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Property Names - Barwon Downs Area - 1920 to 1960's.

Birregurra Forrest Road

"Sunnybrae." Restaurant. John & Mary Bickett 1878. next to Whoorel Cemetery.

180 "Sunnybrae" up Wickham's Road Charles & Doris Maxwell

4325." The Point" James McCallum?(I will have to check his name) he had three daughters Ena McCallum married Ewan Coulson Alison m Crossley m Thomas and Jessie m Ron Beckman,

365 "Studbrook" Bennie Darcy then Madge Darcy

370 "Elgatta" Built by Eugene [Gene] Darcy. & his wife Barbara[nee Tehan] Eugene 's father was the politician Tom Darcy [Member for Polwarth 1958-1970] Tom Darcy lived on the Dean's Marsh Road property name "Elderwood"

425 "Buntingdale" on 19/6/1911 Mr John Dunse paid 13 Pounds an acre, at auction for "Buntingdale" [158 acres]

465 "Fairholme" Mr. K. Waldeck in 1906 then Mr Horace Lidgerwood then 1918 Ardill (Jim) & Edith Brien nee Wickham. Alan & Peg Brien's family lived there and the family still own it. Alan was born in 1913. Mobil which was Vacuum Oil Co. depot was here. Alan Brien drove the truck and delivered petrol (I think Frank Green bought the business in 1930s????). Myrtle [married George Seers], Ida married Col Stewart who held a motor cycle world record, on a Norton motor cycle. Cyril, the fourth child, married Muriel and lived at "Orana" near Lidgerwoods Seeds. Cyril caught polio at the age of 12. Cyril was born in 1919. The youngest child, Una married Lester Bush, and lived at "ParkView" at Pennyroyal near Deans Marsh.

It is also important to realize that the name Fairholme refers also to the district around "Fairholm". For Example the Andersen family lived in Telegraph Road, and their address would have been Fairholm. Victoria. near Birregurra. Andersen is Danish in origin.

530 "Mission Banks." formerly Buntingdale Mission then Harold Edwin Beach [died 1939] & Mabel Caroline Beach[nee Simonds] Mabel Caroline died in 1932 then Len Beach [died 1958] & Joan Beach [nee Dorman] whose daughter Angela married Dave Hobill.

531 Site Of Fairholm School 1918-1968

Corner Deepdene Road [known as "Whacker's corner"] Mr Edmonson then Mr Walters then Arthur ["Whacker" & Betty Maguire] (Part Deepdene Closer Settlement)

660 "Longacres" Hampshire [Mr Hampshire had 18 children] We think that he only had one wife Then Tom & May Curtis.. who lived there around about-1945.

Telegraph Road. Named after the Telegraph Line which went along here. It continued on, down Callahan's Lane to Apollo Bay Cable Station, then to Tasmania, then the world.

Down Telegraph Road there were once three houses. Fred & Mavis Trigg [rented Darcy's House}

80 "Berwin Banks" William Henry Phillips [born 1909], & his wife Dorothy Muriel. Bill & Jeff Phillips and their two sisters grew up here. The Andersen Family. Lived in Telegraph Road. This is the correct spelling of Andersen. The Andersen family moved to Telegraph Road in Dec 1940. (Sam Crabbe's house). Marj Crabbe was nee Andersen.

420 "Riverdale" [Telegraph Road} Herb McPadden house built approx 1910. Herb was unmarried until 1941, when he married Ruby Evelyn Taylor. Ruby died in 1968. Her daughter Lorna Gabrielle Halliwell [nee Taylor] was born in 1913] and she eventually sold Riverdale in 1973. Lorna Gabrielle ["Gay"] was the wife of Alan Neville Halliwell and they moved to Launceston [Tas.] Alan Neville Halliwell had farmed for a short time [before his marriage] up near Forrest. Vic. Bill & Doris Maguire and family lived at "Riverdale" before they moved to Wallace Road Barwon Downs in about 1949. Bill & Doris Maguire rented "Riverdale" from Herb McPadden

Birregurra- Forrest Road.

