

# The Australian Women's Register

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**Entry type:** Person  
**Entry ID:** AWE1526

## Cooper, Merran

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**Occupation** Political candidate

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### Summary

Merran Cooper is a once only candidate whose campaign stressed dialogue between electors and candidates. She ran for the Australian Democrats in the New South Wales Legislative Assembly for the Northern Tablelands in 1999.

### Details

Merran Cooper joined the Australian Democrats because she believed in a system based on consensus. She believed it was important to get away from personal attacks and back to policy.

She was an advocate for drug law reform, stressing the importance of keeping people out of prison. Her campaign in Northern Tablelands was marked by many occasions when she spoke to groups of electors and debated other candidates.

### Published resources

#### Resource

Trove, National Library of Australia, 2009

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