]

**Photographs****Item 6**

*Diggles Down Under* book launch, Brisbane City Hall 2003 [small blue A7]

**Item 7**

Q150 publications & Signs of Separation exhibitions, RHSQ 2009 [small butterflies A 8]

**Item 8**

Swifts shop-house b.1888-1988 restoration (by me & contractors) [small pink A 6]

**Box 4**

**Unpublished Projects** (see also SEQ maps)

**Items 1 to 7**

SEQ 2001 Cultural heritage places study, stage 1-7 vols, UniQuest 1995 (my project & consultancy team; see separate computer-generated maps, include historical distribution of heritage places, railways, animals, crops, institutions, stations, police, post offices and schools, unused as stage 2 of the project was not financed)

**Tube 1**

Large maps 58cm x 93cm

Small maps 42cm x 30cm

No.	Series number	Title	Creator/owner
1	map 8a in a series of 11	South East Queensland historic schools, 1851 to 1981, schools that were open or opened during the periods specified (draft working map)	Queensland Department of Environment and Heritage

2	Map 8b in a series of 11	South East Queensland historic schools, 1851 to 1981, schools that were open or opened during the periods specified (draft working map)	Queensland Department of Environment and Heritage
3	Map 4 in a series of 11	South East Queensland town population, 1861 to 1911, population of towns in period specified (draft working map)	Queensland Department of Environment and Heritage
4	Map 5a in a series of 11	South East Queensland historical Local Government areas population, 1861 to 1951 (draft working map)	Queensland Department of Environment and Heritage
5	Map 1a in a series of 12	South East Queensland location map	The University of Queensland
6	Map 1b in a series of 12	South East Queensland topography	The University of Queensland
7	Un-numbered	South East Queensland existing DEH Heritage Data	The University of Queensland
8	Map 2 in a series of 12	South East Queensland historical heritage places (1995)	The University of Queensland
9	Map 3 in a series of 11	South East Queensland historical census district population, 1871 to 1911 (draft working map)	Queensland Department of Environment and Heritage
10	Map 3 in a series of 12	South East Queensland census district population, 1871 to 1911	The University of Queensland
11	Map 4 in a series of 12	South East Queensland town population, 1861 to 1901, population of towns specified in period	The University of Queensland
12	Map 5b in a series of 12	South East Queensland local government areas population, 1861 to 1954	The University of Queensland
13	Map 5a in a series of 12	South East Queensland local government areas population, 1861 to 1954	The University of Queensland

14	Map 12a in series of 12	South East Queensland rail network, 1865 to 1995	The University of Queensland
15	Un-numbered	South East Queensland historical local government areas population, 1861 to 1951 (draft working map)	Queensland Department of Environment and Heritage
16	Map 12b in series of 12	South East Queensland rail network, 1865 to 1935	The University of Queensland
17	Un-numbered	South East Queensland historical animals, 1862 to 1971 (draft working map)	Queensland Department of Environment and Heritage
18	Map 10b in series of 11	South East Queensland historical animals, 1862 to 1971 (draft working map)	The University of Queensland
19	Un-numbered	South East Queensland historical animals, 1862 to 1971 (draft working map)	Queensland Department of Environment and Heritage
20	Map 10a in series of 11	South East Queensland historical animals, 1862 to 1971 (draft working map)	The University of Queensland
21	Map 10a in series of 12	South East Queensland animals, 1862 to 1971	The University of Queensland
22	Map 10b in series of 12	South East Queensland animals, 1862 to 1971	The University of Queensland
23	Map 11a in series of 12	South East Queensland crops, 1862 to 1971, cotton, sugar cane, tobacco, rice and coffee	The University of Queensland
24	Map 11b in series of 12	South East Queensland crops, 1862 to 1971, cotton, sugar cane, tobacco, rice and coffee	The University of Queensland
25	Map 11c in series of 12	South East Queensland crops, 1862 to 1971, wheat, maize, barley, oats and rye	The University of Queensland
26	Map 11d in series of 12	South East Queensland crops, 1862 to 1971, wheat, maize, barley, oats and rye	The University of Queensland

