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Background
In 1978, plans for a large women’s centre were presented at the Women’s Congress at Piha. At that time the Council for the Single Mother and Her Child (Joss Shawyer, Julie Maddison) and SOS (Save our Sisters - Megan Grant) were operating from two premises at New St, Ponsonby. After one building was destroyed by fire, CSMHC took the lease on 63 Ponsonby Rd, which ultimately became the home of the Auckland Women’s Centre. Over the following twelve months, a number of women’s groups were formed; the Women’s Health Collective with Chris Gillies as the first coordinator; Rape Crisis (Susan St Claire). In late 1979, the Lesbian Support Groups began with a lesbian (phone) line on Saturday nights and a Monday night drop-in.

At the close of the 1980s, most groups were experiencing management issues and the house was described as being ‘knee deep in paper’. In 1992-3, a new collective was formed and recognising the historic importance of the women’s movement, applied for a heritage grant through the Lotteries Commission. Work on the records began in 1995. The records of the various organisations were identified and arranged as individual collections. The Centre’s project led to the formation of a lesbian community-archiving group, the Lesbe-Friends of the Archives Trust, which over 1995 and 1996 collected and conserved further material on lesbian life in Auckland.

The objective of forming the Trust was to enter into a formal arrangement with the Auckland Public Library to hold and allow access to the archives under the terms of an agreement with the owning group. However, the project became a collection point rather than an ongoing active group. Collection of new material tailed off, and so too did work on the material held. When the Women’s Centre moved to its new premises in Warnock St, the lesbian archives was stored in Linda Hill’s house before being transferred to Special Collections, Auckland Central Library.

Processing notes
Originally arranged by provenance, it is assumed that the arrangement and description of the collection was incomplete when presented to the Auckland City Libraries. The collection consists of material gathered from other sources such as Women’s Centre and Council for the Single Mother and Her Child, and papers gifted to Lesbe-Friends by members and supporters. Some papers were filed under the name of the donor. Other file titles such as ‘Recent material’ and ‘Older NZ Material’ presents difficulties when trying to locate information.

It was decided to rearrange the collection into workable series and include a series titled Lesbian Collections that preserves provenance. While the individual lesbian collections have been maintained, some were separated in the 1995/6 arrangement and there has been no attempt to reconcile. The original 1995/6 inventory consisted of an itemised listing. The 2009 listing includes bullet points - these indicate a listing from the original inventory. Content descriptions written as a paragraph are part of this 2009 arrangement (time did not allow for an itemised listing). Original listings have been placed into the Collection Management file – enquiries to the Manuscript Librarian.

During initial processing (prior to arrival at Auckland City Libraries) all staples, regardless of condition were removed including newsletters pamphlets and books, and while many staples were replaced with paper clips, this was not consistently applied. Some items are too large and as a result, the paper clips not staying in place. Consequently, extra care is required during handling.

Mary Donald. October 2009.
AUCKLAND LESBIAN ARCHIVES

SERIES 1: LESBE-FRIENDS ARCHIVING PROJECT
Papers relating to the formation of the Lesbe-Friends Archives Trust

1.1 **Incorporation papers, relating to the Lesbe-Friends Trust**
Includes certificate of incorporation Jan 1996 (photocopy); Constitution and Rules of the Lesbe-Friends of the Archives Trust; several draft rules with annotations; The Charitable Trusts Act 1957 (photocopy); a list of founding trustees; a list of members (?) n.d.; *Guide to the incorporated Societies Act 1908* Part 1L Information for societies seeking incorporation March 1972; completed application form for incorporation as a board Jan 1926; minutes of meetings June - November 1995; lists of Trustees and members

1.2 **Constitution**
Includes the constitution of the Lesbian and Gay Archives of NZ Trust (undated); Deed relating to the amalgamation of Lesbian and Gay Archives of New Zealand Trust Board and the Lesbian and Gay Rights Resource Centre and the formation of the Lesbian and Gay Archives of New Zealand 1992; the constitution of the Auckland Gay/Lesbian Welfare Group Inc.

1.3 **Correspondence 1993 – 1995**
Includes letters relating to unsuccessful funding applications 1993; a letter to Linda Hill from the Auckland Women’s Centre regarding a successful grant application and offering her the position of Archivist; sundry other letters

1.4 **Auckland Lesbian Archives**
Poster advertising launch with an exhibition of posters July 1995; Flyers (folded and unfolded)
SERIES 2: Lesbian Collections
Lesbian Collections consists of individual deposit and reflect the papers preserved by organisations and individuals

2.1 Sue Fitchett papers
Consists of a collection of papers relating to Lesbian Coalition - a political action group focusing on the Homosexual Law Reform Bill 1985 and sundry lesbian papers. Presented to Lesbe-Friends by Sue Fitchett  (See also - poster collection for list of posters gifted by Sue Fitchett)

