
Somers RAAF Camp



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Somers 2.jpg

Location

Lord Somers Road, Somers, MORNINGTON PENINSULA SHIRE

Municipality

MORNINGTON PENINSULA SHIRE

Level of significance

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Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO301

Heritage Listing

Vic. War Heritage Inventory

Statement of Significance

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HO301 Former RAAF Training Camp 124 Lord Somers Road, Somers
The remaining 21-2 acres of the camp site with structures and landscape (flowering gums, Monterey pine rows and spotted gum rows) from the WW2 development period.

Construction dates 1941,
Hermes Number 126114
Property Number

Physical Description 1

WW 2 RAAF camp

Historical Australian Themes

Providing administrative structures and authorities - defence

Usage/Former Usage

Childrens camp

Veterans Description for Public

The site of the RAAF Training Camp, at 124 Lord Somers Road, dates from April 3rd 1941 when 50 acres were compulsorily acquired by the army. It was disposed to State in 1947 and repurchased for a migrant hostel from 1949 until 1958. In the car park stands the *Vampire* MK 35A Aircraft, to commemorate the site as the No.1 Initial Training School for the R.A.A.F. where 13,000 young men and women were trained. The aircraft was dedicated as a memorial by Air Vice-Marshal P.J. Scully on 25th October 1985.

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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