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Buddies Refugee Support Group Collection

Size 8 boxes, 1 parcel

Contents Correspondence, documents, photographs, videos, display and protest material, publications

Date range 2002 to 2009

Biography The Buddies Refugee Support Group (BRSG), is a Buderim, Queensland group formed in 2002. BRSG support asylum seekers with community gatherings, ‘Big Day Out' picnics, home hosting for clients and staff of refugee support organisations, correspondence, advocacy and public outreach and information displays. BRSG supported asylum seekers from countries including Afghanistan, Iran, Iraq and Burundi and detainees in Nauru, Port Hedland, Villawood and Baxter Detention Centres.

Notes Open access

Box 1
Folder 1 Material relating to the BRSG organisation: its goals, activities, policies, fund raising, general meetings and membership. Includes email and other correspondence, c2002

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Folder 3 Buddies meeting notes Jan 2004 to Feb 2008

Folder 4 General information, meeting minutes and other material relating to the Buddies refugee support group c2002-2007

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Box 2

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Collected correspondence between BRSG member Peter Friis and various asylum seekers, politicians and others, c 2002–2006

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Box 3
Letter and information folders compiled by BRSG. Letters from refugees have been copied and laminated for information and display purposes. Names of individual refugees have, in most cases, been censored by BRSG.

Folder 1: Purple folder
‘Myths & facts sheets’

Folder 2
‘Behind the wire’ by David Leser, *The Australian Women’s Weekly*, July 2002 pp. 42-48, 244-245

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Letter to D Childs & M Pascoe from Peter Slipper MP, 18 Aug 2003

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Folder 5: ‘Letters from Detainees’
Photocopies of letters from asylum seekers to BRSG members, c2002

Folder 6: ‘Letters from Detainees’
Photocopies of letters from asylum seekers to BRSG members, c2002

Folder 7: ‘Letters from asylum seekers in Australian detention centres’
Photocopies of letters from asylum seekers to BRSG members, c2002

Folder 8: ‘Letters from asylum seekers in Australian detention centres’
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Folder 10: ‘Letters from asylum seekers in Australian detention centres’
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Folder 11: ‘Letters from asylum seekers in Australian detention centres’
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Folder 12: ‘Letters from Detainees’
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Folder 1
‘Artwork by ‘Ardishir’, Port Hedland IRPC’
10 laminated images of artwork.

Folder 2: Black folder
Correspondence between BRSG member Peter Friis and various asylum seekers
13 laminated images of artworks
24 photographs of artwork by Ardeshir Gholi Poor

Folder 3: Red folder - ‘Buddies Family Album Vol.1’
Photographs, newspaper cuttings and other material relating to asylum seekers and BRSG events, c2002. Many photographs are captioned.

Folder 4: Yellow folder ‘Family Album’
Newspaper cuttings and other material relating to asylum seekers and BRSG, c2004-2005

Folder 5: Purple folder
Photographs of asylum seekers and BRSG activities, c2002. Some photographs captioned.

Folder 6
Correspondence and documents relating to the case of asylum seeker Abdulghafar Achig-zai [also Achek-zai]

Box 5
Newspaper and magazine cuttings relating to asylum-seekers and related issues. Includes cuttings from the Sunshine Coast Daily, The Catholic Leader and other local and national newspapers.

Folder 1
Newspaper cuttings, nd

Folder 2
Newspaper cuttings, 2002
Folder 3
Newspaper cuttings, 2003

Folder 4
Newspaper cuttings, 2004

Folder 5
Newspaper cuttings, 2005 - 2011

Box 6
Powerpoint file on CD:
  Item 1 'Jen Harrison visit to Nauru May 2005 – Powerpoint presentation.'

Audio CDs
  Item 2 'Rise up & speak the truth' various artists, nd
  Item 3 'Behind the wire', various artists, nd
  Item 4 'Singing down the wire'
  Item 5 'Woodford 03-04'
  Item 6 'Woodford 03-04'
  Item 7 'Woodford 03-04'

Video CDs/DVDs:
  Item 8 'Andrew Bartlett at 'Buddies', Sep '05'
  Item 9 'Buddies forum 29.10.05 DVD 1 of 2 Peter Slipper (finalised)'
  Item 10 'Buddies forum 29.10.05 2 of 2 ALP, Greens (finalised)'
  Item 11 'Buddies forum 29.10.05 2 of 2 ALP, Greens (finalised)'
  Item 12 'Tiger 11 at Siena, Beerwah Protest' [News footage of Phillip Ruddock at Beerwah, Tiger 11 soccer team at Siena College, Sippy Downs]

