

# **Dora Creek Street Names**

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## **Awaba Road**

Awaba Road was part of the Doree Private Village declared on 20 November 1891. Awaba is an Awabakal word meaning 'a flat surface', which was also their term for Lake Macquarie (Source: LE. Threlkeld).

## **Baker Street**

Baker Street was named in 1942.

## **Bruce Street**

Bruce Street was named in 1918.

## **Coorumbung Road**

Coorumbung Road was part of the Doree Private Village declared on 20 November 1891. Coorumbung is an Awabakal word meaning 'rocky bottom creek or water over rocks' (Source: N.H. 11 May 1993). Coorumbung Road was included in a 1913 subdivision held by Hugh Duff Auctioneers. The Dora Creek Public School is in Coorumbung Road.

## **Corbin Road**

This road has remained non-existent to date.

## **Cowell Street**

Cowell Street was named in 1924.

## **Dora Street**

Dora Street was part of the Doree Private Village declared on the 20<sup>th</sup> November 1891 and was included in a 1913 subdivision held by Hugh Duff & Co.

## **Doree Place**

Doree Place was known locally by this name for some time before it was gazetted on the 3<sup>rd</sup> October 1980. Doree Doree is an Aboriginal name meaning 'a creek running into the lake'.

## **Douglass Street**

Douglass Street was part of the Doree Private Village declared on the 20<sup>th</sup> November 1891. John Douglass, retiring from the army, opened a store in 1866 and in 1870 became the first schoolteacher in Dora Creek. He was active in local affairs.

## **Edith Street**

Edith Street was named in 1918.

## **Gardiners Road**

Gardiners Road was named in 1911. Following John Douglass, Peter Gardiner became the second schoolteacher in Dora Creek. He was a relative of the pioneering family the Walmsleys.

## **Gradwells Road**

Believed to have been named after an early family. There is an L. Gradwell named on the Morisset-Dora Creek WW1 war memorial. Any information here is welcome.

### **Greenway Street**

Originally, named Douglass Street it was gazetted Greenway Street on the 5<sup>th</sup> November 1982.

### **Hawkmount Road**

An early road from the timber cutter days, it once went through to Awaba taking its name from the Hawkmount Range north of Dora Creek. The Council's Hawkmount quarry is on this road. It is a bush fire fighters road.

### **Jones Road**

Jones Road was named after resident Ken Jones in the 1930's by R.H. Marshall the timekeeper of the 'relief workers road gang'. This was done for his bookkeeping records.

### **Kalang Road**

Kalang is an Aboriginal word meaning 'beautiful', (Source: 'Australian Words and Place Names' by S.J. Endacott). Kalang Road was named in 1948. There was an estate in Dora Creek named Kalang Bongurra Estate.

### **Miami Way**

Miami Way was part of a subdivision held in 1925 by Lake Lands Ltd and Closer Settlements Ltd. Miami Way is a companion street name with Narenta Street. Miami is a city in the U.S.

### **Minnie Street**

Minnie Street was part of the Doree Private Village declared on the 20<sup>th</sup> November 1891. Minnie, the daughter of schoolteacher John Douglass was the Dora Creek postmistress at this time. There had been an early sawmill in or near Minnie Street.

### **Narenta Street**

Narenta Street was part of a subdivision held in 1925 by Lake Lands Ltd and Closer Settlements Ltd. Narenta Street name is a companion street name with Miami Way. Narenta is an urban district in the U.S.

### **Newport Road**

An early-unnamed road it became known as Coorumbung Road until gazetted Newport Road on 5<sup>th</sup> December 1975. On 3<sup>rd</sup> October 1980 Silva Street and part of Gardiner's Road were renamed Newport Road. Newport was the name of an early subdivision. As the river provided better transport than the shallow lake the name, Newport came to be applied to Dora Creek for a time.

### **Pamela Avenue**

Pamela Avenue was part of a subdivision held in 1925 by Lake Lands Ltd and Closer Settlements Ltd.

### **Silva Street**

Silva Street was renamed Newport Road on 3<sup>rd</sup> October 1980.

### **Simpson Road**

Simpson Road was named in 1912 after Percy Simpson who received the original land grant at Dora Creek.

### **Stingaree Point Drive**

Previously an unnamed road it was gazetted on 17 May 1963 taking its name from Stingaree Point. A stingaree is one of the families of stingrays.

**Sydney Road**

Sydney Road was named in 1924.

**Telford Close**

Telford Close was named in 1976.

**Wamsley Road**

Wamsley Street was part of the Doree Private Village declared on the 20<sup>th</sup> November 1891. During the 1870's and 80's James Wamsley was the mail contractor. He was a Dora Creek School board member his children attended the school.

**Wangi Road**

Main Road 217 Wangi road crosses over Dora Creek. In 1958 when a new rail bridge was built, the Dora Creek Progress Association purchased the old one from the railways and donated it to the council. This was converted into the current road bridge.

**Watt Street**

Watt Street was part of the Doree Private Village declared on the 29<sup>th</sup> November 1891. The Dora Creek train station is on Watt Street.