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11<sup>th</sup> child of Stephen CHILDS & Ann COPPIN

Born 8 July 1882 at Little Hampton

Hurtle (46yrs) married Mary MALONEY (56yrs widow) 30th August 1928 at Methodist Manse, Kensington Rd., Kensington.

Her father Michael O'CONNOR

Hurtle died 29 August 1950 at North Unley, (St. James Church Cemetery, Blakiston)



In Oct 1906, Hurtle was living in Adelaide

In 1909, H.G. CHILDS was a police officer and was promoted to Third Class Constable

In 1917, there was a H.G. CHILDS living at 283 King William Street South.

Hurtle had a garage in the main street of Little Hampton

In 1924, Hurtle was an agent for Case cars

In 1928 he was an agent for Austin cars

On 22 Mar 1928, Mr. H.G. CHILDS was secretary of the Littlehampton Racing Club

In 1924, Hurtle was an agent for 'Gray' cars and trucks, 'Case' cars and perhaps even Austin cars at Littlehampton

In 1926, Hurtle applied for permission to erect 2 kerbside (petrol) pumps opposite his shop at Little Hampton. In 1927 Hurtle applied for permission for a third petrol pump.

In 1928 1930 he was advertising his services as a mechanic

In 1935, the Littlehampton swimming pool was opened. H.G. Childs was mentioned as a supporter of the fundraising. Note also J. Childs, S. Childs, H.S. Childs & J. Coppin getting mentions.

1939 H.G. Childs purchased land from J.B. Coppin

He enlisted 9 Aug 1940 at Keswick S/N S946 Australian Army (at the age of 56yrs)

Discharged 18 Sep 1941 Corporal Provost Section 4 MD (Military Police)

In 1941 Hurtle was fined for allowing a person to sit on the right hand side of the driver.

In 1952, Hurtle was involved in a motor vehicle accident. At 3am Sat 24 May 1952, Hurtle had left his car parked, running, with lights on, while he opened the doors of his garage (which abuts the main thoroughfare through the town). A car driven by a Mr. Black, of Mitcham collided with the rear of Hurtle's car, causing 30 pounds damage.

Hurtle George had race horses, at least from 1914 onward.

Over the next few years, there are numerous references to horses that Hurtle raced at events in the district. By 1923, Hurtle was secretary of the Little Hampton Racing Club. In 1929, the SAJC granted H.G. CHILDS his trainers License and in 1936, Hurtle was mentioned as a horse trainer.

1914 – Nairne - a horse called ‘Miss Hampton’

1915 – Nairne – a horse called ‘Arista’ with a jockey ‘Childs’ (maybe himself riding?)

1922 – Mount Barker – a horse called ‘Allenyer’

1924 – Mount Pleasant – a horse called ‘Allenyer’

1924 – Mount Barker – a horse called ‘Allenyer’

1928 – Taillem Bend Races – a horse called ‘Franzac’

1930 - Taillem Bend Races – a horse called ‘Stormgate’

1933 – The Great Eastern Steeplechase at Oakbank.

H.G. CHILDS entered ‘Stormgate’ and jockey was listed as H.G. Childs!

*He rode his own horse in the Great Eastern Steeplechase!!*

1933 – In Aug 1933, The Grand National Steeplechase at Victoria Park

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1936 – In Nov 1936, Erskine Trial Stakes at Cheltenham Park.

The winner ‘Ericstane’ was trained by H.G. Childs

1937 – In Mar 1937, the Onkaparinga Cup at Oakbank (the race before the Great Eastern Steeplechase). ‘Ericstane’ with jockey H. G. Childs