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# KOOROOMAN AVENUE OF HONOUR



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## Location

HYDES ROAD, KOOROOMAN, SOUTH GIPPSLAND SHIRE

## Municipality

SOUTH GIPPSLAND SHIRE

## Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

## Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO66

## Heritage Listing

South Gippsland Shire

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## Statement of Significance

Last updated on - December 19, 2022

### What is significant?

The Koorooman Avenue of Honour, established in July 1918, at Hydes Road, Koorooman. The Koorooman Avenue of Honour comprises the following surviving trees, which are planted on either side of Hydes Road near the intersection with Mardan Road:

- 19 Chesnut Oaks (*Quercus castaneifolia*)
- One Algerian Oak

- 3 English Elms

There are also recent plantings of Spotted Gums and Walnuts at either end of the Avenue.

Heritage Victoria notes that mature examples of Chesnut Oaks are rare in Victoria.

**How is it significant?**

The Koorooman Avenue of Honour is of local historic, social, aesthetic and scientific (horticultural) significance to the district of Koorooman.

**Why is it significant?**

Historically, it is important as one of a series of similar memorial avenues that were established throughout the Shire following the planting of the Leongatha Memorial Avenue of Honour earlier in the same year, and expresses the significant effect that the First World War had upon small rural communities. (AHC criteria - A.4 and D.2)

Socially, the Avenue is important as a memorial to local residents who served in the First World War, and is an integral part of the identity of the local area. (AHC criterion - G.1) Aesthetically, the now mature avenue enhances the appearance of Hydes Road. (AHC criterion - E.1)

Scientifically, the Avenue is notable for its predominant use of Chesnut Oaks, which are rare in cultivation in Victoria (AHC criteria - B.2)

Heritage Study/Consultant	South Gippsland - South Gippsland Heritage Study, David Helms with Trevor Westmore, 2004;
Construction dates	1918, 1918, 1918,
Other Names	-,
Hermes Number	30772
Property Number	

**Physical Description 1**

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