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# Wodonga War Memorial



War Memorial



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## Location

Hovell Street WODONGA, Wodonga City

## Municipality

WODONGA CITY

## Level of significance

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## Heritage Listing

Vic. War Heritage Inventory

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## Statement of Significance

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What is significant?

The War Memorial and its immediate hard surrounds located in the reserve off Hovell Street, Wodonga.

Why is it significant?

The War Memorial is of local historic, social and aesthetic significance to the City of Wodonga.

How is it significant?

The War Memorial is of historical and social significance as it was constructed as a memorial to those from the community who fought and died for their country during the wars.

The memorial is a symbol of the efforts of the local community in raising funds to honour those who fought and died for their country. [HERCON Criteria A & G]

It is of aesthetic significance as it is a representative example of the style and type of memorials that were constructed after World War I. [HERCON Criteria D]

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## **Intactness**

The monument is intact.

## **Integrity**

The monument has retained its integrity.

## **Physical Conditions**

The monument is in good condition.

## **Physical Description 1**

The war memorial is a simple granite plinth with a granite obelisk and its design is typical for its period. Later modifications to the original design include hard landscaping to the surrounds.

It has been constructed from Harcourt (Vic) granite.

## **Veterans Description for Public**

The Wodonga War Memorial, on Hovell Street, was unveiled on 19 November 1924 by Sir James Barrett. At the end of the First World War, welcome home socials were held and a 'Back to Wodonga Festival' was organised to raise funds for the soldiers returning home. The service to mark the tenth anniversary of Gallipoli was held at a memorial that had been created in Woodland Grove, a civic garden space that had been created in town. The memorial, made from Harcourt Granite, featured a soldier standing at attention on a plinth that bore the names of forty-five Wodonga men who were killed.

In place of the soldier the memorial now consists of an obelisk on a tiered, concrete base set within a paved circle featuring three flagpoles. Later conflicts have also been acknowledged: "Malaya 1948-1960, Korea 1950-1953,

Sabah Sarawak 1962-1966, Malaya Peninsula 1964-1966, Vietnam 1962-1972."

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