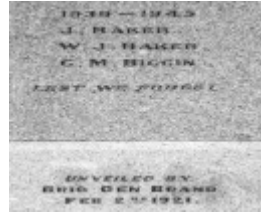

Carisbrook War Memorial and Pine



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Location

Carisbrook, CENTRAL GOLDFIELDS SHIRE

Municipality

CENTRAL GOLDFIELDS SHIRE

Level of significance

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Heritage Listing

Vic. War Heritage Inventory

Hermes Number 126500

Property Number

Physical Description 1

Stone obelisk in the centre of town. WW1 and 2.

Historical Australian Themes

Remembering the fallen

Usage/Former Usage

Commemoration

Veterans Description for Public

The Carisbrook War Memorial was built to commemorate local residents who served in the First and Second World Wars. Built of Harcourt granite, the memorial was designed and executed by Maryborough stonemason John Gwilym. It was unveiled by Brigadier General C. H. Brand on February 2nd, 1921. The memorial lists the names of eighty-seven local men who enlisted from the area, including the names of twenty-three soldiers who died. The Aleppo pine (*Pinus Brutia*), growing on the memorial site, was planted in 1965 from a seed from the original Lone Pine at Gallipoli.

The memorial consists of a granite obelisk on a stepped base set in a red scoria covered area surrounded by a pipe and chain wire fence, characteristic of the type of fences available at the time the memorial was constructed. The memorial consists of three granite steps on all four sides which have quarry faced stone on the vertical surfaces and smooth worked margins and horizontal surfaces. The steps support a large granite block with quarry faced sides and smooth worked margins. Above this is a smooth faced block of pale granite which supports a taller, darker granite block which features the main panels of dedication for the memorial. This block is capped with a worked cornice of granite which rises to form the base of the slender tapered granite obelisk which terminates in a pyramidal top. In a separate enclosure is the timber flagpole on a capped concrete base with chain wire fence which is supported by slender concrete posts also capped. On the other side of the main monument is the pine and marker plaque.

Because it was a logistical impossibility to ship the bodies of those who died fighting in wars home to Australia, war memorials are especially significant in the Australian psyche. For those family members and friends left behind, the memorials that sprang up in towns came to serve as places of mourning and commemoration for not only the Great War but also for subsequent conflicts.

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