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Mitchell, Susan Katherine

Nationality Australian

Occupation Manager, Nurse

Summary

A trail blazer for women in the National Country Party, Susan Mitchell contested the New South Wales Legislative Assembly election for Monaro in 1981. She was a former legal secretary and Mothercraft Nurse, but by the time of her candidacy, she had been for 10 years, the office manager and secretary for her husband Dugald's insurance agency. She and her husband have 5 children.

Susan Mitchell joined the National Country Party c.. 1959 and had held the office of Treasurer of the party's Monaro Council. At the time she ran for election she was a member of the State Central Council of the N.C.P. and was the first woman to run as a N.C.P. candidate for the NSW Legislative Assembly in 30 years. She was active in local Girl Guides and was Chairman of the Abolition of Death Duties seminar held in Cooma in 1976.

Published resources

Resource

Trove, National Library of Australia, 2009

Site Exhibition

Putting Skirts on the Sacred Benches: Women Candidates for the New South Wales Parliament, Australian Women's Archives Project, 2006,
<http://www.womenaustralia.info/exhib/pssb/home.html>

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