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# HENTY MEMORIAL



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Glenelg Highway Carapook  
1822



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## Location

Glenelg Highway CARAPOOK, Southern Grampians Shire

## Municipality

SOUTHERN GRAMPIANS SHIRE

## Level of significance

Stage 2 study complete

## Heritage Listing

Southern Grampians Shire

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## Statement of Significance

Last updated on - August 10, 2003

What is significant?

The Henty Memorial is located at the top of Muntham Hill about fifteen kilometres west of Coleraine on the Glenelg Highway. It is close to Muntham, one of the first two squatting runs established by Edward Henty. The cairn was erected in 1971 and is a simple cement rendered plinth on a concrete slab with a cast bronze plaque. The plaque includes an extract from the Henty diaries celebrating their squatting stations. It then describes the Muntham run, provides a brief biography of Edward Henty and his wife, and makes a general and uncritical comment on their roles. The memorial is unaltered and is in fair condition.

How is it significant?

The Henty Memorial is of historical significance to the Southern Grampians Shire.

Why is it significant?

The Henty Memorial is of historical significance as a marker to one of the most important moments in the Shire's history, as a recognition of the contribution of the Henty family to pastoralism and, by default, for showing that the historical interpretation of the settlement of the Western District has become more complex.

Heritage Study/Consultant	Southern Grampians - Southern Grampians Shire Heritage Study, Timothy Hubbard P/L, Annabel Neylon, 2002;
Construction dates	1971,
Heritage Act Categories	Registered object,
Hermes Number	23133
Property Number	

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## Physical Conditions

Good although cement render is weathered.

## Physical Description 1

The Henty Memorial is a plain cement rendered cairn, 2.0m high and 1.0m square at the base, tapering to 0.7m at the top. It stands on a concrete slab. Set into the render at the top on the south face is a cast bronze plaque which reads "HENTY MEMORIAL Throwing up their hats with a cheer they put their horses to the gallop and set off for the stations across the plans." (Extract from Henty Diary) / The view you behold consisted of "Muntham", established 1838, the original property of Edward Henty. Area 77,000 acres, carried 55,000 sheep, 8,000 cattle and 500 horse, staff 50 employees, including 20 shepherds, 12 hut keepers and blacksmith. / Edward Henty 1810-78, Victoria's first permanent settler, arrived from Portland Bay 19th November, 1834 - six months prior to John Batman at Port Phillip, married Anne Marie Gallie on October 16th, 1840, died without issue. / Being pioneers in small communities their lives were interwoven with events of the day, and are part of Australia's history. Erected 1971.

The memorial stands of the top of 'Muntham Hill' in a lay-by on the north east side of the Glenelg Highway, approximately 8 kilometers west of the township of Coleraine.

## Historical Australian Themes

Theme 2: Peopling Australia  
2.4 Migrating

- 2.4.2 Migrating to seek opportunity
- 2.4.5 Changing the face of rural and urban Australia through migration
- 2.6 Fighting for land
- 2.6.2 Displacing Indigenous people

Theme 3: Developing local, regional and national economies

- 3.5 Developing primary production
- 3.5.1 Grazing stock

Theme 5: Working

- 5.8 Working on the land

## **Usage/Former Usage**

Memorial

## **Integrity**

High degree of integrity

## **Physical Description 2**

Edward Henty, so-called first permanent settler in the Port Phillip District which became the colony of Victoria in 1851 and the state of Victoria in 1901.%%Henty family, Portland pioneers who established squatting runs at Muntham and Merino Downs, the first in the Western District.

## **Physical Description 3**

Road Reserve

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