2.1 Part 1 - Homosexual Law Reform 1985 - Legislative Papers

2.1 Part 2 – Lesbian Coalition papers
- Lesbian Coalition letterhead
- Lesbian/Gay Coalition, Press Statement in relation to the item in Issue 26, July 9, 1985 Minister wants to help homosexuals [marked ‘for Central Leader’]
- Lesbian Coalition - Press Statement in relation to ‘Stonewall Day’ from Lesbian/Gay coalitions
- Strategies: Tactics and Contingency plans in relation to the reform Bill and Lesbian Rights in Aotearoa
- Discussion paper How to Involve Interest Groups
- Lesbian Coalition - Statement about the Newspaper Advertisement
- Leaflet produced by Lesbian Coalition What’s it got to do with you? Everything leaflet, A4 pink
- Hand written notes re; using the Official Information Act.
- Input into the Royal Commission on social policy on Issues of Concern to Lesbians and lesbian Groups Wellington, 4 August 1987
- Ministry of Women’s Affairs, Project Titles as at 1.2.89, with handwritten note of meeting between MWA and Wellington lesbians, 21.2.1989
- Lesbian Consultation Day at the Ministry of Women’s Affairs
- Attention all lesbians – Finances of lesbian Coalition [carbon copy and photocopy]
- Draft statement with annotations We, Anne, Pilar, Sue, Vicki and myself regarding dissatisfaction within the Lesbian Coalition.
- Theatre plan (Auckland Town Hall) mark-up for action re: Lion [AGM?]  
- Meeting papers Meeting between lesbian Coalition and Fran Wilde; 8am 21 June 1995 – Items for discussion [annotated with additions mss notes]
- Homosexual Law Reform Bill – Lobbying and parliamentary procedures
- Homosexual Law Reform Bill – How MP’s voted, Who to Lobby and Why
- Homosexual Law reform and lesbian/Gay Rights – leaflet Who will be next??
2.1 Part 3 – Sundry papers 1
  - On Tour ’86 Queen Pictures [flier – 2/3 A4] a touring exhibition co-including with the final reading of the Homosexual Law reform Bill 1986
  - OUTLINE: Melanie’s section – Homosexual Law reform Bill [Te Hokioi Proposal – June 85]
  - A Personal History and position paper on Broadsheet – Sue Fitchett.’ [3pp, carbon copy]
  - Mental Health Foundation of NZ - Small/Urgent Grants (up to $1,000) Instructions for Applicants
  - LAVA – Lesbian Action for Visibility in Aotearoa [Wellington 28.2.89]
  - Isherwood Trust, Newsletter, December 1989 and October 1992
  - Lesbian National Network PO Box 427 Wellington, September 1990’ [‘second full-scale mail out’ ‘signed Jenny Rankine]
  - Points regarding possible ethics for lesbian therapy (in terms of maintaining a political perspective’) [carbon copy]
  - Listener Women’s Book Festival – LESBIAN AUTHORS – 16-22 September
  - Announcing The Auckland Lesbian Newsletter [initial flyer for the Tamaki Makarau Lesbian Newsletter; with hand notes re Wellington newsletter]
  - Lesbian Consultation with the Ministry of Women’s Affairs
  - Open letter to Tauiwi Lesbians from Nga Wahine Takataapui Ki Otautahi [these three sheets marked 7-12 – could be pulled off a photocopier or gestetnered newsletter e.g. W’ton?]

2.2 Womanline Library papers
The following 2 files were transferred from the Woman-line Library’s vertical files to the Lesbian Archive; For Lesbians was transferred in 1995 and Lesbian Mothers’ File in 1999.

2.2 Part 1 For Lesbians
  - Lesbianism and the Women’s movement Nancy Myron & Charlotte Bunch, Diana Press. Photocopy
  - Children of Lesbians: A Case for custody Leaflet [A4 sheet folded in 3]
  - Lesbianism on Trial in Custody Cases. Photocopy of articles
  - References about lesbian parents, Human Organisation Vol.40(1) Spr’81
  - References re: homosexuality
  - Extract from Family Law on ‘Custody and Access’ covering homosexuality
  - Lesbian Mothers Publication list
  - Improving Services to gay and lesbian clients Diana D. Dulaney & ‘James Kelly, National Assn of Social Workers, 1982. Photocopy
  - List of lesbian contacts, Dunedin, Nelson, Invercargill, Timaru, Auckland, Wellington and Christchurch [page from newsletter?]
  - Leaflet about NZ tour of Barbara Hammer, March 1983. Photocopy
  - Open letter about Barbara Hammer from Cathie Dunsford
2.2 Part 2  Lesbian Mothers’ File
- Leah Poulter, Yoka Neuman and lesbian mothers, Broadsheet November 1985
- *Children of lesbians: a case for custody*. A4 brochure produced by Lesbian Mothers Defence Fund, Dunedin
- Lesbian mothers Newsletter, December 1986
- *Lesbian Mothers workshop*  Brief report on Lesbian Festival, Ponsonby n.d. unattributed
- Letter from Yoka Neuman to Womanline re Lesbian Mothers’ Defence Group n.d.
- Two letters from J.M. Neuman for the LMDF [one marked “This is our accompanying letter to ‘professional’ and other people]
- Dunedin addresses, including Lesbian line, Gayline, Lesbian Mothers Defence Fund.
- Lesbian Mothers Defence Fund, Dunedin. 3 page info.
- Lesbian Mothers – Publications List.
- *What it’s like to be a lesbian mother*.  Lesbian Health Issues. Reprint from Boston Globe 25 September 1980

2.2 Part 3  Sundry papers 1
A file containing *Subcultural strategies* in Alan Sinfield’s *the Wilde Century* Chapter 8; Andre Lardinois *Lesbian Sappho and Sappho of Lesbos* in Jan Bremmer (ed) *From Sappho to De Sade: Moments in the history of sexuality*; Joan Nestle, *Some understandings* from *A restricted Country*. Also several chapters from Joan Nestle (ed) *The Persistent Desire: a femme Butch Reader* including Amber Hollibaugh and Cherrie Moraga *What we’re rolling around in bed with: sexual silences in feminism: a conversation towards ending them*; Arlene Istar *Feminine Dyke*; Barbara Smith *The dance of masks*; Arlene Stein *All dressed up but no place to go? Style wars and the new lesbian*; Myrna Elana *Define ‘Community’ : this is a test* (Poem); Joan Parkin and Amanda Prosser *An academic affair, the politics of butch-femme pleasures – a celebration of butch-femme identities in a lesbian community*; Pat Califia *Diagnostic tests* (poem)

