

Craigburn Farm, Minda Home

1923 - 1990s

Details

Craigburn Farm in the Adelaide Hills was purchased by Minda Home in 1923. By the early 1930s the 1400 acre (566 hectare) property operated as a farm supplying meat, firewood, fruit and vegetables for Minda Home. Dormitories were built at the Farm to accommodate workers who were primarily boys from Minda Home. Craigburn Farm was subdivided in the 1990s and became a residential suburb of Adelaide.

Craigburn Farm was a 1400 acre (566 hectares) property in the Adelaide Hills which was purchased by Minda Home in 1923. The purpose of the Farm was to create work for boys living at Minda Home and to provide produce for the Home. By the early 1930s the Farm supplied meat, firewood, fruit and vegetables to Minda.

As part of a 2013-2014 reminiscence and art project related to Minda Home, residents remembered that the boys from Minda Home who worked at the Farm:

would get up in the morning, have breakfast at Brighton and walk to Craigburn Farm ... they would work the land, milk the cows, cut the wood for the fires and then they would walk back to site, have dinner and darn their socks.

The walk from Brighton to Craigburn Farm was a 30 kilometre round trip. As a result of the demand of this journey and other factors, dormitories were built at the Farm.

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Gallery



Photographs of Craigburn farm and Minda Home at Brighton

Description: This image shows 'wood carting' at Craigburn Farm, Minda Home.



Tassie House, Craigburn 1940

Description: This image includes the caption: Tassie House, a Minda property, 1940.

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• Minda Home (1911 - 1976)

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• State Library of South Australia, Photographs of Craigburn farm and Minda Home at Brighton, 1925

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