705 "Myamba" Percy Dorman then 1968 Graham Brien purchased it and in 1971-2 built house and Graham and Janet lived there until 1987 when Albert and Maurine moved there until [Albert died in 2002] Maurine predeceased him in 2000. Between "Myamba" & "Ard Mohr" Frank Darcy [unmarried] owned a farm it was on the same side of the road as "Myamba" and "Ard Mohr" and is where old pine trees are well back from the main road.

960 "Attunga". Bill Farquharson [who lived at Pennyroyal] farmed here, but there was no house. Then in 1952 Harold & Muriel Brien [nee Nicholas] who built the two brick houses, one at the front for his mother Jane Brien nee Bush. [Harold died in 1982]. Heather Smith [nee Brien] grew up here from age 7. Harold and his brother Albert grew up at "Daraga", on the Birregurra- Lorne Road, and he and Muriel lived there, and at "Como", with Harold's parents, when Harold & Muriel were first married .

965 "Ard Mohr." Alex McLennan [who was buried at Warncoort Cemetery] & his wife Edie nee Wallace then Albert Brien & Family purchased Ard Mohr in 1952 .

Division Road. You cross Timmins Creek as you approach The Wine Shanty "Farmer's Hotel" corner. The Wine Shanty closed early in the 1920's. Tony Darcy was the publican, Tom Darcy and his siblings Mick, Nellie and Jack attended Murroon School. The Last Publican was Mr Denmead.

"Fern Bank" maybe this property was where I have placed Myrtle Bank????

"Myrtle Bank" Opposite the Wine Shanty [On the South East corner of Birregurra-Forrest Road George Lidgerwood then Arthur Green Then McLean Then Jack Shanahan. That block was known as Keatings.

"Wongan Hills" George & Margaret Green . [Margaret nursed in Western Aust.] The Wongan Hills are north -east of Perth.

“Cherry Tree” John Crutch [who selected 13,000 acres], Tom Mulder; Brown, John McCready bought this property in 1946

“Cugulla” Richard Gannon {In Gannon Road}

Cloverlea [600 Murroon Road] Gannon family since 19----- The house at “Cloverlea “was built about 1941 when Les & Olive were married.

Birregurra-Forrest Road.

“ Brae Heid [gateway used to be in Birregurra –Forrest Road more or less opposite Creamery Road]] Donald McLennan then Annie & Archie McLean [Annie was nee McLennan] then Jack and Ellen Shanahan When Noel & Marie Callahan got married[in about 1970s, Jack Shanahan’s daughter, Eileen Callahan, moved from Mahers Road, and went to live with her father and her brother Frank, at Brae Heid. Then Barry and Lois Chamberlain (who sold their farm up near Clarrie Greens] to buy Brae Heid, then when Chamberlains sold, John Waddell bought Jack Shanahan’s house, and land, and Ron & Jenny Cunnington bought the south part, after John Waddell subdivided. Brae Heid original wool shed was opposite” Ripplebrook” main gate.

1425 “ Ripplebrook.” Gabriel Taylor [Died in 1904} & his wife Annie (nee Mc Sporrans) Annie died in 1939. Then Albert Ernest Taylor [Killed in action in Belgium in 1917] His Service Number is 3437 . Then to his daughter, Lorna Gabrielle [“ Gay”] Taylor , who married Alan Neville Halliwell . When Alan N Halliwell went to Launceston [Tas] Mr. Finley Clissold rented “Ripplebrook” for a while , then Alec Newcombe rented “ Ripplebrook” before he purchased 1535 “Fairview’ in 1965.

1530 “ Yanum “ Dosh McLennan Then Hec Heal [Who, I think named it “Yanum”], previously it was part of” Fern Grove “ then Alf Coutts then Bob & Mavis Halliday.[Who moved down from Forrest, in when Barwon Water compulsorily acquired their farm to build the West Barwon Dam. Hec Heal put the present house there. It was originally Jack Hayden’s house which had been up beside “Blackwood” 1630.

1535 ‘Fair View “ Joe Taylor then Jack Taylor then Albert William Taylor then Alec Newcombe & his wife Shirley nee Ubergang, who farmed there from 1965-1975.

Presbyterian Church built on a block, originally part of “Ferngrove” Last Service held in 1998---Now a holiday home.

