Former Murchison Internment Camp Hut



Former internment camp hut, off River Road, Murchison

Location

River Road MURCHISON, Greater Shepparton City

Municipality GREATER SHEPPARTON CITY

Level of significance

Heritage Overlay Numbers

Heritage Listing

Vic. War Heritage Inventory

Statement of Significance

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Apart from the Myrtle ford Camp 5, Rodney and Waranga Shires possessed the only internment and prisoner-ofwar camp sites in Victoria: as such these camp sites are of potential State significance as sole representatives of this little publicized aspect of Home Front activity during World War Two. Rodney Shire, in contrast to Waranga, has more tangible internment sites (Tatura Camp 1, Murchison Camp 13), where gateways and some structure remnants survive, the gateways being expressive of the interned nationalities in each camp. One of the camp huts also survives, in good repair, close to the Murchison northern town boundary. Nevertheless, given Waranga Shire's dearth of obvious sites, it is clear that high local importance falls upon the market garden and associated hut, as well as State-wide interest.

Heritage Study/Consultant	Campaspe - Waranga Conservation Study, Graeme Butler Architect, 1988;
Construction dates	1941,
Other Names	Murchison Scout Hall,
Hermes Number	125749
Property Number	

Physical Description 1

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Veterans Description for Public

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