
BARANDUDA

Location

CORNER OF CHAPPELS AND WHYTES ROAD, BARANDUDA

Municipality

WODONGA CITY

Level of significance

Heritage Inventory Site

Heritage Inventory (HI) Number

H8225-0008

Heritage Listing

Victorian Heritage Inventory

Interpretation of Site	Remains of a building and orchards, abandoned more than 90 years ago, that at the very least may relate to 19th and early 20th century pastoral settlement of Wodonga and more significantly, the early development of the local wine industry.
Archaeological Significance	Medium local significance, as a rare example of places with the potential to be associated with the early wine industry near Wodonga; most of which is likely to have been destroyed by an outbreak of Phylloxera in the late 1870s / 80s.
Historical Significance	The location is significant as part of early 20th century regional settlement, and if the attribution of Wickham Wine Cellars is correct, a rare example of an early wine growing establishment near Wodonga.
Other Names	Wickham Wine Cellar,
Hermes Number	10922
Property Number	

History

The site was reported to Witter (1976:appendix) by McIntyre. A Mr. McGeough (Dumbrell's Pastoral) also reported that it had been owned by a British 'major' from India (also as stated on the original inventory).

According to Witter (Whitter), there was no field assessment made. No reference to the cellar or to Mr Wickham was found in the library search. When Witter assessed the site, it had been abandoned for 60 years; therefore circa 1914. Most of the structural remains had been already removed (circa 1914).

Witter recommended that efforts should be made to fully document the history of the site and once the land was acquired (it is assumed by the Albury Wodonga Development Corporation -AWDC), it should be properly examined, photographed and mapped.

Eleanor Crosby (1980) inspected the site in 1980 and noted that no large surface remains were visible, other than the orchard; suggesting that the site was abandoned probably after the phylloxera epidemic.

A subsequent search of Parish and geological maps, and general histories revealed no further information regarding the location of Wickham Cellars. It was also not possible to acquire details regarding the current owners, although the AWDC own some adjoining allotments. There has also been a recent change to the cadastre, comprising the inclusion of a reserve around the creek line that captures part of this site (see Cadastral Plan and Plan of site for comparison). There has been little other apparent change to the land associated with this site.

This place/object may be included in the Victorian Heritage Register pursuant to the Heritage Act 2017. Check the Victorian Heritage Database, selecting 'Heritage Victoria' as the place source.

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