

# Binnowee Receiving Home

1973 – c. 1980

## Details

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Binnowee Receiving Home, run by the government, opened in Launceston in 1973. It provided temporary accommodation to children who were wards of state or supervised in other ways by the Social Welfare Department. In the early 1980s, the Home became Binnowee Family Group Home.

Binnowee Receiving Home opened in May 1973.

A married woman managed Binnowee with the assistance of her husband, who was in paid employment. In return, they received free accommodation.

The Home provided accommodation for new wards of the state or children on remand from the courts until the Department found a more permanent placement for them. The Home also took in children requiring temporary care under the *Domestic Service Assistance Act* and in transit between homes.

The Department changed the name in the early 1980s to Binnowee Family Group Home apparently to emphasise its domestic environment and the fact that some children stayed in the Home longer if they got on well with the Receiving Home Keeper.

## More info

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### Chronology

- **Binnowee Receiving Home (1973 – c. 1980)**
  - Binnowee Family Group Home (c. 1981 - c. 2001)

### Related Entries

#### Run by

- [Child Welfare Division \(c. 1953 - 1980\)](#)

#### Related Events

- [Listen to the children: review of claims of abuse from adults in state care as children, Ombudsman Tasmania \(2003 - 2006\)](#)

#### Related Glossary Terms

- [Domestic Service Assistance Scheme - Tasmania \(1947 - c. 1989\)](#)

Binnowee Receiving Home accommodated children under the Domestic Service Assistance Scheme.