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# DEEP LEAD MINES BUDGEONS

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## Location

BROWNS ROAD AND LEMAJICS ROAD SCARSDALE, GOLDEN PLAINS SHIRE

## Municipality

GOLDEN PLAINS SHIRE

## Level of significance

Heritage Inventory Site

## Heritage Inventory (HI) Number

H7622-0052

## Heritage Listing

Victorian Heritage Inventory

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Other Names      CONTEST LEAD,

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Property Number

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## History

Contextual History:History of Place:

Heritage Inventory History of Site:

Browns, Budgeon's Flat

11.1859: new lead discovered; the prospects are good in the first claim; others are nearly bottomed.

12.1859: turning out well and several claims are being worked.

01.1860: workings continue to pay well.

07.1860: yielding moderate wages.

BUDGEONS PARTY at Browns, Budgeons Flat

12.1861: have had rare run of luck for a few weeks with dividends above £30 per man per week; last week they

had 6 lbs giving £32 per man.

RECOMPENSE CLAIM at Browns, Budgeons Flat

05.1860: several large nuggets have been found.

03.1861: improved lately after not doing well for a long period.

ENERGETIC COMPANY at Browns, Budgeons Reef

04.1861: crushed 136 tons, 70 tons gave 12 dwt and the balance gave 1.5 ozs.

GRIFFITHS AND COMPANY at Browns, Budgeons Reef

11.1860: struck a new lode which promises to be the richest in the district; several batteries are being erected.

CONTEST LEAD

08.07.1858: the mining surveyor's report for the period at the end of June showed nine companies working on the Contest employing 64 men; these companies had expended £5333 and had total assets of £11989; there were no steam engines in use on this lead at the time of the report, although there were 5 whims, 8 horses, and one windlass; eight shafts had been sunk and four were still in use.

BIG GUN COMPANY

03.1864: giving excellent returns for some weeks; the gold is nuggetty and found several feet above the level of the wash into which it is tending.

09.1864: scarcely making wages although strikes an occasional rich patch.

BRIDGE END COMPANY

01.1863: making wages.

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