

EAST KIRUP TIMBER MILL

LOCATION = About fourteen kilometres north of east of the town of Kirup. On or near Grimwade road.¹

INDUSTRY = Timber.

HISTORY = This timber mill was built in 1910 by Millars using material from the Waterous Timber Mill. The rail line to the mill followed the old rail formations of the W.A. Jarrah Saw Mills. The mill came into production in September 1910. It was closed from 1915 to 1919, then stayed in production until 1938. The rails to East Kirup were removed in about 1945. After the mill closed the houses there were taken over by the Forests Department and the area is now called Grimwade. There were about one hundred and ninety five kilometres of rail laid around the mill.²

EAST MOUNT MAGNET - An early name for - PAYNESVILLE.

EAST WITCHCLIFFE TIMBER MILL - WITCHCLIFFE AREA

LOCATION = About two kilometres east of Witchcliffe.³

INDUSTRY - Timber.

HISTORY = This mill was built by W.A. Jarrah Forests Ltd, whose main shareholders were John F. PILGRIM, John STEWART and the Adelaide Timber Company. Construction of what was originally known as Pilgrims Mill began in late 1922 and was presumably near completion by early 1924, when timber production began. Full operations were underway by late in the year. The heavy equipment such as the boilers were transported along forty eight kilometres of bush track from Busselton. Originally half a kilometre of wooden tram track using horse power was used to transport logs to the mill.

In October 1924 the Government opened their railway to Witchcliffe. The company had earlier in July laid about three kilometres of connecting railway line to the siding. In April 1926 a small locomotive was purchased and the company railway line gradually increased in length. The company went into voluntary liquidation in May 1929 leading the Adelaide Timber Company as responsible for about half of the debt to purchase the mill In December 1929. They commenced their own operation there in the following January under the new name of East Witchcliffe. The government railway to Witchcliffe closed in April 1957. Twenty two kilometres of company railway line were laid. The original mill was destroyed by fire on the 27th of July 1972.⁴

EDERGA

LOCATION = A small settlement near the road between Yalgoo and Morawa about thirty four kilometres south west of Yalgoo.⁵

HISTORY = The town existed in 1895/6.⁶

EGINA

LOCATION = Pilbara goldfields settlement.

INDUSTRY = Gold mining

HISTORY = By 1890 the settlement was completely deserted.⁷

OTHER BUSINESSES

STOREKEEPER = By June 1890 the store had closed and the storekeeper had left.⁸

ELLIS CREEK TIMBER MILL - NANNUP AREA

LOCATION = About thirteen kilometres east north east of the present town of Nannup.⁹

INDUSTRY = Timber.

HISTORY = This large timber mill was built by the Kauri Timber Company Ltd in 1914 and was kept supplied with timber by an extensive system of logging railway lines. It was connected to a siding at Nannup on the Government railway line in February 1915. The mill was dismantled in 1926 and shipped to Melbourne.¹⁰

ELVERDTON

LOCATION = In the Ravensthorpe area.

ENDERBY ISLAND

LOCATION = Latitude 20° 36' south by Longitude 116° 29' east.

INDUSTRY = Slavery.

HISTORY = This business appears to have been operated in conjunction with the pearling industry. In the early 1870's Captain CADELL established a slave market for both male and female Aboriginal people on this island as well as Delambre Island.¹¹ One source states that women were sold at Enderby.¹²

ERADU

LOCATION = On the Geraldton to Mullewa railway line.

INDUSTRY = Railway siding and maintenance camp.

TRANSPORT SERVICES = The 1910 postal directory lists John K. CARR as the combined railway and post master.¹³

HOTELS & ACCOMMODATION - One secondary source mentions a hotel in the pre rail days.¹⁴ This may not have been the

Eradu Hotel.

