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Aquarius Collection

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| Size | 1 box |
| Contents | Manuscript material relating to the Australian issue of <i>Aquarius</i> and two published issues. It includes correspondence, manuscripts, press releases and newspaper cuttings, and poems submitted for publication both accepted and not used, and reviews. |
| Date range | 1983 to 1985 |
| Biography | <i>Aquarius</i> is an annual English literary magazine founded in 1969 by Eddie Linden. He, with a group of editors and invited guest editors, produced a journal devoted to the publication of literature on special themes such as 'contemporary women' or from special localities such as Ireland, Wales Canada, and Australia. The guest editor for the part Australian issue of <i>Aquarius</i> was the Queensland poet and author Mark O'Connor. |
| Notes | Open access |

Box 1

Aquarius – Canadian Issue. Editors: Eddie S. Linden and Katherine Govier. Vol. 13 and 14, 1981/82

Aquarius – A special Australian Edition, plus new Irish poetry and general section. Editors: Eddie S. Linden and Mark O'Connor. Vol. 15 and 16, 1983/84.

Folder 1

Correspondence of M O'Connor, Incoming A – B, from:

- Dorothy Auchterlonie, 29/8/83 (with enclosures)
- Bruce Beaver, 30/9/83 (with enclosures)
- John Bray, 1/9/83 (with enclosures)
- John Bray, 15/10/83
- Judith Brett, 7/12/83 (with enclosures)

Folder 2

Correspondence of M O'Connor, Incoming C – D, from:

- Anna Couani, 20/9/83 (with enclosures)
- Bruce Dawe, 30/8/83
- Margaret Diesendorf, 5/9/83(with enclosures)
- Geoffrey Dutton, 17/10/83

Folder 3

Correspondence of M O'Connor, Incoming F – G, from:

- Conal Fitzpatrick, 12/9/83 (with enclosures)
- Conal Fitzpatrick, 20/10/83 (with enclosures)
- Maureen Freer, 13/10/83 (with enclosures)
- David Gilbey, n.d.
- Peter Goldsworthy, 31/8/83 (with enclosures)
- Alan Gould, 29/8/83 (with enclosures)

Folder 4

Correspondence of M O'Connor, Incoming H – J, from:

- Les Harrap, 14/9/83
- Gwen Harwood, 29/8/83 (with enclosures)
- Nick Hasluck, [Nicholas], 7/9/[83] (with enclosures)
- Michael Johnson, Letterhead: The Co-op bookshop 6/2/85
- Rae Desmond Jones 18/9/83 (with enclosures)

Folder 5

Correspondence of M O'Connor, Incoming K – L, from:

- Antigone K[efala], 4/9/83 (with enclosures)
- Nancy Keesing, 22/9/83 (with enclosures)
- Nancy Keesing, 10/10/83 (with enclosures)
- Nancy Keesing, 9/1/85 2 leaves
- Robert Kenny, 2/9/83 (with enclosures)
- David Lake, 26/8/83 (with enclosures)

- Andrew Lansdown, n.d. (with enclosures)
- John Leonard, n.d. [postmarked 10/10/83] 2 leaves
- Eddie Linden, 9/2/8?
- Eddie Linden, 28/1/83
- Eddie Linden, 27/11/82 (with enclosures)
- Elaine Lindsay, 22/12/82 2 leaves (with enclosures)
- Eddie Linden, (postcard) n.d. [postmarked 22/11/83]
- Eddie Linden, 25/4/83 (and copy)
- Syd Harrex, 15/3/83 (with enclosures)
- Eddie Linden, 14/6/83
- Eddie Linden, 9/8/83
- M O'Connor, to E. Linden, 22/8/83
- Eddie Linden, 3/9/83 (typed)
- M O'Connor, to E. Linden, 23/9/83, 2 leaves
- Eddie Linden, 3/9/83, (handwritten)
- M O'Connor, to E. Linden, 6/10/83, 3 leaves
- Eddie Linden, 20/10/83 (and copy) 2 leaves
- Eddie Linden, 15/12/83
- Eddie Linden, 5/2/84
- Eddie Linden, 6/8/84
- Eddie Linden, 10/9/84
- Eddie Linden, n.d. [postmarked 4/10/84]
- Eddie Linden, 4/12/84
- Eddie Linden, 17/9/85
- Elaine Lindsay, 25/11/83 (with enclosures) 2 leaves
- M O'Connor, to E. Lindsay, 17/2/84
- Elaine Lindsay, 15/2/84

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Correspondence of M O'Connor, Incoming M – P, from:

