Loch WWII Memorial Planting

Location

Loch-Poowong Road LOCH, SOUTH GIPPSLAND SHIRE

Municipality

SOUTH GIPPSLAND SHIRE

Level of significance

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Heritage Listing

Vic. War Heritage Inventory

Hermes Number 162049

Property Number

Veterans Description for Public

Inside the Loch Memorial Reserve, on the Loch-Poowong Road, English Oak trees were planted in remembrance soldiers fallen in the Second World War. Sometime in the post-war period, the trees were planted in a semi formal arrangement along the edge of the seating area and in pairs around the edge of the oval. The arrangement appears to have been a deliberate strategy to provide a memorial that also enhances the amenity of the Reserve. The planting of trees in pairs along the perimeter also alludes to the "mateship" ethos that is part of the Anzac legend. Each tree has a plaque commemorating the person to whom it is dedicated. A further tree has been planted in the north east corner of the site, which is taken from a seed from Lone Pine. A plaque beside this tree advises that it was planted by the local RSL in 1983.

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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