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## Former Ranger Barracks (Duplicate)



Drill Hall Curtis St - Ballarat  
Heritage Review, 1998

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### Location

61 CURTIS STREET, BALLARAT CENTRAL, BALLARAT CITY

### Municipality

BALLARAT CITY

### Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

### Victorian Heritage Register (VHR) Number

H1949

### Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO23

### Heritage Listing

Ballarat City

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### Statement of Significance

Last updated on - April 15, 2024

**What is significant?**

**How is it significant?**

**Why is it significant?**

Included on the Victorian Heritage Register (H1949).

*Ballarat Conservation Study, 1978*

No SoS provided in this citation. Please refer to descriptions, history, construction, loc govt, listings and images sections in this place record for further information.

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Heritage Study/Consultant	Ballarat - Ballarat Conservation Study, Jacobs Lewis Vines Architects, 1978; Ballarat - Ballarat Heritage Review, Andrew Ward, 1998;
Construction dates	1885, 1924, 1927, 1913, 1937, 1939,
Architect/Designer	Brittingham, Samuel C, Public Works Department,
Other Names	Former Drill Hall,
Hermes Number	120444
Property Number	

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## Physical Description 1

This hall was constructed in 1885 for the Department of Defence to a Public Works Department design. The drawing was signed by S.C. Brittingham, (then Assistant Architect (2nd grade) to the North Western District) and the constructor was James Taylor.

The building is a large ornate example of a timber army barracks building and is typical of the many army buildings constructed at this time. The 75 foot span of the main room is of note.

Externally the main facade of the building is substantially intact. The broad hood moulds and triangular window heads are of interest. Internally the original timber trusses shown on the original drawings have been replaced by metal trusses (of an early date) with curved edged connector plates. The internal doors are intact. The building to the left was built at the same time, but has lost the cast iron brackets to the posts, and the gable decoration and finial have been removed.

## Integrity

SUBSTANTIALLY INTACT

*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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