

TYNE & WEAR ARCHIVES

USER GUIDE 16

TRADE UNIONS, EMPLOYERS' AND PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

This User Guide lists the more important collections connected with trade unions and related organisations. Part 1 summarises records produced by trade unions, employers and professional associations, while parts 2, 3 and 4 list those concerned with trades councils, trade union umbrella organisations and personal and other papers respectively.

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1) TRADE UNIONS, EMPLOYERS AND PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

Building and Allied Trades

Amalgamated Union of Building Trade Workers: secretary's check book, 1924-1929; No 5 Branch Composition Floor Layers, Newcastle minutes, 1950-1955 **Refs 2909 (unlisted), TU.AUB1**

Amalgamated Society of Carpenters and Joiners: Newcastle Branch - correspondence, 1893-1907, inc list of men employed, c1900; rules 1912-1920; Whitburn Branch - contribution book, 1929-1951 **Refs 699, 2909 (unlisted), TU.ASW2**

Amalgamated Society of Millsawyers and Wood-Cutting Machinists: Newcastle Branch - correspondence, 1899 **Ref 699**

Amalgamated Society of Painters and Decorators: Blaydon Branch - contribution books, 1936-1962; entrance books, 1958-1969; cash books, 1937-1967; minutes, 1936-1951; unemployed pay, 1936-1960; letter book, 1962-1969; Newcastle Branch - registration book, 1940-1964; contribution books, 1956-1980; unemployment pay, 1962-1964; North Eastern Area Committee – annual reports 1914-1966; Tyne, Wear and Blyth District Committee - rules, 1925, 1934 **Ref 2909 (unlisted – summaries at TU.PD1, TU.PD2), DX826**

Amalgamated Society of Woodworkers: Society annual reports, 1942-1967; Felling Branch - minutes, 1921-1969; Northumberland and Tyne District Committee minutes, 1888-1964; Sunderland Branch - committee and shop stewards meeting minutes, 1947-1960, registration books, c1878 – c1971; Gateshead 1st Branch - records, 1874-1965, inc minutes, 1900-1965 **Refs 1280, TU.ASW2, TU.ASW3**

Electrical Electronic Telecommunication and Plumbing Union: Newcastle Lodge committee minutes, 1968-75 **Ref TU.ETP1**

Electrical Trades Union: Gateshead Branch – membership records A-L, 1912-1965; notes by branch secretary Wilfred O'Kane on history of the Union, nd [1988] **Ref TU.ET1**

National Federation of Master Painters and Decorators: Newcastle, Gateshead and District Branch, list of members, nd (1950s) **Ref DX826/10**

National Labour Federation: second quarterly report, 1887 **Ref TU.NLF**

Newcastle, Gateshead and Tyne District Master Builders Association: letter, 1901 **Ref 699**

Newcastle Operative Society of Bricklayers: admission certificate, 1909 **Ref DX7**

North of England Federation of Master House Painters: working rules, 1920 **Ref DX826/6**

Northern Counties Federation of Building Trade Employers: letter, 1905 **Ref 699**

Plumbers Benefit Society, Newcastle upon Tyne: General and committee meetings minutes, 1852-83; bond book, 1851-53; contributions book, 1883-1902; contribution card, 1918 **Ref TU.PBS1**

Plumbing Trades Union, Newcastle upon Tyne Lodge: minutes, 1866-1920; admissions registers, 1866-1927; accounts, 1866-1910; balance sheets, 1919-28; NE Coast District Committee minutes, 1950-68 **Ref TU.PTU1**

Pressed Glassmakers Society of Great Britain: Executive Committee minutes, 1945-1966; reports, 1892-1965 **Refs 1195, 1198 (summary at TU.PG1)**

Tyne District Building Trades Association: notice, 1905 **Ref 699**

Union of Construction Allied Trades and Technicians (UCATT): N E Region - general admissions, 1870-1945; Newcastle Branch - minutes, 1979-1988 **Ref 2909 (unlisted)**

United Operative Plumbers Association: see Plumbing Trades Union

United Operative Plumbers and Domestic Engineers Association of Great Britain and Ireland: see Plumbing Trades Union

Engineering

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Amalgamated Engineering Union: Newcastle Branch No 11 - minutes, 1958-1976; proposition book, 1917-1973; cash books, 1969-1974; rules, 1965-1970 etc; Sunderland 7th Branch - minutes, 1922-1928, 1932-1951; Sunderland 4th Branch - donation benefit sheets, 1891-1893; vacant book (unemployed members), 1909-1910; Sunderland District Committee minutes, 1947-1969 **Refs 2857 (unlisted), TU.AEU1, TU.AEU2, TU.AEU3**

