

The Australian Women's Register

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Catholic Women's League, Tasmania Inc.

(1941 -)

Born 17 May, 1941, Launceston Tasmania Australia

Occupation Social support organisation

Summary

The Catholic Women's League Tasmania was established in 1941 in Launceston to bring together Catholic women, to help them meet socially, to engage in charitable work and to assist them to play their part in public life. Gwen Mullins, the catalyst for its formation, expressed concern about the isolation of Catholics from the general community in Launceston and particularly the non participation of Catholic women in any civic sphere at all. It has been involved in a range of issues including the family, immigration, media programs and educational opportunities for girls. By the 1980s it had developed a greater international awareness with the creation of the office of International Secretary. It is affiliated with the Catholic Women's League Australia Inc.

Details

The objects of the Catholic Women's League Tasmania Inc. were to:

Promote the spiritual, cultural, intellectual and social interests of Catholic women,

To train and encourage Catholic women to play their proper part in advancing the moral and civic welfare of the community,

To assert and defend Christian principles in relation to marriage, the home and education,

To work for the extension of the Kingdom of Christ in union with our spiritual guides,

To co-operate with other societies in an effort to obtain our objects.

The CWL Tasmania is organised into three branches: the North, West/North-west and the South. It produces a monthly magazine *Review*.

Published resources

Book

Women of faith and action: history of the Catholic Women's League, Tasmania 1941-1986., Nuss, Anne Rushton, 1986

Resource

About us, Catholic Women's League, Tasmania Inc., 2004,

<http://www.tased.edu.au/tasonline/cwltas/aboutu.html>

Trove, National Library of Australia, 2009

Archival resources

Archdiocese of Hobart, Archives and Heritage Collection

[Catholic Women's League, Tasmania Inc. records](#)

Archives Office of Tasmania

[State conference notes 1971-1975](#)

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