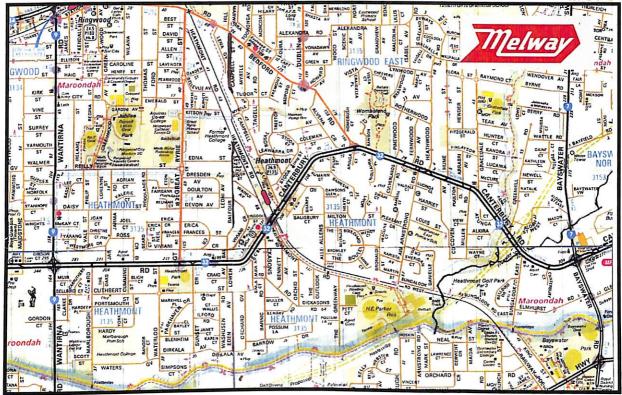
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HEATHMONT STREET NAMES

Currently there are 140 streets in Heathmont, the newest four being on the site of the former Ringwood Technical School off Heathmont Road.

Toponymy is the study of place names. and odonymy is the study of place names of streets. Almost all odonymies are of two parts: specific and generic, e.g. Adrian Court, Allens Road, Alvena Crescent. Of our Heathmont 140, there are three which do not follow this pattern, for they use the definitive "the" - The Boulevard, The Greenway, The Outlook and there are three which have three words - Great Ryrie Street, Mountain View Road and Bungalook Road West.

Our specifics can be put into a number of categories:

(Note: some of these are unproven assumptions!):

Personal given names 28 (20%) Adrian, Anne, Barbara, Beverley, Bronaldi, Christine, Craig, Danielle, Edith, Edna, Frances, Harriet, Janet, Jarma, Joan, Joel, Karen, Kenbry, Leoni. Louis, Lucinda, Martin, Myrtle, Neil, Philip, Valerie, Wayne, Wendy.

Personal surnames, 36 (25%) Allens, Armstrong, Aumann, Balfour, Barric, Barrow, Beard, Bennett, Campbell, Canterbury, Carbery, Carruthers, Coleman, Cormack, Cumming. Cuthbert, Dawsons, Dickasons, Lee, Madigan, Marden, Markhill, Miller, Muller, Pett, Pump, Ross, Sharps, Sheridan, Simpsons, Scott, Swain, Vale, Wallis, Washusen, Westmore.

Aboriginal origins 8 (6%) Alkira, Aringa, Atunga, Bungalook, Dirkala, Leawarra, Wollahra, Yallamba.

Named after a place (e.g. town in England) 11 (8%) Bangor, Bass, Coven, Eton, Ilford, Reumah, Salisbury, Simla, Wainui, Yarang, York.

Named after a natural feature 21 (15%) Banksia, Bellbird, Daisy, Eden, Erica, Heath, Heathmont, Mont, Mountain View, Orchard, Orchid, Park, Pleasant, Possum, Sunset, Boulevard, Greenway, Outlook, Treetop, View, Waters, Woodlands.

Named after an historical event or person 10 (7%) Blenheim, Bligh, Headline, Marlborough, Milton, Portsmouth, Royal, Tudor, Waterloo

Named after china pottery 3 (2%) Devon, Doulton, Dresden

Not yet known by us and not easily guessable! 24 (17%)

Some universal specifics not represented in present-day Heathmont are Church, High, Hill, Main and Station (an earlier Station St was renamed Wainui)

At present our 140 have 12 different generics, Court 48 (34%) Street 28 (20%) Road 20, Avenue 16, Close 6, Crescent 6, Drive 6, Place 6, Grove 2, Glen 1, Lane 1 (and 3 "The. ..") Among the universal generics not currently represented in Heathmont are Alley, Freeway, Motorway, Parade, Row, Terrace, Tollway, Trail, Walk and Wav.

Of course none of the above information tells who named them, and when - and even why!

Name changes

Atunga Court was formerly named Lewton Court Bayley Close was formerly named Clement Street Dirkala Avenue was Burns Street Edna Street east of Balfour was Lilian Street Leawarra Drive was Herman Street Lowen Avenue was a continuation of Balfour Avenue Markhill Place was Corio Street Myrtle Street south was Henry Street Pett Court was a continuation of Dickasons Road Royal Avenue was Leonard Street Sunset Drive was Williams Road The Greenway was a continuation of Allens Road Tudor Court was George Street Wainui Avenue was Station Street Waters Grove was Park Street and Norton Street and Corio Street have disappeared!

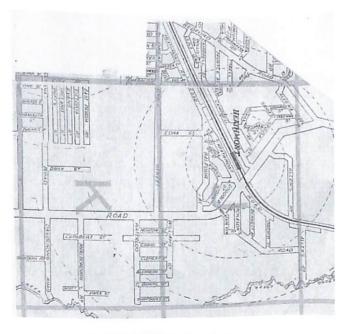
Identification of name changes is easy. Explaining them is proving to be difficult!

1949 map

- * Allen's Road is both sides of railway line.
- * No streets between Edna and Canterbury
- * No streets south of Dickason's Road
- * "Dandenong Road"

Park Street

- * No streets east of Allen's Road (Armstrong Road further east)
- * On this map, but not on a 2018 map:
 Williams Road
 Norton Street
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 Clement Street
 Burns Street

