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BAUPLE HERITAGE TRAIL



A Tour Of Local Historical Sites

The Bauple Heritage Trail acknowledges the rich historical foundations of our town. The self-guided tour is approximately 3.3kms in length, winding around the township of Bauple. There are 24 signs that indicate

The Museum is open daily from 10am to 3pm except on Christmas Day, Boxing Day, New years eve and New years day, Easter Sunday and Anzac Day.

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1. Bauple Cash & Carry

Built in 1948, it was owned by Mrs. Jessie Davis. The store was closed in 1968 after the accidental death of her daughter Nola, owner of the store at that time.

2. The Salvation Army Hall

The services were conducted by Ashton and Cunningham Families.

During WWII in 1942 the 11th Field Ambulance was stationed here. Connors Hall was used as a military hospital, the Salvation Army Hall was their headquarters

3. Connors Hall

In the 1880's Mr. W Hurt conducted a wheelwright shop in this vicinity. Later Mr. Connors built a hall here, the entrance to the hall faced Federation Lane.

4. St. Marks Church of England

The church was built on this site in 1927. After its closure in the 1980's it was sold for removal and relocated to Forest View.

5. Boarding House

Mrs. Melksham conducted a boarding house on this site. Later, Don Stewart, and his wife and family occupied the house

6. Jim Bates Sawmill

The Mill was purchased in Calliope in 1910 and transported to Bauple. The Mill was operated by Jim and his two brothers Tom and George.

7. Bauple Bakehouse

The first bakehouse in Bauple was built and operated by Mr. Axelsen on Forestry Road where the Hendersons later lived. In 1911, Mr. Bert Baker built a bakehouse in Mill Street.

8. Mens Store

Duncan and Stewart operated a shop on this site that mainly sold men's clothing and boots. Some grocery lines and small goods were also for sale. Bert Baker bought the shop and closed it.

9. Mount Bauple Co-op Sugar Mill

The Sugar Mill first crushed in 1896, The Mill was sold in 1951 and was moved to Giru south of Townsville.

10. Mount Bauple Mill Manager's Residence

The Mill's Manager's residence was sold for removal in 1951.

11. Cane Inspector's House

The House where the cane Inspector lived.

12. The First Grocery Store

This store was owned by Bert Baker and was built in 1911. The first grocery store was owned by Stuart Crumby Cunningham. The above store was a general store, post office and Commonwealth Bank Agency. Many years later it was purchased by Sid Dumpleton along with the bakehouse and one of the houses. The store was destroyed by fire when owned by Spottiswood.

13. Gardiner's General Store

Mr. John Gardiner's shop was here where he sold groceries, hardware and clothes. It closed in the mid 1930's when Mr. Gardiner retired. The shop was sold and it is thought to have been moved to Gundiah. The residence behind the shop remains to this day.

14. Andersen's Boarding House

Mr. Tom Mills built a shop and Boarding house in 1924 for Mr. Anton Andersen. During the following year Mrs. Andersen became ill and Mr. Andersen was forced to sell the property. Mr. & Mrs. J. Merrick became the owners up until the late 1940's.

15. Connors Butcher Shop

Connors Butcher Shop was owned and operated by the Connors Family who also owned the Butcher Shop in Tiaro.

16. Bates Brother's Sawmill

This Sawmill was built when the brothers returned after World War II ended. It was built behind their family home. Several years later it closed.

17. Scott's Boarding House

Scott's Boarding House was situated on this site. Mr. Jim Bates purchased the building and the Bates family lived there for many years. The house was moved to Hervey Bay in the 1960's.

18. Mrs. Harrison's Shop

Mrs. Harrison operated a shop in this vicinity which served the local community for many years.

19. Mrs. Bertram's Boarding House

Mr. Poulsen owned a boarding house on this allotment & it was run by Mrs. Fred Bertram. After closure it was dismantled and transported to Maryborough. The Bauple Band Hall was built on this property, opening on 7th November 1925.

20. Christian Endeavour Hall

Church services and Sunday School Classes were held in the Christian Endeavour Hall from 1905 and conducted by the MacKellar family. The hall became the Presbyterian Church. The building was later replaced by the present building and the Presbyterian Church became the Uniting Church.

21. Bauple Roman Catholic Church

The Roman Catholic Church was opened in 1928. It remained in Bauple and became the property of the Lighthouse Community Church.

22. Recreation Ground Grandstand

Two grandstands have been built on the recreation ground. The first was thought to have burnt down. The new one succumbed to termites which rendered it unsafe. It was pulled down in early 1940's.

23. Raby State School

After the closure of the Mount Bopple Provisional School in 1933 it was decided to rename the Raby State School to Bauple State School but it did not officially take place until two years later in 1935.

24. Bauple's First Shop

The first shop to open in Bauple was on 1st July 1895 and was operated by the butcher Mr. Hopper.