Victorian Heritage Database Report

White Hills Arch of Triumph





Arch of Triumph, White Hills Botanic Gardens

WHITE HILLS BOTANIC GARDENS SOHE 2008



White 1.jpg



White 2.jpg



White 3.jpg



white hills botanic gardens plan

Location

559 NAPIER STREET and 71 NAPOLEON CRESCENT WHITE HILLS, GREATER BENDIGO CITY

Municipality

GREATER BENDIGO CITY

Level of significance

Victorian Heritage Register (VHR) Number

H1915

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Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO679

Heritage Listing

Vic. War Heritage Inventory

Statement of Significance

Last updated on - November 14, 1996 What is significant? The 1925 Arch of Triumph is of historical and architectural significance as a rare example of this building type in Victoria. The only other arches, all First World War memorials and of different designs, occur at Ballarat (1920), Murtoa (1921) and Mansfield (c1923). The Arch of Triumph is a Mannerist design with massive rusticated voussoirs and decorated with wreaths. The Arch incorporates a list of servicemen on two metal plates.

The Arch can be found in the White Hills Botanic Gardens, Bendigo. A pavilion was built in c1910 and in 1925 an Arch of Triumph was erected at the main entrance as a memorial to those who served in the First World War. Today there is a fine collection of trees and shrubs, flower beds, animal enclosures and aviaries.

How is it significant?

The White Hills Botanic Gardens are of historical, architectural, scientific (botanical), aesthetic and social significance to the State of Victoria.

Why is it significant?

The gardens are of historical significance as one of Victoria's earliest regional botanic garden reserves. The gardens are of social significance for their on going use by the community for recreation and education. The Arch of Triumph is an important place of remembrance to those who served in the First World War.

Construction dates	1854,
Heritage Act Categories	Registered place,
Other Names	WHITE HILLS BOTANICAL GARDENS, BENDIGO,
Hermes Number	125230
Property Number	

Physical Description 1

Date Started 1857

Usage/Former Usage

Botanical Garden, Zoo, Aviary

Physical Conditions

State of the Historic Environment survey report - condition: good. See Events.

Veterans Description for Public

The White Hills Arch of Triumph, on Napier Street and Napolean Crescent, was built in 1925. The arch forms the entrance to the White Hills Botanic Gardens, Bendigo and commemorates the servicemen of the First World War with a list of names on two metal plates. The White Hills Arch of Triumph is unique with a Mannerist design with massive rusticated voussoirs and decorated with wreaths. The only other arches are at Ballarat (1920), Murtoa (1921) and Mansfield (c1923). All these arches commemorate the First World War but are unique in their individual design.

Extent of Registration

 All the buildings and structures marked as follows on Diagram 1915 held by the Executive Director: B1 Arch of Triumph and gates
B2 Pavilion B3 Brick gutter remnant B4 Deer B5 Stone flower baskets x2

2. All of the landscape features marked as follows on Diagram 1815 held by the Executive Director:

S1 Lake and island

3. All of the trees marked as follows on Diagram 1915 held by the Executive Director:

- T1 Acacia karroo
- T2 Dovyalis caffra
- T3 Callistemon brachyandrus
- T4 Pinus torreyana
- T5 Pinus roxburghii
- T6 Livistona australis
- T7 Schinus terebinthifolius
- T8 Juniperus virginiana

4. All of the land known as the White Hills Botanic Gardens and gazetted as Crown Reserve Rs 4855 [P126799] and permanently reserved for Public Gardens and part of the Napoleon Crescent road reserve marked L1 on Diagram 1915 held by the Executive Director.

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