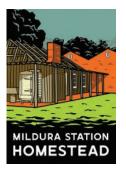


Discover and Explore Mildura's History

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

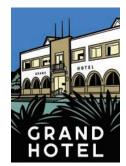


























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CELEBRATING MILDURA DAY

TUESDAY 30 MAY 2023

Langtree Hall Museum - 79 Walnut Avenue, Mildura

7pm to 9pm OLD-TIME FILM NIGHT

The films will include digitally restored footage of vintage Sunraysia. Special presentation courtesy of Ian McWilliams.

Reminisce whilst enjoying supper.

\$5 per person

WEDNESDAY 31 MAY 2023

Free Public event 11:30 - 2pm

Explore the Mildura Station Homestead grounds and buildings whilst being entertained by the Sunraysia Choir and Strum Group. Enthusiasts will enjoy the Buffalo Pitts engine in operation.

Learn more about the Chaffey Trail historical sites and a chance to speak with local historians whilst enjoying a mug of soup courtesy of Mildura Sister City.

12noon

Acknowledgement of Country & official unveiling of Mil-Dura tree signage

12:15pm

GUIDED WALKING TOUR

\$5 per person

Guided walking tour to commence from the Mil-Dura tree, meandering along the riverfront, whilst local historian Bob Walton shares stories from yesteryear, finishing at the Station Homestead Cemetery.

At the conclusion of the walking tour, guests will be welcomed back to Mildura Homestead for tea & coffee. Bookings for Langtree Hall Film night and Guided Walking tour via Eventbrite.

11:30am - 1:30pm STUDIO DE VIN

The artists at Studio de Vin have created a work of art featuring our popular Chaffey Trail site, Rio Vista. Create your own little piece of history.

Bookings direct at www.studiodevin.com.au

For more information please email explore@thechaffevtrail.com.au or Mildura Visitor Information Centre 50188380. Bookings via Eventbrite www.eventbrite.com.au

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 Chaffeys' 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 Chaffeys' 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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