

Clement Reginald Wells

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NEWPORT

Mr. C. Wells.-The vice-chairman and show secretary of Carisbrooke Cottage Garden Society for over 20 years, Mr. Clement (Clem) Wells, of Vittlefields, Forest Road, Newport, has died. He was 53. Born at Carisbrooke he served a seven-year apprenticeship as a carpenter with Groves and Guttridge Ltd., of Cowes. He then went to sea, serving on a hospital ship, Dorsetshire, which brought prisoners of war back from Japan, and with the Royal Mail Line to Brazil. After returning to the Island he joined a Newport building firm, later becoming a farm building maintenance man for Mr. Alec Downer of Calbourne. In between periods of self employment Mr. Wells was site agent in the Freshwater area for Southern Households Ltd. Last year he became site foreman for the Job Creation Scheme, and was in charge of the building of the West Wight Swimming Pool Trust's Pool in Freshwater. As well as his associations with the Carisbrooke Cottage Garden Society, Mr. Wells was also connected with many other Island Horticultural societies and organisations. He was a member of and judge for the IW Horticultural Association and had himself won many trophies and awards in that field. Mr. Wells was a player and former secretary of Carisbrooke FC. He was a member of St. Mary's Hospital Social Club, building last year's Newport Carnival Queen float. Mr. Wells leaves a widow and three daughters. A service conducted by the Rev. W. M. A. Potts at Carisbrooke Church was followed by cremation at Whippingham. Mourners included family and friends and representatives of the many organisations with which Mr. Wells was connected. Messrs. Hamilton and Marshall made the arrangements.

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