The Australasian Association for the Advancement of Science was founded at a meeting of 10 November 1886 called by Archibald Liversidge to establish a society that would enable scientists to regularly meet and discuss current research work with colleagues throughout Australia and New Zealand. The first meeting of the new Association was held in Sydney on 28 August 1888. In 1930, the name of the Association was changed to the Australian and New Zealand Association for the Advancement of Science.

A report of proceedings of each meeting (Congress) of the Association was published until 1954, but ceased with the 30th Congress of that year. Subsequently, selected addresses were published in the ANZAAS Journal, but since 1971 only Presidential addresses and memorial lectures have been so published.

This group of records consists of the Minute Book of the Local Committee (South Australia) of the Australasian Association for the Advancement of Science, 1888-1893, papers relating to the organization of the 41st ANZAAS Congress, Adelaide, 18-22 August 1969, dating from March 1968 to December 1969, and records of the 11th session, Adelaide, 1907.


Australian and New Zealand Association for the Advancement of Science S.A.Branch:

Minute book of the Local Committee. 1888-1893. 1 volume 1

Australian and New Zealand Association for the Advancement of Science, S.A. Branch. 41st ANZAAS Congress, Adelaide. 18 – 22 August 1969:

Correspondence relating to the Constitution and Organisation of ANZAAS. 1 folder. 2

Reports of the 40th ANZAAS Congress, Christchurch, New Zealand, 24-31 January 1968. 1 folder. 3

Correspondence of the Congress Hon. Organizing Secretary, Dr. R. J. Best, with Dr. C. A. Fleming (ANZAAS President) and the Hon. Congress Treasurer, E.S.Wyett. 1 folder. 4

Reports of the Hon. Organizing Secretary to the Organizing Committee. 1968-1969. 1 folder. 5
Miscellaneous memoranda from the Office of the Hon. Organising Secretary.  6
   1 folder.

Miscellaneous cables received and sent by the Office of the Hon. Organizing Secretary.  7
   1 folder.

Miscellaneous correspondence post-dating the Congress.  8
   22 August - December 1969.  1 folder.
   [Includes accounts, refund requests, letters of thanks to staff and officers and minutes of the final meetings of the Organizing and Finance Committees.]

Correspondence and announcements re symposia topics.  9
   2 folders.

Invitations to overseas speakers.  10
   1 folder.

Selection of speakers for special lectures  11
   1 folder

Correspondence with distinguished guests (the Lord Mayor of Adelaide, the Governor General of South Australia).  12
   1 folder

Invitations to and organization of the Opening Ceremony.  13
   18 August 1969.  1 folder.

Correspondence with Section Chairmen and their wives.  14
   3 folders
   [Includes agenda of Section meetings, 28 August 1968 and 13 March 1969.]

Correspondence relating to the appointment of Section Presidents, presidential addresses, and attendance of Presidents’ wives.  15
   5 folders.
   [Folder 1 includes list of Section Presidents at ANZAAS Congresses. 1946-1968.]

General files of individual Sections (1-8, 11-18, 20-26 and Junior ANZAAS.)  16
   23 folders

General files of the Women’s Hospitality Committee.  17
   1 folder.

Correspondence re social functions.  18
   2 folders

Correspondence, memos and brochures relating to excursions - 19
   2 folders and 12 packages.
Invitations to Wool Fashion Parade.  
1 folder.

Correspondence, memos, invitations and accounts relating to Scientific Instruments Exhibition.  
7 folders.

Correspondence and other papers relating to the allocation of committee office space and lecture rooms.  
3 folders.

Correspondence and memos re Congress facilities.  
2 folders.

Enrolments.  
3 folders.  
[Includes procedures for computerization of applications. Folders 1 and 2 have been sampled.]

Accommodation requests  
2 folders.

Correspondence of the Hon. Organizing Secretary with Ansett-ANA representative re travel arrangements and the printing of Circular No.1 1 folder.

Correspondence, lists and accounts relating to Congress publications and advertising. 8 folders.  
[Includes requests for literature, mailing lists, printing costs, invitations to firms to sponsor ANZAAS supplement in The Australian, support of the publication South Australia from the air, and purchase of Congress badges.]