Amalgamated Society of Engineers and Allied Trades:

South Shields District - Lock-Out Committee minutes 1898, accounts and contributions 1931-1944, reports 1941-1953 etc. **Ref TU.ASE1**

Tyne District – committee reports, minutes etc 1912-1954 **Ref TU.ASE2**

Amalgamated Society of Engineers, Machinists, Millwrights, Smiths and Pattern-Makers: membership cards, 1876 and 1897 **Refs 966, DX878/2**

Association of Engineering and Shipbuilding Draughtsmen: papers, 1920-1951, Monthly News, 1951-1956 **Refs ASX1, 2081 (unlisted)**

Association of Foremen and Technical Engineers: Newcastle and District - Committee and ordinary meeting minutes, 1871-1976; register of members, 1871-1969; annual reports, 1872-1959 **Ref TU.AFT**

Board of Conciliation for the Iron Founding Industry of the North East Coast: Minutes, 1894-1921 **Ref JE.IF**

British Institute of Radio Engineers: North Eastern Section - minutes, 1943-1964 **Ref ASX3/1**

Electrical Association for Women: Newcastle and District Branch (North East Coast Branch) - AGM minutes and annual reports, 1927-1939; Newcastle and District Afternoon Branch - AGM minutes and committee meeting minutes, 1977-1982; Newcastle and District Evening Branch - AGM minutes and annual reports, 1975-1983; North East Branch Delegates Meeting minutes, 1975-1982; Executive Committee minutes, 1974-1983; Extra-Ordinary General Meeting minutes and notice, 1983; Whitley Bay Branch - Monthly Meeting minutes, 1960-1972; Committee minutes, 1961-1972 **Ref 2119**

Electrical Trades Union: Gateshead Branch - membership records, 1912-1965; notes by branch secretary Wilfred O'Kane on history of the Union, nd [1988] **Ref TU.ET1**

Institute of Civil Engineers: Newcastle and District Association - Chairman's addresses, 1946-1948; Northern Counties Association - Chairman's addresses, 1951-1967 etc **Ref 2291**

National Union of Foundry Workers: contribution cards, 1941-1942 **Ref 907**

The North East Coast Engineering Trades Employers Association: minutes, 1915-1917, 1935-1970; circular letters, 1890-1970; sub-section minutes, 1893-1932; printed material, 1872-1946 **Ref EM.EN1**

Northern Counties Joint Standing Committee: minutes, 1918-1959 **Ref EM.EN3**

Steam Engine Makers Society: membership certificate, 1850 **Ref GU.HMT**

United Pattern Makers Association: Newcastle minutes, 1909-1966; Jarrow minutes, 1892-1973; admissions, 1917-1925; membership record books, 1933-1956 **Refs TU.UPM1, TU.UPM2, TU.UPM3**

Welding and Joining Society - Northumbria branch: minutes, 1941-1992; attendance registers 1956-1992, programmes 1981-1994, correspondence 1982-1992 **Ref AS.WJS**

Food and Drink

Jarrow and District Licensed Victuallers Association: minutes, 1875-1976; subscription book, 1917-1967; accounts, 1875-1955 **Ref AS.LV1**

Licensed Trade Employers Association: minutes, 1921-1957, 1959; accounts, 1921-1986 **Ref EM.LT**

National Federation of Grocers Associations: annual conference concert programme, 1920 **Ref 1304**

National Trade Defence Association: minutes, 1891-1960; annual reports, 1909-1974; Women's League minutes, 1924-1932 **Ref EM.TDA**

National Union of Licensed Victuallers - North and North-East District: minutes, 1952-1985 **Ref AS.LV2**

Newcastle and Gateshead Licensed Victuallers Association: committee and annual meeting minutes, 1907-1912 **Ref AS.LV3**

Newcastle, Gateshead and District Butchers' Association: minutes, 1891-1997, rules and papers, 1915-1936 **Ref TU.BA**

North East Licensed Trade Association: minutes, 1961-1975, 1977-1981; annual reports, 1974-1990 **Ref AS.LT**

North East Brewers Association: minutes, 1887-1985; annual reports, 1909-1989 **Ref AS.BA**

North of England Wine and Spirits Merchants Association: minutes, 1910-1988; cash books, 1954-1989 **Ref AS.WS**

Northumberland and Durham Beer Bottlers Association: minutes, 1926-1961; correspondence, 1961-1983; cash book, 1956-1983 **Ref AS.BB**

