

1. Tiger Moth Memorial

Marie Bashir Park, Cadell Street (Newell Hwy)

This memorial houses a de Havilland DH82 Tiger Moth aeroplane as used by the RAAF No. 8 Elementary Flying Training School, which was located on the outskirts of Narrandera during World War II. The memorial includes collected memorabilia from the training school and the pilots who trained there, including plane parts, photographs, uniforms and personal effects. A comprehensive collection of model aeroplanes is also included in the display.

Treasure Hunt: Can you see where the pilot sits?



2. Grandstand

Marie Bashir Park, Adams Street

The land that would become Narrandera Park (now Marie Bashir Park) was set aside for public recreation in 1880, and the park itself was completed in 1899. The grandstand was built around 1910, and is still in use today. It is an example of a tiered Federation-style timber and weatherboard grandstand, which were common at the time of construction, but which are now rarely seen.

Treasure Hunt: How many seating tiers are there?



3. Narrandera Public School

Adams Street

Narrandera Public School has been in continued operation as a school since the 1880s. The first classroom was built in 1883 of red brick in a Victorian style, with Georgian influences, and is still in use. Later additions include a Federation-style 1920s weatherboard building, and 1930s single storey red brick classroom buildings, which are significant as the work of Evan Smith, Government Architect, designed in the Inter-War Georgian Revival style.

Treasure Hunt: How many different styles of buildings can you see?



4. Narrandera Hospital

Cnr Adams Street and Douglas Street

Railway workers started fundraising in 1881 for the first cottage hospital, which was opened in 1883. A larger hospital building was constructed in 1885 and is still present onsite, it is constructed of red brick with bracketed eaves and two projecting faceted bays and a central entrance portico.

Over the years other buildings have been added to the site: an Infectious Block in 1902, nurses' quarters in 1906, and an extra ward in 1911. In the 1990s extensive work was done to 'modernise' the hospital.

The Victorian buildings in the hospital complex are of significance as they are some of the earliest in Narrandera. The additions and changes to the hospital reflect the growth of the town and the changing requirements of population and health to an institution that is historically of great importance to the community.

Treasure Hunt: Can you see the original grand entrance? What are the letters on the path in front of the old entrance?



5. Residence

53 Douglas Street

This red brick Federation residence was designed by John Hill Robinson for R. M. Wade-Ferrell, a Narrandera businessman who owned a number of shops in Twynam Street in the 1920s, which are still present.

Treasure Hunt: Can you see the round window?

Bonus: When you get to Twynam Street, have a look for Wade-Ferrell's buildings.

6. The Sturt Club

45 Douglas Street

An attractive and well-detailed Federation cottage built by James Roach, a local sawmill operator and builder, in the 1890s. The cottage was purchased in 1906 for members of the Sturt Club, formed by the wives of Murrumbidgee Club members.

Treasure Hunt: Can you see the stripe that goes around the building?

7. 'MonKeps' / former Murrumbidgee Club

41-43 Douglas Street

A red brick, Queen Anne style residence built in the late 1890s by Edwin Roach, a member of one of Narrandera's pioneering farming families. The building showcases a number of significant architectural features, including timber fretwork and elaborate chimneys.

On 1 December 1903 a meeting of local gentlemen decided to form The Murrumbidgee Club. The foundation president was the Honourable

(later Sir) Samuel McCaughey. The newly-formed club purchased the property from Edwin Roach for £1100 and the club house opened in June 1904. The club operated until the 1990s. The building is currently a private residence.

Treasure Hunt: How many unusual decorative features can you see on this building?

8. St John's Uniting Church

Cnr Douglas St and Cadell St (Newell Hwy)

This Federation Gothic Revival style church was built in 1907, and was originally a Presbyterian Church. Prominent land-owner Sir Samuel McCaughey was a major supporter, and donated three thousand guineas to the Presbyterian Church Centenary Fund, with the proviso that half be used toward the cost of building the new church in Narrandera. In total the church cost £2672 to build. The octagonal spire was originally coated with copper sheeting, and is approximately 26 metres high from ground to spire-tip.

Treasure Hunt: How many arches and spires can you see?



9. Residence

Cnr King Street and Cadell Street (Newell Hwy)

An Inter-War bungalow, designed by prominent Narrandera architect John Hill (J. H.) Robertson, as his own residence. J. H. Robertson designed many of Narrandera's iconic buildings.

Treasure Hunt: How many roof peaks are there on this house?

10. Lodge Leopold / former Masonic Lodge

31 Cadell St

Lodge Leopold was founded in Narrandera in October 1884, making it one of the oldest social institutions in Narrandera. The Lodge building itself was designed by architect J.H. Robertson, in an Edwardian style, and was constructed in 1909.

