APPENDIX B

Peter Lalor Syndicates (or Groups)\(^1\)

1. O’Connor Syndicate

Jim O’Connor (Stockade builder)
Bill Syme (Stockade builder)
Clive Lawson (Stockade driver)
Bill O’Connor (Stockade builder)
Doug Russell (Stockade driver)
Ern Smith (Stockade plumber)
Dave Burgess (plasterer, withdrew)
Alan Rose (painter, withdrew)

2. Watson Syndicate

Bert Watson
Ernie O’Brien (neighbours O’Brien, Hertzog and Londrigan all helped each other)\(^2\)
Bernie Keyes
George Wells (withdrew after foundations dug and poured)
Ashley Conroy (withdrew)
Henry Bridge (withdrew)

3. Lonne Syndicate

Ken Lonne
Bill Nelson
Maurie Nelson

4. Wigman Syndicate

Phil Wigman

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1. The information on syndicate groups is based mainly on oral testimony. Two syndicate agreements have been located (O’Connor and Watson Syndicates) and the Michael syndicate was reported in the press.

2. It is unclear if this was a formal syndicate. According to Jude Davis (Hertzog’s daughter) it was not.
Frank Gregor
Jack Wallish
Roy Wicks

5. Follett Syndicate
Jack Follett (Stockade tile maker)
Ron Moore (Stockade tile maker)
Plus two (unnamed) who withdrew

6. Martin Syndicate
Harry Martin
Reg Lynch
Allan Ramsay
Hugh Indian

7. Michael Syndicate
Vic Michael
Bert Ansell
Percy Murray

8. Charters Syndicate
Jim Charters
Jim McVicar
9. Skinner Syndicate
Gordon Skinner (Stockade carpenter).
George Mackenzie (Stockade caretaker and hardware store manager).
Les Bethune (did plastering at Lalor with Jack Dacey)
Roy Gray
Plus two (unnamed) who withdrew
David Archibald. (George Mackenzie’s brother-in-law took over a partly completed home from Les Holland. Some suggest he joined this syndicate to complete that house.)
Jack Dacey (plasterer with Bethune) may also have been in this group.

10. Uncertain Grouping
Doug Bellinger (Stockade tile maker)
Percy Kearney

11. Grouping that was probably not a formal syndicate
Jack Harvey (Stockade foreman and builder, mostly self-built, but they helped each other)
Arthur Harvey (Arthur’s house was probably partly built by the PLHBCSL. Brother Jack is also attributed with building Arthur’s house, though Arthur undoubtedly helped.)
Alby Dixon (Jack and Arthur’s sister Jean married Alby’s brother, Harry Dixon) Jack helped build Alby’s house.

12. Failed Syndicate
Frank Hawkins (He was forced to self-build with contractors)
Bob Stanford (withdrawed)
Bill Farnell (withdrawed)
Norm Griffiths also took over a partly completed house and reportedly joined a syndicate to complete it. However, which one it was is unknown

3. Jack Donnelly thought these three were in a syndicate together. In several instances individuals were mentioned as being in a group, but it was not certain which one. Also, the prefabricated building products and collaborative building ethos means that often there was a blurring of memories between those who were building themselves but with considerable help, and those in formal syndicate arrangements.