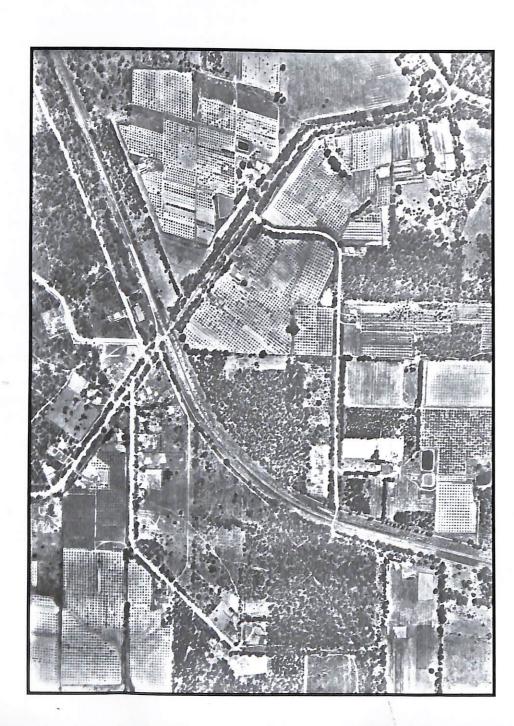


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Heathmont streets	Cumming Street Cuthbert Street		Simpsons Court Stoda Street
<u>2018</u>	Daisy Street	Diogooid Street	Sunset Drive
	Danielle Crescent	Edensie, Close	Swain Court
Adrian Court		Louis Street	Swain Court
Alkira Court	Dawsons Glen		Tagell Road
Allens Road	Devon Avenue Dickasons Road	Lucinda Close	The Boulevard
Alvena Crescent	Dirkala Avenue	Lucinua Ciosc	The Greenway
Anne Court	D'AL CASSACTION OF	Madigan Court	The Outlook
Aringa Court	Doulton Avenue	Marden Place	Treetop Court
Armstrong Road	Dresden Avenue	Markhill Place	Tudor Court
Atunga Court	- 1		
Aumann Street	Eden Avenue	Marlborough Road	Valdale Court
	Edith Street	Martin Street Miller Road	Vale Street
Balfour Avenue	Edna Street		Valerie Court
Bangor Court	Erica Crescent	Milton Street	View Court
Banksia Court	Erica Court	Mont Court	CONTRACT A. CONTRACTORES AND
Barbara Court	Eton Court	Mountain View	Viviani Crescent
Barnic Road		Road	**/ · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
Barrow Drive	Fairbank Avenue	Muller Court	Wainui Avenue
Bass Court	Frances Street	Myrtle Avenue	Wallis Court
Bayley Close	Fremont Street		Washusen Road
Beard Court		Neil Street	Waterloo Street
Bedford Court	Great Ryrie Street	Orchard Grove	Waters Grove
Bedford Road		Orchid Street	Wayne Court
Bellbird Court	Hardeep Place		Wendy Court
Bennett Avenue	Hardy Crescent	Park Close	Westmore Drive
Beverley Court	Harriet Street	Parkhaven Drive	Woolahra Place
Blenheim Street	Headline Court	Pett Court	Woodlands Road
Bligh Court	Heath Court	Philip Street	
Bromley Close	Heathmont Road	Pleasant Drive	Yallamba Place
Bronaldi Street		Portsmouth Street	
Bungalook Road	Ilford Road	Possum Lane	York Court
West		Poulton Close	
	Janet Court	Pump Street	
Campbell Street	Jarma Road		
Canterbury Road	Joan Court	Reumah Court	
Carbery Place	Joel Court	Ross Crescent	
Carruthers Court		Royal Avenue	
Christine Court	Karen Court		
Coleman Street	Karista Avenue	Salisbury Court	
Cormack Court	Kenbry Road	Scott Street	
Coven Avenue		Sharps Court	
Craig Court	Leawarra Drive	Sheridan Court	
Culverlands Road		Simla Court	
Culverianus revaca			

Canterbury Road, Allens Road, Dickasons Road, Heathmont Road, half of Campbell Street, Lisgoold St and Viviani St. as the route to Stan and Thelma Wieland's orchard (off screen)

Also note orchards, dams, bush, trainline, station platform, Aringa, Zerbe's Paddock .



1951

Stoda Street and Royal Avenue are new as the Pump orchard is sub-divided, but Campbell Street is still unjoined. Great Ryrie is also incomplete, as is Cuthbert Street. The Boulevard does not exist yet. Marlborough Road and Waterloo Street are strongly marked, and Bennett Avenue and Orchid Street are clear. Orchards dominate the well-defined Armstrong Road area.

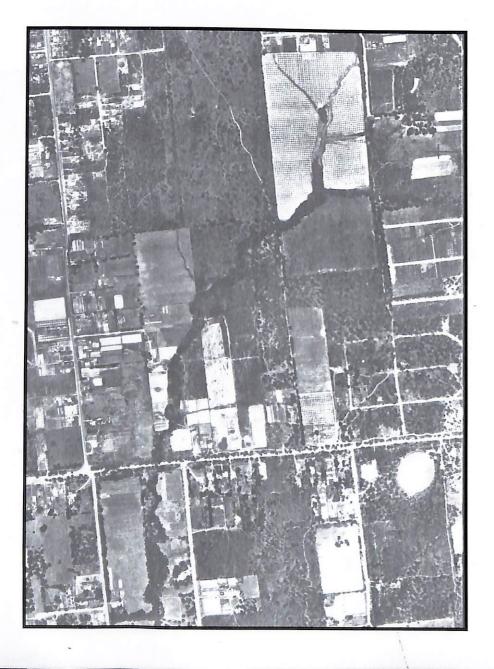
The creeks through what were to become Herman Pump Reserve and Wieland Reserve are very noticeable, as are the scattered orchards, particularly where Aquinas College is to be. There are still significant areas of bush, including the future site of Heathmont Primary School.



1954: west

Daisy Street, Canterbury Road, Marlborough Road and Waterloo Street are all obvious, as are the two sets of three east of Great Ryrie Street. However much of Great Ryrie is still a track and Cuthbert Street is still hard to find, and Reilly Street marking the northern boundary of Heathmont here, is impossible to find.

The dominating feature here is "Duck Creek." Downstream from the large "Aquinas area" there are the market gardens. Heathmont oval and tennis courts stand out from the surrounding treed bushland areas.



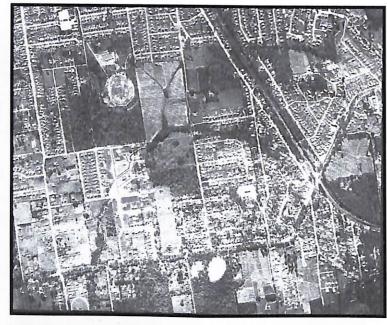
1954: central and east

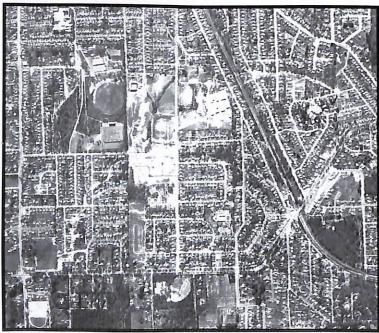
Aumann, Pump and Milton with its two off-shoots, Heath and Mont Courts are now obvious. As they were in the 1951 photo, Harriet and Louis Streets are also clearly shown, but little else off Armstrong Road. Indeed many streets later to be fully housed are not yet here: Coleman Street, The Greenway, The Outlook, Treetop Court, Barnic, Kenbry, Orchard, Sunset, Salisbury. . .



1958 and the same west area 1966

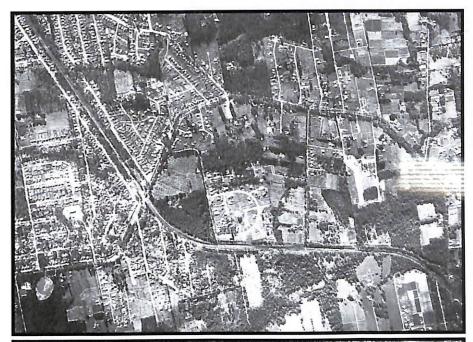
By 1958 Philip, Lorienne, Jarma, Valerie, Joel, Adrian and Ross are all new north of Canterbury Road. The south is still heavily treed, but Barnic Road and Mountain View Road can be seen. By 1966 the low creek area is residential, the Beard property is still apparent, and there is a start to Fairbank, Woodlands and Eton. To the south, Orchard Grove and Eden Avenue are on the way. At last Campbell Street is joined by 1966, and during the preceding 8 years there have been substantial developments of Tagell, Royal, Coleman, Treetop.