1572 The old Fire Station (built 1966], on land donated by Wilson & Loma Cunnington and, across the road is “Mariposa” on a quarter acre. Mrs Brown lived here then Arthur & Isobel Green then Jimmy Whelan & his wife Ivy [nee Marendaz] “ Mariposa” is on the east side of the hall . The new hall, was built by voluntary labour in 1991 . The new hall was built on the site of the old hall which had served the community since 1903.

1577 In the year 1926 the Public Tennis Courts were situated here. Later, Frank [“Frosty’] & Marj Harrington built a house here.

1579 This house came down from up in the Otways in 1909. for Arthur George Mackie [Sawmiller] then Hilda Jane Mackie in 1925. then in 1938 Eileen Tebble then in 1975 John Tebble then in 1982 Peter & Edith Strickland then L & M Warnock 1984-1992.

1678 Pitkethly's Shop Built on block originally part of "Ferngrove"

1580 "Woodlands" Brick house built by Wilson & Loma Cunnington in 1956 on approximately 95 Acres purchased from Alec McLennan. Wilson & Loma's farm was originally part of "Ferngrove". The bricks for the house were made at Kincaid's Brickworks in Colac.

1581 Lillian Stephens (Frank's mother & Mona's mother-in-law)

Next door to Lillian Stephens lived Mary Muir who later married Bill Bligh.

1586 The old teacher's residence, which came down from Durham lead near Garabaldi in 1949. First occupant was a teacher named Norman Hine. It was condemned in 1967 and in 1983 a brick teacher's residence was built at 1692 up toward Rod & Frances Hehirs. Frances (nee Bowtell) and Rod went to live at Churchable Queensland in 2003. The old teacher's residence became Dawn Meader's Gift Shop, and later Kate Gannon's Gift Shop then Bill Vautier's Tea Rooms.

1585 "Austins" This house was built by Austin McGrath. He was a bachelor and lived there for a long time. Then Joan St. John, who sold "Austins" about 2000 to Edith Strickland who had sold the shop opposite the hall to Debbie Lewis.

1588 National Bank Of Australasia. built by Bill Tebble [bachelor] in 1933 and closed in 1975.

1588 Telephone Exchange. In 1973 an Automatic Telephone Exchange built

1588 Charlie & Beryl Drayton's Shop [Their daughter was also Beryl, and she married Charlie Maxwell [Tractor mechanic] lived at Barongarook.

1590 Way back in history this was Brown's Butcher's shop. Part of the Butcher's shop was on Gary Curtis's block. (Gary Curtis's block did not have any buildings on it during the period 1990 - 2010) J.C. Griffin had a Produce Store {"The Old Barn"} in the early days. Then Houghton's. P.E Callahan used to get his hair cut on Houghton's veranda. Then Charlie & Beryl Drayton built their house between the two. Bill Pyle once lived on this site.

1592 is a vacant block which used to be owned by Mr. Gary Curtis.

The New Fire Station was built in 2008 opposite W .P. & F.I. Callahan's Brick house built in 1980.

1609 Next to the new Fire Station is the house Thomas Charles Maher built. His wife's name before they were married was Winifred Helen Balcombe. [She was born in 1906]. Thomas Charles Maher's father's name was also Thomas Charles Maher [Died in 1962] Tom & Winnie's house was sold to Mrs Stocks.

1615 Eric & Audrey Stephens 'house {Audrey was nee Sanderson} On this block once stood the old church, which was used as a school, before the school was built on the corner. This old church building ended up on Hurst's property.[Chas & B . Neale]

1620 Merv Hinds , later Bob Norman's Brick House set on about 100 acres.

1626 Geoff Law [teacher] and his wife lived here. Geoff was the brother of the Antarctic Explorer. Then Elvins ["Snow"] & Dorrie Marendaz Elvins died in in 2001 ; then Bill & Fay Callahan bought 1626 [This was the site Hayden's Store, and a bank beside.]

