

Street Address	46-72 Banana Street, Redland Bay
GPS/RPD	Lot 167 CP884275
Place Type	Built



Google Earth, 2017.



Roll of Honour, Redland Bay (AHS, 2017).

Condition	Very Good	Integrity	Fair
Statutory Listings	Local Heritage Place		
Non-Statutory Listings	No current listing		
Inspection Date	20/01/2017		

Historical Context

The Redland Bay Roll of Honour was erected by local returned soldiers after World War I. The Redlands Returned Soldiers' Movement and their association with the Returned Sailors and Soldiers Imperial League of Australia (R.S.S.I.L.A.) saw two sub-branches established in Redland Shire in 1919. One of their first actions after the conclusion of World War I was to erect a memorial to the fallen soldiers. The local Redland Bay branch of the R.S.S.I.L.A. (now R.S.L.) contributed greatly to the securing of funds for the memorial, raised through drives and appeals.[1]

The Redland Bay Roll of Honour (Cenotaph) was built in 1923. The official unveiling was held on July 1 the same year, attended by a large gathering of witnesses.[2] The ceremony was performed by General Spencer Browne, who said the memorial served as a testimony to those who served and a "tribute from devoted and grateful hearts." [3] The monument is believed to have been constructed by Andrew Petrie and is consistent with several other cenotaphs from this period, including one constructed at Coolangatta.[4]

Although originally erected to commemorate the fallen soldiers of World War I, plaques have been affixed to the monument memorialising the fallen of World War II and those who died between 1951 and 1972.[4] The memorial site was relocated from its original place on the corner in Weinam Street to the southern end of Neville Stafford Park in 2005. [5]

The Roll of Honour has been the location of Anzac re-enactments in an endeavour to honour fallen Australian soldiers among the local community.[6]

Physical Description

The Redland Bay Cenotaph is situated in the southern area of Neville Stafford Park. The cenotaph comprises a base and pedestal surmounted by an obelisk. It sits on a concrete pad with adjoining pathways and is surrounded by original corner posts which outline the dimensions of the original memorial setting in Weinam Street, prior to the cenotaph being relocated to its current location in 2005.

The base is a rough faced step with a chamfered top edge. Surmounting this is the pedestal plinth which is smooth faced and capped with large cyma recta mouldings. The front face displays the inscription 'Redland Bay Roll of Honour' carved into the sandstone. Rising from the plinth is the pedestal dado holding a rectangular pillar with rebated inscriptions.

The roll of honour is engraved on the original rebated plaque of white marble and leaded inscriptions. The list of eight names, not in alphabetical order, is headed by J M Lovatt (ANZAC) and J Gibson (ANZAC). A further marble plaque carries ten names, not in alphabetical order, and under that is a second plaque listing seven names in alphabetical order, including one female (Joan Schmidt). There is also a National Service plaque attached to the memorial, commemorating service from 1951 to 1972 and deaths of 187 National Service personnel.

The dado is capped by a large cornice made up of a number of cyma recta and torus mouldings. Projecting from the pedestal is the obelisk. The obelisk has a relief carved tasselled shroud draped over the top. Below the shroud are relief carved crossed rifles. The site now includes a seating bench for quiet reflection and is framed by eight weeping paper bark trees forming an arc to the east of the cenotaph, in memory of the fallen soldiers honoured from the original Roll of Honour.

Statement of Significance

The Redland Bay Roll of Honour is a locally significant place which embodies historic and associative value. It is one of the few honours rolls in the City that was constructed soon after World War I by local people in memory of those that served in the war. The roll of honour also contains names of those in subsequent wars. Local Anzac Day memorial services are held at this location.

Criteria A The place is important in demonstrating the evolution or pattern of the region’s history.

The Redland Bay Roll of Honour is representative of an era of widespread Australian patriotism and nationalism, particularly during and following the World War I. The monuments manifest a unique documentary record for Redland Bay from World War I and are demonstrative of the manner in which the area chose to commemorate their fallen.

Criteria D The place is important in demonstrating the principal characteristics of a particular class of cultural places important to the region.

Erected in 1923, the Redland Honour Roll demonstrates the principal characteristics of a commemorative structure erected as an enduring record of a major historical event. This is achieved through the use of a well-proportioned cenotaph using appropriate materials and design elements.

Criteria G The place has a strong or special association with a particular community or cultural group for social, cultural or spiritual reasons important to the region.

The Redland Bay Roll of Honour has a strong and special association for the local community, including families of those that served in wars since World War I.

Primary Themes

8.0 Creating Social and Cultural Institutions	8.06 Commemorating significant events
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References

[1] The Brisbane Courier, 21 December 1921, p. 6.
 [2] The Brisbane Courier, 2 July 1923, p. 17.
 [3] Ibid.
 [4] Pers. Comm. Benjamin Gall, April 2017. (Ben managed the project to relocate the cenotaph in 2005).
 [5] Queensland War Memorial Register, “Redland Bay War Memorial”, <http://www.qldwarmemorials.com.au/memorial/?id=1038>.
 [6] Judith Kerr, “Redland Bay Recreates Anzac Landing 100 Years On,” Redland City Bulletin, 2015, <http://www.redlandcitybulletin.com.au/story/3035944/redland-bay-recreates-anzac-landing-100-years-on-video/>.



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Redland Bay War Memorial, 1925 (SLQ).