

Lady Victoria Buxton Girls' Club

1898 – 1955

Details

The Lady Victoria Buxton Girls' Club was established in Adelaide by the Church of England in 1898. It began as a meeting place for girls working in West Adelaide factories and developed into a hostel. In the 1920s it had room for more than 30 girls. The Lady Victoria Buxton Girls' Club operated until 1955.

The Lady Victoria Buxton Girls' Club was established by its patron, Lady Victoria Buxton in 1898 in Bowen Street, Adelaide, and was run by the Church of England. Lady Victoria Buxton was the wife of the then Governor of South Australia, Sir Henry Fowell Buxton. In 1903 the Club moved to larger premises in Whitmore Square, Adelaide.

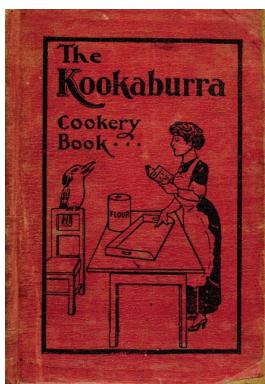
The Lady Victoria Buxton Girls' Club was founded 'to provide rooms where factory girls and others living in West Adelaide might meet for amusement and instruction'. It developed into a hostel for 25 girls. This number increased to 34 by 1923. Through donations, fund raising events and sales of the Kookaburra Cookery Book the Club was able to make several additions to the premises including a new hall in 1929. The Club operated until 1955.

Gallery



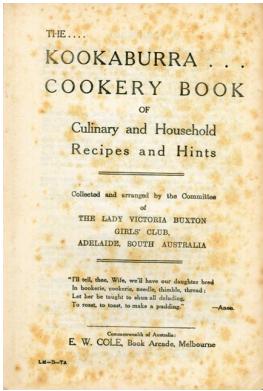
Lady Galway and others in Whitmore Square, Adelaide

Description: This image shows Lady Galways and a group of other women and men standing outside the Lady Victoria Buxton Girls' Club in Whitmore Square, Adelaide.



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Whitmore Square, near Sturt Street

Description: This image shows Lady Victoria Buxton Girl's Club on the East side of Whitmore Square.

More info

Resources

- [Kookaburra Cookery Book](#), The Advertiser, 8 December 1911

Records

For more information and to access your records, follow the links below:

Records

- [Lady Victoria Buxton Girls Club records \(1944 - 1960\)](#)
- [Lady Victoria Buxton Girls Club records \(1917 - 1944\)](#)
- [Child and Youth Migration Records, State Records of South Australia \(1909 - 1978\)](#)
- [Correspondence files, single number series with 'B' \[Child Endowment\] prefix \(1904 - 1974\)](#)

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