



Submission on Proposed Far North District Plan

Form 5 Submission on publically notified proposal for policy statement or plan, change or variation

Clause 6 of Schedule 1, Resource Management Act 1991

To: Far North District Council - District Planning

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This is a submission on the following proposed plan (the **proposal**): Proposed Far North District Plan

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Attachments:

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I wish to be heard: No

I am willing to present a joint case: No

Could you gain an advantage in trade competition in making this submission?

- N/A

Are you directly affected by an effect of the subject matter of the submission that

(a) adversely affects the environment; and

(b) does not relate to trade competition or the effects of trade competition

- N/A

Submission points

Point 31.1 **S80.001**

Section: Notable trees

Sentiment: Support

Submission:

I wish to submit a Notable Tree nomination for a Totara tree that my Grandmother planted on Arbor Day, 1917 and is now approximately 105 years old. The tree was planted outside what was the local school house at the time and which is now the Kerikeri Playcentre at 32 Landing Road. My Grandmother was Mary (May) Adeline Skudder of Skudder's Beach, Kerikeri. The Skudder's have a history dating back 137 years and are well known in the area. I will attach documents supporting the historical value of the Skudder family and the relevance of having the tree registered and protected by the Far North District Council.

The actual Google Maps location shows the tree at 26 Landing Road. The tree is registered with the NZ Notable Tree Register and can be viewed at this link: <https://register.notabletrees.org.nz/tree/view/1787>. The tree has been given a STEM score of 147 points and looks to be in a very healthy condition as I recently visited the area in late September this year.

I and the family would very much appreciate your consideration in this matter. For the last seven years I have been trying to have this tree nominated, registered and protected by the FNDC, but to no avail. It would certainly mean a great deal to all of the remaining Skudder family and descendants.

I appreciate your time in consideration of this submission.

Relief sought

As mentioned in the above section, I would like the Council to register and protect my Grandmother's tree located at 26 Landing Road, Kerikeri due to it having significant historical value of the Skudder family having been pioneers in the area dating back 137 years ago.

Again, it would mean a great deal to the remaining Skudder family and respective descendants.

Thank you.

Descendants of William Skudder

Generation No. 1

1. WILLIAM¹⁰ SKUDDER (*THOMAS⁹, THOMAS⁸, THOMAS⁷, JOHN⁶, THOMAS⁵, WILLIAM⁴, THOMAS³, GEORGE², THOMAS¹*) was born 30 May 1860 in Kingston-upon-Thames Surrey England, and died 23 Jul 1944 in Kerikeri Bay of Islands New Zealand. He married AGNES FYFE 22 Oct 1885 in Russell Bay of Islands New Zealand, daughter of THOMAS FYFE and AGNES NEIL. She was born 21 Mar 1869 in New Bridge End, Carlisle, Larnakshire Scotland, and died 17 May 1955 in Kerikeri Bay of Islands New Zealand.

Notes for WILLIAM SKUDDER:

In 1887 "The StoneStore" Kerikeri was leased by Agnes FYFE (nee ONEIL/NEIL, of Glasgow, Scotland.) Her son-in-law, William Skudder was employed as the Manager.

In the 1911 Post Office Directory William was a boat builder of Kerikeri. In the 1929 and 1939 Directories he was listed as a farmer.

On various papers, William had a second name Henry?

William purchased 50 acres of land at Paengaroa Point, Skudders Beach at 10 shillings per acre. (deferred payment 12 shillings and 6 pence.) He later purchased 7 acres further around the point, from Mr. Howley. Mr Howley hadn't paid his rates and William paid his arrears and rates for 7 years and took title of the land. Buried St. James Church Kerikeri New Zealand, beside wife and many of his children.

Gravestone reads:---

In Memory of William SKUDDER. Died 23rd July 1944, aged 83 and his Wife Agnes, died 17th May 1955 aged 85, also their Daughter Evelyn Mima, died 1916 aged 3.

The present ST JAMES CHURCH was opened on December 5th 1878. It replaced the original Missionary Chapel which was dedicated by Henry WILLIAMS on 19th April 1824, and the second Chapel of 1829, which was built of Lath and plaster.

Notes for AGNES FYFE:

Birth Certificate. Agnes was born at 11 a.m.. Birth was registered by her father 5.4.1869 at Carlisle. He signed the registration (shakily).

Agnes was recorded at Kaueranga Girls School Thames, Register no. 75, admission date 21 January 1880. Parent Thomas Fyfe, address Hape Creek. Last day 5th November 1880, destination, Bay of Islands.

Buried St James Cemetery Kerikeri, beside other family members.

Children of WILLIAM SKUDDER and AGNES FYFE are:

2. i. AGNES¹¹ SKUDDER, b. 23 May 1886, Kerikeri New Zealand; d. 18 Oct 1962, Kawakawa, Northland, New Zealand.
3. ii. WILLIAM GEORGE(GEORGE) SKUDDER, b. 24 Jun 1887, Kerikeri New Zealand; d. 12 May 1984, Kaeo, Northland New Zealand.
4. iii. ARTHUR (ARTIE) INWOOD SKUDDER, b. 23 Dec 1888, Kerikeri New Zealand; d. 19 Jun 1970, Kawakawa, Northland, New Zealand.
5. iv. ETHEL FRANCES (FRANCES) SKUDDER, b. 20 Sep 1891, Kerikeri New Zealand; d. 13 Oct 1981.
6. v. HARRIETT CATHERINE SKUDDER, b. 22 Aug 1893, Kerikeri Bay of Islands New Zealand; d. 09 Dec 1985, Waikato Hospital Hamilton New Zealand.
7. vi. THOMAS CHARLES (CHARLIE) SKUDDER, b. 03 Nov 1895, Kerikeri New Zealand; d. 24 Sep 1982, Residence 3 Moehau Road Kamo, Whangarei.
8. vii. ALFRED (ALF) ROBERT SKUDDER, b. 18 Jan 1898, Kerikeri New Zealand; d. 19 Mar 1981, Kaeo Hospital, Northland, New Zealand.
9. viii. MARGARET EMILY (MADGE) SKUDDER, b. 09 Feb 1900, Kerikeri New Zealand; d. 23 Aug 1980, Rawene, Bay of Islands New Zealand.
10. ix. HAROLD JAMES SKUDDER, b. 27 Feb 1902, Kerikeri New Zealand; d. 14 Jan 1994, Kawakawa, Northland, New Zealand.
11. x. MARY ADELINE (MAY) SKUDDER, b. 30 Dec 1904, Kerikeri New Zealand; d. 02 Apr 1990, Whangarei New Zealand.
12. xi. EUNICE ELIZABETH SKUDDER, b. 12 Jul 1908, Auckland New Zealand; d. 29 Jul 1992.
13. xii. RONALD NEIL SKUDDER, b. 13 Nov 1910, Kerikeri New Zealand; d. 11 Jun 1987, Northcote, Auckland, New Zealand.
- xiii. EVELYN MIMA SKUDDER, b. 13 May 1913, Kerikeri New Zealand; d. 1916, Kerikeri New Zealand.

Notes for EVELYN MIMA SKUDDER:

There was something not quite right with little Evelyn Mima. Aunty May suspected her eyesight was

impaired as she always walked around holding onto the wall. She died at the age of 3.
Buried beside her parents St. James Church Kerikeri New Zealand.

Generation No. 2

2. AGNES¹¹ SKUDDER (*WILLIAM¹⁰, THOMAS⁹, THOMAS⁸, THOMAS⁷, JOHN⁶, THOMAS⁵, WILLIAM⁴, THOMAS³, GEORGE², THOMAS¹*) was born 23 May 1886 in Kerikeri New Zealand, and died 18 Oct 1962 in Kawakawa, Northland, New Zealand. She married JOHN THOMAS (DU SANTOS) SANDERS 1906. He was born 1880 in Russell Bay of Islands New Zealand, and died 1943.

Notes for AGNES SKUDDER:

Death notice reads:--

SANDERS - Agnes. 18th October 1962 at Kawakawa (late of Kerikeri) Wife of John. Mother of Enid, (Mrs W. Calder), Horace, (Tikipunga) Ruth, (Mrs R.E. Powell, Moerewa) Linley, (Mrs Ken Sirl, Kaikohe), John (Kawakawa) and the late Allan. Aged 76 years.
Buried in the Kamo Cemetery, Whangarei.

Notes for JOHN THOMAS (DU SANTOS) SANDERS:

Sanders is the Anglicised version of Du Santos. The name suggest maybe Brazillian/ Peruvian. He was of a dark swarthy complexion, which was handed down to his son Horace, who was named Darkie.

Children of AGNES SKUDDER and JOHN SANDERS are:

- i. ENID FRANCES¹² SANDERS, b. 1907, Kiripaka Whangarei New Zealand; d. 21 Oct 1998, Lester Memorial Hospital, Whangarei, New Zealand; m. WALLACE CALDER; b. 1907, Dalkeith Midlothian Scotland; d. 21 Jan 1992.

Notes for WALLACE CALDER:

Wallace was a printer by trade, who lived in Whangarei.

- ii. HORACE (DARKIE) SANDERS, b. 1909, Kiripaka Whangarei New Zealand; d. 08 Oct 1985, Whangarei, Northland, New Zealand; m. GERTIE MARGARET HAMILTON, 1936; b. 08 Feb 1915, Christchurch Canterbury New Zealand.
- iii. ALAN GEORGE (SNOW) SANDERS, b. 12 Jun 1911, Russell Bay of Islands New Zealand; d. 1945, Whangarei, Northland, New Zealand; m. MAVIS MYRA HAYWOOD, 1935; b. 1915, Hikurangi, Northland, New Zealand; d. Whangarei, Northland, New Zealand.
- iv. RUTH EMILY SANDERS, b. 1913, Kiripaka, Whangarei, New Zealand; d. 1997, Kerikeri New Zealand; m. CYRIL ROY POWELL, 1940.

Notes for RUTH EMILY SANDERS:

Ruth build a magnificent home at the top of the property at Kerikeri with lovely views out to Cape Brett. Jackie her brother lived with her.

- v. LINLEY CAVILLE SANDERS, b. 13 Jan 1918, Kiripaka Whangarei New Zealand; m. HUGH KENNEDY SIRL, 1940; b. 1906, Whangarei New Zealand.
- vi. JOHN (JACKIE) STEPHEN SANDERS, b. 1924, Whangarei New Zealand; d. 1998, Whangarei, Northland, New Zealand.

Notes for JOHN (JACKIE) STEPHEN SANDERS:

Jackie never married and lived with Ruth at Kerikeri. He worked at Moerewa.

3. WILLIAM GEORGE(GEORGE)¹¹ SKUDDER (*WILLIAM¹⁰, THOMAS⁹, THOMAS⁸, THOMAS⁷, JOHN⁶, THOMAS⁵, WILLIAM⁴, THOMAS³, GEORGE², THOMAS¹*) was born 24 Jun 1887 in Kerikeri New Zealand, and died 12 May 1984 in Kaeo, Northland New Zealand. He married CAROLINE HAZEL (HAZEL) ADAMS 30 Sep 1914, daughter of HENRY ADAMS and ELIZABETH HANSEN. She was born 11 Sep 1895 in Te Puna, Russell, New Zealand, and died 30 Sep 1931 in Dargaville, Northland, New Zealand.

Notes for WILLIAM GEORGE(GEORGE) SKUDDER:

On his death certificate his birth was stated as being 27th June 1887. George being the eldest son, inherited the land at Skudders Beach, Kerikeri. He lived with his son Les in later years, and Les sold off the farm, much to the rest of the family's horror.

Regiment number for the 1916 Expeditionary forces was 107707. Occupation, farm manager, living at Kaeo. Buried in St James Churchyard, Kerikeri. Gravestone reads:--

William George SKUDDER, eldest son of Agnes and William. Loved husband of Hazel Caroline. Born 24-6-1887. Died 12-5-1984 in his 97th year.

"Memories." "Together Forever" R.I.P. Shirley Edith nee SKUDDER.

Notes for CAROLINE HAZEL (HAZEL) ADAMS:
Buried at Dargaville Mt. Wesley Cemetery.

Children of WILLIAM SKUDDER and CAROLINE ADAMS are:

- i. LESLIE GEORGE¹² SKUDDER, b. 19 Sep 1915, Kaeo Bay of Islands New Zealand; d. 02 Dec 2004, Kerikeri, Bay of Islands, New Zealand; m. AGNES THEDA CAMPBELL, 1939; b. 19 Apr 1917, Dargaville Northland New Zealand; d. 23 Jun 2008, Kerikeri Retirement Village, Northland, New Zealand.

Notes for LESLIE GEORGE SKUDDER:
Buried Kerikeri.

Notes for AGNES THEDA CAMPBELL:
Death notice in the Herald said Agnes was 91 years, and she was to be interred in Wiroa Road Cemetery, Kerikeri on the 28th June 2008.

- ii. ALFRED LLEWELLYN (ALLEN) SKUDDER, b. 11 Jul 1918, Kaeo, Bay of Islands New Zealand; d. 21 Jun 1990; m. ALICE MARY MC CONDACH, 1947.

Notes for ALFRED LLEWELLYN (ALLEN) SKUDDER:
Buried in the R.S.A. section of the Kerikeri Cemetery.

