

Queensland Country Women's Association

11 Aug 1922 - 11 Aug 2022

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State Library of Queensland**



Valuing the Country Women's Association for Queenslanders

**QCWA inducted into the Qld Business Leaders' Hall of Fame in 2013
Joint recognition by QUT Business School, State Library of Queensland
and the Queensland Library Foundation**

Queensland Country Women's
Association, Queensland branch of
the [Country Women's Association](#)

its exceptional contribution to the social
and economic wellbeing of country
women and rural communities for over
90 years

Collections @ State Library

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7984 Queensland Country Women's Association Records 1926-2008

Queensland Country Women's Association. ; 1926-2008

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Queensland Recruiting Committee. ; Queensland. State Recruiting Committee. ; 1914-1918

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IMAGE

Women of the Springsure Country Women's Association, 1948

Brisbane John Oxley Library, State Library of Queensland ; 2010

Country Women's Association aims to improve the conditions for country women and children and to try to make life better for women and their families, especially those women living in...

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State Library copy print collections



Country Women's Association Hostel in Bowen, ca. 1950: opening

Past connections



Portraits of State President and council members of State Divisions of the Queensland Country Women's Association, 1928.

More recent representation



Queensland quarantine quilt: square 97 by CWA Brisbane City Night Branch, Spring Hill

Images

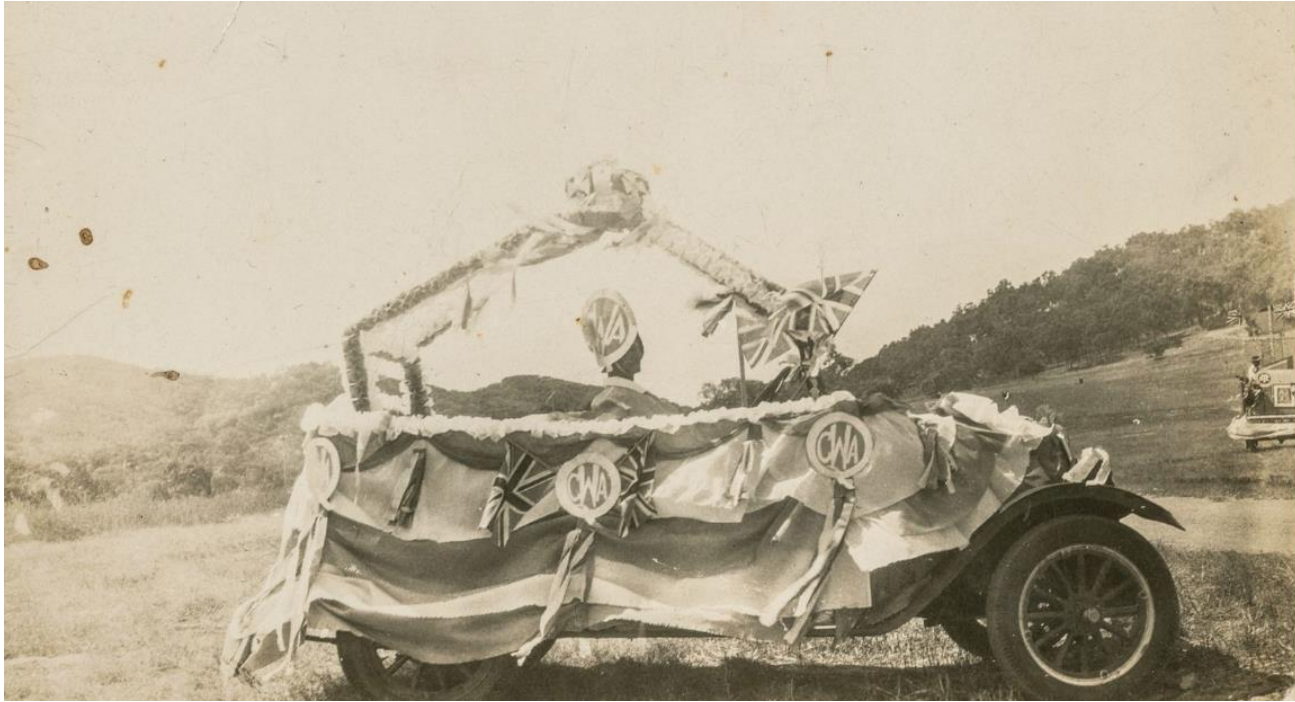


Queensland Country Women's Association trip to Emu Park



CWA float in Coronation Day Parade, Biloela, 1953

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Car decorated using the Queensland Country Women's Association colours, Queensland

Newspapers

- *Trove* newspapers generally cover the range up to 1954 some earlier or later.
- Check newspaper titles for your Qld location.
- Most are on film up to 1995 and they are on open shelves L3 and can be scanned free with a USB.
- Newspapers with dates beyond that in hard copy need to be ordered in, up to 2 – 3 days delivery.

