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## JOSEPH [JOE] OWENS

Records of the Australian Building Construction Employees and Builders' Labourers' Federation  
(ABCE-BLF) NSW Branch.

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### Scope and content of records:

Description	Date Range	Box/Item No
Files on the affairs of the NSW Branch of the ABCE-BLF, including correspondence, accounts, industrial and membership material, and in particular:	1960-1975	1-33
- Copies of the minutes and general executive of the	1963-1975	25,31

Branch		
- Green Bans imposed by the Branch	1972-1975	1-3, 10-17, 32-33
- Transcript of the 'Interventions Tapes'	1974-1975	19
Records relating to the Rank and File for Democracy (Builders' Labourers for Democratic Control) Group in the NSW Branch of the BLF, including leaflets, notes, correspondence on BLF matters.		
	1974-1982	2-4, 8-9, 18, 21-23
Personal correspondence, notes, diaries, leaflets, minutes & other papers collected by Joe Owens related to issues and organisations in which he was concerned, including:		
- Ultimo/Pymont Residents Action Group	1977-1980	5
- Communist Party of Australia	1971-1983	12, 28
- Unemployed People's Union/Campaign for the Right to Work Committee	1979-1984	29, 32
- Prisoners' Union Liaison	1979-1984	30-31
- Victoria St, Juanita Nielson	1973-1984	2, 32
- Combined Unions against racism	1984-1985	33
- Workers' Forum Organising Committee	1982	2
Files on the affairs of the ABCE-BLF NSW Branch, including:		
- Copies of Minutes and related papers of		34-36
- - Federal Conference	1973-1975	
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- Telephone numbers notebook	c. 1974	
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Z235/Box 1	1 Byron St, Coogee (Nat Trust)	1973
	Pitt St Congregational Church	1972
	Royal Australasian College of Physicians, Macquarie St	1973
	Dr Busby's cottage, Howick St, Bathurst	1973
	Helen Kellar House, Woollahra	1973
	French Nuclear Tests	1973
	Merrylands - Fowler Ware	1974
	Opera House car parking proposals	1972-1974
	Edgecliff	1975
	Environmental Advisory Panel	1974
	Rocks Resident Action Groups	1973
	Rocks	1973
	Kelly's Bush Campaign - Rocks - Eastlakes	1975
	Kings Cross - Surry Hills	1973
	Environmental issues: Kelly's bush the Rocks, Pitt St Church, etc	1972-1973
	Kelly's Bush	1972-1973
/Box 2	General BL affairs	1980-1981
	Formation of building industry board left pressure group - Workers' Forum Ogranising Committee	1982
	Victoria St, Woolloomooloo	1973-1984
/Box 3	BL general	1977
	BL general	1978-1979
	BL general	1980
	Green Ban Fighting Fund	1974-1975
	BLF rules	1975
/Box 4	Rank and File for Democracy; Hoist	1975-1976

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Z235/Box 4 (cont'd)	<u>Rank and File Rag</u>	
	BL's general, including material from Victoria St and on Juanita Neilson's disappearance	1975
	Housing and Squatters	1981
	Telecom and phone taps	1978
	NSW ALP, Nugan Hand, Baldwin bashing: press cuttings	1980-1981
/Box 5	Ultimo/Pymont Resident Action Group; inner city development	1977-1980
/Box 6	Complaints re shoddy builders	1971-1974
	Federal Secretary - leaflet re BWIU: NSW Executive correspondence	1967
	Federal Secretary	1970
	Federal Secretary	1971
	Federal Secretary	1972
	Organisers: Executive correspondence, and material re J Williams, Organiser (a loonie)	1967-1973 1974-1975
	J Owens, Organiser - general information	1973
	Executive: Executive correspondence	1968-1969
	Industrial Registrar: correspondence	1971-1975
	Industrial Registrar: report	1966
	Rule books - various unions	1966-1973
/Box 7	Certificate of Registration: Executive correspondence	1911, 1946, 1971
	Staff matters: Executive correspondence	1951, 1966-1975
	Notices to staff, organisers & executive members	1973-1975
	Executive correspondence	1973-1975
	NSW Branch journal: draft material	1974
	Telegrams - outgoing	1972-1975
	Employees' record cards	1960s-1975

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Z235/Box 7 (cont'd)	Strike and disputes fund receipts	1971
	Old sundries cards	1970-1972
	AWU/BWIU amalgamation proposal	1977
	BLF leaflets & notes	1978-1979
/Box 8	Building Trades Group correspondence	1973-1975
	BLF material and personal correspondence CLOSED	1977
	BLF material and personal correspondence CLOSED	Jul-Oct 1977
/Box 9	BLF material (leaflets, press cuttings, notes) and personal correspondence CLOSED	1978-1979
	BLF material (leaflets, press cuttings, notes) and personal correspondence CLOSED	1979
	BLF material (leaflets, press cuttings, notes) and personal correspondence CLOSED	1979-1980
/Box 10	Requests for green bans	1974
	Award matters: accident pay; annual leave; safety & amenities; wet weather; free fall hoists; long service leave; superannuation; wage rates & other material	1970-1975
	<i>Accident pay</i> BLF Registration	1971-1975 1975
/Box 11	Union affairs general: invitations to talks, seminars etc speeches	1972-1974 1973, 1980
	Green bans: Waterloo	1973-1975
/Box 12	Darwin disaster	1974-1975
	Donations from BLF	1973
	CPA material (2 files) CLOSED	1971-1975
	Electricity Commission Combined Union Delegates Organisation	1974
	Glebe Old Men's Home	1975

