



Lady Joyce Fisher (Paykel)



1927-1929

Joyce Fisher was born as Joyce Paykel in 1912 and grew up in Epsom, Auckland. She attended Epsom Girls Grammar School from 1916 – 1928. Then in 1935 Joyce married Woolf Fisher, who along with her brother Maurice, had founded Fisher and Paykel a year earlier. The company was destined to become a world leading manufacturer.

Sir Woolf Fisher launched a Charitable Trust in 1960 and was followed by Lady Joyce launching her own Trust in 1975. Joyce and Woolf enjoyed entertaining young people and having wider family join them. Through these connections their abiding focus became one of helping advance young New Zealanders through education.

Joyce was always surrounded by her beloved labradors and horses and this spawned a further area of focus for her charitable contributions, which helps many talented young individuals today.

It is with immense pride that EGGS is now the home to the Lady Joyce Fisher Sports Centre - a spectacular building that will support Epsom Girls Grammar School students and the community for many years to come.