2.2 Part 4  Sundry papers 2
A file containing sundry papers including: fliers for the Tamaki Makaurau Lesbian newsletter; newspaper clippings; lesbian beer mats promoting safe drinking; Letter from Beatle Treadwell to Renate re Auckland Gay-Lesbian Welfare Group; *hersay* Information and newsletter for the lesbian community, printed by the Non-Alcoholic Lesbian Space Collective 1988; leaflets such as *is your child gay or lesbian; Lesbians and the Law; Counselling Ethics, some guidelines for lesbians* etc. Also a small quantity of papers relating to the following organisations – Lesbian Nation0al Network; Lesbian Coming Out Groups; Out of Line ‘Christchurch) Dyke News; Aids Foundation; Out Against Torture; Nationwide Lesbian and Gay Guide – Summer 1985/86; Lesbian Haven Info sheet; Metropolitan Community Church, Auckland; Lesbian and Gay Study Group; Auckland Gay-Lesbian Welfare Group etc

2.3 Rosemary Ronald papers
Lesbian material presented by Rosemary Ronald
- *When you met a lesbian person…* [photocopied and retyped]
- *Lesbian Activists Weekend*, Wellington Lesbian Centre, 30 May to 1 June? 1976 or 1972
- *The Lesbian Army is Marching* – songs
- Deborah Jones, *Survival, Sanity, Health and the Needle’s Eye*
2.4 Auckland Women’s Centre
Lesbian papers transferred in 1995 from the Auckland Women’s Centre Vertical Files

2.4 Part 1 File title – Homosexuality and the Law
- Pink Triangle subscription form
- Gays and the Police – Your rights, guidelines and some advice
- Ought sexual minorities be recognised as prisoners of conscience? – Copenhagen, July 8, 1979
- The people approve, a bill is ready, why delay? – Equality Bill Campaign
- When Mother is a lesbian. Broadsheet July 1977.
- Suitable to nurse? – Nursing Mirror, April 23, 1981.
- Homosexuals ‘not mentally ill’ – Yes they are, claims Mr Hay Inner city News, March 1985
- Outfoxing the fuzz – Broadsheet, 1977

2.5 Auckland Women’s Health Centre
Lesbian and Gay papers transferred from the AWHC – no date

2.5 Part 1 Straight Dykes
[A mid 1980s alcohol and drug free lesbians group. File contains general information the group was using but nothing about the group itself.]

2.5 Part 2 National Gay Right Coalition
[AWHC vertical file, included index list but only ticked items were in the file in July 1995]

2.5 Part 3 Lesbian Herstory Group
- List of members, Minutes of meetings – 1.9.90 and 29.9.90
- Questionnaire

2.5 Part 4 Auckland Gay-Lesbian Welfare Group
- Letter 28.2.90 – re: Lesbian line selection day.
- The Centre 6 Walfe Street: Letter from Jenny Rankine re: group about lesbian violence:
- Bi-Lines: Newsletter of the Wellington Bi-Sexual Women’s Group 19 (jy92):
- Mindelta Friendship Club [for gay men and women], letters and confidential form.

2.5 Lesbian and Gay Speakers Group

2.6 Part 1 Minutes and sundry papers
A collection of papers including minutes of meetings Sept 5 – Nov 11 1985 (includes inaugural meeting); pamphlets and articles on AIDS; Answer to Myths a paper answering questions about homosexuality; sundry papers relating to the Homosexual Law Reform Campaign, 1985

2.6 Part 2 Homosexuality: a fact of life
An audiovisual slide presentation kit prepared by the Campaign for Homosexual Equality (England). The kit is complete with teachers’ Guide; Student’s booklet; Script; audio cassette and slides. The cassette is pulsed with a frequency that actives a slide change
when used in a Caromate audio/visual unit, automatically changing the slides at an appropriate time in the script

2.7 Council for the Single Mother and Her Child
2.7 Part 1 Sexual Health
Brochure Do Lesbians need cervical smear tests. Also a collection of papers transferred from the records of the Council for Single Mother and her Child prior to being gifted to Auckland City Libraries. These include – Women and HIV Aids 1994; Safe Sex Guidelines for Lesbians about HIV/AIDS (NZ AIDS Foundation); copies of relevant sections of various publications – safe sex; World AIDS Day 1995 newsletter 1995 No 1; Lesbian sex survey by Janet Lever, published in Advocate Aug 1995; etc.

2.7 Part 2 Untitled file
Three letters – one addressed to the Lesbian Support Group requesting info on Lesbian meeting places (1991); an ‘Open letter to bisexuals and people working with bisexuals’ n.d. with an A4 poster and flyer for the 2nd National Bisexual Conference in Christchurch 1992; an open letter regarding the lesbian and the Law project with a flyer Lesbians and the Law. Also flyers for Lesbians and AIDS and a promotional flyer for Sweet Harmony a new album of women’s music by Hattie St John and Maxine Naden

2.8 Jenny Rankine interviews
Notes from interviews with five lesbians - Shirley Tamihana; Miriam Saphira and Pauline; Jools and Shelagh. Interview notes Anne Young (physically disabled); C1980

2.9 Lesbian Community Group’
Open letter from the Lesbian Community Group March 27 1985 with attached draft letter of law reform support to the Committees Clerk, Statutes Revision Committee ; A copy of an article published in the Gay Church of New Zealand 1985 Index No 40 ‘God Defend Homosexuals from bigotry, religious zealots and the ignorant’ (from the NZ Herald n.d.)