ERADU HOTEL = The 1920 postal directory lists Noel ELLIS at the Eradu Hotel.¹⁵ However an anecdotal source states that this hotel was not at the current railway siding site, but was slightly east of there, where the old Geraldton to Mullewa road crossed the Greenough River.¹⁶

ERLISTOWN

LOCATION = North of the present town of Laverton.

INDUSTRY = Gold mining.

HOTELS & ACCOMMODATION

ERLISTOWN HOTEL = The 1905 postal directory lists Daniel KEANE at the hotel.¹⁷

OTHER BUSINESSES

STOREKEEPER = The 1905 postal directory lists Joseph DOUGLAS operating a general store and as the mail receiver.¹⁸

ETICUP

LOCATION = On the road between Kojonup and Broomehill.¹⁹

INDUSTRY = Agricultural.

HISTORY = Settlement in the immediate district dates back to the arrival of W. H. GRAHAM in about 1862, followed by the TRIMMER family in about 1865.²⁰ It was the bypassing of the town by the Great Southern Railway that seems to have led to it being supplanted by Broomehill and Katanning.²¹

CEMETERY = There is a cemetery north of the church, on the east side of Greenhills Road.²²

HOTEL & ACCOMMODATION = A single story hotel was built on the Broomehill to Kojonup road by Pat GARRITY in the 1870's. The DENNIS homestead of Eticup was built on the foundations.²³

OTHER BUSINESSES

BLACKSMITH 1 = Joseph NELSON had a shop about four hundred yards south east of KRAKOUER's store. This road has since been closed.²⁴

BLACKSMITH 2 = TYLER had a smithy and plumbing shop opposite the church.²⁵

FLOUR MILL = A flour mill operated on the Fairfield property roughly five kilometres to the north west of Eticup on the road to Kojonup.²⁶

SHOPKEEPER 1 = Although the wording of the source is not entirely specific, it appears that the store was started by the KRAKOUER brothers in about 1887.²⁷ The store was located on the junction of the Kojonup to Broomehill Road and Eticup Road.²⁸

STOREKEEPER 2 = John GARRITY built a store slightly west of KRAKOUER's store and opposite the hotel on in the 1870's.²⁹ John was the son of Pat GARRITY.³⁰

HALLS & CHURCHES = The local people built St Peter's Church on Greenhills Road to Katanning in 1884. A vestry was added later, financed by funds provided by Lady BRASSEY. Material from this church were later used in the construction of the church at Broomehill.³¹

EURO

LOCATION = About eleven kilometres from Laverton.³²

INDUSTRY = Gold mining.

HOTELS & ACCOMMODATION

EURO HOTEL = Edwin L WARD is listed as being there in the 1906 postal directory.³³

OTHER BUSINESSES

BLACKSMITH = The 1906 postal directory lists John DUGGAN as a blacksmith.³⁴

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⁷ De La RUE, Kathy - *Pearl Shell and Pastures : The story of Cossack and Roebourne, and their place in the history of the North West, from the earliest explorations to 1910*. - 1979 Cossack Project Committee. 1979. p 91.

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¹³ Postal directory 1920. p 69.

¹⁴ LINDSAY, Doreen - *Tenindewa To Sow the Barley*. - 1988. p 4.

¹⁵ Postal directory 1920. p 69.

¹⁶ Information from - Bert KEEFE - April 2010.

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- ¹⁸ Postal directory 1905. p 89.
- ¹⁹ NELSON, Lloyd - *The Great Southern Expedition of 1835*. - p 64.
- ²⁰ NELSON, Lloyd - *The Great Southern Expedition of 1835*. - p 63.
- ²¹ NELSON, Lloyd - *The Great Southern Expedition of 1835*. - p 67.
- ²² *Old Eticup. The Ghost Town in the Great Southern*. - [1 or 2 page including illustrated map.]
- ²³ NELSON, Lloyd - *The Great Southern Expedition of 1835*. - p 71.
- ²⁴ *Old Eticup. The Ghost Town in the Great Southern*. - [1 or 2 page including illustrated map.]
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