The Australian Women's Register

Entry type: Person **Entry ID**: AWE2204

Kent, Julie

Occupation Coach, Diver, Sports administrator

Summary

Julie Kent was a junior world champion diver who first competed at the Olympic Games in Los Angeles in 1984. Unable to train in Tasmania in the winter months (there was no indoor, Olympic standard aquatic centre in Hobart) she made the decision at the age of 15 to move to Montreal to train and prepare for competition. She lived there for two years, flatting with two other young athletes. She returned to Australia when the Australian Institute of Sport opened its diving institute in Brisbane.

After she stopped competing, Kent went on to a temporary coaching job with the AIS, then moved into radio advertising. In 1997, she was elected president of the Tasmanian Olympic Council, the first woman to hold the position.

Published resources

Newspaper

The Mercury, 1997

The Mercury, 1988

The Mercury, 1985

Resource

Trove, National Library of Australia, 2009

Site Exhibition

She's Game: Women Making Australian Sporting History, Australian Women's Archives Project, 2007, http://www.womenaustralia.info/exhib/sg/sport-home.html

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