
COALVILLE

Location

COALVILLE ROAD AND SCHOOL ROAD COALVILLE, BAW BAW SHIRE

Municipality

BAW BAW SHIRE

Level of significance

Heritage Inventory Site

Heritage Inventory (HI) Number

H8121-0020

Heritage Listing

Victorian Heritage Inventory

Hermes Number 10714

Property Number

History

Heritage Inventory History of Site: Coalville was once the largest town in Narracan Shire. The discovery of black coal in the area, followed by the building of the Moe-Thorpedale railway was the stimulus for settlement on this section of the narracan Creek in 1886. By 1890, Coalville had a population of 300, with a railway station, stores, hotels, boarding house, cricket and football teams. When a formal survey of the town was attempted in 1890, many problems arose due to the leases of the mining companies and the haphazard settlement along the creek. Some hut dwellers were forcibly evicted. The town's fortunes fluctuated with those of the coal mines - always marginal and dependent on the demands of the railways for coal. By 1920 there was little mining activity. Dairying helped to sustain the settlement.

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