- Andrew McDonald, 14/9/[83] (with enclosures)
- Andrew McDonald, n.d
- Jennifer Maiden, 5/9/83 (with enclosures)
- Geoff Page, 31/8/83 (with enclosures)

- Grace Perry, 20/9/83 (with enclosures)
- Chris [Pollnitz], 14/9/83
- Chris Pollnitz, 5/12/84, 3 leaves

Folder 7

Correspondence of M O'Connor, Incoming R – S, from:

- Reid, Ian, 6/9/83 (with enclosures)
- Max Richards, 28/9/83 (with enclosures)
- Nigel Roberts, 4/9/[83] (with enclosures)
- Roland Robinson, 7/[9/83] (with enclosures)
- Graham Rowlands, 13/9/83 (with enclosures)
- Michael Sariban, n.d. [postmarked 2/9/83] (with enclosures)
- Michael Sariban, 12/10/83 (with enclosures)
- Tom Shapcott, 16/3/84
- Vivian [Smith], 29/8/83 (with enclosures)
- Vivian Smith, 30/9/83
- Douglas Stewart, 13/9/83 (with enclosures)
- Harold Stewart, 23/9/83
- Jenny Strauss, 6/9/83

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Correspondence of M O'Connor, Incoming T – Z, from:

- LiLian Tait, 5/9/83 (with enclosures)
- LiLian Tait, n.d. [postmarked 29/9/83?] (with enclosures)
- Andrew Taylor, 7/9/83 (with enclosures)
- Glen Tomasetti, n.d. [postmarked 19/9/83?] (with enclosures)
- Roger [Vicker], 14/10/83
- Cornelis [Vleeskens], n.d. [postmarked 2?/9/83] (with enclosures)
- Lyndon Walker, 13/9/83 (with enclosures)
- Chris [Wallace-Crabbe], n.d. [postmarked 1983] (with enclosures)
- B.R Whiting, 19/10/83 (with enclosures)
- Fay Zwicky, 1/9/83

Folder 9

Correspondence of M O'Connor, Incoming, from Ali[?], 30/8/83

Folder 10

Correspondence of M O'Connor, Outgoing, 1983, to:

- David Gilbey, 23/8/83 (with enclosures)
- Fred Goldsworthy, 23/8/83 (with enclosures)
- Nancy Keesing, 5/10/83
- Michael Sariban, 5/10/83 (with enclosures)
- Geoffrey Dutton, 5/10/83
- Vicki [Viidikas], n.d
- Bob Hay, 20/10/83
- Dorothy Green, 24/10/83
- David Lake, 24/10/83
- Maiden, Jennifer 24/10/83
- Harwood, Gwen 24/10/83
- Nancy Keesing 24/10/83
- Andrew Taylor, 24/10/83
- John Bray, 24/10/83
- Andrew McDonald, 3/11/83
- Kevin Gilbert, 3/11/83
- Douglas Stewart, 3/11/83
- Nigel Roberts, 3/11/83
- Grace Perry, 3/11/83
- Roland Robinson, 3/11/83
- Andrew Lansdown, 3/11/83
- Bruce Beaver, 3/11/83
- Geoff Page, 3/11/83
- Strauss, Jenny, 3/11/83
- Conal, 1/11/83
- Syd Harrex, 4/11/83
- Elaine Lindsay, 4/11/83
- Elaine Lindsay, 14/11/83

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Correspondence of M O'Connor, Outgoing, 1984, to:

- Pamela Clunies Ross, 15/2/84
- Eddie [Linden], 17/2/84
- Sheila O'Connor, 12/9/84
- Irene Stevens, 14/9/84
- Eddie [Linden], 22/9/84
- Eddie [Linden], 22/9/84

Folder 12

Correspondence of M O'Connor, Outgoing, 1985, to:

- *Aquarius* invoice 31/3/85
- Eddie [Linden], 24/10/85
- Margaret [O'Hagan], 21/11/85

Folder 13

Poems initially marked as likely for *Aquarius* 1983 but subsequently rejected:

- "Australia" by John Blight
- "New season's growth" by Eric Richards
- "(October: Reunion Deferred) for Alan Roddick"
- "Choka for sacred kingfisher" by Andrew Lansdown
- "Art of lying" by Philip Neilsen
- "Whale psalm" by Fay Zwicky
- "Consolation to Remus"
- Letter from Conal Fitzpatrick to M. O'Connor [with enclosures] 12/9/83
- Letter to Conal Fitzpartick from M. O'Connor, 6/10/83
- "Seduction poem" by Alison Croggon
- "Buses" by [Christopher] Pollnitz
- "The hands of air" by Nancy Keesing
- "I to me" by Nancy Keesing
- "A dictionary of public figures" by Geoff Page
- Begins: "I can't find you here..."
- "The tourist quartet" by Cornelis Vleeskens
- "Good catcher" by Andrew Lansdown

