**Entry type:** Person
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# Allpress, Val

**Occupation** Australian football club administrator, Sports administrator

## Summary

Val Allpress was appointed secretary of the University of Melbourne Australian football club, University Blues, in 1983. Her husband was an umpire and in 1982, after coming home from umpiring a grand final in which the Blues had been beaten again, she remarked that ‘What they need is a good woman to organise them’. Shortly afterwards, she was asked to accept the job as secretary.

## Published resources

**Book**
The Ties that Bind: A History of Sport at the University of Melbourne, Senyard, June, 2004

**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

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