27	Map 11e in series of 12	South East Queensland crops, 1862 to 1971, grasses, sorghum, arrowroot, potatoes and pumpkins	The University of Queensland
28	Map 11f in series of 12	South East Queensland crops, 1862 to 1971, grasses, sorghum, arrowroot, potatoes and pumpkins	The University of Queensland
29	Map 11g in series of 12	South East Queensland crops, 1862 to 1971, vines, bananas, pineapples, oranges and 'gardens and orchards'	The University of Queensland
30	Map 11h in series of 12	South East Queensland crops, 1862 to 1971, vines, bananas, pineapples, oranges and 'gardens and orchards'	The University of Queensland
31	Map 11f in series of 12	South East Queensland crops, 1862 to 1971	The University of Queensland
32	Map 11a in series of 11	South East Queensland crops, 1862 to 1971 (draft working map)	
33	Map 11a in series of 11	South East Queensland historical crops, 1862 to 1971 (draft working map)	The University of Queensland
34	Map 11a in series of 11	South East Queensland historical crops, 1862 to 1971 (draft working map)	The University of Queensland
35	Map 9a in series of 12	South East Queensland institutions, 1851 to 1981	The University of Queensland
36	Map 9b in series of 12	South East Queensland institutions, 1851 to 1981	The University of Queensland
37	Map 6 in series of 11	South East Queensland Police Stations (draft working map)	The University of Queensland
38	Map 6 in series of 12	South East Queensland Police Stations, 1861 to 1911, Police stations open during and before the period	The University of Queensland

39	Map 7a in series of 12	South East Queensland Post Offices, 1851 to 1981, post offices opened during period	The University of Queensland
40	Map 7b in series of 12	South East Queensland Post Offices, 1851 to 1981, post offices opened during this period	The University of Queensland
41	Map 7f in series of 12	South East Queensland Post Offices, 1851 to 1981, post offices opened during period	The University of Queensland
42	Map 7c in series of 12	South East Queensland Post Offices, 1851 to 1981, post offices closed during period	The University of Queensland
43	Map 7d in series of 12	South East Queensland Post Offices, 1851 to 1981, post offices closed during period	The University of Queensland
44	Un-numbered	SEQ2001 Historical Post Offices map, post offices that were opened during period (graph included)	Queensland Department of Environment and Heritage
45	Map 7e in series of 11	South East Queensland Post Offices, 1851 to 1981, post offices opened during period	The University of Queensland
46	Map 7a in series of 11	South East Queensland Historical Post Offices, 1851 to 1981, post offices opened during period (draft working map)	Queensland Department of Environment and Heritage
47	Map 7b in series of 11	South East Queensland Historical Post Offices, 1851 to 1981, post offices opened during period (draft working map)	Queensland Department of Environment and Heritage
48	Map 7c in series of 11	South East Queensland Historical Post Offices, 1851 to 1981, post offices closed during period (draft working map)	Queensland Department of Environment and Heritage
49	Map 7d in series of 11	South East Queensland Historical Post Offices,	Queensland Department of

		1851 to 1981, post offices closed during period (draft working map)	Environment and Heritage
50	Map 7e in series of 11	South East Queensland Historical Post Offices, 1851 to 1981 (draft working map)	Queensland Department of Environment and Heritage
51	Map 7f in series of 11	South East Queensland Historical Post Offices, 1851 to 1981 (draft working map)	Queensland Department of Environment and Heritage
52	Map 8a in series of 12	South East Queensland Schools, 1851 to 1981, schools open before and during period	The University of Queensland
53	Map 8b in series of 12	South East Queensland Schools, 1851 to 1981, schools open before and during period	The University of Queensland
54	Map 2 in series of 11	South East Queensland Historical Heritage Places (1995) (draft working map)	Department of Environment and Heritage - Historic Database Report
55	Map 2a of series of 12	South East Queensland Historical Heritage Places (1995) (draft working map)	Department of Environment and Heritage - Historic Database Report
56	Map 2b of series of 12	South East Queensland Historical Heritage Places (1995) (draft working map)	Department of Environment and Heritage - Historic Database Report