

# The Australian Women's Register

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## Harben, Susan

(1953 - )

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<b>Nationality</b>	Australian
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<b>Born</b>	1 January, 1953, Balranald New South Wales Australia
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<b>Occupation</b>	Manager
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### Summary

Susan Harben was a prominent figure in the Gay and Lesbian community. She ran for election as an ALP candidate for the New South Wales Legislative Assembly seat of Bligh in 1995.

### Details

Susan Harben was born in Balranald in country NSW and educated in Wagga at the Riverina CAE (Dip.Tchg.), now Charles Sturt University, and the University of NSW (BA). She was the Equal Opportunity Co-ordinator for the NSW Department of Education from 1983 to 1987. From 1987 to 1993 she was the Co-ordinator, Policy and Research and later Manager, Corporate Services at the Legal Aid Commission of NSW.

Susan was involved in the Parents and Citizens Association at her son's school and was President of the Gay and Lesbian Mardi Gras for two years. She has also worked for AIDS and other charity organisations. The ALP hoped that her high profile with the Gay and Lesbian community would unseat Clover Moore, the independent sitting member.

### Published resources

#### Resource

Trove, National Library of Australia, 2009

#### Site Exhibition

Putting Skirts on the Sacred Benches: Women Candidates for the New South Wales Parliament, Australian Women's Archives Project, 2006,

<http://www.womenaustralia.info/exhib/pssb/home.html>

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