

## XV Club records, 1878-2013

### Collection Summary

<b>Reference Code:</b>	MRQ, US. (3147900636927)
<b>Repository:</b>	Special Collections, Haverhill Public Library, Haverhill, Massachusetts.
<b>Call Number:</b>	MSS 45
<b>Creator:</b>	XV Club (Haverhill, Mass.)
<b>Title:</b>	XV Club records
<b>Dates:</b>	1878-2013
<b>Size:</b>	9.5 linear feet (3 boxes, 8 bound volumes)
<b>Language(s):</b>	Collection materials are in English.
<b>Abstract:</b>	The collection contains letters, journals and photographs from the XV Club of Haverhill, Massachusetts, a women's club that took part in regularly scheduled meetings to discuss history and literature.

### Organizational History

The XV Club of Haverhill, Massachusetts was established on 5 October 1878, with the mission of "mutual improvement" of its female members. It had an active membership of 15, as indicated by its name. Weekly sessions were held at the homes of its members. Discussions and readings focused on history and each year had a theme.

The XV Club was established with a constitution that outlined the mission and rules of the club. Four official positions were held: president, vice president, secretary, and treasurer and elections were held annually. Annual dues and fees were collected from the members and were used for the benefit of the club.

### Scope and Content Note

This collection documents the activities of the XV Club of Haverhill, Massachusetts, from 1878-2013. It has been organized into four series. Series one contains organization documents such as the constitution, reports, and member information. Secretary and treasurer reports include budgets and year in review write-ups. Subseries 1.4 contains information on the history of the club including the founding of the club and reflections. Series two consists of meeting programs. Some programs contain agendas for the individual meetings. Series three is

comprised of journals, newspaper clippings, letters, and various other documents relating to the XV Club. Series four contains photographs.

## Arrangement

- Series 1. Organizational Documents, 1878-2013
  - Subseries 1.1. Constitution, 1878
  - Subseries 1.2. Secretary and Treasurer reports, 1878-2013
  - Subseries 1.3. Treasury Documents, 1961-1968, 1970-1976
  - Subseries 1.4. History, 1878-1976
  - Subseries 1.5. Member Information, 1878-2012
- Series 2. Meeting Programs, 1896-2013
- Series 3. Meeting notes, journals, and scrapbooks, 1878-2013
- Series 4. Photographs, 1880-2004

## Administrative Information

- Preferred Citation:** [Item Identification], XV Club records, MSS 45, Special Collections, Haverhill Public Library, Haverhill, Massachusetts.
- Custodial History:** The Haverhill Public Library acquired the materials from Zoe Veasey who was a member of the XV Club. The records were compiled by the XV Club over the length of its history.
- Acquisition Information:** Gift of Zoe Veasey, member of the XV Club, 2016.
- Processing Information:** Processed by Caitlin Dionne, 2017. Updated by Tamara Gaydos, 2021. Updated and revised by Becky Geller, 2024.
- Access Rights:** Collection is open for research.
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- Related Collections:** None.
- Separated Material:** Photographs have been digitized and are available online.
- Conservation Notes:** Newspaper clippings have been photocopied on archival quality paper to preserve their recorded information. Journal 11 and 12 materials were housed in a 3 ring binder that was dismantled for preservation purposes.

**Subjects:** Haverhill (Mass.)--History  
 Administrative records  
 Attendance records  
 Clippings (Books, newspapers, etc.)  
 Clubs (associations)  
 Programs (documents)  
 Scrapbooks  
 Women--Societies and clubs  
 XV Club

## Collection Inventory

### Series 1: Organizational Documents, 1878-2013

#### Subseries 1.1: Constitution and By-laws, 1878

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Constitution and By-laws, 1878	1	1
Constitution and By-laws [copy], 1878	1	2

#### Subseries 1.2: Secretary and Treasurer reports, 1878-2013

Annual Summary – Journal 1, 1878-1882, 1887	1	3
Annual Summary – Journal 3, 1883-1889	1	4
Annual Summary – Journal 4, 1889-1903	1	5
Annual Summary – Journal 5, 1903-1909	1	6
Annual Summary – Journal 6, 1910-1923	1	7
Annual Summary – Journal 7, 1923-1941	1	8
Annual Summary – Journal 8, 1943-1946	1	9
Annual Summary – Journal 11, 1996-2005	1	10
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<b>Subseries 1.3: Treasury documents, 1961-1976</b>		
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<b>Subseries 1.4: History, 1878-1976</b>		
First Meetings – Journal 1, 1878-1881	1	14
Sketch of Club History – Journal 2, 1892	1	15
History of XV Club – Journal 2, 1899	1	16
Draft of Club History – Journal 2, circa 1923	1	17
Story for 75 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary – Journal 8, 1953	1	18
Club History – Journal 10, 1976	1	19
<b>Subseries 1.5: Member Information, 1878-2012</b>		
Rosters, 1878-1949	1	20
Attendance Records – Journal 2, 1892-1907	1	21
Member History – Journal 10, 1996	1	22
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<b>Series 2: Meeting Programs, 1896-2013</b>		
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Yearly Programs – Journal 4, 1903-1909	1	26
Yearly Programs – Journal 6, 1909-1912	1	27
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Yearly Programs – Journal 10, 1974-1990	2	2
Yearly Programs – Journal 11, 1990-2004	2	3
Yearly Programs – Journal 12, 2005-2013	2	4
 <b>Series 3: Meeting notes, journals, and scrapbooks, 1878-2013</b>		
Journal 1, pre-1891-1900	2	5
Follow Calvin Coolidge, 1924	2	6
Journal 2, 1878-1882	2	7
Newspaper clippings, 1897-1903	2	8
Letter from Hannah Dustin Club, 1908	2	9
Newspaper Clippings, 1903-1909	2	10
Meeting notes, 1909-1914	2	11
Limericks, 1910	2	12
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Newspaper Clippings, 1922-1941	2	16
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Newspaper Clippings, 1941-1957	2	18
Miscellaneous Notes, 1960-1972	2	19
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Letters, 1977-2000	2	22
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Recipes, 1996	2	24
Newspaper clippings, 1975-2000	2	25
Notes, 1990-2005	2	26
Newspaper Clippings, 1997, 2004	2	27
Thank You Notes, 2004	2	28
Notes and Handouts, 2005-2013	2	29
Newspaper Clippings, 2005-2013	2	30
Photograph Context, 1936-1941	2	31
Copies of scrapbook, 1955-1974	2	32
Scrapbook photographs, 1955	2	33
Scrapbook leaves, 1963-1974	2	34
Journal 3, 1882-1889	3	
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Journal 5, 1903-1909	5	
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Journal 7, 1922-1941	7	
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**Series 4: Photographs, 1880-2004 (see online in Senter Digital Archive)**

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