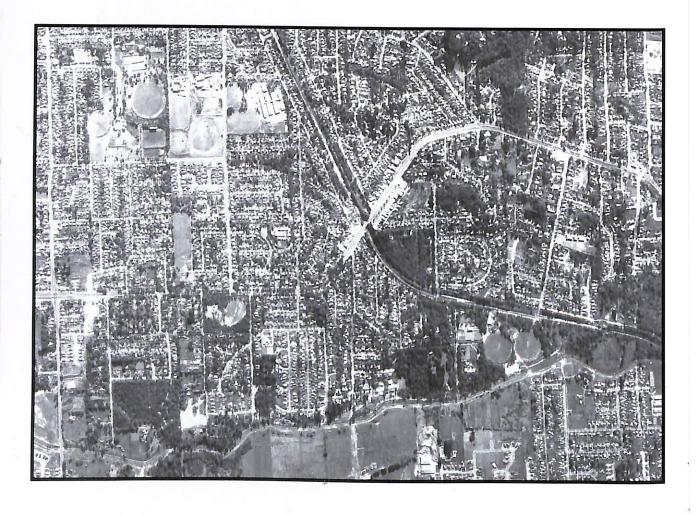
1958 and the same east area 1966

North of Canterbury Road, by 1958 Coleman and Royal can be seen and there are many more residences in the Heathmont Road area. East, The Boulevard and its courts on the Mont Alto Estate are the major new developments. Further east, Miller Road and Coven Avenue are obvious. Orchards of Sharp, Willis, Muller in 1958 have become streets by 1966. Indeed Sharps has become Shops! Chivers orchard is cleared for Heathmont East Primary School, and the ovals on H.E.Parker Reserve have been formed.

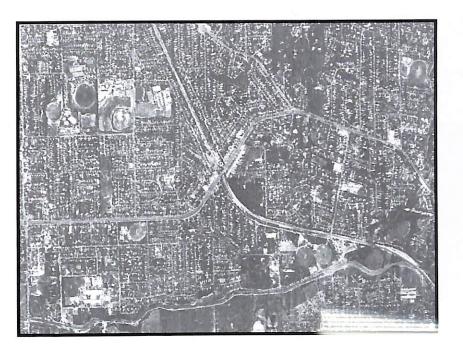




Since 1966 there have been many developments south of Canterbury Road. These include Markhill Place, Dirkala Avenue, Washusen Road, and Orchard Street (4 different generics!) and a more clearly defined Cuthbert Street. The bushland site to be Marlborough Primary School and Heathmont College is obvious.



1982



1992

Beard Court has been the only recent addition. From 1992 on, with "all" spaces full, development has been upwards as a number of two-strorey town houses fit on to blocks which used to have back yards!



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Adrian Court Named after Adrian, the second son of Kath Jenkins, secretary to local estate agent and land developer Hec McLean. Part of the Roslyn Estate, it was named in 1958. To improve the health of Adrian, widowed Kath moved to Queensland many years ago, and we have so far been unable to contact her or her family.

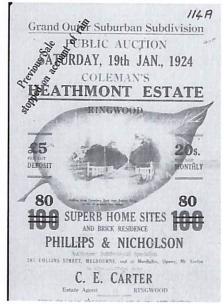
Alkira Court The translation of aboriginal words is often difficult, in part due to tribal dialects. Alkira is most frequently translated as "the sky" but can also mean "free spirit" and "bright and sunny." It is quite a popular name, with current Melbourne examples including Alkira College in Cranbourne and Alkira disability centre in Box Hill. Our Alkira was named such in about 1966, having previously been the control of the Perhaps Lewton is a surname.

Allens Road No information yet. Presumably the family name of a very early local landowner.

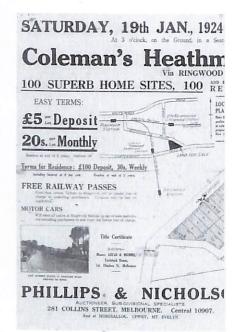
Alvena Crescent When landowner Mr Coleman subdivided his land in 1924, creating "Coleman's Heathmont Estate," he named the three new streets Coleman, Leonard and Alvena. It seems a reasonable guess that Leonard and Alvena were family given names, perhaps even the married Coleman couple. Leonard St. was later re-named Royal Avenue. Alvena, no longer popular, is an Old English name, the feminine of Alvin.

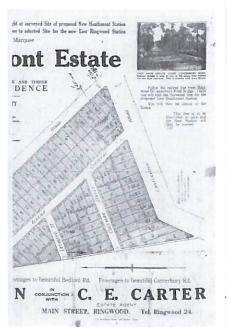
Anne Court Named in 1955 after Heather Anne, the second daughter of local estate agent and land developer Hec McLean. ("Heather" was ineligible, for it had already been used in Ringwood). (See also Beverley Court and Wendy Court).

Aringa Court Aboriginal "urang aranga" means "bank of she-oaks" and its anglicised version, aringa, was used by a Mrs Russell as the name of her property near Port Fairy in western Victoria. In 1925 when she purchased a large property and homestead in Heathmont (built 1911?) she used the name here, too. When the driveway off Canterbury Road became a public court in 1954, it took the name of the homestead in its bowl. (see also Armstrong Road). In the 1940s and 50s Dr Leslie Colquhuon, Ringwood Councillor and Mayor 1939-40, had his medical practice at Aringa.













JOHANNA CAROLINE AUMANN
BORN January 1"th 18"5
Doncaster, Victoria
April 2nd, 1934
The Basin, Victoria
BCRIED: April 3rd, 1934
MARRIED: October 10th, 1940
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DAUGHTER OF: Ernest August, Aumann and Caroline Ernest august, Aumann and BARN PUMP
BORN Ahtenlohe: Germany
DIED April 22th, 1940
Rentgwood, Victoria
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Box Hill Centetry, Victoria
Hans Heinrich Pump and
Margaireta new Braults



Armstrong Road is formed, 1919



This photo helps explain why Banksia Street was given a plant name. The first residents at No.10 Banksia Court were Karl-Heinz and Anneliese Sturtz, who moved in to their new home in September 1968 (now exactly 50 years ago). Here is Karl-Heinz in the forest at the back of their block in 1965, in the process of clearing it ready to build.

Not all Banksias, but plenty of Australian bush!

Armstrong Road In 1911 Louisa Armstrong purchased 24 acres from the hilltop down eastwards and built Aringa homestead. In 1919 she and her accountant husband subdivided a section of it, and some adjoining land, into the Garden Farms Estate of 60 one to eight-acre blocks and created Armstrong Road, which extends from Canterbury Road across Dandenong Creek to Mountain Highway. It is now many years since a creek bridge allowed carts or cars to travel this whole stretch.

Atunga Court Often 'attunga,' this is aboriginal for "high place." Named in or near 1975. The rise from Canterbury Road is surprising.

