Beersheba Barracks Wangaratta



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Location

83 Sisely Avenue WANGARATTA, WANGARATTA RURAL CITY

Municipality

WANGARATTA RURAL CITY

Level of significance

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Heritage Overlay Numbers

Heritage Listing

Vic. War Heritage Inventory

Statement of Significance

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This small Depot contains a number of buildings of types which were common all around Australia in military barracks and depots during WW2. The Nissen type huts (and even the gable roofed huts) have become quite rare, and it is unusual to find such a representative and well cared for group of buildings in a place, not necessarily open to the public to enter, but highly accessible for viewing. The Depot site does not have a long history as an Army Depot, but it is probably the only place in town which is representative of the Army's long association with the town.

Heritage

Study/Consultant

Wangaratta Rural - Rural City of Wangaratta's Heritage Study 2004, Thematic History, Inventory of Heritage Places & Doring Pty Ltd

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Other Names

4th /19th Prince of Wales' Light Horse Depot,

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Physical Description 1

A collection of 16 standard size Nissen/Quonset style huts, 2 large size Nissen/Quonset style huts, several A.C. sheet clad, gable roofed, traditional style small barracks buildings (typical WW2 "temporary" barracks accommodation, to be found on old military depots all around Australia). There are also several more recent buildings (ablution block, garage etc.) with single pitch roofs, and vast expanses of concrete with a paucity of greenery

Historical Australian Themes

8. Developing Cultural Life 4. Building Settlements and Towns **Sub-Themes:** 8.5.3 Rallying Together:- Volunteer Defence 4.8.1 Houses & Other Buildings

Physical Conditions

good

Veterans Description for Public

The Beersheba Barracks, located at 83 Sisely Avenue, in Wangaratta were built c.1940s. The site contains a number of buildings common to Australian military barracks and depots during the Second World War, including sixteen standard size Nissen/Quonset style huts,two large size Nissen/Quonset style huts and several A.C. sheet clad, gable roofed, traditional style small barracks buildings. The Nissen type huts (and even the gable roofed huts) have become quite rare.

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