
Bandiana Workshops (Nos. 1, 2 and 3)



Workshop 2 from the west

Location

Gaza Ridge, North Bandiana BANDIANA, Wodonga City

Municipality

WODONGA CITY

Level of significance

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Heritage Listing

Vic. War Heritage Inventory

Heritage Study/Consultant	Wodonga - Wodonga Heritage Study Stage 1, Freeman Randell, 2004;
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Construction dates	1942,
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Property Number	
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Veterans Description for Public

Bandiana Workshop 2 consists of two tall gable-roofed workshop bays (in the centre) with provision for overhead travelling cranes to handle heavy equipment. On the east side, under an extension of the gable roof, there is an adjoining two-storey office and amenities section, with access to the upper floor provided via narrow internal wooden staircases. On the western side, under a wider extension of the gable roof, there is a lower ground-level workshop/store area. The external walls are timber framed and clad with vertical cgi sheets. The north and south ends are plain cgi except for some large sliding doors. The east side has two levels of office-style windows, and has external fire escape stairs leading down from the upper floor level. The west side has a single row of industrial-style windows with obscure glass. The twin-gable roof has cgi cladding with numerous skylights.

Physical Description 1

Bandiana Workshop No. 2 is shown on Hyder Fig.A4 (1998) as building No.23, and on the current (September 2000) Army site plan as building No.100 or No.0445/N100. Both site plans identify it as the Vehicle Wing, but it is now known as (Vehicle) Recovery, and holds a small number of heavy-duty tow trucks. It is a large Second World War-style workshop building, about 80 metres long (N-S) and 50 metres wide. It has two tall gable-roofed workshop bays in the centre, with their long axes running approximately north-south, and with provision for overhead travelling cranes to handle heavy equipment.

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The bolted timber roof trusses of the two tall central bays span about 15 or 16 metres. They are supported by three rows of tall timber columns, each made of four spaced timber uprights about 150 mm square, set about a half metre apart, and joined by diagonal timber zig-zag bracing. Alongside there are separate heavy steel columns carrying steel beams and rails for overhead travelling cranes in each of the two central tall bays, but only the eastern bay still has its crane in situ. Both sets of columns sit on concrete pads in the concrete floor, with steel plates anchoring the timber columns. The perimeter walls have exposed heavy timber framing, except in the office area which is lined with sheets of masonite. The sliding doors are timber framed with sheet steel or cgi

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