

Nyabing



Things to see in Nyabing

- Call into the Nyabing General Store to stock up on food & Fuel
- Meet the locals at the Nyabing Community Hub
- Take a look at the Settlers Hall Museum
- If you are interested in an overnight stay at the caravan park, please call into the Shire of Kent Administration Office
- During August/September Nyabing has a wonderful showcase of wildflowers, see how many you can spot.
- On the way to Katanning, left hand side of the road, near the Dumbleyung turn-off, there is still evidence of Sandalwood Trees. This area is a historical part of Nyabing's settlement.
- Along the railway track, spot remnants of Old Railway Huts
- For local events throughout the year, please contact the Shire of Kent Administration Office on 9851 9780 or call in!

SHIRE OF KENT SELF DRIVE TOUR NYABING & PINGRUP

*A recommended self drive tour of the Shire of Kent Region
From Nyabing to Pingrup and some that's in-between*

The Shire of Kent was first established in 1923 as the Kent Road Board. In 1955 the name was changed to the Nyabing-Pingrup Road Board and retained this name in 1961 when it became a shire. The name was further altered in 1973 to the Shire of Kent. The name 'Kent' apparently comes from the commissariat officer of Dr T. Wilson's expedition of 1829. The first white men to visit the area were sandalwood cutters with the first lease of 2000 acres being taken around Cairlocup Lagoon by John Hassell in 1873. The town of Pingrup was officially gazetted on May 9, 1924. The town of Nyabing was officially gazetted on December 24, 1912 after a name change from Nampup. Nyabing celebrated it's 100th Birthday in October 2012.

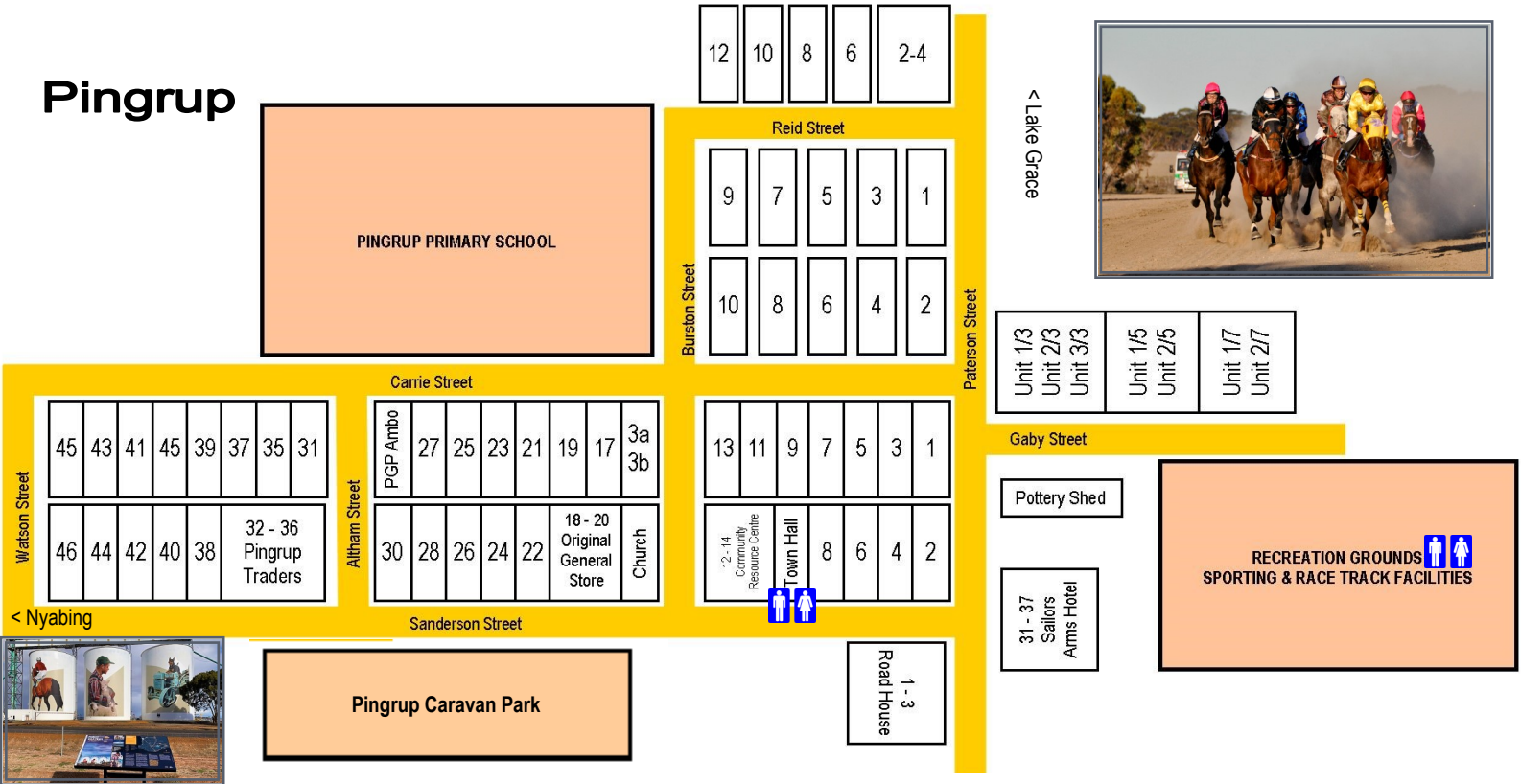
It is believed that the word NYABING is from Aboriginal origin and is thought to be derived from the Aboriginal word "ne-yameng". Which is the name of an everlasting flower *Helipterum manglessii*. The townsite was planned in 1911 as part of the Great Southern Railway. The name given to the siding was Nampup. The name Nampup is also of Aboriginal origin and is the name of a local soak. Lots were surveyed later in the year and the town was gazetted in 1912. The name was changed later that year after several complaints that Nampup was too similar to the town named Nannup, so the town was renamed to Nyabing.

