

Emerton - Timeline

Before the settlement of New South Wales by Europeans, the Blacktown district was inhabited by the Darug Aboriginal people, who are the traditional owners and ongoing custodians of the land. We pay our respect to elders past and present, and acknowledge the Aboriginal people for their custodianship of the land.

Named after William Frederick Emert, a native of Siglingen, Germany. Emert arrived in Australia in 1853. In 1861 he became a storekeeper and postmaster in Mount Druitt.

The Emerton area was originally part of Mount Druitt. For information before the 1960s please see the Mount Druitt timeline.

Pre 1788	Prior to the settlement of New South Wales by Europeans, the Blacktown district was inhabited by the Darug Aboriginal people
1968	Planning for Emerton Public School commences.
1970	Baby Health Centres in Emerton to be incorporated in a child health centre corner of Jersey and Popondetta Roads. Emerton Public School opened in January.
1973	Baby health centre opened in Emerton shopping centre, September. Construction of shopping centre at Emerton underway.
1974	Housing plans for Emerton Park Estate. New McDonald's Family Restaurant to be built in Jersey Road. Non-official post office to be established in Jersey Road shops. Shopping centre officially opened by Mayor Peter Richard Stone in May. Council approves first home unit and town house development. 400 units to be built between Popondetta Rd, Bunting St, Emert Parade and Woodstock Ave.
1975	Emerton Swimming Pool opened.
1976	Population 2,404 (Census).
1981	Population 2,275 (Census).
1982	Emerton Youth Recreation Centre opened by Premier Neville Wran on 13 December.
1983	Planting of 4,000 trees at Popondetta Reserve. Funds raised by Blacktown Council in conjunction with State Committee of the Greening of Australia. Popondetta Reserve (Reserve 248) name gazetted on 8 July. Gumnut Reserve (Reserve 575) gazetted in November.
1986	Population 2,060 (Census).
1991	Population 1,814 (Census).
1996	Population 2,070 (Census).
2001	Population 2,286 (Census). Emerton Pool undergoes a revamp worth more than \$2m.
2004	The opening of 'The Shed', offering help and support to men at the Holy Family Centre in Emerton. Holy Family Primary opened its doors in 2004, 38 students enrolled.
2006	Population, 2,216 (Census). Emerton Leisure Centre opens on 18 August after the completion of a \$15 million redevelopment project.
2007	A unique Cape Cod designed home in Emerton won a Blacktown Council building development award.
2011	Population 2,394 (Census).
2016	Population 2,252 (Census).

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2017	Emerton Leisure Centre renamed the Charlie Lowles Leisure Centre, Emerton after the late Emeritus Mayor Charlie Lowles OAM - a Councillor for 27 years and staunch supporter of many cultural and sporting pursuits in Western Sydney. Emerton Leisure Centre was named the A.H Pierce Memorial 2017 Facility of the Year by the Aquatic and Recreation Institute.
2018	Major revamp of Emerton Youth Recreation Centre completed.
2020	Work begins on revamp of Emerton Village Shopping Centre which will include a new Woolworths supermarket.
2021	Population (2,295) Census.