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**WESTERN AUSTRALIAN WOOL BUYERS & EXPORTERS ASSOCIATION**

The formation of a representative body for Western Australian Wool Buyers was the goal for those attending a preliminary meeting held on the 4<sup>th</sup> of November 1922 (see item 20 – Minutes of the Western Australian Wool Buyers Association), and the outcome was the foundation of the Western Australian Wool Buyers' Association. The Association represents wool buyers and exporters of Western Australia and effects reforms in the general conduct of the Wool Trade as needed, acting on behalf of its members to protect their interests and to regulate matters effecting the mutual well being of the Wool Trade in W. A., it effects improvements if necessary in the classing, preparation and display of wool clips for the benefit and promotion of the wool industry in Western Australia.

The Association was originally housed at Pastoral House, 156 St Georges Terrace Perth. In 1960 it moved to the Wool Exchange on 5 Norfolk Street Fremantle. It has undergone various name changes since its inception, changing from Western Australian Wool Buyers' Association to Australian Council of Wool Buyers. Western Division in 1977 and in 1985 to Australian Council of Wool Exporters - Western Region.

The Western Australian Wool Buyers', Brokers', Shipping & Bankers' Golf Association was founded in 1928 through the WA Wool Buyers' Association and the records of this association are also included in this collection.

**The Papers**

The records were donated to Battye Library by the Western Australian Wool Buyers' & Exporters Association on the 11<sup>th</sup> of November 2002 (Acc.5883A).

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- 5883A/1 CASHBOOKS  
14 May 1923 – 31 August 1938  
Cashbook of the W.A. Wool Buyers' Association.
- /2 17 June 1929 – 3 October 1965  
Cashbook of the West Australian Wool buyers',  
Brokers' & Shipping Golf Association
- /3 OSM 1 September 1950 – 31 July 1966  
Cashbook of the Western Australian Wool  
Buyers' Association
- /4 OSM 3 August 1966 – 31 July 1990  
Cashbook of the Western Australian Wool  
Buyers' Association
- /5 13 August 1976 – 30 June 1981  
Cashbook of the Western Australian Wool  
Buyers' Association
- /6 19 March 1984 – 4<sup>th</sup> August 1992  
Cashbook of the W A Wool Buyers', Brokers',  
Shipping & Bankers' Golf Association
- /12 CIRCULARS  
4 August 1960 - 30 June 1978  
Circular of the Western Australian Wool Buyer'  
Association Notice to Members of details of  
Wool bought at auction at Fremantle and Albany  
Wool Sales. From 20th August 1976 to 30 June  
1978 the circular is headed Australian Council of  
Wool Buyers – Western Division Notice to  
Members.
- /7 CONSTITUTIONS  
1929  
Copy of the 1929 Western Australian Wool  
Buyers' Association Constitution, Rules and  
Conditions of Sale with Handwritten annotations

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- /8 1947 – 1948  
A copy of the 1929 Western Australian Wool Buyers' Association Constitution, Rules and Conditions of Sale with Handwritten annotations for the 1947/48 edition
- /9 1953  
A copy of the Western Australian Wool Buyers' Association Constitution, Rules and Conditions of Sale with inserts and Handwritten annotations for the 1953 Constitution.
- /10 18 August 1967  
Constitution of the Western Australian Wool Buyers' Association as originally adopted at the Annual General Meeting September 9<sup>th</sup>, 1953 and embracing amendments made up to August 18<sup>th</sup>, 1967
- CORRESPONDENCE
- /11 1958 – 1993  
Correspondence received from W.A. Wool and Produce Brokers' Association, the National Council of Wool Selling Brokers' of Australia and the W. A. Wool Selling Brokers
- /13 1960 – 1994  
Correspondence file regarding Office accommodation of the Western Australian Wool Buyers Association at the Wool Exchange, 5 Norfolk St, Fremantle. Includes 1960 and 1981 official copies of lease agreements.
- /14 1961 – 1977  
Correspondence file regarding the registration of the W. A. Wool Buyers' Association with the Government of Western Australia.
- /15 1965 - 1983  
Correspondence received from the West Australian Woolgrowers Voluntary Co-operative Limited.
- /16 1978 – 1986  
Correspondence received from the Wool Agency Co.
- /17 1983 – 1986  
Correspondence regarding the W.A. Wool Buyers', Brokers', Shipping and Bankers' Golf Association
- /18 1994  
Correspondence regarding the W.A. Wool Buyers', Brokers', Shipping and Bankers' Golf Association (Woollies Golf).

