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# MUDDY CREEK PIONEER MEMORIAL CHURCH

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## Location

Church Road YULECART, Southern Grampians Shire

## Municipality

SOUTHERN GRAMPIANS SHIRE

## Level of significance

Stage 2 study complete

## Heritage Listing

Southern Grampians Shire

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## Statement of Significance

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What is significant?

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How is it significant?

The Muddy Creek Pioneer Memorial Church is of historical and architectural significance to the Southern Grampians Shire.

Why is it significant?

The Muddy Creek Pioneer Memorial Church is of historical significance as the expression of the role and position of the Methodist Church, and subsequently the Uniting Church, and its congregation in the community for over one hundred and fifty years. It is of architectural significance for its use of the Gothic style to express religious values.

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Heritage Study/Consultant	Southern Grampians - Southern Grampians Shire Heritage Study, Timothy Hubbard P/L, Annabel Neylon, 2002;
Construction dates	1929,
Heritage Act Categories	Registered place,
Other Names	MUDDY CREEK UNITING CHURCH,
Hermes Number	23247
Property Number	

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## Physical Conditions

The church is in good condition.

## Physical Description 1

The Muddy Creek Pioneer Memorial Church is located on the east side of Church Road, in Yulecart. The building is constructed of pressed red bricks, and is loosely Gothic in style. The church has three bays and a porch extending from the south side. The timber front door is of double leaved ledge and brace construction and painted dark red. The windows are timber painted dark red with coloured glass leadlights. The roof is corrugated iron and pitched at 60 degrees. Architectural details such as arches and buttress shoulders are finished in cemented render painted white.

There is a plaque in the front gable and a foundation stone to the lower left of the facade.

## Historical Australian Themes

Theme 8 Developing Australia's cultural life

8.6 Worshipping

8.6.1 Worshipping together

8.6.3 Founding Australian religious institutions

8.6.4 Making places for worship

## Integrity

high degree of integrity

## Physical Description 2

John Smith, owner of the land and early preacher (and author of the Early Story of Wesleyan Methodism in Victoria?)

Mrs. S Reed, who laid the foundation stone on 9th February 1929.

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