Tyneside and Wearside Pork Butchers Association: minutes, 1926-1992; draft rules, c1926 **Ref AS.PB**

Health

British Medical Association: North of England Branch - council and committees minutes, 1910-1960; correspondence, 1924-1945; Newcastle Division - committees and general meetings minutes, 1903-1968; correspondence, 1921-1943; Newcastle Panel Committee - minutes, 1914-1948; cash journal, 1918-1976; prescribing reports, 1920-1928; local medical committee minutes, 1912-1961; Northern Region - annual reports, 1925-1939;

correspondence, 1924-1947; Newcastle City Council BMA Special committee minutes, 1891-1902 **Refs AS.BMA1, AS.BMA2, MD.NC/94/6**

Hospital and Welfare Services Union: papers, 1943 **Ref 376/18**

Royal College of Midwives: Newcastle Branch – minutes and correspondence, membership lists, 1950-1970's **Ref 2284 (unlisted)**

Institute of Medical Socialworkers (formerly known as Institute of Hospital Almoners): Newcastle Region: general meetings and committee minutes, 1946-1970; training committee minutes, 1930-1954 etc **Ref T364**

Insurance

British Employers Mutual Accident Indemnity Association: minutes, 1898-1953; Wear District Committee minutes, 1898-1904; Bristol Channel Ports Committee minutes, 1898-1904 **Ref 1811/74-76**

Mining

Boldon Colliery Mineworkers Lodge: minutes, reports, etc 1874-1981 **Refs 1590 (unlisted), 3389 (unlisted)**

British Association of Colliery Management: minutes and files, 1948-mid 1980's **Ref 2315 (unlisted)**

Durham Coal Owners Association: John Kirsopp's notes, 1870-92 **Ref 3015 (unlisted)**

Durham Colliery Mechanics Association: correspondence, 1897-1898 Cockfield Lodge accounts, 1920-33; Greenside Lodge accounts, 1934-59 **Refs 699, TU.DCM1**

Durham Miners Association: "Pioneers Diploma", c1925; Sheriff Hill Colliery, Fanny Pit Lodge members contributions registers, 1917-1936 **Refs DX390, TU.DMA1**

Hylton Colliery: union/management agreements, 1899-1950; pit meetings minutes, 1949-50; papers re disputes, 1884-1976; workmen's files, 1926-59 **Ref DX902**

National Union of Mineworkers: Burradon Colliery Branch - minutes, 1927-1949; hewers' average (wage) books, 1888-1908; Harton Lodge - membership register, nd [c1950's]; Montague Colliery Branch - minutes, 1955-1960 **Refs TU.NUM1, TU.NUM2, TU.NUM3**

Northumberland Colliery Mechanics Association: committee minutes, 1897 – 1932; colliery photographs, 19th – 20th cent **Ref DX1394**

North of England Trimmers and Teemers Association: rules, nd **Ref 673/108**

North Tyneside Miners Support Group: correspondence, appeal notices, pamphlets, information sheets, forms of accounts and photographs, 1984-1986 **Ref TU.TC2**

Pitmen's Union: cartoon on the Union's formation, 1832 **Ref 1074/305**

COSA, Wallsend Rising Sun: Papers of George Jones of Wallsend, colliery overman and secretary of COSA, 1958-1970 **Ref 1959 (unlisted)**

Printing

Advertising Club: Newcastle and District - minutes, 1923-1934 **Ref SX1**

National Society of Electrotypes and Stereotypes: Newcastle Branch – minutes, 1934-1959 **Ref TU.ES1**

National Society of Operative Printers Graphical and Media Personnel (NATSOPA), Richardson Printing Ink Company Limited Chapel: minutes 1945-72 **Ref DS.RP/8**

National Union of Journalists: programme of annual delegate meeting, 1921; Sunderland and Hartlepool Branch minutes, 1912-1971; List of members, 1962, 1969; Contribution records, 1956-1971 **Refs 1304, TU.NUJ1**

Typographical Association: Newcastle Branch – minutes, 1867-1959; letter books, 1890-1925; registers of members, 1911-1972 **Ref TU.TA1**

Shipping

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Amalgamated Society of Boilermakers, Shipwrights, Blacksmiths And Structural Workers 1880s-1973 **Ref TU.BSB1**

Associated Shipwright's Society: minutes 1885, financial report, 1885 **Ref DX32**

Association of Employers of Shipbuilding and Engineering Labour on the River Tyne: minutes, 1873-1891 **Ref EM.EN4**

Confederation of Shipbuilding and Engineering Unions: reports, 1960-1969 **Ref 673**

