

**D31 Shoalhaven Teachers' Association**

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Creator: Shoalhaven Teachers Association, c.1908-?

Historical Note: The Kiama and Shoalhaven District Teachers' Association was formed prior to 1908 as a regional body of the N.S.W. Public School Teachers' Association. On 18 September 1920, their name was changed to the Shoalhaven District Teachers Association. At some time prior to 1953 the Association appears to have become the Nowra-Berry Teachers' Association. Another name change occurred on 17 February 1956 when the Shoalhaven Teachers' Association came into being. On 18 June 1959 a branch of the Secondary Teachers' Association was formed at Nowra High School.  
As an attempt to rectify declining school facilities in the district, the Shoalhaven Educational Needs Committee was formed in 10 March 1966.

Record Summary: Association records – minutes, attendance books, correspondence, subject files

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### Series

1. Minutes - Shoalhaven Teachers' Association 1908-1965
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3. Minutes - Shoalhaven Educational Needs Committee 1966
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### 1. Minutes - Shoalhaven Teachers' Association 1908-1965

Manuscript and typescript minutes of meetings of the Shoalhaven Teachers' Association and its predecessor agencies.

1. 12 Sep 1908 – 12 Mar 1927
2. 18 Apr 1953 – 11 Apr 1958
3. 13 Jun 1958 – 9 Nov 1965

### 2. Minutes - Secondary Teachers' Association, Nowra High School Branch 1957-1967

The inaugural meeting of the Nowra High School Branch of the Secondary Teachers' Association was held on 18 June 1957. The Association seeks to provide a forum for the discussion of professional and industrial matters. The Association is affiliated with the N.S.W. Teachers' Federation.

1. 18 Jun 1957 – 14 Nov 1967

### 3. Minutes - Shoalhaven Educational Needs Committee 1966

The Shoalhaven Educational Needs Committee was established on 10 March 1966 to agitate for improvements in educational facilities and conditions in the Shoalhaven district. Subjects discussed by the Committee include class size, educational funding and the physical condition of schools.

1. 10 Mar 1966 – 10 May 1966

### 4. Attendance Book 1954-1970

Record of members attending meetings of the Shoalhaven Teachers Association and the Nowra-Berry Teachers' Association.

1. 27 Mar 1954 – 9 May 1961
2. 13 Jun 1961 – 8 Dec 1970

### 5. Letter Book 1957-1967

Letter books contain carbon copies of letters sent. The majority of letters were addressed to the N.S.W. Teachers' Federation and relate to working conditions and educational policy and standards.

1. 25 Jun 1957 – 2 Jul 1960
2. 16 Jul 1960 – 5 Mar 1963
3. 8 Mar 1963 – 2 Jun 1965
4. 15 Jun 1965 – 19 Nov 1967

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**6. Correspondence and Information Files 1959-1971**

Files contain correspondence, newspaper clippings and printed matter. Subjects relate mainly to industrial matters such as salaries, professional training and teacher training.

1. H.J. Bate M.H.R. 1969
2. J.G. Beale M.L.A. 1968-1969
3. Building. 1961-1971
4. Bus Travel. 1965-1966
5. Class Sizes. 1962-1971
6. D.G. Cummings. 1969
7. Education – finance. 1959-1969
8. Education – general. 1968-1971
9. Education Commission. 1966-1969
10. J.E. Hatton
11. Lawn mowing. 1967
12. National Fitness Camp. 1965
13. Public Education needs. 1968-1970
14. Salaries. 1960-1971
15. Shoalhaven Educational Needs Campaign. 1966
16. Shoalhaven Shire Council. 1965-1969
17. Shoalhaven Teachers' Association – financial. 1960-1971
18. Shoalhaven Teachers' Association – general. 1962-1970
19. Strikes. 1968, 1970
20. Superannuation. 1966-1967
21. Teacher housing. 1960-1966
22. Teacher shortage and recruitment. 1961-1971
23. Teacher training. 1963-1969
24. University and tertiary education 1965-1967

**7. Correspondence 1969-1975**

General correspondence relating to the activities of the Shoalhaven Teachers' Association.

1. 1969-1971
2. 1972-1973
3. 1974-1975