Woorinen Italian POW Camp



Italian POW Camp, 2001

Location

Goodman Road (east of Swan Road) WOORINEN, SWAN HILL RURAL CITY

Municipality

SWAN HILL RURAL CITY

Level of significance

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Heritage Overlay Numbers

Heritage Listing

Vic. War Heritage Inventory

Statement of Significance

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The site of the former POW Camp in Goodman Road, Woorinen, is of some historic interest. The presence of a POW camp represents an interesting aspect of the history of the region, particularly in the context of the large numbers of Italian settlers in the region in the early and mid-twentieth century. The overwhelming lack of any remaining physical fabric, however, makes interpretation of the site almost impossible.

Heritage Swan Hill Rural - Rural City Of Swan Hill Heritage Study Stage 2, Allom Lovell and

Study/Consultant Associates, 2001;

Hermes Number 125829

Property Number

Physical Description 1

No physical fabric remains of the former POW camp. A steel-framed fruit-packing shed has been erected on part of the site, but it is otherwise undeveloped.

Intactness

Poor

Physical Conditions

Poor

Historical Australian Themes

Thematic Environmental History

12.5 Italian settlers 13.6 The Wars

Veterans Description for Public

The site of the former Woorinen Prisoner of War Camp is located on Goodman Road and dates from the Second World War. Woorinen represents an interesting aspect of the history of the region, particularly in the context of the large numbers of Italian settlers in the region in the early and mid-twentieth century. No physical fabric remains of the former POW camp. A steel-framed fruit-packing shed has been erected on part of the site, but it is otherwise undeveloped.

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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