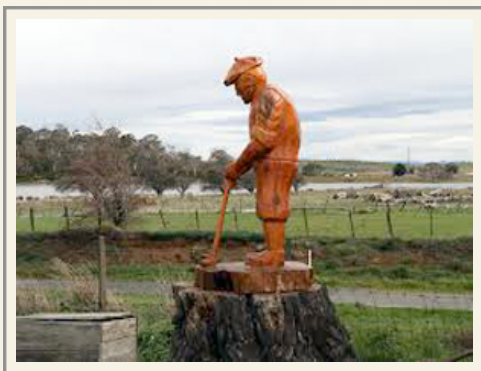


WHERE IN THE WORLD IS BOTHWELL?



Bothwell, Tasmania is a small town on the River Clyde with a population of about 400 located 74 km north of Hobart. It was named after Bothwell, Lanarkshire by Governor George Arthur. The town was laid out in 1824 with the two broad main streets being named Alexander (after Alexander Reid of Ratho) and Patrick (after Patrick Wood of Dennistoun).

The strong Scottish element in the early population is evident everywhere. The town's St Luke's Presbyterian Church, which was built between 1828-31, is the second oldest Presbyterian church in Australia. It is claimed that the first game of golf in Australia was played on Alexander Reid's property 'Ratho' in the 1820s - the course where this famous event took place is still in use and can be played by keen golf lovers.



Bothwell USA is a community in Box Elder County, Utah. It was founded as a farming community in 1894 and was originally named Rowville, after Mormon pioneer William H. Rowe. It was renamed Bothwell in 1918, to honour the builders of the Bothwell Canal, a project that aided farming in the area by bringing irrigation water from the Bear River.

John R. Bothwell was president of the waterworks at that time.



Bothwell, Ontario, Canada is located 256 km SW of Toronto and only 132 km NE of Detroit USA. It was founded by the Honourable George Brown (born in Alloa) in 1855 who saw it as a good investment and bought four thousand acres of land. The Great Western Railway, which opened in 1854, ran through the middle of Brown's property and proved to be a good business opportunity. Brown had the land cleared and surveyed for the town he named Bothwell. He then sold the lots and established saw mills and a furniture factory. The first store in Bothwell was established in 1856 by Campbell and McNab.



In 1981 oil was discovered near Bothwell and the town expanded rapidly to a population of 3,500. However 7 years later the oil industry faltered and only in recent years has the town resumed its growth.