2.10 Sharon Alston papers
SHARON ALSTON, graphic artists, activist for lesbian and gay rights, lover. Acquisition of lesbian papers from her estate, received 24.10.1997

2.10 Part 1 Sundry papers
 o The Women’s Gallery, 26 Harris St, Wellington. Includes Flier about Women’s Gallery to potential members; drafts of a letter about the Gallery to potential members; Membership rates, with a handwritten letter from Sandi to Sharon & Anna.
 o Circle, a lesbian-feminist magazine. Winter 1976 No. 2
 o LIP, issue 3, August 1998
 o Wellington Lesbian Newsletter, November 1980

Papers
 o Allie Eagle, A Herstory of lesbian/feminism in New Zealand
 o Lesbians Ignite: About Lesbian Feminism [First 2 pages about lesbians in the NZ women’s movement, followed by 5 pages about lesbians in the women’s movement in the US women’s movement, refs to Charlotte Bunch]

Fliers
 o Lesbian Mothers Weekend, 2-3 July 19 – ? At Karanga Youth Camp, off Te Henga Rd, Bethells, Auckland. With handwritten note to Sharon from Maureen J.
 o Lesbian Liberation March, 10 October 1980, Wellington
 o Lesbian Liberation Week, Calendar of events, 4-11 October 1980
 o A calendar of events for lesbians and gay people Compiled by Gay Media Alliance, No. 11, October 1980 [New York]

[See also in Posters:
‘Anti-gay petition doesn’t add up: Lesbians are organising, you can count on this’ [1985] ‘Lesbianism means…giving women primacy in your life – emotionally, sexually, personally, politically’ – with a sticker ‘Lesbianism: Dare to be Free’. Both published by the Women’s Rights Action Committee, NZUSA, PO Box 9047, Courteney Place, Wellington.]

2.10 Part 2 Sharon Alston Retrospective Exhibition
A collection of papers relating to Sharon Alston’s art work presented by Sue Fitchett 20/2/1999. Includes an Accounts book marked: “SHARONALSTON RETROSPECTIVE EXHIBITION Committee - Robbie Champtaloup, Jane Zusters, Fran Marno, Sue Fitchett. [books disposed of except for pages showing accounts, rest blank. Loose receipts also disposed of.] Catalogue, Commentary by Jane Zusters, blessing by Lainey Cown. Letters, notices and photocopy of clippings. Print of poster for exhibition, together with transparencies [badly stuck together with ink]
Series 3 - Lesbian / Gay Community - New Zealand

3.1 Books lists and references
- LILAC – the lesbian library. Fliers.
- Email relating to Sarah Welch’s BMSci thesis on Lesbian Mental Health.
- A canon of lesbian fiction [compiled by Aorewa McLeod, ca. 1995].
- New Women’s press: The exploding Frangipani [1990].
- Lesbian Booklist.
- A lesbian bibliography, fiction and non-fiction. [from Auckland Women’s Centre info files].
- The Out! Centre bookshop – special shipment just arrived – new lesbian books. 21 High Street, Auckland.[marked ‘Lesbian Public Education Speaking Group, Box 47 090, Auckland’].
- From Woman Line Library book list, see WL 2 in Auckland Public Library archives collection.

3.2 Conferences NZ
- Brochure, Information Sheet, registration form and programme.
- Lesbian statement. The text of the lesbian speech to the United Women’s Convention. [Christchurch, 1977].

3.3 In the News
A collection of newspaper clippings and articles relating to lesbians including Freda Stark, the first criminal case of same-sex harassment; lesbians challenge High Court for their right to marry 1996; The Topp Twins (Listener Dec 14 1996); etc.

3.4 Research papers NZ
- Jenny Rankine, Sexuality – Choice or Born-Than-Way: And what it all means to women? [for a Broadsheet article, written up from 2 A4 sides of notes distributed with a conference presentation].
- Ch.1 Literature Review. Concluding discussion.
- Julie Glamuzina, Sources for lesbian history in Aotearoa, 1994.

3.5 Sundry Lesbian papers NZ
Lesbians Ignite – a clarification. The Lesbians Ignite Fire Brigade. Updated.
Lesbians Ignite: about lesbian feminism. [ca. 1976-7?].
Allie Eagle, a history of lesbian feminism in New Zealand. Updated.
Chris Poland, Lesbian Mothers.
Jill Livestre, Class and lesbianism in New Zealand: Some thoughts.
Lesbian sexuality, history press, Wellington.

3.6 Sundry papers 1
Includes Relationships and Sexuality, Chapter 10 Loving Women: Lesbian life and
relationships; Old Lesbians Organize – National Network Proposed May 1 1987
‘Sentinel’ (photocopy); Rape: the end of every wolf whistle (bumper sticker)

3.7 Sundry papers 2
Includes Women’s Shop, Christchurch – catalogue for May 1991

3.8 Sundry papers 3
Contents of a file. Includes flier such as the Lesbian only night performance of Eugenia
performed at Watershed; the lesbian Education and Support Organisation; Northland
Lesbian’s Let the Games Begin; Exhibition of paintings by Linda James 1996; Exploring
our edges – woman’s gathering 1996; Wanderwomen NZ adventure holidays 1996-97;
Splendid in the Grass – the lesbian picnic 1996. Also the Pride centre Annual report
1995-1996; an open letter to Tauiwi lesbians from Nga Wahine Takataapui ki Otautahi
n.d. Also 2 tickets to the 13th lesbian Ball Aug 1996. Also a single newsletter from the
Auckland Women’s Health Centre – No 63

3.9 Lesbian & Gay Community newsletters
Includes Centre News; Collective Thinking; Time for lesbian and Gay Youth; Triangle
newsletters’ Pride Centre news

3.10 Lesbian & Gay Community newspaper clippings
Sundry newspaper clippings 1995 – 1997
Series 4 Lesbian / Gay Community - Overseas

4.1 After the Parade : report Back 1992 (Ireland)
For presentation to an open meeting of lesbians and gay men in the Ormond Hotel, Dublin 11th April 1992 by GLEN (Gay and Lesbian Equality Network)

4.2 Anti-discrimination literature about lesbians, gays and health issues, from Peru and Bolivia
[in Spanish, visitor to Auckland Women’s Centre from the Centro de promoción de la mujer Gregoria Opaga in La Paz.]