- "Uncle Jack" by Keith Harrison
- "Getting it" by [Andrew McDonald]
- "Getting it: a view of the city" by [Andrew McDonald]
- Letter to Andrew [McDonald] from M. O'Connor, 10/10/83
- "Caro mio ben...[to Giordani]" by Dorothy Auchterlonie
- "Dining out" by Dorothy Auchterlonie
- "Lips" by Rae Desmond Jones
- "After a phone call" by Glen Tomasetti
- "The persimmons" by [John] Bray
- "Sacred ridges above Diamond Creek" (for Les Murray and for my pocket tape recorder) by Chris Wallace-Crabbe
- "Air lines" by Chris Wallace-Crabbe
- "Already" by Gig Ryan
- "Foal" by John Millett
- "Plaint"
- "Music junction - Latrobe Tce."
- Begins: "The streets of Toytown..."
- "The decade, the street" by Anna Gowan

Folder 14

Australian poetry section *Aquarius* 1983. Complete copy, as sent on 18/10/1983:

- Letter from M. O'Connor to Eddie Linden, 17.10.83
- Letter from M. O'Connor to Elaine [?], 21.10.83
- Letter from M. O'Connor to Eddie (Linden?), 20.10.83
- Introduction - Australian Poetry Today
- Poems to include:
- "Memorials" by Kevin Gilbert
- "Taree Hospital" by Kevin Gilbert
- "Rod Laver" by Peter Goldsworthy
- "King Parrots" by Alan Gould
- "Good Catcher I" by Andrew Lansdown
- "Good Catcher II" by Andrew Lansdown
- "The new baby" by Mark MacLeod
- "Snow and open spaces" by Mark MacLeod

- "Getting it: a view of the city" by Andrew McDonald
- "Men - in a pub" by LiLian Tate
- "After the ball" by LiLian Tate
- "Mid channel" by Gwen Harwood
- "Port Arthur" by Peter Kocan
- "So quietly" by Keith Harrison
- "Points of view" by David Lake
- "Retirement by the sea" by Geoff Page (2 pp)
- "Lizard Islands" by Mark O'Connor
- "Cemetery" by Bruce Beaver
- "A retrospect of humidity" by Les A. Murray
- "The smell of coal smoke" by Les A. Murray
- "Aerial death" by Lyndon Walker
- "The warm thing" by Jennifer Maiden
- "The reason" by Alison Croggon
- "The harbour breathes" by Anna Couani
- "Atlanta Hotel" by Roger Vickery
- "Christmas day at Wee Jasper" by Chris Wallace-Crabbe
- "I to X" (and) "The buck stops here" by Nancy Keesing
- "Tasmania" by Vivian Smith
- "Pioneer 10 (gone with the gonads)" by Michael Sariban
- from "Selected affinities" by Geoffrey Dutton
- "Love and fidelity" by Geoffrey Dutton
- "Love and communication" by Geoffrey Dutton
- "Love and solace" by Geoffrey Dutton
- "Love and play" by Geoffrey Dutton
- "Love and idleness" by Geoffrey Dutton
- "Love and daring" by Geoffrey Dutton
- "Love and life and death" by Geoffrey Dutton
- "Hard Light" by Graham Rowlands
- "Seduction Poem" by Alison Croggon
- "Cliffs" by Andrew Taylor
- "There is no need to travel to America" by Lyndon Walker
- "Ode to a potato" by Peter Goldsworthy

- "Fauna: March!" by David Lake
- "Two women" by Keith Harrison
- "Lake Snow in Edinburgh" by Les. A. Murray
- "The Henty River (Western Tasmania)" by Alan Gould (2 pp, 2 copies)
- "Non event" by John Bray from "I do not forget" by Andrew Lansdown (4 pp)
- "After Babel" by Peter Goldsworthy
- "The sight of music" by Dorothy Auchterlonie
- "The artist" by Fay Zwicky (2 pp, 2 copies)
- "The bushranger comes home" by Philip Neilsen
- "Big run" by Vicki Viidikas (4 pp)
- "Second anniversary" by Eric Richards
- "Thoroughbred" by Grace Perry
- "Ben Carlyle" by John Millett
- "To a friend" by Max Richards
- "Hard Light" by Graham Rowlands
- Letter from M. O'Connor to Eddie (Linden?)
- Copy of form letter begins: "The short list of poems..." 19.10.83
- "A weekend in the country" by Jennifer Strauss from "The tourist quartet" by Cornelis Vleeskens (2 pp)

Folder 15

The part Australian edition of *Aquarius* Annual Magazine, 1983 - Draft - 2 copies.

