

HISTORIC TALES & TRAILS

IN THE MISSION BEACH REGION

This *Historic Tales and Trails Map* and associated Information Links provide a wealth of stories and interesting cultural, scientific and social past and present activities.

These have contributed significantly to the Mission Beach Region but more importantly, to Australia and the world.

Join us by following the links and the map to understand this unique story.



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BINGIL BAY

1 Ninney Rise / John Buust Plaque

Learn how John Buust and others worked in the 1960's & 70's to save the Great Barrier Reef, using the magnificent house called 'Ninney Rise' as a base. A great Australian Story!

2 Cutten Graves / Mango trees / Bicton Hill

The Cutten Family, using the Bingil Bay area, grew a wide variety of commercial crops including tea and coffee, mangoes and citrus. Discover their pioneering connections and how they sent their products to southern markets in the 1890's-1900's.

3 Basalt Flow and Vegetation

See the remnants of former volcanic activity and the intrusion of rich rainforest vegetation in such a unique geographical and ecological environment.

4 Perry Harvey Jetty

Study the history of the first tourist commercial reef trips from the original Clump Point Jetty, and Perry Harvey and family's influence on tourism since.

MISSION BEACH

5 Clump Point / Aboriginal Heritage / Cutten Walking Track

Walk in the steps of the pioneering families of Mission Beach and discover the rich Aboriginal Heritage linked to this area.

6 Original School Site / Old Road Bridge / Norm Byrnes Arboretum / C4

Research the conservation story, and the importance of the Cassowary and other natural wildlife to this beautiful area, as well as the story of the preservers of flora and fauna. Visit the bridge remains and imagine the early settlers transportation needs!

WONGALING BEACH

7 Rotary Park – Yasi Circle / Mr. Reid's Grave

Severe Tropical Cyclone Yasi was a powerful category 5 storm in 2011. The performance pavilion and Yasi Circle were built with Government assisted funds. The old Clump Point Jetty pylons were used in the pavilion's construction.

Mr Reid's Grave – Wonder at the dedication to a past resident by his former Sydney workmates and his own personal journey!

8 Dunk Island

Learn about historic Dunk Island & other surrounding islands, and the extraordinary life of the "Beachcomber" – Edmund Banfield.

Be reminded of the valuable part this area played in the Battle of the Coral Sea in 1942 in WWII.

SOUTH MISSION BEACH

9 Aboriginal Settlement Site / 'Mission' / 1918 cyclone

Visit the commemorative site of the Queensland Government Aboriginal Settlement, destroyed in the 1918 cyclone and learn of the tragic aftermath.

10 Aboriginal Memorial Midja / Kennedy Cairn

View the memorial dedicated to the experiences of the Aboriginal people taken to the settlement. Nearby is the memorial dedicated to the fateful 1848 Kennedy expedition.

11 Bikini Tree

Tully-Mission Beach Road – Learn about one man's efforts to humour new visitors to this wonderful tropical area.

12 The Kennedy Track

The Edmund Kennedy Memorial Walking Track was built by the community to commemorate the 1848 expedition, and to protect the delicate environment.



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