

**D57 David Brothers Pty. Ltd.**

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History	<p>David Brothers was established in 1895 by David and Edward David as a small family iron foundry in Denison Street, Wollongong. In 1935 it became a public company with a share issue of £15,000. The issue was increased to £50,000 in 1962. The company owed much of its success to the development of the steel industry at Port Kembla and became a major supplier of castings to Australian Iron and Steel (AI&amp;S). During the decade prior to 1967 the company's annual turnover was in the vicinity of £500,000. However, due to difficulties associated with the Clean Air Act of 1961, which necessitated the installation of expensive emission control equipment, the company went into decline after 1967. A liquidator was appointed on 4 October 1973 and the company ceased operations on 19 October 1973.</p>
Record Summary	<p>Company records 1934-71. Includes minutes and agendas of meetings, correspondence, accounts, balance sheets, taxation, production, sales, staff records and Liquidator's files (1973).</p>
Date	1934-73
Quantity	4.79 metres
Description	Inventory available
Access	Available for reference
Accessioned	23 July 1980
Listed	6 April 2000
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1 Incorporation. 1935, 1962. 2 cm.

- 1 Certificate of incorporation. 24 January 1935.
- 2 Memorandum and articles of association. 24 January 1935.
- 3 Articles of association (Amendments). 15 February 1962.

2 Minutes and Agenda - Directors' meetings. 1935-72. 10 cm.

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|---|----------|----|-----------------------------------|
| 1 | 1962-64. | 6  | 1969.                             |
| 2 | 1965.    | 7  | 1970.                             |
| 3 | 1966.    | 8  | 1971.                             |
| 4 | 1967.    | 9  | 1972.                             |
| 5 | 1968.    | 10 | 1935-61 (Directors' minute book). |

3 Minutes and Agenda - annual general meetings. 1963-72. 5 cm.

- 1 1963.
- 2 1964.
- 3 1965.
- 4 1966-69.
- 5 1970.
- 6 1971.
- 7 1972.

4 Correspondence. 1944-73. 40 cm.

- 1 Coghian and Allen.
- 2 David, Mrs. M.S.
- 3 Dun and Bradstreet (Aust.) Pty Ltd.
- 4 Stanton Pipes.
- 5 Transfield.
- 6 Worthington.
- 7 September 1944 - July 1948 (out).
- 8 January 1959 - March 1960 (out).
- 9 May 1960 - June 1967 (out).
- 10 June 1958 - April 1960 (in).
- 11 May 1967 - September 1970 (in)
- 12 June 1967 - February 1971 (out).
- 13 October 1970 - February 1972 (in and out).
- 14 August 1971 - November 1972 (in and out).
- 15 January 1973 - September 1973 (in and out).
- 16 1968-72 (various)
- 17 1973 (various)

5 Capital structure. 1935-72. 8 cm.

- 1 Register of directors' shareholdings. 1935-72.
- 2 Share certificates. 1967-68.
- 3 Share certificates. 1969-70.

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- 4 Share certificates. 1970-72.  
5 Shares correspondence (Accountant). 1969-70.  
6 List of shareholders. 1969-71.  
7 Shareholders' loan accounts. 1966-69.
- 6 Balance sheets - half-yearly. 1935-72. 12 cm.
- 1 1935-45.  
2 1946-55 (June 1950 missing)  
3 1956-65 (December 1965 missing)  
4 1966-72 (June 1968, June 1969, December 1971, December 1972 missing).
- 7 Balance sheets - working papers. 1965-72. 13 cm.
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| 1 | 1965. | 5 | 1970. |
| 2 | 1966. | 6 | 1971. |
| 3 | 1967. | 7 | 1972. |
| 4 | 1968. |   |       |
- 8 Accounts - General. 1934-73. 20 cm.
- Cash books
- 1 1957-69.  
2 1968-73.  
3 1970-73 (subsidiary),
- Day books
- 4 1966-68.  
5 1968-69.  
6 1969-70.  
7 1970-71.  
8 1971-72.
- Ledgers
- 9 1934-47.  
10 1961-63.  
11 Property account record book.  
12 Wages dissections. 1967-71.  
13 Lists of debtors.
- 9 Purchasing. 1965-73. 12 cm.
- Cash books
- 1 1965-68.  
2 1968-71.  
3 1972.  
4 1970-73 (scrap iron).  
5 Price lists. 1966-68.  
6 Invoice book. 1973.

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10 Production - General. 1935-73. 10 cm.Production records

- 1 1945-72.
- 2 1973 (steel).
- 3 Castings sent out for machining. 25 February 1965.  
Returns to Bureau of Census and Statistics
- 4 Monthly production and employment figures. 1961-72.
- 5 Yearly machinery, plant and equipment figures. 1935-73.

11 Production - job order records. 12 cm.

This series has been culled. The items listed represent a sample of the original records.

Sundry customers

- 1 Job no. S9634 - S1996.
- 2 Job no. S1997 - S4692.
- 3 Job no. S4693 - S7518.
- 4 Job no. S7519 - s8607.

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- 5 Job no. A2292 - A6223D.
- 6 Job no. A4206 - A6514.

Metal Manufactures Ltd

- 7 Job no. M1758 - M2113.

12 Stock. 1957-71. 3 cm.

- 1 Stock list. 31 December 1969.
- 2 Stocks of regulus metal. 1963-70.
- 3 Price lists. 1957-71.

