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# FLEUR-DE-LYS MARKER



52424 Fleur de Lys Casterton  
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MAP 1 - Extent of  
Registration, Fleur de lis  
marker

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## Location

11 Moodie Street CASTERTON, GLENELG SHIRE

## Municipality

GLENELG SHIRE

## Level of significance

Recommended for Heritage Overlay

## Heritage Listing

Glenelg Shire

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## Statement of Significance

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What is significant?

The Fleur de Lys marker is a very large Scout emblem carved on Toorak Hill, at the eastern end of Henty Street, Casterton. The marker was carved by the Boy Scouts in 1941 to celebrate the opening of their new Scout Hall. The marker initially used fruit tins filled with kerosene and cotton waste to form the outline at night, and in later years moved to electric globes, and finally to strip lighting. The marker is synonymous with Casterton, and as such is recognised by residents and visitors alike. The marker is in very good condition and has a high degree of integrity.

How is it significant?

The Fleur de Lys marker is of social significance to the Glenelg Shire.

Why is it significant?

The marker has social significance for its associations with the important community group, the Scouts. It has developed a much higher degree of social significance over the past 65 years as the symbol for Casterton, a view held by both townspeople and visitors alike. It is viewed as a local landmark, clearly associated with Casterton.

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| Heritage Study/Consultant | Glenelg - Glenelg Shire Heritage Study Part One, Carlotta Kellaway, David Rhodes Mandy Jean, 2002; Glenelg - Glenelg Heritage Study Stage Two (a), Heritage Matters, 2006; |
| Construction dates        | 1941,  |
| Other Names               | SCOUT MARKER, PRINCE OF WALES' FEATHERS,   |
| Hermes Number             | 52424  |
| Property Number           |  |

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## Usage/Former Usage

Continues as a marker

## Physical Description 1

The Fleur de Lys is a large carved symbol on the hill at the eastern end of Henty Street, known locally as 'Toorak Hill'. The hill is exceedingly steep, and forms an ideal canvas to present to the main street of Casterton which is arranged east-west facing Toorak Hill. The carving is a large stylized version of the emblem of the official Scout badge, otherwise known as a Fleur de Lys. It measures 91.50 metres in circumference. Into the carving, strip lighting is set, which allows a series of sequences for the lights to be programmed. The marker is set on a timer, with the lights disappearing at about midnight each night. The marker is enclosed within a reserve.

## Physical Conditions

Very Good

## Historical Australian Themes

- 4.3: Developing institutions
- 8.5: Forming associations
- 8.5.1: Preserving traditions and group memories
- 9.2.2: Joining youth organisations

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