

James Faulds Henderson INGLIS & Lucy Ann INGLIS, nee NEED

Biography as published in 1995

James Faulds Henderson INGLIS born at "Meadow Bank". Strathalbyn on 21/10/1872. His father was then at Kanyaka Station.

Parents : Jane (nee McLean) & Frank Inglis.

Grandparents : Catherine (nee Dawson) & Allan McLean

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

He spent his youth at Kanyaka Stn. At about the age of 20 (1892) he went to Western Australia and when he returned he became known as the best wheat bag carrier in the north. On one occasion he carted and stacked more than 1,300 three bushel bags of wheat in a day. He married Lucy Need of Dawson, at Wilson S.A. about 1898 when aged 26 and took her to Broken Hill where 6 of their 10 children were born. He worked in the mines there. An epidemic of diphtheria saw their hasty exit and while travelling by train to Adelaide, a son (James Jnr) fell from a train window. They remained only briefly in Adelaide and moved on to Peterborough where James learned the masonry trade. With a son, he helped to build many houses in this district. One house he built, his daughter, Audrey Pursche still lives in. When the bowling green was opened, James was appointed greenkeeper and caretaker.

DEATHS:

James Inglis aged 68 on 21/5/1941.

Lucy Ann on 13/11/1949 both at Peterborough where they are buried.

OBITUARY: "Mr J. F. H. Inglis, of Peterborough, who died on May 21. was born at Strathalbyn in 1872. His mother was one of the noted pioneer McLeans of that district. The family went north to Kanaka station, where Mr Inglis spent his youth. About 1892 Mr Inglis went to Western Australia. On his return to South Australia he was known as one of the best wheat carriers in the north. On one occasion he carried and stacked more than 1,300 three-bushel bags in a day. In 1898 he married Miss Lucy A. Need, and the couple went to Broken Hill. where Mr Inglis worked for 13 years on the mines In 1911 the family removed to Peterborough where Mr Inglis started in the building trade with the late Mr E. Carruthers. Later, he established a business as mason and contractor with his eldest son. When the Peterborough bowling green was opened Mr Inglis was appointed greenkeeper and caretaker. He was for 42 years a member of the Silver City Manchester Unity Lodge, and an adherent of the Methodist Church. He has left a wife, five sons, Messers M. Inglis (Virginia), J. Inglis (Adelaide), Hugh Inglis (Peterborough), Don Inglis (A.|.F. abroad) and J. Inglis (A.M.C. abroad), and five daughters, Mesdames F. Willcocks (Peterborough), G. Breda (Flinders Pank), N. Pursche (Peterborough). J Osman (Gladstone), and R. May (Peterborough)."

James and Lucy had 10 children :

1. Doris Muriel Inglis b. 14/4/1899 at Broken Hill, married: Francis Edgar Willcocks at Peterborough S.A. They had 2 children –Edward & Donald. She died at Adelaide on 7/10/1969 aged 69.
2. Mac. Hamilton Inglis b. 13/7/1900 at Broken Hill - Married: Gladys May Benton b. 21/12/1901. They had 2 children – Gladys & Maxwell. Mac died 25/4/1967 aged 65 years. Gladys died 27/9/1991.
3. James Henry Inglis born at Broken Hill 13/4/1902 When James was a small boy he toppled out of a window of the train while travelling to Adelaide from Broken Hill with his family. The train was stopped and he was found unconscious on the track. Married: Myra Alberta Seagrim. They had 2 children – John & Pamela. In 1942 when Pamela was about 9 years old, she was riding her bike over the Birkenhead Bridge at Port Adelaide when it started to open. She was only halfway across and fell bike and all into the

workings of the bridge. Some men went to her rescue and she was rushed to hospital badly cut and very bruised. After a stay in hospital she recovered. James died at aged 66 yrs in Adelaide on 12/8/1968.

4. Eustace Ruthven Inglis born at Broken Hill 21/6/1904, Leila Gladys Boscence – they had 1 child - Elaine. Second marriage to Rosslyn Goodall – they did not have any children. He died: 14/2/1972, aged 67 yrs. Buried at Hindmarsh Cemetery.
5. Jean Catherine Inglis born at Broken Hill 27/11/1906. First marriage to Douglas George Smith – they had 4 children – Douglas, Kelvin, Patricia & Garth-Neil. Jean and Douglas were divorced and her second marriage was with Giovanni (John) Breda (b. 29/1/1907, Sacile, Province Udine, Italy) – they had 1 child - John. Deaths - John Breda on 13/1/1975 at Mt Gambier aged 67 and Jean died at Mt Gambier aged 75 years on 12/11/1982. Both interred at Mt Gambier.
6. Audrey Edna Inglis born at Broken Hill on 2/7/1910. Married: Norman Pursche. (Now deceased). They had 2 children – William & Yvonne. Norman's occupation was in the military. Residence 1993 - Peterborough, S.A.
7. Donald Magnus Inglis born at Peterborough 24/10/1912. Occupation" Engineer, resided Plympton S.A. Married to Patricia Gerner (no children). Donald died: 29/11/1982, aged 70.
8. John (Jack) Allan Inglis born at Peterborough 25/11/1914. Married: June Torpy, residence Magill, S.A. Children – John & Valarie.
9. Patricia Pearl Inglis born at Peterborough 13/7/1918. Married: John Osman of Hamilton, VIC. Children – Judith, Helen & Harold. Deaths: John died 25/1/1973. Patricia died aged 57 on 16/12/1975. Both interred at Hamilton.
10. Eunice Elizabeth Inglis born at Peterborough 17/5/1921. Married: Ralph Maxwell May b. 7/5/1917. Children – Ronald, Peter, Pamela & Geoffrey. Residence: 16 Jenkins St. Cowandilla, SA.

- SOURCE : This biography is an extract from "The History of Donald & Christina McLean and Their Descendants" which was published in 1995 – page 42 to 47.
- 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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