
Hume and Hovell Cairn



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HO34 Hume Hovell
Cairn.JPG



Site 010 - Hume &
Hovell Cairn.jpg

Location

Station Road, DEER PARK VIC 3023 - Property No 10

Municipality

BRIMBANK CITY

Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO34

Heritage Listing

Brimbank City

Statement of Significance

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Of State significance as a memorial to the first overland crossing of European settlers from the settled area of New South Wales to the Port Phillip District, and therefore demonstrating the first steps in the process of discovery and surveying of Victoria. It is one of a number of stone cairns and monuments erected in 1924 as part of the centenary of the explorations of Hume and Hovell. This example reflects the vernacular construction of the

district in roughly shaped bluestone, as well as the predominant local stone.

Heritage Study/Consultant	Brimbank - Brimbank City Council Post-contact Cultural Heritage Study, G. Vines, 2000;
Construction dates	1924,
Hermes Number	106316
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Physical Description 1

Description

Rubble stone cairn formed with a wide square base standing about 1.5 metres high with tapering sides and uncoursed rubble quarried bluestone blocks. A long block of roughly-cut bluestone about 1.5 metres long is erected on the base, set in concrete which also forms the sloping top to the base. This brings the total height of the monument to about 3 metres. A bronze plaque is set in the large block engraved with the legend: 'Hume and Hovell passed this spot about December 19th 1824. Erected by the Ratepayers of the Shire of Braybrook 1924'. The monument is located on the north west corner of Station Road and Ballarat Road intersection, and has been moved twice to allow for road widening. It is now on the Deer Park State school land, although not enclosed by their fence, and skewed to 45 degrees across the corner.

Physical Conditions

Condition/integrity

In good condition, although the moves have caused some disruption to the original form, for example, the rather heavy mortar courses in the stone work.

Historical Australian Themes

3 Developing local, regional and national economies

3.3 Surveying the continent

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