

CHIFLEY HOME



The Chifley Home is a monument to Ben Chifley who was known as 'the man of the people' and reveals the domestic life of a man who rose from humble beginnings as an engine driver on the NSW railways to the nation's most important political office during the critical period of post-World War II reconstruction. He represents the 'Aussie Battler' and the will to succeed.

Chifley became Prime Minister in 1945 and embarked on an ambitious program that shaped postwar Australia with increased immigration and improved social welfare as well as promotion of industrial and scientific

development. Accomplishments included the Snowy Mountains Scheme and the Holden motorcar.

The house on Busby Street remained Ben's quiet retreat during his years in parliament.

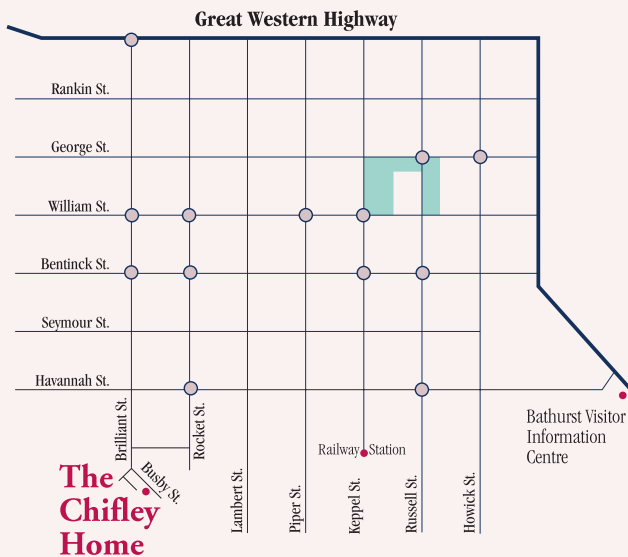
Today, the five roomed house contains the original furnishings and many original effects of Ben and Elizabeth Chifley as well as significant memorabilia of the Chifley era.

The home has been preserved by Bathurst Regional Council and the people of Bathurst have pride in the fact that Ben Chifley, one of Australia's great Prime Ministers, was born in Bathurst and lived in the city all his life.

A path has recently been constructed next to the house enabling disabled access and to offer a self-guided, sign posted tour of the house outside of opening hours.

Themed tours operate throughout the year to celebrate the lives of Ben & Elizabeth.

For dates and group bookings contact
Bathurst Visitor Information Centre on 1800 68 1000.



OPENING HOURS

10 Busby Street, Bathurst
 Saturday • Sunday • Monday
 10.00am - 2.00pm
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