

HISTORIC SITE

Nicholls Oval

The ten hectare park east of here was acquired in 1894 for \$13 000 by the city from the Nicholls Park Trust, a bequest from Charlotte Jane Nicholls, widow of the wealthy merchant and banker Robert Nicholls, and this city's most celebrated benefactress. A cricket field encircled by a cycling track formed the Oval, the large open grassy area to the northeast, a recreational space that has also served as a site for many races, football and tennis matches, fairs and exhibitions, and the picnics of various institutions. For many years a band shell with hillside terraced seating was located not far from this point. Nicholls Oval has long been one of Peterborough's most popular parks.

In memory of Bessie Wand-Weir-Stevenson
by the Wm Corbett Family

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