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- FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
- /19 1948 - 1983  
The Western Australian Wool Buyers' Association yearly Financial Statements, 36 separately bound, from the Year ended 31<sup>st</sup> August, 1948 to the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> July 1983
- JOURNALS
- /28 1946 - 1950  
Western Australian Wool Buyers' Association Membership Subscription Journal
- /29 1950 - 1966  
Western Australian Wool Buyers' Association Membership Subscription Journal
- /30 1966 - 1976  
Western Australian Wool Buyers' Association Membership Subscription Journal
- MINUTES
- /20 4 November 1922 – 13 August 1929  
Minutes of the Western Australian Wool Buyers' Association. Includes Memorandum of Conferences between WA Wool & Produce Brokers' Assoc. and WA Wool Buyers' Assoc., some financial statements and member subscription details.
- /21 13 September 1929 – 14 August 1939  
Minutes of the Western Australian Wool Buyers Association. Includes Memorandum of Conferences between WA Wool & Produce Brokers' Assoc. and WA Wool Buyers' Assoc., some financial statements and member subscription details.
- /22 19 September 1945 – 5 April 1963  
Minutes of Committee of Management of the Western Australian Wool Buyers Association. Includes some financial statements and member subscription details.
- /23 9 April 1963 – 31 December 1969  
Minutes of Committee of Management of the Western Australian Wool Buyers Association. Includes some financial statements and member subscription details.
- /24 5 January 1965 – 21 June 1976  
Minutes of meetings of the Executive Committee of the Australian Council of Wool Buyers.
- /25 9 January 1970 – 8 July 1976  
Minutes of the Committee of Management of the Western Australian Wool Buyers Association.

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- /26 3 August 1976 – 3 November 1989  
Minutes of the Australian Council of Wool  
Buyers, Western Division. The Association's  
name changes to the Australian Council of Wool  
Exporters, Western Region in November 1985.
- PHOTOGRAPHS
- /37 1920  
First Perth Wool Sale
- /38 19 January 1926  
Wool sale in progress at the Wool Exchange  
Perth
- /39 20 February 1929  
Two images of the Wool Buyers' and the Wool  
Brokers' Tennis Teams at the Wool Brokers' &  
Buyers' Sports Day. Names of players listed.
- /40 9 September 1930  
The opening Wool Sale in Australia for Season  
1930/31 at the Wool Exchange Perth.
- /41 7 February 1934  
General group photograph at a cricket match at  
Fremantle oval between the Wool Selling  
Brokers and the Wool Buyers.
- /42 3 April 1935  
Buyers' Cricket Team at the Wool Brokers' &  
Buyers Sports Day. Names of players listed.
- /43 1942  
Albany Wool Appraisalment. Image 1 – S.C.  
Harkness, L. G. Cox and V. I. Collard; Image 2 –  
T.O. Anketell and A. A. Gibson; Image 3 T.O.  
Anketell, C. H. Johanson, R. Leiper and J. S.  
Miller.
- /44 1942  
Albany Wool Appraisalment. Image 1 – S.C.  
Harkness, G. Smith, L. S. Lodge and R. S.  
Boyd; Image 2 L. S. Lodge and A. A. Gibson;  
Image 3 H. L. Williams, R. V. De-Latour H.  
Carson and J. L. Prevost.
- /45 7 March 1951  
Wool Buyers & Wool Brokers Annual Cricket  
Match at Fremantle Oval
- /46 6 March 1952  
Wool Brokers & Wool Buyers Annual Cricket &  
Tennis Day. Four Images.
- /47 27 June 1960  
First Fremantle Wool Sale – two images.
- /48 8 March 1967  
A section of Wool Buyers and Staff taken at the  
Ada Street Wool Stores.

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- REGISTERS
- /27 OSM 1923 - 1951  
Western Australian Wool Buyers' Association  
Membership Register
- WOOL BOOKS
- /31 OSM 1928 - 1991  
Seat allocations for Wool Sales taking place in  
the Big Room in Perth then later Fremantle.  
Mainly for sales of Big Lots.
- /32 OSM 1948 – 1979  
Seat allocations for Wool Sales taking place in  
the Oddment Room in Perth, then later Sale  
Room No. 3 or the Blue Room in Fremantle.  
Mainly for sales of Oddment Lots.
- /33 OSM 1949 – 1991  
Seat allocations for Wool Sales taking place in  
the Star Room in Perth, then later Sale Room  
No. 2 for sales of Star Lots in Fremantle. Also  
seat allocations for Wool sales in the Blue Sale  
Room Fremantle for Skirts/Fleece and oddments  
combined.
- /34 OSM 1957 – 1982  
Seat allocations for Wool Sales taking place in  
Sale Room No. 2, Sale Room No. 3 and the  
Blue Room for Star Lots, Oddments and  
Skirts/fleeces. Albany Figures Only.
- /35 OSM 1957 – 1982  
Seat allocations for Wool Sales taking place in  
Sale Room No. 1 and the White Room for Big  
Lots. Albany Figures Only.
- /36 OSM 1947 – 1991  
Voting Plan for the Wool Sale Seasons 1960/61  
to 1990/91. Members were allocated votes  
according to the quantity of Wool they  
purchased. The voting plan therefore provides  
an understanding of the primary members  
during this time.

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