1630 Blackwood Bill Hayden built this house in 1905. His son Joe was born in 1908. [Joe was actually born in this house] Jack Hayden lived next door where Hayden's Store was. Joe Hayden's wife's name was Margaret [nee Naphine]. In 1931 Hayden's sold to Pugsley, who built a private tennis court next door. Pugsley's tennis court was quite close to the public tennis court, which was used till about 1980. The courts are still there in this year [2010]. And although they are no longer public courts , and are in private ownership, they stand as a reminder , to many people of wonderful times spent playing competition tennis.

1665 "Frog Inn" Bill & Alice Day. [who used to live about 3 miles closer to Forrest , up on the hill] [Bill died in 1956 Alice died in 1999] Bill Day called it "Frog Inn" because the frogs in the dam kept him awake all night. then Ernie & Evelyn Biddle .

Opposite 1665 was owned by Halls Then Arthur Wallace then Alec & Eileen Callahan [nee Shanahan] On this corner Mick Tonkin had a house and garage where he built a car called "The Bluebird" .The road now goes over where the Bluebird was built. Mick Tonkin also, at various times had a garage in Forrest -Colac Road , near Meadowell Road, and in Birregurra.

1785 " The Ponds" Gus Hall then Bill Day. Bill had a son called Greg and his daughter [Dawn]married Colin Moyle who taught at Barwon Downs School then Bob Murdoch then Martin Tracey (From W.A.) then Billy Maguire then Graeme {"Grap"}& Lois Clissold nee Maguire then Warrick Balcombe then Brian Bean.

Kings Creek (flows into East Barwon River] starting at Brian Beans and going upstream Jim McCann [unmarried] sold to Steve May sold to Walter John Lidgerwood.{"Dinny"}

Further up Wrights who sold to Jim Harrington. Then upstream of them Amedroz who sold to Walter John Lidgerwood [{"Dinny"}] Further up Mr & Mrs Black and their daughters.

1860 "Glenleven" Bill & Mary Muir . Bill was killed in a tractor accident on Slaughterhouse Hill, which is the hill you go up after crossing the East Barwon heading towards Barwon Downs Township. Mary later married Bill Bligh.

Seven Bridges Road

215 "Jubilee" Box, Jack and Gladys Seebeck,

Callahans Road

120 "Nara"[previously called "Cockatoo"] Callahan Family (for 100+years) house built approx 1933. Phillip was a popular name for the Callahan Family. Phillip V born 1966, is , in the year 2010 Lieutenant of The Barwon Downs Fire Brigade. His initials are P.J . His Father Phillip IV Born 1937 was Fire Brigade Captain from 1991-2003 .His initials were P.E. The father of Phillip IV , was Phillip III, whose initials were P.T. P.T. married Iris Maud Windsor. from Launceston.

105 "Tallandoon" Callahan Family (For 100+ years house built 1902 when Philip Callahan married Lillian Maude Rabbage , Murray remained there after his marriage to Eva Quigley and then built Inverness in 1964

Bill Callahan's Saw Mill was situated at the South-East corner of Hinds Property.

Callahans Lane.

"Inverness" original home built approx 1860.Philip and Anne Callahan [nee Chisolm] lived there after their marriage, later Jimmy Callahan, Philip and Lillian lived there after Murray and Eva Callahan married

50 "Inverness" brick house built 1964 by Murray and Eva Callahan.

55 " Brae Heid " (see notes on Page 3]

"Glendalough" Between Inverness and Strathmoyne] Patrick Callahan (unmarried) was incinerated when house burnt down. This property was later owned by Col Griffin Then Haydens.

140 "Strathmoyne"" Rory Callahan " then Frank & Grace Callahan. Then Henry Buckingham{ whose wife was a teacher} then Mr &Mrs Daffy[nee Drake], then Les & Jan Flegg [1975-1983] then Dalterio then Frank& Jean Whitehead [for 18 months] then John Waddell bought this property about 1983 then P.J .Callahan& his wife Leanne [nee Brown] Leanne is currently Secretary of the Barwon Downs fire Brigade in the year 2010.

Les Newcombe lived almost opposite the Catholic Church, in the Tally man's house or the Sawyer's House. Both were mill houses.

209 Catholic Church.

210 Neil Curtis then G. McPadden

215 "Tara." Bill & Ellie Hayden then Jack & Ellen Taylor. Jack was born in 1914 and his full name was John Gabriel Anderson Taylor. Jack and Ellen raised their two daughters at "Forest Home" in Griffin Road.

