



Bess Doran (Vic) *
Player number # 3
Coach number # 1
Scorer number # 3
Softball Australia umpire # AA14
3 games for Australia



Bess Doran was a true softball pioneer!

She played in the first Gilley's Shield in Brisbane in 1947 where she was awarded the title of Best Batter for the tournament. In 1949 she was appointed playing coach of the first Open Women's Softball team that played a three Test Series in Melbourne. Bess retired as a player and coached the women's team on a tour to New Zealand in 1951.

Bess was one of the many hard working volunteers who helped to bring dream of hosting the first true Women's World Championship to life in Melbourne in 1965. Bess was the scorer for the Open Women's team when they won the Women's Softball World Championship in 1965.

AWARDS

1985 Softball Australia Hall of Fame

TOURNAMENTS

1949 New Zealand v Australia Test Series (Playing Coach)
1951 New Zealand Tour (Coach)
1965 I Women's Softball World Championship, Melbourne

*deceased