Location	Description	Date Range
Z235/Box 12 (cont'd)	Parents & Citizens Association	1975
	World Youth Festival	1973
	Workers' control	1974
	News media, radio, TV, etc	1972-1974
	Brisbane Environment meeting and notes for other environmental talks	Feb 1973 1973-1975
	Dominican/Ashton	1972-1980
	Woodchip	1973
	Warringah Mall: ban on reconstruction of burnt out Woolworths store	1974
	Wilderness Protection Committee: Blue Mountains gas pipeline scheme	1972
	Total Environment Centre	1973-1974
	Tenant's Rights Campaign	n.d.
	Save Sydney's Theatre Royal Committee (2 files)	1972
	* Universities (includes coming also to Box 12)	1969-1974
	Jeremy Fisher	1973
	Women's Liberation	1970-1975
	Nuisance letters	1972-1973
/Box 13	Newport Power House ban - Victoria	1975
	St Lawrence Private Hospital - Summer Hill	1973
	Randwick Residents Action Group	1973
	Sefton protest	1973
	Radical Ecology Conference, Melbourne	Mar 1975
	State Pollution Control Commission	1973
	Summary Offences Act	1972
	Riley's Island	1973
	BLF, NSW Branch election	1982
	Capitol Theatre, Inverell (2 files)	1974
	Chile	1975



Location	Description	Date Range
Z235/Box 14	Western Expressway Resident Action: Betty Mason	1972-1974
	Freeways	1973-1974
	Glebe: urban expressway systems	1972-1973
	Federal government proposals for development of Glebe	1974
	Pymont/Ultimo: north-western expressway	1873-1974
	Green Ban Fighting Fund (2 files)	1974-1975
	Green bans - General	1973-1975
	Coalition of Resident Action Groups	1972-1974
	Green bans/ecology: Rocks, Myall Lakes, Clutha & others	1971
/Box 15	Environmental issues: general correspondence (2 files)	1973-1974
	Lists of green bans	1973-1974
	Galston Airport	1973
	Gateway Plaza, Circular Quay	1973-1974
	Indo-China	1973-1974
	Manly (Eastern Hill) green bans (2 files)	1972-1974
	Mt Druitt green ban	1973
	Millers Point Residents Action Group	1975
	Omega Base	1973
	Penal system	1974
	Penny Short	1974
	National Trust Preservation bans: Colonial Mutual Building, Martin Place, Sydney; National Trust; buildings classified for preser- vation; <u>Sydney Cityscope</u>	1973-1974
/Box 16	Newtown green ban	1973-1974
	Lake Pedder - Hobart	1972
	Law reform	1974-1975

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Z235/Box 16 (cont'd)	Lord Mayor of Sydney	1974
	Matraville	1973
	Migrant matters	1974
	Milk - Grafton	1974
	Environment: general correspondence	Sep 1974-Mar 1975
	Housing & employment in the inner city of Sydney	Mar 1975
	<u>Proposals for a New Environmental Planning System in NSW, Minister for Planning &amp; Environment</u>	
	Northgate Shopping Complex, Hornsby (3 files)	1972-1974
	Environment: general correspondence	Apr-Aug 1974
/Box 17	Diamond Bay, Vaucluse	1974-1975
	Diethnes green ban	1973
	Dunbar Park, Marsfield	1973
	East End, Newcastle	1973
	Eastlakes	1974
	Aborigines: Executive correspondence	1969-1975
	Referendum on aborigines: Executive correspondence	1967
	Anti-apartheid campaigns	1971-1974
	Botany Municipality	1972-1974
	Burwood Residents Action Group	1974
	Black Mountain	1973
	Beverly Hills Resident Action Group	1974
	Australian Conservation Foundation	1974
	Anti-conscription	1972
	Centennial Park/Moore Park sports complex proposals	1972-1975
	Darlinghurst Residents Action Group	1973-1974
	BLF, NSW Branch and Federal elections	1978
	BLF, NSW Branch accounts	1973
	BLF, NSW Branch accounts	1973-1974

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Z235/Box 18	Builders Labourers for Democracy: leaflets, accounts, etc	1975-1976
/Box 19	Transcripts of intervention tapes, including: - untitled history of the NSW Branch, BLF - notes on FMC meetings - "Intervention", prologue & pp 1-89 - "Federal Intervention", pp 1-115 - untitled on the intervention, pp 106-217 - "1975", pp 1-76 - "Intervention", pp 200-300	1974-1975  1969-1974  Oct 1973-Feb 1974 30 Sep-13 Nov 1974 14 Oct-26 Nov 1974 27 Nov-Dec 1974  Jan-20 Feb 1975 4 Mar-26 Mar 1975
/Box 20	General matters, including perman- ency campaign & cessation of Equity Court action, 10 Feb 1975	1973-1975
	Notebooks & diaries	1972-1973
	Notebooks	1973-1975
	Diaries	1976-1984
	Phone numbers	n.d.
	Desk calendars (two)	1975
/Box 21	BLF, NSW Branch financial	1973
	BLF, NSW Branch finance: approxi- mate cash balances	10 Oct 1972-11 Sep 1973
	Membership lists	1971
	Summary Offences Act, Waverley Court: summonses	1971
	<u>Taming the Concrete Jungle</u> : invoices	1973-1974
	Trades Hall shares. CLOSED	1925
	Victorian BLF/death of Jim Leavy	1975-1976
	Victorian BLF leaflets since inter- vention	1975-1976
	BLF (NSW) leaflets & circulars	1975-1977
	BWIU material, since intervention	1976
	BLF general material (to be sorted)	1974-1977
	Builders Labourers for Democracy: copies of leaflets distributed on jobs and Victorian Rank & File material	1975

