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Withers, Helen

Occupation Community stalwart, Farmer

Summary

Helen Withers was nominated for the 1995 A.B.C. Rural Woman of the Year Award, for the Broken Hill district of New South Wales.

She is well know for her work with the Isolated Children and Parents Association of Australia and was the inaugural secretary/treasurer of the Wentworth branch when it formed in 1971. The Wentworth branch, representing isolated families from south of Broken Hill to Rufus River, Pooncarie, Menindee and Wentworth/Mildura areas in the far south west corner of NSW had an initial membership of 70 members.

Helen Withers was awarded with branch Life Membership in 1987. In 1995 at the Port Macquarie State Conference, Helen was made a NSW Life Member of ICPA after serving as State Secretary from 1978 until 1985, and President from 1985 until 1989. In 1996 she was appointed as a Member of the Order of Australia (AM) for her work on behalf of rural and isolated families.

Events

1996 - 1996
Services to remote and rural children and families.

Published resources

Resource
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Resource Section
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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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