

ON THE "BOUNTY" - continued.

The first film was the story of Captain Cook's voyage of discovery to the South Seas in the ship "Endeavour" and for this, of course, the Bounty's name was changed to "Endeavour" and lo and behold, in some of the newspaper cuttings from Tahiti, there's young Michael, together with Keith Mitchell who plays the part of Captain Cook, sailing past an uninhabited part of Tahiti, proposing a Toast to the discovery of Norfolk Island on 10th October, 1774!

A quick change of name and the Bounty then became the "Blossom" for the French television series on what happened on Pitcairn after the mutineers had settled there.

In another French paper there's another picture of our roving Norfolk Islander, together with two charming Tahitian looking ladies on board the "Blossom" (Bounty). Michael's English translation is, "having a good time" - the caption under the photograph reads in French "A droite Michael Evans descendant du mutin F.M.Evans".

Life at sea must have been very hard! - Hard to concentrate on sailing the ship as from some of the pictures in the French newspapers, it would appear that there were quite a few topless Tahitian ladies as part of the 'props'.

The reason for Michael sending these two most interesting and colourful scrap books to us was in case anyone else on Norfolk Island would like to join the Bounty as a "guest crew member" on some of its forthcoming voyages of adventure.

The cost of Michael's 3 months on the Bounty amounted to Aust. \$1,920 of which he was reimbursed by being an "extra" during the filming of the two television series.

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The next big voyage, by the look of it is the First Fleet re-enactment - England to Australia, commencing in April 1987, culminating 8 months later in January 1988.

During this historical voyage, Bounty is leading the greatest fleet of square rigged ships ever assembled in over 100 years. The eleven ships of the fleet will closely follow the route of the original First Fleet as it sailed exactly 200 years ago, calling at Tenerife, Rio De Janeiro, Capetown, Mauritius, Fremantle and finally, Sydney.

As a "guest crew member" Michael received a special certificate of discharge from the STV Bounty of 247.4-gross tons.

We are sure that Michael's mother Peggy would be only too happy to let those interested, see these two scrapbooks of this wonderful experience Michael has had.



VALE.

Sam - is no longer with us. Samuel George Dyer born 18th November 1897 at Wyong, New South Wales passed away at the Norfolk Island Hospital on Friday, 28th November, 1986.

Sam's wife Phyllis pre-deceased him in 1970 just after their son, Allan came with his wife Joy, to Norfolk Island. Allan's sister Olive, Mrs. Joe Langley, lives at The Entrance.

Coming firstly to Norfolk in 1973, Sam returned to the mainland and came back permanently because of ill health in 1978 and has lived with Allan and Joy at "The Acre" Middlegate since then.

He was an avid gardener and delighted in taking visitors around the "The Acre" to show off his handiwork!

A keen sportsman, he supplied information to the announcers of VL-2-NI before the ABC Sports sessions were heard locally.

Hospitalised two months ago, he recovered well, but a set-back at the end of October resulted in further hospitalisation and his passing on Friday.

The hospital staff, Matron, Doctors, Nurses - everyone who has visited in the last month has been so supportive and he was very grateful.

Celebrating his 89th Birthday on 18th November he had a lovely day as can be seen by his photo, reading his Birthday cards.

A gentle man, we are sad to lose Sam. May God bless him.

Rev. Brian Black has been a tower of strength to Sam, visiting often and becoming one of Sam's many friends.

Special thanks must go to Val and Mickey Bailey and family and to Borry and Joy Evans, neighbours, who have been so very good to him.

Lions Club members and bowlers acted as pallbearers and the Police kindly led the way to Kingston Cemetery. You all did Sam proud - thank you. - - Joy and Allan.

Our sincere sympathies are extended to Allan and Joy and to Olive and family in the loss a much loved Sam.

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