

# The Australian Women's Register

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**Entry type:** Person  
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## Jackson, Dawn Valerie Vautin

(1917 - 1995)

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<b>Born</b>	22 February, 1917, Kent United Kingdom
<b>Died</b>	20 January, 1995, Canberra Australian Capital Territory Australia
<b>Occupation</b>	Servicewoman

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### Summary

Dawn Jackson was born in Kent, England, the daughter of Major-General R E Jackson CMG, DSO. Educated at St Catherine's Church of England Girls School, Sydney, she served with the Voluntary Aid Detachment and subsequently with the Australian Army Women's Medical Service. She was a member of the Australian Imperial Forces from 1941 to 1947 and saw service in the Middle East and New Guinea. Colonel Jackson was associated with the combined training of the Army Women's Services Training Company and the Army Women's Services Officers School.

On 2 December 1957 Dawn Jackson was appointed the second Director of the Women's Royal Australian Army Corps, a post she held until February 1972.

Dawn Jackson was appointed to The Order of the British Empire – Officer (Military) on 11 June 1960 for her services to the Women's Royal Australian Army Corps.

Colonel Dawn Jackson died on 20 January 1995 in Canberra.

### Published resources

#### Book

Soldiers of the Queen : women in the Australian Army, Bomford, Janette, 2001

Colonel Best and her soldiers: The Story of the 33 years of the Women's Royal Australian Army Corps, Ollif, Lorna, 1985

A Stroll down memory lane, WRAAC Association, 2001

#### Resource Section

JACKSON, DAWN VALERIE VANTIN, Department of Veterans' Affairs, 2002, <http://www.wv2roll.gov.au/script/veteran.asp?ServiceID=A&VeteranID=496083>

JACKSON, DAWN VALERIE VAUTIN, Department of Veterans' Affairs, 2002, <http://www.wv2roll.gov.au/script/veteran.asp?ServiceID=A&VeteranID=371692>

#### Site Exhibition

Faith, Hope and Charity Australian Women and Imperial Honours: 1901-1989, Australian Women's Archives Project, 2003, <http://www.womenaustralia.info/exhib/honours/honours.html>

#### Edited Book

Who's Who in Australia, 1971, Legge, J S, 1971

#### Resource

Trove, National Library of Australia, 2009

## Archival resources

### **National Archives of Australia, National Office, Canberra**

JACKSON DAWN VALERIE VAUTIN : Service Number - QFX24150 : Date of birth - 22 Feb 1917 : Place of birth - KENT ENGLAND : Place of enlistment - Unknown : Next of Kin - JACKSON R

### **Australian War Memorial, Research Centre**

First WRAAC, Women's Royal Australian Army Corps

A pre-dinner chat for Women's Royal Australian Army Corps (WRAAC) officers

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