

Dayboro Bed and Breakfast - Rural Living Close to Brisbane

Timber-getters, attracted by cedar and beech, were among the first Europeans in the Dayboro region. Dayboro was first known as Hamilton, named after a farmer, Hugh Hamilton, who was appointed Receiving Officer for mail in 1875. In 1892, it became known as Terrors Creek from the creek on which it is situated.

In 1917, however, as the Postmaster General declared that Terrors Creek sounded too much like Torrens Creek, once again, the township acquired a new name.

Although the first known inhabitant, John McKenzie, operated a pit sawmill just south of the townsite from 1866, the third and final name selected for Dayboro honours another notable early settler, William Henry Day.

William Day was Clerk of Petty Sessions and later Police Magistrate in Brisbane. He first selected land in the Dayboro area in the late 1860s and pioneered sugar growing on his extensive properties in the district.

Settlement subsequently spread north and south along the North Pine River as more than 100 people took up selections in the Terrors Creek area. Timber, maize, vegetables and dairy products provided the main source of income for the early settlers.

The failure of William Day's sugar growing experiment within a few years brought about the breaking up of his large parcels of land and sped the development of the area. A store and hotel, the nucleus of most small towns, were established in the early 1890s and these were followed by a sawmill around 1900 and the Silverwood Butter Factory in 1904.

The Silverwood Company factory was opened at Terrors Creek by His Excellency Sir Herbert Chermiside who was Governor of Queensland at that time. The factory served farmers from Mount Mee to Samford, also some supplies were sent from Strathpine and Bunya.

In 1906, in order that the many requirements of the supplying farmers could be met, Silverwood Company opened a general store in connection with the factory, so that farmers could buy their household requirements practically at Brisbane prices, and without the trouble of transporting goods from Brisbane.

From the 1950s to present day, Dayboro has evolved into a large rural hamlet, with a number of large housing estates built since the late 1980s on the outskirts of the town. The town centre has also seen a lot of new development and now has a supermarket, several cafes, quality bed and breakfasts and boutique stores.

The bushland areas beneath the peaks of the D'Aguilar Range, on the outskirts of Brisbane, constitute Brisbane Forest Park.

A short drive from Dayboro, Jollys Lookout provides panoramic views over Samford Valley to the city and north to the Glass House Mountains. From Mount Nebo Lookout, on a clear day, the sandhills of Moreton Island stand out on the horizon. Picnic areas abound and walking tracks crisscross the park, passing through a variety of vegetation including hoop pines, tall eucalypt forests and rainforests dominated by flooded gums.

Once per year Dayboro hosts its Dayboro Day Festival. This festival attracts over 20,000 visitors to the beautiful country town located at the foot of the D'Aguilar Ranges. People from all over come and experience a touch of rural hospitality from this 1867 Historic town.

Just one of the fantastic attractions is the Dayboro Festival Street Parade. All the community groups get involved in this and it is really something to see.

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