
Ah King's Stone Hut, off Deep Lead Sandbar Road, DEEP LEAD



DL 06 - Shire of Northern
Grampians - Stage 2 Heritage
Study, 2004

Location

Deep Lead Sandbar Road DEEP LEAD, NORTHERN GRAMPIANS SHIRE

Municipality

NORTHERN GRAMPIANS SHIRE

Level of significance

Recommended for VHI

Heritage Listing

Northern Grampians Shire

Statement of Significance

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This ruinous stone structure, probably erected in the late 19th century, is of architectural, historic and scientific significance to the Deep Lead district. The hut is a rare example of a conglomerate rock, gravel and clay dwelling which was a method of construction once typical of the area. It indicates the early settlement of land in the area for agricultural purposes. The hut and its foreground represent a way of life during the Deep Lead gold rushes of the late 19th century. Chinese immigrants built huts and established market gardens to grow produce which they sold to miners in the area. It is of importance for its potential to provide information that contributes to a greater understanding of the history of the settlement and establishment of the district, and has a strong presumption of archaeological research potential. Further historical research and archaeological investigation is recommended.

RECOMMENDED LEVEL OF SIGNIFICANCE: Conservation Desirable

Heritage Study/Consultant	Northern Grampians - Shire of Northern Grampians - Stage 2 Heritage Study, Wendy Jacobs, Vicki Johnson, David Rowe, Phil Taylor, 2004;
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Physical Description 1

The remains of Ah King's hut consist of walls varying in height but averaging about one metre, evidence of the original door and window positions and fireplace location. The hut walls are constructed of conglomerate rock with mortar mixed from gravel and clay. The hut consisted of one room about 3 metres by 5 metres, with a chimney at one end. In the 1930s it is remembered that the hut was intact except for its roof and had two wooden windows and a door. A large square grass patch in front of the house indicates the area once used as the market garden.

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