

Crow's Ash Tree – Mt. Mee State Forest 1988



This crow's ash tree was possibly the last giant of the forest to be felled in Mt. Mee State Forest. This photograph was provided to Dayboro District Historical Society by Mick Simpson, owner of the Mt. Mee Sawmill from 1955 until it closed in 1983, during an interview with him on 17th October 2005. Mick said during the interview that he did not know why the Forestry Rangers had marked this particular tree for culling in 1988.

The timber-cutter, Blue McDonald who worked on his own, and his chainsaw on the ground, are dwarfed by the sheer size of the tree.

Crow's ash is a large hardwood species, native to northern New South Wales and parts of Queensland. Crow's ash was used for the dance floor in the Dayboro Public Hall when it was renovated in 1937.