



[CNE25] Farmers' Union - The hand-powered butter factory

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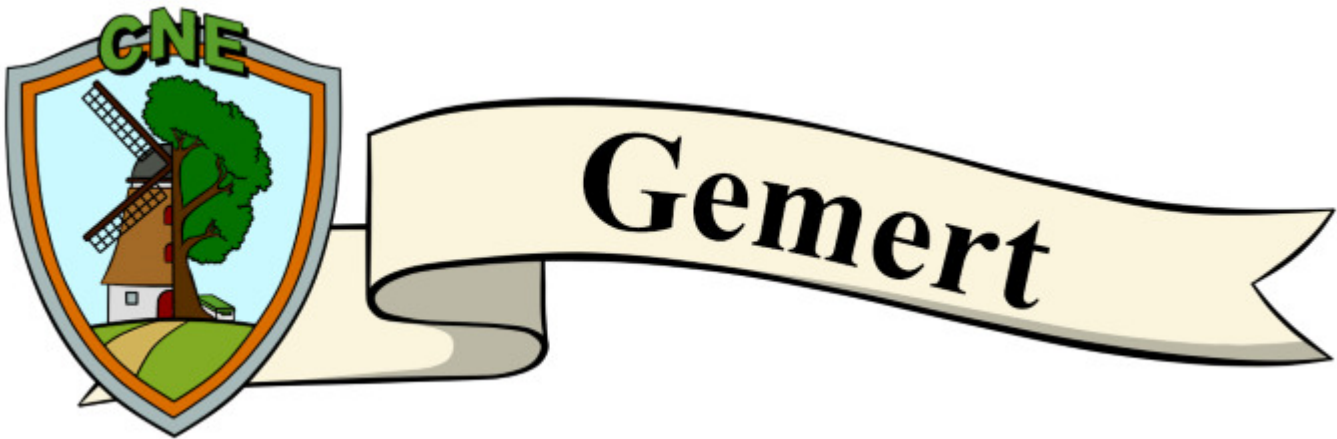
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Difficulty: ★★★★★
Terrain: ★★★★★

Size:  (Small)

Long Description



This cache is part of CNE 2025

CNE stands for the culture and nature event. The event took place on March 22, 2025 in Gemert. More information about CNE can be found at: www.cultuurennatuurevent.nl

With this event and these caches we want to show everyone all the beauty that Gemert and surroundings have to offer in terms of culture and nature. We wish you as an organization a lot of fun with these caches!

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A hand-powered butter factory was a small-scale butter factory in which cream was processed into butter using manual power, usually via a hand-operated churn mill. This type of factory emerged in the second half of the 19th century and was a forerunner of mechanical and later fully automated butter factories.

Features of a hand-powered butter factory:

Hand-operated churn

The butter was churned in a large wooden or metal vat that was turned by hand. This process separated the butter from the buttermilk.

Small-scale production

Often the milk of several farmers in the area was collected and processed. This was more efficient than churning at home on the farm.

Joint enterprise

Many hand-powered butter factories were cooperatives, set up by farmers who worked together to improve the production and sale of butter.

Short-lived

Hand-powered butter factories were an intermediate stage in the industrialization of dairy production. Around 1880-1900

they began to make way for steam-powered butter factories, which offered greater capacity and more efficient processes.

Transition to modern dairies

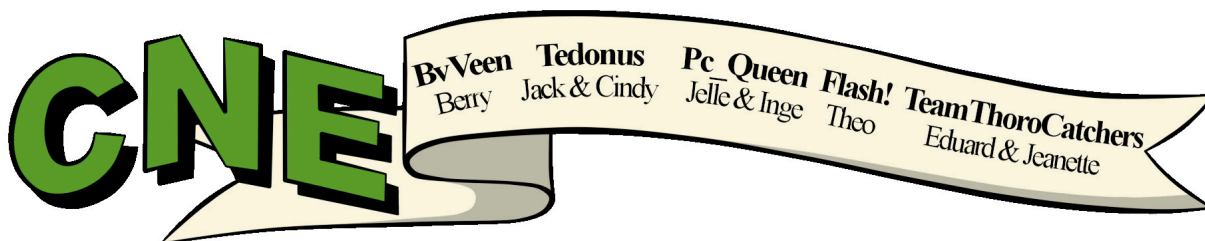
With the advent of steam engines and later electric drive, butter factories became larger and more efficient. This led to the professionalization of the dairy industry and the establishment of large-scale dairies.

