# **BRISTOL BEAUFORT - BAIRNSDALE (1) AIRCRAFT**

#### Location

EAST GIPPSLAND AND BAIRNSDALE, EAST GIPPSLAND SHIRE

## Municipality

EAST GIPPSLAND SHIRE

### Level of significance

Heritage Inventory Site

## **Heritage Inventory (HI) Number**

H8421-0001

## **Heritage Listing**

Victorian Heritage Inventory

Hermes Number 12231

**Property Number** 

## **History**

Heritage Inventory History of Site:

Loss of Bristol Beaufort at sea in the Bairnsdale Area on 7 February 1943.

RAAG Mark VI Bristol Beaufort A9-70, was lost at sea on a seaward operational training flight out of Bairnsdale airfield on 7 February 1943.

Sgt P.E. Goldsmid (pilot)

Sgt M.B. Davey (observor)

Sgt R.N. McDonald (Wireless Air Gunner)

Sgt C.J. Keith (Wireless Air Gunner)

This aircraft was originally delivered to the RAAF in June 1942.

The Bristol Beaufort: Type: Light Bomber No. in service: 701

Engines: 2x1200hp piston Max speed: 431 km/h

Range: 1706 km Ceiling: 25,000ft Wing span: 57ft 10in Length: 44ft 3in

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