

14. **Meridian Park** – Henry’s subdivisions were aesthetically more pleasing and more interesting than the chessboard design in other subdivisions in the 1920s and 1930s. Located opposite Tanilba House, Meridian Park, like Sunset Park is an example of the Garden City principles of subdivisions with many parks, reserves and gardens.
15. **Pomona Place and Circular Stone Fence** – Pomona, the Roman goddess overseeing fruit trees, gardens, and orchards, is particularly relevant to the Tanilba House estate, as it once housed the orchard on its grounds. The Circular Stone Wall at the corner of Caswell Crescent and Pomona Place was constructed by Henry F Halloran as a turning point for traffic.
16. **The Change Room** – Henry F Halloran’s Change Room for bathers (people who were changing to go swimming) is a good example of public facilities that he constructed in parks, gardens and reserves. It was constructed near the water’s edge of the bay.
17. **The Summerhouse** – This is an example of the constructions that Henry F Halloran had built on some of his estates during the Great Depression of the early 1930’s. Tanilba Bay was the principal focus of Henry Halloran’s stonework and and other constructions.
18. **President Poincare Parade**
19. **Victory View**
20. **Clemenceau Crescent**
21. **Lloyd George Grove**
22. **Army Avenue.**
23. **Navy Nook**
24. **Poilus Parade**
25. **Conquest Crescent**
26. **Wemyss Way**
27. **Tilligerry Track and Pershing Place**
28. **Land Gate, Foch Forum and Success Street** – The Land Gate or Main Entrance Gate was designed and erected by Henry F Halloran. The Gate was completed on 31 March 1931, 100 years to the day after Henry F Halloran’s grandfather signed the Crown grant which gave possession of Tanilba to William Caswell. Ferdinand Foch was Marshal of France and appointed to coordinate the Allies military operation during WW1. Success Street see 32.
29. **Beatty Boulevard**
30. **Monash Close**
31. **Rigney Road**
32. **Success Street**



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- Centenary Water Gate** – Henry F Halloran left an enduring legacy to the people of Port Stephens and in particular to Tanilba Bay. The gates at both ends of the Avenue of the Allies, the Centenary Water Gate and arches, and the Land Gate are 2 of the physical features of this legacy.
- Diggers Drive and Haig Hexagon**
- Avenue of the Allies**
- Diggers Park**
- President Wilson Walk**
- King Albert Avenue**
- Peace Parade**
- Tanilba Avenue**
- Admiralty Avenue and Temple of the Stork** – The Admiralty was the British government department responsible for the command of the Royal Navy during WW1. Temple of the Stork is an example of stonework structures by Henry F Halloran, constructed during the Great Depression of the early 1930s.
- Caswell Crescent**
- Sunset Park** – Part of Henry Halloran’s legacy were his Garden City subdivisions. His subdivisions work with nature rather than against it. Large areas of vegetation were retained. His subdivisions recognise the value of trees, parks and gardens to the physical and mental well-being of their inhabitants.
- Convict Stone Wall and Circle of Palms** – Convicts at Tanilba House were consistently busy, working in pairs on tasks like removing tree stumps and building stone walls. The Circle of Palms was on an island, initially at the corner of Caswell Crescent and Admiralty Avenue, later the island joined the corner near the convict-built wall due to road layout changes.
- Tanilba House** – Tanilba House is a historic stone homestead built by convicts for Lieutenant William Caswell who retired from the English Navy and sought his fortune in the colony of NSW. He arrived with his young wife Susan in 1829 and took possession of a 50-acre land grant in 1831.



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Use of alliteration for street names

The streets of Tanilba Bay boast alliterative names such as Diggers Drive, Caswell Crescent where the repetition of the first consonant adds a quirky touch.