4.3 Conference Packs:
- Women and Celibacy Conference, June 20 (no year) (England)
- The 1992 Annual Lesbian Separatist Gathering (USA)

4.4 Overseas Papers
- Robin Morgan, Lesbianism and Feminism.
- Paula Tree, Liberating Sexuality.
- The debate over female sexuality, McCalls, November 1972.
- ‘Loving a woman’ and other experts from a sexuality handbook, unidentified.
- Femme
- Rita Helling, The Theory of knowledge used as a weapon for the suppression of women.
- Margaret Flaws, Anarchism and feminism.
- CLIT – Collective Lesbian International Terror.
- Part gay – part straight – interviews and notes.

4.5 Link, Davao (Philippines)
SERIES 5 – Lesbian fliers and brochures – New Zealand

5.1 Social Events
Predominantly Auckland. Invitations, flyers, postcards, newspaper clippings etc. Includes - includes Glitter us dance party 1999; Rhona Cameron 1999; Love Box women’s dance space; Women’s festival 1994; Circ fundraiser 1995; Footsteps Nightclub; Auckland Women’s Centre presents special preview of When Night is Falling at the Rialto; Lesbian Police’s secret ball 1996; Ramona and Juliette; Cask and Clever (new lesbian club) 1994; 10th annual Lesbian Ball 1993; The Womyn’s Film Festival – Outreach, Ponsonby c.1990; Summer Camp; Girl Bar; Bar Bella; The Party Dyketionary; Dancing the Gay Fandango – Depot Theatre; plus sundry lesbian bars, lesbian dances, plays

5.2 Lesbian Identity / Coming out
Flyers and brochures – predominantly Auckland. Includes Lesbian Education and Support Organisation; Wellington Bisexual Women’s Group; Bi-social Support Group, Auckland; lesbian Coming Out Groups/Biblio/useful information list; lesbian Support Group – poster; Lesbians/Gay women who have been counselled by Lesbians – questionnaire n.d.; Alpha Awareness for Lesbians (Work books for weekend workshop) Nov 1989

5.3 Political Activist
Flyers, brochures, clippings etc. Includes flyer for a meeting Violence in the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual & transgender communities organised by the Pride centre, Auckland 1995; bumper sticker Rape: the end of every wolf-whistle n.d.; lesbians and will making; Counselling Ethics – some guidelines for lesbians; Wellington Community Law Centre-press release Lesbian and the law; letter regarding lesbians and alcohol: Pink Health Conference 1995; Diversity Policy for the Labour Party 1995 Local Body Election Campaign prepared by Jo Cowley Draft; Etc.

5.4 Lesbian Enterprises
Indigo Café, Ponsonby; Wanderwomen; Outdoor adventures Journeys… an adventure programme for women 1992 – 1993 programme; etc.

5.5 Gay and Lesbian Community fliers
Includes Summer Out-ing at Grey Lynn Park 1986 and 1987; Lesbian and Gay couples - legal issues; Queer Read - readers and writers’ festival 1995 etc
Series : 6  Lesbian newsletters and periodicals – New Zealand

6.1 **Against All Odds**  
Dunedin’s Lesbian Newsletter – No 5 March 1985

6.2 **Bitches, Witches and Dykes**: a women’s liberation newspaper  
Vol 1 No 1 Aug 1980; Vol 1 No 2 Dec 1980; Vol 2 No 1, June 1982; Issue 6 August 1982; Letter to Women re production Nov 1 1982

6.3 **The Circle**  
The Circle was produced by a working collective of homophile women from the newly formed Wellington branch of S.H.E. (Sisters for Homophile Equality). In subsequent years additional collectives were set up in Auckland, Christchurch and Dunedin with editorial responsibly spread across the collectives. This affected the number of issues produced each year. Initially a monthly magazine, issues gradually became combined and eventually the Circle was published intermittently. Issue 44 (1985) states in its editorial that The Circle from this point will be for Lesbian women only. A message from the Wellington Collective concludes with these words – ‘This time we are not going to forecast when the next issue will come out or who will produce it, as previous forecasts have not been accurate. It is up to you the reader to produce contributions and form the next collective.’

6.3 Part 1  
Issue 1, Dec 1973 (first issue) – Issue 5, April 1974

6.3 Part 2  
Issue 6, May – Issue 12, Nov 1974

6.3 Part 3  

6.3 Part 4  

6.3 Part 5  
Issue 31 1979 – Issue 35 1980

6.3 Part 6  
Issue 36 1981 - Issue 41 1983

6.3 Part 7  
Issue 42 1983 – Issue 44 1985 (last issue?)

6.4 **Country Dyke Delight** (Nelson)  
Vol 1 No 5 Dec 1992; Vol II No 9 Aug 1993;

6.5 **Dyke News 1982 – 1984**  
Produced in Auckland, Dyke News was designed to address political and social issues. An incomplete set

4.2 Part 1.  
Issue 1, April 1982 – Issue 9, July 1982

4.2 Part 2.  

4.2 Part 3.  
Issue 20, Jan 1983 - Issue 29, May 1983

4.2 Part 4.  

4.2 Part 5.  

4.2 Part 6.  
6.6 Feminist Teachers Newsletter
    Issue 25, Dec 1986;

6.7 Fun Brigade News (Hamilton)
    No 4 Sept 1993

6.8 Gisborne Lesbian Support Group
    Newsletter No 2, Nov 7th 1993; No 3, Nov 27 1993; No 4, Dec 20th 1993

6.9 The Glad Rag (Wellington)
    May 1983 and two other issues

6.10 Hersay.
    Information/newsletter for the lesbian community. Printed by Non-Alcoholic Lesbian
    Space.
    No 1; No 2; No 3 Apr/May 1988; No 4 May 1988; No 5 Jun 1988;

6.11 Juno (Auckland)
    Issue 1, 1977; Issue 2 (2 copies) n.d.; Issue ? n.d.; Series II Issue No 2; Series II Issue
    No 3; Series II Issue No 4Series II Issue No 4; Series II No 6 n.d.

