PRINCE OF WALES CO. SOUTHERN END OF THE SNAKE VALLEY LEAD

Location

SNAKE VALLEY ROAD SNAKE VALLEY, PYRENEES SHIRE

Municipality

PYRENEES SHIRE

Level of significance

Heritage Inventory Site

Heritage Inventory (HI) Number

H7622-0333

Heritage Listing

Victorian Heritage Inventory

Hermes Number 11741

Property Number

History

Contextual History: History of Place:

Heritage Inventory History of Site:

This site may be the Prince of Wales or the Ancient Briton, there are inconsistencies between the locations given on the map in Wilson and the Department of Energy and Minerals Deep Lead Map No. 6. At this stage have named this site the Prince of Wales, with site 85 being the other likely contended. PRINCE OF WALES CO.

On the Snake Valley Lead, which takes its rise in Linton's Hard Hills from where its course runs north. This mine is located at the top of Snake Valley Lead, and is next to and adjoining the Ancient Briton Co. and the Great Briton Co.

08.1859: obtaining good gold for some weeks; the wash-dirt is about 4 feet thick; have a whim and a puddling machine.

07.1860: one of two profitably employed companies on this lead.

11.1860: finished their claim after 20 months and after paying expenses have paid dividends of £5 per man per week for that period.

03.1864: paying well.

12.1864: one of the principal claims in this area where the working is good and the wash-dirt very wide, and where the dividends vary from £3 to £8 per man per week.

03.1865: placed on the share market and sold.

06.1865: progress normal; making more than wages.

12.1865: continuing pay as it has done for years.

03.1866: paying about wages.

03.1867: paying.

12.1867: yield for the guarter 105 ozs 3 dwt 22 gr.

12.1868: yield for the quarter 112 ozs 3 dwt 22 gr

06.1869 to 05.1870: recorded production of 10,636 ounces or 330.824 kg. (it appears that there is an error in one of the dates, it is more likely that the period began in 1859)

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