

# The Australian Women's Register

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**Entry type:** Person  
**Entry ID:** AWE3695

## Hackett, Deborah Vernon

(1887 - 1965)

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**Born** 18 June, 1887, Guildford Western Australia

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**Died** 16 April, 1965, Perth Western Australia

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**Occupation** Charity worker, Entrepreneur

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### Summary

Deborah Hackett was the wife of Sir John Hackett, and, after his death, she married Sir Frank Moulden. It was Lady Hackett-Moulden who called a meeting in May 1920 to oversee the reestablishment of the South Australian Council of Women. She was also State Commissioner of the Girl Guides Association.

In 1923, Lady Moulden (as she became after her second husband was knighted) joined F.W. Young to form a syndicate to mine tantalite at Wodgina. She became Chairman of Directors of Tantalite Ltd in 1931. She also held interests in wolfram and beryl mines in the Northern Territory, and a partnership in the Minilya Pastoral Company. The University of Western Australia conferred an honorary LLD on Lady Moulden in 1932. In 1936 she married Justice Basil Buller Murphy.

### Published resources

#### Resource Section

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Hackett, Patricia (1918-1963), Peoples, Jo, 2006, <http://adb.anu.edu.au/biography/hackett-patricia-10385>

#### Edited Book

200 Australian Women: A Redress Anthology, Radi, Heather, 1988

#### Book

An Attempt to Eat the Moon, and other stories recounted from the Aborigines, Buller-Murphy, Deborah, 1958

The Australian Household Guide, Buller-Murphy, Deborah (Lady Hackett), 1916

#### Resource

Trove, National Library of Australia, 2009

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