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Progressive Housewives Association, New South Wales

(1947 -)

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Occupation	Lobby group, Women's Rights Organisation

Summary

The Progressive Housewives Association, New South Wales, was formed in 1947 by Portia Geach and other women who had been expelled from the Housewives Progressive Association of New South Wales in 1941. Their expulsion resulted from clashes with the then chairwoman of directors, Eleanor Glencross, and accusations that the association had been working with Meadow-Lea Margarine Company. Geach became foundation president, remaining in this position until 1957. Its main purpose is to act as a lobbying force representing the interests of the homemaker, and women and children more broadly, to government.

Published resources

Newsletter
Housewife, home and family, 1960-

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Book
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