

The Australian Women's Register

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MacGibbon-Weeks, Charlotte Cecilia

(1924 - 2009)

Born 27 September, 1924, Victoria Australia

Died 10 January, 2009, Victoria Australia

Occupation Commonwealth or Empire Games Gold Medalist, Track and Field Athlete

Summary

Charlotte McGibbon was unlucky to reach her peak in the early 1940s when there was no international competition due to World War II.

Specialising in the javelin, she was the first Australian woman to beat 40 metres and won every national championships from 1940 to 1952.

She was unlucky to miss Olympic selection in 1948 but, in the Empire Games of 1950, became Australia's first international throws medallist with her gold medal in the javelin.

Events

1950 - 1950

Athletics – Javelin Throw

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

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