Papers relating to Congress funding. 7 folders.  
[Includes minutes of Finance Committee meeting 17 July 1969, requests for financial aid to ANZAAS, and requests by ANZAAS for donations from the British Council, the South Australian Government, and business firms.]

Correspondence and printing cost quotations re abstracts of papers presented at the Congress.  
1 folder.

Copies of abstracts (divided by Section).  
23 folders + 1 volume.

Congress satchell, containing copies of Circulars 1 and 2, Programme, South Australia from the air, and miscellaneous brochures.
Australasian Association for the Advancement of Science; 11th Session, Adelaide 1907:

Roll Book. n.d. 1 volume

Correspondence. 1906-1907. 7 items.

Announcement of meetings, programmes and invitations. 1907. 13 items.

Official journal. 1907. 8 items.

Balance sheet. 1906-1909. 2 items.


Reprints from the 1907 session (“In search of Leichhardt in 1882”). 13 items (multiple copies.)

Australian and New Zealand Association for the Advancement of Science: Jubilee Congress, May 1980.
(See also series 124.)

Financial records. 1977-1982. 16 cm. [Cash receipt, payment and dissection sheets, journal, ledger cards and statements.]

Congress badges and stamp block. 1980. 6 items.

Circulars. 1980. 5 items.

Rough drafts of letters prepared by Dr. Rupert Best, Chairman of the Organising Committee. 1978-1979. 4 cm.

Rough drafts of lists of ANZAAS material for display at the Jubilee Congress. 1979. 4p. [Electrostatic copy].

Program and Congress handbook. 1980. 5 items.
Copy of South Australia from Space.  
1980. 1 volume.  
[Prepared for the 50th Jubilee ANZAAS Congress, Adelaide, 12-16 May 1980.]

Abstracts of Congress Symposia.  
1980. 2 items.

Minutes of the Jubilee Congress Executive.  
1979. 1 folder.

Correspondence, minutes and memoranda of the Management Committee.  

Correspondence and reports of the Organising Committee  

Invitations to overseas speakers.  
1979. 1 folder.

Minutes of the Programme Committee.  
1979. 1 folder.

Papers relating to Congress excursions.  
1979. 1 folder.

Correspondence and other papers relating to Congress sections.  
1979. 1 folder.

Computer program and records (including tape).  
1980. 1 envelope.

Congress exhibition material.  
1980. 2 cm.

Miscellaneous material, c.1979. 1 folder.

Congress satchel.  
1980. 1 item.

Australian and New Zealand Association for the Advancement of Science – South Australian Division

Correspondence of the local secretary.  
Minutes and other papers of the Committee of the South Australian Division. 1969-1978. 1 folder.  
Reports of the South Australian Division. 1970-1978. 1 folder.  
Papers of the ANZAAS Central Office accumulated by Dr Rupert Best (including material on the organisation and future of ANZAAS). 1973-1979. 1 folder.  
News circulars. 1971-1978. 2cm.  
Membership and mailing lists. 1963-1979. 7 items.  
Material relating to ANZAAS film exhibitions. 1965-1970. 1 folder.  
Programs. 1971. 4 items.  
Miscellaneous papers of the South Australian Division. 1971-1978. 2cm.  
Miscellaneous magazine and newspaper articles accumulated by Dr Rupert Best. 1958-1979. 1 folder.  
Photographs of the annual general meeting. 1975. 8 items.  
Australasian Association for the Advancement of Science - S.A. Branch: [See also Series 1]  
Minutes of the Local Committee. 1923-1967. 1 folder.  
Letter books. 1890-1893, 1905-1920. 3 volumes.  
Cash books. 1892-1893, 1924-1963. 2 volumes.  
Letters received from Professor A. Liversidge concerning J.E. Touce of London. 1906. 2 items. [Electrostatic copies.]
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Report of the 22nd meeting of AAAS, Melbourne. 1935. 1 vol. 88

