

*Brown Hill Our
Golden District
Eureka Goldfields Town That Grew
to a
Suburb of Ballarat.*

CHANGING BOUNDARIES



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THE CHANGING BOUNDARIES OF BROWN HILL

In 1850 moves were afoot to change Port Phillip District to the Colony of Victoria. The State of Victoria came into being in 1851 just before the first gold discovery. The "gold rush" became rampant by 1852, with the result that by 1857-58 there were more people in Victoria than there had been in the whole of Australia during the previous six years. The population in 1840 was 190,000 and by 1861 the population had increased to 1,145,585. By the 31st December there were 4073 houses in Melbourne and 1593 in Geelong. Geelong was being reported as having a population of 8,291.

Ballarat prospered in the 1850's with the huge wealth of gold and the influx of migrants. Ballarat East had their first sale of frontages of land in 1856, the year they held their first election for council. By 1872 Ballarat East was declared a Borough, with the population of 15,962. The Borough of Ballarat East included Golden Point, Canadian, Eureka and Brown Hill. The section of Brown Hill seemed to be recognised as from Thompson Street out to Boundary Road.

In March 1920 the Ballarat East amalgamation with Ballarat was finalised after many years of debating if this should happen. Then in 1994 the Shire of Ballarat (1863-1994), City of Ballarat (1856-1994), Shire of Ripon (1863-1994), Shire of Bungaree (1872 - 1994) Shire of Grenville (1864-1994), Shire of Buninyong (1864-1994) and the Borough of Sebastopol (1865-1994) were all joined together to form the greater City of Ballarat.

This extension of the boundaries of the City of Ballarat has allowed the Council to form new boundaries for areas, including Brown Hill. Brown Hill now starts at Stawell Street North. on the North side its boundary is the Yarrowee River up to the back of Bawden and Duggan Street and then includes Springs Road up to Longs Hill Road, Seven Oaks Road, Hill View Road and down Gong Gong Road to the Daylesford Road. On the other side of Daylesford Road the boundary starts at Elm Street, Gracefield Road, over to Caledonian Place, and Old Melbourne Road and including Scott's Parade up to Stawell Street. The Warrenheip boundaries are Blairs Lane, Hill Top Road, Brewery Tap Road, Jamieson Street, with the other portion of Daylesford Road being into the section called Gong Gong including Kirk's Reservoir and Gong Gong Reservoir. Nerrina has been extended into the Brown Hill Range with the Yarrowee Trail now being in Nerrina, in the section behind the Brown Hill Hotel.

On the 2001 Census the population for the following areas are shown as:

Brown Hill	1900
Ballarat East	5026
Ballarat Central	6031
Eureka	666
Golden Point	2566
Canadian	1874
Bakery Hill	291

Ballarat Population was 72,766 (Defined on centres or localities, not municipalities with gives Ballarat its population figure of higher than 80,000. In 1851 the whole population of Victoria was recorded as 77,000.

Refer to "Localities - Urban" City of Ballarat Map 1998.
 Street And Community Business Directory, 46th Edition 1996 - Pg.22, Map 3
 Courier Ballarat 1900-2000 Celebrating the Century-City of Ballarat est. May 1994
 Ballarat Courier March 27, 2003 (information obtained from 2001 Census)
 Ballarat Courier August 12, 2002 (Release of statistics from 2001 Census)
 Ballarat Courier, August 13, 2002 (Statistics from 2001 Census)
 LSV Port Phillip Directories 1839-1867 (Bryce Ross's Diggings' Directory – 1853)
 Ballarat Directory – 1862
 VPRS/7266/P/0001 – Ballarat East Ratepayers – 1859, 1861, 1863.
 Ballarat Directory – 1865 & 1869
 Niven's Ballarat & District Directory – 1890
 Sand's & McDougall's Ballarat & District Directory – 1906

BRYCE ROSS'S DIGGINGS' DIRECTORY

(In each month's issue of BONWICK'S DIGGER'S MAGAZINE)

1853

This Directory was published with the idea of people being able to locate miners family and friends on the goldfields. The idea was to advise the "store" closest to your tent of your name and where you were so people could get in touch with you. The closest "store" to you was usually within walking distance to purchase food, and could therefore be used as a point of reference for friends to locate you, or for letters to be forwarded on.

