# History TRAIL

## INTRO

Campaspe Shire is steeped in indigenous history and is home to Dja Dja Wurrung, Taungurung and Yorta Yorta peoples.

We respect and acknowledge their unique Aboriginal cultural heritage and pay our respect to their ancestors, descendants, and emerging leaders as the Traditional Owners of this country.

## AQUATIC RESERVE

The picturesque location, located beside the Murray River was the location where our indigenous ancestors performed their Corrobborees' for thousands of years. Today it is a spectacular spot for events and community gatherings, also a great spot for a photo of the historic wharf.

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portofechuca.org.au

## PORT OF ECHUCA DISCOVERY CENTRE

Take a glimpse of what life in Echuca was like during the 1870's. Through interactive exhibits find yourself emersed in the sights and sounds of old Echuca. Situated within the historic Port area, enjoy an insightful guided tour by day or pluck up the courage for a lantern lit ghost tour by night!

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## HISTORIC ECHUCA WHARF & PORT

The imposing Echuca Port/Wharf area is an outstanding living monument to the Murray River trade of the late 1800s. The Echuca Wharf and the railway created a major trade route to Melbourne, playing a critical role in rapid economic growth and development of the Australian Colonies.

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## BILLABONG CARRIAGES

Travel aboard a vintage carriage in the heart of historic Echuca. Enjoy the beautiful sounds of the Clydesdale horses as they clip clop their way through the historic Echuca streets. Be taken back in time as you pass the beautiful historic buildings in the precinct, fun for all ages.

/MurrayRiverPaddlesteamers
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## MURRAY RIVER PADDLESTEAMERS

A trip to Echuca would be incomplete without experiencing river cruising on a historic paddlesteamer. Bask in breathtaking views of landscapes and wildlife, whether you opt for PS Canberra's daily sightseeing and wharf to winery lunch cruises or PS Emmylou's 3, 4 & 7 night voyages – each promises an elegant journey back in time along the Murray River.

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## ECHUCA PADDLESTEAMERS

Take a 1-hour cruise on board the PS Pevensey of famed TV series 'All the Rivers Run', an authentic steam engine paddlesteamer. Step back in time and discover what it took to live and work onboard! Let the kids steer and receive a kid's 'First Mate Certificate', dogs are welcome and receive a free K9 cargo ticket to board!

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## ECHUCA HISTORICAL MUSEUM

Situated within Echuca's original police station, take a glimpse at the vast collection of artefacts preserved for public exhibition, feel the despair of the times from inside the old jail cell. Discover the passion, motivation and personalities that shaped the local area. You may find a local connection to your family!

/Great Aussie Beer Shed
greataussiebeershed.net

## GREAT AUSSIE BEER SHED & HERITAGE FARM MUSEUM

Enjoy owner Neil's entertaining commentary whilst exploring his vast collection which includes everything that is Australia - from beer to agricultural machinery, historic carriages and vintage cars. Neil is only too happy to arrange private tours and functions for special occasions. Pet friendly.

tongala.com.au/memorial

## TONGALA WAR MEMORIALS

National memorials to honour the servicemen who served with the Australian Lighthorse in the First World War and the 3rd Cavalry Regiment in Vietnam. Also includes the National Avenue of Honour for Armoured Corps in Vietnam. Adventure throughout the town and enjoy the colourful street murals and traditional town square.

/stanhopevic
stanhopevic.org.au

## STANHOPE SETTLEMENT STORIES

See the monument to Sir John "Black Jack" McEwen. Part of the Soldier Settlement Scheme, he farmed in the area before entering politics. From McEwen Place you can view a stunning mural to commemorate the tragic loss of Australians aboard the Montevideo Maru during WWII; and just across the road are interpretive panels which depict the history of Stanhope settlement.

/Kyabram Fauna Park
@kyabramfaunapark
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## HAZELMAN'S COTTAGE

Situated within the Kyabram Fauna Park, Hazelman's slab wall cottage is filled with memorabilia from yesteryear, alongside a blacksmith and machinery shed. Enjoy a day outside with the family and enjoy the native flora and fauna at the same time.

