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# Buckley's Well

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## Location

Horwood Drive, BREAMLEA VIC 3227 - Property No 230145

## Municipality

GREATER GEELONG CITY

## Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

## Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO57

## Heritage Listing

Greater Geelong City

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## Statement of Significance

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Located near the camp site of William Buckley, (the Cheshire convict who absconded from the Calcutta in 1803 and lived with aboriginals in the Bellarine Peninsula area until 1835) the well is reputedly the source of Buckley's fresh water at his Breamlea camp. For 32 years, Buckley lived in a hut he built at the mouth of Bream Creek and drew fresh water from the spring now marked by the well site. Although his narrative apparently makes no reference to his source of water. Buckley's life is surrounded by legend.

Refer to A. Willingham, Geelong Region Historic Buildings and Objects Study, vol.3, sheet 389. Statement of Cultural Significance

## References

1. Willingham, Geelong Region Historic Buildings and Objects Study, vol.3, sheet 389. 2. Pescott, South Barwon 1857-1985, p.146. References

For a succinct summary of the Life of William Buckley (1780-1856) see

Marjorie J Tipping - 'William Buckley 1780-1856' in Douglas Pike, (ed) Australian Dictionary of Biography Vol 1, 1966, pp 174-175.

Also See

James Bonwick - William Buckley the Wild White Man and his Port Phillip Friends, Melbourne, 1856.

C. M. Tudehope - 'William Buckley' in Victorian Historical Magazine, Vol 32, No 4 (1961-62), pp 216-233

Heritage Study/Consultant	Greater Geelong - Greater Geelong Outer Areas Heritage Study Volumes 1, 2 & 4, Authentic Heritage Services Pty Ltd, 2000;
Heritage Act Categories	Registered place,
Hermes Number	21321
Property Number	

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## Physical Description 1

Refer to A. Willingham, Geelong Region Historic Buildings and Objects Study, vol.3, sheet 389. Description

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