Engineering and Shipbuilding Employers Federation: minutes, 1903-1914; reports, 1897-1901; conference decision register, 1911-1914 **Refs 895**

National Amalgamated Society of Operative House and Ship Painters and Decorators: Tyne and Wear District Committee - annual reports, 1914-1966; Blaydon Branch - residence book, c1940; Newcastle Branch - registration books, c1940-c1950; Sunderland Branch - working rules, 1894 **Ref 2839 (unlisted), 2909 (unlisted)**

Newcastle Shipwrights Union Society: articles, 1838 **Ref 373**

North East Coast Institution of Engineers and Shipbuilders: council minutes, 1884-1990; general meetings minutes, 1885-1992; finance committee minutes, 1885-1991; financial records, 1884-1982; lists of members, 1886-1968; registers of membership applications, 1914-1976; honorary fellows registers, 1904-1984; records of Summer Meetings and Institution Dinners, 1910-1988; photographs of presidents and members, 1901-1992; transactions volumes, 1885-1966; etc **Ref AS.IES**

North East Coast Shiprepairers Association: Meetings and Special Committee minutes, 1903-1977; Shipwrights, Joiners and Employers Standing Committee minutes, 1893-1968; circular letters, 1839-1976 **Ref 978**

North East Shipbuilders Employers Association: minutes, 1900-1918 **Ref 895**

North of England Shipowners Association: minutes, 1871-1965; annual reports, 1893-1962; newspaper cuttings, 1882-1944 etc **Ref 1070**

Shipbuilding and Allied Industries Management Association: minutes 1975-1992, Membership lists 1977-1979, general file 1976-1984 **Ref TU.SMA**

The Shipbuilders Employers Federation: minute book, 1899-1903 **Ref EM.SH1**

Tyne Shipbuilders Association: General (and Wages) Committee minutes, 1891-1965; letter books, 1930-1944; Joint Policy Committee minutes, 1961-1964; cash book, 1940-1968; local agreements, 1960 **Ref 895, 978**

Tyne and Wear Shipbuilders Association: Boilermakers Wages Standing Committee minutes, 1895-1919 etc **Ref 895**

Tyne Watermen's Association: List of charges for lighterage 1923 **Ref DX1628**

Tyne, Wear, Tees and Hartlepool Shipbuilders Association: Joint Meeting minutes, 1885-1922 **Ref 895, EM.WS**

Wear Shipbuilders Association: minutes, 1853-1970; ledger, 1919-1931; cash book, 1919-1939 **Ref EM.WS**

Transport

Associated Society of Locomotive Engineers and Firemen: Newcastle and District Joint Branch - committee minutes, 1955-1966; Blaydon Branch - minutes, 1925-1926, 1942-1954; check stewards book, 1912-1920; strike register, 1955; Hexham Branch - ledger, 1920-1958 etc **Refs TU.AS1, TU.AS2, TU.AS3**

Institute of Transport: Northern Section - accounts, 1927-1958; annual reports, 1948-1970; minutes (incomplete), 1960-1981; correspondence, 1959-1969; Headquarters - council minutes, 1959-1968; conference of local section secretaries minutes, 1947-1969; examination pass lists, 1947-1970; printed journals, 1937 **Refs 1730, 1994**

National Sailors' and Firemen's Union: contributions book, 1913-1917 **Ref DX20/6**

National Union of Railwaymen: papers re loan to Jarrow Corporation, 1923-1925 **Ref T113**

Transport and General Workers Union: Area Committee minutes, 1921-1943; General Workers Trade Group National Committee minutes, 1933-1970; Dock and Waterways Committee minutes, 1921-1969; correspondence, 1923-1968; annual record, 1928-1969, agreements, 1932-1933; wages and working conditions agreement, 1962; Newcastle Branch - circulars, 1923-1976 **Refs 673, 1276, 1661 (unlisted), 1973 (unlisted), 1994, T192**

Other

Amalgamated Society of Leatherworkers: Newcastle Branch Benevolent Fund contributions books, 1927-1930 and 1941-1942; annual balance sheets, 1936-1937 **Ref TU.ASL1**

National Association of Head Teachers: Blaydon Branch (**TU.HT2**) minutes 1960-1973; Gateshead Branch (**2568 unlisted**) records 1945-1989