The building features a classical revival portico at the front entrance, and a square widow's walk on the roof. The building is no longer a Masonic Lodge, and now serves as Narrandera's Art and Community Centre.

Treasure Hunt: Can you see the Mason's symbol above the front entrance?



11. Former Baptist Church

32 Bolton Street

Built in 1891 as a Wesleyan Church, in a Gothic Revival style simplified to reflect Wesleyan doctrine, it later became a Baptist Church. Although no longer operating as a church, the building remains the second oldest surviving church building in Narrandera.

Treasure Hunt: Can you see the white arcs over the windows?

12. Former Plaza Theatre

31-35 Bolton Street

Built in 1934 by Nick Laurantus, who built many picture theatres in the region, the Plaza Theatre was an important part of social life in Narrandera for many years, particularly before the advent of television. The building is currently owned by the Christian Revival Crusade (CRC), and used for a variety of religious and social events. Many of the building's original features remain, with restorations being undertaken by the CRC to return the building to its former glory.

Treasure Hunt: What features can you see that reveal the building's past as a theatre?

13. The New Criterion Hotel

100-106 East Street

Designed by local architect J. H. Robertson in 1938. Some references in design to Inter-War Bungalow style, with Art Deco motifs around the East Street entry. The New Criterion operated as a hotel and public bar before being converted to a motel-style Bed & Breakfast and function centre in the 2010s. The New Criterion was named after the Criterion Hotel which originally stood on the same site.

Treasure Hunt: Can you find the flower decoration near the main entrance?

14. Richards Store (currently Coles supermarket)

103 East Street

This prominent main street building is a notable example of a large country town emporium/department store with many original features, including the upper parapet divided into bays with curved tops, and pebble dash render. The upper storey windows are alternating pairs of rectangular and arched heads, one storey high, with coloured glass panes. The building was originally owned by Solomon Richards, an early Narrandera businessman, who established a drapers and general store in Narrandera in 1889.

Treasure Hunt: There is writing near the roof on the front and side of the building - what does it say?

Narrandera

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15. Kiesling Lane Heritage Walk

Kiesling Lane, off East Street



The story of Narrandera's development is told on a series of storyboards and images on the walls of Kiesling Lane (beside the pharmacy in the centre of East Street). Wander along this pedestrian laneway to discover photos and stories from Narrandera's past.

Treasure Hunt: Which is your favourite story or picture?

16. Former Union Bank Building

126-128 East Street

This Federation-style building with Art Nouveau details was built in the early 1900s to house the Union Bank. It later housed the ANZ bank until 2014, then became a private residence with offices. The symmetrical façade with its arched entryway and balcony above make the building stand out as unique in Narrandera's main street.

Treasure Hunt: What pattern is in the decorative detailing around the windows and entryway?



17. Royal Mail Hotel

137 East Street

This late Victorian style hotel was built in 1888 by a former Cobb & Co mail coach driver, Thomas Gough. At the time the hotel was considered 'the leading commercial hostelry' in Narrandera, with thirty rooms and plentiful stabling available. One of the first commercial buildings in East Street, for many years the Royal Mail Hotel was used as a venue for many important civic events, including the civic reception for the Minister of Works in July 1900, when he laid the foundation stone for the Post Office on the opposite corner.

Treasure Hunt: Can you see the decorative flourishes in the arch on the balcony?

18. Narrandera Post Office

140 East Street

The first postal facilities in the Narrandera district were established at Gillenbah in 1859, then later moved across the river to what is now 126 Larmer Street. Between 1874 and 1899 the Post Office was moved to various locations around Narrandera until the current Post Office building was constructed in 1900. The building is a Federation style with Queen Anne influences.

Treasure Hunt: Can you see the crowns on the air vent gratings?



19. Former AMP Society Building

13-15 Twynam Street

Built in 1922 for the Australian Mutual Provident Society, the Spanish Mission Classical Revival style of this building makes it stand out. It is the only building in Narrandera built in this style, and displays many significant features, including the hipped roof of Marseille half round tiles, and the formal entrance. Much of the timber work in this building is solid cedar, some of which is hand-carved. The building is now a private residence.

Treasure Hunt: Can you find the pineapple and bananas?



20. Mechanics' Institute

17 Twynam Street

In 1886 a public meeting was held, and the decision made to form the Narrandera Mechanics' Institute, to provide local workmen with access to a library of books and journals, educational talks, and recreational space. The Institute was originally granted rooms within the Council Chambers, but in 1909 moved into this purpose-built Federation-style building, designed by local Narrandera architect Ernest Laver. The building continued to house Narrandera's public library until 1999, and is now used as a training centre.

Treasure Hunt: Can you see the coloured glass windows?



