

Epping Cemetery



About

Epping Cemetery provides a glimpse of the cultural and natural history of the region with historical graves dating back to the mid-19th century and nationally significant remnant grassland that pre-dates European settlement.

The cemetery is an island of the original vegetation and landscape that existed prior to settlement on land of the traditional owners, the Wurundjeri-Willam Clan. In the mid-19th century much of the Epping region became pastoral land. Four acres was set aside for a cemetery to service this growing agricultural area and the Epping Township.

No burial records survive prior to 1894 when the Sexton's hut holding the first burial register, was destroyed by fire. The second register exists from 1894 and includes many familiar names of the district's early settlers. The cemetery was closed in 1967 to all except those holding deeds to sites.

The Epping Cemetery is now managed by the City of Whittlesea's Bushland Management Team.



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Take a walk back into history with a glimpse of some of the oldest local graves which date back to the mid-19th century.

See landscapes and vegetation as they were well before European settlement arrived in this area.

Walking Difficulty – Easy

Accessibility – Good; formed gravel and mown grassy paths

Parking – O'Herns Road, Epping

Further information
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