Image CDs/DVDs, most images saved as JPG files:
  Item 13 'Port Hedland, Tiger 11, B. Brewster's Afghan family, Meg & Rony'
  Item 14 'Buddies photos, 400 px wide'
  Item 15 '6x4 camilla col; tigers; Brewster; Beerwah soccer; tigers at noosa 4 Oct '03'
  Item 16 'Tigers dinner July 03'
  Item 17 'Children in detention, Port Hedland, June 2003'
  Item 18 'Tiger, 1st copy – to be edited'
  Item 19 'Picnic, June holidays '03'
  Item 20 'RCSC picnic 2004'
Item 21  ‘Buddies picnic, Anzac Day ’05’
Item 22  ‘Foley, Buddies picnic, 24.10.05’
Item 23  ‘Refugee project images 1’
Item 24  ‘Buddies picnic, Anzac Day ’06’
Item 25  ‘Buddies picnic, Anzac Day ’06’
Item 26  ‘Buddies photos; Buddies picnic Nov 2007; Buddies picnic 12.4.08; Buddies picnic Anzac ’09; Picnic 14.9.08; web site; Adam’s biography’
Item 27  ‘Buddies/Uni women’s picnic – Sudanese 12.4.08’
Item 28  ‘Buddies picnic, Sunshine Coast, Burundis, 14.9.08’
Item 29  ‘Buddies stall at USC, 4.6.09’
Item 30  ‘Buddies/USC women’s picnic ‘09’
Item 31  ‘Picnic, Anzac Day ’09, Buddies/Uni women’s group’
Item 32  ‘Buddies picnic 16th April 2011, Peter & Beryl Beinssen’s photos’
Item 33  ‘Buddies & university women’s picnic, April ‘11’

Photographs
Packet 1  ‘Tiger 11 at Sunshine Coast’. 24 photographs of asylum seeker soccer team
Packet 2  ‘Flotillas of Hope.’ 23 photographs
Packet 3  ‘Buddies Forum’, 21 photographs
Packet 4  ‘Buddies’ Picnics with Refugee Claimant Centre and Romero Centre’, 49 photographs, 13 negatives
Packet 5  ‘Buddies’ African picnics, Sunshine Coast’, 33 photographs
Packet 6  ‘African restaurant Moorooka, Buddies visa’, 19 photographs, partial index print, 19 negatives
Packet 7  ‘Tiger 11 – Soccer break-up 2003’, 20 photographs
Packet 8  ‘Tiger 11 Dinner 2003’, 45 photographs (3 CDs )
Packet 9  ‘2005’, 13 photographs of a picnic/BBQ
Packet 10  ‘2005 [Anzac Day picnic]’, 24 photographs of a picnic/BBQ, 34 negatives
Packet 11  ‘Buddies 2005’, 18 photographs of a picnic/BBQ
Packet 12  ‘2005 – Anzac Day picnic – Buddies’, 41 photographs
Packet 13  27 photographs, various subjects, some captions,
Box 7

VHS video tape recordings of television programs and segments concerning asylum seekers:

Item 1  ‘Dateline 29/01/03 – Refugees – Nauru’
Item 2  ‘SBS Cutting Edge 4/3/03 – MS Tampa – Refugees at sea.’
Item 4  ‘Punished not protected’, nd.
Item 5  ‘BBC Correspondent “Australia’s Pacific solution”’, nd
Item 6  ‘Project Vietnam – Praise God – Foreign Correspondent – Lost (?), nd
Item 7  ‘Four Corners – Woomera/Afghan’, nd
Item 8  ‘SBS – Cutting Edge – Asylum [Seekers]’, nd
Item 9  ‘A well founded fear – SBS Nov 2008’
Item 10  Digital Hi8 video tape ‘Buddies Forum 1’, nd
Item 11  Digital Hi8 video tape ‘Buddies Forum 29.10.05, 0:0 to 0:15:15:20’

Box 8

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• No. 115, Dec 2004

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• Special Edition No. 2 October [2001] [3 copies]
• Vol. 6 no. 2, 2003

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*New Internationalist*, No. 344 April 2002


*Australian Rationalist*, No. 60/61, Dec 2002

*Dolly*, Oct 2003

*The Australian Women’s Weekly*, Jul 2002 [cover torn]

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- No. 5, 2002
- No. 6, 2002

**Parcel 1**

Laminated and unlaminated display material, (photographs, letters, signs)

1 large sketchbook of newspaper cuttings

1 wood framed display board