

REFLECTIONS OF THE PAST Celebrating the history of the Town of Victoria Park



The Town of Victoria Park Local History Collection was established to preserve and promote the history of the local area. This collection of framed photographs have been selected from entries in the biannual Local History Photographic Awards. The first 17 photographs in this booklet were displayed in an exhibition at the Victoria Park Centre for the Arts from the 16–29 June 2012. The next 23 photographs in this catalogue were added to the collection over successive years and include winning entries from the 2019 Local History Photographic Awards.

Dating from 1907 to 1970 the images offer a fascinating glimpse into our past and a vision of life in the Town's early days.

To expand our collection we rely on the generosity of the community who allow us to collect copies of their photographs. The Town is grateful for these contributions.

These framed photographs measure approximately 800mm x 600mm and are available for loan.

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Cover image is No. 21 - 97 Raleigh Street, Carlisle





1. Backyard of 50 Rathay Street 1922Photographer:Harold CoallEntrant:Lois Mac Arthur

Looking out across the backyard at 50 Rathay Street, Victoria Park south-east towards State Street.

2. Basinghall Street, 1912 Photographer: Roy Dawson Entrant: Kevin Bowen

> View from the top of Basinghall (formerly Russell) Street, Victoria Park, over Berwick Street, looking north towards Albany Road. Mr Dawson's brick house is on the right.

3. Children playing in Rathay Street, 1924Photographer:Harold CoallEntrant:Lois Macarthur

Corner of Rathay and Gloucester Streets, looking towards Albany Road. Norma Coall, her brother Harold and friends sailing paper boats in a puddle.

4. SW Clarkes Family Store, Travelling Sales Staff, c1950 Photographer: Unknown Entrant: Diane Pope

> An important part of the Clarkes Family Store business was their "store to door" travellers who travelled around Victoria Park opening new accounts.









5. Staff of SW Clarkes Family Store, c1950 Photographer: Unknown Entrant: Diane Pope

Staff of SW Clarkes Family store located at 361–367 Albany Highway including the entrant's grandfather, father and uncles.



Founded by Mr Syd Clarke in 1940, the family tradition of personal attention to customers was carried on by his son Ken. The family's motto was "we are never too busy for courtesy".

6. Mr James Delury in front of Edward Millen Home, c1940 Photographer: Mrs Olive Delury Entrant: Peggy McQueen

> Mr James Delury was a patient at Edward Millen Home recuperating from a lung injury received during WWII.

7. Nursing sisters in front of Edward Millen Home, c1940 Photographer: James Delury Entrant: Peggy McQueen





8. Edward Millen Home, c1940 Photographer: Mrs Olive Delury Entrant: Peggy McQueen

The Edward Millen Home situated at 999 Albany Highway began life as 'The Rotunda' maternity hospital built by Matron Baillie in 1912.



The building was used as an infectious diseases hospital during the outbreak of Spanish flu in 1919, a sanatorium for WWI soldiers returning with tuberculosis and as a convalescing hospital for injured soldiers during WWII. While Senator Edward Millen was the first Defence Minister of Repatriation in 1924, the name was changed to Edward Millen Home. In 1982 responsibility was given to the West Australian Health Department and it was used as a residential hospital as part of the Child and Adolescent Psychiatry division.

The building was handed to the Town of Victoria Park in 2006.

Back to the stables after the milk-run in Carlisle, 1967
 Photographer: Graeme Doney
 Entrant: Helen Doney

Phillip Doney, his horse Molly and dog Dino returning early in the morning to the stables and milk depot at 87 Bishopsgate Street, Carlisle after the nightly milk delivery in Carlisle.



The photograph was taken looking west along Archer Street, with the petrol station on the corner of Archer and Raleigh Streets in the background.

10. Butchers' cutting carts, 1913Photographer:UnknownEntrant:Brian Cowley

Meat was sold door-to-door from this butcher in Albany Road, Victoria Park. The meat was taken from the back of the horse-drawn carts and cut up in front of the customers. William Henry Cowley is on the extreme right.



