

# The Australian Women's Register

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## Australian Local Government Women's Association – New South Wales Branch

(1952 - )

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**Born** 1 January, 1952

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**Occupation** Lobby group, Political organisation, Women's Rights Organisation

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### Summary

The Australian Local Government Women's Association – New South Wales Branch was formed in Sydney in 1952 with Ald. Marjorie Proposting of Lane Cove Council as first president. Its formation was precipitated by the formation of a national Australian Local Government Women's Association in Canberra the previous year. A non-party organisation, it was inspired particularly inspired by the belief that more women should be involved in local government partly because this arm of government was especially relevant to housewives and mothers.

Its aims are:

-to assist in furthering women's knowledge and understanding of the function of local government; to watch over and protect the interests and rights of women in local government; to take action in relation to any subject or activity of particular interest to women affecting local governing bodies or local government legislation; to encourage women to make a career in local government and to act in an advisory capacity to suitable women candidates for local government election.

### Published resources

#### Conference Proceedings

Annual conference, programme and agenda / Australian Local Government Women's Association, N.S.W. and A.C.T. Branch, 1960-1971?

#### Resource

Trove, National Library of Australia, 2009

#### Book

Women in Australian Parliaments and Local Governments, Past and Present : A Survey, Smith, A. Viola, 1975

## Archival resources

### **Mitchell and Dixson Libraries Manuscripts Collection**

Pat Richardson scrapbooks relating to the Women's Electoral Lobby and women's events, 1977-2002

Lorelei Booker - papers, ca. 1890-1991

A. Viola Smith - further papers, 1957-1975

Australian Local Government Women's Association NSW Branch Inc.

Australian Local Government Women's Association, NSW Branch records, ca. 1958-1997

Eleanor M. Hinder - papers, 1837-1963, together with the papers of A. Viola Smith, ca. 1850-1975

### **National Library of Australia, Manuscript Collection**

Records, 1951-1966 [manuscript]

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