



THE TOWN

Maydena was created in 1949-50 by Australian Newsprint Mills Ltd. to house its forestry workforce. Well planned, and neatly laid out, it boasted a population of nearly 1000 at its peak.

The town was a hive of activity and people organised their sport and cultural events with the support of ANM. The community and ANM built the football ground, hall, tennis courts, and rifle range, and later a pavilion and swimming pool were added.

For over thirty years the town thrived. Much of the timber was used by the newsprint mill at Boyer. The surrounding forests still provide a timber resource to the mills around Tasmania.

In the late 1980s ANM made the decision to cease operations from Maydena and the town declined. Most of the infrastructure remains with the population of the town settled at approximately 300, mostly retirees or those seeking a quieter lifestyle. An enormous depth of knowledge about the local area and its forests still exists in the town.

The town has about 200 homes and provides a community hall, active primary school, playgroup and swimming pool. It has one general store, including a Post Office, a police station and a RSL hall where community members can socialise. Senior students can attend either Glenora District School (25 minutes east of Maydena) or the senior schools located at New Norfolk.

New Norfolk is the closest large town with a population of about 20,000 people. It is located 45 minutes away to the east, based on the Derwent River. It has all modern shopping facilities and health services. Hobart is only a further 30 minutes south of New Norfolk.

Maydena has a relaxed feel about it, is beautifully located nestled in the Tyenna Valley surrounded by forests, rivers and mountain ranges. The town receives warm, dry summers with low rainfall, cold, wet winters with snow falling on the surrounding peaks and mild spring and autumn weather with rain common in the spring.

For further information:

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