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NEWSPAPERS & GAZETTES

4,878 total results Sort by:

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SANDGATE C.W.A.

Article - Moreton Mail (Qld. : 1886 - 1899, 1930 - 1935) **Friday 21 October 1932** - Page 4

... **SANDGATE C.W.A.** A meeting of the **Sandgate** branch of the **C.W.A.** was presided over by the president ... 69 words

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SANDGATE C.W.A.

Article - Daily Standard (Brisbane, Qld. : 1912 - 1936) **Tuesday 15 May 1934** - Page 12

... **Sandgate** branch of the Queensland Country Women's Association. It was decided, that one week's board at ...
SANDGATE C.W.A. In the Council Chambers, on May 10, 32 members attended the monthly meeting of the ... 80 words

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SANDGATE C.W.A.

Article - Moreton Mail (Qld. : 1886 - 1899, 1930 - 1935) **Friday 20 November 1931** - Page 5

... **SANDGATE C.W.A.** The monthly meeting of the Coun-try Women's Association was held in the Council ... Linga Longa
Seaside Home for the Christmas tree, and £1/1/ to the **Sandgate** Ambulance, Arrangements were ... 71 words

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- ☐ Newspaper (5k)
☐ Gazette (31)

Place

- ☐ Queensland (5k)
☐ New South Wales (296)
☐ National (23)
☐ Victoria (20)
☐ Western Australia (15)
☐ South Australia (5)

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Title

- ☐ Queensland Times (Ipsw... (1k)
☐ The Courier-Mail (Bris... (649)
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☐ The Queenslander (Bris... (228)

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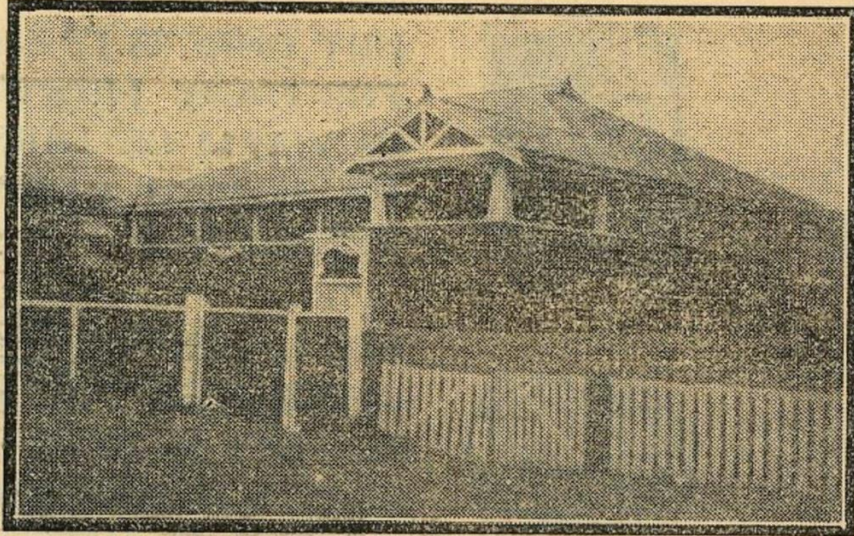
Articles of interest: Issues raised 1928

- Why should women and children in the bush have to put up with **hardships and drawbacks** which are **unnecessary**?
- Why should there not be **adequate medical services** to relieve sickness and to reduce the dread with which homes are built in far away places?
- Why should bush children be handicapped by being denied the highest privileges of **education**?
- Why should it be required that, year in and year out, they should live without sight of the **sea**, and without opportunity for **holiday change**?

Source: *The Queenslander* 10 May 1928 p50

Articles and images of interest

"LINGA - LONGA."