Wallaces Road.

44. "Moolah." Selected by Cameron. then Arthur & Christine Wallace then Charles & Edith Maher [nee Green]

Also, near the gate to "Moolah" was William & Doris Maguire's house where they raised 10 children. Yvonne, Wilma, Arthur ["Wacker"], Alan Reginald ["Slick"], Margaret, Alison, Ian ["Cindy"], Janice, Jennifer, Leslie William, Bill & Doris had previously lived at "Riverdale" in Telegraph Road, so the children now were able to walk to school. In the past they had to get to Wjne Shanty corner, and get a ride in Mrs Wickham's Ford Prefect. William Maguire who died in 1971- grew potatoes and peas. He was on the Barwon Downs School Committee for over 30 years.

In about 2007 a house from "Duck Ponds" was brought up and put very close to the site of the Ringwood Timber Mill (Coopers] It is now a holiday house It is .No.11 Wallace/s Rd.

DEWINGS BRIDGE ROAD

"Fairbank" William Lidgerwood [Mona's uncle.] (I will have to check my notes if house was moved to Birregurra)???

"Merribanks" [On Dewings Hill] First settlement Dewings then Robert & Martha Lidgerwood. When Robert died, her sons built a cottage on the property for her. Martha, Edward, and Daisy Lidgerwood lived there until Edward {Ted} was killed at Colac East Railway Crossing. Then "Merribanks" was leased to Walter Lidgerwood. When Martha {Robert's wife} died "Merribanks" was sold to Martha's nephew F.J. {Jim} Dorman [Died in 1957] who was Joan Beach's father [and Percy James Dorman's father] Then Joan sold to Colin Griffin. Then The Roberts Family. The house was moved to next to the Police Station in Birregurra.

"Paraparap" Henry Dewing [Dewing's Hill]

Opposite School Plantation in 1915 was W.E.Stevens

Opposite State School Doug Anderson.

640 "Garah "

520 "Nardoo" A. Childs. [In 1915] then Reg Wilson Then Joe Szczepiak farmed there from 1974 to 1984 Len & Marj Crabbe bought "Nardoo" in 1984.

545 "Glenlaryn" Pat & Patrica Callahan built when they were married. place. Pat & Patrica had 6 children Marie was the eldest. One of the sons, Chris Callahan, grew up at "Glenlaryn" [He later married Irene Szczepiak and lived at "Fargo Minder".] Irene was the daughter of Joe Szczepiak, who farmed at "Nardoo". Patrick's mother was Mary Ann. Later Dom & Marie [nee Callahan] Lammana

“Fargo Minda” Maryann called it “Misery Farm”. William & Maryann Callahan [Their son, Pat married Patricia] Another son, Alex married Eileen Shannahan, and farmed in Maher’s Road. Another son, Jack, was killed in World War 2 in a glider accident in England. Jack was a member of the Ground Crew. and daughter Anne married Leo McGrath. Another brother [Jim] milked cows and married Flora McLean [who was a nurse] . Mary, married Forbes Blane, and lived in Colac. Later, Christopher & Irene Callahan owned “Fargo Minder” From about ----- to----- ---. Irene was Joe Szczepiak’s daughter. Irene’s sister is the mother of the cricketer, Shane Warne.

Opposite” Fargo Minda “ George & Muriel Curtis . Muriel was nee Callahan. Muriel died in 1995. George died in 1973.

Racecourse

420 “Branton,” Mrs Ercille Crabbe,

“Culliamurra” Lot 2. Henry

Barwon Water Pumping Station

605 Cliff & Alice Taylor. Then Neil & Sue Cook . (Neil was a butcher, always known as “Cookie”)

285 “Cadarga” Calverts{ who had a race horse track there } then Balcombe then Col Griffin.[bachelor] Col sold and moved to Torquay. “Cadarga” means Natural Springs.

265 “Laravale” Mervyn & Elsie Hinds. (House moved to 1695 Barwon Downs/ Forrest Rd. 2009)

180 “Wilgunyah” Kath and Betty McPadden, Bob’s sisters. (both unmarried) Their mother, Daisy, came from Wahgunyah near Rutherglen, Victoria, so the name Wilgunyah was created from that.

