

Douglas Hamilton BRADLEY & Marjorie Fay BRADLEY, nee HARDING

Biography as published in 1995

Douglas Hamilton Bradley born 16/12/1928 at "Battunga Park".

Parents : Eily (nee Schinkle) & Alfred BRADLEY

Grandparents : Catherine (nee McLean) & Alfred Bradley

G-Grandparents : Catherine (nee Dawson) & Allan McLean

G-G-Grandparents : Jane (nee Hamilton) & James Dawson and Christina (McPhee) & Donald McLean

He was educated at Kybybolite and at Ballaral College, Victoria 1943-1946.

Then farmed at "Battunga Park" and Nellan properties as do two of his sons now in 1993.

His account of his career includes that the farm has been predominately merino sheep and cereal growing and share farming on the Naracoone Plains. In 1976 he ventured into growing specialty wool and received a world record price of \$4000 for a ram.

(Section 526 of the original Alfred Bradley property, plus sections 614, 615-554, 555, 556). A well established stud has eventuated.

Douglas has been a committee member of the Tukidale Sheep Society of Australia since 1983 and President for 3 years,

Further activities of Douglas Bradley include Secretary of the Kybybolite Football Club, Committee member, President. Cricket and Tennis Committees, School Committee Secretary. Kybybolite C.F.S. Secretary and committee for 43 years. President of the Naracoorte Fire Fighting Association for 3 years and executive for 14 years. Kybybolite Hall Secretary 12 years and committee member from 1948. Volunteer driver for St. John's Ambulance for Adelaide trips Local Cub Pack. Session Clerk. St. Andrew's Church, Naracoorte and Board of Management for 28 years. Elder 9 years. Committee member of the Kybybolite Agricultural Bureau and President for 2 years and has been guest speaker at the South East Agricultural Bureau conference.

Marriage: at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Naracoorte to Marjorie Fay Harding (a descendant of Mrs Stephen Lander nee Mary Dawson - 1840-1937. Mrs Lander was a sister of Catherine Dawson who married Allan McLean, and so there is a double relationship with their children.)

They had 5 children :-

1. John Douglas Bradley – born 17/10/1953, Naracoorte, SA. Married Dianne Margaret Pomery (b 13/3/1952) at Naracoorte. They had 2 children – Adam & Kate. They resided at the original Johnson home and were both very active committee members of various district associations.
2. Phillip Hamilton Bradley b. 27/9/1956, Naracoorte. Married: at Naracoorte - Jennifer Jean Newling (b. 31/1/1957). They have 3 children – Emma William & Jessica. His occupation: Farmer of Kybybolite, at his father's properties. They both work their irrigation property to produce small seeds and crops and are involved with local school committees. Phil is vice president of the Small Seeds Committee of the S.A. Farmers Federation. Residence: They reside at the original Bradley farm house.
3. Andrew David Bradley b. 16/1/1959, Naracoorte. Married: Janet Elizabeth Annells (b. 20/6/1961) at Adelaide. They have 2 children – Andrew (jnr) and Alice. Andrew (snr) is teacher at Naracoorte High School. Former Glenelg and Kybybolite footballer and coach at Naracoorte 1988 and also State country

football player Like his father who at Ballaral College participated in all sports, he is a keen sportsman. Janet is also a High School teacher at Naracoorte.

4. Christopher Charles Bradley b. 26/1/1961, Naracoone. He died as a young man, aged 20, as the result of a car accident on 20/6/1981.
5. Carolyn Mary Bradley b. 7/7/1963, Naracoone. Married: James Stewart Douglas (b. 9/4/1957 in New Zealand) at St. Andrews Presbyierian Church, Naracoorte. They had three children – Claire, Fraser & Lachlan. Residence: Blackwater, Queensland where Carolyn teaches at the High School and Jim is a dragline operator at Blackwater Coal Mine.

- SOURCE : This biography is an extract from "The History of Donald & Christina McLean and Their Descendants" which was published in 1995 – page 98 & 99.
- COLONIALISTS : Christina and Donald McLean and their ten children migrated from Argyllshire to South Australia in 1837. This was in the earliest years of the colony. The McLeans initially settled near Adelaide where they grew the first wheat crop in SA. Then in about 1840 they pioneered the Strathalbyn area. There are now well over 20,000 descendants spread across Australia and elsewhere.
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