

Tracked Tractors

A "**Bulldozer**" is a TRACTOR equipped with a substantial metal plate (known as a dozer blade) used to push large quantities of soil, sand, rubble, or other such material during construction or conversion work and typically equipped at the rear with a claw-like device (known as a ripper) to loosen densely compacted materials. The term "bulldozer" correctly refers only to a TRACTOR (usually tracked) fitted with a dozer blade. (The Blade is the Dozer).

It is usually a crawler (continuous tracked) TRACTOR. The tracks give them excellent ground holding capability and mobility through very rough terrain. Wide tracks help distribute the bulldozer's weight over a large area (decreasing ground pressure), thus preventing it from sinking in sandy or muddy ground.

Caterpillar might be known for its big yellow construction machines, but it started off as a farm-equipment manufacturer. The first Caterpillar tractor, invented by Benjamin Holt, rolled on to the fields in 1904. In 1925, Holt Manufacturing Company merged with its rival, Best Tractor Company, to establish The Caterpillar Tractor Company (name was not changed until 1986).

Caterpillar Tractor / Crawler

- YEAR: 1937 (One of 5 to have been sold in the district)
- MODEL: "RD4"
- COUNTRY: U.S.A.
- ENGINE: D4400 - 43HP 4 Cyl Diesel - 350cu in - Petrol Pony Start
- S/N: 4C7536
- ITEM NUMBER: 216
- DONATED BY: Mr Terry Maitland

