## ISLE OF WIGHT COUNTY PRESS Saturday 10th June 1950

**Model Yachtsman's Death.-** The oldest and one of the most enthusiastic members of Ryde Model Y.C., Mr. **John BURDEN**, of Gordon Villa, Arundel Road, Elmfield, died on Wednesday in his 81st year. He was one of the original members of the club when it was founded in the seventies, and in 1933 assisted in its revival. Until a year or so ago he was a regular competitor in club racing, and in 1947 took his boat to compete at Kensington round pond. He served for some years at sea and subsequently set up in business as a decorator and painter. His wife died in 1945 and a daughter survives him.

The funeral takes place at St. John's Church at 11 o'clock this morning.

## ISLE OF WIGHT COUNTY PRESS Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> June 1950

**Funeral of Mr. J. BURDEN.-** The funeral took place on Saturday of Mr. John BURDEN, of Gordon Villa, Arundel Road. The Vicar (the Rev. A. J. PEARMAN) conducted the service at St. John's Church. The mourners were Miss F. BURDEN (daughter), Mrs. A BURDEN (brother), Mr. H. OCCOMORE (brother-in-law), Mr. A. REEVES (nephew), and Mrs. K. M. PHILLIPS (grand-daughter). The interment was at Ryde Cemetery and among the wreaths was one from the Model Yacht Club, of which he was the oldest member.

Messrs. J. WHEELER and Sons made the arrangements.

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