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Our thanks for this.



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Cache Attributes



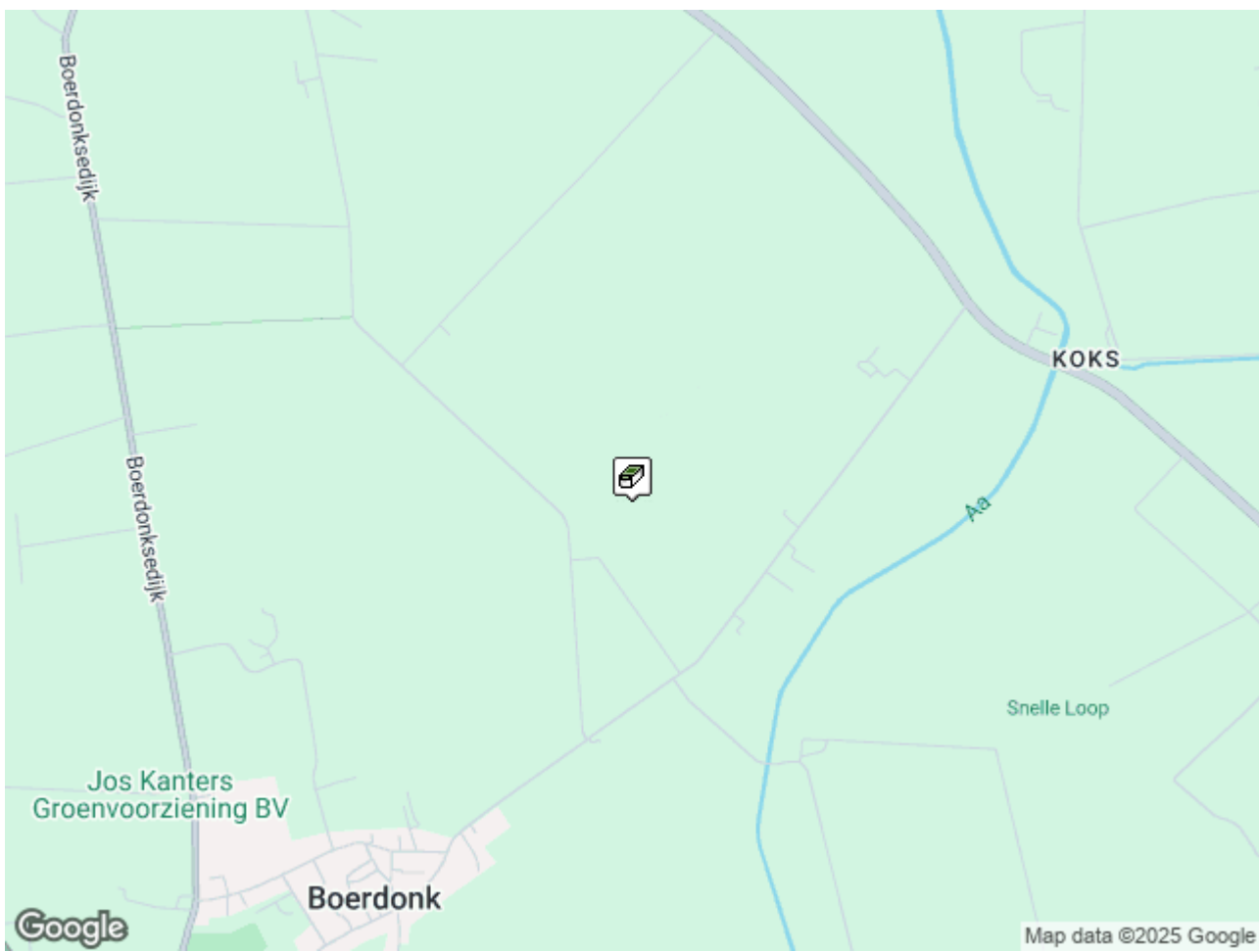
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Thorns nearby, Not wheelchair accessible, Recommended for tourists, Food nearby, Recommended for kids, 1 km–10 km hike

Logs

Overview Map

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