# Melrose

1952 – 1982

**Other Names:**
- Melrose Home for Boys
- Melrose Boys' Home

## Details

Melrose was a boys' home in Pendle Hill established by the United Protestant Association of New South Wales in 1952. It had a capacity of 25 and received 34 male British child migrants in the period 1952 to 1956. From 1956 it took Australian-born boys. Melrose closed in 1982.

Melrose was bought from sisters, Miss Bean and Mrs Bell, in 1948. It was converted to a children's home, with the official opening on 22 November 1952. In December 1980 the United Protestant Association closed the home, due to changing ideas about child care.

The building was demolished in 1992 and the site is used for aged care work.

## Gallery



**Immigration - Child migration schemes - British Orphans at Melrose House near Parramatta, New South Wales - British orphans at Melrose House, 5 miles from Parramatta. 25 boys on 8 acres of land, exterior of accommodation**

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**Run by**
- [United Protestant Association of New South Wales Ltd (1938 - current)](#)

**Related Events**
- [Fact-Finding Mission on Child Migration (1956)](#)

**Related Organisations**
- [The Children's Society, United Kingdom (1881 - current)](#)
  Child migrants from The Children's Society homes were sent to Melrose

**Related Concepts**

- [Child Migration (1800s - 1970s)](#)

## Resources

- Community Affairs References Committee, *[Lost Innocents: Righting the record - Report on child migration](#)*, 30 August 2001
- United Protestant Association of N.S.W., *The Protestant world : official organ of the United Protestant Association of New South Wales.*, 1921 - 1980
- United Protestant Association of N.S.W., *Souvenir pictorial of homes for children and pensioners / United Protestant Association of N.S.W.*, 1956
- National Archives of Australia, *[Destination: Australia - sharing our post-war migrant stories](#)*, No date
- UPA Board, *[The Board of the UPA of NSW has issued the following apology](#)*, UPA of NSW Ltd website, 2018

# Records

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

## Records held by other organisations

- [United Protestant Association of New South Wales Records (1932 - current)](#)
- [Commonwealth Records relating to Child and Youth Migration (c. 1911 - 1983?)](#)
- [Immigration Photographic Archive 1946 - today (1946 - current)](#)
- [Correspondence files, multiple number series (policy matters) (1922 - 1968)](#)

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