

COLLECTION TITLE Collection of Ansett Ephemera

COLLECTION IDENTIFIER THL 016

INCLUSIVE DATE(S) 1990 to 2001

EXTENT 2 folders

CREATOR Ansett Australia

RELATED ENTITIES Ansett Australia

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BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE

Wikipedia article: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ansett_Australia

The Ansett Australia airline group collapsed in September 2001 leaving 16,000 people without jobs. Founded in 1935 as Ansett Airways, the company was Australia's second major airline for much of its existence.

Purchased by Air New Zealand in 2000, Ansett soon faced severe financial challenges including greater competition from Qantas and the new Virgin Blue. Three days after '9/11', the airline and its subsidiaries were grounded by the company's administrator. More than 47,000 passengers were stranded, Ansett staff rallied against Air New Zealand which was financially rescued by the New Zealand government. Limited Ansett services resumed on 1 October following a Commonwealth guarantee with an agreement that businessmen Solomon Lew and Lindsay Fox would purchase Ansett's assets. They later withdrew when the Howard government declined to assist.

Ansett ceased flying on 4 March 2002 and the company's assets were sold. Ansett employees eventually received 96 per cent of their entitlements. The Government did provide a A\$350 million loan which was repaid by the airline's administrators while a \$10 seat levy was imposed on all Australian airline passengers until June 2003.

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

This collection comprises ephemera relating to Ansett Australia.

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Special Collections, UNSW Canberra

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Ansett flight ticket (THL 016.2018.169)

Folder 1 (THL 016.1)

Ansett Australia 3AW talk radio with Collingwood Football Club sticker on the front with headphones in original box [on display at [The Howard Library](#)]

Set of playing cards issued by Ansett Australia in original box [on display at [The Howard Library](#)]

Ansett Australia "Safety on Board" card for A320. Laminated with illustrations of safety procedures [on display at [The Howard Library](#)]

Folder 2 (THL 016.2)

Set of hot/cold disposable towels from Ansett Australia. Packed in 2001 [on display at [The Howard Library](#)]

Luggage tag from Ansett golden wing. With the words "Valid thru November 1991. If found please return to your nearest Ansett office" with leather strap [x2]

Ansett Australia rewards card

Ticket for a return flight to Canberra dated 13 February 1990. Together with it are the two boarding passes for Flights AN356 and AN357.
