Finding Aid to the David Cunard and Walter Shuster Motorcycle Club Collection Coll2015.004

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Abstract: Motorcycle club administrative records, event records, programs, flyers, buttons, pins, medals, clothing, and other ephemera and realia collected by Walter Shuster and David Cunard, 1965-2004. David Cunard, also known as David Gooch, and Walter Shuster were motorcycle enthusiasts and members of the Buddy Motorcycle Club and The Council of Southern California Motorcycle Clubs (CSCMC).

Content Description
Motorcycle club programs, flyers, buttons, pins, medals, clothing, event challenges, and other ephemera and realia collected by Walter Shuster and David Cunard, 1965-2004. The collection includes bylaws, event records, guidebooks, policies, meeting minutes, and other administrative records of the Buddy Motorcycle Club and the Council of Southern California Motorcycle Clubs, 1965-1985.

Immediate Source of Acquisition

Separated Materials
Separated to the ONE audiovisual collection:
The Oedipus M/C Motorcycle Madness, 1985-1994. (2 DVDs: VDD0187R and VDD0189R)
Strike up the Grand Hinge and Bracket Farewell Performance, Trouper's Hall, Los Angeles, December 12, 1981. (1 DVD: VDD0185R)

Separated to ONE periodical collection:
Compass, v.10, no.12, September 1982.

Separated to the ONE program collection:
Alliance for Gay and Lesbian Artists, Media Awards, third annual, September 19, 1983.

Separated to the ONE poster collection:
Text at top: "The Griffin Lives...." Text at bottom: "7754 Melrose Avenue, Los Angeles, California, 90038." A shirtless man in leather pants stands with arms crossed astride a giffin. At the bottom left corner is the symbol for Griff's Bar. Signed, 78 out of 250. Black and white.

Text at top: "The Griffin Lives...." Text at bottom: "7754 Melrose Avenue, Los Angeles, California, 90038." A giffin mounts a man with a leather collar. At the bottom left corner is the symbol for Griff's Bar. Signed, 78 out of 250. Black and white.

Text at top: "Griffs." Text at bottom: "7754 Melrose Avenue / Los Angeles / On the Leather Strip" A man stands in a tight T-shirt with his arms crossed, a beer in his left hand, flanked by two other men, one wearing a leather jacket, the other a buttoned down long sleeve shirt. Black and white.


White text on a red banner down the left side: "Gold Coast." Text at bottom: "501 N. Clark, Chicago." Against a yellow and green backdrop, a shirtless man stands holding his belt in black books, black leather pants, black leather jacket, and a black uniform hat. Signed by Etienne, 1978. Color.

Conditions Governing Access
The records are restricted due to mold damage.

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Processing Information
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Separated to the ONE T-shirt collection
White with black symbols. Front design: Eight rings, each with different colored glitter, around a number 1 in glitter.
Black with white text. Front text: Oedipus M.C. Los Angeles. Front design: A crown.
White with black text. Front text: Oedipus M.C. Front design: A crown. The front text and design are duplicated on the back.
White with blue text. Front text: Buddy Motorcycle Club. Front design: Two crossing checkered flags.
Light blue/grey with dark purple text. Front text on the righthand corner: “The Royal Outing.” Front design on the righthand corner: Two mirrored griffins with a shield in the middle and a crown atop.
White with black text. Front text: Folsom Prison. Front design: The back of a naked man behind bars and a ball and chain on his leg with “1898 Folsom” on it.
Green with white text. Front text: Brotherhood of Los Angeles.
White with red text. Front text: Americana MC. Front design: Blue eagle.
Red with black text. Front text: Red Baron, Blue Max Motorcycle Club LA, 1985. Front design: A helmet over a banner over a serpent with four clawed legs.
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White text with red design. Front design: Woman sitting before a pillared mansion with trees.

Red with yellow text. Front text: Dante’s Inferno RB 90, Red Baron Run 1990. Front design. A blue banner with text inside and flames on top.


Dark blue with white text. Front text: Hawks.


White with blue text. Front text: Kronprinzessin Cecilie 1979, the last voyage... Front design: An anchor across a key.


Light blue with dark blue text. Front text: Warriors, June 19, 20, 21, Happy Haunting Run, 1981. Front design: The text around a demon’s head.

White with white text. Front text: Lackaroos Melbourne. Front design: The head of a longhorn bull with text on brown banners.

Biographical / Historical

David Cunard, also known as David Gooch, and Walter Shuster were motorcycle enthusiasts and members of the Buddy Motorcycle Club and The Council of Southern California Motorcycle Clubs.

Related Materials


Peter Bromilow Collection on Gay Motorcycle Clubs, Coll2013-086, ONE National Gay & Lesbian Archives, USC Libraries, University of Southern California.

