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Fisher, Elizabeth (Betty) Mary

(1925 - 2022)

Born	19250908, Yorkshire England
Died	20221123, Adelaide South Australia Australia
Occupation	Activist, Environmentalist, Feminist, Sports administrator

Summary

Betty Fisher (nee Dawson) was born 8 September 1925 in Yorkshire, England arriving in South Australia in 1927 on the ‘SS Benalla’. A feminist and advocate for Aboriginal rights and conservation, Betty was International Women’s Day president for eight years and the first female president of the Conservation Council of South Australia.

Betty Fisher received a Flinders University medal for services to women, was a 1988 Bicentenary medallist and served on the SA State Schools Organisations State Council. She was a member of the National Fitness Council of Australia. She was also a key witness at the Hindmarsh Island Royal Commission, where she produced notes and tape recordings from the 1960s which confirmed the site was of significant cultural importance to Aboriginal women.

Events

2018 - 2018
Life time achievement award

Published resources

Site Exhibition
She's Game: Women Making Australian Sporting History, Australian Women's Archives Project, 2007, http://www.womenaustralia.info/exhib/sg/sport-home.html

Resource
Trove, National Library of Australia, 2009

Archival resources

State Library of South Australia
Papers of the Migrant and Indigenous Women Action Group

Papers relating to the National Fitness Council of South Australia

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