11. First tram from Victoria Park into
Perth, 1907
Photographer:Unknown
Entrant:Entrant:Erica Fry

The first tram to cross the Causeway from Victoria Park was sent off by a crowd of school children and teachers.

12. WM Brown General Blacksmithing, c1939 Photographer: Unknown Entrant: Sherryl Gamble

William Brown owned the blacksmithing business located behind the garage on the corner of Rutland Avenue and Archer Street, Carlisle. Horseshoes were fitted to army horses here. His wife Jeanette is in the photo.

13. St Peter's Anglican Church, c1935Photographer:UnknownEntrant:Maurine Callard

St Peter's Anglican Church in Leonard Street, Victoria Park was built in 1935 in the Romanesque style, from reinforced concrete.

This photo of St Peter's was taken just after completion. The foundation stone was laid in March 1935, and the church consecrated by Dr Le Fanu, Archbishop of Perth.

14. Armagh Street, c1920Photographer:UnknownEntrant:Daphne Sheppard

Looking south down Armagh street from Albany Highway.







15. Church of the Transfiguration, c1914 **Photographer:** Unknown **Entrant:** Maurine Callard

The Victoria Park Anglican Church of the Transfiguration was built in Harvey Street c1896. In 1922 it was moved to 11 Leonard Street, and remained in service until St Peter's was built on the site in 1935. The old church was demolished after the church memorial hall was built.

16. New Roundabout, c1955 Photographer: Unknown **Entrant:** Rod Williams

The Perth causeway looking south east along Albany Highway into Victoria Park.

17. Rive family outing, 1919 Photographer: Unknown **Entrant:** Patricia Lupton

> The house is facing towards Raphael Park on the left hand side at the corner of Colombo and Gloucester Streets.

Patricia Lupton's father Sidney Rive, aged four, on a trike. In the cart is Sidney's father Joseph Rive (an engineer who worked with CY O'Connor) brother Mick, mother Elizabeth (nee Agullar), sister Elizabeth (Bessy) aged two (who became Sr. Anne with the Josephite Nuns), and behind the fence Mathilda (Molly) aged six years.







18. The Walkemeyer children wearing their uncle's WWII safety equipment, 1943
Photographer: Unknown
Entrant: Otto Walkemeyer

Tanya, Leon and Otto Walkemeyer, whose parents owned the Terminus Bakery, modelling helmets and a gas mask belonging to their uncle who was an air raid warden in City Beach.

Second Prize in the 2008 Local History Photographic Awards

19.13 Staines Street, Lathlain
(then Victoria Park), circa 1938
Photographer:Photographer:Unknown
Entrant:Neville Hills





In 1938 when Neville Hills was four years of age his parents, Lou and Irene Hills moved from Bunbury to 13 Staines St. Victoria Park (now Lathlain). Neville believes his parents bought their asbestos and tile house for £400, a brick one would have been £600.

Neville recalls that "at that time Staines St. ended halfway along its present length in a pocket of bushland, now a football ground and clubrooms. When my aunt visited us for the first time, she asked my mother 'why do you want to live out here in the bush?'.

A feature of the street was an old gum tree that had been burnt out at the base making a great cubby. In the past it held a sign on an outstretched arm advertising the Peet & Co. real estate development there and became known as the Old Man Tree." (Hills, Neville 2019, Victoria Park Local History Photographic Awards).

Second Prize – Photographic Memories Award, 2019 Local History Photographic Awards

20. 64 Canning Highway, Victoria Park, 1970 Photographer: Unknown Entrant: Garnet Raymond Peek

First Prize – Photographic Memories Award - 2019 Local History Photographic Awards

21. 97 Raleigh Street, Carlisle Photographer: Unknown Entrant: John Gannaway

L. to R. Neighbour, Thomas Henry Fletcher, neighbour's daughter holding baby Alice Fletcher and Jessie Fletcher, circa 1910s.

First Prize – Photographic Studies Award, 2019 Local History Photographic Awards

22. 97 Raleigh Street, Carlisle, during construction. Photographer: Unknown Entrant: John Gannaway

Front of house before verandah was added, circa 1911–1923.