Aumann Street and its neighbour Pump Street are wife and husband! Many of the Doncaster orchard families inter-married, including Caroline Aumann and Johann Pump, who wed in the Lutheran Church, Doncaster, on October 10th 1900, and at once moved on to 15 acres of virgin bush in Heathmont. They developed it as an orchard. The Pump name is renowned in Heathmont's history – John's brother Herman, who moved here in 1896, is often regarded as the father of the village community. The Aumann family is still widely known for its orchards and garden supply particularly in the Templestowe area. Caroline Pump died in 1934, John in 1940. There were at least six marriages between an Aumann and a Pump, and Agnes Aumann has a particular Heathmont interest for in 1917 she wed August Martin Washusen. (see also Washusen Road). Eric Uebergang has written the history of the Aumanns: Carl Samuel Aumann: the family history 1853 -1993. Aumann and Pump Streets were formed and named in the early 1950s.

Of some local interest is that the Pump children this side of Canterbury Road joined the Millers and others and walked to Bayswater State School, whereas the Pumps across the other side of the road all walked to Ringwood State School.

Balfour Avenue No information yet It was an early street, originally from both sides of Canterbury Road, now only to the north. (see Lowen Avenue). In early days it was cut by the creek at the end of Station (Wainui) Street. Presumably Balfour is a family name.

Bangor Court Possibly named after the town Bangor in Wales, this was formed as part of a 1974 subdivision sold by H.G.McLean Real Estate.

Banksia Court In 1961 this new street up the hill from Pump and Aumann was given its own Australian native plant name, perhaps because some of the species were growing there. The banksia shrubs are named after Sir Joseph Banks, botanist on Cook's Endeavour, who discovered the plants at Botany Bay, 1770. This court rises to a Heathmont record 164m.asl., providing excellent views to the east and south.

Barbara Court Formed in 1969-70, this has the given name of the wife of its surveyor. Its claim to fame is that it is Heathmont's shortest street – only two houses!



John and Kath Barrow

SUN 5/8/94 WILLIAM ERIC NICKELS

Friendly sportsman left lasting impression



Heathmont and Ferntree Gully

Born: December 4, 1911. Died: July 20, 1994.

ERIC Nickels left a lasting impression on the outer Melbourne uburb of Heathmont.

He bought a local apple orchard in 1946 and three years later subdivided it as the young suburb be-

Mr Nickels was a founder member of the Heathmont Progress Association which built the local hall and staged many dances.

A keen sportsman, he was a longtime member of the local tennis club and won 10 A-grade premierships. "He was a friendly and hard working contributor in many family, sporting and community activities."

Born and bred in Yarraville, Mr. Nickels married Doris Booth in 1935 before moving to Heathmont.

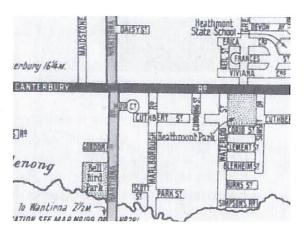
married Lillian Pickett. The cou-ple lived in Ferntree Gully. Mr Nickels was president of the

Ferntree Gully and District Ten-nls Association and the Ferntree Gully Bowling Club. For more than 25 years he worked as a toolmaker and foreman with Luke and Singers in Mitcham after starting his career with Richardson Gears in Footscray

Mr Nickels' funeral was held on July 26. He is survived by three sons, 10 grandchildren and three



Mrs Bertha Bennett (nee Monash) and children



Broadbent's map 1949 Note "Bellbird Park"

Between the orchard properties of Barrows (west) and Nickels (east) **Barnic Road** (see also Barrow Drive and Kenbry Road). The Nickels (ex-Muller) orchard was sub-divided into residential blocks in 1949.

Barrow Drive Immediately after World War II, in 1946 Colonel John and Kathleen Barrow established an orchard here, and built their "Ranikhet" homestead at 31 Orchard Grove. (see also Barnic Road and Simla Court). Barrow Drive was not formed until 1966.

Bass Court Named in 1964 by developer/land owner Fred Lee after the township of Bass, Western Port Bay, where his family had a shop, and where we presume Fred lived in his childhood and youthful years. Fred and his wife purchased the land from Wantirna Road to Philip Street in 1946, built their homestead where 20 Lee Court is now, and developed a market garden which helped supply their greengrocery on Wantirna Road. (see Lee Court)

Bayley Close No information yet. Perhaps a family name.

Beard Court With their heavy machinery E.J.Beard & Sons were very prominent in carrie suburban Heathmont, building roads, grubbing tree stumps and rescuing bogged cars! Ernest and Phoebe Beard bought 12 acres on Canterbury Road in the early 1940's and developed a large business - and a large family of 9 children! The northern section of the land was sold in the 1980's, forming the extension to Woodlands Road, then in 1993 the rest was subdivided as "The Beard Estate" and this court was formed.

Bedford Court Off Bedford Road, so presumably that is the unimaginative origin of its name! Developer Frank Parker subdivided this former Pump orchard area into building blocks as early as 1949.

Bedford Road Perhaps named after the English city Bedford, county town of Bedfordshire. 74 km north of London, it has a current population of 86,000 and is the 84th biggest city in England! (so what, one might ask!)

Bellbird Court This is opposite an area once known as Bellbird Park and which is now a corner of Ringwood Golf Course. In 1966 when the court was formed the name was suggested by local Walter Carruthers. (see also Carruthers Court). Unfortunately the bellbirds are now long gone.

Bennett Avenue In 1926 George Muller's orchard was subdivided as "Charm View Estate" and part or all soon purchased by Bertha Bennett, the daughter of General Sir John Monash, GCMG, KCB VD. In 1924 Bertha Monash (1893-1979) had wed a prominent dentist Dr. Gershon Bennett (1892-1955). Both Melbourne University and Alfred Hospital have long-standing Bertha Bennett dental student awards.



Hec Mc Lean and daughter Beverley 2007



Myrtle Carruthers at "her" Court 2007





Bungalook!

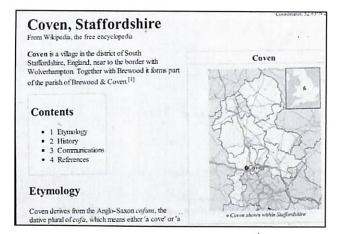
- **Beverley Court** Part of Hec McLean's Mont Alto Estate, 1955, this was named after his eldest daughter. (see also Anne Court and Wendy Court)
- **Blenheim Street** Does the Battle of Blenheim (1704) have relevance here? Probably, for after it Blenheim Palace in Oxfordshire, England was given by the Crown to the battle victor, the first Duke of Marlborough a nearby Heathmont street name! A World Heritage Site, England's only non-Royal palace now has over a million visitors annually and is the home of the 12th Duke and the Duchess of Marlborough.
- **Bligh Court** Maybe British maritime after Captain William Bligh of "Mutiny on the Bounty" fame (Portsmouth, York, Hardy, Waterloo, Blenheim and Marlborough are nearby). This was formed in the early 1960's on land previously owned by the Washusen orcharding family.
- **Bromley Close** Developed in 1995-96 by Peter Dawson (see Dawson's Glen) At the suggestion of Len Whitehead, owner of a house on the site, it was named after Bromley, a London borough.
- **Bronaldi Street** Composite from the given names of the developer's three daughters, Bronwyn, Alison and Diane! As yet, we do no know the developer's name
- Bungalook Road West Bungalook is aboriginal for stringybark. The road is named after nearby Bungalook Creek, which rises in the Dandenongs and flows through Bungalook Nature Reserve in Kilsyth South before being piped through the Bayswater North industrial area then emerging to pass under Canterbury Road and into Dandenong Creek, and in so doing dividing Bungalook Road: West in Heathmont, from Bungalook Road East in Bayswater.
- **Campbell Street** No information yet presumably a family name. For many years its middle section was not joined because of the creek there.
- Canterbury Road Previously known as Delaneys Road after a Surrey Hills hotel, the road and suburb were re-named in 1873 as a tribute to the retiring Sir Henry Manners-Sutton, Lord Canterbury, Governor of Victoria 1866-1873.
- Carbery Place ex Heathmont College (Ringwood Technical School) sports teacher, John Carbery (died 2001). He is one of the three former teachers remembered by a street name on the site of the former Ringwood Technical School, subdivided in 2012. (see also Cormack Court and Madigan Court)
- Carruthers Court Named after local residents Walter & Myrtle Carruthers, who bought five acres here in 1943, and subdivided them in 1972. Myrtle's article and the associated images in *Heathmont Recollections* (2006) are of considerable interest.

