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Commins, Kathleen Mary

(1909 - 2003)

Born	19090101, Parkes New South Wales Australia
Died	20031231, Killara New South Wales Australia
Occupation	Cricketer, Editor, Journalist, Tennis player

Summary

Kathleen Commins completed a Bachelor of Arts at Sydney University in 1931 and a Bachelor of Economics in 1934. During her time at university she was very active in the community. Kathleen was both secretary and president of the Women Evening Students' Association, a member of the students' representative council and director of the University Women's Union. In 1931 she was appointed the first female editor of Sydney University's magazine *Hermes*.

Kathleen began her freelance career in journalism in 1934 as a reporter of women's sport, and in 1948 she was appointed assistant to the chief of staff. Kathleen retired from this position in 1969, having been employed by *The Sydney Morning Herald* for 35 years.

In addition, Kathleen was also an incredible sportswoman. She captained and managed the New South Wales women's cricket team and also represented the state 'in the junior division of the Australian lawn tennis championships at Kooyong.'

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