
Moorabool River Bridge

Location

Midland Highway, BATESFORD VIC 3221 - Property No 313358

Municipality

GREATER GEELONG CITY

Level of significance

Registered

Victorian Heritage Register (VHR) Number

H1115

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO35

Heritage Listing

Greater Geelong City

Statement of Significance

Last updated on -

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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Fyansford Bridge, erected in 1899 and opened for traffic in February 1900, is the first bridge in Victoria completed using the new reinforced concrete technique developed in Europe and known as the 'Monier' principle. Sydney engineers Gumnow and Carter introduced the system to Australia and leading Victorian engineers John Monash and JTN Anderson pioneered this work in Victoria. The Fyansford Bridge is of paramount importance to this history of technology in Australia with finely defined proportions over the three spans of arches contributing to its notable aesthetic qualities.

RECOMMENDATIONS: PROTECTIVE MEASURES

Geelong Regional Commission Register

Historic Buildings Council Register

Australian Heritage Commission Register of the National Estate

REFERENCES

Alsop, FF - Notes on National Trust of Victoria - File No 2841.

Geelong Advertiser - 17 February, 1900

'Memorial Stone Inscription'

AD 1900

THE FIRST MONIER BRIDGE

IN THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF VICTORIA

FOR

THE SHIRES OF BANNOCKBURN AND CORIO

W. H. JONES

PRESIDENT, BANNOCKBURN SHIRE

JAMES CAMPBELL, PRESIDENT CORIO SHIRE

SAMUEL MORRIS AND JAMES BLAIR

SECRETARIES

A.L. CAMPBELL

SUPERINTENDING ENGINEERS

ERECTED BY MONASH AND ANDERSON

Heritage Study/Consultant Greater Geelong - Geelong Region Historic Buildings and Objects Study, Allan Willingham, 1986;

Heritage Act Categories Registered place,

Hermes Number 22044

Property Number

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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