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Z235/Box 22	NSW Rank & File material	1975-1977
	Minutes of meetings of the Rank & File, ABLF, NSW Branch	Mar-Sep 1975
	Private file. CLOSED	
	Disputes transcripts	1973-1974
/Box 23	BLF, Victorial documents. CLOSED	1975
	ABCE & BLF, Federal Conference Caloundra: agenda & Federal Secretary's report	Nov 1975
	Note book	1976
	NSW BLF Rank & File material, including notes on past officials of the BLF	1976-1978
	Employers, ownership, etc: E A Watts, Lewis Construction Co, Eastment & Sons, Costain Australia, Dillingham Constructions, Concrete Constructions - notes & microfilm	n.d.
	Finance & membership	1974-1975
	Attempt to form Federal union in NSW. CLOSED	1974
	BL's: notes, etc	1975
/Box 24	"NL Gallagher - Marxist/Leninist or Opportunist?"	Nov 1974
	BLF, NSW Branch "elections"	1976
	Victoria St & other material including the last <u>Now</u>	1975
	Strike money & other sundries	1974
	Financial matters/list of file titles, and other material	1972-1975
	Mass meetings - recommendations	1971-1972
	Donations from Federal Office, telegrams & other miscellaneous items	1972-1974
	Federal Management Committee, Jack Mundy	Mar-Jun 1972
	Wyong dispute	May 1974

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Z235/Box 24 (cont'd)	<u>The National Bricklayer</u> : manuscript articles by Bud Cook, Charlie Drake the Worker & Ralph Kelly	1970
	Interstate BLF leaflets	1974-1975
	BLF, NSW Branch: leaflets, notes, etc	1975
/Box 25	Photocopies of minutes of Executive and General meetings of the ABLF, NSW Branch	May 1963-May 1975
	(Loose material arranged by the Archivist. Boxes 26-30)	
/Box 26	Press cuttings	1981-1985
/Box 27	Building industry: leaflets, circulars & other material	1980-1984
	Notes on meetings attended, correspondence & personal material	1980-1984
/Box 28	Papers re CPA matters	1981-1983
/Box 29	AMWSU Clerks' dispute	1981
	Housing	
	Shell Oil Refinery, Clyde	1980-1981
	ICI Botany Construction Project	1981
	Eamonn O'Connor - hunger strike, Sydney	1981
	Unemployed Peoples Union/Campaign for the Right to Work Committee	1982-1983
/Box 30	Leaflets, circulars, articles on various labour movement matters	1980-1984
	Articles, papers & a play, including J S Baker, "Bans Turn Green: a play on the green ban movement" & M Bergmann, "The BLF conflicts and confrontation - past and present	1982-1984
	Returned federal tickets	1974-1975
	Prisoners Union Liaison	1979-1982
/Box 31	Prisoners Union Liaison: asbestos in Parklea Jail	1982-1984
	BLF: general (2 files)	1984

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Z235/Box 31 (cont'd)	ABCE & BLF, NSW Branch, minutes of Executive & other meetings: loose copies. CLOSED	Feb-Aug 1974
	ABCE & BLF, NSW Branch, minutes of Executive meetings. CLOSED	Jul 1974-May 1975
	Federal union application: names. CLOSED	1975
/Box 32	BLF: general	1980-1985
	General	1981-1983
	Wollongong Unemployed March - Campaign for the Right to Work Committee	1982-1983
	Victoria St, death of Mick Fowler	1973-1985, 1979
	Victoria St	1973-1974
	Victoria St green ban & development	1974-1984
	Victoria St	1973-1979
	Victoria St	1973-1975
	Workers' Health Centre, Lidcombe	1978-1984
/Box 33	Combined Unions Against Racism	1984-1985
	Matraville Garden Village for Soldiers	1972-1974
	<u>Second deposit, 18 Sep 1985</u>	
/Box 34	ABCE & BLF, Federal Conference agendas, notes & related papers	1973, 1974, 1975
	ABCE & BLF, Federal Council reports	1971-1975
	ABCE & BLF, Federal Council minutes	Nov 1973
	ABCE & BLF, Federal Council minutes & related papers	Oct-Nov 1974
	ABCE & BLF, Federal Council miscellaneous papers	1975
	ABCE & BLF, Federal Council minutes	22 Nov 1976
	ABCE & BLF, Federal Management Committee minutes & related papers	1971-1972
/Box 35	ABCE & BLF, Federal Management Committee minutes & related papers	1974
	ABCE & BLF, Federal Management Committee minutes & related papers	1975
	Award campaign in NSW	Mar 1972

