Eucalyptus camaldulensis



T12131 Eucalyptus camaldulensis

Location

Yandell Street,, CASTLEMAINE VIC 3450 - Property No T12131

Municipality

MOUNT ALEXANDER SHIRE

Level of significance

Regional

Heritage Listing

National Trust

Statement of Significance

Last updated on -

Important landmark in historic town Particularly old Historical value

This magnificent Eucalyptus camaldulensis (River Red Gum) stands at the junction of Barkers and Forest Creeks. It is marked by an X and the notation "the late Mr Howe's marked tree" on the 1854 plan of the town of Castlemaine. The tree was marked during an 1840s pre gold rush survey and is adjacent to the site of the Gold Commissioner's Camp established in the early 1850s.

William Weston Howe was the Government Surveyor employed during the 1840's to locate the various headwaters of the Loddon River in the County of Talbot. Howe was taken ill and died near Mt Cole in early January 1849. He was buried in Franklinford cemetery. On the occasion of the grave re-dedication in 2004, the

government's Senior Surveyor, Kevin Flynn, was able to verify the blaze on the marked tree.

Measurements: 29/06/2008 Girth (m): 6.21 at 1.4 Spread (m): E-W 33.6; N-S: 29.7 Height: 26.5m Estimated Age (yrs): 200 - 300+ Condition: Good

Measurements: 23/10/2010 Girth (m): 7.5 Spread (m):30 Height (m): 27 Condition: Good Estimated Age (yrs): 200 - 300+

Access: Unrestricted Classified: 23/02/2009

Other Names River Red Gum, Mr Howe's Tree, Hermes Number 104571

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