

Appendix A: Financial Membership, R.S.S. & A.I.L.A. – 1916-1935

Date	QLD	NSW	VIC	SA	WA	TAS	Total
12/06/16	600	5000	?	?		?	10600
31/12/17	2233	1955	6008	2320		872	13388
30/06/18	3051	3375	7000	3261	2000	872	19557
31/12/18	4248	7015	7197	3470	5400	1349	28679
30/06/19	7000	10290	19749	9209	7000	3134	56382
15/10/19	15000	27000	39000	17200	9500	7000	114700
31/12/19	No a	150000					
31/12/20	6967	8241	20630	7091	4721	2071	49721
31/12/21	5752	11065	12236	7130	5800	2491	44643
31/12/22	4211	7207	6627	5880	3668	2094	29864
31/12/23	4374	4261	6870	4980	2631	1217	24482
31/12/24	3689	5431	5780	5500	3762	1508	25670
31/12/25	2960	3604	6173	6557	4169	1020	24631
31/12/26	3293	3607	6581	5673	4413	1053	30346
31/12/27	3736	4304	7971	7275	4922	1194	29925
31/12/28	4046	7394	8253	7279	5490	1337	34233
31/12/29	4754	10540	10615	6585	7025	1370	41417
31/12/30	4848	10472	12119	6301	6585	1556	42276
31/12/31	5118	10728	12294	4975	5064	1532	40067
31/12/32	4697	12105	13023	5528	6460	1473	43629
31/12/33	5603	15165	15250	5900	6320	1623	50067
31/12/34	6431	18990	16270	7181	5962	2137	57282
31/12/35	7617	24267	20131	8536	6880	3091	70850

Table taken from G. Kristianson, *The Politics of Patriotism: The Pressure Group Activities of the Returned Servicemen's League*, Australian National University Press, Canberra, 1966. Figures for P.N.G., A.C.T. and Darwin have been omitted for reasons of space and relevance, although they are included in total membership figures. Kristianson pointed out that membership figures before 1920 are not reliable because of poor record-keeping in the hectic years of the League's early existence.

Appendix B:

Transcript of letter forwarded to the Broken Hill Mine Managers' Association from the Barrier Trades and Trades Labourers' Union, dated 8 December 1919, as it appeared in the minutes of General Meeting of Broken Hill Mine Managers' Association, 11 December 1919, Broken Hill South Collection, Melbourne University Archives.

I have been instructed by my Union to bring under the notice of your Association the question of employment on the mines, and to request that you will give every consideration as to the best means of alleviating the present distress.

A large number of our members are out of employment through no fault of their own. As a union we have never been on strike but have in fact, in every way possible endeavoured to terminate the dispute and get the mines working again. After overcoming a number of technical difficulties we obtained our registration under the State arbitration act. We then applied to have the conditions of the mining industry regulated by the arbitration Court and thus bring about a settlement in a constitutional way, and much abuse has been heaped on our heads, by a certain section of Unionists for so doing. We feel justified in asking that some special consideration should be given to us as a Union and that what employment there is available our members should have precedence. When appearing before the wages board we did not ask for preference to members of this union, to be inserted in the Award, although preference to the Union applying for awards has been granted at each application. We took this course to avoid unnecessary friction, relying upon the Mining Companies to deal fairly with us, and recognise our claim in that direction.

Trusting you will give this your immediate consideration and that as many men as possible may be enabled to get in a pay to provide some necessities for the coming Christmas.

[The Secretary was directed to acknowledge the letter from Trades and Trades Labourers' Union and advise that their request would be given every consideration by the Companies.]

Appendix C:

Transcript of letter forwarded to the Broken Hill Mine Managers' Association from the Barrier Workers' Association, dated 12 June 1920, as it appeared in the minutes of General Meeting of Broken Hill Mine Managers' Association, 2 February 1920, Broken Hill South Collection, Melbourne University Archives.

I have been instructed by my Association to ask your Association if you can throw the Mines open for full operations at an early date. The members of my Association believe that some move should be taken to test the feelings of the employees, either by throwing the mines open, or by resuming operations on such surface work that would be productive to the Companies and the employees who are willing to work. Thanking you in anticipation.

[The Secretary was instructed to forward copy of the letter to Melbourne Committee. He was also asked to write to the Barrier Workers' Association, acknowledging receipt of their communication and advising that the matter contained therein would receive attention.]

Appendix D:Return showing approximate number of Foreigners at Broken Hill

Nationality	Occupation		Speak	Speak English	Unable speak	Total
	On mines	Otherwise	English	indifferently	English	
Maltese	46		1	39	6	46
Syrians	7		5	2		7
Bulgarians	57			18	39	57
Russians	49		4	3	42	49
Germans	56	1	30	27		57
Austrians	100	39	8	130	1	139
Spaniards	1	1	1	1		2
Italians	150	61	18	190	3	211
Greeks	9	6		11	4	15
French	4	1		5		5
Egyptians	1			1		1
Turks	1			1		1
Scandinavians	30	5	3	30	2	35
Poles	1			1		1
Dutch	2			3		2
Finns	3			3		3
Not classified	106	11	34	80	3	117
Total	623	125	104	544	100	748
	83.3	16.7%	14%	72%	13.4%	Total percentage of foreigners, 7%

Taken from *Report of the Royal Commission on Mining Industry at Broken Hill*, presented to NSW Legislative Assembly, Sydney, 1914, p. 745.