
Woorinen Memorial Hall



Woorinen Memorial Hall,
2001

Location

Chillingollah Rd (corner North-South Road) WOORINEN, SWAN HILL RURAL CITY

Municipality

SWAN HILL RURAL CITY

Level of significance

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Heritage Overlay Numbers

Heritage Listing

Vic. War Heritage Inventory

Statement of Significance

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The Woorinen Memorial Hall, on the corner of Chillingollah and North-South Roads, Woorinen, is of local historic and social significance. Originally erected in 1926 as a war memorial and RSL clubroom, the hall has served continuously as an important focus for social and community activity in Woorinen for over seventy years. Its association with returned servicemen is particularly significant in the context of Woorinen's initial development as a soldier settlement in the immediate post-World War One period.

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The kitchen and toilet wings, which are of more recent origin, are of no heritage significance.

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Physical Description 1

The Woorinen Memorial Hall is a single-storey building consisting of a hall, with an L-shaped addition extending along two sides. The main hall has a gabled roof clad in corrugated galvanised steel with timber lined eaves and cylindrical metal vents along the ridge. The exposed side and rear walls are clad in ripple iron, with Masonite sheeting to the front gable end. The side wall has four timber-framed multi-paned hopper sash windows with fixed sash fanlights above. The L-shaped wing has a skillion tray-deck roof and cement sheet cladding to the walls. At the corner is a recessed porch, shielded by a steel-framed *porte-cochere* with a tray-deck skillion roof.

Internally, the main hall has a canted ceiling with metal tie rods, and large circular vents with quatrefoil grilles. Walls are clad with radiata pine panelling, and there is a polished timber floor. At one end of the room is the stage, which has a splayed proscenium and heavy red drapes. At the opposite end is a large timber honour board, dating from the post-World War Two era. The attached L-shaped wing contains kitchen and toilet facilities.

Physical Conditions

Good

Intactness

Fair

Historical Australian Themes

Thematic Environmental History

9.2 Building of towns

13.5 Halls

13.6 The Wars

13.7 Leisure

Veterans Description for Public

The Woorinen Memorial Hall, on the corner of Chillingollah and North-South Roads, was erected in 1926 as a war memorial and RSL clubroom. The hall has served continuously as an important focus for social and community activity in Woorinen for over seventy years. Land was donated by a local resident and the hall itself was constructed, on a purely voluntary basis, by the returned servicemen themselves. Its association with returned servicemen is particularly significant in the context of Woorinen's initial development as a soldier settlement in the immediate post-First World War period. During the 1930s and '40s, it served as the venue for the Digger's Ball, an annual alcohol-free event. Today the hall continues to be used for a wide variety of community activities.

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