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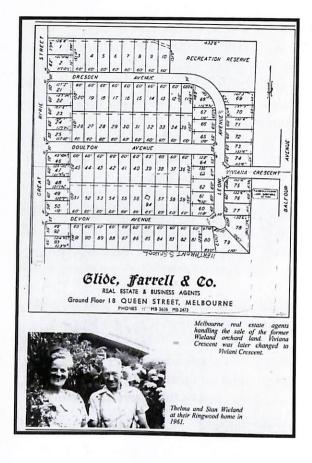




Mr Peter Dawson and Mrs Glenda Dawson at the Dawson's Glen signpost 2018

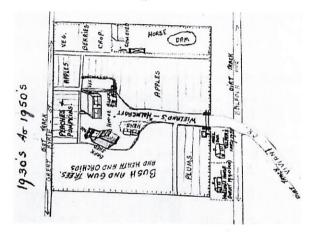
- Christine Court In the 1950's Hector McLean of McLean's Real Estate, Heathmont, bought land in the western flat area of Heathmont from Mr.Westmore and Mr.Vale. He named two of the streets on the new Roslyn Estate after these two previous land-owners. Mr. Vale's daughter had married local plumber Alan Nelson, and they lived on the corner of Daisy and Vale streets. Mr. and Mrs. Nelson were very excited when Hec.McLean asked them if he could name two courts off Vale Street after their daughters, Joan and Christine.
- Coleman Street "Coleman's Heathmont Estate" here was developed as early as 1924, with Coleman presumably being the landowner. (see also Alvena Crescent).
- Cormack Court ex Heathmont College (Ringwood Technical School) teacher, William Cormack (died 2002). He is one of the three former teachers remembered by a street name on the site of the former Ringwood Technical School, subdivided in 2012. (see also Carbery Court and Madigan Court)
- Coven Avenue Named by the Richards family from New Zealand, who beggin land here in 1955 and subdivided it as Heathmont Heights estate in 1959. Coven was their English home village.
- Craig Court Formed as part of the 1967 Heathmont Hills estate on former Washusen land In *The 48 Courts of Heathmont* it is stated that Craig was one of the Washusen family, but recently Linda Washusen has disputed this.
- Culverlands Road No information yet beyond the subdivision there: *The Culverlands*. 1969

 A culver is a dove or pigeon. Culverlands is the name of a number of farms in England, particularly the manor farm in Berkshire.
- Cumming Street No information yet presumably a family name of an early landowner.
- Cuthbert Street No information yet possibly not after Melbourne Olympics gold medallist Betty Cuthbert, for it was named before 1956.
- Daisy Street No information yet the plant or a given name?
- **Danielle Crescent** No information yet presumably a given name. Did the Marotta Brothers, poultry famers there, have a Danielle girl in their family?
- **Dawson's Glen** When land-owner Peter Dawson and his wife <u>Glen</u>da subdivided here in the 1990s, local estate agent Les Prato suggested this imaginative name.
- **Dickasons Road** A very early street. No information yet presumably a family name of an early local landowner.













Devon Avenue China pottery, but no information beyond that. (see also Doulton and Dresden). Don and Pat Talbot (nee Wieland), authors of *The Wielands of Heathmont* do not know why the three China streets were so named.

Dirkala Avenue In H.M.Cooper's *Australian Aboriginal Words* the meaning of dirkala is given as "bank of a creek," apt for this street's locality.

Doulton Avenue China pottery, but no information beyond that. (see also Devon and Dresden).

Dresden Avenue China pottery, but no information beyond that. (see also Devon and Doulton).

Eden Avenue descriptive of a beautiful area. Biblical, presumably.

Edna Street No information yet – presumably a given name.

Erica Crescent Presumably after the plant, though perhaps a given name. Although there are botanical differences (In the order Ericales, Ericas and Heathers are in the family Ericacaea whereas Heaths are in the family Epacridaceae), heath and erica are often used as synonymous. In Heathmont, "heath" had already been taken, so erica was used.

Erica Court Off Erica Crescent, this was part of The Beard Estate subdivision of 1988. (see also Beard Court). Of quaint interest is that the first house in the court is number 101 and they number from that up to 118!

Eton Court Named after the famous England school? Formed in 1965-66

Fairbank Avenue No information yet – perhaps a family name. Formed in 1965-66

Frances Street No information yet – presumably a person's name

Fremont Street No information yet. Fremont is a popular USA place name, found in many States, especially in California. It is also a popular French baby boy name meaning "free man" – no longer a slave. We have no idea if these facts have any relevance here!

Great Ryrie Street No information yet An obscure clue might be the Ryrie family who were pioneers of land near Lilydale. In 1837 three Scottish brothers, William. Donald and James Ryrie leased 43,000 acres and named it "Yering." Two returned to Scotland and in 1850 Donald sold the land to Paul de Castella, who planted some vines – "and the rest is history!"

It has not been an informative page – sorry, and help needed please!



Epacris impressa Common Heath

Family: EPACRIDACEAE

This small woody shrub is Victoria's floral emblem and has both pink and white forms. The compacted tubular flowers can be seen from March to Spring. One of two Epacris in Maroondah, the other (Epacris gunnii) being less frequent.



A Alan

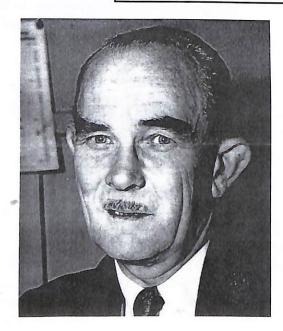
R Roslyn

M Malcolm

A Alison



In 2007, Linda Washusen in Janet Court, where she grew up on the family orchard.



