# REINFORCED CONCRETE ARCH BRIDGE



142 - Concrete Arch Bridge Hurstbridge 02 - Opening of Bridge in 1917 (ELHPC No.1054) - Shire of Eltham Heritage Study 1992



142 - Concrete Arch Bridge Hurstbridge 03 - Opening of Bridge in 1917 (ELHPC No.1002) - Shire of Eltham Heritage Study 1992



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142 - Concrete Arch Bridge Hurstbridge 09 - Old photograph of the bridge -NOTE its approaches and settings - During the 1920s? (ELHPC No.1017) - Shire of Eltham Heritage Study 1992



142 - Concrete Arch Bridge Hurstbridge 10 - Old photograph of the bridge -NOTE its approaches and settings - End of construction? (ELHPC No.1055/1061) - Shire of Eltham Heritage Study 1992



142 - Concrete Arch Bridge Hurstbridge 11 - Old photograph of the bridge (ELHPC No.1001) - Shire of Eltham Heritage Study 1992



142 - Concrete Arch Bridge Hurstbridge 12 - Hurst's first bridge photograped in 1885 (ELHPC No.1012) - Shire of Eltham Heritage Study 1992



Hurstbridge Monier Bridge Colour - Shire of Eltham Heritage Study 1992

#### Location

HURSTBRIDGE-ARTHURS CREEK ROAD HURSTBRIDGE, NILLUMBIK SHIRE

## Municipality

**NILLUMBIK SHIRE** 

## Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

## **Heritage Overlay Numbers**

**HO85** 

## **Heritage Listing**

Nillumbik Shire

## **Statement of Significance**

Last updated on - January 7, 2010

REVISED STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE, CONTEXT, 2010

## What is significant?

The c1917 reinforced concrete bridge and the site within a 30 metre radius.

#### How is it significant?

The reinforced concrete bridge is historically and technically significant to the Shire of Nillumbik and the Melbourne Metropolitan area.

#### Why is it significant?

The bridge is historically and technically significant as an intact example of a pre-1939, reinforced concrete arch bridge constructed by the Monier Reinforced Concrete Construction Company (a firm founded by and closely linked with Sir John Monash) (Criteria F & H). The construction method was rare within the State, and particularly within the semi-rural Shire, where timber bridges were generally used (Criterion B).

Heritage Nillumbik - Shire of Eltham Heritage Study, David Bick, 1992; Nillumbik - Nillumbik

Study/Consultant Shire Heritage Study, Graeme Butler & Shire Heritage Study, Graeme Study, Graem

Construction dates 1917,

Hermes Number 63383

**Property Number** 

#### **Historical Australian Themes**

**TRANSPORT** 

3.8.5 Moving goods and people on land

- 3.8.7 Building and maintaining roads
- 4.5 Making settlements to serve rural Australia

## **Physical Description 1**

Reinforced single concrete arch bridge cast in-situ, all concrete construction apart from the cast concrete and pipe balustrade.

## **Usage/Former Usage**

Original and Continuing Use: Road Bridge

# **Physical Description 2**

Reinforced single concrete arch bridge cast in-situ, all concrete construction apart from the cast concrete and galvanised steel pipe balustrade.

In comparison with its reinforced concrete pre Second War peers, the Hurstbridge example is unusual in having its original handrail and being otherwise unchanged and still in use. Examples date from the 1907 Daleys Bridge to the 1934 Donovans Bridge, both in the Romsey district { Budge}.

Compared to the 1950s and later reinforced concrete bridges typically built on highways and local roads, the arched form of this bridge contrasts with the typically post and beam type.

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