

## *Remembering Territory families*

### **Café society...**

During the 1950s more cafes opened up in Darwin. Some of the newer immigrants to Australia and Darwin brought the new treats of coffee and continental cakes. They also saw the potential of changes in technology would bring to life in the tropics. Lucy and Steve Entner made an innovation in 1954 that soon all cafes and eating places in Darwin would follow to this day:

We started out in the Kool-A-Bar, we shifted to the Knickerbocker... It was the first air-conditioned lunch in Darwin, our place was first air-conditioned lunch in Darwin...

And some local people warn us we will lose business because people doesn't like air-conditioning. It's not very healthy, and like that, but I proved it, it's wrong. They were absolutely wrong...

At least thirty per cent more business...

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