In the 1940’s Liz King and her sister Lucy lived on the bend near “Wilgunyah”

170 “Duck Ponds” used to be part of “Studbrook” until it was sold in auction in 1903. In the year 1910 Robert McPadden Senior and his wife Daisy, moved into “ Duck Ponds.” Daisy came from Wahgunyah, near Rutherglen. Bob McPadden Jnr. [whose full name was Edward Anthony McPadden] and his wife Diane, lived there. Later their eldest daughter Joy. Joy is a very good artist. She moved to Geelong in about 2004 .Harry McPadden who was another brother ,was born in 1910. He was in the army in the second world war. He married Ethel Tyrell [Roy Tyrell’s daughter] from Forrest, and they lived for a couple of years in another house on “ Duckponds.” In the year 1947, Harry and Ethel purchased “Rathrippen “ from Ruby Evelyn Taylor. [who had married Herb McPadden in 1941.]

175 Jimmy & Flora Callahan lived opposite Liz King.. Merv Hinds moved into that house after Neil

[Merv’s son] got married.

Creamery Road.

115 "Hillcrest " Then renamed "Cadarga" Jim Griffin [Jim had only one child , Robert] then Duncan & Kirsty Tuck purchased this farm in 1963.

90 In 1993 Duncan & Kirsty built a new brick house across the road from their farm on one of their paddocks, and moved in there and sold the rest of their farm. In 2009 they sold their brick house and moved to Geelong.

"Braeside " Bill Green. This property was probably situated between Clarrie Green's["Heath Vale" and Duncan & Kirsty Tucks.

150 "Leitham" Jack King then then Steve May (unmarried) then Gladys Green owned "Leitham" in the early 1950's and rented it to Leo& Ann McGrath [nee Callahan] Bert White who married Wilma Maguire bought Leitham from two of the Green sisters in 1954. Bert & Wilma had a Jersey stud. They sold to David Maughan in 1965. Then Ted & Norma Freshwater, Emile Daniels, Then ----- & Ros.[nee Brown] Monahan .

The Creamery had a water wheel to turn the separator, and I think the power to turn the separator was the water flowing through a pipe in the Creamery Dam wall. The creamery dam and swamp were filled in years ago, and would now be part of "Leitham" paddock. Timmins Creek may be seen near" Leitham "front gate. The Creamery was situated at the junction of James Rd and Rowlands Rd. and Creamery Road. There used to be thick Ti-Tree in this area. The swamp used to flood out across the road.

Mahers Road.

13 Clint Stevenson (unmarried)

20 "Fair View " In 1890s Alan Hurst who married Melinda Fletcher, they had 8 children and in 1920s retired to Colac and their son Clare who married Edie Rolfe (a teacher at Gerangamete) lived there, then Charles & Beatrice Neale.[Who bought this property in 1958]

80 Eric Gouley Then Henry Pearce [rented]

125" Brooklyn " Mclennan then Alec [Died 1970] & Eileen Callahan then Noel & Marie Callahan [who sold in 1987]

200. Len Sturzaker and his family of about 7 children . One son Alan was always known as "Joe"

295 "Spring Glen" . Rory or was it Kenneth McLennan then Washington then Tom [died1962] & Ruby Maher] [Ruby was nee Cook. born 1903 } Thomas Maher bought "Spring Glen" in 1914 Then Max & Coutts Then Lew & Edie Allitt (now Barwon Water)

Stevens Family ? Allison Family ?

Griffin Road

"Forest Home" Sam Taylor then John Charles Taylor Then Keith Taylor

"Drummoyne " Jack Taylor (Died 1911) Then John Charles Taylor & Gertrude [Gertrude came from Sydney]

130 "The Range".. Dosh McLennan then George Taylor then Gabriel Taylor then William & Isobel Cunnington (came from Sheoaks near Geelong in 1929) then Bill & Alma [nee White] Hannam then Lance & Gwen Parker then Jos & Winsome [nee Dare] De Jong bought "The Range" in 1965 and sold it to Barwon Water in 1999.