Scott Shot Oedipus Motorcycle Club Photographs, Coll2012-023, ONE National Gay & Lesbian Archives, Los Angeles, California

Subjects and Indexing Terms

Gay motorcycle clubs
Programs (documents)
Fliers (printed matter)
Cunard, David
Shuster, Walter
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Shuster, Walter

Box 2, Folder 1-2
76ers, Argonauts, and Blue Max Motorcycle Clubs event programs 1980-1993

Box 5
Award plaque for "Second Place Buddy" at Badger Flat for Anno XXV 1979

Box 3
Award plaque presented to Walter Shuster in appreciation for his contributions to the motorcycle community from the First Ladies of the Council of Southern California Motorcycle Clubs 1976

Box 2, Folder 28
Award plaques and certificates 1974-1986

Box 4
Award ribbons, assorted events 1978-1985, unated

Physical Characteristics

[15 ribbons, 2 with attached plastic motorcycles]

Box 1, Folder 1-4
Barbary Coasters event programs and policies 1975-1983
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<td><strong>Buddy Motorcycle Club records 1965-1985</strong>&lt;br&gt;<strong>Scope and Contents</strong>&lt;br&gt;Administrative records, bylaws, event records, event programs, flyers, invitations, guidebooks, policies, and meeting minutes. Includes some records of the Council of Southern California Motorcycle Clubs.</td>
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<td><strong>Buddy Motorcycle Club logo silkscreen screen circa 1975-1985</strong></td>
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<td><strong>The Council of Southern California Motorcycle Clubs (CSCMC) records 1978-1983</strong>&lt;br&gt;<strong>Scope and Contents</strong>&lt;br&gt;Administrative records, membership records, and flyers. Includes some records of the Motor Cross Foundation and Buddy Motorcycle Club.</td>
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<td>2, Folder 29</td>
<td><strong>Ephemera and realia circa 1975-1995</strong>&lt;br&gt;<strong>Scope and Contents</strong>&lt;br&gt;Includes stud earrings, a brooch, patches, club cards, seals, and other ephemera. Also includes photocopies of motorcycle club buttons, pins, medals, belt buckles, dog tags, and tokens that were separated to the ONE ephemera collection.</td>
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<td><strong>Ephemera and realia, objects circa 1975-1985</strong>&lt;br&gt;<strong>Scope and Contents</strong>&lt;br&gt;Two Buddy Motorcycle Club mugs with transparent bottoms, one Buddy Motorcycle Club 60 milliliter bottle, one trophy top of a biker on a motorcycle, two Barbary Coasters motorcycle award trophies (1978-1979), one &quot;First Ladies -- CSCMC&quot; purple sash with a pin (1978), &quot;Greetings from FIG!&quot; cardboard audio box, and one Motorcycle Club Championship Awards seal stamp.</td>
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<td><strong>Ephemera and realia, oversized circa 1968-1985</strong>&lt;br&gt;<strong>Scope and Contents</strong>&lt;br&gt;Includes a chainmail necklace, a 1968 American Motorcycle Association certificate of registration for the Buddy Motorcycle Club, Buddy Motorcycle Club colors created by a silkscreen, and flyers.</td>
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<td><strong>Ephemera and realia, small objects undated</strong>&lt;br&gt;<strong>Scope and Contents</strong>&lt;br&gt;Includes 4 rubber stamps, 2 sets of earrings, 2 single cufflinks, 1 pair of cufflinks, 1 Griff's Bar lighter, and 1 small chess pawn piece with a horseshoe-like symbol on the bottom.</td>
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Motorcycle club vests circa 1975-1985
Scope and Contents
Two Buddy Motorcycle Club white denim vests with Los Angeles stitched in the front in blue, one with a Walter name pin and other pins and buttons, one plain.
Two Oedipus Motorcycle Club white leather vests with the Oedipus logo on the back, one with a Walter name pin, one with a David name pin.
Two Warriors Motorcycle Club blue denim vests with the Warriors logo on the back, one with a Walter name pin and other pins and patches, one with two pins and two patches.

Motorcycle club dress shirts circa 1975-1985
Scope and Contents
Three white shirts with Buddy Motorcycle Club patches on the sleeves, two long-sleeved, one short-sleeved.
One navy blue shirt with Buddy Motorcycle Club patches on the sleeves and pins.
Two white shirts and one black shirt with the Oedipus Motorcycle Club symbol on the back, one white shirt has "Honorary" and "David" stitched in black, one white shirt has "Honorary" and "Walter" stitched in black and patches on each sleeve, and one black shirt has "Honorary" and "Walter" stitched in white, a medal, and a white fabric aiguillette.
One gray and navy blue shirt with the San Andreas Motorcycle Club symbol on the back, a Walter name pin, and a red fabric aiguillette.

Box 2,
Folder 18-19
Oedipus Grecian Games and Oedipus Rex coronation programs 1978-1994

Box 2, Folder 20
Olympic event motorcycle challenges 1977-1985

Box 2,
Folder 21-23
Saddleback, San Andreas, and Satyrs Motorcycle Clubs event programs 1976-2004

Box 2, Folder 24
Shuster, Walter personal papers 1955-1986
Scope and Contents
Awards, employment records, correspondence, ephemera, military records, resumes, and student records.

Box 2, Folder 25
Subject files 1969-1986

Box 2, Folder 26
Warriors Motorcycle Club event programs 1978-1994