Musgrave, butcher, on Brown Hill Flat
 R.S.Nichol's Stores and Chemist's Shops, ditto
 Palmer and Co's, Stores, ditto
 William Bull, Little Scotland, ditto, Brown Hill
 R.S.Nichol's Branch Stores, ditto
 Catholic Chapel, ditto
 Young's Stores, ditto
 H. Clarke's ditto, ditto
 William Moore's ditto ditto
 Dr.Cordukes, near the Road at the top of Brown Hill.

At the end of the list of address in Eureka, Main Road, Little Bendigo,
 Eureka Flat, Canadian Gully, Golden Point, Pennyweight Flat and
 Commissioner's Camp the following note is written.

"There are at Ballarat Diggings 39 Storekeepers,
 8 Butchers, 4 Doctors, 4 Smiths, and 1 Roman Catholic Chapel."

BALLARAT DIRECTORY - 1862

BROWN HILL, Ballarat East:

National School, Nicholson, Joseph, master

Brown Hill Young Men's Christian Association:

President, Rev.J.G.Millard, Secretary, Robert Nicholson

Wesleyan Church

Tyler, Jacob, Storekeeper

Pain, Duke, Storekeeper

Carr, Blacksmith

Livingstone, Storekeeper

Cordukes, R.C.- Chemist & druggist

Ryan, Thomas – Brown Hill Hotel & Store

(Brown Hill now listed in the Ballarat Directory.)

BROWN HILL & CALEDONIAN LEAD

RATE PAYERS 1859-60

Wood, George	Craen, Patrick	Brooks, George	Leo, Duke
Condric, Donald	Foley, Cornell	Copland, Mrs	Carrick, Pat'k
Sampson, William	Cahill, Corn.	Cummins, Mich.	Hurst, Payne
Rudd, John	Callinan, Thos	Kennedy, John	Tierney, Pat'k
McCarthy, Patrick	Carthy, Florence	Welsh, Pat'k	Donovan, Jereh
Bond, William H.	Ditchburn, Wm.	Quiney, Mich'l	Patrick, D
Bunting, Chas	Wheeler, Isaac	Smith, Frances	O'Connor, Mich'l
Martin, Patrick	Read, Matthew	Robertson, Duncan	Legg, Wm.
Milne, Henry	Fishbourne, Geo	Finlay, David	O'Brien, John
Trawn, Benjamin	Coffey, Mrs	O'Keefe, John	Moloney, John
Corbett, Michael	Bellamy, Robt	Saunders	Murphy, John
Lochlan, Peter	Carter, James	Woddrige, Chas	
Stevenson, William	Morton, Rich'd	Goran, Matt'w	
Keane, John	Cox, David	Walker, John	
Hane, Stephen	McCrea, Colin	Livingstone, John	
Delahunty, John	Bourke, Jere'h	Carr, George	
Clansey, Patrick	Cherry, Luke	Heighway, Rich'd	
Coffey, Patrick	Cummins, James	McAlpine, James	
Hitchins, William	Keeffe, Corn's	Manning, George	
Gathercoal, Henry	Carrick, Rob't	O'Connor, Dan	
McMahon, Cornelius	Slattery, Marg't	McIntosh, Geo	
Craen, Thomas	Sheehan, Pat'k	Trafford, Geo.	

N.B. Names are listed in the same order as the Rate Book.

Humffray Street was listed separately and shows Thomas Durack paying rates of one pound three shillings and six pence, Thos Davies at one pound nineteen shillings and William Lain at fifteen shillings and six pence. The customary charge being between eight shillings per house.