- iii. BERYL SKUDDER, b. 07 Feb 1922, Russell Bay of Islands New Zealand; d. 25 Mar 2006, Whangarei New Zealand; m. KEVIN ROLLESTON LACEY, 1942; b. 10 Jan 1917, Hawera Taranaki New Zealand.
- iv. SHIRLEY EDITH SKUDDER, b. 23 Feb 1926, Kerikeri New Zealand; d. 27 Feb 1985, Kerikeri, Bay of Islands, New Zealand; m. (1) ALAN SYDNEY THORBURN, 1947; m. (2) LEONARD WILLIAM COTTERILL, 1964; m. (3) KENNETT FREETH, 1977; b. 26 Apr 1928, Blenheim Marlborough New Zealand; d. 25 Aug 1985, Kerikeri, Bay of Islands, New Zealand.

Notes for SHIRLEY EDITH SKUDDER:
Also a baby born between 1944 and 1949 that died of T.B. named Kelvin or Calvin (unsure of spelling.) Shirley also had a child Peter Lewis who was given up for adoption by Shirley. (Her last child.)

4. ARTHUR (ARTIE) INWOOD¹¹ SKUDDER (*WILLIAM¹⁰, THOMAS⁹, THOMAS⁸, THOMAS⁷, JOHN⁶, THOMAS⁵, WILLIAM⁴, THOMAS³, GEORGE², THOMAS¹*) was born 23 Dec 1888 in Kerikeri New Zealand, and died 19 Jun 1970 in Kawakawa, Northland, New Zealand. He married (1) NORAH EVELYN MARY CHEESEMAN 17 Nov 1914 in St James Church, Kerikeri, Bay of Islands, New Zealand, daughter of HORACE CHEESEMAN and SARAH HEAP. She was born 10 Dec 1890 in Mercury Bay Coromandel New Zealand, and died 17 Dec 1944. He married (2) SYBIL PAULINE (HOLLY) HOLLAND (NEE RAFFERTY) 09 Aug 1958. She was born 07 Aug 1902 in Coventry, Warwickshire, England, and died 1996.

Notes for ARTHUR (ARTIE) INWOOD SKUDDER:

Uncle Artie owned the plot of land he inherited from his father at Skudders Beach. My grandmothers plot was beside his.

Marriage notice reads, "17 Nov 1914, St James Church, Kerikeri, Arthur Inwood Skudder of Moerewa to Evelyn, only daughter of Mar and Mrs Horace Cheeseman, Kerikeri, Bay of Islands."

In the 1911 Post Office Directory Arthur was recorded as a photographer. In the 1929 directory as a farmer of Kawakawa.

Regiment number for the 1916 Expeditionary Forces was 137337. He was a labourer living at Moerewa. Buried Kawakawa Cemetery A05.22

Children of ARTHUR SKUDDER and NORAH CHEESEMAN are:

- i. BEATRIX HAINSWORTH (TRIX)¹² SKUDDER, b. 09 Sep 1915, Kawakawa New Zealand; d. 02 Dec 2000, Auckland, New Zealand; m. THOMAS JAMES PERKINSON, 1937; b. 1920, Auckland New Zealand.
- ii. WINSOME MAY SKUDDER, b. 30 Sep 1917, Kawakawa New Zealand; m. HENRY PERCIVAL ROUSE, 1939; b. 17 Aug 1910, Whangarei New Zealand; d. 1988, Auckland, New Zealand.

Notes for WINSOME MAY SKUDDER:
Winsome still alive as at 16 March 2006, living in Auckland on the North Shore and still driving her car.

- iii. JOHN CHEESEMAN SKUDDER, b. 04 Aug 1920, Kawakawa New Zealand; d. 05 Dec 1941, Sidi Rezegh Libya Egypt WW2.

Notes for JOHN CHEESEMAN SKUDDER:
John Cheesman Skudder died in WWII. He was a Private in the 27 Machine Gun Battalion, in the

Western Desert. On his papers it said he was 23 (21) years of age ??? when he died.

- iv. STILLBORN SKUDDER, b. 1922.
- v. AILSA GRACE SKUDDER, b. 13 Mar 1924, Kawakawa New Zealand; m. ALAN PERCY STANLEY, 1945.
- vi. LEWIS ARTHUR (LEW) SKUDDER, b. 31 Mar 1927, Kawakawa New Zealand; m. ENID PEVERLEY SPENCER, 1956; b. 1933, Melbourne Victoria Australia.
- vii. DIANA MARY SKUDDER, b. 23 Dec 1930, Kawakawa New Zealand; m. RAYMOND HENNING WALKER, 1975.

5. ETHEL FRANCES (FRANCES)¹¹ SKUDDER (*WILLIAM*¹⁰, *THOMAS*⁹, *THOMAS*⁸, *THOMAS*⁷, *JOHN*⁶, *THOMAS*⁵, *WILLIAM*⁴, *THOMAS*³, *GEORGE*², *THOMAS*¹) was born 20 Sep 1891 in Kerikeri New Zealand, and died 13 Oct 1981. She married JOHN HENRY (PETER) DONALDSON 22 Apr 1912 in St. James Church Kerikeri Bay of Islands New Zealand. He was born 1889 in Bay of Islands, Northland, New Zealand.

Notes for ETHEL FRANCES (FRANCES) SKUDDER:

Aunty Francis and Grandma were married on the same day at St James Church, Kerikeri.

Both Grandma and Aunty Francis took the rowing boat and rowed to Russell shopping for items for their wedding dresses.

Notes for JOHN HENRY (PETER) DONALDSON:

Frances and John married in a double wedding with Harriett and William Pentecost.

Children of ETHEL SKUDDER and JOHN DONALDSON are:

- i. NOEL TOLERTON¹² DONALDSON, b. 1913, Ohaeawai Northland; m. GRACE MARY PHILLIPS, 1938; b. 1913, Eltham, Taranaki, New Zealand.
- ii. HUBERT IAN DONALDSON, b. 1914, Ohaeawai Northland New Zealand; m. (1) VIOLET PHILLIPS, 1941; b. 27 Mar 1915, Auckland New Zealand; m. (2) CAROLE DIANNE THORBURN, 1979; b. 1943, Morrinsville New Zealand.
- iii. ARTHUR ROY (ROY) DONALDSON, b. 1918, Ohaeawai Northland; m. (1) AUDREY ELLEN CHRISTIE, 1940; b. 1917, Whangarei New Zealand; m. (2) HELEN LINDLEY MORRIS, 1956; b. 1927, Kawakawa New Zealand; m. (3) ISABEL SANDERSON, Aft. 1962.
- iv. BRIAN WILMOT DONALDSON, b. 1920, Ohaeawai Northland; d. 1936, Ohaeawai, Northland, New Zealand.
- v. MARK SELWYN (SELWYN) DONALDSON, b. 1921, Ohaeawai Northland; d. 05 Feb 1988, Hamilton New Zealand; m. MARGARET MARY CROTHALL, 1943; b. 1923, Raglan New Zealand; d. 24 Mar 1989, Hamilton New Zealand.

Notes for MARK SELWYN (SELWYN) DONALDSON:

Selwyn and Margaret lived in Hamilton near the hospital. They were quite friendly with Aunty June and Lionel.

6. HARRIETT CATHERINE¹¹ SKUDDER (*WILLIAM*¹⁰, *THOMAS*⁹, *THOMAS*⁸, *THOMAS*⁷, *JOHN*⁶, *THOMAS*⁵, *WILLIAM*⁴, *THOMAS*³, *GEORGE*², *THOMAS*¹) was born 22 Aug 1893 in Kerikeri Bay of Islands New Zealand, and died 09 Dec 1985 in Waikato Hospital Hamilton New Zealand. She married WILLIAM EDWARD PENTECOST 22 Apr 1912 in St James Anglican Church Kerikeri New Zealand, son of RICHARD PENTECOST and AGNES EDLIN. He was born 12 Jan 1887 in Rangiora New Zealand, and died 25 Jul 1974 in Waikato Hospital Hamilton New Zealand.

Notes for HARRIETT CATHERINE SKUDDER:

Birth Certificate. Marriage Certificate. Grandma was a lady.

She used to tell us wonderful stories when we were little sitting in her bed after we had stayed for a night. She was a very talented person, clever with handiwork, knitting, crochet, making pillow covers which she had smocked, making swans of tulle to sit on the bed, tabletops of half burnt matches from Grandpops pipe, footstools of golden syrup tins which were covered with felt.

She also coloured black and white photos for 'Kenwyn Studios' in Te Aroha before the days of colour photos. She used to collect them from the photographer on Friday when she was in town, and return them for their clients the following Friday.

She was a marvellous cook - girdle scones cooked on the coal range top, sponges, and her preserves - peaches, nectarines, pears etc., lined the dairy shelves. Butter was churned in the dairy and made into pats with wooden paddles. I can remember turning the churn for her for hours to make the butter.

She had a double wedding with sister Frances and John Donaldson.

Grandma became ill at 93, she had a tumour above her nose and eyes. She was admitted into Waikato Hospital where radium treatment just made things worse. I was with grandma, holding her hand when she died.

Burial Service held at St Marks' Anglican Church TeAroha. Burial at TeAroha Lawn Cemetery New Zealand

Notes for WILLIAM EDWARD PENTECOST:

In his early days grandpop worked at the Victoria Battery Gold Mine in the Karangahake Gorge near Waihi. From what I can remember him telling me when I was small he was an engineer assistant manager. Richard (Dick) was born at Waikino, then Grandma, Grandpop and Dick shifted to Paeroa, before moving on to Onewhero Casein Factory, where the rest of the children were born.

The family shifted to Waitoa, where they lived at first with Auntie Emmie (Pentecost) and Bill Kerr on their farm at Ngarua. Uncle Dick began school at Ngarua. They were waiting for a house at the Waitoa factory to shift into.

Grandpop bought some land that had been set aside for a school (never built) which was to serve Waihou and Waitoa on the corner of Seddon Road named Waihekau Block 1, from the Education Board in 1927. He had a mortgage from the BNZ, then transferring that to State Advances.

By the end of 1930 the land was paid for in full. There he built his home.

He later divided off some land for Mavis and Dick to build their house, and in 1940 sold some land to Uncle Arthur for his home.

There was sufficient land to build his house with tennis court. Each house had plenty of land with large orchard and vegetable gardens. On the paddock behind he grazed a cow for milk which he milked by hand each day, to supply each household with plenty to make their own butter etc. There were hens and chickens which roamed freely. It was fun searching for egg nests in the rushes. Every year we rounded up all the branches and logs and built a bonfire for Guy Fawkes. We let off the fireworks on the tennis court and had a wonderful time with all our cousins etc. Grandpop had a marvellous garden which we raided for peas and carrots, he even grew his own tobacco. A windmill supplied ample water for his garden.

Grandpop was presented with a silver teapot inscribed - "Presented to W.E. Pentecost, by The Employees of Thames Valley Dairy Company 1914". This must have been when they lived at Paeroa before shifting to the Casein Factory at Onewhero. I have this teapot, which brings back many memories of Grandpop sitting in his chair by the fireplace, with his cup and saucer perched on the wooden arm of his chair, which he refilled from the silver teapot sitting on the hearth beside him. He used to tip the tea into his saucer and slurp it up from the saucer.

His occupation at the time of Wilfred's birth was Creamery Manager, Te Hirua, near Pukekohe.

Also, Grandpop had a "Second Class Engine-drivers Certificate of Competency for Stationary Engines"

Passed 26.5.1919. Also, a "Traction Engine Driver" Certificate passed 31.1.1938.

Enrolled Rangiora primary, then Motupipi School 29.3.1897 by his Dad Richard. Had an anchor tattooed on his right forearm.

1939 Wise's Directory, he was listed as an engineer of Waitoa.

Buried at TeAroha Lawn Cemetery New Zealand

Children of HARRIETT SKUDDER and WILLIAM PENTECOST are:

- i. RICHARD WILLIAM¹² PENTECOST, b. 03 Mar 1913, Waikino, Karangahape Gorge, New Zealand; d. 05 May 2010, Bernadette Rest Home, Mt. Maunganui, Bay of Plenty, New Zealand; m. MAVIS JEAN ARNDT, 16 Apr 1938, Morrinsville New Zealand; b. 27 Jul 1914, Te Aroha New Zealand; d. 08 Nov 2007, Bernadette Rest Home, Mt. Maunganui, New Zealand..

Notes for RICHARD WILLIAM PENTECOST:

Dick was born in Waikino where Grandpop worked at the Waikino Gold Battery. He later shifted to Paeroa, then to Onewhero where his brothers and sister were born.

He first attended school at Ngarua, where the family lived with the Kerr's until their house was built at Waihou.

When he married Uncle Dick built a house beside Grandma and Grandpops on the few acres Grandpop owned there. We loved to go over to see Kaye and Peter when we visited Grandma.

Dick and Lionel had a dance band the "Swing Stars" and played all over the Waikato. Dick playing the saxophone and Lionel the drums.

Uncle Dick owned many Citroen cars which he bought and changed for a newer model after a few years. He showed us how the car lifted when it started up.

Uncle Dick owned a delicatessen on Te Aroha. Later in life he was to sell his home in Waihou and they shifted into Te Aroha. When they retired they bought in Waihi Beach, shifting later to Omokoroa, and Mt Maunganui.

