

The Australian Women's Register

Entry type: Person
Entry ID: IMP0167

Dawson, Eileen

Occupation Golfer

Summary

Eileen Dawson was appointed to the Order of the British Empire – Member (Civil) on 31 December 1976 for services to golf.

Details

Eileen Dawson travelled throughout Western Australia with other women golfers and professionals encouraging new players and helping to establish clubs for women. In 1969 she was appointed chairwoman of a new sub-committee of the Western Australian Ladies Golf Union, which assisted in developing junior girls' golf. The committee organised for golf to be added to school sports curriculums, and for students to be coached by professionals, also arranging golf holiday camps.

An Australian Champion golfer in 1959, Eileen Dawson was Western Australian Ladies Amateur Champion in 1955, 1961 and 1965. From 1947-1949, 1951-1955 and 1957-1969 she was a member of the Western Australian State Team and in 1960 played with the Australian team. She later became non-playing captain of the Australian team.

Published resources

Journal Article

Eileen Dawson - Chairman of the course, Kyle-Little, Sydney, 1991

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>

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>

Book

Reflections : profiles of 150 women who helped make Western Australia's history; Project of the Womens Committee for the 150th Anniversary Celebrations of Western Australia, Popham, Daphne; Stokes, K.A.; Lewis, Julie, 1979

Resource

Trove, National Library of Australia, 2009

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