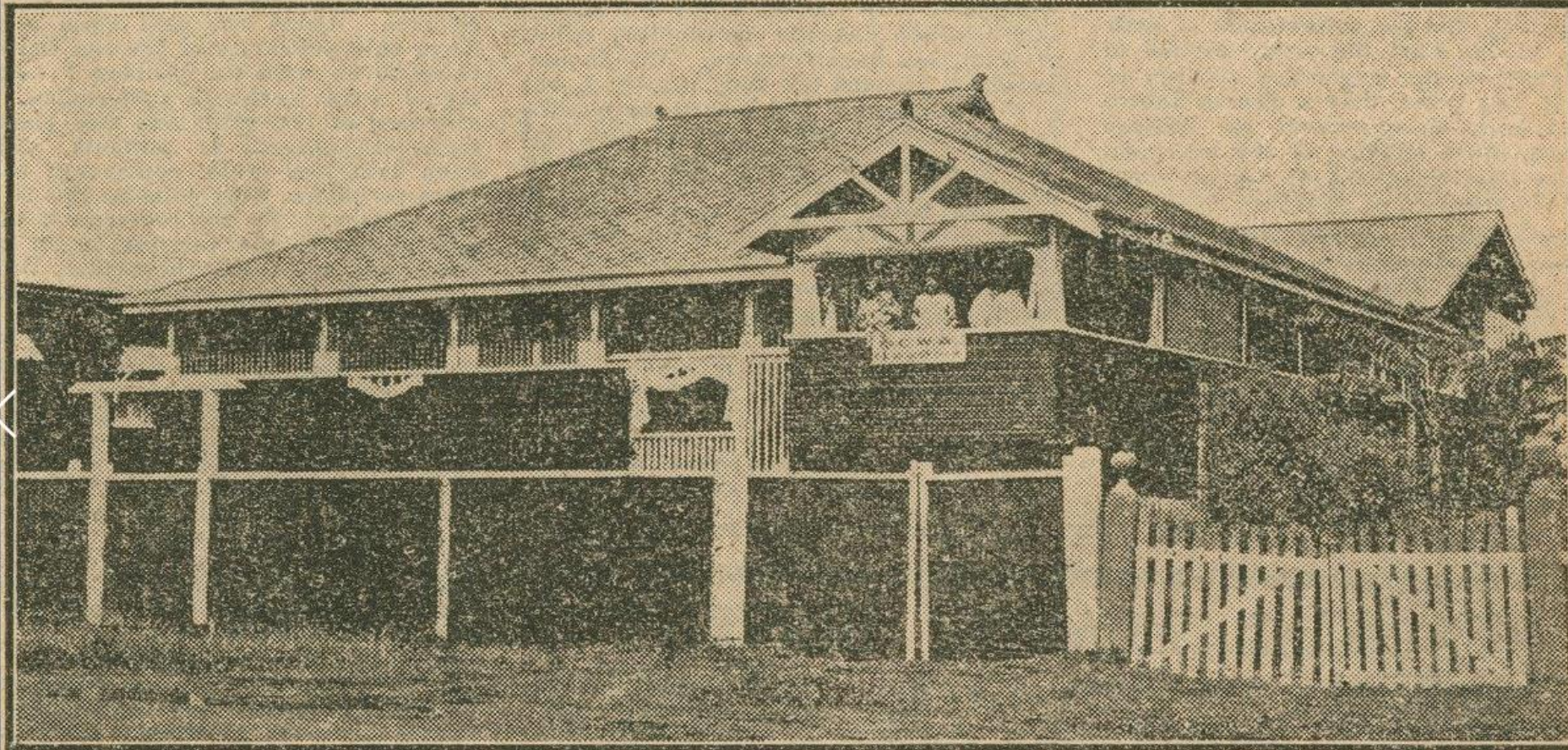
The house on the Lower Esplanade, Sandgate Central, which has been purchased recently by the Metropolitan Branch of the C.W.A. for the Seaside Home.

T H. O. Smith photo.

AN IDEAL HOME

C.W.A. PURCHASE.

