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Isbister, Jean Sinclair

(1915 - 2008)

Born	19150912, Brisbane Queensland Australia
Died	20080820, Blackheath New South Wales Australia
Occupation	Paediatrician

Summary

Jean Sinclair Isbister (known as Clair) was a consultant paediatrician at the Royal North Shore Hospital, New South Wales, from 1949 and published many books on motherhood under the name Clair Isbister. She was appointed to The Order of the British Empire – Officer (Civil) on 1 January 1969 for services to medicine.

Events

1976 - 1976
For services to medicine

1969 - 1969
For services to mothers and babies

Published resources

Resource
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Dr Clair Isbister, Verbatim, 2008, http://www.abc.net.au/rn/verbatim/stories/2008/2347839.htm

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Edited Book
Who's Who in Australia 1968, Legge, J S, 1968

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Obituary: Dr Clair Isbister (12.9.1915 - 20.8.2008), 2008, http://www.family.org.au/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&Itemid=94&id=141

Archival resources

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Clair Isbister interviewed by Hazel de Berg in the Hazel de Berg collection [sound recording]

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