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## Fiftieth Anniversary Of - "Soldiers Memorial"

Next Wednesday, Anzac Day, commemorates the 50th Anniversary of the unveiling of the Cenotaph at Kingston.

The following extract from the Annual Report of 1929 has been kindly provided to the R.S.L. by His Honour the Administrator.

Under the heading "Soldiers Memorial" the report reads: Anzac Day 1929 was solemnly observed and was made locally historic by the unveiling of a dignified memorial to commemorate the war services of 77 volunteers from this island.

The Acting Administrator, H.S.Edgar, Esq., J.P. performed the unveiling ceremony at a combined religious service. At a public meeting held in the Rawson Hall on 17th January 1918, at which the Acting Administrator (Dr. Patton) presided, the following resolution was carried,. "That in the opinion of this meeting, it is due to our boys who enlisted to serve King and Country, that a fitting Memorial be erected in their honour".

Funds to carry out this project were raised by donations and bazaars. The site for the erection of the Memorial was, upon application by the committee of Management, granted, and vested in the Executive Council of Norfolk Island.

The cost of the Memorial amounted to £145118/3d. exclusive of voluntary labour. The Committee of Management responsible for carrying out the work were Messrs. Geo. Nobbs (Chairman), Gerald Allen, H.Buffett, E.Christian, Gregory Quintal and C.C,R. Nobbs (Acting Secretary and Treasurer).

The number of names enrolled is 77, of whom 13 made the supreme sacrifice.

## Letters To The Editor

As a regular visitor to this island I deplore the lack of courage shown in the weather "forecasts" emanating from the local meteorological station and broadcast by Radio Norfolk.

I do not need to be told that yesterday we had 41/2-hours of sunshine and that the maximum temperature was 22°C. Nor do I need to be told that the temperature at the moment is 20°C and light showers are expected this morning.

What I would like to be told is - should I plan to go fishing on Thursday and am I likely to get soaked to the skin on the golf course on Saturday. Come on boys - give it a go!

Yours, etc. P.M.Marsh.

Sir:

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Any Bill passed by the Australian Government concerning Norfolk Island without a Referendum by the people on Norfolk Island approving it, should be printed on toilet paper so that people will know its true worth.

Yours, etc. M.J.Hayes.

#### Vale

It was with deep regret that we heard of the death in Sydney last Sunday, 15th April, of Paul Robertson Lillico, 20-year old son of Joy and Bill Lillico of Norfolk Island, after a motor accident.

Paul was cremated at the Sutherland Crematorium at 11.30 am on Friday, 20th April as it is the wish of his parents that his ashes be brought back to Norfolk.

Notification of the burial service will be advised. To Joy and Bill, David and his wife Beverley, Jayne and her husband Shane and their relatives and many friends, we convey our sincere condolences in their sudden, great loss.

#### New Sprinkler System Doing Wonders

After a very enthusiastic series of working bees to give the Club a new look for the 1978/79 season, Cheryl Tennis Club members have continued to enjoy a very successful round of competition and social games.

Thanks to the beautiful weather over the holidays, together with the new sprinkler system (which has made a tremendous difference to the courts as we can observe from our back windows!!) very few playing days were lost.

Before Christmas, the B.I.C. Tournament - first of the season - resulted in Wesley Cooper and Margaret Buffett becoming eventual winners after a hard fought match against Briwn and Mary McNamara (6/4, 3/6 and 6/4).

Some very entertaining tennis was seen in the matched played for the Tourist Minister's Trophy and visitors and locals watched some excellent combinations and a great variety of shots.

Newcomer Pru Smith featured in the women's tennis and it was good to see Howard Martin home from school, playing very well and going through to *(continued overleaf)*