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ANDREW HAMILTON (DREW) 1893 TO 1977

Andrew was the only surviving child of Andrew and Isa, born on 11 May 1893 in Wellington. He was always known as Drew. In 1897 his parents made a trip to Ireland to visit the family and Drew was christened at Broomfield Presbyterian Church on 27 August 1897. Drew had a younger sister, Elizabeth Audrey, who was born on 12 April 1899. She died after 15 weeks later.

Education

Drew was educated initially at the Terrace School. He later attended Wellington College and Victoria University where he commenced a Law Degree. However, World War 1 intervened and he did not complete this degree.

Service World War 1. Service No. 50210¹

Drew joined the NZ Forces on 12 April 1917. He proceeded overseas on 25 October 1917 and served in France as a gunner with the Field Artillery. He was very fortunate to avoid any wounds or injuries.

There were two minor events on his Conduct Sheet both dated 9 May 1918. The first charge was for being in a town that was out of bounds and the second for being in premises that had been evacuated. He was fined 15 Pounds. He was appointed Lance Corporal in the NZ Army Pay Corps on 1 December 1918 and to Sergeant on 1 June 1919. After the war he continued to serve in the NZ Army's London Pay Office. He returned to New Zealand on 11 March 1920 and was discharged on 7 June 1920. .

Career

Drew resumed his law degree studies at Victoria University while working part time with the law firm of Chapman Tripp. He worked as a judge's associate for three years for three different judges. On 15 January 1925, Drew became a member of the Wellington Stock Exchange in a partnership with Paul Gillingham who was an accountant. After partnerships between accountants and sharebrokers were prohibited by law he joined a partnership with John Buckleton. John joined the forces in World War 2 and became a prisoner of war in Germany for most of the war. When he returned home he chose to farm rather than rejoin the partnership. Eric Nathan returning from the war joined Drew as a partner.

From 1936 to 1948 Drew was Chairman of the Wellington Stock Exchange. From 1940 to 1948 he was Chairman of the Stock Exchange Association of New Zealand. During this period he represented the exchange on Mr. Walter Nash's committee War Loan Committee. He was also on the committee set up by the Government to new develop new legislation. The outcome was the 1955 Companies Act. He remained on the Companies Law revision Committee.

Drew remained a sharebroker until his retirement in his late seventies. In 1969 he celebrated 45 years as a Member of the Wellington Stock Exchange.

¹ Service Record www.archway.archives.govt.nz



Andrew Hamilton C1940



**Andrew Hamilton March 1969 45 years
Member of the Stock Exchange**

Interests

Drew enjoyed the club environment which enabled him to make friends and to meet his many companions. He was a member of the Wellesley Club joining in 1922 and he later became president retiring in 1968 after five years in the role.

He was very keen on horses and had joined the Wellington Racing Club in 1923. In 1969 he had his third racehorse in training. In that year he was also a member of the Wellington Club and the Central Club. He had been a member of the Masonic Lodge joining in 1924.

Drew played golf and represented his Hutt Club in inter club competitions in B Grade. He had the distinction of scoring a hole in one.

Family

Drew married **Majorie Giesen** on 1 March 1927. They divorced on 11 April 1928. They had no children.

He married **Adelaide Vaughan McAllum** (born 1902) on 18 December 1929 at Inglewood. Adelaide was one of four daughters of Dr. Harold Guthrie McAllum (originally from Gosforth England) and Harriett Vaughan Mackechnie of Feilding and later Inglewood where he was a General Practitioner.

Adelaide was a Theatre Sister at Wellington Hospital. She played tennis and golf and rode horses.



Adelaide Vaughan McAllum

Drew and Adelaide had two children Andrew McAllum Hamilton born 5 July 1931 and Andrew Daniel Hamilton born 30 March 1935. They lived at Penrose St Lower Hutt

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Adelaide contracted Disseminated Sclerosis. (Multiple Sclerosis) and the house was sold when she had to use a wheel chair to move around. She died on 2 March 1945 in the Lower Hutt Hospital.

On 16 April 1947 Drew married **Majorie Molyneux Davis** (born 3 December 1912). They had one child, a daughter Jean Isabel born 19 May 1948. They lived initially at Eastbourne, then Bolton St and finally at Clifton Towers, Oriental Bay.

Drew died on 4 January 1977 at the age of 83 years. A year or so later Majorie sold her Wellington apartment. She spent half her time in Perth WA (NZ winter) in a flat on her daughter's property and the summer in a small house on Dan's property. She died on 12 June 1999 after a short stay at Oakwood Retirement Home in Richmond NZ.

Drew's Children

Andrew McAllum Hamilton, born 5 July 1931, was educated at Wellesley College, Wellington College and later at Scots College where he was Head Prefect.

