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Girls' Secondary Schools' Club, Sydney

(1927 - 1994)

Born 1 January, 1927, Sydney New South Wales Australia

Died 31 December, 1994, Sydney New South Wales Australia

Occupation Membership organisation

Summary

The Girls' Secondary Schools' Club was formed in Sydney in 1927, registered under that name in 1928 and incorporated as a limited liability company. It provided a meeting place in the city for members of the ex-student unions of, initially, ten independent girls' schools. Membership rose from 400 in 1928 to 1800 after World War II. The club rooms were initially located in Castlereagh Street until 1930, when the Club relocated to the Gowings building in Market Street, Sydney, where it remained until its closure, due to falling membership and increased costs, in 1994.

Details

The Club operated a number of circles such as the Dramatic Circle, the Art Circle, the Debating Circle, the Literary Circle, the Music Circle, and during World War II, the War Work Circle. The Social Committee arranged functions and outings for members. In 1977 the Club published Edith Gent's history of the Club entitled 'Fifty years in retrospect: a history of the Girls' Secondary Schools' Club Sydney 1927-1977?.'

Published resources

Resource

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Archival resources

Mitchell and Dixson Libraries Manuscripts Collection

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