

Item name: Cemetery - Kavanagh Family Burial Plot

Location: Temora

Address:

Planning: Southern & Western

Suburb/nearest town: Temora 2666

Local govt area: Temora

Parish:

State: NSW

County:

Other/former names:

Area/group/complex:

Group ID:

Aboriginal area: Wiradjuri

Curtilage/boundary:

Item type: Landscape

Group: Cemeteries and Burial Sites

Category: Other - Cemeteries/Burial Sites

Owner:

Admin codes:

Code 2:

Code 3:

Current use:

Former uses:

Assessed significance: Local

Endorsed significance:

Statement of significance: An important site related to the early history of Sebastopol, the Cemetery is a rare place and is highly valued by the local community

Historical notes of provenance: The Dennis Kavanagh brought his family to Sebastopol in 1870 when he first worked in the mines before opening a butchers shop. In 1873 he became the licensee of the Exchange Hotel on the road to Wagga, which he bought from Pat Heffernan. This was the time of the gold rush operating in the Sebastopol area. He had his hotel on a suitable site just across from the two main gold mining sites, the Evening Star and the Morning Star mines. The village shops were next door, and the homestead only about 50 metres away. It was a thriving mining centre for a period, and also the centre for farming people round about. Dennis Kavanagh died in 1913, having been predeceased by his wife, Catherine in 1902. Harry Kavanagh (his eldest son, who inherited the business) and his wife, while operating the butchery business and the hotel, lost several of their children, who are buried at the top of the rise to the west above the hotel site. Harry lived at the hotel until his death in 1937. On the next rise to the north, around a group of kurrajong trees, is the site of other burials from the Sebastopol area, possibly 5 persons being buried there.

Themes: **National theme**

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State theme

Birth and Death

Persons

Local theme

Designer:

Builder:

Year started:

Year completed:

Circa: No

Physical description: Kavangah had the Exchange Hotel, Sebastopol, at the time of the gold operations in the area. His hotel was opposite the main mine sites. This burial site is at the top of the hill, about 300 m. to the west of the hotel, and the graves of the Kavanagh children were originally fenced in with a post and rail fence, with some netting added to keep out the rabbits. There were wooden markers for the grave sites, and three trees (two surviving, 2005) and some of the fence posts still stand. The site is quite visible, especially as a silhouette in the late afternoon, from the Wagga and Clear Hills roads junction..

Physical condition level:

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potential level:****Archaeological
potential Detail:****Modification dates:****Recommended
management:**

Management:	Management category	Management name
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Further comments:

Criteria a): An important site marking the settlement of the area by The Kavanagh family
[Historical
significance]

Criteria b):
[Historical
association
significance]

Criteria c):
[Aesthetic/
Technical
significance]

Criteria d):
[Social/Cultural
significance]

Criteria e): The site and headstone details are invaluable for members of the family and those conducting genealogical
[Research
significance] research

Criteria f): Lone graves are generally rare in the Temora area
[Rarity]

Criteria g):
[Representative]

Intactness/Integrity: Good/Good

References:	Author	Title	Year
	Various: Temora centenary Book Com	Temora Yesterday and Today, 1880 - 1980.	1980

Studies:	Author	Title	Number	Year
	David Scobie Architects	F Temora Shire Community based Heritage Study		2003

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Parcels:	Parcel code	Lot number	Section number	Plan code	Plan number
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Latitude:

Longitude:

Location validity:

Spatial accuracy:

Map name:

Map scale:

AMG zone:

Easting: 547863

Northing: 6172835

Listing: Name

Title
Heritage study

Number **ListingDate**

Data entry: Data first entered: 29/06/2004

Data updated: 21/09/2017

Status: Completed