Andrew is known to the family as Mac and he pursued a farming career. He was variously at Wairarapa, Rotorua, Rangitiki and Wanganui. In 1957 he had the experience of a Young Farmer's Exchange to the UK. During this time he was able to visit the family farm of his grandfather, Andrew, at Annalittin and meet Willy and other members of his family. He also gained an appreciation of their living conditions.

In 1961, Andrew purchased a farm at Brunswick, Wanganui. He became Chairman of the Wanganui Harbour Board and also the Wanganui Regional Development Council. He left Wanganui in 1977 purchasing a farm south of Palmerston North. In 1982 he bought 15 acres at Aokautere and built a home there. After five years there he sold and moved to Kaiteriteri, Motueka.

On 2 August 1990, Andrew married **Audrey Gwyneth Siddells** had previously married, Richard Siddells, at her father's property Orui Station at Riversdale in 1956. Richard died in 11 December 1986 at Nelson. Andrew had previously worked for Audrey's father and had been a guest at her wedding to Richard. Andrew is now a shareholder in the family apple orchard business.



Audrey, Andrew with Elizabeth 2010

Andrew Daniel Hamilton, born 30 March 1935, was educated at Wellesley College and Scots College where he was Prefect. He attended Massey University.

Dan pursued a career in farming working at Otrahonga, Rangiwahia Mangaweka. In 1958 he spent a year in the UK after working his passage to England on the *Port Vindex*. He returned to New Zealand and in 1959 purchased a tobacco farm at Sandy Bay which he worked for the next twenty years. In 1979 Dan sold his farm and worked in real estate 1987 when the family farming company, Kildrummy Holdings was formed. Dan continues to play an active role in the company's apple orchard operations.

On 30 June 1962 Dan married **Mavis Lillian Argyle** (born 11 September 1940). They have two children **Shane Andrew**, born 3 October 1964, and **Jillian Mavis**, born 19 December 1966. Mavis died on 9 January 1999 and on 6 May 2002, Dan married **Gwenith Doreen-Webb** (born 11 April 1936.)

Dan's Children:

Shane Hamilton, born 3 October 1964. Married 14 May 1994 to Jayne Frances Buchanan, born 28 February 1972.

Children:

Andrew Blair Hamilton born 2 June 2001

Stephen Daniel Hamilton, born 17 February 2003

Aaran Mitchell Hamilton, born 22 June 2008.

Shane is the Managing Director of the family company, Kildrummy Holdings Ltd producing apples for export. Jayne is also involved in administration of the farm. They are both involved in bringing up their three boys, Shane enjoys marathon running.

Jillian (Jill) Hamilton, born 19 December 1966. Married 10 October 1998 at Port Douglas to Simon Paul Wonnacott, born 20 March 1965.

Children:

Emma Kate Wonnacott born 27 November 1999

Sarah Louise Wonnacott, born 1 February 2002.

Jill lived on the tobacco farm at Sandy Bay attending Riwaka Primary School until attending Nelson College for Girls, boarding at Clarice Johnstone House. On leaving school Jill worked as a travel consultant for AA Nelson and AA Canterbury until 1988. In 1989 she moved to Port Douglas, Queensland, working for Quicksilver Cruises initially as front Office Receptionist and then as Front Office Manager.

In 1997 Jill moved to Abu Dhabi and worked as PA to the Managing Director on Mohammed bin Masood a large corporation of the Masood family. In 1998 she married Simon and they returned to Abu Dhabi. They returned to Port Douglas in 2000 and then to Cairns in 2004.

Jill has played netball for most of her life including the successful Far North Queensland team and also for Abu Dhabi playing against neighbouring Arab States.



Shane & Jane's Wedding 1994
Left to Right Mac, Mavis, Shane, Jayne, Dan, Majorie, Jill & Audrey



**2008 L to R: Dan, Jayne with Aaran, Simon, Audrey, Mac, Gwen, Jill & Shane.
Children: Sarah, Blair, Emma, Stephen**

Jean Isabel Hamilton, born 19 May 1948 daughter of Drew and Majorie Molyneux Davis

Married (1) 6 June 1970 to Francis Roger Simpson born 8 October 1943, Yorkshire England

Children:

Andrew Bereford Simpson, born 23 June 1973, Port Hedland, W A.

Married 18 October 2003 to Belinda Mae Mc Caig born 15 April 1978.

Two Children:

Drew William Simpson, born 16 Feb 2000 Perth WA

Allira Jane Simpson, born 26 July 2001, Perth WA.

Mark Hamilton Simpson, born 5 Jun 1975, Port Hedland, W A

Married (2) 24 Sep 1995 Perth WA to Malcolm Francis Craig, born 25 May 1946,