Ref: VPRS 7266/P/0001 – Ballarat East Ratepayers 1859-60

BROWN HILL RATEPAYERS – 1861-62

Tonks, Henry	Callinan, Thomas	Finlay, David	Dillon, James
Wood, George	McCarthy, Florence	O'Keefe, Cornelius	Saunders, Peter
Cooney, Michael	Cooney, John	Wooldridge, Chas	Taylor, Jacob E.
Taylor, James	Fishbourne, Geo	William, David	Nicholson, Joseph
Bond, Wm. Henry	Coffey, Mary	Livingston, John	Cameron, John
Bunton, Charles	Carter, James	Gavan, Matthew	Sansom, George
Reed, Matthew	Morton, Richard	Lewis, A.	Bryce, David
Robb, John	Webb, Richard	Putman, R.L.	Noonan, Patrick
Ditchburn, William	Cherry, Luke	Carr, George	Ennis, William
Stephenson, W.	Cummins, James	Heighway, Richard	
Ah Len	Dogharty, Patrick	Downs, Patrick	
Clancy, Pat	McMahon, Thomas	Davy, G.J.	
Hare, Stephen	Butler, Effie	Thompson, William	
Kane, John	Sheehan, Pat	Leo, Geo. D.	
Delahunty, Alice	Brooks, George	Payne, Duke	
Howell, Wm.	Cummins, Mary	Fa Ti & Party	
Coffey, Patrick	Kennedy, John	Carr, Geo.	
Egan, John	Walsh, Patrick	Heighway, Rich.	
Holohan, Edward	Hynes, Bartholmew	Barnes, Mark	
Foley, Cornelius	McCann, Patrick	Patterson, D.	

Rates struck at Livingston One Pound One Shilling, Davy One Pound One Shilling, Leo One Pound One Shilling, Payne Two Pounds Three Shillings and sixpence, Fa Ti One Pound Ten Shillings, Barnes One Pound Ten Shillings, other properties varies from twenty shillings down to ten shillings.

CALEDONIAN RATE PAYERS – 1861-62

Budds, William	Murray, Jonathon	McDonald, John
O'Loughlin, Austen	Cooney, Michael	McQueeney, John
Gardner, Gilbert	Carrick, Patrick	Hawkins, John
Brown, Charles	Bettles, Reuben	Mangan, Thomas
Dinan, Denis	Calverson, John	Nealon, William
Osborne, William	McGrath, Michael	

Carters Licence – 1859-1860

Morris, Charles – Humffray Street
Turpie, David - Humffray Street
Lane, William - Humffray Street, Brown Hill
Hall & Hunt - Humffray Street
Tabulaiter, Andrew - Brown Hill
Wiseman, Jonathon- Humffray Street
Tayler, William - Humffray Street
Davy, Wm.Francis - Brown Hill
Goujon, James - Humffray St
Bourke, John - Humffray Street
Cottie Bros - Humffray Street

Dunn, Michael - Humffray Street
Parker, Thomas - Humffray Street
Charlton, Elsa - Humffray Street
Parker, Henry - Humffray Street
Nicol, James - Black Hill Flat
Griffey, James - Brown Hill

Licensed Butchers – 1859-62

George Sansom – Humffray Street
McKissock, A – Humffray Street 1859-62
Reed & Ottway in 1859 and then Wm Ottway butcher in Victoria Street in 1862
Carr, William – Humffray Street – 1859
Glasson, Richard – Humffray Street 1859-62
Butterworth, William - 1859
Reference: VPRS/7266/P/0001

