

Ruby Ann COOPER, nee McLEAN & William Charles COOPER

Biography as published in 1995

Ruby Ann McLean born 27/3/1888 at Kingston, the 6th child of Hughie and Maryanne (nee McIntyre) McLean.

Parents : Maryanne McLean (nee McLean & Hughie McLean

Grandparents : Christina McLean (nee Black) & Hugh (the elder) McLean

G-Grandparents Christina McLean (nee McPhee) & Donald McLean:

Married: **William Charles Cooper**. (b. 1887, Kingston), c. 1915. He died at Adelaide in 1953.

Occupation: Police Officer at Gladstone, Blyth and Adelaide.

Death: Ruby Cooper died in August 1918 aged 29 years at Gladstone, S.A. Interred at Gladstone.

ONLY CHILD:

1. Jean McLean Cooper b. 22/2/1916, Gladstone, S.A. Occupation: Nursing sister. Present Residence: 3/75 Edward St. Daw Park, S.A. Married: 1941 Rexford (John) Thomas Bowles. They had 3 children – Robert, Margaret & Shirley. Occupation: Bank manager. Death: He died at Adelaide in 1968.

- SOURCE : This biography is an extract from "The History of Donald & Christina McLean and Their Descendants" which was published in 1995 – page 215 & 216.
- 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.
- CHANGES : Please contact us with additions, corrections or suggestions about any part of this family tree.
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