Taylor's Road.

"The Hills " Selected by Neil Mc Sporrان then John Chas. Taylor then Keith Taylor then Gordon Bridgman (lived there in 1963) Then Albert Ryles [bachelor] then Ian Jones (who subdivided it } now Barwon Water.

85 Jim Allen then Clarrie & Vera Johnstone then Jeff Sewell then Gordon & Beryl Zappelli then Harry & Eileen Scouller John & Sue Picken

185 Bridgman sold 10 acres to Warnock

Wickham's Lane

Walter John Lidgerwood who married Hannah Duck . Walter John [1884-1964] was known as "Dinny" This house came down from King's Creek} Hannah died in 1957. Walter John & Hannah were parents of Joyce Harding and and Mona Stephens and Alma Murdoch. Bob

Murdoch played football for Hawthorn in 1932, worked for Joe Hayden and Frizons and coached Forrest F.C. .Bob Murdoch's son, Robert, won the 1961 Victorian Light Heavyweight Championship. Dinny was born at Murroon in 1883.

"Listerlin" Chisolm then Frank & Edie Callahan the Arthur & Victoria Wickham. Arthur died in 1975. Victoria died in 1966. One house on "Listerlin" had been brought down from Taylor's Road. Keith Taylor sold a block up here to Tommy Slater. Keith Taylor married Betty Wickham who was Arthur & Victoria's daughter.

Wickham's Road.

155 "Maxwelton" House built by Alisair & Nellie Maxwell then A & L Maxwell then Hoopers then Bob Matchmess & Erica Mooney now renamed "Bexley Farm" [across the road from "Sunnybrae"]

160 "Hillside" George & Mabel Wickham [nee Brien] [Their son, Kevin born 1939 was Cox Australian Rowing Team World Championships Lucerne in 1962 and Tokyo 1964 .then sold to Angus Bell then Bill & Sheila Murnane

"Wattle Wald" On Right Hand side, going down . House built by Dave Maxwell then Chas. & Alistair Maxwell then Bruce Dowling then Chris Mulder then Dean & Ann Kruger. House demolished about 2008

185 "Hi-View" House built in 1965 by Alan & Lorraine Maxwell [nee Howard]

180 "Sunnybrae" [same side of road as "Hillside"] Chas. & Doris Maxwell then Chas. & Beryl Maxwell

Further up Wickham's Road [on the left hand side going up] farmed Arthur & Victoria Wickham.[nee Norman] This property was also known as "Wales". George & Arthur Wickham were brothers.

Mc Laughlin's Rd.

"Kilgarten" William McNama[bachelor] who was burnt to death in 1949 when the house caught on fire. Peter Strickland's mother and father perished also in this house fire. Peter went to relatives in -----to be brought up by them, and later came back, married Edith Wood, from Forrest, and he and Edith owned and operated the Barwon Downs Store for 31 years.

"Heatherly" Frank & Stella Green [Loma's father]

"Bonnie View" Don Green. [Loma's Brother.]

McPadden's Road

"Rathripen" Herb McPadden married late in life, in 1941, then Harry & Ethel McPadden who bought from Ruby Evelyn Taylor [Herb McPadden's widow] in 1947 .Then Graeme & Marie McPadden

225 "Wild Cherries" W.E. McPadden then Derrick McPadden (Graeme's Brother] built the house. Derrick called it "Wild Cherries' because it had been part of "Cherry Tree'

20 "Range View" Fred & Elizabeth [Crabbe] Green; Harry & Beryl [Paton] Green. Harry & Beryl's house moved to Elliminyt. ; then Noel & Julie Green. "Range View" is opposite Murroon Tennis Courts, and also opposite Noel's fathers [George]

Roadknights had 110 acres next to Greens.

Rowland's Road

70 "Heath Vale" Charlie & Maggie Green. [nee Hewlett] on 66 acres. Then Clarrie Green . Clarrie died in 2009. He was greatly interested in local history, and left lots of notes with Birregurra History Society.

Neck Track

Neck Track is called that because where it goes over the range , towards the coast, it

narrowed down to being barely wide enough for a horse and buggy to pass through.