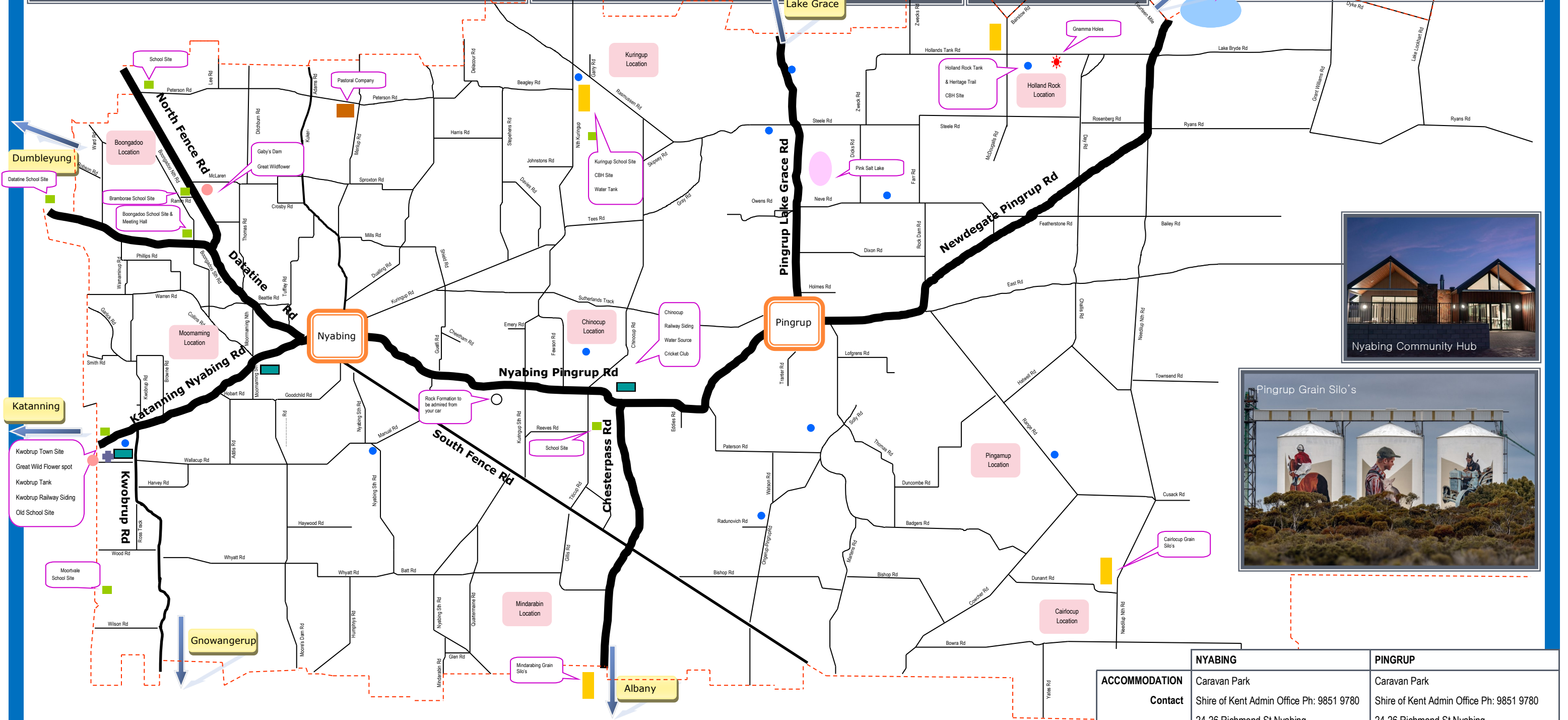
PINGRUP The name of the town is also of Aboriginal origin as are many of the rural town names in the Great Southern area. Pingrup was the name of a lake that is close to the townsite. The meaning of the word is unknown, the name first appeared on the charts of the area in 1873. In 1923 the railway line was extended easterly from Nyabing to Pingrup and the district surveyor had had land surveyed for a townsite at the railway terminus. When the name of the railway was being decided the railways department though Pingrup was too similar to Tingerup and suggested "Geina", a name which had been used for the area around 1900. The name was not acceptable to local settlers, who proposed 'Lake Pingrup' as an alternative. However, the lands Department decided that Pingrup was a more desirable name and not too similar to Tingerup afterall.

