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Word has just been received of the death in England of Mrs. Dorothy Bertha Elliot - former resident of many years on Norfolk Island.

Born 13th July 1891 in Bristol England, Mrs. Elliot died on 13th August 1989 at Avonleigh Nursing Home in Bristol.

After marrying Tom Elliot in England, Dorothy heard how Tom's brother Walter had been left with two small children to raise after the death of his wife, so she decided to go to New Zealand to help them.

While in New Zealand Dorothy decided to train as a chiropractor and this required 3-years' training in the U.S.A. She left Tom in New Zealand and went to the U.S.A. working at night to finance her course. Her sister Kay (who also was a former resident of Norfolk and who pre-deceased Dorothy by several years) became interested in chiropractic also and joined Dorothy in the U.S.A. to train there.

Tom and Dorothy eventually returned to England where they purchased a large country estate for use as a health farm which they called "Towerlease". Specialising in healthful diet, massage, rest, water treatments, fasting, etc. the farm became exceptionally popular in a short space of time, requiring a staff of 36 persons.

In the late 1950's Dorothy and Tom decided to retire and moved to Norfolk Island, setting up home in Watermill Valley (in the home now occupied by Warner Vincent). Almost every year they travelled back to England by ship, visiting friends both there and abroad.

Both Dorothy's sisters - late Kay Montgomery and husband "Monty" and late Gladys Ashburner (widow) also came to live on Norfolk Island.

Dorothy and Tom moved into a smaller home in New Farm Road where Dot Nobbs and her family cared for them for many years. Tom died in the house some years ago.

On the loss of all her family on Norfolk, Dorothy decided to return to England to her other sister Phyllis.

A few weeks after arrival in England, Dorothy celebrated her 97th Birthday. She kept in touch with Norfolk even to the extent of paying air postage for the paper to be sent to her in England!

Becoming frailer, Dorothy moved to Avonleigh Nursing Home where from her window, she could look out on her old health farm "Townlease". She was well cared for right up to the day of her death on 13th August, 1989.

Our sincere condolences are sent to Dorothy's remaining relatives in England and there are many on Norfolk who will be sad to learn of the passing of this fine English lady who was so much part of the community during all those years she lived among us.

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A sudden shock was the announcement on Thursday, 5th October that resident Max Inglis had passed away in Brisbane. He was 60 years of age.

With his wife Norma and daughter Melinda - son Mark and family in Sydney - Max retired to Norfolk Island about 20 years ago after having lived in Hong Kong, Taiwan and Australia. He came to Norfolk to take things easy but that just did not seem to happen! He built and established the Barney Duffy's restaurant; Peppers restaurant (now Paul's); was in partnership in the ice-cream business and to the date of his death, ran a thriving Estate Agency here.

Norma died two years ago, on 17th October, almost to the day, and Max mourned and missed her greatly. They were both converts to the Roman Catholic Church, working for the church on Norfolk and attending Mass each Sunday. Max was a foundation member of the St. Vincent de Paul Society on Norfolk Island and a supporter of that society while living in Sydney. He gave time freely to the Matthew Talbot Hostel.

His bright and jovial personality made him a delight to know; his sense of humour, ability to instigate and accomplish his visions made him great company.

Despite two heart attacks, his determination to restore his health enabled him to participate in the sports and activities he loved - a good gun shot, played tennis whenever he could, always managed to win a drink or two on the golf course. He enjoyed the company of others and was an excellent companion and host.

He will be sadly missed by those who were his friends - the sharing of experiences and the fun times will live on in their memory.

To Max, who was a participator in life to the finish - God speed - our thoughts are with you - and our heartfelt sympathies are with Mark and Melinda and the two grandchildren.

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