

The Australian Women's Register

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Women's Royal Australian Air Force (WRAAF)

(1950 - 1977)

Born 1 July, 1950

Died 31 December, 1977

Occupation Armed services organisation

Summary

A new Australian women's air force was formed in July 1950 and in November became the Women's Royal Australian Air Force (WRAAF). The WRAAF was disbanded in 1977 and female personnel were absorbed into the mainstream RAAF. Australia's first female air force pilots graduated in 1988 and today, with the exception of the airfield defence units, there are few jobs within the RAAF barred to women.

Published resources

Resource Section

Australian Women and World War II: Kit,
http://infocus.sl.nsw.gov.au/res/resdesc.cfm?res_code=1269

The mobilisation of women into active services / the 'Yankee' invasion / How the war affected women,
http://infocus.sl.nsw.gov.au/res/resdesc.cfm?res_code=1272

Book

We also served, far north coast N.S.W. ex-servicewomen 1939-1945, Buckley, Martin J., c1995

Resource

Trove, National Library of Australia, 2009

Archival resources

Australian War Memorial, Research Centre

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