



## VALE

..to a man of the community.

Last Wednesday, October 1st, Norfolk Island lost one of its most respected citizens - Frederick William Ernest Jowett.

After courageously combatting and living with the knowledge that his life span was at a premium, Freddie (as he was affectionately known on the island) passed away at his home in Red Road, at the age of 64 years.

Freddie and his wife Marge came to Norfolk In 1963, Freddie having been appointed Communications Engineer for the Department of Science in charge of our Ionospheric Station.

From that time, both Freddie and Marge became interested and very active in community affairs, especially in the environmental, conservation and ecology fields, doing a great deal of research and work in aiding Jeremy Holloway produce his book on the moths and butterflies of Norfolk Island.

He worked tirelessly to maintain and improve our community radio station on which we have become so dependent. Apart from this radio work, he nursed for many years with tender loving care, the electronic and X-ray equipment at the hospital.

Another of Freddie's community service was that of Magistrate for many years,

It was in February 1985 that Freddie first underwent surgery and we, who have known him during his years on Norfolk, could not but be uplifted by his fortitude and cheerfulness throughout the ensuing period.

Our thoughts are with Marge who has had such a sad time during those months of keeping up with Freddie's cheerfulness and hope and we convey to her, her friends and relatives our sincerest sympathies.

"Thank you, all the wonderful people of Norfolk Island who have supported me and my beloved Freddie through these years of his terrible illness, and gave us both the courage to carry on.

To live on Norfolk Island is a blessing we have counted every day, a privilege to be a member of this community and experience the wonderful warmth and kindness in one's time of need.

We have been so fortunate to have not only the excellent medical care, but also the compassion and humane understanding of our dear Jenny Sexton and David Monks, and the entire staff of our hospital, that marvellous inner circle which is my extended family on Norfolk Island - I sincerely thank you all." Marge Jowett.

## ANNUAL AERODROME EMERGENCY EXERCISE.

Our Officer-in-Charge of the Aerodrome, Mr. Stephen Dean has made available, the following report.

"The exercise this year went very well. There were a few hiccoughs that occurred - one being the crash alarm! Due to a technical problem, it sounded for a considerable length of time and could not be switched off! I apologise for any distress or inconvenience caused to people by the noise of the alarm - and hope it doesn't happen again.

I wish to thank all those people and organisations who took part in the exercise and a special thanks to the students of Years 9 and 10 from the Norfolk Island Central School for participating as visitors.

Everybody put in a good effort and some valuable lessons were learned for future exercises.

I would also like to thank the Rawson Hall Trust for allowing the hall to be used as a field hospital.

Thank you once again, to all participants".

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