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Reader, Audrey Tattie Hinchcliffe

(1903 - 1989)

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| Born       | 9 December, 1903, Victoria Australia |
| Died       | 6 March, 1989                        |
| Occupation | Charity worker                       |

Summary

Audrey Reader was appointed to the Order of the British Empire – Dames Commander on 31 December 1987 for service to women’s affairs and politics. On 1 January 1966 she was appointed Officer of the Order of the British Empire (Civil) (OBE) for community and social welfare work. Dame Audrey Reader (née Nicholls) married Reginald Reader on 21 February 1928 and they were to have one daughter. Her community memberships included: Freedom Coalition, Australia Free China Economic and Cultural Society and the Australian Human Rights Association. Dame Audrey enjoyed reading, writing and gardening and she was a member of the Royal Society of St George.

## Events

### **1958 - 1970**

Executive Member of the National Council of Women of Victoria

### **1955 - 1989**

Member of the National Council of Women of Victoria

### **1974 - 1974**

Honorary Member of the National Council of Women of Victoria

### **1971 - 1973**

Representative, Commonwealth Immigration Advisory Council

### **1969 - 1973**

National Secretary of the Appeal for Hall of Residence for Women Students for the University of Papua and New Guinea

### **1966 - 1972**

Australian Convenor of the Migrating Standing Committee

### **1965 - 1973**

Represented the Victorian State Government on the Consumer Protection Council

### **1958 - 1973**

Executive Member of the Good Neighbour Council of Victoria

### **1950 - 1989**

Honorary Member of the Good Neighbour Council of Victoria

### **1981 - 1981**

Honorary member of the Victorian State Council of the Liberal Party of Australia

### **1962 - 1967**

Metropolitan Vice-President, Victorian Division of the Liberal Party of Australia

### **1955 - 1958**

State Chairman of the Women's Section of the Liberal Party of Australia

### **1955 - 1967**

Federal Councillor of the Liberal Party of Australia

### **1951 - 1977**

Member State Executive of the Liberal Party of Australia

### **1945 - 1989**

Member of the Liberal Party of Australia

### **1967 - 1967**

Represented Australia at the International Council of Women Executive Meeting London

### **1967 - 1970**

Honorary Secretary on the Australia Board of the National Council of Women

### **1964 - 1967**

Honorary Secretary of the National Council of Women of Victoria

## Published resources

### **Edited Book**

Who's Who in Australia, 1988, Cadman, Kerith A, 1988

### **Site Exhibition**

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>

### **Resource**

Trove, National Library of Australia, 2009

## Archival resources

### **National Library of Australia**

[Biographical cuttings on Audrey Reader, Dame, community worker, containing one or more cuttings from newspapers or journals]

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