

# The Australian Women's Register

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**Entry type:** Person  
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## Mattingley, Christobel Rosemary

(1931 - 2019)

<b>Born</b>	19311026, Brighton South Australia Australia
<b>Died</b>	20190601, Adelaide South Australia Australia
<b>Occupation</b>	Author, Children's writer, Lecturer, Librarian, Writer

### Summary

Christobel Mattingley published 45 children's books, five biographical or history books for adults, as well as short stories, poems, articles and film scripts.

For her writing, Christobel received numerous awards, including the Children's Book Council of the Year Award, Younger Readers (1982), and Children's Christian Book of the Year (1986). In 2017 her book *Maralinga's Long Shadow: Yvonne's Story*, was awarded the Young People's History Prize in the NSW Premier's History Awards. In addition, Christobel received two Honorary Doctorates; one from the University of South Australia in 1995 and the other an Honorary Doctor of Letters from the University of Tasmania in 2015.

Christobel Mattingley was also awarded an AM for service to literature, particularly children's literature, and for community service through her commitment to social and cultural issues in 1996.

### Archival resources

**National Library of Australia, Manuscript Collection**  
[Papers of Christobel Mattingley, 1909-2011 \[manuscript\]](#)

[Papers of Kerry White, 1981-2008 \[manuscript\]](#)

[Papers of Mem Fox, 1961-2006 \[manuscript\]](#)

**State Library of South Australia**  
[Christobel Mattingley : SUMMARY RECORD](#)

**NULL**  
[Papers](#)

**National Library of Australia**  
[\[Biographical cuttings on Christobel Mattingley, writer, containing one or more cuttings from newspapers or journals\]](#)

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