The part Australian edition of *Aquarius* Annual Magazine 1983 (highlighted)

The part Australian edition of *Aquarius* Annual Magazine 1983 (not highlighted).

Special Australian edition of *Aquarius* magazine.

Introduction (to Australian Poetry in *Aquarius*). (9pp)

Folder 16

Various drafts of the introduction etc. to the Australian section of *Aquarius* 1983:
Aquarius Magazine. Final version to list of accepted poems.

Drafts:

- titled "*Aquarius* Magazine Australian Section"
- begins "Lyndon Walker - "Aerial Death"..."
- begins "John Bray - "Non event"..."
- "Pioneer 10 (gone with the gonads)"
- "Notes for *Aquarius* Introduction" (2 pp)
- "Introduction. Australian Poetry Today" (8 pp)
- from Andrew McDonald to M. O'Connor, 12.10.83
- from M. O'Connor to E. Linden, 16.10.83 (2 pp)
- headed "Author" "Title" "Classed" (5 pp)

Folder 17

Poems (to be considered for inclusion in *Aquarius*):

- "Notes towards birth" (2pp and envelope)

Possible poems

- "Someday - in the Americas" by John Blight
- "Thunk!" by LiLian Tate
- "Cuttack (Orissa)" by Vicki Viidikas (5 pp)
- "Barbecue" by Antigone Kefala
- "Lizard Islands (Great Barrier Reef)" by Mark O'Connor (2 pp)
- "Muzot" by Bruce Beaver
- "Forerunner" by Bruce Beaver
- "The Arrest" by Ian Reid
- "In a double decker bus (Five Dock, N.S.W.)" by Margaret Diesendorf
- "Brett Whiteley: soup kitchen" by Margaret Diesendorf
- "A note on the Chinese exhibition" by Shaunn (?)
- "Aristocrats" by Douglas Stewart
- "Houdini" by Nicholas Hasluck
- "Kiacatoo" by Kevin Gilbert
- "Thoughts (...) a hitchhiker" by Kevin Gilbert

- "Persia burning" by (Roland?) Robinson
- "Kimberly Drovers" by (?) Selected Poems Westerly
- "Cuttack (Orissa)" by Vicki Viidikas (4 pp)
- "Persia burning" by (?) Robinson
- "Kimberly drovers" by (?) Selected Poems Westerly
- "Getting it: a view of the city" by Andrew McDonald (2pp)
- "Thoughts on passing a hitchhiker" by Kevin Gilbert
- "Kiacatoo" by Kevin Gilbert
- "A weekend in the country" by (?) Strauss (2pp)

In envelope - pieces chosen as possible inclusions on first reading

- "Big Run" by Vicki Viidikas (3 pp)
- "Aerial Death" by Lyndon Walker
- "Getting it: a view of the city" by Andrew Mcdonald (2pp)
- "Mid-channel" by Gwen Harwood
- Envelope from P. Kocan to M. O'Connor
- "Port Arthur" by Peter Kocan
- "Protest" by Peter Kocan
- "The Beauty" by Peter Kocan
- "The Warm Thing" by Jennifer Maiden
- "The Hearty River (Western Tasmania)" by Alan Gould
- "Atlanta Hotel" by Roger Vickery
- "Pioneer 10 (gone with the gonads)", by ? (3 pp)
- "Rainbow"
- "The Artist" (2 pp)
- "Whale psalm" (2 pp)
- "The Art of Lying" by Philip Neilsen
- "The Bushranger Comes Home" by Philip Neilsen
- Letter from Kevin Gilbert to M. O'Connor
- "Memorials" by Kevin Gilbert
- "Men - in a Pub" by LiLian Tait
- "Taree Hospital" by Kevin Gilbert
- "Australia" by John Blight
- "Someday - in the Americas" by John Blight

