

IVERACH STREET

(Research by the Coolamon & District History Group)

Note: Local historical records record the contributions of other members of the Iverach family to the development and growth of Coolamon. These include David Iverach who founded the Golf Club, and Iverach Bros. Coach Builders. Their contributions will be recorded when research has been completed.



In 1934, Mr. W.A. Iverach was described as being Coolamon's chief townsman and was instrumental in the 1934 'Back to Coolamon' celebrations.

Mr. Iverach came to Coolamon with his parents in 1889. He commenced his commercial career at an early age when he travelled the country selling general goods with a hawker, Mr. W. Vincent. During that period, he had many rough and arduous experiences.

In 1896 he commenced working in the "back store" with the late Mr. F. Hall, weighing potatoes, etc. The store (The Up-to-date) was a weatherboard building on the corner of Loughnan Street and Cowabbie Street. He stayed nine years with Mr. Hall and was in charge of the grocery and ironmongery departments when he left in 1905 to commence building with Mr. H.C. Nadin as

general storekeeper. In 1907, Mr. Iverach purchased Mr. Nadin's interest and in 1908 sold out to Messrs. Sykes and Watson, purchasing the same year the interest of Mr. F. Alcock in the firm of Nadin, Alcock & Denoon, which became Nadin, Iverach & Denoon. After several further changes in 1925 Mr. Iverach purchased Mr. Nadin's share in the 'Up-to-date Store' and conducted the business himself. In 1932, he purchased more convenient and more commodious centrally situated premises on the eastern side of Cowabbie Street.

Mr. Iverach's first public position was as a member of the first Coolamon Band, playing the clarinet. Since those days he has been secretary, treasurer and chief of the old Caledonian Society, trustee and secretary of Kindra Park, secretary and treasurer of the town band, President of the Coolamon & District Cricket Association. He devoted considerable time to the Coolamon A&P Association and the Coolamon Show.