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Z235/Box 35 (cont'd)	Copy Federal application to vary margins	1971
	Copies of various BL's awards & variations	1962-1972
	Guideline copies of Industrial Commission documents	n.d.
	Industrial agreements - Canberra	1964-1970
/Box 36	Industrial agreements - Electricity Commission contractors & sub-contractors	1960-1972
	Mixed Industries, No 557 of 1974 - new award	1975
	Applications for variation to Construction on Site (State) Award, No 402 of 1974 - new award	1974
	National Award (5 files)	1974-1975
/Box 37	Wage sheets	1964-1974
	Wage sheets	1972-1974
	ABLF, NSW Branch ballot material	1961-1967
	ABLF, NSW Branch ballots	1964, 1965
	ABLF, NSW Branch ballot: Executive correspondence	1967
	ABLF, NSW Branch ballots	1968, 1969
	ABLF, NSW Branch ballot (2 files)	1970
	ABLF casual elections: how to vote	Aug 1972
	ABLF, NSW Branch ballot (2 files)	1972
	ABLF, NSW Branch ballot: applications for postal votes	1972
	ABLF election material (2 files)	1972-1973
	ABCE & BLF, NSW Branch: nominations	1973
	ABCE & BLF, NSW Branch triennial election (2 files)	1973
	Ballot Leaflet for Denise Bishop	n.d.

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Z235/Box 38	Builders Labourers for Democracy: minute book	May 1975
	Builders Labourers for Democracy: cash book	Sep 1977-Aug 1978
	Johns & Waygood dispute (ICI Botany Construction Project): collection sheets & receipt book	Oct 1978
	ABLF, Federal Office balance sheets	1959-1968
	ABLF, NSW Branch special finance papers: historical leaflets, etc	1961-1968
	ABLF, NSW Branch financial matters, including membership	1967-1968
	Commonwealth Trading Bank: correspondence	1970-1973
	ABLF, NSW Branch, Loans to members & bail	1972
	ABLF, NSW Branch finance payments to be considered & organisation	1972-1973
	ABLF, NSW Branch group certificates and Group Employers' Reconciliation Statement	1972/1973
/Box 39	ABLF, NSW Branch car and motor bike files (18 files)	1971-1973
	ABLF, NSW Branch, cars - Prendagast & Kerr	1973
	ABLF, NSW Branch approximate cash balances	1973
	ABLF, NSW Branch permanency lock out fund	1973
	ABCE & BLF, NSW Branch: finance loans, etc	1973-1974
	ABCE & BLF, NSW Branch loans to members	1973-1974
	ABCE & BLF, NSW Branch calculation of quota due to Federal Office	1973-1974
	ABCE & BLF, NSW Branch photocopies of sundry ledger cards	1973-1974
	ABCE & BLF, NSW Branch Federal audit (3 files)	1974



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Z235/Box 40	ABCE & BLF, NSW Branch, sundry financial papers	1974-1975
	ABCE & BLF, NSW Branch, group certificates & Group Employers Reconciliation Statement	1974/1975
	ABCE & BLF, NSW Branch audit (2 files)	1975
	ABLF, NSW Branch financial report	Jun 1975
	ABLF, NSW Branch property correspondence	1975-1977
	ABLF, NSW Branch, Federal Secretary correspondence	1969
	ABLF, NSW Branch, Federal President correspondence	Aug 1971-May 1972
	ABLF, NSW Branch, Federal Office correspondence	1971-1972
	ABLF, NSW Branch, Federal Secretary correspondence	1973
	ABLF, NSW Branch, Federal Secretary correspondence	1974
	ABLF, NSW Branch, correspondence re Ferguson charges	Feb 1974
	ABLF, NSW Branch, correspondence between Clancy & Munday	Oct-Nov 1971
	ABLF, NSW Branch, employers L-Z (miscellaneous)	1966-1969
	ABCE & BLF, NSW Branch, miscellaneous correspondence	1973-1974
	ABCE & BLF, NSW Branch, miscellaneous correspondence, Labour Councils, ACTU, BTG, miscellaneous government departments, CPA	1974-1975
	ABCE & BLF, NSW Branch, Federal Office correspondence received in error	1975
	ABCE & BLF, NSW Branch, sundry correspondence	1974
	ABCE & BLF, NSW Branch, sundry correspondence	1975
	ABCE & BLF, NSW Branch, incoming telegrams	Jan 1972-Sep 1974
	ABCE & BLF, NSW Branch, sundry telegrams sent	Nov 1973-Mar 1974

