

TEMORA STATION

- **“Temora Run” first leased by Valentine Lawler & John Donald McCansh in 1847.**
- **The site on Walladilly Creek known as Sproule’s Lagoon where the station was first established was known to the Wiradjuri as Gidgin Gidginbung (plenty of dead wattle trees).**
- **Relinquished by Lawler & McCansh, the Lease was taken up by JD McCansh employer, Severus Kanute Salting, a Director of the Bank of Australasia on 15.12.1849. The run, estimated to encompass 200,000 acres, was licensed to carry 6000 sheep or 1000 cattle.**
- **Also leased by this time were “Marule Baale Creek” (61,440 acres) and the adjacent “The Rocks” (29,000 acres), by Horatio Beckham.**
- **On 1.1.1851 Salting renewed his lease on “Temora” run (which had been reduced to 100,000 acres) and the following year Horatio Beckham transferred a much enlarged “The Rocks” run (110,000 acres) to him.**
- **Salting transferred “Temora” run to William Marshall and Mrs Frances Sproule on 19.02.1856. Stocking “Temora” with cattle, Mrs Sproule remained in possession until January 1869.**
- **John McPherson purchased “Temora run on 27.01.1869 and undertook extensive improvements, introducing wool and wheat production to the holding before selling to Austin Mack and John Greeves on 23.05.1873.**
- **In 1882, after years of drought and despite the opportunity, provided by the gold rush, to provide meat to the diggings, Mack and Greeves walked off leaving the property to the Australian Mortgage & Finance Company. Temora Station at that time comprised “Temora” run 101,100 acres and “The Rock” run 34,560 acres.**
- **Acquired by Morrison and Brice, “Temora Pastoral Holding”, which had been formed from the old “runs” under a change in the NSW land laws, was sold to Blair and Syme, who in 1888 subdivided all but about 17,000 acres of the holding for closer settlement.**
- **The station’s freehold lands and strategic areas were held until early in the twentieth century before being disposed of.**

