

The Australian Women's Register

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McEwan, Kathleen (Kitty) Agnes Rose

(1894 - 1969)

Born	15 March, 1894, Surrey Hills Victoria Australia
Died	17 August, 1969
Occupation	Golfer, Journalist, Print journalist, Sports Journalist, War Worker

Summary

Kitty McEwan was educated at Ormiston Ladies' College and became a freelance journalist working with *Australian Home Beautiful* in 1929. Interested in the game of golf, she began writing about women and golf, for the *Radiator* in 1937 and the *Sun News-Pictorial* in 1938. She organised fund-raising for patriotic appeals during World War II. In June 1942 McEwan was appointed superintendent in Victoria of the Australian Women's Land Army, a position she held until March 1946. After the war she returned to journalism, writing for the *Sun News-Pictorial* from which she retired in 1966. Kitty McEwan served as honorary publicity officer and an executive member of the National Council of Women Victoria and a councillor of the Royal Historical Society of Victoria. She died on 17 August 1969, aged 75 years.

Details

Kitty McEwan was a keen sportswoman and was a member of several sporting clubs and associations, including the Barwon Heads Golf Club and the Women's Amateur Sports Council. She used her role as a journalist to promote women's sport to a wide audience. Her efforts in this area have seen her commemorated publicly. In 2003 she had a street in the Canberra suburb of Mckellar names after her, and the pre-eminent Victorian sportswoman of the year receives the VicSport Kitty McEwan Sportswoman of the Year award.

Events

1929 - 1966

Published resources

Resource Section

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<http://www.adb.online.anu.edu.au/biogs/A150244b.htm>

Journal Article

The Australian Women's Land Army : a brief history., McEwan, Kitty., 1967

Site Exhibition

The Women's Pages: Australian Women and Journalism since 1850, Australian Women's Archives Project, 2008,
<http://www.womenaustralia.info/exhib/cal/cal-home.html>

She's Game: Women Making Australian Sporting History, Australian Women's Archives Project, 2007,
<http://www.womenaustralia.info/exhib/sg/sport-home.html>

Resource

Trove, National Library of Australia, 2009

Archival resources

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Digital resources



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