BROWN HILL

Ratepayers 1863-64

McKenna, Thomas	Cooney, John	McLean, Arch.	
Tonks, Henry	Donoghue, John	Brookes, Geo	
Dwight, Eli	Fishbourne, Geo	Finlay, David	
Campbell, John	McKenna, Pat'k	Ottoway, Tom	
Bunting, Charles	Walsh, Pat'k	Kennedy, John	
Reed, Matthew	Sheehan, Pat'k	Livingstone, John	
Ditchburn, Wm.	Butler, Effie	Lewis, Enoch	
Clancy, Patrick	Cates, James	Putman, R.L.	
Hehir, Stephen	Burton, Richard	Carr, George	
Kane, John	Cox, David	Hinchy, Peter	
Boland, John	Strickland, E.J.	Davey, E.J.	
Howell, Wm	Baker, Michael	Payne, Duke	
Coffey, Patrick	Kilderrie, John	Haskell, James	
Conway, Barth'w	Dixon, John	Heighway, Richard	
Holohan, Edmund	O'Keefe, Cornel's	Taylor, Jacob E	
Coffey, Mary	Webb, Richard	Dumas, Victor	
Foley, Cornelius	Cherry, Luke	Patterson, J.D.	
Callinan, Thomas	Cummins, James	Nicholson, Joseph	
McCarthy, Florence	McMahon, Pat'k	Cameron, John	
	Richardson, John	Sansom, George	
		Boyce, David	
		Hayes, Thomas	

N.B. Ratepayers listed in same order as shown in Ballarat East Rate Books.

