



## VALE

After a period of 3 years in the Norfolk Island Hospital, another of Norfolk's well loved residents, Lilian Beatrice LeCren, passed away on 3rd February.

"Doodoo" as she was always referred to, was born on Norfolk Island on 25th January, 1913 one of the two daughters of Blanche and John Snell.

She lived on Norfolk Island for most of her life, at the age of 18 marrying New Zealander Geoff LeCren.

Geoff and Dood built their home in Grassy Road where Geoff operated a small motor garage in front of the property. He died in June, 1963.

They had a family of four - 3 boys and 1 girl - the late Ernest John (Toby); Margaret Mary (Prim McCowan); George Edward (Steggles) and Norman Geoffrey (Goof).

As Pastor Keith Jackson, who conducted the funeral service on Monday, said: 'Everyone knew the family by their nickname but it is for sure that anyone hearing these nicknames, unless they knew the family, would not have a clue to whom it referred'.

A good mother and a keen bowler, Doodoo was also interested in the work of the R.S.L. and many other community activities. She was a tireless worker for the Scouts when younger son Goof was one of the Editor's Scouts!

Dood won selection to represent Norfolk Island in Ladies Lawn Bowls at the 1979 Fiji South Pacific Games and the Editor will always remember the night that he, together with Dood, Dan Yager and Dolly Dale Christian, were entertained by the Captain and Officers of HMS 'Norfolk' at dinner. Doodoo was a favourite of the dinner party and the Captain's First Lieutenant really made a great fuss of her.

On our way back to our lodgings we had to go through our way back through the dockyards of Suva, through dark alleys and around 'fraidy corners but all Dood could say was 'Oh dear Darlin, what a lovely evening'.

Doodoo also loved her game of football, especially when Goof was running with the Greens - and her cheerful voice could often be heard from the sideline giving encouragement to Goof and the boys in green and more likely than not, going 'crook' at the referee and the other players!

She was made an honorary member of the Greens football team and it was the players of this club who acted as pallbearers at her funeral.

We have enlarged Doodoo's photograph, the original showing the then Administrator Bob Dalkin presenting bowling trophies to an obviously very proud Dood and her youngest son Goof.

Knowing what a vibrant character Dood was before her stroke, the last 3 years must have been a most frustrating time for her. Our very sympathies are extended to all the family and friends.

The LeCren and McCowan families would like to thank all relatives and friends, the doctors and hospital staff for their loving care, the wreath makers, pall bearers, grave diggers and all the many people who sent floral tributes and cards. God bless all yours

## THANK YOU

The Pitcairn Hall Senior Citizens would like to record their sincere thanks to John and Janey Carr for giving them such a pleasant afternoon viewing films and providing a delicious afternoon tea.

## LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS ADVISE ON MT. PITT SUMMIT

Ken Taylor and Peter Toon, lecturers from the Canberra College of Advanced Education's School of Environmental Design, visited Norfolk Island from Wednesday to Friday this week (5-7th February) to prepare options for improving the Mount Pitt summit area.

Their work is being funded by the Australian National Parks and Wildlife Service.

They met on site with members of the Norfolk Island National Park Advisory Committee and had discussions with the Chief Minister and Administrator.

It is hoped that their plans will make a substantial contribution to appropriate protection and use of this prime viewing area.

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