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Z235/Box 41	ABCE & BLF rules	1976
	ABCE & BLF rules - alteration	Jun 1974
	ABCE & BLF, NSW Branch stoppages	Mar 1974-Mar 1975
	ABCE & BLF, duties of Branch Secretary	n.d.
	BLF proposals to Institute of Real Estate Developers	22 Jun 1974
	Calendar issued by the NSW Branch Conservation, housing, trade unions and politics: papers, leaflets & pamphlets	1975 1973-1976
	CPA Minto Conference	Aug 1974
	Dispute - lockout	Nov 1973
	Disputes (Bill Holley's file)	Apr 1973-Feb 1974
	Donations from the NSW BLF	Dec 1974-Feb 1975
	Donations to the NSW BLF (2 files)	Jun 1973-Feb 1975
	E A Watts dispute	Nov 1974
	Environmental matters: press cuttings, articles, journals, leaflets, etc.	Jun-Dec 1976
	Ferguson charges against the NSW Executive of the BLF	Feb 1974
	General political	1970-1971
	Hellier's & Domican's charges against NSW Executive members of the BLF (2 files)	Oct 1974
	Lachlan Village, Forbes	Mar 1975
/Box 42	Leaflets & circulars issued by the NSW Branch of the BLF (3 files)	1971-1974
	Leaflets issued by NSW Branch, BLF	1974-1975
	Leaflets & circulars issued by NSW Branch & Federal Office, BLF	Jan-Feb 1974
	MBA & ABCE & BLF, CNo 983 of 1973, re conditions of employment: transcript, pp 30-47	May 1973
	Miscellaneous papers (4 files)	1971-1978

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Z235/Box 42 (cont'd)	Microfilm records: Leslie Homes P/L; Silverton Ltd; Adina Constructions Ltd	n.d.
	Moratorium, urban problems & material on a dispute in the Water & Sewerage Employees (Wages) Union	1969-1970
	National Workers' Control Confer- ence, Newcastle	Mar 1973
	NSW Industrial Commission, com- pulsory conference, No 523 of 1974, BLF (NSW) dispute with Gillinghams re dismissals	Nov 1974
	Notifications of dispute & other industrial court documents	1973-1974
/Box 43	Permanency (3 files)	1973-1975
	Post de-registration: messages of support	Jun-Jul 1974
	Quality Press - printing & paper supplies	1971-1974
	Radical Ecology Conference, Melbourne	Mar 1975
	Federal de-registration of the ABCE & BLF	Oct-Dec 1973
	Federal de-registration proceedings of the ABCE & BLF, B No 73 of 1973	Dec 1973
	Federal de-registration of the ABCE & BLF	Dec 1973-Dec 1974
	State de-registration, No 406 of 1974, application to cancel the registration of the ABLF (NSW Branch): affidavits & other material (2 files)	Aug 1974
	New Federal union in NSW, R No 269 of 1974, application to register ABLF (NSW): resolution, applications to join, Court documents (4 files)	Oct 1974-1975
/Box 44	Federal re-registration, R No 86 of 1975, application for registration of the ABCE & BLF: rules, Court documents, etc (2 files)	1975-1976
	Domican applications, R Nos 404 & 86 of 1975: objections	1976
	Gallagher's NSW application to register NSW Labourers Union of Employees	1976

Location	Description	Date Range
Z235/Box 44 (cont'd)	Material tendered for use before Registrar as to his discretion	1975
	Application for registration of the ABLF (NSW) & objections, R No 269 of 1974, together with application for registration of the ABCE & BLF & objections: transcript, pp 44-268, 346-538	1975-1976
/Box 45	Application for registration of the ABLF (NSW) & objections, R No 269 of 1974, together with application for registration of the ABCE & BLF & objections: transcript, pp 539-1200	1976
	Federal v NSW BLF	1971-14 Oct 1974
	Federal v NSW BLF	15-31 Oct 1974
	Federal v NSW BLF	1-30 Nov 1974
/Box 46	Federal intervention	1 Jan-20 Feb 1975
	Federal intervention	21 Feb-13 Mar 1975
	Federal intervention	14-31 Mar 1975
	Federal intervention	1-30 Aug 1975
	Federal intervention	1 May-10 Jul 1975
	Press cuttings	Sep-Dec 1974
/Box 47	Federal v NSW: statutory declarations	Jan 1975
	Gallagher's leaflets	1974-1975
	Leaflets, circulars during intervention	1974-1975
	Federal intervention: leaflets, press statements, political party documents	1974-1975
	Messages of support from residents, environmentalists, etc	Oct-Nov 1974
	Intervention documents: circulars, press cutting, correspondence, reports (2 files)	1974-1975
	Federal v NSW material (duplicate copies)	1974-1975

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235/Box 47 (cont'd)	Letter to Hawke	17 Mar 1975
	Sundry intervention papers	1974-1975
/Box 48	Joe Owens: BLF notes (2 vols)	8 May-23 Aug 1978
	BLF/BL's for Democratic Control: leaflets, correspondence, press cuttings & ballot material	May 1978
	BLF/BL's for Democratic Control: leaflets, correspondence, press cuttings & ballot material	May-Jun 1978
/Box 49	BLF/BL's for Democratic Control: leaflets, correspondence, press cuttings & ballot material	Jul-Aug 1978
	BLF/BL's for Democratic Control:	Oct 1978-Jul 1979
	Notes on BLF matters in Canberra by Dave Shaw	1976
	Leaflets, press cuttings & other material on BLF matters	1977-1978
	BLF: ballot & leaflets	1978
/Box 50	BLF/BL's for Democracy: leaflets & circulars	1975-1976
	BLF/BL's for Democracy: leaflets & circulars including statement re District Court of NSW, No 6601 of 1975, Owens v Robinson	Mar 1975-Mar 1976
	Supreme Court of NSW Equity Division, No 1317 of 1975 Owens v Gallagher: affidavits & summons	Jun 1975
	Supreme Court of NSW, Equity Division, No 2192 of 1974, Makin v Gallagher: transcript	Oct-Dec 1974
	Supreme Court of NSW, Equity Division, No 2192 of 1974, Makin v Gallagher: documents re proceedings before Holland J	1974
	Supreme Court of NSW, Equity Division, No 2192 of 1974, Makin v Gallagher: Equity Court documents (2 files)	1974-1975

