# Stained Glass Window at Corio Geelong Grammar School All Saints' Anglican Chapel



Corio Geelong Grammar School GGS



Corio Geelong Grammar School RAA

#### Location

Biddlecombe Avenue, Corio, GREATER GEELONG CITY

# Municipality

**GREATER GEELONG CITY** 

# Level of significance

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# **Heritage Listing**

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Vic War Heritage Inventory - Stained Glass Memorial Windows Study, Bronwyn

Study/Consultant Hughes, 2013;

Architect/Designer

Brooks, Robinson & Drooks, Robin

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196768

**Property Number** 

# Memorial Window References & Damp; Acknowledgements

AWM Embarkation Roll; AWM Honours and Awards; Argus, 27 March 1933, p.6.

# **Memorial Window Subject**

Geelong Grammar Crest and the initials of the Royal Australian Artillery

#### **Memorial Window Text**

Christus Nobis Factus Sapientia / Consensu Stabiles

# **Memorial Window Inscription**

[Plaque] A.M.D.G. In loving memory of Lieutenant Colonel Henry Dundas Keith Macartney CMG DSO born 1st February 1880 died 24th October 1932 beloved husband of Alexandrina Vans Macartney. Eight years scholar of this school. Twenty years in the Royal Australian Artillery. Served with the Australian Forces in the Great War. Five times mentioned in dispatches Awarded CMG DSO.

### **Memorial Window Description & Earny**; History

The Latin text of the lefthand light was taken from 1 Corinthians 1:30 "For us, Christ was made wisdom...', the motto of the Geelong Grammar School, appropriately displayed beneath the school crest. Instead of the complex badge of the Royal Australian Artillery, the initials 'RAA' were placed beneath the Crown and above the post-Federation motto, 'Consensu Stabiles', that is usually translated as 'Firm and Steadfast'. These two lights were the first commemorative windows to fill the side aisles. The pair of windows, each measuring 28 1/2 x 12 1/8 inches, was ordered from Brooks, Robionson & Co. by Mrs HD Macartney in March 1933. The window was unveiled by Brigadier FB Heritage who spoke of Lieutenant-Colonel Macartney as a fine soldier, notably on the Western Front, and his influence as an instructor at Duntroon Military College. A plaque with details of the military career of Lieutenant Colonel Macartney CMG DSO was made in Opus Sectile by Brooks, Robinson & Co., and installed on the column separating the two lights. 'Opus Sectil'e was the proprietory name of an opaque vitreous tile that, like glass, could be painted and then kiln-fired to make a permanent image or inscription. Many were made by the firm as honour rolls for churches and schools throughout Australia.

Major Henry Dundas Keith Macartney was a 36 year old permanent army officer, second-in-command of No.1 Squadron Flying Corps, when left Australia with the AIF aboard HMAT *Orsova* on 16 March 1916. He was mentioned in dispatches for his gallantry and rendering effective service, most notably in battles at Bois Grenier and the Somme. His organisational and leadership skills were considered outstanding and were recognised with the award of DSO, gazetted I January 1918, while commander of 7 Australian Field Artillery Brigade, and again when he was made a Companion of the Order of St. Michael and St. George on 3 June 1919.

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