
US Airforce Base Camp

Location

CAPE NELSON ROAD PORTLAND, Glenelg Shire

Municipality

GLENELG SHIRE

Level of significance

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Heritage Inventory (HI) Number

H7221-0298

Heritage Listing

Vic. War Heritage Inventory

Statement of Significance

Last updated on - December 2, 2002

High- state significance.

Hermes Number 125424

Property Number

Physical Conditions

Lookout and gun mount - good. Air-raid shelter - very good.

Physical Description 1

Defensive features; three-sided lookout structure, gun mount and tunnel and air-raid shelter.

Veterans Description for Public

A Second World War Airforce Complex was located on Cape Nelson Road, Portland. The site was used by the US as a base camp and radar station to monitor marine activities during the event of a feared Japanese invasion and to transmit messages. The complex had several defensive features including a three-sided lookout structure, gun mount, tunnel and air-raid shelter. The site in present location of Pedolie House - was built on the original slab where the lookout and gun mount stood. When the Australian military decided Japanese invasion would not occur, the structures were pulled down or abandoned.

This place/object may be included in the Victorian Heritage Register pursuant to the Heritage Act 2017. Check the Victorian Heritage Database, selecting 'Heritage Victoria' as the place source.

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