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Z235/Box 50 (cont't)	Supreme Court of NSW, Equity Division, No 2192 of 1974, Makin v Gallagher: affidavits	1974
	Supreme Court of NSW, Equity Division, No 2192 of 1974, Makin v Gallagher: orders	1974-1975
/Box 51	Federal Court of Australia, No 2 of 1977, Owens v Gallagher: transcript	Sep 1977
	Federal Court of Australia, Nos 10, 11, 12, 17 & 18, Owens, Munday & others v ABCE & BLF: transcript, pp 1-546	Nov 1977-Mar 1978
/Box 52	Federal Court of Australia, Nos 10, 11, 12, 17 & 18, Owens, Munday & others v ABCE & BLF: transcript, pp 547-672	Mar 1978
	Federal Court matters: various papers (5 files)	1977-1978
/Box 53	Federal Court matters: solicitors' correspondence, Court documents, advice, notes evidence & other papers	1977-1978
	High Court of Australia, No 10 of 1978, Owens & others v ABCE & BLF: transcript & other papers	1978
/Box 54	Sundry papers related to the various Court matters	1975-1978
	<u>The Building Industry</u> , by Les Goodwin, Abe David & Joe Owens: draft typescripts	n.d.
	Register of building & construction companies showing jobs underway, sub-contractors & contracts	1971-1972
/Box 55	Telephone numbers: loose leaf office note book	n.d.
	Joe Owens, "The NSW Builders Labourers Struggle: a class conspiracy": typescript	n.d.
	Chronological list of events concerning the BLF	Oct 1974-Apr 1975
	Material damaged by mould (4 files)	1974-1975

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Z235/Box 56	Photograph of the Federal NSW Branch office of the ABCE & BLF, Elizabeth St, Sydney	1974
	Joe Owens: family photographs	n.d.
/Box 57	Pamphlets	
	<u>BL</u> (NSW Branch, ABCE & BLF)	
	No 2	Oct 1980
	No 3 & 4	May&Dec 1981
	No 5	May 1982
	<u>Builders Labourers Federal Journal</u> (ABCE & BLF, Federal Office)	Sep 1977, Nov 1980 Nov 1981 Dec 1982 Oct 1983
	<u>The Federation</u> (Federal NSW Branch, ABCE & BLF)	Dec 1975 May 1976
*See S319	<u>The NSW Builders Labourer</u> (NSW Branch, BLF)	
	Vol 4, No 22	* Jul 1970 * n.d.(1972) * Jun 1973,Aug 1973,n.d.(1974) * Oct 1974,Nov 1974,Dec 1974 * Feb 1975,Feb 1975,1977 * 1978(2 issues)
	<u>Rank &amp; File Rag</u> (Job Delegates and Activists Association, NSW Builders Labourers)	
	No 1	Nov 1974
	No 3	Mar 1975
	<u>Vigilante</u> (NSW Branch, ABCWF)	n.d.(1972)
/Box 58	<u>Australian Left Review</u>	1970,1983,1984
*See S210	Nos 26,84,89*	
	<u>AMWSU State Council Report</u>	Feb 1981
	<u>Australasian Spartacist</u>	Apr 1978
	No 52	
	<u>The Battler</u> (International Socialists)	Apr 1982,Jun 1983
	Nos 126 & 146	
	<u>Beijing Review</u> , Vol 22, No 23	Jun 1979
	<u>BWIU Review</u> , Nos 6 & 16	Mar 1978,Apr 1981
	<u>Challenge</u> (Labor Newsletter Group)	Apr 1978
	No 10	

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Z235/Box 58 (cont'd)	<u>The Clarion</u> (Australian Journalists' Association) 2 issues	May, Jun 1980
	<u>Construction Equipment News</u> Vol 13, No 12	Dec 1980
*See S566	<u>Direct Action</u> (Socialist Workers' Party of Australia) Nos 212* & 438*	Jun 1978, May 1983
	<u>The Employers' Review</u> (Employers' Federation of NSW) Vol 53, No 8	Nov 1981
	<u>Ground swell</u> (Young Communist Movement) Nos 4 & 5	Jul & Aug 1983
	<u>Hard Labor</u> , No 4	Sep 1981
*See S119	<u>Honi Soit</u> , 1975, No 3*	Mar 1975
	<u>Horse Talk</u> (Darcy Waters) Vol 1, Nos 1 & 2	May, Jul 1983
	<u>The Independent Australian</u> Vol 3, No 1	n.d.
	<u>Inner Voice</u> (Inner Sydney Regional Council for Social Development) No 33	Sep 1983
	<u>Jail News</u> (Prisoners Action Groups & Women Behind Bars) Vol 3, No 1	Oct 1980
	<u>Labor News</u> (FIA) Vol 34, No 253	Sep 1981
	<u>Marxism Today</u> (CPGB) Vol 25, Nos 3, 4, 11, 12 Vol 26, Nos 1, 4, 7-12 Vol 27, Nos 1, 2, 5, 6, 9-12 Vol 28, Nos 1-4, 6-12 Vol 29, Nos 1-3	1981 1982 1983 1984 1985
/Box 59	<u>News from Kampuchea</u> (Committee of Patriots of Democratic Kampuchea) Vol 2, No 3	Aug 1979
*See S154	<u>News Weekly</u> (2 issues)	* 9, 16 Oct 1974
	<u>Now &amp; Again</u> (Woolloomooloo Resident Action Group)	9 Oct 1979
	<u>Now or Never</u> (Victoria St Action Group) No 1	Jul 1975
	<u>The Operator</u> (FEDFA, NSW Branch)	Apr 1978
	<u>Painter &amp; Docker</u> (Federated Ship Painters and Dockers' Union, NSW Branch) Vol 6, No 7	Aug 1981



