

AMONGST EQUALS - Synopsis

A feature documentary about the history of the trade union movement in Australia released in controversial circumstances by the filmmaker. The film takes an oral history approach and includes interviews with unionists and historians.

The film covers the following periods; The 8-hour day movement, the 1890's Shearer's Strike, establishment of the arbitration system, the Rothbury Miners Strike, the Great Depression of the 1930's, the 'bull-ring' method of employment, the role of the Communist Party, women in wartime industry, migrants and the post-war economic boom, the struggle for equal pay by Aboriginal Stockmen, women workers and the equal pay struggle, the Ford Strike, Green Bans, the union-government Accord, and health and safety issues.

Historians interviewed include Jim Hagan and Lucy Taksa