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## Location

34 JAMES STREET, PAKENHAM, CARDINIA SHIRE

## Municipality

CARDINIA SHIRE

## Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

## Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO49

## Heritage Listing

Cardinia Shire

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## Statement of Significance

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Pakenham Scout Hall, built in 1937, is of significance to the Cardinia Shire as an important community building in a major shire service centre. It has architectural and aesthetic value for its use of the popular rustic American log-cabin, mountain lodge style which related to the bushland links of the scouting movement as well as being an evocation of the district's thriving timber industry. It has been a local landmark in James Street for more than 50 years.

### *Regional Significance*

Heritage Study/Consultant	Cardinia - Cardinia Shire Heritage Study 1996, Graeme Butler & Associates, 1996;
Construction dates	1937,
Hermes Number	30091
Property Number	

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## **Physical Description 1**

This rustic gabled stained drop-log & paling scout hall has leadlight windows and clinker brick and rubble 'crazy-paved' stone piers at the gabled porch, all promoting the use of natural materials and the American hunting lodge log-cabin image. The roof is corrugated-iron (formerly shingles) and the windows multi-paned and painted to contrast with the deep stain of the walls. The same rustic approach was used in the Woodend scout hall and at the Gilwell scout camp north of Gembrook, as well as holiday camps in rural location such as at Buchan and Lakes Entrance (Whiter's). The sign 'Pakenham Scout Hall' is attached to the porch gable-end. The log and stone-pier fence at the front is recent but related in character.

## **Physical Conditions**

The scout hall appears to have been extended at one end, making the porch off-centre, but otherwise the original concept has been maintained but with the shingled roof covered with corrugated iron.

## **Historical Australian Themes**

Historical Theme

9.7 Other community meeting places - Mechanics Institutes, RSL Halls, Scout and Guide Halls, Masonic Halls, Showgrounds

## **Physical Description 2**

Associations - Pakenham Scout Troop; Keys, HL

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