Notes for MAVIS JEAN ARNDT:

Aunty Mavis passed away at 1.30p.m. Thursday 8.11.2007. She died age 93 years of cancer of the bowel.

- ii. LIONEL MILTON PENTECOST, b. 01 May 1915, Tuakau, New Zealand; d. 29 Apr 1986, His home at 99 Bader Street Melville Hamilton New Zealand; m. JUNE ISOBELLA CRAWFORD, 06 Jun 1942, St Mark's Anglican Church, Te Aroha, Waikato, New Zealand; b. 09 Jan 1924, Hamilton New Zealand; d. 08 Apr 1989, Waikato Hospital Hamilton New Zealand.

Notes for LIONEL MILTON PENTECOST:

Lionel and June first lived in Chudleigh, then later in Esk Strett in Waitoa. They lived in flats there and we often visited as it was just down the road from our house.

Later they shifted to Te Awamutu, then Hamilton where Uncle Lionel used to sell furniture. They lived in Bader Street Hamilton for many years until both Lionel and June died.

Buried Te Aroha Cemetery

Notes for JUNE ISOBELLA CRAWFORD:

Buried Te Aroha Cemetery

- iii. WILFRED ROY PENTECOST, b. 26 Apr 1917, Pukekohe Nursing Home; d. 09 Oct 1995, Rest Home Howick Auckland New Zealand; m. ENA BEATRICE HENRIKSON, 04 Nov 1950, St. Mark's Church, Te Aroha. - Dissolved 1973; b. 23 Nov 1930, Morrinsville, New Zealand; d. Bet. 1993 - 1994, Tauranga Hospital, Bay of Plenty, New Zealand..

Notes for WILFRED ROY PENTECOST:

On his marriage certificate Wiff (Wilfred) was shown as a garage proprietor. He had served his apprenticeship at Hawke Motors in Te Aroha.

Served in WW2 and was in Singapore and Malaya, where he contracted malaria.

After the war built a new garage at Tatanui. He had previously worked at Flays Garage in Tatanui.

When Francie was just a baby, about 1952/3 Uncle Weetie had a shooting accident. He put his gun against a fence to climb over and the trigger went off.

He was taken to Waikato Hospital where gangrene set in and his arm had to be amputated.

Wiff and Ena lived in Sanders Avenue in Morrinsville until their marriage ended.

Later shifted to Maungatapu near Tauranga, then to Auckland and a Rest Home in Howick near his daughter Francie.

- iv. NOLA DULCIE PENTECOST, b. 03 May 1919, Te Hirua, Auckland, New Zealand; m. RONALD ALBERT RAYMOND PERRY, 29 Nov 1941, St.Marks' Anglican Church Te Aroha, New Zealand; b. 23 Nov 1915, Mt Albert, Auckland, New Zealand; d. 28 Sep 1994, Te Aroha, New Zealand.

Notes for NOLA DULCIE PENTECOST:

Birth Certificate.Born on a Saturday, at Te Hirua, near Onewhero where Grandpop was the casein factory manager.

Mum began school at Waitoa at a new school there. Grandma and Grandpop lived at the new Waitoa Dairy houses in the lane opposite the school, until their new house was built on the corner of Seddon Road, Waihou.

Notes for RONALD ALBERT RAYMOND PERRY:

My mother and father who were newly married, purchased the Perry family house at Bellamy Road, Waitoa, when the rest of the family returned to Auckland.

At the time of their marriage Dad and uncle Jim owned a grocery store near the tanker road to the Waitoa Dairy Factory. This was later purchased by the Farmer's Trading Company. After the shop was sold, my Dad sold the old home in Bellamy Road, and we lived in a small house beside it while he had a new brick home built behind the Post Office in Waitoa. We moved in just after I began school at 5 years of age.Dad was the rural delivery mailman for Ngarua Road, and No 1 Road. I remember going with him in the van.

Later, he worked in the telephone exchange. In those days the exchange was manual, and Dad worked 6 hour shifts. Many years on, he was to work behind the counter in the main postoffice. He had a great interest in stamps and purchased sheets of them in the hopes they would rise in value. I still have those stamps. Dad loved pottering around his shed, looking after his garden and the chooks.

When I married, Mum and Dad sold this house and shifted to Te Aroha. Dad continued to work at the Te Aroha postoffice until he retired, age 60.

The day he died, he had trouble starting the lawn mower, and had a massive heart attack.

Birth Certificate.Marriage Certificate.

More About RONALD ALBERT RAYMOND PERRY:

Burial: Te Aroha Cemetery, New Zealand¹

7. THOMAS CHARLES (CHARLIE)¹¹ SKUDDER (*WILLIAM*¹⁰, *THOMAS*⁹, *THOMAS*⁸, *THOMAS*⁷, *JOHN*⁶, *THOMAS*⁵, *WILLIAM*⁴, *THOMAS*³, *GEORGE*², *THOMAS*¹) was born 03 Nov 1895 in Kerikeri New Zealand, and died 24 Sep 1982 in Residence 3 Moehau Road Kamo, Whangarei. He married EVA (EVE) JANE BRAYSHAW 31 Jan 1922. She was born 23 May 1897 in Blenheim, Marlborough, New Zealand, and died 14 May 1982 in Residence Moehau Road Kamo Whangarei.

Notes for THOMAS CHARLES (CHARLIE) SKUDDER:

In the 1939 Post office Directory (Wise's) Charlie was a clerk of Kawakawa. In the 1929 Directory he was an accountant of Moerewa, and in the 1939 Directory he was a foreman of Moerewa.

Uncle Charlie and Auntie Eve purchased a house in Moehau Road, Kamo, Whangarei when they retired. We also lived in Moehau Road at that time, across the road and down 2 doors. We transferred to Hamilton shortly after they shifted in.

Buried at St. James Churchyard Kerikeri.

Gravestone reads:---

In Loving Memory of Thomas Charles SKUDDER. Born 2-11-1895. Died 24-9-1982.

And his Wife Eva Jane SKUDDER. Born 23-5-1897, Died 14-5-1982.

"United in Life. Reunited in Eternity".

Notes for EVA (EVE) JANE BRAYSHAW:

Buried Whangarei cemetery.

Children of THOMAS SKUDDER and EVA BRAYSHAW are:

- i. IRWIN CHARLES¹² SKUDDER, b. 07 Nov 1922, Kawakawa New Zealand; d. 02 May 2010, Auckland Hospital, New Zealand; m. DOROTHY AILEEN TUPPER, 07 Jul 1955; b. 20 Dec 1924, Stewiacke, Nova Scotia, Canada.

Notes for IRWIN CHARLES SKUDDER:

RNZAF No: NZ427234. IRWIN CHARLES SKUDDER

Died suddenly at Auckland Hospital after a brief illness, in his 88th year.

Eldest son of the late Chas and Eva, husband of Dorothy. Loved father of Carol and Marty, Sue and Ewen, and Trish. Grandad of Chloe and Xave, Shayna, David and Sam, Paige, Eden and Ike. A service to celebrate Irwin's life will be held at the Eastern Suburbs Chapel of the Morrison Funeral Home, 79 Line Road, Glen Innes on Thursday 6th May 2010 at 12.30p.m. followed by private cremation.

In lieu of flowers, donations to the Auckland District Kidney Society can be made at the Chapel and would be appreciated.

Communications to the Skudder Family, C/- the above Funeral Home.

- ii. DOROTHY PAULINE SKUDDER, b. 1924, Kawakawa New Zealand; d. 27 Aug 2009, Whangarei; m. LLOYD ALEXANDER OWEN, Abt. 1949; b. 1921, Auckland New Zealand.

Notes for DOROTHY PAULINE SKUDDER:

At the time Pauline's father died the family lived at Hukeranui.

Death notice in the New Zealand Herald 28th August 2009 says she was grandmother to, Tim, Katie and James, and Wendy; Dylan, Adrienne and Brodie, great gran of Ben, Levi, Elijah and Jasmine,

She was in Oakhaven Private Hospital in Whangarei before her death.

- iii. KENNETH GORDON SKUDDER, b. 30 Mar 1925, Kawakawa New Zealand; d. 16 Sep 2008; m. NETTA ETHEL DAWN MORGAN, 1950; b. 1932, Okaihau Northland New Zealand.

Notes for KENNETH GORDON SKUDDER:

Ken and Netta lived at Hukeranui when his father died.

Kenneth was buried in the Whangarei Cemetery 16.9.2008.

- iv. LESLEY CLAIRE SKUDDER, b. 1927, Kawakawa New Zealand; m. VICTOR WILLIAM MITCHELL, 1949; b. 1926, Whangarei New Zealand.
- v. ALISON MARION SKUDDER, b. 1930, Kawakawa New Zealand; m. CLARENCE LEO THORBURN, 1954.

Notes for ALISON MARION SKUDDER:

Alison lived in Whangarei when her father died.

- vi. ROGER DOUGLAS SKUDDER, b. 1934, Kawakawa New Zealand; m. DOREEN ADA CAWKWELL, 1966.

Notes for ROGER DOUGLAS SKUDDER:

Roger lived in Whangarei when his father died.

- vii. BRIAN RENTON SKUDDER, b. 1937, Kawakawa New Zealand; m. ROSALIE FRANCES HARRIS, 31 Dec 1960; b. 10 Mar 1941, New Plymouth Taranaki New Zealand.

Notes for BRIAN RENTON SKUDDER:

Engagement notice reads:--

SKUDDER-HARRIS

Brian Renton, son of T.C.Skudder of Hukeranui, to Rosalie Florence Harris, only daughter of Mrs I.K> Beats, 7 Kensington Ave., Whangarei and the late Mr E. Harris of New Plymouth.

8. ALFRED (ALF) ROBERT¹¹ SKUDDER (*WILLIAM¹⁰, THOMAS⁹, THOMAS⁸, THOMAS⁷, JOHN⁶, THOMAS⁵, WILLIAM⁴, THOMAS³, GEORGE², THOMAS¹*) was born 18 Jan 1898 in Kerikeri New Zealand, and died 19 Mar 1981 in Kaeo Hospital, Northland, New Zealand. He married (1) CLARICE WILHEMINA ATKINSON 31 Jan 1922. She was born 1899 in Waimate North, Auckland, New Zealand, and died 29 Sep 1926. He married (2) LENA RITA FULLER 25 Jun 1960. She was born 25 Jan 1905, and died 19 Mar 1981.

Notes for ALFRED (ALF) ROBERT SKUDDER:

Uncle Alf lived in Farmers Road, Waitoa when I was a child. He was on the Waitoa School Committee, and worked at the dairy factory. His wife had died and he had a housekeeper, Mrs Clemments to care for his family. Naureen and Pixie were his daughters and Naureens daughter Colleen was my age, so we played together.

Regiment number for the 1916 Expeditionary Forces was 93311 - 79800 he was a Private with the 41st Reinforcements H Company which embarked on the ship "Ulimaroa" in Wellington 27th July, 1918 bound for London, England. Occupation driver at Kerikeri.

Alf retired in later years to his plot at Kerikeri, Skudders Beach.

Buried Wiroa Soldiers Cemetery Keri Keri.

Notes for CLARICE WILHEMINA ATKINSON:

Buried in Te Aroha Cemetery. Clarice was buried 1st October 1926 age 25 years Plot S29.

Notes for LENA RITA FULLER:

Buried in Whangarei cemetery. She died at her son's residence in Kerikeri, she was a sister-in-law of Norman and Doreen Fuller.

Children of ALFRED SKUDDER and CLARICE ATKINSON are:

- i. NAUREEN (TRIXIE) CLARICE¹² SKUDDER, b. 11 Feb 1923, Kawakawa New Zealand; d. 2000; m. (1) ALEXANDER WILLIAM CHITTOCK; m. (2) FREDERICK JOHN ROBERTS, 1949; b. 1913, Waitara Taranaki New Zealand.

Notes for NAUREEN (TRIXIE) CLARICE SKUDDER:

Naureen lived in Mt Albert, Auckland when her father died.

- ii. LORRAINE MAY (PIXIE) SKUDDER, b. 23 May 1925, Waitoa, Waikato, New Zealand; m. COLIN CLIFFORD SCOTT, 21 Feb 1948; b. 18 Dec 1923, Morrinsville, Waikato, New Zealand.

Notes for LORRAINE MAY (PIXIE) SKUDDER:

Pixie lived in Hamilton when her father died.

9. MARGARET EMILY (MADGE)¹¹ SKUDDER (*WILLIAM¹⁰, THOMAS⁹, THOMAS⁸, THOMAS⁷, JOHN⁶, THOMAS⁵, WILLIAM⁴, THOMAS³, GEORGE², THOMAS¹*) was born 09 Feb 1900 in Kerikeri New Zealand, and died 23 Aug 1980 in Rawene, Bay of Islands New Zealand. She married JOHN DEWE LE CLERC 22 Oct 1932. He was born 17 Feb 1904 in Whangarei New Zealand, and died 23 Dec 1991 in North Shore Takapuna Auckland New Zealand.

Notes for MARGARET EMILY (MADGE) SKUDDER:

Aunty Madge always seemed to us a little different. She wore very exotic clothes (smart) and drove a french Renault car with left hand drive, which she had bought back on her travels. Grandma was very fond of her.

Notes for JOHN DEWE LE CLERC:

John owned a garage in Kerikeri, for petrol and repairs.

