

# The Australian Women's Register

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**Entry type:** Person  
**Entry ID:** AWE2733

## Pennicuik, Sue

(1957 - )

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**Born** 19570417, Melbourne Victoria Australia

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**Occupation** Parliamentarian, Teacher

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### Summary

Sue Pennicuik was elected Member of the Legislative Council for the Southern Metropolitan Region in November 2006, representing the Australian Greens (Victoria). She was re-elected at both the 2010 and 2014 elections. She has held the position of Victorian Greens Whip in the Legislative Council since 2006.

### Details

Sue Pennicuik holds a Bachelor of Arts and Master of Environmental Science from Monash University, as well as a Bachelor of Applied Science and Diploma of Education from the University of Western Australia. She worked as a fitness instructor, a secondary teacher, an Environment Officer for the Australian Manufacturing Workers Union, and as Coordinator for the Occupational Health and Safety Unit of the ACTU before embarking on a political career.

Pennicuik was a founding member of the Port Phillip Branch of the Australian Greens Victoria. She was Convenor of the Victorian Electoral Campaign Committee in 2001-2003, and a candidate for the Senate in 2004. She was elected MLC for the Southern Metropolitan Region in 2006, and that year was the Victorian Greens State Spokesperson on arts & heritage; climate change; gay and lesbian rights; industrial relations; marine; party issues; and transport, ports and freight. Pennicuik is a member of Greenpeace, Earthcare St Kilda, Esplanade Alliance, the Australian East Timor Association, and Friends of the ABC.

### Published resources

#### Site Exhibition

Carrying on the Fight: Women Candidates in Victorian Parliamentary Elections, Australian Women's Archives Project, 2008,  
<http://www.womenaustralia.info/exhib/cws/home.html>

#### Resource

Trove, National Library of Australia, 2009

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