

Rockhampton Orphanage

1870 - 1894

Details

The Rockhampton Orphanage was established in 1870. It was located at 124 Quarry Street, Rockhampton. On the passing of the *Orphanages Act* in 1879, the Queensland Government assumed responsibility for its operation. The name was changed to the Rockhampton Receiving Depot in 1894.

With the majority of children boarded-out, Rockhampton Orphanage was re-named the Rockhampton Receiving Depot in 1894, although the Depot continued to care for Infants and to act as a training school for girls.

Gallery



Rockhampton Receiving Depot c.1913

Description: This image was included in Annual report of the Director of the State Children Department for the year 1913.

More info

Chronology

- Rockhampton Orphanage (1870 1894)
 - Rockhampton Receiving Depot (1894 1964)
 - Birralee Children's Home (1964 1967)
 - Birralee Receiving and Assessment Centre (1967 1981)
 - Birralee Hostel (1981 1982)

Related Entries

Run by

 Public Instruction Department, Orphanages Branch, State Government of Queensland (2 October 1879 - 1 December 1911)
Date: 1879 - 1911

Related Legislation

• Orphanages Act 1879, Queensland (1879 - 1911)

Related Organisations

<u>St Joseph's Home, Neerkol (1885 - 1978)</u>
On 11th May 1885 the State Government transferred eleven children from the State Orphanage, Rockhampton

Resources

- Queensland. Dept of Children's Services, Centenary of care for children 1879-1979, 1979
- Research Guide to orphanage and children's home records at Queensland State Archives, Queensland State Archives, Archives website, February 2022

Records

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

Records

- Client Files, Queensland Government-run Institutions (c. 1865 2001)
- Administrative Records, Queensland Government-run Institutions (c. 1865 2001)
- Registers of Children Hired Out, Rockhampton Orphanage, later Rockhampton Receiving Depot (9 July 1881 26 June 1905)
- Admission Registers, Rockhampton Orphanage, later the Rockhampton Receiving Depot (20 November 1875 28 May 1919)
- Case Files Rockhampton Receiving Depot and St George's Orphanage (12 September 1888 3 August 1970)
- Admission Registers, Rockhampton Orphanage, later Rockhampton Receiving Depot (18 December 1871 3 June 1909)

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