21. Narrandera Fire Station

23 Twynam Street

Narrandera Fire Station has stood upon this spot since 1902. The original weatherboard building was officially deemed inadequate in 1925, and shortly thereafter burned down. The current late Federation-style red brick building was designed by builders Haynes and Dixon, and constructed in 1927. It still operates as the Narrandera Fire Station to this day.

Treasure Hunt: Can you see the semi-circular windows? How many are there?



22. 'Derrendi'

Cnr Twynam Street and Cadell Street (Newell Hwy)

'Derrendi' is a large Queen Anne/ Federation style residence, designed in 1907 by well-known Narrandera architect Ernest Laver, and built by James Roach, a member of the pioneering Roach family. The building features a terracotta Marseille tiled roof, with dominant gable fronts and chimneys.

Treasure Hunt: Can you see the stepped chimneys? How many are there?



23. Parkside Cottage Museum

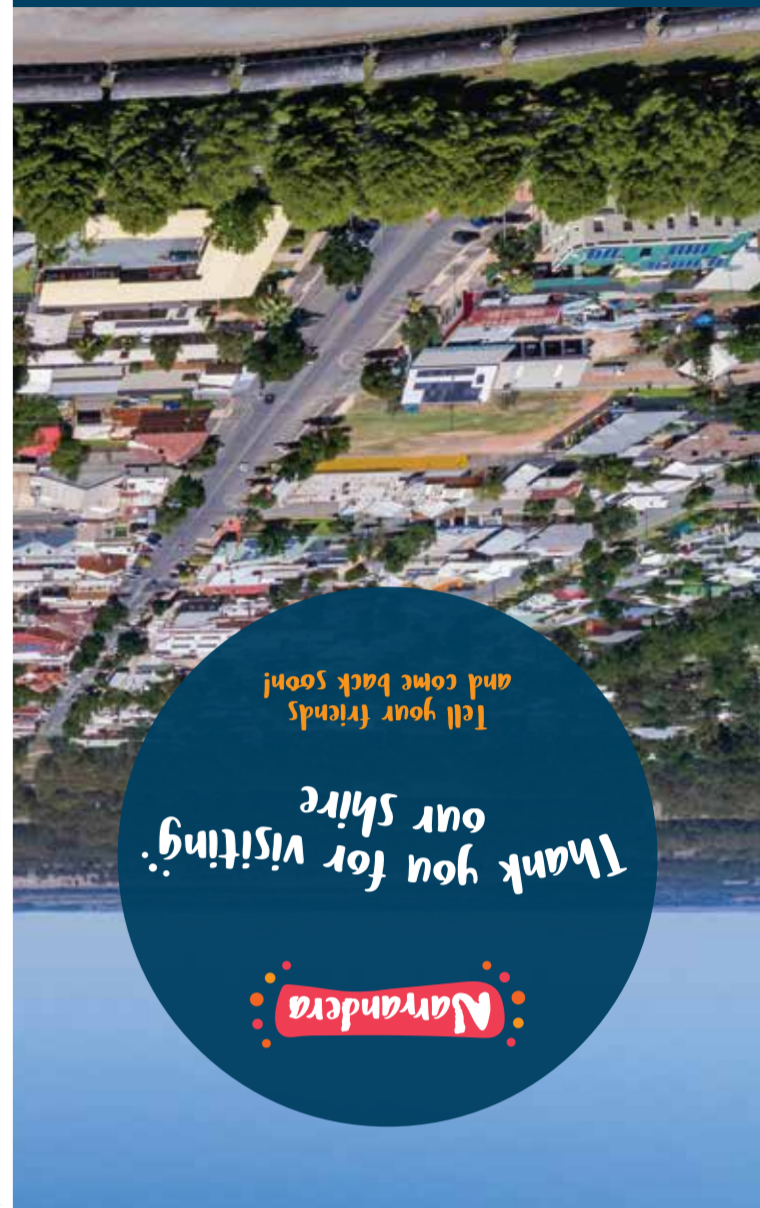
28 Twynam Street

Located in a building over a century old, the Parkside Cottage Museum was established in 1968, and houses a varied collection of items from Narrandera's past, as well as many items donated from private collections. Of particular note are: the Macarthur Cloak, made from wool from the 1816 shearing of the Macarthur family's merinos, and once owned by noted Narrandera resident Dr Harold Lethbridge; an extensive collection of Wiradjuri artefacts from the local region; the navigation maps of Captain T Bynon, one of the early Murrumbidgee riverboat captains; relics from the large Chinese settlement that thrived along the Murrumbidgee river at Narrandera in the 1800s; and much more.

Treasure Hunt: What is your favourite item or display in the museum?



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