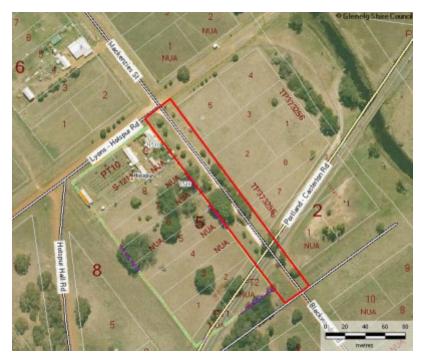
# MEMORIAL AVENUE OF HONOUR AND CAIRN



Hotspur Avenue of Honour



MAP 1 - extent of registration for Memorial Avenue of Honour and Cairn

## Location

PORTLAND-CASTERTON ROAD, HOTSPUR, GLENELG SHIRE

# Municipality

**GLENELG SHIRE** 

## Level of significance

Recommended for Heritage Overlay

# **Heritage Listing**

Glenelg Shire

## **Statement of Significance**

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What is significant?

The Hotspur Avenue of Honour stretches along the Lyon-Hotspur Road, starting at the Rising Sun Hotel. The avenue consists of 20 pairs of Brachychiton paradoxum (Kurrajong) planted in along the main road of the town. This is relatively unusual, as most World War One plantings were of European trees, such as Cupressus, Ulmus or Quercus species. The avenue was planted in 1918 by a local Hotspur 'Avenue committee', headed by Mr. A. Moore, to commemmorate and remember the sacrifice which the soldiers of the town and district had made in World War One. The trees are in good condition and retain a very high degree of integrity.

How is it significant?

The Hotspur Avenue of Honour is of social and historical significance to the Glenelg Shire.

#### Why is it significant?

The Avenue of Honour in Hotspur is of social significance to the township of Hotspur as a living memorial to all who served in World War One, including those who died and those who survived. Historically it represents the attitudes of the township and surrounding district to those who served in the First World War. It is also an important historical reminder to future generations of the sacrifice that those who served made, and of the human loss sustained in this conflict.

Heritage Study/Consultant	Glenelg - Glenelg Shire Heritage Study Part One, Carlotta Kellaway, David Rhodes Mandy Jean, 2002; Glenelg - Glenelg Heritage Study Stage Two (a), Heritage Matters, 2006;
Other Names	MEMORIAL HONOUR AVENUE & amp; CAIRN,
Hermes Number	52349
Property Number	

## **Usage/Former Usage**

Avenue of Honour

## **Physical Description 1**

The Avenue of Honour in Hotspur is an avenue of twenty pairs of trees planted along what was formerly the main road in Hotspur, the Lyon-Hotspur Road. The avenue is a memorial to those from Hotspur and district who served and fell in World War One. There are forty trees in all, representing thirty people who fell and then others who served. The trees selected to represent those who served and fell are unusual for a World War One commemmorative planting, being Kurrajong trees. Australian natives were more commonly planted to commemmorate the service of World War Two. The honour roll which complements the avenue is now located in the community hall. It details the soldiers names, their units, tree planters and other participants. This roll was taken from an original framed certificate headed: "Avenue of Honour, Hotspur 1918" and from the booklet produced to commemorate the original planting of the Avenue of Honour on Wednesday, 2nd June, 1918.

# **Physical Conditions**

Good

# **Historical Australian Themes**

Theme 8 -Developing Australia's cultural life 8.8 Remembering the fallen

Theme 9 - Marking the phases of life 9.7 Dying 9.7.3 Remembering the dead

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