

# GNADENTHAL CEMETERY



23443 Gnardenthal Cemetery  
Penshurst 1455



23443 Gnardenthal cemetery  
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23443 Gnardenthal Cemetery  
Penshurst Albert Heinze 1464



23443 Gnardenthal Cemetery  
Penshurst 1452



23443 Gnardenthal Cemetery  
Penshurst Burger 1461



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23443 Gnardenthal Cemetery  
Penshurst Burger 1462



23443 Gnardenthal Cemetery  
Penshurst Burger Uebergang  
1460



23443 Gnardenthal Cemetery  
Penshurst Friebe Diedrich  
1458



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Penshurst Hempel 1454



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Penshurst Hempel 1456



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Penshurst Mirtschen Hempel  
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23443 Gnardenthal Cemetery  
Penshurst Mirtschen Gude  
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Penshurst Mirtschen 1459

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## Location

Day's Lane and Tobin's Lane PENS Hurst, Southern Grampians Shire

## Municipality

SOUTHERN GRAMPIANS SHIRE

## Level of significance

Stage 2 study complete

## Heritage Listing

Southern Grampians Shire

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## Statement of Significance

Last updated on - January 12, 2004

What is significant?

The Gnadenthal Cemetery is a single denomination Lutheran Wendish Cemetery located on the east side of Day's (or Tobin's) Lane, about 1500 metres north of the township of Penshurst. The cemetery is divided into two sections, the older being towards the south-east corner and the newer being along the Day's Lane boundary and closer to the entrance gates. There are about 75 burials in the cemetery. The first burial took place in June 1861. The cemetery is in very good condition, and retains a very high degree of integrity.

How is it significant?

The Gnadenthal Cemetery is of historical and social importance to the districts of Penshurst, Tabor and Tarrington and the Southern Grampians Shire.

Why is it significant?

The Gnadenthal Cemetery is of historical significance as an enduring record of those who have lived and died in the Lutheran and Wendish communities of Tabour, Penshurst and Tarrington. It is of further historical importance as a reflection of passing phases, ways of life and death, particular events, and as documentary evidence. It is of particular historical interest in that it is a single denominational burial site.

The cemetery is of social significance for reflecting the customs and tastes of the tightly knit German community, for reflecting the strong Lutheran and Wendish religious values, and for reflecting different economic and social status within the community. It is also important as a place of passive recreation.

The Gnadenthal cemetery is of architectural significance for its range of tombstones, memorials and iconography reflecting the aesthetics of different periods and groups within the community. It is also of interest for its overall design and position within the broader landscape.

Heritage Study/Consultant	Southern Grampians - Southern Grampians Shire Heritage Study, Timothy Hubbard P/L, Annabel Neylon, 2002;
Construction dates	1861,
Heritage Act Categories	Registered place,
Hermes Number	23443
Property Number	

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## Physical Conditions

The cemetery is well maintained, and the overall condition of the graveyard is good.

## Physical Description 1

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## Historical Australian Themes

Theme 9: Marking the phases of life

9.7 Dying

9.7.1 Dealing with human remains

9.7.3 Remembering the dead

## Usage/Former Usage

Cemetery

## Integrity

high degree of integrity

## Physical Description 2

G G Crouch, first owner of the land

Peter Burger, second owner of the land

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