
GLENGARRY GOLD BATTERY AND CHLORINATION WORKS



1 glengarry gold battery &
chlorination works corryong benambra
road corryong machinery remnants

Location

CORRYONG-BENAMBRA ROAD CORRYONG, Towong Shire

Municipality

TOWONG SHIRE

Level of significance

Registered

Victorian Heritage Register (VHR) Number

H1278

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO6

VHR Registration

December 19, 1996

Heritage Listing

Victorian Heritage Register

Statement of Significance

Last updated on - May 12, 1999

The Glengarry Gold Battery and Chlorination Works consists of the remains of a 5-head timber framed battery and associated oil engine, wifley table and water tank. Connected to the battery is a largely buried but intact roasting furnace and the remains of several oregon vats. Little is known of the mine, but a chlorination plant was shifted to the site from Granya in 1937.

The Glengarry Gold Battery and Chlorination Works is of historical, scientific and archaeological importance to the State of Victoria.

The Glengarry Gold Battery and Chlorination Works is historically and scientifically important as a characteristic and well preserved example of an important form of gold mining. When the greater part of the gold in some ores is contained in its pyritical contents, the gold is very difficult to extract.

From the mid nineteenth century miners experimented with various metallurgical (or heat treatment) processes to unlock gold from heavily mineralised ore. Evidence of these metallurgical processes, such as the one carried out by the Glengarry Gold Battery Site during the late 1930s, are extremely rare in the State of Victoria.

The Glengarry Gold Battery and Chlorination Works is archaeologically important for its potential to yield artefacts and evidence which will be able to provide significant information about the technological history of gold mining.

Construction dates 1937,

Heritage Act Categories Registered place, Registered archaeological place,

Hermes Number 5006

Property Number

Extent of Registration

NOTICE OF REGISTRATION

As Executive Director for the purpose of the Heritage Act, I give notice under Section 46 that the Victorian Heritage Register is amended by including the Heritage Register Number 1278 in the category described as a Heritage and Archaeological Place:

Glengarry Gold Battery and Chlorination Works, Corryong-Benambra Road, near Wheelers Creek Road, Glendart, Towong Shire Council.

EXTENT:

1. All of the Crown Land including the remains of the crushing battery and chlorination works, and other quartz mining artefacts within a 200 metre radius with Australian Map Grid co-ordinates E704 N569 on 1:100,000 mapsheet number 8424 Benambra.

Dated 7 November 1996

RAY TONKIN

Executive Director

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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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