



Convict Trash

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Hannibal Lector – Kalgoorlie



Run Report

Kalgoorlie was founded in 1889. In the local Aboriginal language, it meant place of many holes. Famous things for which Kalgoorlie is noted include its water pipeline. The Goldfields Water Supply Scheme is a pipeline and dam project that delivers potable water from Mundaring Weir in Perth to communities in Western Australia's Eastern Goldfields, particularly Coolgardie and Kalgoorlie. The project was commissioned in 1896 and completed in 1903. It is also famous for the Hay Street brothels. As of July, 2019 one brothel remained open.

Another famous point of interest is the Fimiston Open Pit (Super Pit). It is an open-cut gold mine about 3.6 km (2.2 mi) long, 1.6 km (1.0 mi) wide, and over 600 m (1,969 ft) deep. In the twin towns of Kalgoorlie and Boulder (today the City of Kalgoorlie-Boulder) there were once 79 pubs, 44 of which were in Kalgoorlie.

A feature of the pubs was the culture of “skimpies” barmaids. “Skimpies,” refers to female bar staff who wear a bikini or lingerie. They are a feature of working-class pubs in mining towns. Skimpies are a sign of economic activity. The number of Kalgoorlie pubs offering skimpies usually increased as the economy contracted, in an inverse of George Taylor’s hemline index.

The hemline index is a theory presented by economist George Taylor in 1926. The theory suggests that hemlines on women's dresses rise along with stock prices. In good economies, we get such results as miniskirts (as seen in the 1920s and the 1960s), or in poor economic times, as shown by the 1929 Wall Street Crash, hems can drop almost overnight. Peer-reviewed research in 2010 supported the correlation, suggesting that "the economic cycle leads the hemline with about three years".

If anyone is interested in more details about the holes of Kalgoorlie ask DUNDEE, he has been in all of them. Ask DUCK about the brothels, he is an expert on Kalgoorlie’s Hay street.

Prick of the Week – **DUCK** for conducting an inspection of the Ulludulla Brothel district rather than attending our meeting.

Prickette of the Week - **JAGUAR** for complaining about the size and length of PIG’S wood.

On On to Broome.

Hannibal Lector.

