

# The Australian Women's Register

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**Entry type:** Person  
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## Lions, Agnes Mary (Molly)

(1908 - 1992)

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| <b>Born</b>       | 22 April, 1908, Balmain New South Wales Australia               |
| <b>Died</b>       | 22 December, 1992, Normanhurst Sydney New South Wales Australia |
| <b>Occupation</b> | Nurse, Unionist   |

### Summary

Agnes Lions qualified as a nurse in 1931 and worked in all branches of nursing in New South Wales until 1941 when she moved into the area of industrial nursing. She was one of four founders of the New South Wales College of Nursing (NSWCN) in 1949. From 1949 to 1952 she was responsible for the syllabus and supervision of the Industrial Nursing Certificate at the NSWCN, gaining the certificate herself in 1950. In 1946 Lions founded the Industrial Nursing Branch of the New South Wales Nursing Association and held the post of honorary secretary from its inception in 1947 to 1951. She was appointed MBE – Member of The Order of the British Empire (Civil) – New Year's Honours List, 1960, for services to nursing.

### Published resources

#### Book Section

The Lady with the Lamp, Lions, M., 1960

#### Book

An Unsentimental Union: The NSW Nurses Association, 1931-1992, Dickenson, Mary, 1993

#### Resource Section

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<http://www.asap.unimelb.edu.au/bsparcs/biogs/P004112b.htm>

#### Resource

Where are the Women in Australian science?, Australian Science and Technology Heritage Centre, 2003,  
<http://www.austehc.unimelb.edu.au/wisa/wisa.html>

Trove, National Library of Australia, 2009

#### Site Exhibition

Faith, Hope and Charity Australian Women and Imperial Honours: 1901-1989, Australian Women's Archives Project, 2003,  
<http://www.womenaustralia.info/exhib/honours/honours.html>

### Archival resources

**New South Wales College of Nursing**  
[\[Agnes Mary Lions, personal records\]](#)

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