

Wartime Housing Community Club of Fort William fonds

1942-1946

10 cm. of textual records

Administrative history

The Wartime Housing Community Club of Fort William was composed of Tenants living in "wartime housing" or temporary residences built during World War II as emergency shelters. These people were mostly working people as their correspondence admits. The club addresses such issues as the conditions of the houses (negotiating with various government departments), the construction of community centres such as Westfort Community Centre, the creation of a national health insurance plan, the building of better hospitals, and the provision of proper recreation and reorienting facilities for local youth. The Wartime Housing Community Club quite possibly dissolved into the Westfort Community Centre in 1946.

According to its constitution, the Ladies Auxiliary of the above club was developed to "promote friendships", "to help aid the war effort" and to promote "the good of the community". The women worked in canteens and made garments and kits for soldiers.

Scope and Content

The Wartime Housing Club of Fort William records is a collection of correspondence, membership lists, and meetings regarding the Club's business, members, policies, meetings and activities.

Series E 33/1/1 - Correspondence - 6 cm. - 1943-1946

Correspondence, both incoming and outgoing, from 9 May 1943 to 25 July 1946.

Series E 33/2/1 - Membership list - 21 fol. - 1943-1944

Membership list showing the location of the houses of members and dividing them into geographical districts.

Series E 33/3/1 - Minutes - 3 cm. - 1942-1944

Minutes of the Ladies Auxiliary from 1942-1944. Includes membership lists, financial reports and a constitution. It is handwritten.

Additional Information

Custodial History: Donated by the Westfort Community Centre in 1989.