6.12 K.G Club Newsletter (Auckland)
    1981

6.13 Lesbian Link (Nelson)

6.14 Lesbian Lip (Wellington)
    May/Jun 1982;

6.15 Lesbian Newsletter
    Issue No 8 March 1989; No 10, Aug 1989; No 14 Jun 1990; No 15, Sep 1990; No 18, Jul
    1991; No 19, Oct 1991; No 20, Dec 199; Issue No 21 Mar 1992; No 24, Sep 1992; No
    28, Jul 1993; No 29, Sep 1993; No 30, Nov/Dec 1993; No 33, Jul 1994; No 34, Sep

6.16 LIP: Lesbians in Print
    Full set from No. 1 (May 1985) to 26 (July 1992). Mainly produced at the Auckland
    Women’s Health Centre, with Kerryn Perkins as the key person involved in the
    production in its last years


6.17 Otautahi Lesbian Newsletter (Christchurch)

6.18 Otautahi Lesbian Outpost (Christchurch)
    Issues No 1 April 1994; Issue No 3; Issue 4 Nov 1994; Issue 5 Dec 1994;

6.19 Out of Line (Christchurch)
    May 1991 (2 copies)

6.20 Polly (Proud Older Lesbians Like You) (Auckland)

6.21 **Pride Newsflash** (Hamilton)
No 1(?) June 1994; No 10 Apr 1995

6.22 **Sapphic Star** (Auckland)

6.23 **Tamaki Makaurau Lesbian Newsletter**, (Auckland)
Incomplete set, from commencement in September 1990 to 2000

6.24 **Wellington Lesbian Network Newsletter**

6.25 **Womins Resource Centre Newsletter** (Wellington)

6.26 **Womyns Words** (Hamilton)
No 29 and No 30 (year not known)
Series 7  Overseas Lesbian newsletters and periodicals

7.1  *Amazones d’hier Lesbiennes D’aujourd’hui* (Canada)
    Vol 1 No 0 Mar 1982;

7.2  *Angles* (Canada)
The magazine of Vancouver’s Lesbian and Gay Communities
    Sep 1992

7.3  *Big Apple Dyke News* (USA)
    Lesbian Feminist Month. New York
    7.3 Part 1  Vol II - No 5, 6, 8, 9, 10
    7.3 Part 2  Vol III – No 1, 2, 3, 4, 6,

7.4  *Books for Us: a catalogue from Gay’s the Word* (England)
    Spring 1981

7.5  *Capital Gay* (England)
    No 551 Jul 3 1992

7.6  *EuroPride: Absolutely Proud 1992* (England)
    June 27 1992 (first issue)

7.7  *Gay Community News* (Aus)
    Vol 4 No 3 Apr 1982

7.8  *Gay News* (USA)
    Vol 12, No 43, Nov 1 1985; Vol 12 No 48 Dec 6 1985

7.9  *International Lesbian and Gay Association* (Belgium)
    (1994 New York) and flyer for Gay Games New York 1994

7.10 *In the Life: newsletter of the West Coast Lesbian Collections* (USA)
    No 2 Fall 1983;

7.11 *Lesbia* magazine (France)
    No 100 Dec 1991

7.12 *Lesbian Connections* (USA)
    April 1982 (cover missing) Vol 5 No 6 Sep 1982; Vol 6 No 2 Mar/Apr 1983; Vol 6 No 3
    Jun/Jul 1983; Vol 7 No 1 Apr/May 1984; Vol 7 No 3 Aug/Sep 1984; Vol 9 No 4 Jan/Feb
    1987;

7.13 *Lesbian Contradiction* a journal of irreverent feminism (USA)
    Issue 48 Fall 1994

7.14 *Lesbian London* (England)

7.15 *Lesbian Network* (Australia)
    7.15 Part 1  Issue No 5, Spring 1985; Issue No 9 Spring Equinox 1986; Issue No 13
    Spring Equinox 1987; Issue No 14 Summer Solstice 1987; Issue No 26
    Summer Solstice 1990

7.16 **Lesbian News** (USA)
Vol 9 No 1 Aug 1983 (ex Hattie St John); Vol 11 No 4 Nov 1985'

7.17 **Lesbian Resource Centre** (USA)
November 1985;

7.18 **Lesbians on the Loose** (Australia)


7.19 **Lesbian Times** (Australia)

7.20 **Out Loud** (Australia)
No 4 Mar 1993; No 6 Aug 1993

7.21 **New Internationalist** (Aus)

7.22 **Revolutionary & Radical Feminist Newsletter** (England)
7.22 Part 1  Autumn 1980; No 7 Summer 1981; No 8 Autumn 1981; No 9 Winter 1981/82; No 11 Summer 1982; No 11 Autumn/Winter 1982

7.22 Part 2  No 12 Spring 1983; No 13 Autumn 1983; No 14 Summer 1984; No 15; No 16 (1986?).

7.23 **Sacramento Star** (USA)
Vol 1 No 15 Dec 15 1982

7.24 **Sappho: Lesbian feminist voice** (England)
Vol 8 No 7 1981;

7.25 **Sappho of the Hunter** (Australia)

7.26 **SEPS News** (USA)
Vol 1 No 1 & 2 1991; Vol 6 No 3 April 1992

7.27 **Telewoman**: a woman’s newsletter (USA)
July 1983; Aug 1984

7.28 **Womynlovers**: separatist newsletter (USA)
Vol 1 No 3 Winter 1981
Series 8: Sundry NZ newsletters, magazines, publications

8.1 Canta (Christchurch)
Canta Comes Out. Vol 52 No 13 June 28 1982

8.2 Craccum – Girl Love Issue
Issue 21, Sep 16 1991. Auckland University Students Assoc

8.3 Lesbian sexuality
Lesbian Sexuality reprinted by Auckland Circle Sept 1974 by SHE, Wellington:

8.4 Out Front: lesbian political activity in Aotearoa 1962 – 1985
By Julie Glamuzina. Edited and designed by Jenny Rankine.