Child of MARGARET SKUDDER and JOHN LE CLERC is:

- i. CONSTANCE VALMAE¹² LE CLERC, b. 19 Mar 1933, Whangarei New Zealand; m. VERNON LAVARD SNOW, 08 Feb 1964, Temple View Hamilton New Zealand; b. 18 Sep 1927, Salina, Sevier County Utah U.S.A..

Notes for CONSTANCE VALMAE LE CLERC:

Valmae and Vern own several acres of Skudder land in Skudder Beach Kerikeri. The view from their house is incredible, of Cape Brett and many of the islands in the bay. I have been very fortunate to be friends with their daughter Tina who lives in Salt Lake City and is a huge help with genealogy, being close to the Family History Centre there.

10. HAROLD JAMES¹¹ SKUDDER (*WILLIAM¹⁰, THOMAS⁹, THOMAS⁸, THOMAS⁷, JOHN⁶, THOMAS⁵, WILLIAM⁴,*

THOMAS³, GEORGE², THOMAS¹) was born 27 Feb 1902 in Kerikeri New Zealand, and died 14 Jan 1994 in Kawakawa, Northland, New Zealand. He married HILDA MARY LOOMB 04 Mar 1924. She was born 1899 in Auckland New Zealand, and died 1972.

Notes for HAROLD JAMES SKUDDER:

In the 1939 Post Office Directory Harold was listed as a farmer of Kerikeri.

Uncle Harold owned the land between Arties and Eunice at Skudders Beach. His house was at the top of the rise off the beach on the right. He owned the photos which are the single photos of Grandma and Grandpa Skudders in balloon glass frames. I own the photo of the pair of them also in balloon glass frames.

Harold is buried in St James Churchyard, Kerikeri. Gravestone reads:---

Harold James SKUDDER. Died 14th January 1994.

Notes for HILDA MARY LOOMB:

Buried Panmure Cemetery.

Children of HAROLD SKUDDER and HILDA LOOMB are:

- i. SHIRLEY MARY¹² SKUDDER, b. 1926, Otahuhu Auckland New Zealand; m. LINDSAY HAROLD CHESHIRE, 1946; b. 1923, Auckland New Zealand.
- ii. AGNES LENORE SKUDDER, b. 04 Apr 1928, Auckland New Zealand; d. 18 May 1931.
- iii. PETER HAROLD SKUDDER, b. 1936, Bay of Islands, Northland New Zealand; m. (1) DAWN OILSON; m. (2) ENID BEVERLEY SPENCER, 1956.
- iv. WILLIAM JAMES (BILL) SKUDDER, b. 1938; m. BARBARA MARY PURCELL, 23 Jan 1960.

Notes for WILLIAM JAMES (BILL) SKUDDER:

When Bill and Barbara retired they purchased a lovely new home in Skudders Beach Road.

- v. EWIN JAMES (JIM) SKUDDER, b. 1940; m. GWYNETH HUGHES, 30 Jun 1961.

11. MARY ADELINE (MAY)¹¹ SKUDDER (*WILLIAM¹⁰, THOMAS⁹, THOMAS⁸, THOMAS⁷, JOHN⁶, THOMAS⁵, WILLIAM⁴, THOMAS³, GEORGE², THOMAS¹*) was born 30 Dec 1904 in Kerikeri New Zealand, and died 02 Apr 1990 in Whangarei New Zealand. She married ERNEST (ERNIE) STEPHEN RALLS 15 Jun 1927. He was born 05 Aug 1900 in Tottenham London England, and died 11 Feb 1966 in Whangarei New Zealand.

Notes for MARY ADELINE (MAY) SKUDDER:

Aunt May was a dear, and I suspect my grandmothers favourite sister. May was grandma's bridesmaid.

Aunt May always made her house at Skudders Beach available to us to go and stay, so our children had lots of fun at Kerikeri playing in boats on the inlet. We have had some wonderful holidays there.

After Ernie died Aunt May sold the old homestead and shifted to a house in Norfolk Street, Whangarei. She was very proud of her garden, and had a huge bird bath as a centrepiece.

Aunt May drove her car everywhere, and often came down to Te Aroha to stay with grandma. They loved to play scrabble and one time she bought Aunt May Madge, their sister with her too. Then she would head off over to Tauranga from Te Aroha to visit Geoffrey and the children.

As she grew older she shifted in with Dorothy and David who lived a few doors up from her home.

After Aunt May died Geoffrey kept her car which is now in his collection of old cars.

Aunt May was cremated at Whangarei Cemetery..

Notes for ERNEST (ERNIE) STEPHEN RALLS:

Uncle Ernie and Aunt May lived in a beautiful old homestead overlooking Whangarei Basin.

They had a 40 ft. launch moored out from the bach at Kerikeri, on which Uncle Ernie took us up Te Puna inlet. He was fully rigged out in his yachting gear, white trousers and navy jacket complete with a yachting hat, and pipe in hand.

The first house I remembered they had a Kerikeri was an old cottage with a verandah, with a dirt floor. Later they were to demolish that to build the 3 adjoining properties that are on the section today, owned by Jack and June Stratford.

Jack's son, Timothy inherited the top unit from Willis when he died.

Geoff Ralls owned the middle unit which he inherited from Aunt May, which he sold to Jack and June Stratford.

Children of MARY SKUDDER and ERNEST RALLS are:

- i. VICTOR KEITH¹² RALLS, b. 25 Apr 1928, Kawakawa New Zealand; d. Abt. 29 Jul 1952, Whangarei New Zealand.

Notes for VICTOR KEITH RALLS:

Died in a motorcycle accident. Keith was buried in the Whangarei Cemetery 31st July 1952.

- ii. WILLIS DESMOND (WAG) RALLS, b. 05 Jun 1929, Kawakawa New Zealand; d. 21 May 1988, Whangarei New Zealand.

Notes for WILLIS DESMOND (WAG) RALLS:
Willis was cremated in Whangarei Cemetery.

- iii. DOROTHY MAY RALLS, b. 03 Oct 1930, Kawakawa New Zealand; m. DAVID JOHN AULD, 18 Apr 1953; b. 07 Sep 1929, Gisborne New Zealand; d. 24 Mar 2004, Kauri Coast Hospital, Whangarei New Zealand.
- iv. AUDREY MARGARET RALLS, b. 16 Oct 1931, Kawakawa New Zealand; d. 16 Oct 1972, Whangarei New Zealand; m. JOHN EDMUND (JACK) STRATFORD, 1955; b. 27 Jun 1929, Rangiora Canterbury New Zealand; d. 14 May 2007, Whangarei Base Hospital Northland New Zealand.

Notes for JOHN EDMUND (JACK) STRATFORD:

Jack died at 4a.m. 14th May, after a fall at home 3 days previously at 33 Mains Ave Whangarei. Jack had a stroke 10 years previously, and was only able to communicate with grunts and smiles, but understood all you said. He could only walk with the help of a walking frame. Born in Rangiora he was brought up on the West Coast at Greymouth where his sister Ann still lives. Also has a sister Mary who lives in Christchurch.

- v. LORNA FRANCES RALLS, b. 29 Oct 1933, Kawakawa New Zealand; m. RONALD FRANCIS WILLIAMS, 26 Oct 1955; b. 01 May 1932, Whangarei Northland New Zealand.
- vi. STEPHEN GEOFFERY RALLS, b. 29 Apr 1937, Kawakawa New Zealand; m. (1) ELIZABETH ANNE HALL, 1959; b. 1938, Whangarei New Zealand; m. (2) LORRAINE MARGARET HAYWOOD, 1975; m. (3) CATHERINE (CATHY) FLORENCE MURPHY, 1989.

12. EUNICE ELIZABETH¹¹ SKUDDER (*WILLIAM¹⁰, THOMAS⁹, THOMAS⁸, THOMAS⁷, JOHN⁶, THOMAS⁵, WILLIAM⁴, THOMAS³, GEORGE², THOMAS¹*) was born 12 Jul 1908 in Auckland New Zealand, and died 29 Jul 1992. She married HAROLD (HALLIE) SPENCER CHATFIELD 26 May 1936. He was born in South Africa.

Notes for EUNICE ELIZABETH SKUDDER:

Eunice was a clever painter, and many of the family have pictures of Kerikeri painted by her. She went to Auckland to train in her early days.

Notes for HAROLD (HALLIE) SPENCER CHATFIELD:

Uncle Hally was a lovely old chap. He took Lloyd and I and the girls fishing in a small motor boat in the bay, which broke down. We rowed to the oyster beds and Lloyd scrambled up the cliff to a farmhouse where he rang Hally's son Leon to come and tow us back home.

Children of EUNICE SKUDDER and HAROLD CHATFIELD are:

- i. DAVID BRUCE¹² CHATFIELD, b. 1937, Kawakawa New Zealand; m. MAUREEN GLENYS PHILLIPS, 1959; b. 1940, Auckland New Zealand.
- ii. LEON HAROLD CHATFIELD, b. 1939, Auckland New Zealand.
- iii. GARTH FRANK CHATFIELD, b. 1949, Kawakawa New Zealand.

13. RONALD NEIL¹¹ SKUDDER (*WILLIAM¹⁰, THOMAS⁹, THOMAS⁸, THOMAS⁷, JOHN⁶, THOMAS⁵, WILLIAM⁴, THOMAS³, GEORGE², THOMAS¹*) was born 13 Nov 1910 in Kerikeri New Zealand, and died 11 Jun 1987 in Northcote, Auckland, New Zealand.. He married (1) MAVIS MABEL PUGH 13 Apr 1937. She was born 1915 in Auckland New Zealand. He married (2) MAVIS (MAISIE) CATHERINE WARDEN 13 Apr 1946 in Auckland, New Zealand, daughter of CHARLES WARDEN and RUTH BRIDGMAN. She was born 14 Sep 1920 in Invercargill, Southland, New Zealand.

Notes for RONALD NEIL SKUDDER:

Ron's first marriage to Mavis Mabel (Eunice) Pugh, ended in divorce 1.11.1943.

Ron was cremated. His burial service took place at the Crematorium Chapel, Albany, Auckland on the 15.6.1987. Ashes at Kerikeri 27.6.1987. Gravestone reads:--

In Loving Memory of Ronald Neil SKUDDER. Born 13-11-1910, Died 11-6-1987.

"Fondly Remembered by Wife and Family".

Children of RONALD SKUDDER and MAVIS PUGH are:

- i. YVONNE CLAIRE AGNES¹² SKUDDER, b. 24 Aug 1937, Kawakawa New Zealand; m. (1) HERBERT GEORGE CANTRICK, 1955; b. 1935, Gore Otago New Zealand; m. (2) GARY THOMAS STEPHENS, 1967; b. 28 Nov 1937, Te Awamutu New Zealand.

- ii. RONALD GREGORY SKUDDER, b. 16 Feb 1939, Kawakawa New Zealand; m. GLENYS JOAN LIDGARD, 1963; b. 1941, Auckland New Zealand.
- iii. ANNETTA BROWN, b. 1940, Kawakawa New Zealand.

Children of RONALD SKUDDER and MAVIS WARDEN are:

- iv. NEIL WARDEN SKUDDER¹² (TWIN), b. 03 Mar 1947, Auckland New Zealand; m. JUDY VINCI.

Notes for NEIL WARDEN SKUDDER (TWIN):

Neil Warden and Judi Vinci were just partners. (not married)

- v. JENNIFER GAIL SKUDDER (TWIN), b. 03 Mar 1947, Auckland New Zealand; m. WILLIAM MACKIE, August ? in Canada.; b. 1941, Canada.
- vi. MAXINE MAREE SKUDDER, b. 10 Feb 1956, Auckland New Zealand; m. GRAHAM ANTHONY COLLINS, 1985; b. Jan 1956.

Endnotes

- 1. Death Certificate.

How it happened

HISTORY OF THE KERIKERI (Riverview) SCHOOL

(Written and compiled by Clarrie Henderson)

ALTHOUGH THESE EVENTS have been recorded to the best of the committee's ability from available records and from human memory, some sources had conflicting reports, so items may be subject to discussion.

The mission school set up by Thomas Kendall in 1816, was Kerikeri's first school, but this wasn't under the Department of Education.

March 1823. A school was first established in Kerikeri. It was incorporated in the first church which was opened on the 19th April, 1824, on the site where the St James Church (built 1874) is situated now.

1829. George Clarke recorded, "We have a neat little chapel with a town clock to tell us the time. It also serves as a school."

1893. The church school by this time had stopped operating, so a new school started on Pungaere Road to serve the Kerikeri district.

1903. The first government school was established in Kerikeri, in the Stone Store area, below the St James Church. It was built by a local man, Mr W. Skudder, with timber donated by John Black. The opening roll of 18 pupils taught by Miss Helena Hardy, consisted of Skudders, Tubbs, Fullers, Prestons, Cleaves, Urvines, Strongmans and Cooks. And getting to school wasn't easy. They all walked, horsebacked or rowed from as far away as the Kerikeri Inlet. This school continued until 1914 when the Stone Store bridge was built, and the Riverview School opened. Teachers at the school from 1903-1914 were Miss Hardy, Mr Upton, Mr J. R. McLeod, Miss Case.