Practical and sympathetic, many of them having experienced the trials which have to be endured by the bush women, the members of the metropolitan branch of the Country Women's Association have made a wise choice in the purchase of an eminently suitable property at Sandgate for the Seaside Home. Situated on the Lower Esplanade, towards Land's End, the house stands in approximately a quarter of an acre of ground, and from the wide verandas there is an unobstructed view of the sea stretching across to Woody Point. Another pleasant sight which attracts the eye of an observer on the veranda is one which while not strictly conventional, as it is across the fence, is the gay flower garden of a neighbour, which will without doubt prove a joy to many of the visitors. From the inviting shade of the verandas, one enters the bedrooms, three in number and all painted white and fitted with set in wardrobes and washbasins. Leading from the spacious dining-room, with its shaded casement windows, is a model kitchen, which with its black and white floor covering, enamelled gas stove, and gleaming aluminium saucepans, will prove a joy to the beholders, who have spent so much time with improvised kitchen utensils.



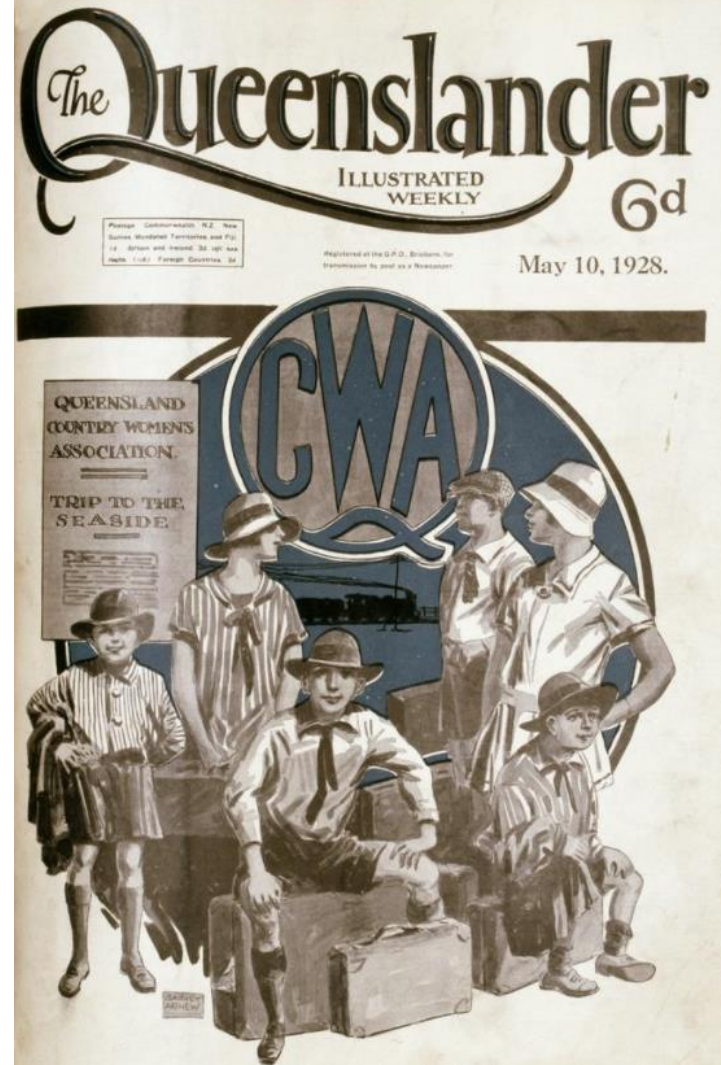
LINGA LONGA, THE Q.C.W.A. SEASIDE HOME AT SANDGATE.

Source: *The Queenslander* 2 February 1928 p51

The Queenslander newspaper **...the weekly version of the** ***Brisbane Courier***

"We are more than grateful to the 'Queenslander' for its generosity to the association. Pages are devoted to the doings of the association each week, and these give to the readers a very comprehensive report of the activities. The editress assures me that she welcomes news from every division, and also any photographs of interest.

Ruth Fairfax State President Q.C.W.A. *Queenslander* 10 May 1928 p 51



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More resources: blog stories

JOHN OXLEY LIBRARY

Happy birthday! 90 years of Queensland CWA

By JOL Admin | 14 August 2012

In August 1922, with Queensland in the grip of prolonged drought, the Brisbane Women's Club sponsored a conference of women from the country to canvas ideas about how country women could best be supported. Out of this conference it was decided to follow the lead provided by New South Wales and form a Country Women's Association in Queensland. The then Governor, Sir Matthew Nathan, was a strong supporter of the idea. He attended the conference and accepted the position of Patron of the newly formed Association.

