

# The Australian Women's Register

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**Entry type:** Person  
**Entry ID:** AWE4504

## Paton, Sandy

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**Occupation** Community development worker, Community stalwart, Environmentalist

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### Summary

Sandy Paton was a regional winner of the ABC Rural Woman of the Year Award for the Queensland district of Capricornia in 1997. Then and now, her interest has been in the creation of sustainable futures and communities in regional and rural Australia. She has had a long-term commitment to Landcare Australia and has been constantly travelling in her region to promote it and to educate people on sustainable farming practices.

Having spent thirty years living in isolated regional communities in Queensland, Sandy has a broad understanding of the range of issues confronting rural and regional Queenslanders. She has many years experience working in paid and voluntary positions in community organisations. She has worked as a Community Sector Development Worker in the Rockhampton region, and was employed by Central Queensland University's Institute for Sustainable Regional Development. She has served on several Ministerial advisory panels and boards.

### Events

**1997 - 1997**

### Published resources

#### Resource

Trove, National Library of Australia, 2009

#### Resource Section

1997 ABC Queensland Rural Woman of the Year Award Winners, ABC Radio, 1997,  
<http://www.abc.net.au/rural/rwoty/qld.htm>

#### Site Exhibition

Brilliant Ideas and Huge Visions: ABC Radio Australian Rural Women of the Year - 1994-1997, Australian Women's Archives Project, 2011,  
<http://www.womenaustralia.info/exhib/rwya/rwya-home.html>

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