
CALIFORNIAN REDWOODS, GEMBROOK PARK



Californian Redwoods
Gembrook Park

Location

off Gembrook Road GEMBROOK, Cardinia Shire

Municipality

CARDINIA SHIRE

Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO37

Heritage Listing

Cardinia Shire

Statement of Significance

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The Californian redwoods in Gembrook Park are significant to the Cardinia Shire because they provide evidence of mature ornamental planting in one of the district's popular resorts.

They also symbolise the development of the park as a recreational centre, are associated with a locally prominent person (Knight) and are rare as a type (redwood) within the Shire.

Although apparently not linked to the Acclimatisation Society history of the park, the trees (set among mature gums) are potentially symbolic of the society's attempts to naturalise exotic species within the Australian bushland.

Regional Significance

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| Heritage Study/Consultant | Cardinia - Cardinia Shire Heritage Study 1996, Graeme Butler & Associates, 1996; |
| Construction dates | 1936, |
| Other Names | off Gembrook Road, Gembrook, |
| Hermes Number | 29985 |
| Property Number | |

Physical Description 1

These mature redwoods are set in the middle of gum forest, south of the picnic area.

Physical Conditions

Good condition. (Aerial inspection not done)

Historical Australian Themes

Themes

- 7.4 Nurseries/Acclimatisation Society areas/park reserves
- 8.1 Timber townships
- 9.12 Parks and gardens, sporting grounds, street plantings

Physical Description 2

Associations - Victorian Government; Park Committee of Management

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