

# Seaforth Toddlers' Home

1945 – 1946

**Other Names:**

- Salvation Army Toddlers' Home
- No. 3 Section, Seaforth
- Seaforth No. 3 Section

## Details

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Seaforth Toddlers' Home, Gosnells, was established in 1945 by the Salvation Army for boys aged 2 to 6 years. It was located in the former Seaforth Salvation Army Girls' Home, on the same site as the Seaforth Boys' Home and Seaforth Salvation Army Boys' Reformatory. It had closed by April 1949 and became the Eventide Home, an aged care facility.

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In 1946, there were 22 admissions to the Home. The annual report of the Child Welfare Department in 1946 described the Toddlers' Home as a place that was licensed to accommodate children under six years of age who were 'not on subsidy'. This may mean that all children were 'private children', admitted by family rather than through the government system.

Seaforth Toddlers' Home closed on 31 November 1946 and became the Eventide Home, an aged care facility.

## Gallery

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**Boys in the grounds of Seaforth Boys' Home, Gosnells, 1926-1932**

**Description:** This is a digitised copy of a photo and is part of the collection of 30 images titled 'Activities at Seaforth Boys' Home, Gosnells [picture]'. The image shows boys on the sports field at Seaforth Salvation Army Boys' Home, Gosnells.

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### Related Entries

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- [The Salvation Army Australia Southern Territory \(1921 - 2018\)](#)

#### Related Organisations

- [Seaforth Salvation Army Girls' Home \(1920 - 1942\)](#)  
Seaforth Toddlers' Home used the buildings once occupied by the Seaforth Salvation Army Girls' Home.
- [Seaforth Salvation Army Boys' Reformatory \(1920 - 1955\)](#)

## Resources

- The Salvation Army Australia Southern Territorial Headquarters (Vic), [Submission No. 46 to the Senate Inquiry into Children in Institutional Care: Appendix A: Children's Homes - A list of openings, closings and function](#), July 2003

## Other Resources

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**Title:** Seaforth History

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### Records

- [Historical records and memorabilia of Salvation Army institutions, Southern Territory](#)
  - [Salvation Army Australia, Records of Homes in the former Southern Territory \(c. 1889 - c. 1988\)](#)
  - [Children's Homes Files, Western Australian Salvation Army Homes \(1897 - 2012\)](#)
  - [Files - Child Welfare, State Records Office of Western Australia \(1 January 1917 - 16 June 1972\)](#)
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