Dick Greenlees



166 Canterbury Road Heathmont 1979

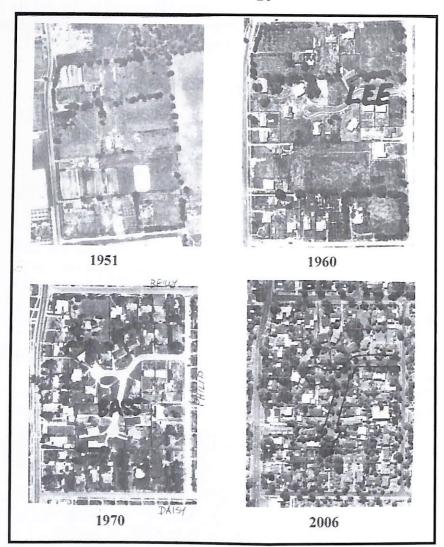
- **Hardeep Place** No information yet. It certainly sounds Indian. and in Mumbai the Hardeep Punjab restaurant is well known. We do not think an excited swimmer in Duck Creek at the end of the street once called out "Ha! Deep!"
- **Hardy Crescent** No information yet, apart from the fact that it was named as part of the 1967 Marlborough Estate subdivision. Presumably a family name, perhaps with English origins. Doubt if it's Laurel and Hardy, but could be famous author Thomas Hardy?
- Harriet Street Harriet (nee Maggs) was the wife of Jim Miller. The descendants of Frank Miller from 1860 onwards maintained and developed orchards throughout this area of Heathmont East, and when they subdivided then into residential blocks in the late 1940s and early 50s they named a number of streets after family. (see Louis St. and Miller Rd)
- Headline Court In the early 1930's, George Richard (Dick) Greenlees (born 13/4/1900) and his wife Ruby bought a lemon orchard in Armstrong Road, Heathmonia in Journalist with the Melbourne daily, *The Sun*, holding various positions before relining in 1965 as News Editor. In 1966 the orchard land was subdivided into a number of residential blocks on a new street appropriately named "Headline Court."
- **Heath Court** Over the hill from Mont Court (Heath mont!) A former Lou Miller apple and pear orchard area, named unimaginatively in 1954.

Heathmont Road the road from Ringwood to Heathmont! (Heathmont was named in 1923)

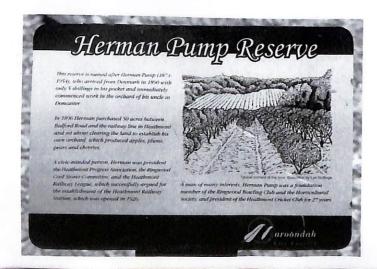
Ilford Road Is this named after the London suburb Ilford, or the Ilford photography film?

Janet Court Named in 1974. Presumably a given name.

- Jarma Road The five initials of landowner Creaser family: J for daughter Justine, A for daughter Alison, R for mother Roslyn, M for son Malcolm, A for father Alan. The Creasers had a market garden and poultry farm, typical of this lower Western end of Heathmont, where there were no orchards.
- Joan Court In the 1950's Hector McLean of McLean's Real Estate, Heathmont, bought land in the western flat area of Heathmont from Mr. Westmore and Mr. Vale. He named two of the streets on the new estate after these two previous land-owners. Mr. Vale's daughter had married local plumber Alan Nelson, and they lived on the corner of Daisy and Vale streets. Mr. and Mrs. Nelson were very excited when Hec.McLean asked them if he could name two courts off Vale Street after their daughters, Joan and Christine.



The evolution of Lee Court and Bass Court (and Reilly, Daisy and Philip)



Joel Court Named in 1957 after a son of Doug Alderson, a salesman of Estate Agent developer Hec McLean. (see also Valerie Court

Karen Court Named in 1967. Presumably a given name.

Karista Avenue No information yet

Kenbry Road Named after <u>Ken</u> & <u>Bry</u>an Nickels, sons of Eric Nickels (1911-1994) an orchardist here who bought the ex-Muller orchard in 1946 and subdivided it in 1949. Eric Nickels and his wife were prominent members of the Heathmont Advancement League and the Heathmont Tennis Club.

Leawarra Drive As the Herman Pump orchard was being subdivided in the years 1948 to 1955, one of the streets was named Herman (Pump Street was on the other side of Canterbury Road, where brother John had an orchard.) However in 1960, after a resident of Herman St objected to "the German name," and despite it being long after World War II and also despite all that Herman Pump had done for the community, Ringwood Council was persuaded to change the name to the aboriginal for "rising" - leawarra. Grandson of Herman, Brian Pump, regarded the change as regrettable, and indeed insulting, and within two years successfully lobbied the Council to name the previously un-named creek reserve on the formerly Pump orchard land the Herman Pump Reserve.

Lee Court When formed in 1964 this was named after the landowner. Fred Lee and his wife purchased the land from Wantirna Road to Philip Street in 1946, built their homestead where 20 Lee Court is now, and developed a market garden which helped supply their greengrocery on Wantirna Road. (see also Bass Court)

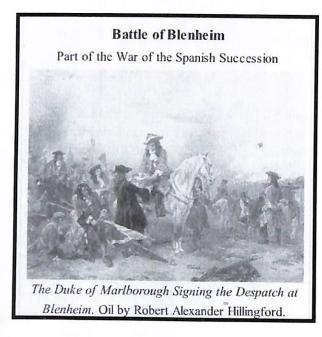
Leoni Avenue No information yet. Presumably a female given name.

Lisgoold Street No information yet. Perhaps some connection with Lisgoold, a small village in County Cork, Ireland.

Locksley Close No information yet. Some possible connections include the small town of Locksley in central Victoria, or Locksley in Nottinghamshire, England, the fictional birthplace of Robin Hood, or even Alfred Lord Tennyson's poem "Locksley Hall."

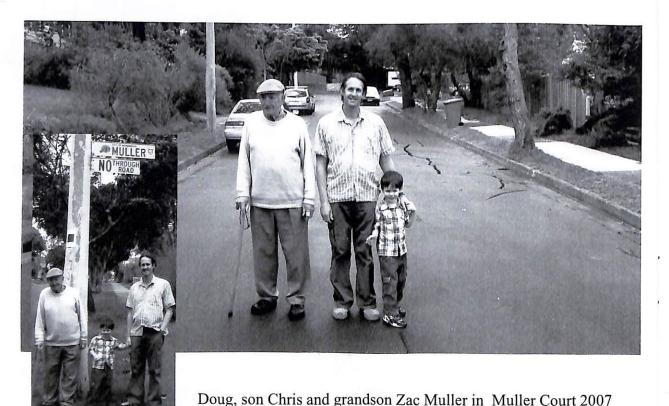
Lorienne Street No information yet. Presumably a female given name.

Louis Street Descendants of Frank Miller from 1860 onwards maintained and developed orchards throughout this area of Heathmont East, and when they subdivided then into residential blocks in the late 1940s and early 50s they named a number of streets after family. Louis was the grandson of Frank Miller (see Harriet St. and Miller Rd)





John & Esther Muller and family. grandparents of Douglas, below



Lowen Avenue Ex-Balfour Ave until Canterbury Road was made into a split level.

Lucinda Close No information yet Possibly a female given name.

Madigan Court Named after ex Heathmont College (Ringwood Technical School) teacher, Bruce Madigan (died 1989). He is one of the three former teachers remembered by a street name on the site of the former Ringwood Technical School, subdivided in 2012. (see also Carbery Court and Cormack Court).

