

Michelle Evans

From: Arthur Gammage <Arthur.Gammage@durban.gov.za>
Sent: 30 April 2013 08:56 AM
To: Milly & Adrian Rowe; Michelle Evans
Cc: Bernadetp; Hazel England
Subject: RE: Historical significance of trees
Attachments: Pinetown Postcard mod.JPG

When I did my motor cycle licence test about 1968, the circles where still there.

Also of interest, the Gaiety Cinema is visible at the top of the photo (arrowed). I think the shell of the building is still there, but the front façade altered.

Arthur

From: Milly & Adrian Rowe [mailto:roweam@telkomsa.net]
Sent: 30 April 2013 06:22 AM
To: Arthur Gammage; 'Michelle Evans'
Cc: Bernadetp; Hazel England
Subject: Re: Historical significance of trees

Hi Michelle

Further to Arthur's email and interesting postcard, I would add that the plaque next to the cannon has been removed (probably stolen) and therefore the wording would have to be accessed from the Museum or possibly Arthur has it saved somewhere.

As far as the photo is concerned the trees in question are near the top left of centre. The traffic circle nearest the camera is the intersection of Glenugie and Old Main Road and near the top of the photo is Crompton Street and Old Main Road. I would suggest that the photo was taken in the 1960s as by 1971 the traffic circles/roundabouts did not exist and there was no sign of them. I will try to pinpoint more accurately the date of the photo with the help of locals.

all the best

Adrian

----- Original Message -----

From: Arthur Gammage
To: 'Michelle Evans'
Cc: Bernadetp ; Hazel England ; Milly & Adrian Rowe
Sent: Monday, April 29, 2013 8:37 AM
Subject: RE: Historical significance of trees

Michelle

The only thing I have to add is that a plaque on the cannon in the Library garden records that this was the site of "Fort Funk". I don't have the exact wording to hand but I suggest you have a look on site.

See also attached scan of a postcard, c1970 with the two traffic circles. The fig tree is to the right of the large median island.

Regards
Arthur Gammage
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