

# The Australian Women's Register

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**Entry type:** Person  
**Entry ID:** IMP0131

## Isbister, Jean Sinclair (Clair)

(1915 - 2008)

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**Born** 12 September, 1915, Brisbane Queensland Australia

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**Died** 20 August, 2008, New South Wales Australia

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**Occupation** Paediatrician

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### Summary

Jean Sinclair Isbister (known as Clair) was a consultant paediatrician at the Royal North Shore Hospital, New South Wales, from 1949 and published many books on motherhood under the name Clair Isbister. She was appointed to The Order of the British Empire – Officer (Civil) on 1 January 1969 for services to medicine.

### Events

#### 1969 - 1969

For services to mothers and babies

#### 1976 - 1976

For services to medicine

### Published resources

#### Resource

Where are the Women in Australian science?, Australian Science and Technology Heritage Centre, 2003,  
<http://www.austehc.unimelb.edu.au/wisa/wisa.html>

Trove, National Library of Australia, 2009

Dr Clair Isbister, Verbatim, 2008,  
<http://www.abc.net.au/rn/verbatim/stories/2008/2347839.htm>

Dr Clair Isbister, Verbatim, 2005,  
<http://www.abc.net.au/rn/verbatim/stories/2005/1529980.htm>

#### Site Exhibition

Faith, Hope and Charity Australian Women and Imperial Honours: 1901-1989, Australian Women's Archives Project, 2003,  
<http://www.womenaustralia.info/exhib/honours/honours.html>

#### Edited Book

Who's Who in Australia 1968, Legge, J S, 1968

#### Article

Fount of knowledge on mothercraft, Stephens, Tony, 2008,  
<http://www.smh.com.au/news/obituaries/fount-of-knowledge-on-mothercraft/2008/08/25/1219516365699.html>

Obituary: Dr Clair Isbister (12.9.1915 - 20.8.2008), 2008,  
[http://www.family.org.au/index.php?option=com\\_content&view=article&Itemid=94&id=141](http://www.family.org.au/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&Itemid=94&id=141)

## Archival resources

### **National Library of Australia, Oral History and Folklore Collection**

[Clair Isbister interviewed by Hazel de Berg in the Hazel de Berg collection \[sound recording\]](#)

### **National Library of Australia**

[\[Biographical cuttings on Clair Isbister, containing one or more cuttings from newspapers or journals\]](#)

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