/kyabramtownhall.com.au
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## KYABRAM TOWN HALL

This grand old building is home to regularly changing art and history exhibitions. Also featured is the story of the Kyabram Reform Movement which changed the face of Victorian politics after Federation. A large mosaic mural, photographs, stories and satirical cartoons from Punch 1902-03 tell the story.

rushworthit.com.au

## WHROO & BALACLAVA MINE

Whroo village grew around the base of Balaclava Hill in 1853 after the discovery of large amounts of gold. Located in the world's largest ironbark forest, enjoy a bush walk whilst talking in the gold mining relics such as the Balaclava Mine, the Whroo cemetery and puddling machines.

## NEARBY

Chanter Estate Military Museum
– Moama

Old Telegraph Station
– Moama

Captains Cottage
– Moama

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@rushworthfestival
rushworthmuseum.com.au

## RUSHWORTH MUSEUM

Rushworth is an historic Gold rush town, plaques will guide you to 'walk through time' in Rushworth's National Trust classified main street. Fortunate to retain much of the charm and character of the 1853 Gold Rush Era, take a drive and explore the many local historical markers.

/Colbinabbin Silo Art Trail
@Colbinabbin Country Hotel
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## COLBINABBIN

Take the time to enjoy a charming country drive to 'Colbo'. Be awed by the imposing painted silos depicting the towns farming history including the famous tractor pull event and former train station. Drop into the 100-year-old Colbinabbin Hotel for lunch, community owned General Store, or enjoy an afternoon at one of the wineries situated close by.

/rochestersportsmuseum
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rochester.org.au

## ROCHESTER SPORTS MUSEUM

A must visit for sporting buffs! Containing a vast collection of Australian Sporting memorabilia which covers cricket, netball, AFL, athletics and boxing to name a few. Relive some of your favourite sporting moments and take an engaging tour, learn the fascinating story of how the private collection was amassed.

rochesterhistoricalsociety.com.au

## ROCHESTER HISTORICAL & PIONEER SOCIETY

A step back in time to learn how farms worked, how the district started, and which families were involved. Discover land titles, old newspapers, honour rolls, records and maps dating back to the late 1800's. Take a drive and admire Rochester's many historical buildings.

/Lockington & District Living Heritage Complex
@LockingtonVintageRally

## LOCKINGTON AND DISTRICT LIVING HERITAGE COMPLEX

What did it take to settle as a farmer and raise family in early rural Australia? Enjoy the extensive collection of local history including vintage tractors, situated within an original General Store. Admire the 5-time National Champion Kevin Sarre statue and a wide range of farming history. Guided tours available.

torrumbarry.com.au

## TORRUMBARRY WEIR

Featuring a Heritage Display/ Information Centre, documenting the old and new weir and how it shaped the use of the Mighty Murray River for irrigation use. The Heritage listed Weir and Loch chamber maintain the height of the river, be fascinated by the fish ladder which allows native fish to move upstream.

@Gunbower Tourism and Events
gunbowertrails.com.au

## GUNBOWER HERITAGE TRAIL

Visit gunbowertrails.com.au and download one of the trail maps to guide you through the history of the Gunbower Forest and surrounds. Explore nearby Kow Swamp and Mt. Hope, learn the significance of 20,000-year-old remains that were uncovered at an ancient burial site at the edge of the Kow swamp.

**Find out what else you can do when you're in these towns**

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Torrumbarry Weir

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MURRAY RIVER

Echuca Historical Museum

Murray River PS

Port Of Echuca Discovery Centre

Historic Echuca Wharf & Port

Billabong Carriages

Echuca PS

Great Aussie Beer Shed & Heritage Farm Museum

ECHUCA

GOULBURN RIVER

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MURRAY VALLEY HWY

ECHUCA ROAD

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HENDERSON ROAD

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Kyabram Mural

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ELMORE - RAYWOOD ROAD

ELMORE

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Colbinabbin

COLBINABBIN

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BENDIGO MURCHISON ROAD

RUSHWORTH

Rushworth Museum

Whroo & Balaclava Mine

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## DISTANCE

From Echuca (Kms)

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|---|---|
| COLBINABBIN | GIRGARRE |
| 60Kms | 41Kms |
| ROCHESTER | RUSHWORTH |
| 27Kms | 61Kms |
| HEATHCOTE | KYABRAM |
| 93Kms | 38Kms |
| TONGALA | TORRUMBARRY |
| 26Kms | 25Kms |
| GUNBOWER | STANHOPE |
| 41Kms | 46Kms |
| LOCKINGTON | WHROO |
| 32Kms | 68Kms |