REF: VPRS/7296/P/0001 Special Rates 1863-1864

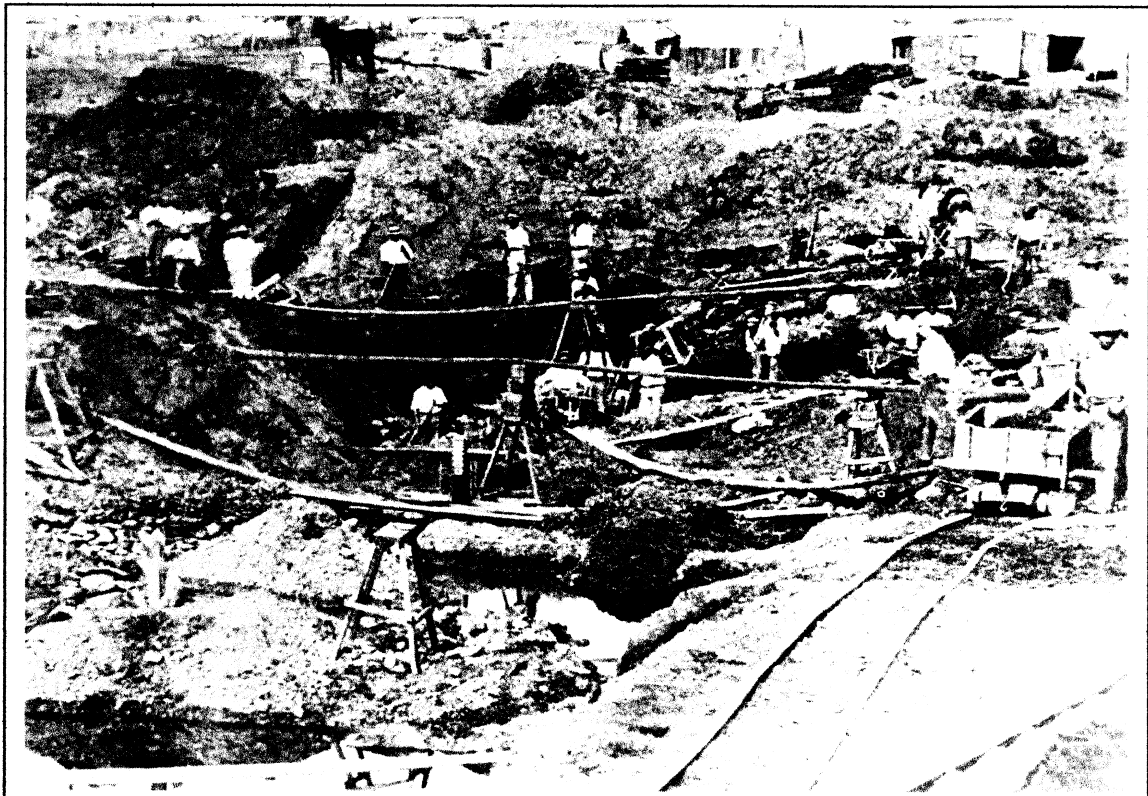
BALLARAT DIRECTORY – 1865 & 1869

BROWN HILL, FELLMONGERS

Fellmongers 1865		
Barlow, Michael	Beach, John	Bond, George
Bradbury, Francis	Brough, William	Callinan, Mrs
Connell, Mrs.	Coleman, Kane	Costello, Martin
Clerk, William	Daw, William	Dale, A & J
Finn, Martin	Floyde, William	Giles, James
Griffin, James	Guinane, James	Haydon, Thomas
Hewitt, William	Hickey, David	Hoskin, Richard
Hoskin, Martin	Hoskin, John	Lewellan, John
McRobinson, Robert	Nestor, Michael	Pullen, E
Quinn, Martin	Rowan, Patrick	Strickland, E.J.
Stephenson, John		

BROWN HILL 1869		
Roberts, Ducan	Potter, Thomas – Teacher	Powers, Joseph
Sarah, Nicholas	Common School	Church of England
Sully, John	Mrs. Lee – School Mistress	Morrows, Henry
Cunnings, Peter	Mechanics' Institute	Ryan, Thomas
James, James	Borlase, John	Brown Hill Hotel & Store
Hooper, John	Baker, James	McHannah, Thomas
Phillips, Samuel	Richardson, J.	O'Brien, Patrick
Lane, William – Storekeeper	Stephenson, William	
Kelly, -	Hastings, G.	
Wesleyan Church	Adams, Edward	

LITTLE BENDIGO 1865			
Atkinson, Robert	Fryar, L	Lane, Mrs	Quick, Richard
Booth, William	Groth, Charles	Lugg, George	Quick, B.N.
Boden, Edward	Giles, Peter	Lukus, William	Rowe, John
Boden, James	Glasson, John	Lofen, Robert	Redpath, James
Bray, John	George, John	Lutte, Richard	Raynor, Alfred
