

McLEOD FAMILY

NB: The following is prepared from Falkland Islands Registers and files – there may be other family born outside the Falklands. Unless stated otherwise, all dated births, deaths and marriages occurred in the Falklands and all numbered graves are in Stanley Cemetery. Various spellings of names are recorded as written at the time.

Angus McLEOD was born in Balallan, Isle of Lewis, Scotland. Angus was married to **Elizabeth DUNCAN** (*not in Falkland Islands*).

Angus and Elizabeth emigrated to Patagonia prior to the birth of their daughter Ethel in April 1906.

Immigrant Workers from the Isle of Lewis, Scotland

Around the early part of the 20th century, many crofters from the Isle of Lewis (Scottish Hebrides) sought employment in the new sheep ranches of Patagonia. Life in the isles was poor, and opportunities for advancement few. Patagonia, despite its remoteness, offered the chance to make a better living. Skilled shepherds were in high demand [see [recruiting letter](#)]. In some cases, islesmen rose to positions of responsibility, such as ranch managers, something unimaginable in the crowded subsistence economy back home. Although some men returned to Lewis, many did not. Below there is a list with the names of some 200 individuals who emigrated to Patagonia from 11 separate districts around the island. (Information provided by Ms. Greta Mackenzie, based on data collected in Scotland.)

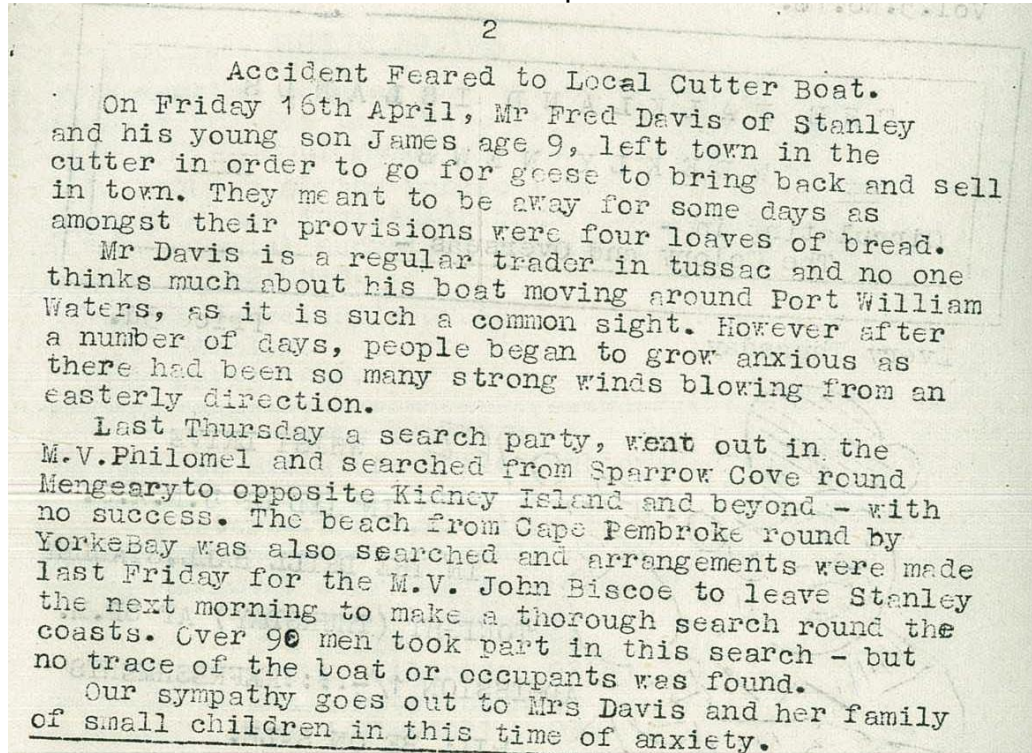
<http://www.patbrit.org/eng/immig/patlewis.htm>

Source: "Why Patagonia?", Greta Mackenzie, Stornoway 1995

FIRST GENERATION:

Children of Angus and Elizabeth McLEOD:

1. **Ethel Mary McLEOD** born 29 April 1906 in Secunda, Tierra del Fuego, and baptised 24 October 1906 by Edwin Aspinall of St James Church, Punta Arenas, Chile. Her father's occupation was recorded as shepherd. Ethel was married to **Frederick Stanley DAVIS**, labourer, 19 July 1934 at the Registrar's Office, Stanley by Special Licence by A R Hoare, Ag Registrar General. The witnesses were R Davis and Agnes B Butcher. Frederick's father was recorded as Richard Davis, labourer, and Ethel's father was recorded as Angus McLeod, deceased. Fred and his son James were lost at sea on 16 April 1948.



[FI Weekly News 29 April 1948] A dance and raffle were held to raise funds for Ethel and her family. Ethel, age 48 and a widow, emigrated to the UK in 1955 with her three youngest children.

2. **Kathleen McLEOD** (*twin*) born at 11pm 13 December 1915 on West Falkland and baptised 3 May 1916 by Christ Church Cathedral. Her father's occupation was recorded as shepherd.
3. **John McLEOD** (*twin*) born at 12am 14 December 1915 on West Falkland and baptised 3 May 1916 by Christ Church Cathedral. His father's occupation was recorded as shepherd.