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Australian Women's Army Service Association (Victoria) Inc.

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Occupation Ex-Armed services organisation

Summary

Incorporated as an association in October 1985 the Australian Women's Army Service Association (Victoria) Inc. was originally established during the 1950's. At that time a loose-knit group of ex-service members of the Australian Women's Army Service (AWAS), under the leadership of Colonel Sybil Irving MBE, formed a Re-union committee.

The Association still follows the initial aims of the committee which are to arrange reunions and to further the fellowship and interests of ex-service members of the Australian Women's Army Service, the Women's Royal Australian Army Corps and the female members of the Australian Military Forces.

Each August the Association conducts a reunion luncheon. Also a group known as the R & R Group arrange a monthly outing – usually to some place of interest followed by lunch that is easily accessed by public transport. Four times a year all financial members receive a newsletter, which disseminates information regarding outings, financial matters etc.

The AWAS Association (Vic.) was a leader in the formation of the Council of Ex-Servicewomen's Associations (Vic.) Inc., bringing delegates from all the war-time women's services together with the peace-time services.

Published resources

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