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Australasian Association for the Advancement of Science: 11th Session, Adelaide, 1907. [See also series 32 -38]
Reprints of inaugural and presidential addresses. 1907. 2cm. 90

Program and report. 1907. 2 items. 91

Members’ and ladies' tickets 1907. 2 envelopes. 92

Australasian Association for the Advancement of Science: 17th Session, Adelaide, 1924
Report. 1924. 1 volume. 93

Member’s handbook. 1924. 1 volume. 94

Australasian Association for the Advancement of Science: 25th Session, Adelaide, 1946
Program 1946. 3 items. 95

Handbook. 1946. 2 items. 96

Attendance records. 1946. 1 item. [Electrostatic copy.] 97

Australasian Association for the Advancement of Science: 33rd Congress, Adelaide, 1958
Circular No. 2 containing information on office bearers, provisional program, excursions. 1958. 1 vol. 98
Correspondence relating to the Congress.  
1957-1958. 1 folder.  

Minutes of the Organising Committee.  
1955-1958. 1 folder.  

Australian and New Zealand Association for the Advancement of Science:  
[See also series 2 - 31]  
Memoranda, notices, minutes and final reports of the 
Organising Committee of Section II (Zoology).  
1969. 2cm.  

Program and circulars.  
1968-1969. 4 items.  

Copies of South Australia from the air  
1969. 1 volume.  
[Published for distribution to delegates attending the 
41st Congress.]  

Geological excursions handbook  
1969. 1 volume  

Letter books  
1969. 2 volumes.  

Papers of the Organising Committee  
1966-1969. 1 folder  
[Includes list of donations received by the Committee 
and minutes of the Management Committee.]  

Report presented to the final meeting of the Organising 
Committee by Dr Rupert Best together with 
associated papers.  

Correspondence relating to Congress publications.  

Congress cuttings, photographs, memoranda, invitations, etc. 
compiled by Dr Best.  
1969. 2 volumes. + 1 envelope.  

Australian and New Zealand Association for the Advancement of Science:  
1st S.A. State Conference, 1975.  

Program and circulars  
1975. 7 items.
Abstracts and condensed papers
1975. 4 items. 111

Rough draft of a plan suggested by Dr Best for 1st S.A. State Conference.
1975. 5p. 112

Photographs of the opening of the conference.
1975. 6 photographs. 113

Australian and New Zealand Association for the Advancement of Science: 1st Australian Conference on Science and Technology, Adelaide, 1973.

Program and circulars. 1973. 4 items. 114

Reprints and abstracts of papers 1973. 2 items. 115

List of delegates 1973. 9p. + covers. 116

Australian and New Zealand Association for the Advancement of Science: 2nd Australian Conference on Science and Technology, Adelaide, 1975.

Program 1975. 3 items. 117

Abstracts of papers 1975. 1 item. 118

Australian and New Zealand Association for the Advancement of Science: 3rd Australian Conference on Science and Technology, Canberra, 1978.

Program and circulars 1978. 8 items. 119

Abstracts of papers 1978. 2 items. 120

Australian and New Zealand Association for the Advancement of Science: S.A. Symposia, 1971-76

Circulars 1973. 2 items. 121

Programs and synopsis 1971-78. 2 items. 122
Condensed papers
1971-76. 10cm.

Australian and New Zealand Association for the Advancement of Science:
Jubilee Congress, May 1980
[See also Series 39-57]

Scrapbook containing programmes, abstracts of papers and
newspaper cuttings.
1980. 1 volume

ANZAAS Symposium on Bushfires: Condensed papers edited
by Rupert J. Best.
1983. 0.5cm.

Handbook of South Australia: Twenty-fifth meeting in Adelaide
1946. 1cm.

ANZAAS publications:
South Australia from the Air (1969)
South Australia from Space (1980)
1969-1980. 2cm.

Australasian Association for the Advancement of Science,
11th Session, Adelaide, 1907:
[See also series 32-38, 90-92]

Scrapbook
1907. 1 vol.
[Contains invitations, press cuttings and programmes.]

Minutes of Executive Committee Meetings
1969-79. 3cm