

# MARYSVILLE TRIANGLE Heritage Walking Trail

## The Cumberland

*The new Cumberland Guest House offers a standard of living, comfort and warmth unequalled anywhere in Victoria. Rebuilt just a few months ago the New Cumberland has luxury accommodation with bathrooms en-suite to all bedrooms, a wonderfully relaxing lounge and superb food with the very finest in wines, spirits and ales.*

Advertisement, *The Age*, 10 August 1970



*The Cumberland, c. 1950s*  
[Credit line to be determined]

WHEN GEOFF AND JOAN CUZENS TOOK OVER THE CUMBERLAND IN THE LATE 1940S, THE BUSINESS WAS REUNITED WITH ITS ORIGINAL OWNERS, THE BARTON FAMILY—EMILY BARTON WAS GEOFF'S GRANDMOTHER!

*The Cumberland Resort, which once stood on this site, is linked to two of Marysville's most prominent families—the Bartons and the Cuzens.*



*Cumberland Guest House, c. 1940-60*  
Rose Series, State Library of Victoria



*The Cumberland, 2008*  
[Credit line to be determined]

A guesthouse called the Bungalow was built on this land for Emily Ada Barton in around 1917. Emily had been a guesthouse proprietress since at least 1915, when she managed the short-lived 'Chestnuts'. She was certainly well qualified for the job, having raised, cooked and cleaned for a grand total of 16 Barton children! Emily managed the Bungalow until she sold it to WC Walker in September 1923.



*The Cumberland Resort, 2007*  
[Credit line to be determined]

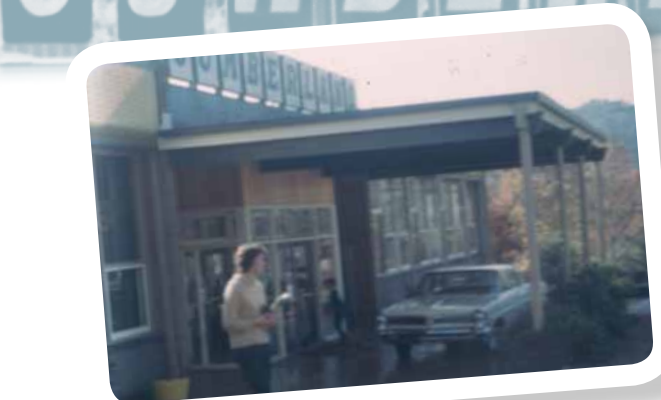
Sydney Elliott took over the Bungalow in 1929, changing its name to Cumberland House within the year. After he sold the business in the mid-1930s the Cumberland had a string of new owners until Geoff and Joan Cuzens purchased it in 1946.

Disaster struck in March 1969, when an electrical fault started a fire. Fortunately no-one was hurt, but the building was nearly destroyed. The Marysville community helped Geoff and Joan



GEOFF HYLAND BOUGHT THE CUMBERLAND FROM GEOFF AND JOAN CUZENS, BUT SOLD IT TO THEIR SON SIMON AND HIS WIFE ANNE CUZENS, IN 200X.

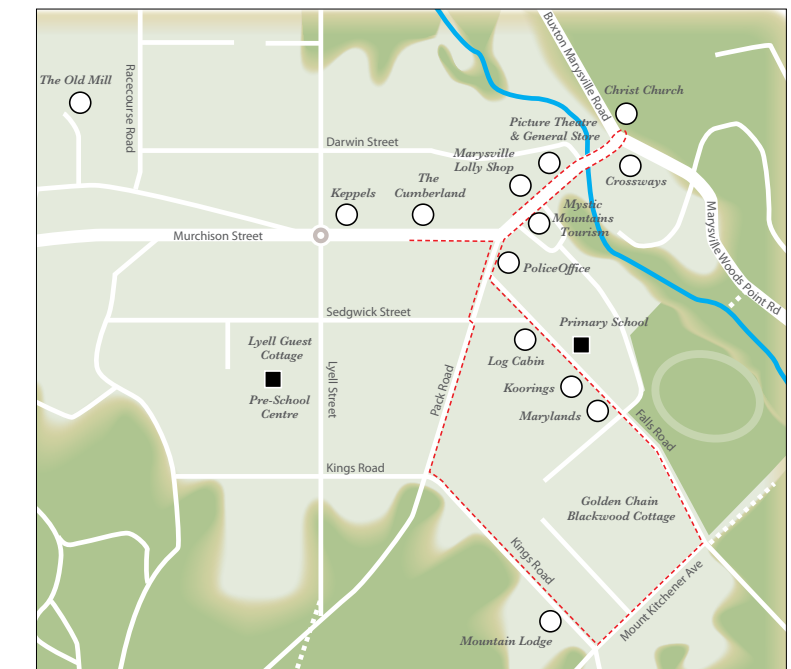
*The Cumberland, c. 1960*  
[Credit line to be determined]



*The Cumberland, n.d.*  
[Credit line to be determined]

rebuild the Cumberland in time for the Christmas rush that same year.

Simon and Anne Cuzens upgraded the Cumberland and opened a day spa on the property in 2006. Tragically, the Cumberland was again destroyed on Black Saturday 2009.



Generously supported by the fundraising efforts of Methodist Ladies' College, Kew

