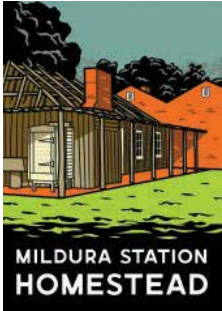


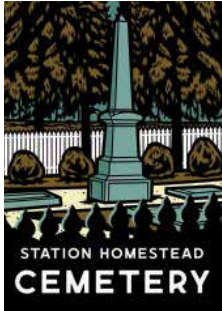


# Discover and Explore Mildura's History

The Chaffey Trail consists of 12 sites of historical significance that links the development of the Mildura irrigation colony by the Chaffey Brothers.



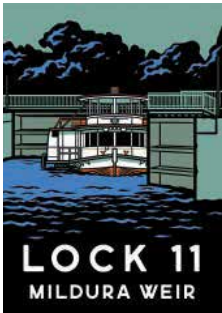
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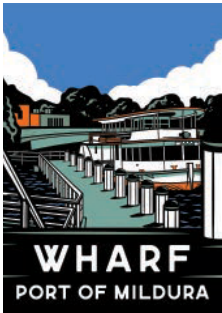
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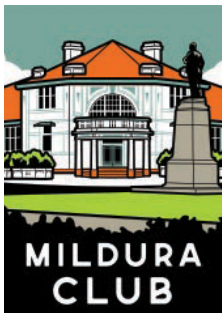
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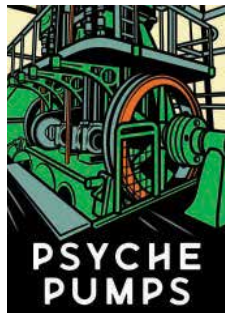
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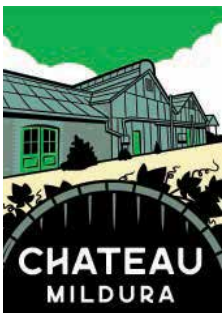
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## MILDURA DAY MAY 31ST 2022

### Celebrating 135 years

On 31 May 1887, the Chaffey Brothers, the Victorian Government on behalf of Queen Victoria signed an Indenture formalising Mildura as Australia's First Irrigation Colony. Each year on the anniversary of this date, the district celebrates what is now known as 'Mildura Day'. In celebration of Mildura Day please join our activities.

### SUNDAY MAY 29 2022

Psyche Bend Road, Kings Billabong

Bring the family and enjoy childrens games of yesteryear.

**11am - 3pm** Come along and experience the pumps operating.  
*Entry by gold coin donation.*

**11:30am - 2pm** Jaffle Lunch  
Courtesy of Mildura Upland Sister City Association.  
Prepare your jaffle from a variety of savoury & sweet filling and cook on the coals to your satisfaction.  
*\$5 per person for this fun experience.*

### MONDAY MAY 30 2022

Langtree Hall - 79 Walnut Avenue, Mildura

**7 pm to 9 pm** Old-time Film night complete with popcorn  
The films will include digitally restored footage of vintage Sunraysia. Special presentation courtesy of Ian McWilliams.

Tea and Coffee provided.

*\$5 Per Person. Bookings via Eventbrite  
or Mildura Visitor Information Centre 5018 8380*

### TUESDAY MAY 31 2022

Introducing our new Guided Tour - Riverfront Ramble  
Be guided by our local historians along Mildura's magnificent Riverfront and learn about the past, present and future plans.

**11am** meet at the top of the 'old Mildura Bridge alignment (between Nowingi Place and George Chaffey Bridge) for Mildura Day welcome and acknowledgement.

**11:30am** Riverfront Ramble Guided Walking Tour commences, rambling along the riverfront, stopping at various points through to the Old Powerhouse site approximately 12:30pm.

Please wear comfortable shoes.

