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# TWO MILE HILL WELLS

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## Location

3008 BALLARAT-MARYBOROUGH ROAD CLUNES, HEPBURN SHIRE

## Municipality

HEPBURN SHIRE

## Level of significance

Heritage Inventory Site

## Heritage Inventory (HI) Number

H7623-0297

## Heritage Listing

Victorian Heritage Inventory

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## Statement of Significance

Last updated on - July 30, 2002

Locally significant as source for drinking water in period 1851-1910 on main overland route to goldfields.

Hermes Number 12606

Property Number

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## History

ONLY RECORDS INDICATE HUGH BLACK APPLIED FOR LICENCE OVER SPRING AREA IN 1869, HENCE EXERTING CONTROL OVER WATER RIGHTS AND ACCESS. NEIGHBOURS OBJECTED, SAYING THIS WAS A GOOD AND ESSENTIAL SUPPLY OF DRINKING WATER. BLACK WAS FORCED TO ESTABLISH PERMANENT ACCESS, HENCE A "ROAD" LEADING TO THE SPRINGS AREA STILL EXISTS. THIS AREA COULD HAVE PROVIDED WATER TO THE FIRST SELECTORS/SETTLERS IN THE TWO MILE HILL AREA

FROM 1851 WHEN GOLD WAS DISCOVERED/REPORTED AT CLUNES. IF THE SPRINGS FLOWED NATURLALY BEFORE THIS TIME THEY WERE CERTAINLY SIGNFICANT TO ABORIGINAL INHABITANTS. DIFFERENT CONSTRUCTION PERIODS ARE PLAUSIBLE.

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