Bobelle, D	George, James	Morris, John	Sass, Herman
Bolus, Joseph	George, Matthew	Moore, William	Stephenson, M
Bunlace, John	Gilbert, Anthony	Millett, James	Skogland, Oscar
Conway, Patrick	Glasson, Josiah	Mullen, John	Skogland, Gustave
Congdon, John	Graham, Andrew	McClintock, Peter	Stone, Joseph
Curnow, Samuel	Hill, William	Northby, Lewis	Samson, William
Curnow, William	Hill, James	Oxley, George	Shaw, J.R.
Davidson, George	Jenkins, James	Parker, William	Thom, George
Davidson, Joseph	Jenkins, Thomas	Pascoe, Richard	Whittaker, William
Dowling, James	Jones, William	Pascoe, Nicholas	Williams, Joseph
Endean, William H.	Keadle, Richard	Palmountain, Samuel	Wark, James
Eldridge, F.M.	Kirkland, James	Palmountain, William	Taneli, Oswald
Free, John	Knight, John	Thomas, S.A.R.	Turner, Charles



BALLARAT as described in "BALLARAT & DISTRICT 1901"

BALLARAT

"From a sea of canvas tents it has risen to the position of the first provincial city of the State, and the largest inland settlement in Australia. It's area is six and a-half square miles, population 22,442, revenue of 32,600 Pounds (\$35,200), sixty miles of macadamised roads lit by gas and electricity"

"Lake Wendouree, one and a quarter miles from the P.O. Comprises 600 acres. Botanic Gardens of nearly 100 acres in extent. There are also Victoria Park (323 acres) City Oval (13 acres) and the Western Oval (9 acres)."

