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"Falls of Halladale"

Address: Irvine Street , Peterborough, 3270

State: VIC

Area: AUS

Please Note: GPS Co-ordinates are approximate.

Latitude: -38 36 15

Longitude: +145 52 24

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Monument Type: Monument

Theme: Disaster

Sub-Theme: Maritime

Description:

A memorial plaque and anchor dedicated to the ship, "Falls of Halladale" that was shipwrecked in 1908.

The "Falls of Halladale" was one of the last of the "Windjammers", and it belonged to the celebrated Glasgow Falls Line whose fleet was built for carrying cargo and for speed under sail.

The "Falls of Halladale" was bound for Melbourne from New York in 1908 when sea mist confused the captain who had all sails set when she struck and ran up onto a reef just west of Peterborough. The ship was totally wrecked but no lives were lost.

Actual Event Start Date: 14-November-1908

Actual Event End Date: 14-November-1908

Actual Monument Dedication Date:

Front Inscription:

Falls of Halladale.

On the night of November 14th 1908, the barque Falls of Halladale was wrecked 2kms, west of this point. The vessel was bound from New York with 2300 tons of general cargo for Melbourne and Sydney. A court of marine enquiry found the captain guilty of careless navigation and of failing to take necessary action to save his ship.

This stream anchor is one of at least 5 anchors carried by the Falls of Halladale and was removed by Flagstaff Hill divers in 1974. The Falls of Halladale is now protected under the Commonwealth Historic Shipwrecks Act.

Flagstaff Hill Maritime Village Warrnambool 1989 Community Project

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