
New Bendigo Cemetery, Cnr Sunraysia Highway & McQueen Road, ST ARNAUD NORTH



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Location

Cnr Sunraysia Highway & McQueen Road ST ARNAUD NORTH, NORTHERN GRAMPIANS SHIRE

Municipality

NORTHERN GRAMPIANS SHIRE

Level of significance

Recommended for Heritage Overlay

Heritage Listing

Northern Grampians Shire

Statement of Significance

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The New Bendigo cemetery, Cnr Sunraysia Highway & McQueen Road, St. Arnaud North, has significance as a legacy of the discovery of gold behind the present Woolpack Inn on 1 January 1855. Although no headstones survive, the cemetery has significance as the final resting place of several New Bendigo miners and as the first burial ground in the St. Arnaud area until 1858.

The New Bendigo cemetery, Cnr Sunraysia Highway & McQueen Road, is **historically** significant at a **LOCAL** level. It is associated with gold mining and the subsequent establishment of the New Bendigotownship in the mid 1850s, and as the final resting place of the earliest miners and pioneers in the St. Arnaud area until 1858. The memorial gate also acts as an important reminder of the gold mining era for the area.

The New Bendigo cemetery, Cnr Sunraysia Highway & McQueen Road, is **socially** significant at a **LOCAL** level. It is recognised and valued by the St. Arnaud community for commemorative and cultural reasons.

Overall, the New Bendigo cemetery is of **LOCAL** significance.

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Physical Description 1

The New Bendigo Cemetery, Cnr Sunraysia Highway & McQueen Road, St. Arnaud North, consists of an open, unfenced, grassed area dotted with eucalypts. There are no headstones remaining, but the site is indicated by an iron gate with two massive concrete columns with stepped tops and a long white granite lintel carrying brass lettering that states: "New Bendigo Cemetery". A plaque is attached to the gate which is dedicated to those who died on the New Bendigo goldfields, 1855-1858. The plaque concludes with the inscription: "And Some There Be Who Have No Memorial."

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