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# Bairnsdale RAAF Airfield

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## Location

Aerodrome Road BAIRNSDALE, EAST GIPPSLAND SHIRE

## Municipality

EAST GIPPSLAND SHIRE

## Level of significance

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## Heritage Listing

Vic. War Heritage Inventory

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Construction dates 1939,

Hermes Number 126145

Property Number

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## Historical Australian Themes

Providing administrative structures and authorities - defence

## Usage/Former Usage

Airfield

## Veterans Description for Public

The Bairnsdale RAAF Airfield, on Aerodrome Road, was built on a site comprising of four hundred and eighty eight acres that was compulsorily acquired on 31st August 1939 for £4847. The site was then disposed to Shire free of cost on August 22nd 1960. RAAF establishments were built throughout country Victoria during the Second World War. The characteristic buildings from the war era are the P1 type accommodation blocks and Bellman

type hangars (timber framed, corrugated iron clad). At Bairnsdale, the buildings were demolished but unusual concrete hangars remain.

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