[Source: State Library Of Queensland \(slq.qld.gov.au\)](http://slq.qld.gov.au)

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Any language




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Publication date
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JOURNAL
Annual report and balance sheet / Queensland Country Women's Association, Burnett Division.   




Queensland Country Women's Association. Burnett Division ; Bundaberg, Qld.? : Queensland Country Women's Association. Burnett Division ; 1970

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JOURNAL
Presidents report, Western Division AGM / Western Division Queensland Country Women's Association.   

Queensland Country Women's Association. Western Division. ; Queensland : Queensland Country Women's Association ; 2018

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JOURNAL
Annual report / Queensland Country Women's Association, Greater Brisbane Division.   

Queensland Country Women's Association. Greater Brisbane Division. ; Brisbane : Queensland Country Women's Association, Greater Brisbane Division ; 2016 -

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JOURNAL
Queensland countrywoman.

Queensland Country Women's Association. ; Brisbane : Consolidated Publications.

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Full-text primary source material

THE QUEENSLAND COUNTRYWOMAN

National President's Letter



An awareness program to help reduce the incidence of injury of children on farms has been launched by a collection of groups in Queensland called the 'Giddy Goanna Project'. I attended the official launching of the book, *Farm Safety Fun with Giddy Goanna* recently at Kingsthorpe. (Featured in Dec-Jan Edition).

The Southern Queensland Rural Division of General Practice, Queensland Farmsafe, Queensland Farmers Federation and the Oakley/Crows Nest Farm Safety Action Group worked together to produce the program which will be available through most rural General Practice surgeries in Queensland.

It has been shown that primary producers make up only three per cent of the workforce in Australia, but are responsible for 17 per cent of our work related fatalities. Although farming is commonly viewed as a healthy way of life, farm children are more likely to be involved in injuries or fatal accidents than their urban counterparts. The farm is the playground and the workplace for farm children. Death from drowning, tractors, machinery, horses and

gunshot wounds are commonly reported features of childhood mortality in rural Australia. In two years 34 children under 15 years old died in farm accidents in Australia.

This book aims at stimulating children and adults to 'think' about safe and unsafe work and play practices on farms.

Each State and Territory Journal is produced at different times and months during the year therefore my letters do not appear simultaneously.

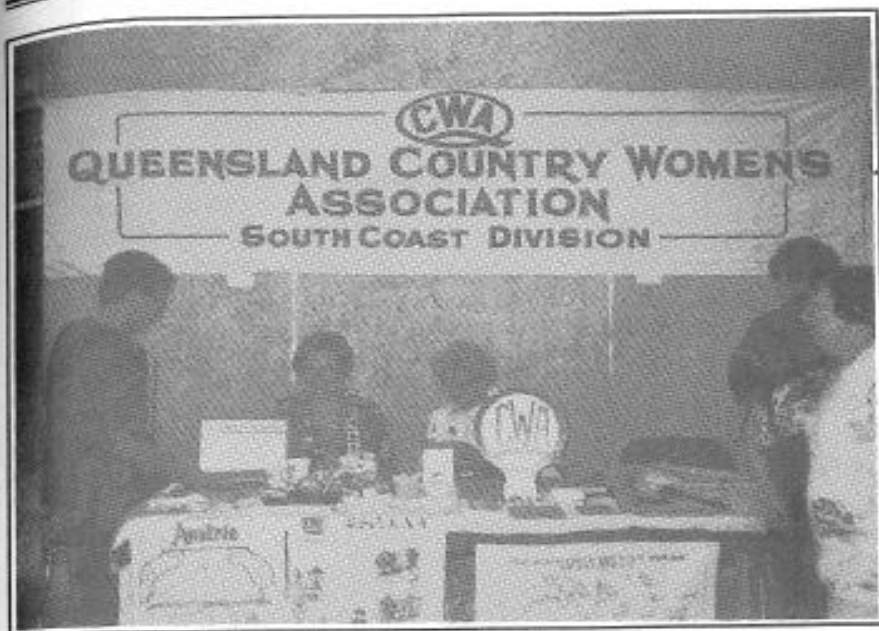
However I send my good wishes to all members of our wonderful Country Women's Association throughout Australia and hope that 1996 will be full of rich blessing and great friendship.

