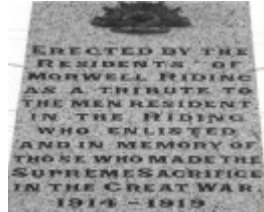


Morwell War Memorial



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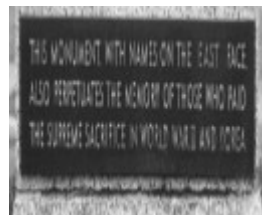
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Location

Cnr. Elgin and Tarwin Streets, Morwell VIC 3840

Municipality

LATROBE CITY

Level of significance

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Heritage Overlay Numbers

Heritage Listing

Vic. War Heritage Inventory

Statement of Significance

Last updated on - December 4, 2008

What is significant?

The Morwell World War I memorial was constructed in 1921 and originally located at the intersection of Commercial Road and Station Street before being re-located to its present site. It comprises a tall granite obelisk on a rough hewn granite base that is surmounted by a statue of soldier holding a gun. It is surrounded by rough hewn granite piers connected by a single link of chain.

How is it significant?

The Morwell World War I memorial is of local historic significance to Latrobe City.

Why is it significant?

The Morwell World War I memorial is historically and socially significant as the memorial to locals who enlisted in the World Wars. It demonstrates the impact of the conflicts upon the district. (RNE A.4, D.2 and G.1)

Heritage
Study/Consultant

Latrobe - Latrobe Community nomination, TBC and year to be confirmed also,
2008;

Hermes Number 127460

Property Number

Physical Description 1

The Morwell World War I memorial, constructed in 1921, comprises a soldier standing on a square column and plinth into which tributes are engraved. The soldier faces to the west, looking toward the Returned Serviceman's League Club on the opposite corner.

The original fence comprising rough-hewn granite posts connected a single chain link surrounding the memorial has been lost in the relocation to its present position. The memorial is now surrounded by standard roses and four plaques that commemorate other conflicts as well as Australia's role in 'peace-keeping' and 'peace-making'.

Physical Conditions

Good

Intactness

Medium

Historical Australian Themes

9. COMMUNITY & CULTURAL LIFE 9.2 Memorials and remembering

Veterans Description for Public

The Morwell War memorial was constructed in 1921 and was first erected to commemorate the First World War. The memorial comprises of a tall granite obelisk on a rough hewn granite base that is surmounted by a statue of soldier holding a gun. The original fence comprising granite posts, connected a single chain link surrounding the memorial, has been lost in the relocation to its present position. The memorial is now surrounded by standard roses and four plaques that commemorate other conflicts including the Boer War, Second World War, Korea, Malaya, Vietnam, Borneo as well as the Women Auxillary Services, Prisoners of War, Australia's role in 'peace-keeping' and 'peace-making'.

The memorial was unveiled by Senator Brigadier-General Elliot at a ceremony on 6 June 1921. A number of locals and politicians made an address to the gathered crowd including Mr CR Aherin (Chairman of the Memorial Committee), the Hon. GH Wise MHR (Postmaster General), Hon. S Barnes MLA (Minister of Mines and Railways), Hon. T Livingston MLA (Assistant Minister of Agriculture) and Cr. JF Daly (President, Morwell Shire). Well-known Morwell Businessman, John Barton Hoyle, who 'worked tirelessly' for the building of the memorial sadly died on the morning of its unveiling.

Originally sited at the level crossing between Commercial Road and Station Street (Princes Highway), the memorial was moved to a site in Princes Highway opposite Hoyle Street (where a Lone Pine seedling was planted), and finally to its present site outside the Morwell RSL in the centre of the roundabout at the intersection of Elgin and Tarwin Streets.

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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