

# The Australian Women's Register

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**Entry type:** Person  
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## Browne, Ida Alison

(1900 - 1976)

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**Born** 16 August, 1900, Paddington New South Wales Australia

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**Died** 21 October, 1976, Edgecliff New South Wales Australia

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**Occupation** Academic, Geologist, Palaeontologist

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### Summary

Ida Alison Browne lectured in palaeontology at the University of Sydney from 1935 to 1950, before working jointly with her husband, William Rowan Browne, a renowned geologist.

She was educated at Fort Street Girls' High School in Sydney, before attending the University of Sydney where, in 1922, she graduated with a Bachelor of Science, with First Class Honours. She was awarded the University Medal in geology. In 1932, she was awarded a Doctorate of Science.

Later in her career, she served as a Member of the Australian National Research Council.

### Published resources

#### Resource

Trove, National Library of Australia, 2009

The Biographical Dictionary of Women in Science: Pioneering Lives from Ancient Times to the Mid-20th Century, Ogilvie, Marilyn Bailey and Harvey, Joy Dorothy, 2000

#### Resource Section

Browne, Ida Alison (1900 - 1976), Walker, Roseanne, 2009,  
<http://www.asap.unimelb.edu.au/bsparcs/biogs/P002277b.htm>

Browne, Ida Alison (1900 - 1976), Vallance, T.G., 2006,  
<http://www.adb.online.anu.edu.au/biogs/A130741b.htm>

#### Book

Irresistible forces: Australian women in science, Hooker, Claire, 2004

### Archival resources

#### University of Sydney, Archives

[Personal archives of BROWNE Ida Alison \[1900-1976\]](#)

#### Macleay Museum

[Dorothy Powell Albums](#)

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