

FASCINATING FIND

SMITHFIELD CLOCK



This large pendulum clock from the late 1800s is unusual in that it has an extra hand and a ring of numbers to indicate the 31 days of the month.

It is the timekeeper's clock from the Smithfield Gold Mines. Note that back then the Roman numeral IIII was used instead of IV.

No maker's name can be seen on the clock. It was donated to the museum by Jack Pearce, and is on display in the Gold Room. The museum also has a very similar clock from the Scottish Gympie Mine.