8.5 Sexuality 1
reprinted by Otago University Students’ Association

8.6 Womenspace monthly – Women Writer’s Collective
Issue 1; Issue 2; Issue 3. 1995(?); AUSA, Auckland

8.7 Korerotia Wahine Ma
Black Women’s Forum June 1992. Also two photocopied articles Black Dykes 1980; I am a Dyke August 1982
Series 9: Overseas newsletters, magazines, publications

9.1 **Connexions**: an international women's quarterly (USA)
No 3 Winter 1982 with article on ‘Global Lesbianism’

9.2 **Lesbian Festival** July 1991 Sydney (AUS)
Programme, 3 flyers promoting functions, order forms for *Directory of Lesbian Skills* and the Lesbian Festival ‘91 ticket booking form

9.3 **Lesbian Space Project** (AUS)
Flyer for the Lesbian Space Project, Glebe, New South Wales, Aus

9.4 **New Woman’s Times** (USA)
Jul/Aug 1982 with article ‘lesbian wins custody case’;

9.5 **Off our backs**: a women’s news journal (USA)
Vol 10 No 9 Oct 1980- report on lesbian workshops in the international conference UN mid decade for women and other articles.

9.6 **Real Time**: Theatre, Performance and the National Arts. (Aus)
No 2 Aug 1994

9.7 **Sydney Gay and Lesbian Mardi Gras** (Aus)
1996 Sydney Gay and Lesbian Mardi Gras. Programme
<p>| Title | Submission to the Parliamentary Select Committee of the Crimes Amendment Bill 1974 |
| Author | Auckland University Gay Liberation |
| Publisher | Auckland University Gay Liberation 1974 |
| Title | Calendar 1984 - Lesbian calendar |
| Publisher | Sue, Stephanie and Colleen. Lower Hutt, NZ 1994 |
| Title | Calendar 1984 – Year of the Dyke |
| Publisher | Auckland Women’s Centre 1983 |
| Title | Catalogue of the Waxing Moon Lesbian Archives |
| Author | Zoe Catherine Alice |
| Publisher | Waxing Moon Archives Collective, 1985, Hamilton |
| Description | Waxing Moon classification system for arrangement of Lesbian archives |
| Title | First impressions |
| Author | unknown |
| Publisher | unknown |
| Title | Hero 6 Spirit |
| Publisher | Hero magazine |
| Notes | Produced in association with Auckland’s Hero Festival 1996 |
| Title | Hero The 1999 festival programme |
| Notes | Produced in association with Auckland’s Hero Festival 1999 |
| Title | Korerotia Wahine Ma |
| Author | Peka Evans – introduction |
| Publisher | United Congress of Maori &amp; Pacific Women, Auckland. n.d. |
| Title | Lady Slipper Catalog: Records &amp; tapes by Women |
| Publisher | Women’s Press Collective, California (USA) |
| Title | Lesbian and Gay Film Festival Auckland 1997 |
| Notes | Produced in association with Auckland’ Hero Festival 1997 |
| Title | Lavender Annual |
| Author | Saphira, Miriam (compiler) |
| Publisher | Papers Inc, Auckland 1989 |
| Description | Poems, Pride, people, puzzles, pictures, purple prose, passion and fashion |
| Title | Lesbians Speak Out |
| Publisher | Women’s Press Collective, 1974, California USA |
| Title | Loving Women |
| Author | by the Nomadic Sisters and illustrated by Ann Miya |
| Publisher | Nomadic Sisters, 2nd Ed. 1976 (USA) |
| Title | New Lesbian Literature 1980 - 1988 |
| Author | Saphira, Miriam (compiler) |
| Publisher | Papers Inc, Auckland, 1988 |
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| Author                      | Womannual Collective                           |
| Publisher                   | Womanual Collective, NZ . n.d.                |
| Notes                       | Index p 87                                    |
Box 20. Posters

[All encapsulated posters were displayed at the ‘opening of the lesbian archives, 1996]

Folder 1
11.1 Working Title Theatre, Groundwork by Renee, Thurs 25 April to May 18 [1989? 1995?]
11.3 Topp Twins at the Phoenix Club, Saturday 12 May [1990]
11.4 Unfolding, exhibition of felt wall pieces by Judith Morgan, Saturday 25 March to 23 April [1989] [from Pat Rosier & Hilary Lapsley
11.5 Robin Morgan, WEA59 Clouce St, Chch, 26 April [from Glenda Lawrence]
11.6 The Muse at Footsteps, after Mellisa at Western Spring, Saturday 25 November, 1995
11.7 Coming Out Day Parade 1995
11.8 Bernice Johnson Reagon, Cultural Warrior, 30 July, 1, 6, 8, August 1996
11.9 If we can’t sing we won’t be part of your revolution, Wton Working Women’s Resource Centre 1 May 1995
11.10 Cowgirls Go Country, Ponsonby, Friday 31 May 1991

Folder 2
11.11 Hamilton Women’s Music Festival – Levitating Daffodils, Mahina Tocker, Guiles, 7 October
11.12 Women’s Purple Rage, with Gerlz, Friday 30 November [1990]
11.13 Women’s Purple Rage, the Gerlz Band, Friday 13 Dec [1991] Broadsheet fundraiser
11.15 The Womyn’s Film Festival, Outreach, 4-8 December,
11.16 The Womyn’s Film Festival 7th Lesbian Filmmakers 25-29 September – Black Rose Productions [Chrissie Duggan]
11.17 Ishtar Books is pleased to announce…Juliet Batten, The Power Within
11.18 The Muse, Footsteps Nightclub, Saturday 30 September [1995?]
11.19 Broadsheet Halloween Dance, 26 October [1990? Varsity café]
11.20 Girlfriend Promotions [presents an evening of dance and entertainment for all women loving women and their sisters, Sunday 7 June 1995, Footsteps, August 1995