National Association of Local Government Officers: Blaydon Branch (**TU.NG4**) - Executive and General Meeting minutes, 1939-1970; membership file, 1966-1970; Felling Branch (**TU.NG5**) - minutes, 1948-1973; rules and constitution, 1945-1953; correspondence, 1948-1953; Gateshead Branch - minutes, 1934-1969; correspondence, 1963-1968; North Tyneside MBC Branch - files, 1974-1991; South East Northumberland (Hospitals) Branch - files, 1952-1962; Sunderland Branch (**TU.NG2**) - letter book, 1936-1937; Washington Development Corporation Branch (**TU.NG1**) - constitution and rules, 1970; minutes, 1966-1969, 1984-1985; membership register, 1977-1978; correspondence, 1975-1987 **Refs 1833 (unlisted), 1913, 1978 (unlisted), 2082, 2204 (unlisted), 2800 (unlisted), 2829 (unlisted)**

National Union of Bank Employees (formerly Bank Officers' Guild): North Shields and District Branch - committee and general meeting minutes, 1932-1955 **Ref TU.NUB1**

National Union of Teachers: Newcastle, South Shields, Sunderland and Vale of Derwent Branches - printed reports, newsletters, 1970s-1980s; Newcastle Branch (formerly Newcastle Teachers Association) - records, 1888-1980's; Blaydon Branch - minutes and report, 1965; Gateshead Association - minutes, 1893-1968; Durham County Association, County Boroughs Section - minutes, 1920-73 **Refs 2697 (unlisted), TU.NUT1, TU.NUT2, TU.NUT3, TU.NUT4, TU.NUT5, TU.NUT6, TU.NUT7**

Newcastle upon Tyne Incorporated Law Society (formerly Newcastle and Gateshead Law Society): proceedings, 1826-1834, 1871-1912; committee minutes and AGM reports, 1851-1938; out correspondence, 1852-1923 (incomplete); roll of members, 1871-1929 etc **Ref 2193**

United Kingdom Commercial Travellers Association: Newcastle Branch - committee minutes, 1889-1961; members registers, 1889-1916; ladies committee minutes, 1919-1955; photographs, 1921-1949; North of England and Scottish Federation minutes, 1906-1909 **Refs AS.CT1, AS.CT2**

Union of Communication Workers: Newcastle Counters District Committee minutes, April 1992 **Ref TU.UCW1**

Post Office Engineering Union: Newcastle Branch, minutes, Accounts, correspondence, posters and photographs, 1930-1982 **Ref TU.POE1**

Engineering Officers (Telecommunications) Association: Newcastle Branch, 1947-1954 **Ref TU.EOT1**

Workers Educational Trade Union Committee: North Eastern Divisional Committee minutes, 1920-1946 **Ref E.WEA1**

Workers Educational Trade Union Advisory Committee: minutes, 1946-1964 **Ref E.WEA1**

2) TRADES COUNCILS

Newcastle and District Trades Council: General Meetings, Full Council and Executive Committee minutes, 1956-1969; AGM minutes and reports, 1950-1967 etc **Ref TU.TC1**

Newcastle Trades Council Conference: Report, 1975 **Ref 948/234**

Tynemouth District and Whitley Bay Trades Council: minutes, 1951-1974; Delegates register, 1957-1968 **Ref TU.TC2**

3) TRADE UNION UMBRELLA ORGANISATIONS

General Federation of Trade Unions: annual reports, 1901, 1909, 1912 **Ref 1637**

North East Trade Unions Exhibition and Arts Festival: papers and programme, 1964-1965 **Refs 673/49, 50, 120; 2770 (unlisted)**

North Tyneside Miners Support Group: correspondence, appeal notices, pamphlets etc, 1984-1986 **Ref TU.TC2**

Trades Union Congress: Annual reports, 1918-1969; World Congress report, 1945; National Joint Council for the Building Industry minutes, 1969 etc **Ref 673**

4) OTHER PAPERS

Sir William Lawther: correspondence, 1935-1960; photographs, 1945; newspaper cuttings, 1922-1960 etc **Ref 1170**

Correspondence from Wm Doxford & Sons to Association of Engineering and Shipbuilding Draughtsmen re: wage cut, 1935 Ref 2698 (unlisted)

Reminiscences of the Miners' Strike of 1926: papers, nd [c 1980] **Ref DX201**

North East Trade Unions Exhibitions and Arts Festivals: papers and programme, 1964-1965 **Refs 673/49, 50, 120; 2770 (unlisted)**

North Tyneside Community Development Project Industry and Employment Group: minutes, 1975-1977 **Ref 948/39**

Trade Union Studies Information Unit: monthly bulletins, 1975-1976 etc **Ref 948/39, 238**

Tyneside Joint May Day Committee: minutes, correspondence and programme of events, 1981-1990 **Ref 3056 (unlisted)**