GEORGE WATMORE'S GRAVE

Location

ROAD RESERVE, 3650 PRINCES HIGHWAY YAMBUK, MOYNE SHIRE

Municipality

MOYNE SHIRE

Level of significance

Heritage Inventory Site

Heritage Inventory (HI) Number

H7321-0050

Heritage Listing

Victorian Heritage Inventory

Interpretation of Site

Roadside grave within grassy road verge, at base of road alignment batter. A white wooden cross bearing the inscription "George Watmore Speared By Blacks" on the timber and "Renewed 1-12-1998 by R. Scott Portland" on a metal alloy plaque underneath, marks the grave site. An approximately 2 x 2 m area in front of the marker is slightly mounded and partially bordered by bluestone fragments, which are mostly overgrown with grass.

Archaeological Significance

The site is likely to contain the human remains of an early European settler and their examinationmay reveal much about the diet, health, lifestyle and possibly manner of death of the individual.

Historical Significance

The site represents the often violent contact between Aboriginals and Europeans in the early years of settlement.

Hermes Number

146493

Property Number

History

The site is reputed to be the grave of an early European settler, possibly a shepherd killed by Aboriginals in the 1840s.

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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