Things to see in Pingrup

- Spot the big Shearing Handpieces —located on Sanderson Street at the Pingrup Shears. During the 1990's many shearing competitions were held here.
- Visit the Pingrup Silo Artwork which is a part of the WA Silo Art Trail.
- Pop into the Community Resource Centre (CRC) and take a break with a coffee while browsing some local products
- Take a look at the CRC Museum
- If you are interested in an overnight stay at the caravan park, please call the Shire Admin Office.
- Make sure you visit the Annual Race Meet in March! Check with the CRC for more information
- For more events held throughout the year please contact the CRC on 9820 1101 or call in!

Pingrup





See some amazing salt lakes on your drive through Pingrup!



	NYABING	PINGRUP
ACCOMMODATION	Caravan Park	Caravan Park
Contact	Shire of Kent Admin Office Ph: 9851 9780 24-26 Richmond St Nyabing	Shire of Kent Admin Office Ph: 9851 9780 24-26 Richmond St Nyabing
HOTEL/INN	Nyabing Community Hub and Inn	
Contact	Meals, Accommodation - Open 7 Days Ph: 9829 1015	
FOOD & FUEL	Nyabing General Store	Pingrup Roadhouse
Contact	Mon - Fri 7:00am-5pm Sat 9am-12noon	Ph: 9820 1108

- Shire Boundary

Gravel Roads

Minor Roads (Destination)

Main Roads

Wildflowers
- Water Sources (Standpipe/Dam/Tank)

Places of Interest

Information

Historic School Sites

Historic Town Sites
- Grain Receival Bins

Original Railway Sidings

Gnamma Holes

In an EMERGENCY phone '000'			
Katanning		Lake Grace	
Doctors Surgery	9821 2155	Doctors Surgery	9865 1208
Hospital	9821 6222	Hospital	9827 2222
Police - non emergency	13 14 44	State Emergency Services	1300 130 039
Western Power	13 13 51	DFES (Fire Emergency Services)	1800 198 140