

The Australian Women's Register

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Heather Stella Starr (previously Blair), Leading Telegraphist, Women's Royal Australian Naval Service, interviewed by Dr Ruth Thompson for The Keith Murdoch Sound Archive of Australia in the War of 1939-45

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2 hr. Oral history.??Discussing pre-war employment; joining the Women's Emergency Signalling Corp; enlisting in the Navy; training at Navy Office, Melbourne; posting to HMAS Harman; leisure in Queanbeyan and Canberra; meeting and marrying during her naval service and the nature of war time romance and a war time, "true navy" wedding; separation during the war and divorce afterwards; working with Y Section; security; disparity in pay between male and female members of the Australian Navy; uniforms; changes to HMAS Harman after 1944; demobilisation; post-demobilisation retraining; adjustment to civilian life.

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