



Vale
Bene Esterman

24-5-1958 to 14-3-2022

Bene Esterman, much-loved Mathematics teacher at Norfolk Island Central School from 2017 to 2021, passed away on Monday evening. After a long and brave battle with leukaemia, Bene was ready to stop the fight. She wished to spend her final days in her home by Lake Macquarie, surrounded by her family and the happy sounds of her grandchildren playing. Bene's five children cared for and comforted her until the end. She died peacefully and we hope she can now, finally, rest easy.

Bene fell in love with Norfolk Island as soon as she arrived. She quickly established herself as a professional and passionate Mathematics teacher, engaging and inspiring her students to be the best they could be. Her cooking ability and generosity meant that her students would often be provided with various treats at school (her butter chicken was a favourite); or those students who excelled in assessment tasks and scored over 90% would each receive a large block of Cadbury chocolate. Unfortunately for Bene, she was such a good teacher that there were ever increasing numbers of blocks of chocolate to buy as her students' results improved so much under her guidance.

Such was her love of the island that her dream was to buy some land and retire here. She found her piece of paradise at Rocky Point; drew up her plans for her house, and with Keg's building assistance, built her dream home. There with her dog, Teddy, she settled in to retirement, playing Jaero; delivering 'Wettls on Wheels'; travelling the world, and spending time with her friends at her favourite Bumboras Beach. It was devastating for Bene when she had to finally make the decision to sell her house and move back to Australia to receive medical treatment.

Bene was an incredible woman who impacted the lives of so many.. She was humbled by all of the kind and caring messages she received from so many people throughout her cancer battle. Throughout Bene's treatments, the blood transfusions she received

were crucial to her fight and gave her family more good days to spend together. The family ask that in lieu of sending flowers you consider making a blood donation so that other families may also receive this same blessing.

A memorial service will be held for Bene Esterman at Greenway Chapel in Green Point, NSW, at 2pm on Friday 25th March.



NI Touch Football Report & Draw

Mixed Comp Results from 17 March 2022:

TEAM	vs	TEAM	SCORE	WINNER
Goats	v	Enitaim	9 - 3	Goats
Flat Liners	v	Prinke	6 - 5	Prinke
BPT	v	Great Whites	4 - 6	Great Whites

The Ladder: Prinke 21, Great Whites 19, Goats 17, BPT 11, Enitaim 11, Flat Liners 9

Next week's Draw, 24 March 2022:

ROUND 7

Field 1	5.15PM	Goats	vs	Prinke
Field 2	5.15PM	BPT	vs	Flat Liners
Field 1	6.00PM	Great Whites	vs	Enitaim

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