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23. Fletcher family home at 97 Raleigh Street, Carlisle. Photographer: Unknown Entrant: John Gannaway

Showing the back verandah.

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24. A working bee during the building of the Fletcher's house at 97 Raleigh Street, Carlisle. Photographer: Unknown John Gannaway **Entrant:**



Thomas Henry Fletcher in the front holding a hammer.

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25. A first communion group, St Joachim's, Shepperton Road, Victoria Park circa 1941-42 Photographer: Unknown **Entrant:** Neville Hills

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26. Allpest Fleet 1962 **Photographer:** Unknown **Entrant:**

Garnet Raymond Peek

Taken in front of vacant land on the westside of Canning Highway between Ellam and Taylor Streets.

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27. Fletcher family home at 526 Albany Road, Victoria Park, circa 1923 Photographer: Unknown **Entrant:** John Gannaway

First Prize - Photographic Studies Award, 2019 Local History Photographic Awards







28. 62-66 Canning Highway, Victoria Park circa 1961 Photographer: Unknown **Entrant:** Garnet Raymond Peek

First Prize - Photographic Memories Award, 2019 Local History Photographic Awards

29. Fancy dress circa 1930 Photographer: Unknown Lois MacArthur **Entrant:**

St Peter's Anglican Church concert. Children dressed as flowers.

30. Gypsies in the park, 1927 Photographer: Unknown Robert Hatton **Entrant:**

104 Beatty Avenue, Carlisle (the Wilson's Park). Edith Hatton at eleven years old took part in a school excursion and pantomime.

31. The Palmer family, circa 1940 Photographer: Unknown John Palmer **Entrant:**

The Palmer family at 23 Willis Street East Victoria Park in front of the house built by John Palmer's grandparents. Back row: Aurthy McCarthy, Bessie McCarthy and Jack William Palmer. Front row: Millie, Jack Palmer.







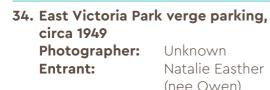
32. Walkemeyer's Terminus Bakery,
Victoria Park taking part in a fancy
dress parade, Monday 27 January 1930
Photographer:Unknown
Entrant:Otto Walkemeyer

Taken outside the East Victoria Park State School, Albany Highway (site of the current Park Centre).

33. Terminus Bakery boy, circa 1937Photographer:Lucy WalkemeyerEntrant:Otto Walkemeyer

Otto Walkemeyer dressed up for a fancy dress party.

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New occupation for WWII Valentine tank, minus turret and guns, parked on the verge of 73 Hubert Street, East Victoria Park. Natalie is seated on the tank. After modifications it was driven to the small town of Kukerin about 303 kilometres south-east of Perth where it was to be used for scrub rolling (clearing) the land.

35. Bread delivery, Victoria Park, circa 1944 Photographer: Bernie Walkemeyer Entrant: Otto Walkemeyer

Jack Conduit with Nellie delivering bread in Swansea St, East Victoria Park.









36. Breadie, Nellie and Bedford - The
Terminus Bakery fleet, circa 1950s
Photographer:Photographer:Unknown
Otto Walkemeyer



37. The Black family and friends,
 20 Esperance Street circa 1922
 Photographer: Unknown
 Entrant: Lindsay McKenzie

Children playing on a wooden block road in front of 20 Esperance Street, East Victoria Park.

38. Giele's Pastry Shop, 1955–1961Photographer:UnknownEntrant:Unknown

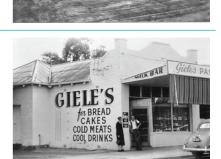
Bakery Business at 877 Albany Highway (corner of Canterbury Tce), East Victoria Park.

It was first run by Mr Frank Boulter then the father son team of Petrus Gieles and Henks Gieles from 1955 until 1964.

39. Brown family, 1928Photographer:Unknown**Entrant:**Sherryl Gamble

Bill Brown age four, with his mother Jeannette Brown and her mother, Mrs Poole, sitting on the verandah of 27 Raleigh Street, Carlisle.





40. Victoria Park Red Cross Emergency Services, circa 1940–1950s Photographer: Unknown Entrant: Unknown





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