The Australian Women's Register

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Sutton, Julie

(1937 -)

Born 1 January, 1937, Sydney New South Wales Australia

Occupation Marriage celebrant, Mayor, Teacher

Summary

Julie Sutton was a dedicated teacher of modern languages, whose service to local government and the ALP has spanned several decades. She was first elected to the Warringah Council in 1980 and was re-elected several times until 2003, then again in 2008. Julie became the first woman Mayor of Warringah in 1995 and served as Deputy Mayor for five terms. Unfortunately she could not match this success at the state level and failed to gain election to the New South Wales Legislative Assembly seat of Davidson in 1981, 1984 and 1988.

Details

Julie Sutton joined the ALP in 1969, and held various offices at both branch and electorate council levels. Her career in local government as a Councillor of Warringah Council was distinguished, and she was an energetic member of many Council committees.

Julie was educated at Newcastle Girls High School and the Universities of Newcastle, New England and Macquarie completing a Master of Arts (Honours) and Diploma of Education. She taught French, German and English at Raymond Terrace, Newcastle Girls' and the Forrest High Schools. She was highly respected at Forrest High School where she taught for more than 15 years. She married (later dissolved) and had 3 sons.

She was awarded a Medal of the Order of Australia (OAM) in January 2022.

Published resources

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

Resource

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