

# JARRAHDAL E ENVIRONMENTAL CENTRE

## HISTORY OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL CENTRE

In 1902/03 a 14 bed hospital, morgue and doctor's residence were built in town. The Nurses' Quarters was built to accommodate the nurses.

In 1957 the hospital closed and was demolished along with the morgue. The nurses' quarters and doctor's residence were used as private houses. After a few years the Nurses' Quarters became the Field Study Centre and was managed by the Armadale District Office of Education, although it stood on C.A.L.M. land and was owned by C.A.L.M. (now Department of Environment and Conservation).

In 1996, the Armadale District Office of Education closed and Jarrahdale Primary School took over management and the name of the Nurses' Quarters was changed to Jarrahdale Environmental Centre.

In keeping with the historic timber mill town image, the building is weatherboard with iron roof.



## FACILITIES

The Environmental Centre is able to sleep up to 25 people, with shared bathrooms, a modern kitchen, large meeting/dining room (with a gas fire, TV [no reception], DVD/VCR, whiteboard), set in a quiet, safe bushland environment, within an hour of central Perth. Please note that there is limited mobile and internet access.

Sleeping accommodation is 13 sets of bunks but Health Department rules only allow 25 because of the ratio of toilets and showers.

There are three bedrooms (1 x 3 sets bunks, 2 x 2 sets bunks) and an enclosed verandah (dormitory) with 6 sets of bunks). Pillows and mattresses are provided but guests must supply their own linen/blankets/sleeping bags. The bedrooms can be very cold in winter and spring.

The storage hot water heater, large gas stove and rangehood have all been replaced with new models in the past 2 years.



Another verandah overlooks the creek area.



The venue is suitable for school groups, leadership development, in-service courses, social activities, craft or art workshops and travellers on the Munda Biddi Trail.

A public telephone, shops and tavern are within walking distance. The shops can supply basic daily requirements, bread, milk, fruit and vegetables, take away and light meals. The Tavern serves meals.

The key is available from the Jarrahdale Post Office during trading hours (6am to 6.30pm daily). Bookings need to be made through the Jarrahdale Primary School.

Many bike travellers are aware of the Centre and drop in to the Post Office to check availability for the night, collect the key, pay the Post Office for the stay and return the key in the morning before setting off again. The Post Office then passes on the payment to Jarrahdale Primary School.

## TARIFF

The tariff is \$150 per night for up to 25 people. (GST Included)

Munda Biddi Trail travellers seeking overnight accommodation only, may arrange a special rate.

## LOCATION

697 Jarrahdale Rd, Jarrahdale.  
(Opposite the corner of Brady Street)