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## Sheep Dip



1657 - Brimbank City Council  
Post-contact Cultural  
Heritage Study 2000



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### Location

Burrowye Crescent; Taylors Creek, TAYLORS LAKES VIC 3038 - Property No 116

### Municipality

BRIMBANK CITY

### Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

### Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO117

### Heritage Listing

Brimbank City

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### Statement of Significance

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The stone sheep dip, and associated collection of rather ruinous dry stone walls, are of local historical significance because they give an indication of the pastoral history of this area which is now dominated by recent suburban development. The fact that the walls and dip are probably associated with the local pastoralist William Taylor adds significance to the site.

Heritage Study/Consultant	Brimbank - Brimbank City Council Post-contact Cultural Heritage Study, G. Vines, 2000; Brimbank - Melbourne Western Region Industrial Heritage Study, G. Vines & A. Ward, 1989;
Construction dates	1850,
Hermes Number	105999
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## Physical Description 1

### Description

Ruined dry stone walls form a small enclosure on the south bank of Taylors Creek, east of a low bend of the creek. The walls appear to define a race which leads to the sheep dip which is constructed in mortared quarried bluestone and measures about 5m. x 1 m. This comprises a three-sided trough set about 1 m. into the ground with a sloping ramp at one end. An earth cut channel may have been used to divert water from the creek, although it is difficult to identify its course in the overgrown conditions. Not far to the north is an outcrop of silcrete in the creek bed which provides a natural bridge over the creek.

## Physical Conditions

### Condition/integrity

The dip is in a relatively intact condition with evidence of the stonework having been reset in cement mortar in the 20th century, although the original work was done in mud mortar. The dry stone walls, however, are generally fallen and ruinous, with no section surviving to its original height.

## Intactness

Substantially intact.

## Historical Australian Themes

3 Developing local, regional and national economies  
3.22 Lodging people

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