

LOOKING BACK... on the Peaceful Bay settlement

submitted by Molly Smith



As far back as the early days of the group settlement districts, Peaceful Bay was a popular destination. Any excuse for a picnic saw groups of families tackle the rough tracks down to the beach by horse and cart to enjoy a day free from farming chores.



Its popularity never waned and in January 1957, the Denmark Shire opened up 50 blocks for application in the A class reserve. This move met with great interest and the lots were quickly taken up. It wasn't long before building activity was at a premium and cottages were taking shape. More blocks have been released over the intervening years and in the five avenues of Peaceful Bay around 250 holiday homes have been constructed.

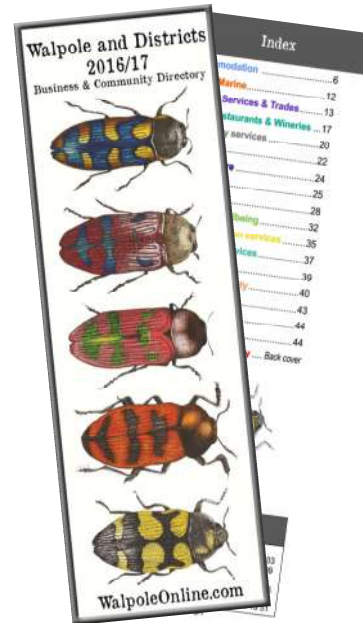
One of the conditions set down for the first fifty blocks was that no more than 750 pounds was to be spent on the building.

As holiday makers increased, the Shire provided and leased the store and the caravan park. "The Bay" as it is often referred to has grown in popularity and there are now many more amenities thanks to the foresight of the Peaceful Bay Progress Association.

Dating back to the 1800s, Peaceful Bay was part of a large coastal grazing strip from Nornalup to Denmark used by farmers in the Cranbrook and Warren districts as summer grazing for their stock.

This delightful coastal spot has a special appeal for all age groups.

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