The Bluff

The Bluff as I remember it.

The Bluff lookouts are at the end of Emu Road. Emu Road started life as a railway camp when the railway was being put through and the tunnel built.

My earliest memories are of the 1940's and going for a Sunday afternoon walk with my Mother and sister. It was always very exciting to be there when a train came out of the tunnel blowing plumes of smoke and the whistle blew for Glenbrook Station.

There are two lookouts, one over the National Park and the other over Glenbrook Creek and towards Regentville. One is called "Ross" and the other "Chalmers".

When the Lapstone Hotel was a great holiday place, one of the attractions advertised for the guests to do was the walk to the "Bluff". Some guests hired our horses and rode there. A shelter shed and water tank were at the eastern lookout and groups of artists came from Sydney to paint the views.

A Mrs Merryweather built a small house at the end of Emu Road and opened a tea-room where you could have Devonshire tea on the verandah and enjoy the peaceful bushland.