

# Clifden Farm and Try Boys Home

1923 – 1938

**Other Names:** • Clifden Home

## Details

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The Clifden Farm and Try Boys Home was a farm training Home for boys at Wedderburn opened by The Try Society in 1923. It had previously been the privately run Clifden Children's Home. The home had capacity for approximately 25 boys. In 1929 the Clifden Home moved to St. Andrew's (also referred to as Diamond Creek), and the farm at Wedderburn was sold. In 1938 the Clifden Home at St Andrew's closed and the remaining boys were transferred to the Melrose Training Farm for Boys at Melrose in the Berwick district.

## Gallery

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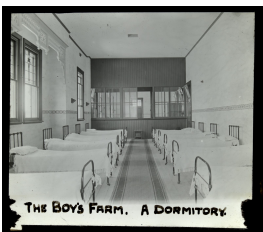
**Sir R Talbot opening Boys Farm [Wedderburn] [picture]**

**Description:** This image shows a group of people, including Sir R Talbot, gathered for the opening of the Clifden Farm and Try Boys Home at Wedderburn, Victoria. The group are gathered next to a large single story building. A sign next to the entrance of the building reads "Allcroft". This image is part of the Try Boys Society Collection of photographs held by the State Library of Victoria. Note: This image is dated 1905, however the Try Society Boys Farm at Wedderburn is thought to have opened in 1923.



**Boys in the classroom**

**Description:** This is a photograph showing boys sitting at their desks inside the classroom at the Clifden Farm and Try Boys Home at Wedderburn. It is part of the Try Boys Society Collection of photographs held by the State Library of Victoria.



**New Building - The Boys Farm. A Dormitory**

**Description:** This is a photograph showing one of the dormitories at the Clifden Farm and Try Boys Home at Wedderburn. It is part of the Try Boys Society Collection of photographs held by the State Library of Victoria.



**Boys mowing the lawn**

**Description:** This is a photograph showing boys mowing the lawn and tending to gardens in front of the main building at the Clifden Farm and Try Boys Home at Wedderburn. It is part of the Try Boys Society Collection of photographs held by the State Library of Victoria.

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# More info

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## Chronology

- Clifden Children's Home (1891 - 1923)
  - **Clifden Farm and Try Boys Home (1923 – 1938)**
    - Melrose Training Farm for Boys (1938 - 1957)

## Related Entries

### Run by

- [The Try Society \(c. 1883 - current\)](#)

# Records

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For more information and to access your records, follow the links below:

## Records

- [William Forster Try Boys' Society Records \(1887 - 1986\)](#)
- [Try Boys Society Collection \(c. 1890 - c. 1969\)](#)

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