

Archive Report. April 2026

The archive has settled in to the new year with our routine of file maintenance, processing of donations, continuation of research and answering queries from the public.

We are very pleased to be continuing to receive many interesting and worthwhile donations from members and the public. This list includes donations since November as these were not included in my last report:

Keith Lumley. - DVDs for sale and 1950s Rivoli program
Jonathan Scutt - 1940s film projector and films
Neale Meagher - 1926 Paramount Christmas souvenir program (found in his late father's piano stool)
Rob Parkinson - Newspaper article
Harvey Hutcheson - Ten NZ vintage broadcast magazines
Alan Winn - Quantity of back issues of CinemaRecord for sale
Barbara Holland - Box of vintage glass slides
Greg Praetz - 3 posters from the Valhalla c19760s
Ross Campbell - Quantity of books
Unknown donor - Colac Drive-In ephemera (including blank letterhead stationery)
Tony Tibballs - Media reports and photos
Scott Smith - ephemera from SA cinemas

Our book sale last week was very satisfactory with sales in excess of \$250. We are fortunate to have shelving in the Archive car park where we can store our sale books and display them on sale days. The next PMI sale will be in November. It was good to see a number of CATHS members joining in on the day.

The archive has been able to assist a number of members of the public with research for various projects. Scott Smith is in the process of launching his book on South Australian Cinemas and Drive-Ins and is currently researching for his next book on Victorian Drive-Ins. He is also donating to CATHS items related to his research which have been given to him by industry people that he has spoken to.

We are usually at the archive on Wednesday and Thursday mornings and are happy to have members visit to see our collection. It would be appreciated if you could e-mail or phone first to ensure that someone will be in attendance. Contact details are in CinemaRecord.

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