

## HAWTHORN HEDGES (*Crataegus monogyna*)



Hawthorn Hedges in Kangaroo Ground Colour 1 - Shire of Eltham Heritage Study 1992



Hawthorn Hedges in Kangaroo Ground Colour 2 - Shire of Eltham Heritage Study 1992



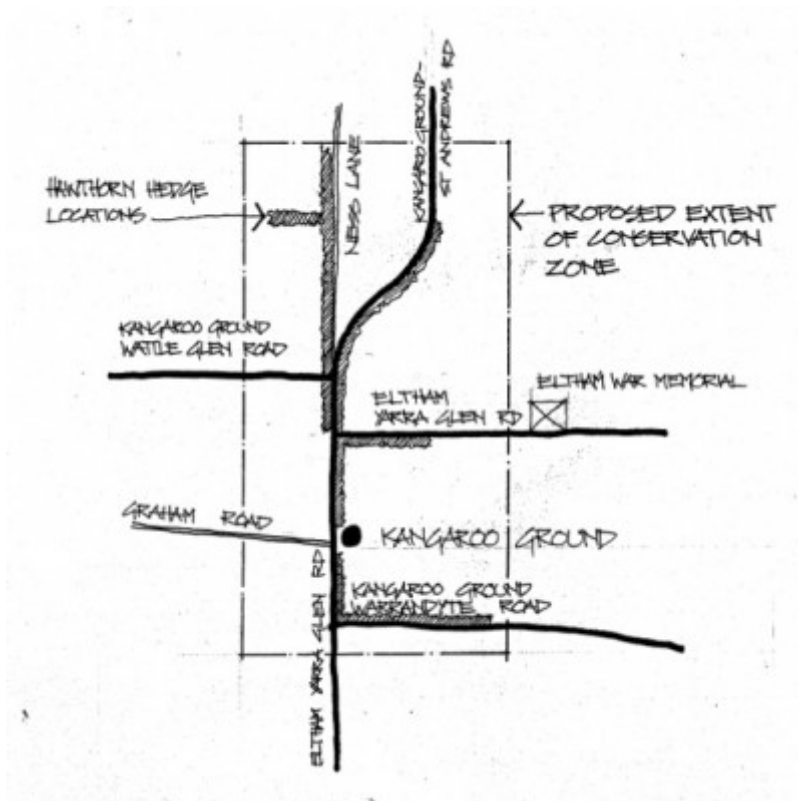
Hawthorn Hedges in Kangaroo Ground Colour 3 - Shire of Eltham Heritage Study 1992



1 - Hawthorn Hedges in Kangaroo Ground - Shire of Eltham Heritage Study 1992



1 - Hawthorn Hedges in Kangaroo Ground03 - Shire of Eltham Heritage Study 1992



1 - Hawthorn Hedges in Kangaroo Ground02 - Shire of Eltham Heritage Study 1992

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## Location

ELTHAM-YARRA GLEN ROAD and KANGAROO GROUND-ST ANDREWS ROAD and KANGAROO GROUND-WARRANDYTE ROAD KANGAROO GROUND, NILLUMBIK SHIRE

## Municipality

NILLUMBIK SHIRE

## Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

## Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO52

## Heritage Listing

Nillumbik Shire

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## Statement of Significance

Last updated on - January 5, 2010

**What is significant?**

The c1860s/1870s Hawthorn hedges (*Crataegus monogyna*) in the defined area and their sites to a radius of 100 metres (See also HO44, HO80 & HO87).

**How is it significant?**

The Hawthorn hedges are historically and aesthetically significant to the Shire of Nillumbik.

**Why is it significant?**

The Hawthorn hedges are historically significant because the planting of hawthorn hedges reflects the adoption of European farming techniques by the Kangaroo Ground population in the period following settlement and because the grid pattern of paddocks that the Hawthorn hedges define is very different to today's farm landscapes (Criterion A). They are also historically significant because such planting is now rare in or around the Melbourne area and this is one of the only parts of the Shire of Nillumbik in which hedges still grow (Criterion B). The hedges are aesthetically significant because they grow to three metres in height and, in the undulating landscape, form a major landscape feature (Criterion E).

Heritage Study/Consultant	Nillumbik - Shire of Eltham Heritage Study, David Bick, 1992;
Construction dates	1899,
Other Names	ELTHAM-YARRA GLEN RD, KANGAROO GROUND-ST ANDREWS RD AND KANGAROO GROUND-WARRANTYTE RD,
Hermes Number	55049
Property Number	

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**Historical Australian Themes**

EARLY SETTLEMENT

FARMING

CHARACTERISTIC LANDSCAPE

FEATURES

PRIVATE PLANTING

3.3.5 Laying out boundaries

**Usage/Former Usage**

Original Use:

Farm paddock fencing.

Present Use:

Paddock fencing.

## **Physical Description 1**

The exact origins of these hedges are unknown, but it is reasonable to assume that planting of them began in the 19th century, possibly from the 1860s/1870s onwards.

## **Physical Description 2**

There are extensive lines of mature Hawthorn hedges in these locations, mostly along the road frontages. The plantings form dense hedges of about 3 metres in height, are deciduous and bear red berries.

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