



Corner Country Mining Heritage

Tarrawingee Tramway

Tarrawingee Tramway Constructed

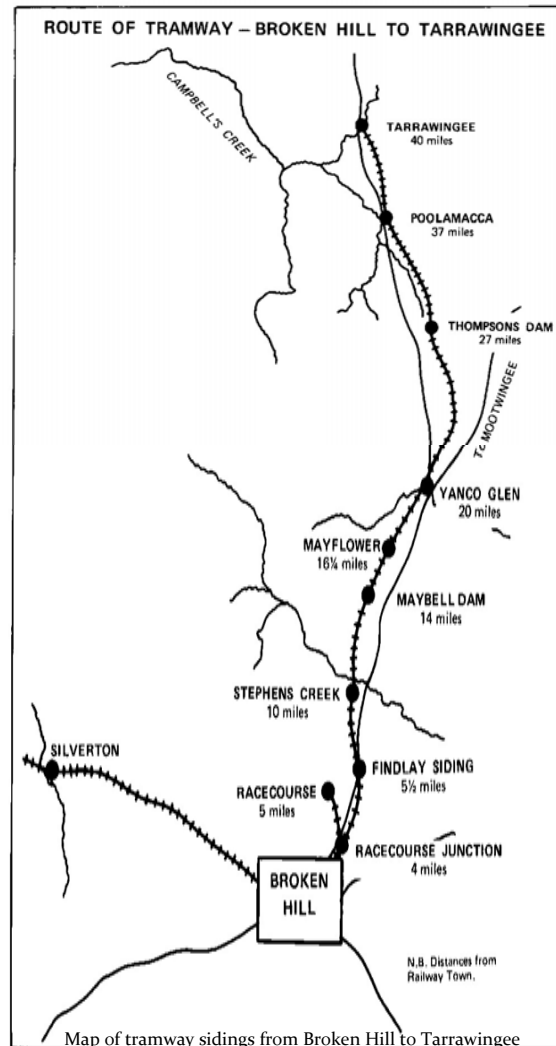
With limestone for the Broken Hill smelters being quarried at Tarrawingee the need arose for an efficient means of transportation.

In September 1890 approval was given for the construction of the Tarrawingee Tramway. It ran for 61.5 km from Broken Hill, crossing several major creeks, including Yancowinna Creek at Yanco Glen.

Built by JS Reid of the Tarrawingee Flux and Tramway Company Ltd the narrow gauge line and was completed in just six months, by June 1891, a major engineering undertaking



Train carrying limestone from Tarrawingee



Tarrawingee tramway embankment adjacent to the Corona Road

Tarrawingee was a significant stepping-off point for travelers to centres such as Euriowie, Milparinka and Tibooburra in the north. Passengers would take the tramway to Tarrawingee where they were met by the Cobb and Co or Morrison coaches.

Line closure

The line closed in 1930, then, for a short time reopened to cart stone for the construction of the Broken Hill Power Station. It closed permanently in 1932, and the line was removed in 1936.