"There are 30 Churches, 89 hotels, 2 breweries, 5 State Schools, 6 Colleges."

BALLARAT EAST

"On April 28th, 1857, His Excellency declared Ballarat East a Municipal Council"

"Valuation for the year 1857 amounted to the sum of 91,657 Pounds (\$183,314) and the number of households 1200. The rate at one shilling in the pound equalled 4,582 pounds and 17 shillings. (\$9165.70). In the year 1900 valuation of 78,403 pounds and households increased to 4695."

"The municipality in the year 1863 was elevated to the position of a Borough. In the year 1872, by virtue of having a revenue over 10,000 pounds (or \$20,000) a year, Ballarat East was proclaimed a town". "In 1861 the Ballarat East Town Hall was built, Mr.Cuthbert being the architect.

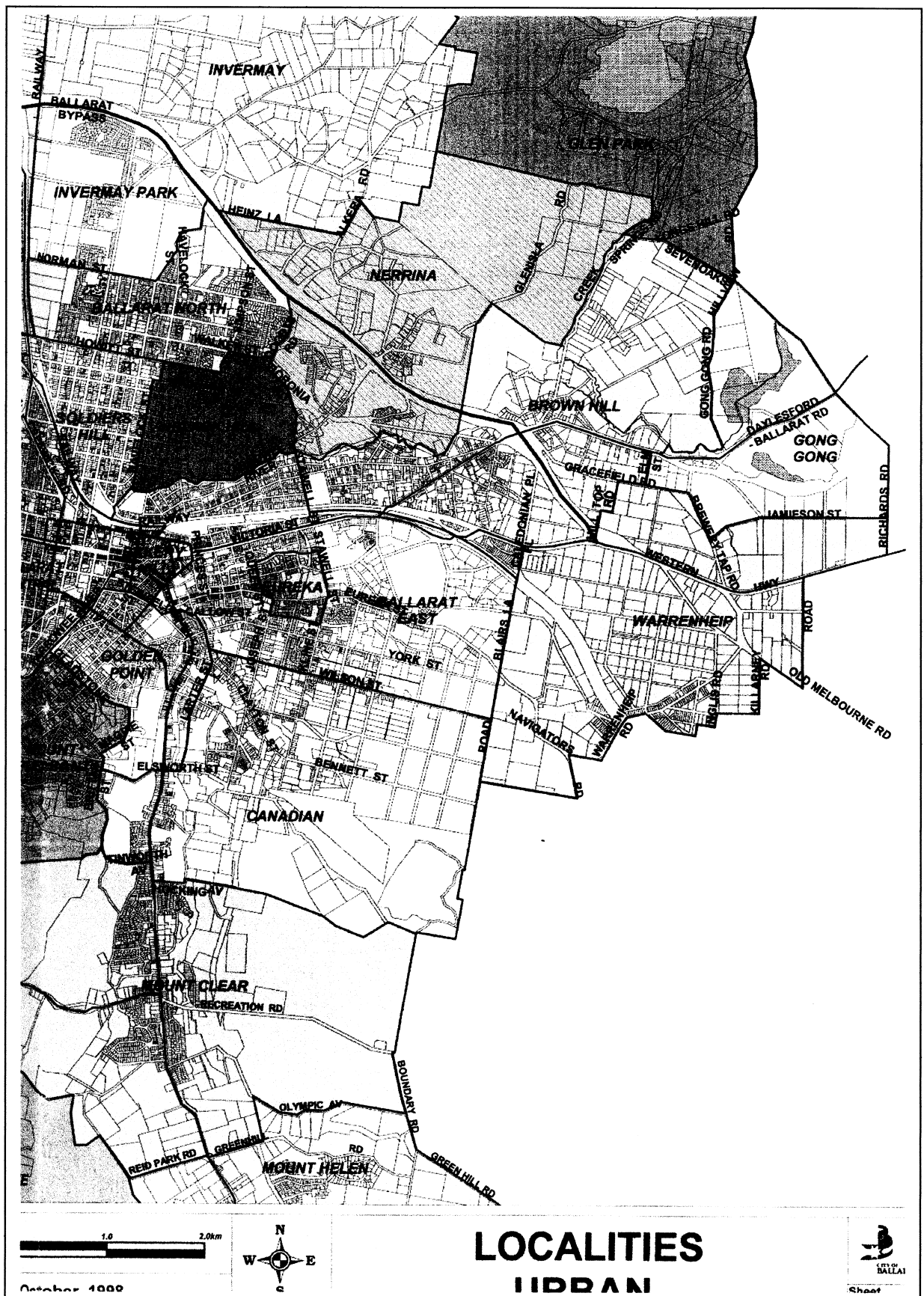
"The area of the municipality is 6 3/4 square miles or 4320 acres. There are 30 miles of formed streets, nine miles of footpaths asphalted and flagged and about thirty miles of formed footpaths. There are 16 churches, 120 hotels, 300 shops and 4320 dwellings, a town hall, police court and station, a public library, and a very large woollen factory at Sunnyside" "A concession has recently been granted to the British Insulated Wire Company to construct electric trams in Bridge and Victoria Streets as far as the Orphan Asylum and in the Main and Barkly Streets."