1915. The school in Pungaere Road was shifted to the Riverview School site, but the origins of that site seem uncertain. One report says that the land was bought for the school from Harold Bull, while another set of records show a sale of the land in 1915, for thirty pounds by Mr G. Riddell. Additional land was later bought from Mr K. Zivkovich for 350 pounds in 1952. Mr Marcellus Cook bought the old school building and took it down to Kerikeri Inlet where he incorporated it as part of his home. But it wasn't away long. In 1935 Mrs Henderson bought it to use as an addition to her home in Riverview Road.

1919. Mr James Kemp awarded special prizes for worthiness to the most worthy boy and girl in every class, a tradition later carried on by the two Miss Kemps who lived in the old wooden house. The school's motto "Be Worthy" was a memorial to the late Mr James Kemp.

1920. Most of the older pupils who attended the first Kerikeri School at the Stone Store had left, leaving only a few younger children, Ronald Skudder, Eunice Skudder, Emily Cleave, Tom Fuller and Nada Fuller, all from the first families.

1924. Between 1920 and 1924 three new teachers started. They were Miss Gracy Fuller, Mr V. Nairn and Mr S. Marks, and in 1922 Mr Marks was responsible for forming the school's first scout troop. When the Pungaere School finally closed about 1924-25, the remaining pupils from there were transferred to Riverview School. They made their daily run from well up Pungaere Road in an old Chev truck driven by Mr Paddy O'Neill, who used it to take cream from Kerikeri to the Kaeo butter factory. Mr A. Mackie came to teach from 1926-1931.

1927. The roll now stood at 80 pupils and Mr Mackie was appointed head teacher at the Kerikeri Riverview School until 1931. He also was amongst those who formed the first Kerikeri football team, which in early years played in Waipapa and was incorporated into Whangaroa. At about the same time (1927-1931) the Riddell Estate was subdivided into sections and the district's fruit growing industry began. With it came a big increase in the school roll as new settlers took up residence. While the small village around the Stone Store remained much as it was and still is today, the new centre of Kerikeri started forming up on Kerikeri Road next to where the Homestead stood. This was at the time the headquarters of the North Auckland Land Development Company.

1933. Miss Raines took over the school from Mr Mackie and as the roll swelled, she struggled to find room for the children. She used the shelter sheds, and even covered the wallpaper of one of the teacher's residence rooms with brown paper, to provide extra teaching space. More rooms were added to the school in later years.

1952. Additional land was purchased for the school from Mrs K. Zivkovich as the school roll had now reached up in the nineties.

1958. The school roll had stretched to 118, but when the new Kerikeri Central School began, numbers started declining. The last of the Riverview School pupils were transferred to Kerikeri when the school closed in 1962.

Roll of Honour

On this occasion of the Reunion of the
Kerikeri Riverview School

we remember all those
who gave their lives in defence
of the land they loved.

WE WILL REMEMBER THEM

1914-1918

D. Baker
C. Faithfull

V. Baker
D. J. McLeod

1939-1945

G. Callender
D. Hewett
R. Shanon
M. Studholme

J. Grant
J. Raymond
K. Strongman
J. Waha

The First Kerikeri School

AT THE TURN OF THE CENTURY there was no school at Kerikeri, and quite a number of families requiring education. The Government of the day agreed that if a building could be supplied and arrangements made for boarding a teacher, they would provide the teacher. Imagine those terms these days. So my father, John Black, supplied the timber, etc, and Mr Skudder from Skudders Beach erected the one-room building, with porch for coats, etc. It was situated on the slope between the church and the present tearooms, the site of our home at the time.

The first teacher was a Miss Helen Hardey, and my grandmother, Mrs Kemp, boarded her. Later there was a Mr Frederic Upton. He boarded with us, poor man, so he never got away from his pupils. The children shyly called them Miss Hardey and Mr Upton. Christian names were certainly not used eighty years ago.

The school opened in 1903, with approximately twenty-odd children. My three elder sisters and two brothers had been taught by an aunt, Miss Charlotte Kemp, so they had a start. On the first school roll were Blacks, Kemps from what was later the Homestead, Skudders, Cleaves, Strongmans, Kingis, Bakers, children from Waipapa and others, and later Owen Fuller. The classes ranged from Primer 1 to Standard 6, and a sole teacher, but we were well taught and received a good grounding in the three R's. The building was not lined, and for the cold weather a kerosene heater was provided, but I seem to remember that we all suffered from chillblains, Miss Hardey included. She was a sweet gentle girl, almost certainly not much older than some of her pupils. For games we played rounders, hide-and-seek, hopscotch and skipping. There was a long skipping rope with several children skipping at a time. Simple games, but we were happy and contented children.

The morning timetable never varied. At 9 a.m. arithmetic, followed by writing in copy-books, quarter of an hour for play, the spelling, followed by composition for the older ones. An hour for lunch, reading out loud, then drawing and painting. The late afternoon would be drill, or sewing for the girls. During the sewing period the boys would be tidying up the grounds. We had spelling to learn for homework every night. The present child would no doubt be horrified at our timetable, but I think we enjoyed school.

The children would walk or ride to school. No school bus, oh no! The Kerikeri Inlet children had rowing boats. If the river was flooded they would have to walk, a long walk for little mites, but they seldom missed attending, only if the small rivers on their walkway were too deep to cross due to flooding, and rowing dangerous. Otherwise attendance was very good as was behaviour and honesty.

This is as I remember our little school. If any of my contemporaries see errors in these recollections I apologise. I could be wrong, for it is a long time ago; and there must be much that I have missed.

SOPHIA EASTGATE (Black)
Selwyn Park, Whangarei.



The Black Family. Gerald standing at back, and then from left, David Colquhoun, Charlotte Mary, baby Sophia Ethel, Mabel Cathcart and Frances Gertrude.



— 1912 —

Standing, back: Alf Skudder, Mr McLeod.

Second Row standing: Kitty Cleave, Robert Cleave, Owen Fuller, Max Bull, Ernie Preston,
Walter Irving, Hazel Preston.

Middle Row: Neil Fuller, Ben White, Elsie Irving, Harold Skudder.

Second Row seated: Mary Cleave, Dulcie Irving, Eileen Fuller, May Skudder, Grace Fuller,
Madge Skudder. Front: Doris Irving, Annie Cleave.

FROM SKUDDERS BEACH

HAVING BEEN INVITED to write a few thoughts on the Kerikeri School over the years I do not know how to convey to present day citizens the vast contrast that is involved. When I was five years old I started school. There were no local roads, no bridges and nearly all dwellings were sited near the water as that was the most convenient means of transport. We as pupils walked the miles from Skudders Beach on tracks through fern and gorse barefoot, having to cross two big fords, or rowed up to the Stone Store on the occasions when supplies were required. Others were worse off, living further away.

The school was sited below the Church and there were no playing fields. As such, pupils varied from about 12 at times. On big days 20 would attend. After the bridge at the Stone Store was built, the Pungaere School was moved down to the site it still occupies, as play centre, scout den, etc. Four acres were made available by Mr G. Riddell, for the school and playing fields. Attendance rose steadily.

After the development of the North Auckland Land Company and the settlement of orchards in the district the school again became inadequate and a primary and secondary school was sited on Hone Heke Road. Now a new primary is opened at Riverview on property that in my days of school was a wilderness of mighty gorse. Most pupils travel by bus, which is good.

H. F. SKUDDER

My Memories of School at Kerikeri

May Ralls (nee Skudder)

I STARTED AT THE first little school building in Kerikeri situated below St James Church. My father built it with the help of Mr Fitzgerald of the Inlet. Mr Fred Upton was the then teacher and he boarded with Mr W. Tubbs and family a little beyond what is now Kemp Road.

The school was solidly built of timber, unlined and would be I suppose roughly about 25ft square. It had a tiny entrance porch where we hung our coats and bags and washed our hands. On the outside there was a square iron tank for rainwater and a tap through the wall.

I remember two large bluegum trees and two earth toilets, one for the girls and one for boys. We used to play Jackstones under the school with the nuts off the gum trees on rainy days. What answered for a playground was a steepish rough hillside but there were two flat cleared areas where we skipped, played Three Sticks and formed a line for the march into school.

Rounders was quite exciting because the scouts became expert at fielding the ball from the hillside and taking pot shots at the runners. The balls with which we played were cunningly constructed by caring Mums and Dads thus — a small stone for the centre packed around tightly with wool or shredded rags then covered with strong gingham or a similar material and firmly sewn. Missiles were fashioned from flat boards made bat shape and narrowed down to a comfortable hand grip.

When more strenuous games like hockey were organised we went up to the Church clearing and thrashed around among the blue periwinkles. Also it was there that we had military drill and how we loved that! There were dummy wooden rifles, exact copies of the real thing. We stood to attention, stood easy, numbered from left to right, presented arms, formed fours, marched, saluted and were dismissed. It was the greatest disappointment to me personally that those rifles seemed to just disappear because we never saw them at the new school. Warlike? What me? Never!

A few months after I started school in 1910 came the coronation of King George 5th and Queen Mary. We were assembled by Mr Upton, who explained to us the historic significance, and were presented with coronation medals banded with red, white and blue ribbons by Sergeant Bradshaw, and granted the rest of the day off as a holiday. Sergeant Bradshaw was an elderly veteran of the Boer War who lived alone in a little old lean-to shack-cum-cottage down near the landing below and between the tiny Post Office and the Stone Store.

Mr Upton taught very well, we thought, and among other things we learned singing by the tonic-sol-fa method. He had a tuning fork which gave us middle C and we sang lovely songs, part songs and stirring rounds. Our lot found it highly intriguing because he himself did not have a true 'ear' and to us anyone who was 'flat' was hopeless. Oh! The arrogance of ignorance.

When Mr Upton went away our new teacher was John Duncan McLeod (Waipu), who was a very young man, whose appointment to Kerikeri would most likely have been his first sole charge school. It so happened that it was his doubtful privilege to be the initiator of a new method of training beginners to read and this caused a minor upheaval in our family. For once, so as not to upset the system, my younger sister Eunice went off to school without first having been given loads of home tuition. Being a shy little child and rather delicate, she was not receptive to Mr McLeod or his methods, so did not learn a thing. After a barage of correspondence between him and my mother, Eunice was taken away from school and at home had the alphabet dinned into her. In a very short while she was avidly reading everything she could lay her hands on and reading aloud to all who would listen. Present day educationists please note!

Mr McLeod taught with vigour and enthusiasm, joining in all the games. Discipline was great and good manners encouraged. Canings sometimes happened because there were three wickednesses definitely taboo. Telling lies, stealing and swearing. My, my! Seldom did any of those punishable sins merit attention, but when they did retribution followed. Honour had been served and nobody seemed to feel resentment, nor were they known to reoffend.

Unhappily the Great War began in 1914 and our teacher was among the first of the volunteers to be taken and was later killed in action.

Miss Dorothy Carse (from England) was our next teacher for quite a number of years and classes still went on in the little old school. A pleasant memory is of being given sewing lessons which on fine days took place under the Norfolk Island Pine (then a youngster) in the church grounds. There began to be talk of a new (secondhand) school which would be sited on virgin ground over the river. A larger schoolroom, a shelter shed and a big fenced paddock on a (comparative) level. About this time also a bridge was being built to span the waterfall by the

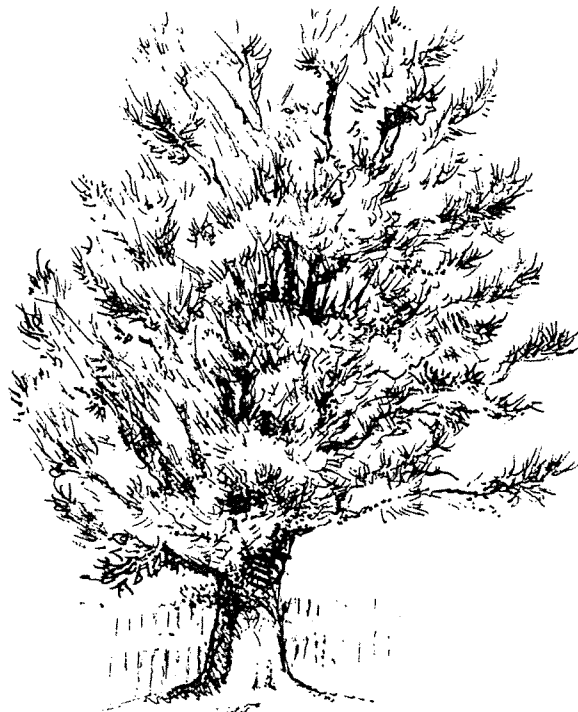
Stone Store. Wonderful, Marvellous. At a calculated guess I would say that the move to the new premises took place in 1915. Though still mainly in the rough as regards scrubby ferns, tea tree and gorse, the school grounds afforded much more scope for games and other activities. Marching for one. Sir Roger de Coverley for another. Miss Carse taught us painstakingly all the correct (8) movements of the Grand March. Last but not least was her innovation of school gardens. Girl pupils in twos shared flower pots and we grew lovely things from bits and pieces. The boys took more the line of vegetables and one of them grew peanuts! Who was that? These were a revelation to most of us who had always supposed peanuts grew on bushes and not underground.

Being a time of war and patriotism, Miss Carse encouraged all sorts of ploys which would raise money and one of these was flower selling. On mail days twice weekly, we girls were sent down with bunches of flowers from our gardens to sell to tourist passengers from Russell. The Fullers' launch "Doris" which brought mail, usually had visitors from Auckland and elsewhere interested in historic Kerikeri. Time, tide and weather quite often made it possible for these people to walk the several miles up to the picturesque "Rainbow Falls." Beings from another planet to our startled young eyes.