- "The view from their highrise unit by the sea" by John Blight
- "Snow. And open spaces" by Mark Macleod
- "The New Baby" by Mark Macleod
- "Choka for a sacred kingfisher" by Andrew Lansdown
- "Should I fall and fail to rise" by Andrew Lansdown (3 pp)
- "Good catcher" by Andrew Lansdown (3 pp)
- "Two women" by Keith Harrison
- "So quietly" by Keith Harrison
- Nine sea poems (Title page)
- Letter from Geoffrey [Dutton] to M. O'Connor
- "Flying fish New Ireland" by Geoffrey [Dutton?]
- "Morning, Duke of York Islands" by Geoffrey [Dutton?]
- "Sea birds, St. George's Channel" by Geoffrey [Dutton?]
- "Rounding Cape St. George, New Ireland" by Geoffrey [Dutton?]
- "Sailor's song" by Geoffrey [Dutton?]
- "The Rock by the sea" by Geoffrey [Dutton?]
- "Country silences" by Geoffrey [Dutton?]
- "Sea silences" by Geoffrey [Dutton?]
- "Selective Affinities" by Geoffrey [Dutton] (8pp - 12 poems)
- "National Denial"; "Nice - But"; and "Writing on the Wall" by Kevin Gilbert (All three poems on one page)
- "Personal Column" by Kevin Gilbert
- "Affinity" by Kevin Gilbert
- "Journey" by Kevin Gilbert (Attached envelope from K. Gilbert to M. O'Connor)
- "Already" by Gig Ryan
- "Monologues (according to ages)" by Gig Ryan
- "Always" by Gig Ryan
- "Manners of an astronaut" by Gig Ryan (Attached Envelope from Gig Ryan to M. O'Connor)
- "Port Arthur" by Peter Kocan
- "Holiday Snaps" by Paul Kavanagh (4 pp)
- "Bees Be" by Paul Kavanagh (4 pp) (Attached Envelope from P. Kavanagh to M. O'Connor)
- "Jellyblubbers" by Christopher Pollnitz
- "That Gift" by Christopher Pollnitz
- "Fort scratchley" by Christopher Pollnitz

- "Mosquitoes" by Christopher Pollnitz (Attached envelope from Christopher Pollnitz to M. O'Connor)
- "A retrospect of humidity" by Les A. Murray
- "Late snow in Edinburgh" by Les A. Murray
- "The smell of coal smoke" by Les A. Murray (Attached envelope from Les A. Murray to M. O'Connor)
- "Woolen house" by John Millett
- "Ben Carlyle" by John Millett
- "Poem for a blind wife" by John Millett
- "Foal" by John Millett (Attached envelope from Poetry Australia (John Millett) to M. O'Connor)
- "When you kiss" by Mark Macleod
- "The night swimmer" by Mark Macleod (Attached envelope from Mark Macleod to Mark O'Connor)
- Letter "Eddie's Birthday - An Event"
- "Blodeuwedd" by Alison Croggon
- "Seduction Poem" by Alison Croggon
- "Plaint" by Alison Croggon
- "The Reason" by Alison Croggon

Folder 18

Press Release, News Clippings, Reviews:

- Begins: "The critics on *Aquarius*..."
- Press Release: Poetry in Pictures: the Great Barrier Reef
- Clipping: *Bulletin* 21.6.85 "Australia not a land without poetry"
- Photocopy: "Beating the Dole Queues"(2 copies)
- Photocopy from *Times Literary Supplement* 31.7.81 "Pouring mountain waters into severed heads" (3 copies)
- Photocopy: "The periodicals,22:Aquarius" by Fleur Adcock

Folder 19

Miscellaneous notes, addresses:

- Addresses Bill Scott (list)
- "Additional material on *Aquarius*" (note)
- "Originals - Letters and info sheets" (note)
- (scrap) "Letters, envelopes & poems not chosen..."
- (card) "Small Publishers Collective Inc."
- (address) Alan Alexander
- Headed "*Aquarius* copies - received to 11/10:"
- (attached paper with address of Margaret Kibble)

Folder 20

Correspondence of M. O'Connor, Outgoing, form letters:

- Roger [Vicher] (with enclosures)
- Begins: The short-list of poems for...to Andrew re: "Good Catcher"
- 19/10/83 form letter
- Form letter - same as above (with shortlist)
- Special Australian edition of *Aquarius* magazine form letter
- Begins: Enclosed is a pre-publication... form letter 9/8/83
- Begins: The prominent London literary... form letter 23/8/83
- Begins: Some good news and... form letter
- Begins: Note to contributors... form letter
- Begins: The 1983-84 edition of *Aquarius*... form letter
- Begins: Enclosed is some information about...form letter 1/11/84
- Begins: Launch of Australian issue... form letter 16/5/84
- Begins: *Aquarius* issues 15 and 16... form letter
- Begins: *Aquarius* 15/16 featuring... form letter
- Begins: Special Australian edition of *Aquarius* magazine featuring... form letter