Folder 3
11.21 Iolanthe Espresso – a new musical
11.22 Express Yourself M7M is now Express [Man to Man, gay newspaper]
11.23 Topp Twins, Bruce Mason Centre, Takapuna, Friday 9 August and Saturday 10 August 1996
11.24 1991 Lesbian Ball, July 6
11.26 The 13th Lesbian Ball, Saturday 24 August 1996, Auckland
11.27 14th Lesbian Ball, Masked, 20 September 1997, Auckland
11.28 Building Bridges: Gay/Lesbian arts festival, March 20-31 also brochure [from Pat Rosier]
11.29 Queer Read: Readers & Writers Festival, Saturday-Sunday 5-6 July [1997]
11.30 Circe Dance, Dead Famous People, Pikelets, Saturday 1 November [1986]

Folder 4
11.31 Dyke Hyke 26 May
11.32 Outlaws and In-laws Auction, 28 April 1996
11.33 Lesbian Avengers, 1996
11.34 Valentines Day Dance, 16 February 1996
11.35 Anti-gay petition doesn’t add up [1985 campaign]
11.36 Lesbianism means giving women primacy in your life…
11.37 Lesbian visibility – we have to be seen to be believed [No.2]
11.38 Maree Sheehan – debut album. Drawn in Deep
11.39 Equal – equal rights for all working women 1977
11.40 The last time I was here would have been about six months ago… AIDS Advert

Folder 5 (Laminated posters)
11.41 The last time I was here would have been about six months ago… AIDS Advert (2 copies, laminated)
11.42 Looks are deceiving – so is HIV (2 copies, laminated)
11.43 Sex was so hot … it was fatal (2 copies, laminated)
11.44 My Boyfriend gave me AIDS – I was only worried about getting pregnant (2 copies, laminated)
11.45 You probably know someone who has HIV… (1 copy, laminated)
11.46 AIDS - its your body. Women count (1 copy, laminated)
11.48 Audre Lorde in Aotearoa, August Wednesday 21 August 1996

Folder 6 (encapsulated)
11.49 Lesbian means giving women primacy… Lesbian Centre Wellington
11.50 1991 Lesbian Ball – July 6th
11.51 The 9th Lesbian Ball, 4 July 1992
11.52 The Muse…Footsteps, Saturday 30 September 1995
11.53 Wommins Dance, Midnight Cub, Wed 16 September 1992
11.55 Indigo Girls, Auckland Town Hall, Sunday 26 February [1994]
11.56 Wanna have a Larf? Lesbian Activities Recreation Festival 14-23 Feb 1992
11.59 Lesbians are everywhere – Queen Victoria
11.60 Lesbian visibility – we have to be seen to be believed

Folder 7 (encapsulated)
11.61 Bar Bella [early 1990s]
11.62 The Phoenix Club, Friday 16 August [1991]
11.63 Alex Dobkin at the Gluepot, 1988
11.64 Circe Dance, Dead Famous People, Pikelets, Saturday 1 November [1986]
11.65 National Lesbian & Gay Conference 1989 Sociasl, at the Stage, featuring the Guile Circle Dance, second copy
11.66 Welcome to Auckland’s 12 lesbian ball, 1995
11.67 Queer Pictures, Works by lesbian and gay artists, [from Pat Rosier]
11.68 Rage with Too Wild, Footsteps, 1995
11.69 A special tribute to Sharon Alston, 6 February [1995] – plus club flyers

Folder 8
11.70 Auckland Women’[s Centre Winter – Spring 1995 courses
11.71 You’re invited to Get Plump…
11.72 Women’s Art 1990 – auction and exhibition ASA Gallery (4 copies)
11.73 Women who run for chocolate…
11.74 Time for a change – there are alternatives to tampons, sanitary pads and disposable nappies
11.75 Life drawing – tutor Fran Marno
11.76 Auction of women’s art. Suter Art gallery 1996
11.77 Sexual Harassment poisons the work place. Working Women’s resource Centre
11.78 Women and music – performance nights at Java Jive
11.79 DIP RAVED Riotous women’s comedy duo
11.80 Dionne Warwick – live in concert 1995

Folder 9
11.81 Rouge non competitive talent quest. Box Factory
11.82 I am a dangerous woman
11.83 Woman’s Purple Rage with Pink Terraces (Broadsheet dance)
11.84 Disarm Rapists – smash sexism
11.85 The Pope and the Witch by Dario Fo. Galaxy Theatre . The Turning Tide Company
11.86 If the Pope could get pregnant… abortion would be a sacrament
11.87 Women for Peace and Justice – May 24th. Women’s Action for Nuclear disarmament
11.88 Women’s votes O! Temperance – a centenary production. Written and directed by Mervyn Thompson with students of the Diploma of Drama
11.89 The GluePot (new look)
11.90 A Day of Action – Reclaim the Night 1990

Folder 10
11.91 Womin Artists Debut – proceeds to Volcanic Productions
11.92 Women’s Liberation is gonna get your mama and your sister and your girlfriend
11.93 From the estate of Lois White Judith Anderson Gallery
11.94 Red Shoes – a frightening look at daytime TV fashion victims… Watershed Theatre
11.95 Middle Eastern vegetarian/ Vegan Cooking class, The Women’s Centre
11.96 Digital Realms – Actors Anonymous. October 4 – 12 Basement Theatre
11.97 King Lear with Ian Mune. Theatre at Large

Folder 11
11.98 Thursdays in Black – demanding a world without rape and violence (leaflet and button)