Marden Place When the Heathmont Technical School site was developed as a housing estate in 2012 one of the new streets was named as a tribute to the Marden family, first and long-time shopkeepers in Heathmont. Elizabeth Marden opened the first shop, in 1923. When she returned to England, her parents George and Fanny took it over and also built and managed the first Post Office. Widower George retired from that role in 1952 after many years of service to the community, including executive positions on the Heathmont Progress League.

Markhill Place No information yet

Marlborough Road With Portsmouth and Blenheim nearby, it seems obvious that whoever named it had English military history in mind. John Churchill (1650-1722), the first Duke of Marlborough, was given Blenheim Castle as a reward for his wartime victories.

Martin Street Named in early 1960s after a Mr Martin who lived in Armstrong Road.

Miller Road Pioneer settler here, Frank Miller in 1860, eventually on 85 acres, much of it orchard. His three sons and one daughter were also orchardists.

Milton Street The name combines "Mil" of Miller with "ton" of Merton, Mrs Miller's maiden name. The street was formed when a Miller family orchard was sub-divided in the early 1950s.

Mont Court Over the hill from Heath Court, and providing the twin name. It was formed as part of a Miller orchard subdivision in 1954 and extended in 1965.

Mountain View Road Descriptive! The "mountain" is of course the Dandenong Ranges.

Muller Court John and Esther Muller were orchardists here from 1910 until 1946, when Eric Nickels bought the property. He subdivided it, and the Beards constructed the roads. Resident Belle Eastaugh suggested the Muller name.

Myrtle Avenue No information yet Presumably either plant name or female given name.

Wrs Pett

Poulton-le-Fylde Poulton-le-Fylde (/poultonli fa1kl/), commonly abbreviated to Poulton, is a market town in Lancashire, England, situated on the coastal plain called the Fylde. In the 2001 United Kingdom census, it had a population of 18,264. There is evidence of human habitation in the area from 12,000 years ago and several archaeological finds from Roman settlement in England have been found in the area. At the time of the Norman conquest Poulton was a small agricultural settlement in the handred of Amoundemess. The church of St Chad was recorded in 1094 when it was endowed to Lancaster Priory. By the post-Medieval period the town had become an important commercial centre for the region with weekly

Fylde",[2] but its commercial importance wanted from the mid-19th century with the development of the nearby coastal towns of Fleetwood and Blackpool. Poulton has the administrative centre of the borough of Wyre and is in the parliamentary constituency of Wyre and Preston North. It is part of the Blackpool Urban Area and approximately 5 miles (8 km) from Blackpool town centre; there are rail links to Blackpool and Preston, and bus routes to the larger towns and villages of the Fylde. Poulton has a library and two secondary schools; Baines School and Hodgson Academy. There is a farmers' market once a month and since October 2011 there has been a weekly market on Mondays in the centre of

and triannual markets. Goods were imported and exported through two harbour

on the River Wyre. In 1837, the town was described as the "metropolis of the

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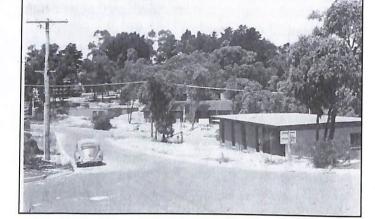
Deceased was quite active and in ood health up to the time of his eath, but he collapsed suddenly on riday. His wife, who was a Miss umann, of Doncaster, predeceased m six years ago.

Coming to Ringwood district 46 ears ago, he took up property at eathmont when the whole place as practically virgin scrub. In the tervening years he transformed the rub into a revenue producing orard, and reared a family of five ys and two daughters.

The late George Pump was one of e band of early pioneers to whom ingwood's future development owes

Deceased was highly respected and teemeed throughout the whole disict, and their many friends extend the bereaved family deepest sym-

The remains were interred in the ox Hill cemetery on Monday.



from the bowl of Markhill Place looking down to Parkhaven Drive 1970





Nodding greenhood orchid (Street), formerly prevalent in Heathmont, and possum (Lane), formerly and still prevalent in Heathmont!

April 1940

Neil Street No information yet. Presumably a given or family name.

Orchard Grove Descriptive of land use. The main orchard families in Heathmont included Miller, Sharp, Pump, Gerlach, Muller, Washusen, Crouch, Miller, Wieland. The main era of orcharding was the first half of the twentieth century. In the post World War II 1950s the rural orchard farming nature of Heathmont was rapidly altered to a residential suburb.

Orchid Street Descriptive of natural flora, for which Heathmont was very well known. Greenhood, spider and sun orchids were some of the plants which attracted wellknown field naturalists such as Crosbie Morrison to lead walks in Heathmont through to Bayswater and down to the Dandenong Creek. Of course the heath. pink and white, and the orchard blossoms added to the beauty of the district..

Parkhaven Drive No information yet – although perhaps not heavenly, there is a park at the end of this road.

Pett Court Pioneers Joseph & Mrs Pett settled on 80 acres here in 1869! This used to be the end of Dickasons Road but after subdivison in 1957, and at the suggestion of the local resident Enderby family, it was given the pioneers'name.

Philip Street Formed in the 1950s, and presumably a male given name

Pleasant Drive Descriptive of the local area, it was formerly part of a Miller orchard.

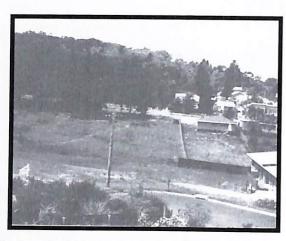
Portsmouth Street With Marlborough and Blenheim nearby, it seems obvious that whoever named it had English military and naval history in mind. Named as part of the Marlborough Estate subdivision in 1967.

Possum Lane descriptive of native fauna! Many of them!

Poulton Close On what had been Miller land from 1860, Fred Pollard bought some acres here in 1949 and named his property "Le Fylde" in fond memory of his home town in Lancashire, England. When further subdivision was made in about 1960, the new street was given the other half of the market town's name.

Pump Street Named after pioneer orchardist John Pump (wife Carolyn, nee Aumann: see also Aumann Street).

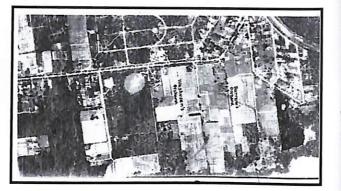
Reumah Court Named in 1965 by the Leggo developers (of Stockdale and Leggo renown) after their family home "Reumah" in Balwyn. Reumah, a female Biblical name meaning "lofty" or "exalted" in Hebrew, had been chosen by the first Balwyn owner, Charles Newman, in 1906.



The bowl of Sharps Court, and Allens Road, 1961



Ian and Peter Sharp and the family's street sign, 2007



No Sunset in 1950!



Ron Sharp 1960



day, 1930

Royal Avenue No information yet The top section was originally Leonard Street, part of the Coleman Railway Estate of 1924. It was not extended to the creek until the 1960s.

