## POINTS OF INTEREST

## Stanhope:

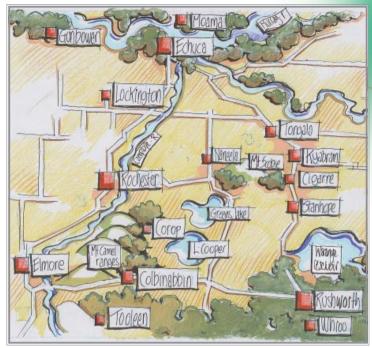
Previous to being a township, Stanhope began as a 32,00 acre estate, owned by Hon. Winter Irving. He built the Stanhope Homestead in 1867. Following this, another three homesteads were built (Robgill, Bonshawand and Laurderdale) for his family.

New selectors began coming to the area under the Closer Settlement Commission Scheme. 1914-15 saw a bad drought and WW1 which delayed settlement.

Following the war, Soldier Settlers commenced farming in the area (1919). As businesses started to evolve to service the soldier settlers, it was declared Stanhope to be a township. 1919 also seen the construction of the first irrigation channels and Stanhope had their first watering in 1920.

## Points along the walk -

- McEwen PI Park Named after Sir John McEwen, who was Prime Minister for around 3 months after Harold Holt Drowned (December 17, 1967). He was also leader of the Country Party (which is known as the Nationals Party)
- **Stanhope Hotel** Due to Stanhope being a soldier settlement town, it was agreed that Stanhope would be an alcohol free town. This stayed until the 1960's when the Stanhope Hotel was built.
- W.H.Emmett & Co Founded by William Emmett in 1920. This is the the only shop in Stanhope still owned and managed by members of the founding family. Initially Emmett's were a stock agent, Stockfeeds were then introduced and just kept growing.
- **Stanhope Primary School** Originally the school was called Lauderdale School with 11 students enrolled. The first teacher was Miss Katie Woodman who also ran the post office from the school.



Map of Campaspe Region









