

The Australian Women's Register

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Flick, Isabel Ann

(1928 - 2000)

Born	1 January, 1928, Goondiwindi Queensland Australia
Died	1 February, 2000, Australia
Occupation	Aboriginal rights activist, Community worker, Educator

Summary

Isabel Flick grew up in a camp in northern New South Wales, and worked on health, education and other social issues across the state. She helped establish Aboriginal housing in Collarenebri, New South Wales. She was a recipient of the Order of the British Empire for services to the community. Together with her sister Rose, she fought a long battle for the protection of the carved trees at the Collymongle Bora (male initiation) ground, northern New South Wales. The last four years before her death she lived in Gunnedah, New South Wales. She regularly travelled to Sydney to teach Aboriginal history at the Tranby Aboriginal College where she was on the Board of Directors.

Published resources

Thesis

Cataloguing culture : in search of the origins of written records, material culture and oral histories of the Gamaroi, northern New South Wales, Kovacic, Leonarda, 2001

Book

Isabel Flick : the many lives of an extraordinary Aboriginal woman, Flick, Isabel and Goodall, Heather, 2004

Travelling with Percy: A South Coast Journey, Chittick, L. and Fox, T., 1997

Invasion to embassy : land in Aboriginal politics in New South Wales, 1770-1972, Goodall, Heather, 1996

The wailing : a national Black oral history, Rintoul, Stuart., 1993

Journal Article

Flick, Isabel, 1986

Flick, Isabelle, 1967

Bicentennial Preliminaries: Aboriginal Women, Newspapers and the Politics of Culture, Greenfield, C. and Williams, P.

Videorecording

Inard Oongali: Women's Journey, 1999

Newspaper Article

Obituaries: Isabel Ann Flick, Goodall, Heather

Resource Section

Mourning, Remembrance and the Politics of Place: A study in the significance of Collarenebri Aboriginal Cemetery, Goodall, Heather,

<http://www.transforming.cultures.uts.edu.au/goodall/mourning/index.html>

Resource

Trove, National Library of Australia, 2009

Archival resources

Private Hands (These regards may not be readily available)

[Isabel Flick, Gunnedah, 13 September 1999 - interview](#)

AIATSIS Pictorial Collection

[Group photo at Toomelah](#)

[In Our Time - Photographs from The Movement, 1970-1994](#)

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