Featured in our 'new' school were quite large windows and, of all things, an iron stove. This was in a firmly fenced enclosure and was supposedly to provide a form of central heating on cold winter days. I have no recollection of it ever being lit in my time. We got all the warmth we needed from vigorous exercises and strenuous games, also from the mad daily marathon of killing ourselves to get to school on time. For lateness, even a minute or two, there was always a detention and to this day I strongly feel that was unfair. We from Skudders Beach had blisters on our hands from rowing, if using the boats, stonebruises on our feet from running barefooted, damp clothes and discomfort from fording and sometimes slipping into the two falls we had to cross and which were frequently in flood — but nothing short of a disaster kept us from attending school.

From mention of the patriotism which was fostering in us during the war years 1914 to 1918 I should like to speak of the two dear ladies who taught us to knit — Miss Charlotte and Miss Gertrude Kemp who lived always in the Kemp House. Not all of the balaclavas, scarves or mittens were without flaws but they accompanied us in the making to our skipping and hopscotch and our journeyings between school and home.

Arbor days were a highlight in our lives because a ramble in the nearby bush was a change and a release from endless study and written work, sort of like a gentle picnic. Not all of the spoils which were carefully gathered in the interests of botany survived transportation, but one did. That beautiful Totara tree I planted in 1917 has lived to tell the tale and remains still a thing of beauty and joy forever!



A commemorative plaque will be placed on this 70-year-old Totara at the Reunion, and a young Golden Totara will be planted at the New Riverview School scheduled to be officially opened April 16th, 1988.

School Days Around 1923

LIVING ON A FARM in those early days was a long day for children going to school. Up in the morning at six o'clock to milk cows and do other small jobs around the house before breakfast and then off to school. It was either walk or horseback across open paddocks. In those years I lived up behind Mill Lane as it is today — no school buses, hot dry summers and cold wet winters.

I remember one hot summer the school committee decided that it was too hot for the children in school after 12 o'clock so it was half days for six weeks. Then some of the parents said that was the hottest part of the day for the children to walk home. Then it was back to 3 o'clock which we as children did not like as we were having good times playing down at the bridge and fishing. Games we played were rounders, hockey with sticks made from tea tree and milk or treacle tins for a ball. I never took much interest in school work. I was more interested in what was going on outside. Gardening and sports was all I looked forward to.

As boys we used to gather dahlia tubers, then pick sides and go out into the horse paddock and if you stood up out of the fern someone would hit you with a dahlia tuber. Crude games but we enjoyed them all.

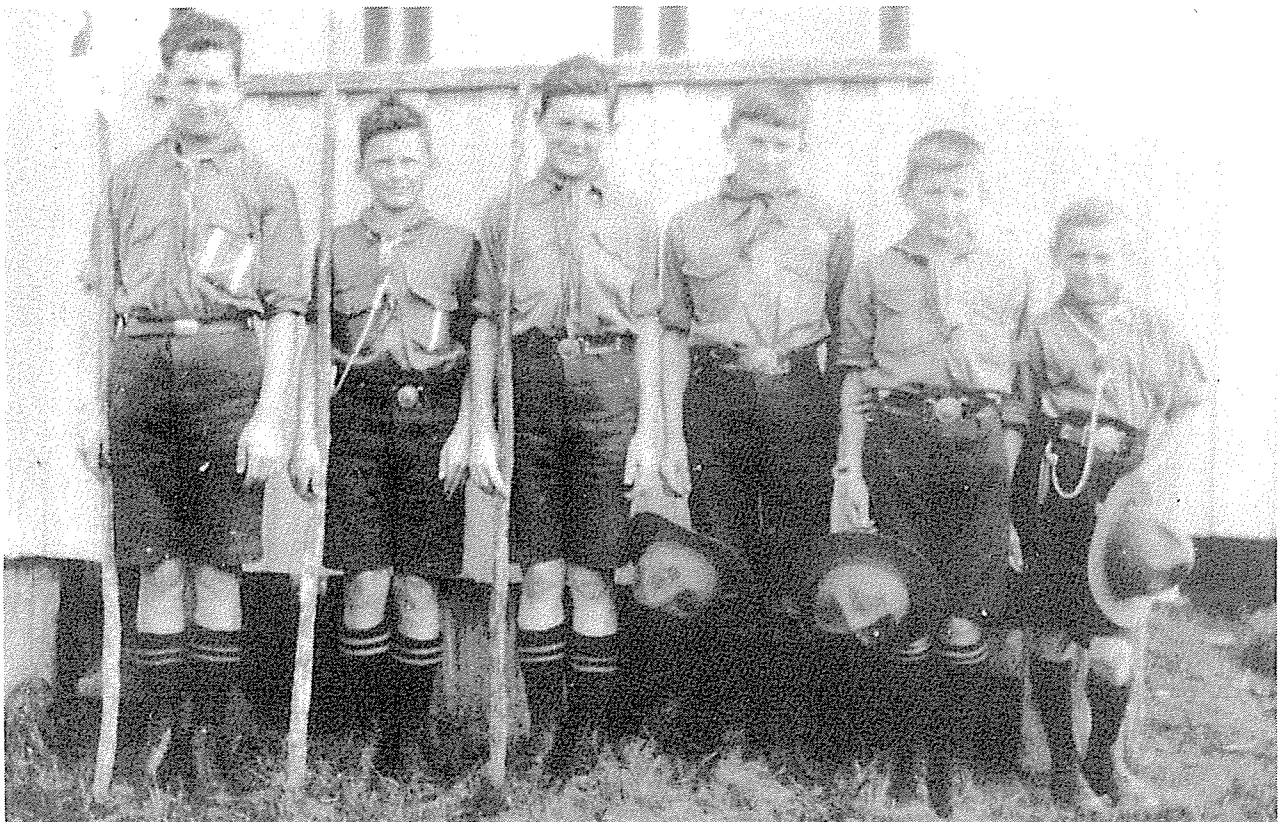
There was a teacher about 1921 who never taught us at all. All we had was paper chases around the farm paddocks. This went on for quite a long time. Needless to say it was soon found out and he was dismissed.

School picnics were held either down the river at a beach or up at Waipapa on the property that is now owned by Mr T. Ross. I remember taking a centipede into school and letting it go on a girls shoulder, there were screams all around. Someone told the teacher it was me and I got four cuts with the cane. Then he told my father and when I got home I got another hiding.

Nature study trips to the bush and up around the Rainbow Falls with its history was what I was most interested in. One day at the falls some of us found some old clothes and we made a dummy man and stood it on top of the falls then started yelling so the teacher and the other children down below the falls would hear, then pushed it over. I won't forget the stick we got for that.

My school years were very enjoyable and I am looking forward to seeing some of my old mates that I have met over the years and also those that I have never seen since school days, at the Reunion at Easter.

C. J. HENDERSON



The first Scout Troop — from left to right:
Bob Henderson, Tom Fuller, Clarrie Henderson, Ben Jefferis, Lindsay Jefferis, Lindsay Hitchon.



The school as it was in 1924.



KERIKERI SCHOOL PUPILS 1924

Back Row: Lee Hitchon, Lindsay Jefferis, Clarrie Henderson, Bob Henderson, Tom Fuller, Joe Sheehan, Ben Jefferis.
 Middle Row: Steven Henderson, Leslie Skudder, Mary McDowell, Irene McDowell, Nada Fuller, Sarah Kingi, Martha Rihari.
 Front Row: Ian McDowell, Nat McDowell, Alan Skudder, Jean Griffith, Althea Griffith, Kathleen Henderson, Emily Cleave.
 Absent: Ronald Skudder, Bill Sheehan, Connie Mansfield.
 "Note the old slate."

EX PUPILS AND STAFF ENROLLED TO ATTEND REUNION

EASTER 1988

Staff

Alderton, Joan
Brackstone, Joy (Muller)
Bilkey, Joy
Cottle, Janice
Davies, Helen
Galbraith, Margaret
Gibson, Howard
Morison, Mabel
MacDiarmid, Rod
McAlpine, Mary
McAulay, Elva
McGregor-Macdonald,
Lyness
Stanners, John
Stanners, Daphne
Yendall, Freda

Pre 1930's

Bartley, Marion
Bates, Eleanor
Bates, Stanley
Black, Sophia
Cleave, Emily
Cleave, Kate
Copeland, Kathleen
Copeland, Mary
Fuller, Owen
Fuller, Thomas
Griffith, Jean
Henderson, Clarence
Henderson, Kathleen
Henderson, Robert
Klinac, Walter
Mansfield, Constance
Mansfield, George
Preston, Mavis
Skudder, Harold
Skudder, May
Tubbs, Lydia
Ward, Robert
Ward, Tom
White, Benjamin
White, Jean

1930's

Ashcroft, Ian
Ashcroft, Keith
Bilkey, Helen
Bilkey, Keith
Birchall, Desmond
Birchall, Maisie
Birchall, Peggy
Bishop, Kathleen
Bryson, Douglas
Bryson, Toni
Carter, John
Clinton, Joan
Cook, Gilbert
Cook, Moeroa
Eastgate, Anthony
Eastgate, Gwyneth
Eastgate, Ruth
Fowler, Nona
Henderson, Eric
Hodder, Hazel
Johnson, Ellen
Jones, Ronald
Jones, Shirley
Judd, Leslie
Judd, Meryle
Jurisich, Brian
Jurisich, Theo
Kendall, Mary

Kingi, Lovie
Klinac, Dulcie
Klinac, Milan
Knight, Naomi
Knight, Noel
Markotich, Ivan
Markotich, Katie
McDowell, Bernice
McIntosh, Phyllis
McIntosh, Sheila
McGregor-Macdonald,
Lyness
Neill, Esme
Neill, Nola
Queen, Doris
Ritchie, Hugh
Scott, Robert
Shirliff, Keith
Thomson, Peggy
Tubbs, Audrey
Vidovich, Jean
Voelcker, Joan
White, Claris
White, Eric
White, Florence
White, Margaret

1940's

Adams, Rosemary
Anderson, Peter
Antunovich, Pamela
Bates, Margaret
Bates, Ngaire
Best, Robert
Booth, Robin
Choat, Thomas
Cook, Clarence
Cooksey, Ann
Davidson, Keltie
Davidson, Merrilyn
Dixon, Clare
Dixon, Margaret
Draper, Gerald
Draper, Hugh
Draper, Julia
Eakin, Fiona
Emanuel, Evelyn
Emanuel, Graeme
Emanuel, Rae
Everett, Diane
Fuller, Alan
Galbraith, Barry
Galbraith, David
Gillett, Ray
Gordon, Richard
Gross, Madeleine
Gross, Michael
Hanham, Meryle
Haste, John
Hay, David
Hay, Kevin
Hay, Maureen
Hayes, Walter
Henderson, Emily
Henderson, Maud
Henderson, Murray
Henderson, Rae
Henderson, Stella
Heperi, Eru
Heperi, Kiri
Heperi, Waka
Hodder, Leslie
Hodder, Norman
Hows, George
Hows, Joyce
Ireland, Dolina
Ireland, Lucy

Johnson, Joe
Johnson, Richard
Juranovich, Maud
Juranovich, Ted
Jurisich, John
Jurisich, Peter
Kingi, Henry
Klinac, Branco
Komene, Murray
Leaf, Mary
Lindauer, Claudia
Morison, Margaret
Morison, Marion
Morison, Myra
Moselen, Darby
Moselen, Roy
McHardy, Donald
McInnes, Jean
McInnes, Judith
Niblock, Pat
O'Neill, Daphne
Parsons, Grahame
Parsons, Rex
Pickmere, Janet
Preston, Ethel
Riddell, Dawn
Riddell, Peter
Ritchie, Grant
Rodgers, Don
Skudder, Alan
Skudder, Yvonne
Smellie, Charlie
Syddall, Janet
Thorburn, Ray
Tubbs, Jim
Tubbs, Bill
Yendall, Joan
Yendall, Morley
Yendall, Ray
Zivkovich, Tony
Zivkovich, Violet

1950's

Aish, John
Anderson, George
Anderson, Trevor
Bailey, Graham
Bates, Cassie
Bates, Graham
Bayley, Glenis
Benner, Diana
Benner, Ethel
Bilkey, Clare
Bowden, Susan
Calvert, Dale
Cannon, Michael
Carver, Frances
Clow, Michael
Collett, Roy
Collins, Anne
Collins, David
Collins, John
Collins, Michael
Collins, Susan
Cooksey, Lynne
Coombridge, Kevin
Cottle, Gary
Crawford, Russell
Cunliffe, Alan
Cunliffe, Janice
Davies, John
Davis, Joan
Driver, Julia
Driver, Selwyn
Elliott, Jane
Elliott, Mary
Fisher, Keith