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Z235/Box 59 (cont'd)	<u>Plumbers' News</u> (Plumbers' & Gas Fitters' Employees Union of Australia) Vol 1, No 26 *	Sep 1984
*See S770	<u>Praxis</u> (CPA), No 33	Oct 1983
*See S366	<u>The Radical</u> (NSW Branch, ALP) Vol 6, No 3*	Jun 1975
	<u>Scrounge</u> (Wendy Bacon, Darcy Waters, Dave Morrissey & others) No issue number & No 16	14 Jun&14 Aug 1974
	<u>South Sydney Post</u> (South Sydney Residents' Action Group) No 14	Sep 1983
	<u>Sydney District Newsheet</u> (CPA)	Nov 1981 Feb, Jun, Jul, Sep 1983 Apr 1984
	<u>Transport Group; ISRCSD Newsletter</u>	Jan 1982
*See S81	<u>Tribune</u> (CPA) No 1920 * No 2059 * No 2092 * No 2168 * No 2248-2250 * No 2292 * No 2306 *	23 Sep 1975 16 Aug 1978 2 May 1979 19 Nov 1980 11-25 Aug 1982 20 Jul 1983 26 Oct 1983
/Box 60 *See S169	<u>The Vanguard</u> (CPA Marxist-Leninist) Vol 12, No 10 * Vol 15, Nos 3,12,19,21,22,28 *	Mar 1975 Feb-Jul 1978
	<u>The Veteran Unionist</u> (Council of Retired Union Members' Association) Vol 1, No 1	Jul 1982
	<u>Woolloomooloo Rag</u> (Woolloomooloo Residents' Advocate) Nos 19&22 Nos 27-35 Nos 38,39,42,43	Jun, Sep 1981 Feb-Oct 1982 Jan, Feb, May, Jun 1983
*See S704	<u>Workforce</u> (Robert Freeden) Vol 1, Nos 3-5, 7, 8, 12, 15-25, 28-33, 35, 37-42 Vol 2, No 14	May 1974-Mar 1975 Aug 1975
	<u>Work Hazards</u> (Workers' Health Centre, Lidcombe) Nos 2 & 3 No 6	May 1978, Apr 1979 Dec 1980
	<u>Workers News</u> (Socialist Labor League) No 727	30 Jul 1983

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Z235/Box 60 (cont'd)	<u>Your Shout: Brewery Workers' Bulletin</u> (Combined Union Delegates Committee) Vol 2, No 2	n.d. (Feb 1981?)
/Item 61	4 posters	1980s

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## Additional Deposit, July 1988

BLF, NSW Branch files

Box 62	Secretary's (Mundey's) correspondence - out	1969-1973
	BLF petition	1974-1975

Personal files

	Black list (on victimisation of J Owens)	1983
	Building Industry Socialist Activity Association	
	BLF book notes. (Drafts of Joe Owens' history of the Builders' Labourers' Federation, related correspondence and BLF Book Fund receipts)	1976-1978
Box 63	BLF general: leaflets, press cuttings, posters, journals & related documents	1984
	BLF general (4 files)	1985
Box 64	BLF general (2 files)	1986
	BLF general (2 files)	1987
Box 65	Building workers' accident pay strike (file compiled by BWIU, NSW Branch)	1971
	Campaign for the Right to Work Committee	1983-1984
	Campaign for the Right to Work/Unemployed Peoples Union	1982-1983
	Combined Unions Against Racism	1985-1986
Box 66	Jim Leavy: statement	Jul 1975
	NCC material (Restricted) (2 files)	1983-1984

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**SITE LIST OF ADDITIONS**

**TITLE:**      **JOE OWENS COLLECTION**

<b><u>RECEIPT DATE/S.</u></b>	<b><u>QUANTITY</u></b>	<b><u>LOCATION</u></b>
<b>11.11.1988</b>	<b>5 Cartons 1 Roll of posters</b>	<b>Far End (L)</b>
<b>2.12.1990</b>	<b>1 Archive Box</b>	
<b>14.4.1994</b>	<b>11 Cartons</b>	<b>[CLOSED]</b>

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**NOTES**

Access is restricted. Boxes 8-18 are Closed.