*Free tour. Bookings via Eventbrite or  
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**In celebration of the community event,  
our 12 significant sites along the Chaffey  
Trail welcome your visit**

### **Mildura Station Homestead**

278 Cureton Avenue, Mildura  
Mildura Station Homestead precinct is a reconstruction of the property the first Mildura Station established by the Jamieson brothers in 1847, and later purchased by the Chaffey family.  
*Open: Daily. Information: free admission - T 03 5018 8330*

### **Station Homestead Cemetery**

Cureton Avenue, Mildura  
Mildura's first cemetery includes graves of early pioneers and members of the Chaffey family.  
*Accessible any time*

### **Rio Vista**

199 Cureton Avenue, Mildura  
Rio Vista Historic House is one of Mildura's most important heritage buildings, and maintains a commanding presence as part of Mildura Arts Centre and was the home of WB Chaffey and his family. The Spanish named 'Rio Vista' translates to 'River View'.  
*Entry: Free. Information: Mildura Arts Centre - T 03 5018 8330 or visit milduraartcentre.com.au for opening hours.*

### **Lock 11 / Mildura Weir**

Hugh King Drive, Mildura  
The Chaffey's shared vision and desire to have water permanently accessible for irrigation and river transport was fulfilled through a series of locks and weirs along the Murray. Lock 11 commenced construction in 1923 and was completed in 1927.  
*Accessible any time.*

### **Wharf/Port of Mildura**

Hugh King Drive, Mildura  
River transport played a very important part in the opening up of the settlement of Mildura. The Mildura Wharf was completed by 1892 and then extended in 1899 and three additional levels were added to accommodate vessels at various river heights.  
*Accessible any time. T 03 5023 2200*

### **Grand Hotel**

Corner 7th Street & Langtree Avenue, Mildura  
Mildura was established as a temperance colony and the Grand Hotel was originally the Mildura Coffee Palace. The Chaffey offices next door were later demolished to make way for the expansion of the Grand. The fountain is the only remaining relic of the Chaffey office.

### **Langtree Hall**

79 Walnut Avenue, Mildura  
A privately owned museum has a stunning collection of district memorabilia. Originally situated in Langtree Avenue, the Langtree Hall was Mildura's first public hall built in 1889. It was a venue for many important events in Mildura's early history.

### **Mildura Club**

Corner Deakin Avenue & Ninth Street, Mildura  
WB Chaffey was the longest President of the Mildura Club being President during the time of the Club's three homes, overseeing the erection of the current premises which he opened as Mayor of Mildura in 1920.

### **Psyche Pumps**

Psyche Bend Road, Nichols Point  
To create an irrigation settlement, pumps were needed to lift water to the height of the land. Visitors to Psyche Bend can experience the original pump house, reconditioned pumps, steam engine and boiler house.

### **Chateau Mildura**

Belar Avenue, Irymple  
In 1888 'The Chaffey's' established Chateau Mildura and the local wine industry planting 150 acres of wine grapes on the property. Still operating, the Chateau also houses a Museum dedicated to the local and Australian wine industry.

### **Merbein Connection**

International Drive, Merbein  
Starting from the Merbein Rotary Lookout at the top of the white cliffs, which are a unique geological feature, walk to the left through the Pioneer Plantation along Blandowski Walkway. Pass the distillery/winery that was established by WB Chaffey in 1913 and where he sadly collapsed and died in 1926. Descend down the walkway to the internationally recognised scientist's campsite of 1857, locally known as Chaffey Landing.  
*Accessible any time.*


### **Big Lizzie**

Barclay Square, Calder Highway, Red Cliffs  
Apart from its size, the most amazing feature of Big Lizzie are the 'dreadnaught wheels', designed by Frank Bottrill to allow it to carry heavy loads across sandy terrain. Arriving in 1917, it first worked in the Merbein area carrying wheat and wool. Later, it was used to clear land for the Red Cliffs First World War Soldier Settlement.  
*Accessible any time.*

*For more information on each of these sites please visit our website or contact Mildura Visitor Information Centre on 5018 8380.*

Mildura Library services also have a huge collection of local history publications for your reading pleasure.



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