13 Sales Journals. 1940-73. 40 cm.

- 1 1940.
- 2 1942-43.
- 3 1944.
- 4 1945.
- 5 1946-47.
- 6 1947.
- 7 January 1951 - January 1973.
- 8 February 1953 - December 1954.
- 9 December 1954 - May 1956.
- 10 June 1956 - February 1958.
- 11 March 1958 - September 1960.
- 12 October 1960 - May 1963.
- 13 June 1963 - September 1965.
- 14 October 1965 - February 1968.
- 15 March 1968 - November 1969.
- 16 November 1971 - October 1973.

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14 Sales - ledgers. 1948-64. 21 cm.

- 1 1948-52.
- 2 1952-56.
- 3 1957-59.
- 4 1960-64.

15 Sales - quotations. 1969-73. 45 cm.Sundry customers

- 1 22 July 1969 - 19 August 1970.
- 2 17 March 1969 - 12 May 1971.
- 3 19 October 1970 - 30 April 1971.
- 4 11 August 1971 - 2 December 1971.
- 5 March 1972 - July 1973 (also includes items of general correspondence).

Australian Iron and Steel

- 6 18 November 1969 - 20 May 1970.
- 7 21 January 1969 - 14 January 1971.
- 8 16 August 1971 - 23 November 1971.
- 9 26 January 1971 - 26 January 1972.
- 10 18 February 1972 - 6 April 1972 (also includes some sundry customers).
- 11 1972-73.
- 12 1973.
- 13 Specification and quotation. Dept. of Public Works.

16 Taxation. 1944-73. 67 cm.

- 1 Payroll tax papers.
- 2 Working papers. 1967-69.
- 3 Sales tax. September 1957 - June 1968.
- 4 Correspondence (solicitor).
- 5 Employee claims for concessional allowance.
- 6 Road maintenance tax.

Deductions from wages

7-34 1944-73

17 Plant and equipment. 8 cm.

- 1 Fume scrubber.
- 2 Health Department - dust control.
- 3 Certificates - diesel fuel, pressure vessel, factory.
- 4 Clean air act information.
- 5 Quotations - dust emission control.
- 6 Power factor improvement.
- 7 Crane rope information.
- 8 Plans.



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- 1 Metal Trades Industry Association. General information.
  - 2 Metal Trades Employers Association. General information.
  - 3 Credit Union records.
  - 4 Benefit Fund records.
  - 5 Harvey Trinder Insurance.
  - 6 Sick and recreation leave. 1951-56.
  - 7 Sick and recreation leave summary book.
  - 8 Apprenticeship.
  - 9 Staff lists. 1966, 1968.
  - 10 Personal record cards (1 bundle).
  - 11 Staff purchases.
- 23 Technical information. 30 cm.
- 1 Standards (1 bundle).
  - 2 B.H.P.-A.I.S. Hot rolled carbon steel sections and plates.
  - 3 B.H.P. - Steel shapes and sections. 1952 ed.
  - 4 B.H.P. - Steel shapes and sections. 1961 ed.
  - 5 Journal of the Iron and Steel Institute. vol. CXXXIX, no. 1. 1939.
  - 6 Jeffrey Mfg. Co. General catalog. no. 82, 1912.
  - 7 Ransomes and Rapier. Lifting machinery. 5th ed.
  - 8 Moldenke, Richard. The production of malleable castings. Cleveland (Ohio): Penton, 1910.
  - 9 NSW Dept. of Decentralisation and Development. Specialised facilities directory. Sydney: The Dept., 1972.
  - 10 Sterling Moulding Box catalogue. no.66.
  - 11 B.H.P. Sections - Metric properties and availability.
  - 12 Technical information - various (1 bundle).
- 24 Liquidation files. 53 cm.
- 1 Assets.
  - 2 Patterns.
  - 3 Work in progress.
  - 4 Time sheets (final payments).
  - 5 Statutory declarations.
  - 6 Bank file.
  - 7 Accounts.
  - 8 Insurance.
  - 9 Taxation.
  - 10 Secured creditors.
  - 11 General matters re liquidation.
  - 12 Correspondence re offers for property purchase.
  - 13 Staff wage records.
  - 14 Creditors.
  - 15 Baines Transport.
  - 16 Proofs of debt. Priority creditors.
  - 17 Correspondence.
  - 18 General ledger - from 1 July 1973.
  - 19 Journal entries - under official management.
  - 20 Balance sheet. 30 June 1973.
  - 21 Cash payments.

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- 22 Minute book. 9 February 1961 - 25 March 1976.
- 23 Distributions, share transfers and correspondence.
- 24 Meetings of contributories.
  
- 25 Photographs.
  - 1 Foundry buildings from railway embankment.
  - 2 Foundry buildings
  - 3 Foundry staff. 1924.
  - 4 Machine made for Corrimal-Balgownie Collieries Pty Ltd.
  - 5 Float and the David brothers.
  - 6 Stoking furnace.
  - 7 Stoking furnace.
  - 8 Pouring moulds.
  - 9 Pouring moulds.
  - 10 Firing casting metal.
  - 11 Firing casting metal.
  - 12 Firing casting metal.
  - 13 Pouring casting metal.
  - 14 Pouring casting metal.
  
- 26 Minor and miscellaneous items. 3 cm.
  - 1 Certificate of membership - Metal Trades Employers' Association
  - 2 Telephone book pre-1972.
  - 3 Telephone book post-1972.
  - 4 Sundry items.