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<b><u>5 Cartons of records of Joe Owens received 11 Nov 1988</u></b>		
	<i>FEDFA delegate. Senior Project Delegate of the Labour Council to darling Harbour Construction Project. (gaps of 5 Months &amp; 2 Months while sick)</i>	
Box <del>1</del> 67	Files (titled). <i>includes: files on contractors/ Darling Harbour Authority publications</i>	
Box <del>2</del> 68	Files <i>includes minutes of Delegates' Meetings, press cuttings &amp; Project Council Meetings</i>	
Box <del>3</del> 69	Files <i>includes Darling Harbour Newsheets and Delegates Agreement.</i>	
Box <del>4</del> 70	Superannuation Lists Work Clearances (abandoned) Co names & FEDFA members (abandoned) JO Job Sheets Note books on Disputes Disputes Book (carbon copies) Files <i>includes company files (disputes), income tax (assistance with tax</i> Superannuation	
Box <del>5</del> 71	Work rates & photos Mobile Cranes <i>should include claim for super for mobile crane drivers - first such claim</i> Files <i>includes collapse</i>	
	* Not OH: Inquiry accident Bond & George street. May '88. JO or FE centre of Inquiry	
Label <del>6</del> 72	Employees Federation Report: Site Safety & Industrial Relations Reports. <i>report demonstrates that OH &amp; H&amp;S &amp; IR track record</i> Posters <i>(Label 6 comprises of 1 folder &amp; 1 cylinder)</i>	Dec 1986- Jan 1988

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Box No.	Description	Date range
<b><u>Addition: one bundle of papers collected from Abe David's house, parramatta, 2 Dec 1990</u></b>		
Box 73	BLF, NSW Branch: sundry correspondence & leaflets, including copies of correspondence of the Independent Action Group for a Better Police Force	1973-1975
	Joe Owens, note for a report to National Committee of the CPA Minto	Nov 1974
	Resident action and environmental groups: list of addresses	nd
	BLF, NSW Branch telephone bill: correspondence and itemised statement of trunk calls	1974-1975
	Builders Labourers for Democracy: applications for sponsorship	May-Jul 1975
	Builders labourers for Democracy: membership register	1975
	R.No. 86 of 1975, application by the ABCE&BLF for registration - objections: transcript, pp 1186-1199	1975
	ABCE&BLF and the NSW building industry: press cutting & articles, incl <i>Bulletin</i> articles	1975
	ABCE&BLF, NSW Branch, election: ts article, newsletters, correspondence etc	Jul-Aug 1976
	ABCE&BLF: correspondence and leaflets	1976
	ABCE&BLF: list of Branch addresses and Officers	nd
	ABCE&BLF: correspondence, leaflets & newsletters	1977
	Ralph Kelly, "To a Builders Labourers' Wife" (poem)	Jun 1977
	John Turner (Central Industrial Prison) correspondence with Joe Owens	Nov 1977
	FCA, Nos. 10,11,12,17,18 of 1977, Joseph Owens, John Munday, Douglas Duggan, Abraham David and Robert Pringle and the ABCE&BL, re entitlement to be admitted as members: reasons for judgement and orders	1978
	FCA, No.NSW 9 of 1978, Noel Olive and ABCE&BLF of NSW and Joseph Ferguson: Transcript, pp171-198	Jun 1978
	"A Housing Policy for Australia"	nd
	"Draft Notes for an Urban Transport Policy"	nd
	"Draft Policy Discussion Paper: Urban Development - problems of city centres"	nd
	Joe Owens, "The NSW Builders Labourers' Struggle: a class conspiracy"	nd
	Sundry undated papers	nd
	Pamphlets & Leaflets	nd

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S920	<i>Dare to Struggle Dare to Win</i> (ABCE&BLF, Federal Office)	Spring 1977
S319	<i>The NSW Builders Labourer</i>	27 Feb 1975 1977
S343	<i>Peking Review</i> , No. 19 No. 28-30	6 May 1977 8-22 Jul 1977
S169	<i>The Vanguard</i> Vol 13, No 24 Vol 14, No 43 Vol 14, No 46	1 Jul 1976 10 Nov 1977 1 Dec 1977

### Addition - 14 Apr 1994. 11 Cartons

Box <del>8</del> 74	Federal State Council Minutes FTC
Box <del>9</del> 75	World Square Material Joe Owens Diary (1990) - includes World Square meetings & notes ALP Material (1991) Joe Owens immigration file applied for under FOI
Box <del>10</del> 76	Union Material: PGEU, TWU, AWU Labour Council: BWIU, BLF Building Trades Group
Box <del>11</del> 77	PAG Glebe material Miscellaneous Tape Victoria Darling Harbour
Box <del>12</del> 78	CFMEU Restructuring & Amalgamation
Box <del>13</del> 79	FEDFA Metro Plaza Dispute FEDFA/BWIU Dispute re Hours CFMEU Journals FEDFA Construction Division papers Boulderstone Hornibrook
Box <del>14</del> 80	FEDFA (Mining) Thorley Issue Civil & Civic Agreements Dogmen/Crane driver Issues FEDFA Crane Crews International Rigging P/L Trouble Shooters P/L Extended Working Hours Brennan Papers FEDFA Site Allowances

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	Grollo P/L FEDFA Riggers demarcation CRA Material FEDFA Staff Dispute 1992 BLF Sydney Police Centre dispute	
Box <del>15</del> 81	FEDFA 1991 Elections	
Box <del>16</del> 82	World Square	
Box <del>17</del> 83	FEDFA 1991 Elections	
Box <del>18</del> 84	Building Industry Royal Commission	