

The Australian Women's Register

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Wilton, Heather

(1948 -)

Nationality Australian

Born 1 January, 1948

Occupation Councillor, Farmer

Summary

Heather Wilton was a once only candidate for Parliament (Independent candidate, New South Wales Legislative Assembly, Albury, 2003) but a very successful local councillor. She was a member of the Berrigan Shire Council for ten years (1987-1997), President from 1991-2, Mayor in 1993 and Deputy Mayor from 1995-6. Heather Wilton then joined the Holbrook Council as Mayor from 1999-2004.

Details

Heather Wilton who ran as an Independent in 2003, was described in the Sydney Morning Herald as a "former National", but she gave no recommendation about preferences. She was among those Nationals who believed the party should have been allowed to contest Albury in 2003, but were overruled by the State executive. She had been a member of the National Party's Albury electorate council, as well as a councillor on the Berrigan Shire Council for ten years and later the Holbrook Council, which was amalgamated into the Greater Hume Shire Council in 2004.

Heather Wilton lives with her family on a farm near Holbrook.

Published resources

Book

Women in Australian Parliament and Local Government: An updated history 1975-1992, Decker, Dianne, 1992

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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