Fisher, Leslie
Fuller, Mary
Galbraith, Hugh
Galbraith, Ross
Gauthern, Anne
Gibson, Derek
Gibson, Ralph
Gillett, Graeme
Gordon, Christine
Gordon, Ross
Grayson, Maureen
Hanham, Audrey
Hanham, Colleen
Heath, Dawn
Hewson, Terry Ann
Jordon, Naomi
Jurisich, Jennifer
Jurisich, Rosalie
Keightley, Ronald
Kendall, Adrienne
Kendall, Ian
Klinac, Ann
Komene, Eliza
Long, Geoff
Long, Wendy
Lonsdale, Pamela
Lupi, Tina
Martin, Gregory
Martin, Jennifer
Moselen, Anne
Moselen, Natalie
Murphy, Jocelyn
Murphy, John
MacDiarmid, Catherine
MacDiarmid, Margaret
McGregor-Macdonald,
Christopher
Paget, Anne
Paget, Geoffrey
Paton, Robert
Poulton, Jill
Poulton, Margaret
Prime, Lynette
Prime, Maxine
Prime, Patricia
Reeve, Chris
Ritchie, Gloria
Scott, Carol
Scott, James
Silich, Malcolm
Simper, William
Skipper, John
Skipper, Keith
Smellie, Dorothy
Stanners, Susan
Stephen, Bruce
Syddall, Jim
Thorburn, Wayne
Walters, David
Walters, Florence
Walters, John
Wilson, Theresa
Vivian, Noreen
Zivkovich, Annette

1960's

Aish, Peter
Brackstone, Christine
Brackstone, Nicholas
Clow, Maria
Cook, Thomas
England, Ian
Evans, Owen
Henderson, Beverley
Henderson, Christine
Henderson, Kenneth
Henderson, Peter

Jerebine, Michael
Jerebine, Raewyn
Jerebine, Sharon
Jurisich, Richard
Jurisich, Robyn
Martin, Philip
Maugham, Sally
Ness, Christine
Ness, Jillian
Ness, Shirley
Reeve, Gillian
Stanners, Jacquelyn
Strongman, Reginald
Thorburn, Leonie
Van der Kwaak, Dianne

Descendants of William Skudder

Generation No. 1

1. WILLIAM¹⁰ SKUDDER (*THOMAS⁹, THOMAS⁸, THOMAS⁷, JOHN⁶, THOMAS⁵, WILLIAM⁴, THOMAS³, GEORGE², THOMAS¹*) was born 30 May 1860 in Kingston-upon-Thames Surrey England, and died 23 Jul 1944 in Kerikeri Bay of Islands New Zealand. He married AGNES FYFE 22 Oct 1885 in Russell Bay of Islands New Zealand, daughter of THOMAS FYFE and AGNES NEIL. She was born 21 Mar 1869 in New Bridge End, Carlisle, Larnakshire Scotland, and died 17 May 1955 in Kerikeri Bay of Islands New Zealand.

Notes for WILLIAM SKUDDER:

In 1887 "The StoneStore" Kerikeri was leased by Agnes FYFE (nee ONEIL/NEIL, of Glasgow, Scotland.) Her son-in-law, William Skudder was employed as the Manager.

In the 1911 Post Office Directory William was a boat builder of Kerikeri. In the 1929 and 1939 Directories he was listed as a farmer.

On various papers, William had a second name Henry?

William purchased 50 acres of land at Paengaroa Point, Skudders Beach at 10 shillings per acre. (deferred payment 12 shillings and 6 pence.) He later purchased 7 acres further around the point, from Mr. Howley. Mr Howley hadn't paid his rates and William paid his arrears and rates for 7 years and took title of the land. Buried St. James Church Kerikeri New Zealand, beside wife and many of his children.

Gravestone reads:---

In Memory of William SKUDDER. Died 23rd July 1944, aged 83 and his Wife Agnes, died 17th May 1955 aged 85, also their Daughter Evelyn Mima, died 1916 aged 3.

The present ST JAMES CHURCH was opened on December 5th 1878. It replaced the original Missionary Chapel which was dedicated by Henry WILLIAMS on 19th April 1824, and the second Chapel of 1829, which was built of Lath and plaster.

Notes for AGNES FYFE:

Birth Certificate. Agnes was born at 11a.m.. Birth was registered by her father 5.4.1869 at Carlisle. He signed the registration (shakily).

Agnes was recorded at Kaueranga Girls School Thames, Register no. 75, admission date 21 January 1880.

Parent Thomas Fyfe, address Hape Creek. Last day 5th November 1880, destination, Bay of Islands.

Buried St James Cemetery Kerikeri, beside other family members.

Children of WILLIAM SKUDDER and AGNES FYFE are:

2. i. AGNES¹¹ SKUDDER, b. 23 May 1886, Kerikeri New Zealand; d. 18 Oct 1962, Kawakawa, Northland, New Zealand.
3. ii. WILLIAM GEORGE(GEORGE) SKUDDER, b. 24 Jun 1887, Kerikeri New Zealand; d. 12 May 1984, Kaeo, Northland New Zealand.
4. iii. ARTHUR (ARTIE) INWOOD SKUDDER, b. 23 Dec 1888, Kerikeri New Zealand; d. 19 Jun 1970, Kawakawa, Northland, New Zealand.
5. iv. ETHEL FRANCES (FRANCES) SKUDDER, b. 20 Sep 1891, Kerikeri New Zealand; d. 13 Oct 1981.
6. v. HARRIETT CATHERINE SKUDDER, b. 22 Aug 1893, Kerikeri Bay of Islands New Zealand; d. 09 Dec 1985, Waikato Hospital Hamilton New Zealand.
7. vi. THOMAS CHARLES (CHARLIE) SKUDDER, b. 03 Nov 1895, Kerikeri New Zealand; d. 24 Sep 1982, Residence 3 Moehau Road Kamo, Whangarei.
8. vii. ALFRED (ALF) ROBERT SKUDDER, b. 18 Jan 1898, Kerikeri New Zealand; d. 19 Mar 1981, Kaeo Hospital, Northland, New Zealand.
9. viii. MARGARET EMILY (MADGE) SKUDDER, b. 09 Feb 1900, Kerikeri New Zealand; d. 23 Aug 1980, Rawene, Bay of Islands New Zealand.
10. ix. HAROLD JAMES SKUDDER, b. 27 Feb 1902, Kerikeri New Zealand; d. 14 Jan 1994, Kawakawa, Northland, New Zealand.
11. x. MARY ADELINE (MAY) SKUDDER, b. 30 Dec 1904, Kerikeri New Zealand; d. 02 Apr 1990, Whangarei New Zealand.
12. xi. EUNICE ELIZABETH SKUDDER, b. 12 Jul 1908, Auckland New Zealand; d. 29 Jul 1992.
13. xii. RONALD NEIL SKUDDER, b. 13 Nov 1910, Kerikeri New Zealand; d. 11 Jun 1987, Northcote, Auckland, New Zealand..
- xiii. EVELYN MIMA SKUDDER, b. 13 May 1913, Kerikeri New Zealand; d. 1916, Kerikeri New Zealand.

Notes for EVELYN MIMA SKUDDER:

There was something not quite right with little Evelyn Mima. Aunty May suspected her eyesight was

OBITUARY:

MRS A SKUDDER:

*Extract from Northern Advocate
of 23 May 1955.*

Mrs Agnes Skudder, of Kerikeri, died at her home on May 17th at the age of 87.

She was born at Carluke, Lanarkshire, Scotland, and came to New Zealand with her parents in the ship Dilharrie in 1873.

The family had been booked to sail in the Kilpatrick, but unforeseen circumstances prevented them joining the ship. *Cospatrick*

This proved most fortuitous as the Kilpatrick caught on fire at sea and was sunk. *Cospatrick*

The voyage out took five months via the Cape of Good Hope route and the children were able to have school lessons on board, being tutored by Mr R Cheaves, later well known in the Thames district.

Landing at Auckland, the immigrants were met by a number of Maori canoes with loads of peaches.

Most of the immigrants went on from Auckland to Onehunga by train and then by the small steamship Tamashant to Pollock settlement on the Manakau harbour.

TO THE GOLDFIELDS

After settling there, Mrs Skudder's father went over to the gold mine area at Thames, later sending for the family.

Four years were spent there and Mrs Skudder received some education at the Kaureinga school for girls.

In 1878 another move was made by the family, this time to the Kawakawa mines and a home was established in what became known as Fyfe's Gully, after Mrs Skudders father.

This district is now better known as Whangae.

Mrs Skudder remembered landing at the Derrick at Taumarere and later how the young people of the district used to have picnics down the harbour.

An event of interest also was the regular coaling of Sydney steamers in the Bay of Islands.

Mr Fyfe later moved to Puketotara, now known as Waipapa, where he went into business as a gum buyer and storekeeper.

He bought a large house which was also used as a boarding house.

This was later burned down.

MARRIED AT 16.

Mrs Skudder was married at the age of 16 to Mr William Skudder, of Kerikeri.

The marriage took place at Russell and the party rowed across the harbour and back then walked four miles to the venue of the wedding breakfast, which was really supper.

Her father (husband?) later bought 50 acres of Government land on which he built a house and commenced boat building. He also started a goods service to and from Russell with the first powered boat in the Bay. (Fire fly)

Mrs Skudder continued to live in the Kerikeri district for the rest of her life.

Her husband died in 1944.

She is survived by 12 children, 53 Grandchildren, 72 Great-Grandchildren, and one Great-Great-Grandchild.

Note: Mrs Skudders Uncle, Arthur Neil, with his family, came to New Zealand on the Dilharrie with the Fyfe's. They also went to Thames but later moved to Kimihia near Huntly.

FROM: NORTHERN NEWS KAIKOHE MONDAY JULY 10TH 1967

SKUDDERS ARE PART OF THE HISTORY OF KERIKERI

Mr George Skudder was taken by complete surprise recently when over 30 relatives and friends arrived at his home at Skudders Beach to celebrate his 80th birthday.

Fortunately, the Kerikeri Rugby Football Club played its game at home and Georges interest in football gave a clear field to prepare a buffet tea.

George takes his football as seriously as his bowls. It is said that no game in Kerikeri would be the same without him standing at the same old place, on the sideline. He recalls the games played in Kerikeri many years ago, when some of the players used to sail over from Russell in a small boat to make up a team, and dances held in the shed perched over the Kerikeri wharf, could not be equalled.

George is one of the few who were actually born in Kerikeri and is still in the district, although he spent a period of his life away further south. He is 80 years of age, being the 2nd eldest in a family of 12 children. At the time of his birth his father ran the Stone Store – the only shop in Kerikeri apart from another linked with the Stone Store and situated near to the present aerodrome.

The family moved to Pungaere Road where there was a school with about 40 pupils who came miles on horseback to attend. Later his father built a school in Kerikeri, a little below St James Church, and the Skudders moved to their beach. The children walked the approximate 5 miles of track and forded the Waipapa and Kerikeri rivers to get to school. The river near the Stone Store was equipped with a boat and a rope to pull themselves across, but in rough weather when water pouring down river made it impossible to negotiate, the Skudder children would row from Skudders Beach to the Stone Store. The younger children still remember their calloused hands although they say they cannot remember being actually taught to row a boat. They wonder how they managed to survive the difficulties of transport. However the difficulties of supporting young lives, appears to have done them no harm. Not one of the Skudder family now either look or act their years.

When George left school he worked on the “ Station “ – 9000 acres which encompassed all of Kerikeri and was owned by Mr Williams, of the East Coast. The only building where Kerikeri now stands was the “ Homestead “ occupied at that time by the Manager of the “ Station “, Mr Kemp. The Station had sheep and cattle, but hardly a single tree. As well as the Skudders there are a few remaining families of old identity in the district – Fullers, Blacks, Tubbs, Strongmans but the Skudders are surely unique in that they come back to retire making their beach truly Skudders.

George with his son Les and daughter-in-law Agnes occupy the family homestead perched on a hill which overlooks the inlet. Grouped around him are 8 of his brothers and sisters as well as other members of the family. Agnes, who died a few years ago, and a girl who died aged 3 years are the only two missing of a family of 12.

Talking to their children, one gets a feeling of admiration for Mr and Mrs Skudder senior who settled in this area in its earliest days, reared a large family and overcame the problems of difficult times with sheer hard work and courage.

Mrs Skudder married in her early teens and had her first child at age 16. Both lived well into their 80's. Descendants of Mr and Mrs Skudder now number about 200.

In Memory of William SKUDDER. Died 23rd. July 1944, aged 83 and his Wife Agnes, died 17th. May 1955 aged 85, also their Daughter Evelyn Mina, died 1916 aged 3.

In Loving Memory of Ronald Neil SKUDDER. Born 13-11-1910. Died 11-6-1987. "Fondly Remembered by Wife & Family."

In Loving Memory of Thomas Charles SKUDDER. Born 2-11-1895. Died 24-9-1982, and his Wife Eva Jane SKUDDER. Born 23-5-1897, Died 14-5-1982. "United in Life. Reunited in Eternity".

