

Woodend Clock Tower Memorial



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Location

High Street WOODEND, MACEDON RANGES SHIRE

Municipality

MACEDON RANGES SHIRE

Level of significance

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Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO105

Heritage Listing

Vic. War Heritage Inventory

Statement of Significance

Last updated on - June 30, 1994

The Woodend Clock Tower is significant as an icon which identifies the town as well as its original role as a focus for community memories of those who served in World War One. This role links it with the important Avenue of Honour. It also provides the axis for the notable Woodend Commercial Precinct.

Heritage Study/Consultant	Macedon Ranges - Macedon Ranges Cultural Heritage & Landscape Study, TBA Planners, Trevor Budge & Associates in conjunction with: Graeme Butler & Associates, Francin Gilfedder & Associates, Dr Chris McConville & Associates, Juliet Ramsay, Gini Lee, and Steven Matthews, 1994;
Construction dates	1927,
Hermes Number	125887
Property Number	

Physical Description 1

This is a neo-Baroque style, tapered cement-clad clock tower set on a square plan and topped with a small metal-clad dome placed on an octagonal drum. The ground-level openings are set in a podium, with attached mouldings, and the main opening is surmounted with a pediment. The semi-circular balconettes underscore the Baroque inspiration by use of the curved form. The tower is placed in a median of the Calder Highway close to the post office.

Physical Conditions

Generally externally original.

Historical Australian Themes

TOWNS (Evidence of urban development in a once dominantly rural context, civic and religious buildings, street plantings)

TOURISM & RETREATS (Formation of early retreats for the elite, the later guest houses, pleasure gardens, and recreation areas, also the summer houses)

Veterans Description for Public

The Woodend Clock Tower, on High Street, was dedicated in 1928 in memory of the First World War. The site is used annually in the local Anzac Day ceremonies, with wreaths laid at the base and the flag raised on the dome. It is built in a neo-Baroque style, with a tapered cement-clad clock tower set on a square plan and topped with a small metal-clad dome placed on an octagonal drum. It housed a battery driven clock until converted to electricity.

This place/object may be included in the Victorian Heritage Register pursuant to the Heritage Act 2017. Check the Victorian Heritage Database, selecting 'Heritage Victoria' as the place source.

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