

## **Walk of Fame - 2011**

### **Flanagan (Paddy) O'Shea Hannan**

One of three Irishman who found gold, along with Tom Flanagan and Dan O'Shea, in what became Kalgoorlie. Hannan had been prospecting in WA for some years and joined the rush to Coolgardie. It was from Coolgardie that Hannan, Flanagan and O'Shea left to go to Mount Yule following a mob that left the day before. The party made it to what is now Porter Street where they found gold in a gully of a low range of hills. That find started the rush to what became Kalgoorlie. Hannan was in his mid 40's when he found the gold in Kalgoorlie. He stayed on the goldfields for about 6 months prospecting before moving on. Hannan came back to Kalgoorlie in 1898 for a week or so, then never returned.

His only contribution was finding the gold which started the rush. Area was also known as Hannan's find or Hannans.