20 "Roseburn" Rory McLennan. then R. Griffin then Harry Troy's hut. Harry was a bachelor. then Henry Armistead, whose children went to Barwon Downs School in the 1940's The main income of the Armistead family was from their apple orchard.

Birregurra- Dean's Marsh Road.

290 "Gifin" Chappell

840 "Elderwood" Tom & Kath Darcy. Tom was a member of Victorian Parliament.[1958-1970]

420 "Como" [named after Como south of Perth W. Aust.] House built by Clayton.

535 "Daraga" Harold Brien grew up there. He married Muriel.

980 "Narrdoo" Birregurra-Deans Marsh Rd. Tom McDonald then Duncan McDonald then Chas. Stennholt. Then Joe Dunse who came from Pennyroyal. Joe Dunse built the house in the 1940's

680 "Hillcrest" John Brien and Emma [known as Kitty nee Dunse then Ian and Nola Brien.[Nola died in 2009]

Colac- Murroon Road

560 "Bonnie Brae" selected by Dunlop . Howe then Albert & May Bowtell. [May was born in 1907] Bowtell's came to "Bonnie Brae" at Christmas 1950. from Pomonal, near Stawell.

750 "Dundonell Desmond Theo ["Goodie"] Phillips sold this property to Bill Phillips' father. Goodie then went to Dean's Marsh where he farmed for many years.

Others

Murroon Creamery James Road)

“Happy Valley” Kevin & Kath. Shanahan. Kevin’s brother Jack owned” Brae Heid”

200 “Murrdene” House built 2009 { Completely powered by solar, one of the first in Murroon District]

“Wattle Grove” Deans Marsh [Smith]

30 “Brimbadeen” Loves Road Frank Williams. Then, when sold a new House built 2009.

Brimbadeen is aboriginal for ‘not a bad view’

125 “Banjil” [Wedge-tailed Eagle] House built 2009 This is the third house, completely powered by solar energy, to be built at Barwon Downs. The First was 200 Mahers Road built about the year 2000, it has a curved roof. The second house was built on the site of “Spring Glen” at 250 Mahers Road in the year 2009. This house overlooks the weir on Callahan’s Creek. Callahan’s Creek contributes a good quantity of water, each year to Geelong.

Beryl Wallace married Alan Taylor Went to live in Bli Bli Queensland.

Bert Taylor married late in life. He married Mrs Beaumont who had two children from an earlier marriage. Went to live in Queensland.

“Merry” Walters name was Lionell. He lived at Deans Marsh, and was a good friend of “Goodie” Phillips.. “Goodie’s” full names was Desmond Theo Phillips He was called “Goodie” because he was such a good baby. “Goodie died in about 2008.

Murroon School. Peter Gannon built a hayshed on the site of the old school, in 2009. This is beside George Green’s house, across the road from the tennis Courts.

The old Barwon Downs Tip was in Loves road. During the 1967 drought truck loads of cattle, were destroyed and buried here. At least 300 sheep and 800 cattle. Bennett’s Bulldozer covered the pit.

Bramwell Duckett [“Tassie”] bought land off Jack & Ellen Taylor

Peter Strickland's father was Vincent Kenneth Strickland.

Ruby & Pearl Lidgerwood were twins and started Barwon Downs School in 1917.

Muriel Brien nee Forbes, who died in 2009, was married to Cyril Brien and lived first at "Fairholme" and then "Orana" Lidgerwood's Lane Birregura, where they brought up their five children.

Joan Colbert {nee Beach} who is Angela's mother told me that there were 3 Foster James Dormans. Three generations. Her Grandfather was "Grandpa Ham" [Hamilton Dorman]

Thomas Charles Maher had a son called Thomas Charles Maher.

There were 3 Robert Murdochs Old Robert and Young Robert and Little Robert. {Little Robert was born in 1940. His mother was Alma.

Frederick Callahan was at one time Feather-weight Boxing Champion of Australia. He attended Barwon Downs School. Fred was also the Manager of Holeproof.

Another pupil ,Des Callahan is a Qantas Commercial Pilot, and his brother James is Mining Support Manager Caterpillar Global Mining[Australasian Division]