

# Dr Dill Macky Memorial Home for Children, Auburn

1917 – c.1973

**Other Names:**

- Dill Macky Memorial Home
- Dill Macky Home
- Dr Dill Macky Memorial, Protestant Home for Orphans
- Dr Dill Macky Home
- Dr Dill Macky Memorial Home
- Dillmackie
- Dill Mackay

## Details

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The Dill Macky Memorial Home for Children, Auburn, was established by the Australian Protestant Orphans' Society in June 1917. It had previously been the King Edward VII Home but was renamed after the death of the founder of the Australian Protestant Orphan Society and the King Edward VII Home, Dr Dill Macky. The Auburn Home appears to have closed in the early 1970s, when it was purchased by the Auburn hospital. Further research is required to determine the exact date of the closure.

The Dr Dill Macky Memorial Home for Children, Auburn was licensed by the State Children's Relief Department until 1920 to care for up to 10 infants (children under the age of 7). The Home had previously been the King Edward VII Home but was renamed after the death of the founder of the Australian Protestant Orphan Society and the King Edward VII Home, Dr Dill Macky. William Dill Macky (1849-1913) was a firebrand Presbyterian Minister who taught at St Andrews' College at Sydney University, was attached to Sydney Scots Presbyterian Church, and toured New South Wales as an anti-Catholic preacher.

In 1921, the Dill Macky Memorial Home was granted 5 shillings for every orphan in its care by the State Government. This allowance was extended to a range of private institutions that cared for children. .

A second Dill Macky Home was established in Strathfield in 1922, in Macky's name, by the Loyal Orange Lodge and was also run by the Australian Protestant Orphans' Society. By 1922, when the Strathfield Home was established, the Auburn Home housed 52 children.

## Gallery

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**The Dr. Dill Macky Memorial Protestant Home for Orphans**

**Description:** This is an image of the Dr. Dill Macky Memorial Home for Children at Auburn. It shows a large two-storey house with verandahs, and at least two people (possibly staff members in uniform) standing on the lower verandah. It was published in the *Watchman* on 30 January 1919.

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## Dr Dill Mackay Home

**Description:** This undated black and white photograph shows a large building with a sign saying Dr Dill Macky Memorial Home on the front.

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## More info

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### Chronology

- King Edward VII Home, Auburn (1911 - 1917)
  - **Dr Dill Macky Memorial Home for Children, Auburn (1917 – c.1973)**

### Related Entries

#### Run by

- [Australian Protestant Orphans' Society \(1909 - 1983?\)](#)

#### Related Legislation

- [Infant Protection Act 1904, New South Wales \(1904 - 1923\)](#)

#### Related Organisations

- [Dr Dill Macky Memorial Home \(1922 - 1983\)](#)  
The Dill Macky Memorial Homes were located in Auburn and Strathfield.

## Records

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For more information and to access your records, follow the links below:

### Records

- [Dr. Dill Macky Memorial Home for Children records and pictorial material, 1910-1983 \(1910 - 1983\)](#)
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