
BUNYIP HALL



Bunyip Hall

Location

Main Street BUNYIP, Cardinia Shire

Municipality

CARDINIA SHIRE

Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO56

Heritage Listing

Cardinia Shire

Statement of Significance

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Bunyip Hall is of significance to the Cardinia Shire as a township landmark opened in 1942 on the site of the 1906 Mechanics Institute Public Hall. It has significance as an important community centre over many years, within a prosperous town which was then the largest in the Shire. The hall is an uncommon combination of building type, style and era within the Shire, a Greek Revival public hall.

Regional Significance

Heritage Study/Consultant	Cardinia - Cardinia Shire Heritage Study 1996, Graeme Butler & Associates, 1996;
Construction dates	1942,
Other Names	Main Street, Bunyip,
Hermes Number	29974
Property Number	

Physical Description 1

This large gabled timber hall is distinguished by the projecting gabled porch with its Doric order colonnade. There has however been an unrelated brick toilet addition which has removed one of these columns. The roof is corrugated iron, the gable ends are clad with fibrous cement sheet with cover straps, as are the upper walls above the weatherboard dado.

The doors are vertical boarded and ledge & braced and the windows to the earlier section, double hung. Highlight windows are used in other wings.

The Greek revival styling of the hall was some 20 years behind the fashion but it nevertheless stands out in the study area.

Physical Conditions

Given its staged development, the hall is externally near original but for the intrusive brick toilet addition at the front and the consequent removal of the porch column, and the overpainted brickwork.

Historical Australian Themes

Themes

8.4 Railway townships

9.7 Other community meeting places

Physical Description 2

Associations - Bunyip Mechanics Institute; Pakenham Shire

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