

MULGOA : THEN AND NOW

This year marks the Bicentenary of the grant of land at Mulgoa to Edward Cox on 1st November, 1809, confirmed by Governor Macquarie on 1st January, 1810.

The settlement of the Mulgoa Valley began with the building of 'The Cottage' in 1810. William Cox's three sons George, Henry and Edward lived at 'The Cottage' before developing their own properties:

'Winbourne' (1824),
'Glenmore' (1825)
and
'Fernhill' (1842).

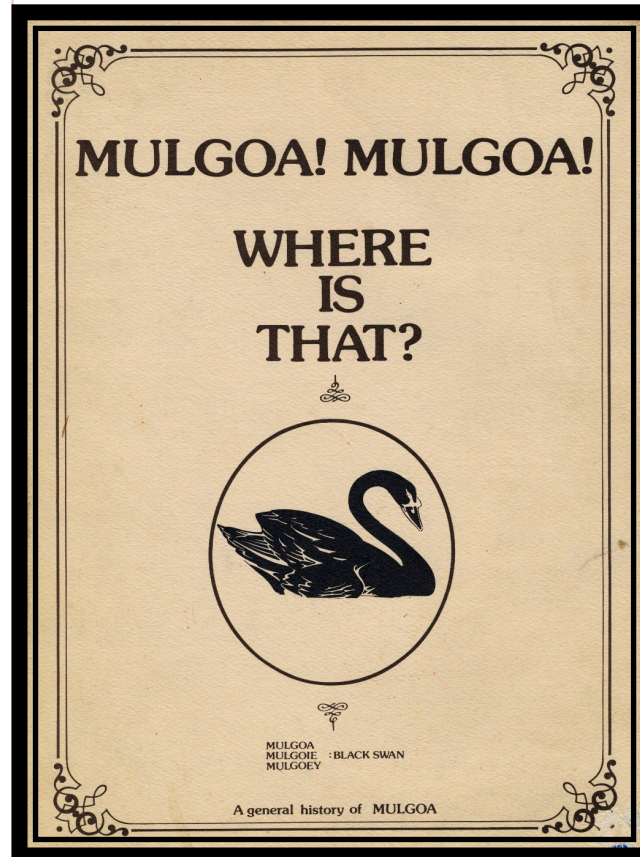
With **St. Thomas Church** (1836-1838), these buildings reflect the early pioneering phase of prosperity, evolution of architectural styles and the social and religious aspirations of the Cox family.

Today the Mulgoa Valley has great heritage and environmental value, with the oldest collection of colonial homesteads and church in NSW and with the natural landscape surrounding them relatively unaltered.

The Mulgoa Valley has good examples of Cumberland Plain Woodland and Alluvial Woodland (both endangered ecological communities).

The Victorian houses 'Fairlight' (rebuilt 1876) and 'Glenleigh' (1882-1884) show the prosperity and ambitions of the latter part of the 19th Century.

GENERAL HISTORY OF MULGOA



Copies of the book will be available at the Bicentenary Celebrations or from Mulgoa Progress Association, PO Box 71, Mulgoa 2745.

Cost: \$30

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Mulgoa, meaning black swan, was home to the Mulgoa Clan of the Dharug Tribe.

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MULGOA BICENTENARY CELEBRATIONS

Saturday 7th November, 2009

11am: Official Opening by Her Excellency Professor Marie Bashir AC CVO, Governor of New South Wales

A VILLAGE FETE (10 am—3 pm)

Celebrating the Bicentenary of the first Land Grants in the Mulgoa Valley.

There will be activities in Mulgoa Park (Mulgoa Road, Mulgoa) :

Displays of:

- ⌘ Vintage cars
- ⌘ Old motor bikes
- ⌘ Antique machinery
- ⌘ Sydney Colonial Muzzle Loading Club
- ⌘ Nepean Historical Society

Activities by local schools

Quality stalls:

- ⌘ Fresh fruit and vegetables
- ⌘ Plants
- ⌘ Toys
- ⌘ Cards and stationery
- ⌘ Cakes and chocolates
- ⌘ Jewelry
- ⌘ Old wares

BUS VISITS TO HISTORIC HOUSES

The Mulgoa Progress Association will conduct tours to inspect 'Fernhill', 'Winbourne' and 'Fairlight' (gardens only) and 'Glenleigh' (garden and Interior)

Buses will leave from Mulgoa Hall, Mulgoa Park, Littlefields Road, Mulgoa (10 km south of Penrith) at 1 pm.

Inspections by bus only

Bookings essential

Cost: \$25 per person.
(Children under 4 free)

To book: Send cheques, made payable to Mulgoa Progress Association, PO Box 71, Mulgoa 2745, with a stamped addressed return envelope and telephone contact details.

NAME:

NO. OF TICKETS:

CONTACT PHONE NUMBER:

OTHER HISTORIC ATTRACTIONS

'The Cottage' garden will be open under the **Open Gardens Scheme** on 7/8th November.



Admission: \$7 per person

St. Thomas Church and 'Glenmore' can be viewed **by the public.**

National Parks & Wildlife Service will conduct a Discovery Walk in the **Mulgoa Nature Reserve** to explore **the ruins** of Sir John Jamison's 'Regentville' property and the Cumberland Plain Woodland.