A fresh water public baths, constructed by the Council in a central position (Peel Street South) at an outlay of 3000 Pounds covering an area of 250 feet x 140 feet, with a caretakers cottage attached is well patronised.

DIRECTORY - 1906

BUSINESS' - BROWN HILL

William Bridger.	Cab Proprietor
Burns & McCleave	Soap Manufacturer
Michael Callinan,	Milkman
Edward Carty.	Dairyman
Thomas Dangri,	Nurseryman
Thomas Nestor,	Fellmongers Hotel
E.Harrison,	Sausage Skin Maker
Haymes & Bant,	Bakers
R.Hoskins,	Orchardist
Edward Houlihan	Dairyman
A.Leviston	Blacksmith
Mrs.Mulligan	Woolpack Hotel
Miss. Murray,	Brown Hill Store & Post Office
Panners Dairy	
Francis & Alfred	
Turner	Butchers
T.West	Van Proprietor



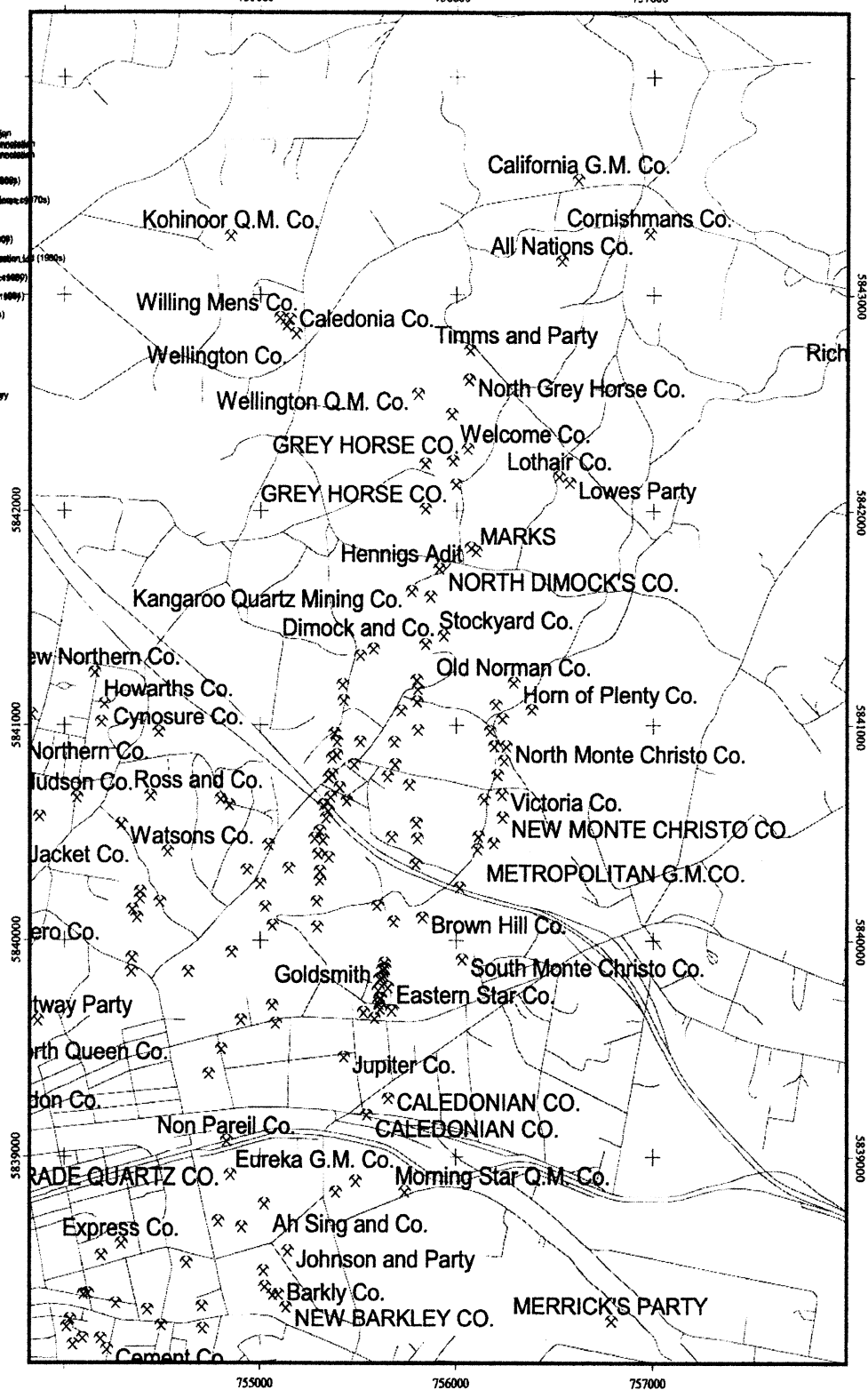
Urban Localities – Ballarat City Council Map October 1998

Eureka Plot

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Robertson and Co. Evening Star Co. Hoskins and Co. One and All Co. Old Shaft One and All Co. Main Shaft Macaseys Norman Co. Norman Co. Unnamed North Monte Christo C Hough and Co. McKenny and Co. Golconda Co. Caledonian Co. Victoria Co. Caledonian Co. Surprise Co. Surprise Co. Hope Co. Spence and Co. Scales and Party Unnamed Hit or Miss Co. Juniper Sluicing Co. Unnamed Unnamed Unnamed Croesus Co. Auld Reekie Co. Dunstan and Co. Roach and Party Brown Hill Co. Rose of Denmark Co. Express Quartz Co. Unnamed Unnamed Chisholm and Party Little Wonder Co. Main Shaft South Monte Christo Co. Band of Hope Co. Nerrera Gold Options Co. Hon and Ryan Goldsmith Eclipse All G.M. Co. Shaft No. 2 Anderson Co. Shaft No. 3 Brough and Ellis Smith and Party South Temperance Co. New Shaft Federate G.M. Co. Jupiter Co. Extended G.M. Co. No. 4 Shaft Caledonian Co. No. 1 Shaft Galedonian Co. No. 2 Shaft Non Pareil Co. Eureka G.M. Co. Butler and Party Ah Sing and Co. Morning Star G.M. Co. Unnamed

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