Salisbury Court The Sharp orchard, established in 1903, was sub-divided in 1959 and Salisbury and Sharps Courts formed. Perhaps this was based on the English cathedral city

Sharps Court The Sharp orchard, established in 1903, was sub-divided in 1959 and Salisbury and Sharps Courts formed. Many of the Sharp family were prominent in Heathmont tennis and cricket teams.

Sheridan Court William & Doris Sheridan bought 8 acres here in 1947, and subdivided it in 1960. The Sheridan homestead still stands at no.19

Simla Court Simla is a hill town in India, frequented by the British army officers as a summer R&R retreat. One such officer was Colonel John Barrow. After leaving the army he came to in Heathmont in 1946, where he and his wife Kath settled on the orchard formerly developed by the Wieland family. When the Barrows subdivided it in 1960, they chose Simla as the name of the newly formed court.

Simpsons Court. This was constructed in 1973

Scott Street Named after landowner Isaac William Scott of Vermont

Stoda Street The aviation term STODA means Supplementary TakeOff Distance Available but we doubt if the namers of this street had that in mind, although it is close to the station!

Sunset Drive Descriptive of its outlook to the west, for it is on top of the Wicklow Ridge, which extends from The Bluff to Croydon, and of course includes the mont of Heathmont!

Swain Court Len & Lila bought 5 acre3 here, fronting on to Armstrong Road, in 1951 This court was formed in 1969. Son Peter Swain's recollections in his "Backward Glances and Reverse Sweeps' are very interesting. The family's cricket practice pitch can be seen clearly in contemporary aerial photos.

Tagell Road No information yet.



August and Agnes Washusen with their four eldest children: Herbert, Alan, Enid, Margaret 1922



Linda Washusen (7th and youngest) at the street sign, 2007



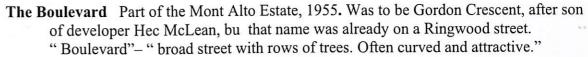
There is no Treetop Court yet (nor Tudor Court, nor Bedford Court. Indeed, there is no Court anywhere in Heathmont yet!)

The Willis farm and orchard is in the centre of the photo, each side of the creek. Fremont Street from Bedford Road stops at the farm.

Royal Avenue does not cross the creek, nor does Coleman Street, nor Campbell Street.

Stoda Street is prominent.





The Greenway Descriptive of natural flora

The Outlook Descriptive, although now hard to see the Dandnenongs from here.

Treetop Court Descriptive, based on the very steep incline (decline?) from the top on Royal Parade looking down to the treetops in Herman Pump Reserve. Formed in 1960.

Tudor Court ex-George Street as early as 1922, as part of "Electric Railway Estate, Ringwood"

Valdale Court Presumably Val as a female given name and dale as a valley as in Heatherdale and Lilydale. But our presumptions are often proven wrong

Vale Street In the 1950's Hector McLean of McLean's Real Estate, Heathmont, bought land in the western flat area of Heathmont from Mr. Westmore and Mr. Vale. He named two of the streets on the new Roslyn Estate after these two local landowners.

Valerie Court Named in 1959 after the wife of Doug Alderson, a salesman for Hec McLean (see also Joel Ct).

View Court named in 1959, part of Heathmont Heights Estate by A.W.Dickson Real Estate Ringwood. Perhaps then there was a view, and even some Heights!

Viviani Crescent An early street. Both this and its original name Viviana (or is this a mapping error?) and the given name Vivian, mean "full of life" and "energetic." It is also an Italian family name.

Wainui Avenue Originally named Station Street, for obvious reasons. The best known use of this Maori word meaning "big bay" or "big water" is for a surf beach in North Island, New Zealand. We do not yet know why it came to replace Station St, nor why it was chosen.

Wallis Court This was the family name of the wife of the Ringwood City Council Chief Engineer Martin Verleheven. The court was formed and named in 1967, the land having been part of the Washusen orchard.

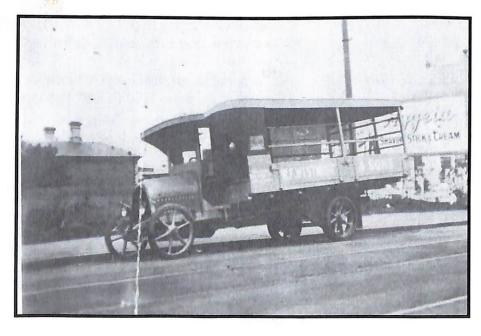






Beverley, Wendy and Heather Anne McLean: the three Courts off The Boulvard.





W.F.WESTMORE & SONS, Produce carriers

- Washusen Road Named after one of the leading local orchardist families. In 1913 August Washusen bought 24 acres of virgin land from Canterbury Road down to Dandenong Creek, between Sunset Drive and what was then Balfour Avenue. August and his wife Agnes (nee Aumann) developed an orchard. After August developed rheumatoid arthritis, son Alan and his wife Kath took over the orcharding. When they decided to subdivide the orchard in 1966 and leave Heathmont, it was the only orchard remaining, and the whole community was invited to their farewell in the Heathmont Community Centre/kindergarden in Viviani Crescent. (see Washusen images, p.34)
- Waterloo Street The proximity of Marlborough and Portsmouth encourage the assumption that this was named after the famous 1815 Napoleonic Wars battle rather than the ABBA song, but as yet we do not know why, when and by whom.
- Waters Grove Formerly Park Street, it was renamed perhaps because of its location, immediately parallel to Dandenong Creek.
- Wayne Court Moses Dickson arrived in Melbourne in 1861 and from 1870 developed a large orchard in North Ringwood. From 1946 his grandson A.W. (Bill) was a prominent Ringwood real estate. One of his subdivisions was here in 1963, with this court named after a son, Wayne.
- **Wendy Court** She was third daughter of developer Hec McLean. All three have courts off the Boulevard as part of Hec McLean's Mont Alto Estate, 1955.
- Westmore Drive (see Vale St., p.35) Upon returning from service in World War II, Fred and his wife Mabel bought 7 acres on Canterbury Road. Two of the three houses he and his sons built are still there. The land was used for market gardening, chooks and cut flowers. The family also developed a successful fruit and vegetable carrier business.
- Woodlands Road Aerial photos show this as a remnant bush area in the late 1950's, surrounded by new residential developments, so perhaps this is the simple explanation of its name. It developed in two stages, the later extension in 1966.
- Yallamba Place Unknown. Barossa Valley winery's "Yalumba" means "all the land around." and the Melbourne army barracks' "Yallambie" means "to rest or remain," derived from the aboriginal "nglambi" but these facts may be irrelevant here!
- **Yarang Court** Perhaps some connection with Yarang, a district in Thailand. This is a comparatively recent construction the late 1970s.
- **York Court** Perhaps from the English historic city, for it was named with Hardy and Portsmouth as part of the Marlborough Estate subdivision in 1967.

We have some information on many of Heathmont's 140 streets. Often this information is very incomplete, and may even be erroneous, and a motivation in producing this booklet is the hope that it will encourage folk to contact us with any relevant material, photographs, maps, recollections or even their guesses on how various streets received their names. Corrections to our explanations will be particularly welcomed, and will appear in our 2019 version!

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