

# The Australian Women's Register

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**Entry type:** Person  
**Entry ID:** AWE3047

## McDonald, Marjorie Octavia

(1911 - 2001)

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**Born** 30 December, 1911

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**Died** 15 January, 2001

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**Occupation** Human rights activist, Journalist, Print journalist, Radio Journalist, War Correspondent

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### Summary

Marjorie McDonald was an Australian accredited war correspondent. After graduating from Melbourne University, Marjorie worked as a journalist for *Radio Australia*, *The Sun*, and other newspapers. She wrote from Berlin, Malaya, and London, where she continued to work for *The Star* (London) after WWII. Her final assignments were in Papua New Guinea and Bougainville. She was a human rights activist, and campaigned against young women being sent to Pentridge Prison. She was married for a short time to WWII Commander Ian McDonald.

### Events

**1930 - 1960**

### Published resources

#### Site Exhibition

The Women's Pages: Australian Women and Journalism since 1850, Australian Women's Archives Project, 2008, <http://www.womenaustralia.info/exhib/cal/cal-home.html>

#### Resource

Trove, National Library of Australia, 2009

### Archival resources

**National Library of Australia, Manuscript Collection**  
[Scrapbook of Marjorie McDonald, 1943-1949 \[manuscript\]](#)

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