

Marsden Park- 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.

Marsden Park is named for Samuel Marsden (1764–1838), Church of England Minister and landowner in the area. The suburb is 1,368 hectares in size.

Pre 1788	Prior to the settlement of New South Wales by Europeans, the Riverstone district was in the territory of the Dharug tribe of Aborigines.
1813	Walter Lang granted 700 acres which he called "Clydesdale".
1824	Clydesdale House on Richmond Rd under construction.
1846	St Phillip's Church of England on "Clydesdale" consecrated.
1867	Greatest flood on record in the Hawkesbury area. Height 19.2m.
1888	Postal branch office opened in general store on Garfield Rd.
1889	Marsden Park Primary School opened.
1898	St Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Marsden Park opened on 29 October
1909	Foundation stone for St John's Church of England laid on 13 October and first service held on 30 December.
1942	The Royal Australian Air Force took over 'Clydesdale' as a convalescent home.
1944	Marsden Park Bush Fire Brigade established.
1967	Marsden Park Post Office closed.
1976	Population 740 (Census)
1979	St John's Church of England demolished
1980	Bridge built on Richmond Road over South Creek.
1981	Population 1,385 (Census)
1983	Foundation stone laid by Mirza Tahir Ahmad, Khalifatul Masih IV on 30 September.
1986	Population 902 (Census)
1987	Fire damaged the main building at Marsden Park Public School.
1989	Opening of mosque by Mirza Tahir Ahmad, Khalifatul Masih IV in July
1991	Population 995 (Census)
1996	Population 1,335 (Census including Shanes Creek and Ropes Crossing).
2001	Population 668 (Census)
2006	Population 804(Census).
2007	Australian Christian College (K-2) established, provides on campus and distance education.
2010	Marsden Park Industrial Precinct rezoned in November. The 551 hectare site will contain 1,200 dwellings and provide employment for an estimated 10,000.
2011	Population 1,050 (Census).
2013	The Marsden Park Precinct was rezoned for urban development on 13 October. The 1,800 hectare site will contain 10,300 dwellings and predicted population of 30,000.
2014	Opening of McDonalds restaurant in Sydney Business Park. First stage of Stocklands Elara Estate released.
2015	Opening of Bunnings and Masters stores in Sydney Business Park. Opening of IKEA on 28 May.

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2016	Construction of Costco commences Opening of Lindt Outlet factory Richard Johnson Anglican College commenced with pre-primary classes. Population 1,008 (Census).
2017	Opening of St Luke's Catholic College (K-12), 3 February. Opening of Greenway Village Shopping Centre 17 May developed by Newquest Property and Kaipara Property Group, containing a Woolworths supermarket and 12 retail shops. Opening of Costco on 30 August, petrol station opened about a month earlier. Council begins process to name new suburbs in the North West Growth Area.
2018	Draft masterplan released for Marsden Park North. Elara estate developer provides a free shuttle bus to Schofields railway station for residents for 12 months.
2019	Winten Property Group - winners of the Greenfield Development at UDIA NSW Awards for Excellence 2019 for the The Grange at Marsden Park
2020	Suburb boundary realigned on 6 November. Reconfigured boundaries consisting of the original suburb of Marsden Park. It now includes part of the existing suburbs of Riverstone and Schofields. Areas excluded are now part of the suburbs of Melonba, Angus, Schofields and Shanes Park.
2021	Pop up school with 800 students opened on the site of Northbourne Public School due to a construction delay. Construction of school completed in July 2021. Blacktown City Council announces plans for the Marsden Park town centre in February Population 14,610 (Census).