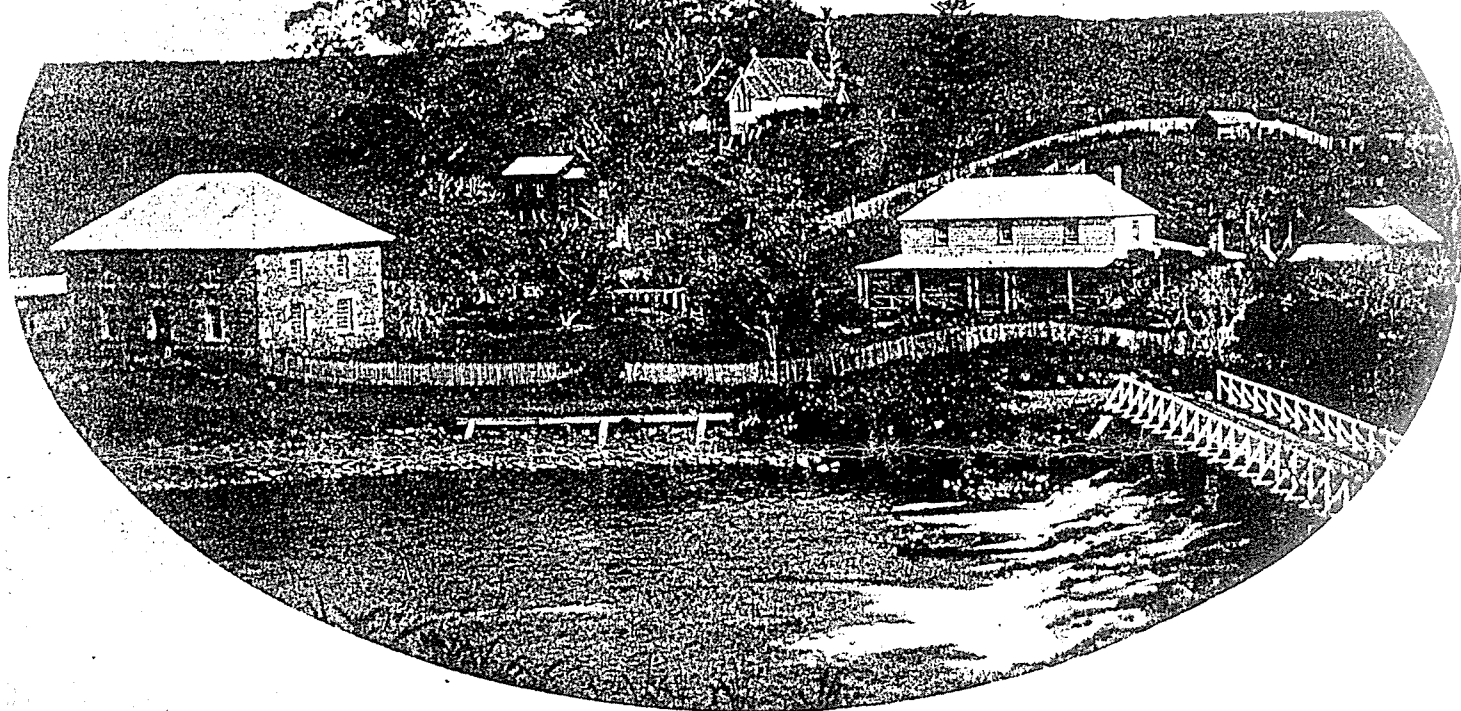
William George SKUDDER, eldest Son of Agnes & William. Loved Husband of Hazel Caroline. Born 24-6-1887. Died 12-5-1984 in his 97th. year. "Memories". "Together Forever. R.I.P. Shirley Edith nee SKUDDER".

The Schools History

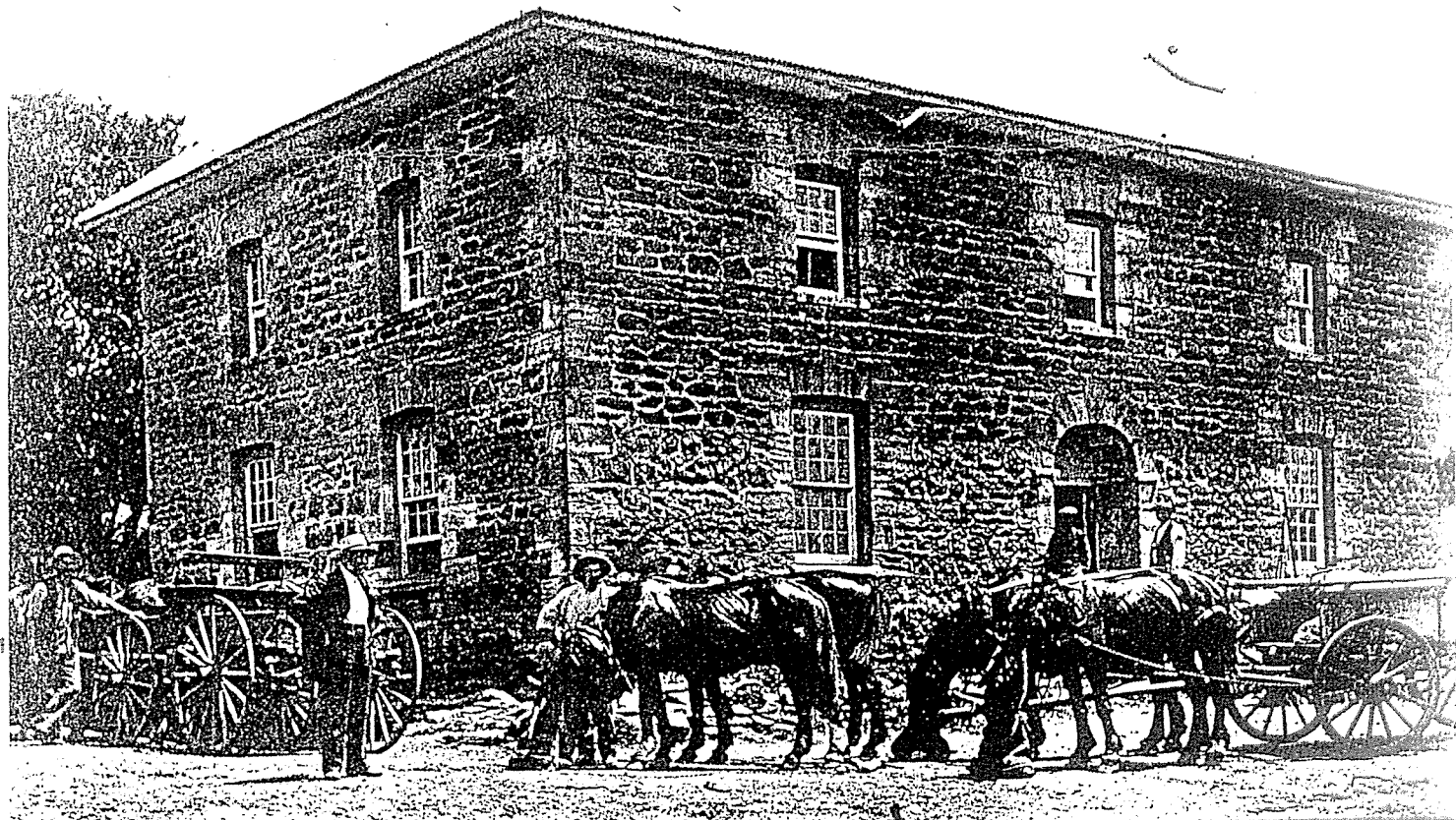
It is of interest that the first State School established in Kerikeri was built by Mr W Skudder in 1903. The establishment of this school was instigated by Mr Black and the small building was situated just below the church in the Stone Store Basin. This operated until 1915 when a school building was brought from Pungaere and re-erected on the north side of the bridge at Riverview. Extended with more classrooms, it was officially Kerikeri Primary School.

In 1958 a new primary school was opened in Hone Heke Road, opposite to three classrooms and a science laboratory built the year before, and in 1963 the school at Riverview closed and several classrooms were removed to Hone Heke Road. Today we still have the 'Riverview Block' which is now known as Rooms 12 & 13, currently home to two junior classes. (1988 saw the second primary school opened at Riverview Road, today known officially as Riverview School.)

Both schools in Hone Heke Road, known as Kerikeri District High School, were administered under one Principal based at the Primary School. In 1972 this administration changed and both schools operated autonomously as Kerikeri Primary School and Kerikeri High School, as they continue to do so today.



KERI KERI 1903 SCHOOLHOUSE BUILT BY W. SKUDDER
BETWEEN STONE STORE AND CHURCH.



KERI KERI STONE STORE 1913. Wm SKUDDER BESIDE WAGON EXTREME LEFT

Mr William Skudder known throughout the Bay of Islands for more than half a century.

Mr W.Skudder died recently at the age of 84.

Mr Skudder was born at Kingston – on – Thames,Surrey, England and came to New Zealand with his parents when he was 12 yrs of age.

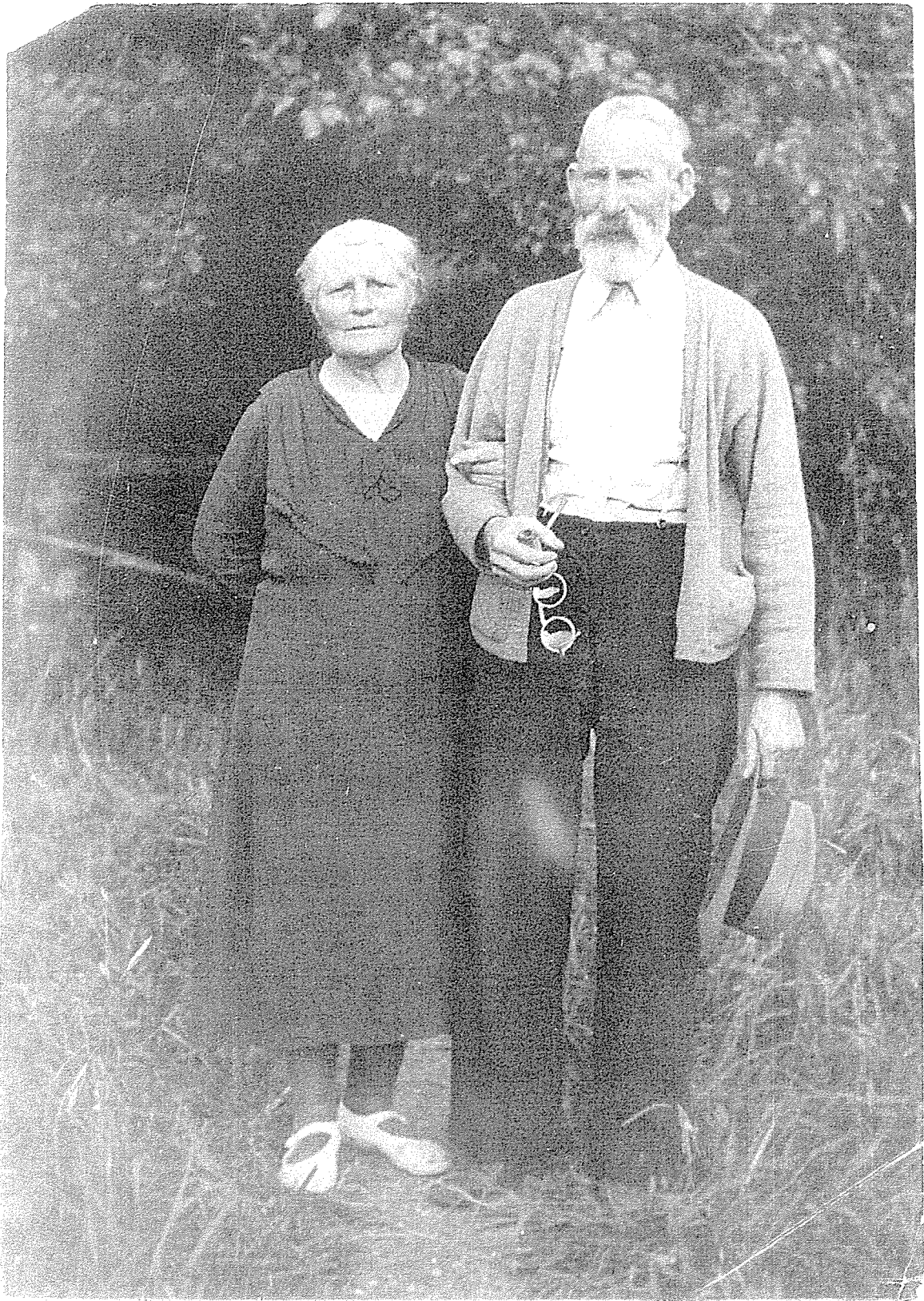
The family settled in Canterbury and took up farming. In his early 20's Mr Skudder came North – settling at Kerikeri. And in 1885 he married Miss Agnes Fyfe, at Russell.

He practiced his trade of Boatbuilder and Carpenter, and for many years operated the ketch “ Firefly “, between Russell and Kerikeri carrying passengers and cargo, for the districts of Kerikeri, Waimate North, Okaihau and Ohaeawai.

Of a family of 13, Mr Skudder is survived by 6 sons and 6 daughters,they are;

Messrs	G.Skudder	Kerikeri
‘ ‘	A.Skudder	Kawakawa
	C.Skudder	Hukeranui
	A.Skudder	Waitoa
	H.Skudder	Bucklands Beach
	Gunner R.Skudder	Serving in the Armed Forces
Mesdames	J.Sanders	Whangarei
	I.Donaldson	Okaihau
	W.Pentecost	Waitoa
	E.Ralls	Towai
	J.Le Clerc	Taihape
	H.Chatfield	Kerikeri

There are 50 grandchildren and 24 greatgrandchildren as at 1944.



1939?
William George Skudder 1860-1944
Agnes Skudder (nee Fyfe) 1868-1955

1939 Kerikeri - some of the Skudders

