Creator: W Waters & Sons Pty Ltd 1895-2002

Historical Note: William Waters, general merchant, opened his original store in Unanderra in 1895. The business became known as ‘W. Waters and Son’ in 1927 when his eldest son John became a partner, later becoming ‘W. Waters and Sons’ when his second son William also joined the family business. In 1905 he opened his store at 313 Crown Street Wollongong and diversified into hardware and homeware.
In the late 1980s the Crown Street store closed and the business relocated to the corner of Stewart and Corrimal Streets Wollongong, where it operated until June 2000.
A Waters family store also operated at Shellharbour between 1993 and 2002.

This collection comprises business records and Waters’ family records.

Record Summary: Business records and family records - Minutes, ledgers, financial records, legal records, photographs, news clippings, artefacts

Date Range: 1898-1992

Quantity: Approximately 5 metres (18 boxes and oversized ledgers)

Access Conditions: Available for reference. Contact Archivist in advance to arrange access.

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1. Minutes

1. W Waters & Sons Ltd. Minutes of Meetings of Directors (1st) 24 April 1936 - 26 June 1963

2. Ledgers etc.

1. Account Book 1935
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25. Order Book no.5 1947 - 48
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27. 'Plumbing' Ledger 1962 - 1967
28. Receipt Book 1971 - 80
29. Receipt Book 1986 - 87
30. Sales Summaries April 1964 - June 1976. (Retail Trade Statistics)
31. 'Schedule of Furniture & Fittings' 1936 - 45
3. **Wages books**

1. 1898 - 1904
2. 4 Nov 1942 - 20 Sept 1944
3. 21 Sept 1944 - 14 Aug 1946
4. 21 Aug 1946 - 16 June 1948
5. 23 June 1948 - 18 May 1949
6. 25 May 1949 - 31 Aug 1949

4. **Photographs**

1. B/W photos, in store displays, December 1964, 140 x 90mm - 14 items
2. B/W photos, 10 x 8" - 90 items [2 missing]
3. Enlarged B/W photograph on wooden backing – Waters Store
4. Photo Album - Queen Elizabeth II - Tour of Australia 1954 - 'PIX Picture" 258 x 204mm

5. **Miscellaneous**

1. Business card "Mr J. Waters, Managing Director, W Waters & Sons Pty. Ltd."
3. Staff List A-Z. ca.1915 - 1965
4. Time Book 15 February 1902 - 11 June 1904 July - November 1921
5. Newspaper cuttings
6. Foot warmer
7. Handheld electric disk grinder

6. **Legal documents**

1. Abstract of the Title of William Benjamin Warburton Timms to Lots 20 and 23 Section 3 of Zlotkowski Estate Subdivision. 1914
2. Description of land lot 20 Cochrane St. 20 Mar 1914
3. Solicitors' Certificate as to title re William Benjamin Warburton Timms. 2 May 1929
4. Agreement for Sale. Frederick Wing Philpotts with Thomas Davis & Anor. 11 October 1929
5. Form 5 Certificate of Registration of W Waters and Son. 20th June, 1930 [2 copies]
6. Distribution of Assets of the late M E Waters. 1933-34
7. Agreement for Sale. William Waters to W Waters & Sons Limited. 24 April 1936
9. Agreement re taking over of assets by Coy. 1936
10. Agreement John Waters, William Thomas Waters, May Waters, Edith Anna Waters, Olive Waters, John Waters and Others. 1939
11. Probate of the Will of William Waters. 15 May 1939
12. Houseowner's and householder's comprehensive insurance policy. J A Waters & Mrs M R Waters, for 69 Achison St., 1945
13. Agreement. Water Parsons & Co. Ltd and W Waters & Sons Pty Ltd. June 1945
14. The Will of John Alexander Waters. 26 October 1945
15. Abstract of the Title of May Waters to Lot 7 Section 3 of Zlotkowski Estate Subdivision. 8 April 1946
17. Deed Deposit document Registrar General. 9 March 1951
19. List of Deeds. 20th May 1953
20. Certificate of Title. Minnie Rebecca Waters Volume 5583 Folio 201
21. Certificate of Title. Minnie Rebecca Waters. Volume 4947 Folio 84
22. Plan of subdivision of Lot 23 of Section 3 Parish of Wollongong County of Camden