

The Australian Women's Register

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Papers of Lady Helen Blackburn, 1944-1990 [manuscript]

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Details

Papers and records documenting Blackburn's career as a pilot and her involvement with the Australian Women Pilot's Association and The Ninety-nines Inc. The collection contains correspondence from other women pilots including Maie Casey, Nancy Bird Walton and Christine Davey. Also held are Blackburn's pilot licences, pilot log books (1944-1979) and descriptions of several memorable flights. These include the Newcastle Aero Club pageant (1949), the Ansett Air Race from Brisbane to Adelaide (1964) and a flight to Western Australia with her brother, Geoffrey Dutton, as part of the research for his book, *The Hero as Murderer* (1964). The collection includes many articles written by Blackburn. Some were published in the Australian Women Pilot's Association newsletters, which Blackburn also edited from 1960-62. Also held is a scrapbook of newspaper clippings (1960-61) and photographs from c.1949-77.

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