Sylvia Laxton OAM
National President

Q.C.W.A. GRACE

*O Lord, thank you for this food,
Provided for our use and sustenance.
make us mindful of the needs
of others,
That we may serve them in true
friendship.*

By Mrs Margaret Stubbs



South Coast Division members at the 'Women of the West' exhibition at the Queensland Museum

The Women of the West

The Queensland Museum is staging an exhibition *Women of the West* which began in May last year, endeavouring to rectify the lack of recording of the efforts of women in the displays, which mostly show the achievements of the male population.

It was rather amusing to hear people say, after viewing the exhibition, "Thank you CWA!" Some even wrote this in the visitors book. I wonder how the conveners of the Museum felt about that!

It was amazing how many people told us about the involvement of their mother, aunt and grandmother with QCWA in the past. This sounds rather sad as our numbers are only half what they used to be, but on the other hand, we should feel proud of the role our Association has played in the life of the people in the outback in times of hardships.

Apart from the demonstrations QCWA was given an opportunity to hold stalls in the entrance of the Museum where we could sell suitable stock and raise funds. Another chance for the promotion of the Association. Three stalls were held, the last one unfortunately clashed with Warana festivities, but the total profit was \$1100!

Our cooking was very popular with the Museum staff and they came running as soon as the word was out "CWA is here!"

The cookery books were very popular. It must be a sign of the times that quite a few were sold to young men, who obviously looked after themselves and remembered the recipes of their grandmothers CWA cookery books.

As an added bonus eight new members joined on the spot!

The demonstrators decided to go into recess during the

Ruth Fairfax House

September 1996 p21

89 Gregory Terrace, Brisbane 4000

Phone (07) 3831 8188

The Headquarters of the Queensland Country Women's Association, commemorates the founder of the association, but is also a permanent monument to one of the greatest women's organisations in the world.

This modern brick building rises four floors above the ground floor and basement, to a roof garden with a sun room, that permits panoramic views all over Brisbane.

Adjacent to the foyer, is a function room (with adjoining supper room), which will seat 100.

The dining room is an airy and tastefully decorated room, providing the perfect setting for relaxed and wholesome dining. Breakfast and dinner are included in the tariff.

Comfort is at a premium, and your privacy is assured. Roomy twin units and cosy single rooms are available. A special feature for families are the adjoining twin units with a connecting door.

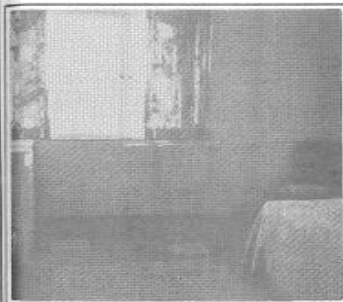
Every unit has a vanity basin, mirror and comfy chair. Modern tiled bathrooms with showers, plunge baths and toilets on each floor.

Adjoining the TV lounge, is a writing and reading room.

On every floor there is a utility room, with tea making facilities and a refrigerator. Laundry equipment with washing machine, dryer, troughs, and rotary clothes hoist, is on the fourth floor.



"Our Club"



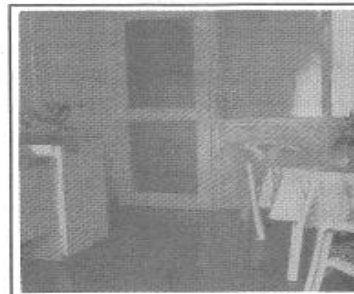
Single Room



Dining Room




The Foyer



Utility Room




Cookery books






BOOK

[Cookbooks and recipes: ephemera material collected by the State Library of Queensland].

The ephemera collection contains documents of everyday life generally covering publications of fewer than ten pages. These may include: advertising material, booklets, brochures, postcards, programmes, stickers, tickets, menus, tourist guides,...


 **Available:** [State Library South Bank Collection](#) [Request to access from level 4 \(Cookbooks and recipes \)](#). >




BOOK

The C.W.A. cookery book and household hints / compiled by a committee led by Mrs Agnes Barnes ... and published under the direction of the Country Women's Association of Western Australia

Agnes K. B Barnes ; Country Women's Association of Western Australia ; Pymble, N.S.W. : Angus & Robertson ; 1998

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