Winifred Mary Pinnock

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KEEN GOLFER AND MOTORIST

DEATH OF MISS W. M. PINNOCK, AT WOOTTON

The death occurred at Green Acre, Kite Hill, Wootton, on Saturday, after several days' illness, of Miss Winifred Mary Pinnock, aged 77, formerly of Chale. Miss Pinnock, who had been in poor health for over two years, lived with her half-sister, Mrs. R. Heald, widow of Canon C. Heald, who was at one time Rector of Binstead.

A member of an old Island family, she was born at Carisbrooke and lived at Blackgang for many years with her step-mother. While there she took a leading part in the village life at Chale, her interests varying from the Church to golf. She was a member of the Parochial Church Council and a Sunday-school teacher and was deeply interested in the work of the Girls` Friendly Society. A keen golfer, she was a founder member of the now defunct Chale Golf Club, and was ladies` captain for many years. She will also be remembered by older residents as a former president of the local Women`s Institute. Miss Pinnock was also a pioneer of motoring in the Island and claimed to be the first local woman driver. She held her first driving licence in 1903 and drove regularly all her life to within a few years, but never took a test. In 1940 she went to live at Green Acre with her step-mother while Canon Heald and his wife were at Binstead. After her step-mother`s death in 1953, she lived with Mrs. Heald.

The funeral took place on Tuesday, when a service was conducted at Binstead Church by the Rector (the Rev. H. N. Wrigley). The family mourners were Mr. C. B. Pinnock (brother), Mr. and Mrs. V. D. Fay (brother-in-law and sister) and Mrs. Heald. The interment was at Carisbrooke.

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