

# The Australian Women's Register

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**Entry type:** Person  
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## Nesbit, Kay

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**Occupation** Political candidate

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### Summary

Kay Nesbit stood as an Independent candidate in the Legislative Assembly seat of Bass at the Victorian state election, which was held on 30 November 2002. In 1985 Kay Nesbit was shot by her flatmate's boyfriend. Since then she has endured 57 operations to reconstruct her face and jaw. In 1992, Paul Mallinder, the man convicted of shooting her was released. He had served only seven of his eleven-year sentence. Because of that experience, sentencing and victim compensation became issues of great importance to Kay and were the issues on which she stood as a candidate for the Victorian Parliament.

### Published resources

#### Site Exhibition

Carrying on the Fight: Women Candidates in Victorian Parliamentary Elections, Australian Women's Archives Project, 2008,  
<http://www.womenaustralia.info/exhib/cws/home.html>

#### Resource

Trove, National Library of Australia, 2009

Face value: The Kay Nesbit story, Birnbauer, Bill, 1989

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