Sites to See: Rural

Visitors who want to see more and know more about Hartney and area should take note of the Vantage Points Local History Resources Binder, and the inventory of "Special Places"

Grande Clairiere – Church & Village



Father Gaire arrived in Manitoba in 1888 from France with the vision of founding a Catholic parish in the province. The church that stands in Grande Clairière today was built in 1907 after a cyclone destroyed the former one.

Lauder United Church



Originally a Methodist Church this well-built structure, built in 1904, has endured.

Lauder School - 1912



Lauder Leisure Centre & Post Office

Chain Lakes Cemetery



This small cemetery along highway 21 was also the site of a Quaker church, built in 1899.

N49.36884, W100.51038 South on Highway 21.

Melgund Cemetery



Southwest of Hartney on Melgund Road, there is a small cemetery at a crossroads. Established in 1887, it was the first graveyard in the region. Across the road, a cairn helps to mark the spot that was home for so many people beginning on 1879..

The community was on the map long before the railway established Hartney in 1890.

For that time it was Melgund that seemed to be where things were happening