



MUSWELLBROOK HERITAGE STUDY

Inventory 1996

RAILWAY DEPOT - BELL STREET - MUSWELLBROOK

<p>PRESENT NAME <i>Bridge Gang Main Entrance Depot</i></p> <p>PREVIOUS/OTHER NAMES <i>Muswellbrook Railway Depot</i></p>	<p>REFERENCE No <i>MUSWR026b</i></p> <p>PREVIOUS REFERENCE No</p> <p>DATE INSPECTED <i>7th December, 1995 and 21st February, 1996</i></p>
<p>LOCATION</p> <p>STREET No STREET NAME <i>Bell Street</i></p> <p>TOWN/SUBURB <i>Muswellbrook</i> POSTCODE <i>2333</i></p> <p>LOCALITY <i>Muswellbrook</i></p> <p>LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA <i>MUSWELLBROOK</i></p>	<p>SITE SKETCH PLAN</p> 
<p>PRESENT OWNER</p> <p>TYPE <i>State Government</i></p>	<p>PROPERTY DETAILS:</p> <p>a REAL PROPERTY DESCRIPTION <i>N/A</i></p> <p>b SITE AREA <i>N/A</i></p> <p>c EXISTING ZONING <i>5(b) - Special Uses - Railways</i></p>
<p>CATEGORY <i>Other</i></p> <p>SUB CATEGORY <i>Railway Depot</i></p> <p>DATE OF CONSTRUCTION <i>1943</i></p> <p>ARCHITECT/DESIGNER <i>State Rail Authority</i></p> <p>BUILDER <i>State Rail Authority and Contractors</i></p>	<p>MAP REFERENCE <i>'56' 301740E, 6427440N AMG Muswellbrook 9033-II-N</i></p> 

PHOTOGRAPH



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HISTORICAL NOTES

Locomotive facilities at Muswellbrook were upgraded with the building of this depot in 1943, consisting of a 22.9m (75 foot) manual turntable and house accommodation in form of a large brick barracks constructed in 1945. The covering of the five radial roads from the turntable form the 'Roundhouse', constructed in 1946. Similar to other 1940's roundhouses constructed at Parker, Enfield and Broadmeadow, it was the last style of roundhouse to be built in NSW. The turntable originally installed at Kandos in 1928, was pre-fabricated at the Honeysuckle Perway Workshops at Newcastle. April 1989 saw the turntable used for the last time, turning the 'Flying Scotsman'.

PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS / DESIGN SPECIFICATIONS

a ARCH. STYLE N/A	MATERIALS: Exterior Buildings: red brick and corrugated iron roofs.
b OTHER DETAILS OF PHYSICAL APPEARANCE Roundhouse clad in corrugated asbestos cement.	
c MODIFICATIONS	
d CURRENT CONDITIONS <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div> <input type="checkbox"/> INTACT <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ALTERED - UNSYMPATHETIC <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: Turntable no longer connected to active rail lines. </div> <div> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> REPAIRS REQUIRED <input type="checkbox"/> ALTERED - SYMPATHETIC </div> </div>	

INFORMATION SOURCES

WRITTEN "Byways of Steam" No.3, Eveleigh Press.
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GRAPHIC

EVALUATION CRITERIA	(S) = STATE (R) = REGIONAL (L) = LOCAL	
HISTORIC	RARE <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (R)	REPRESENTATIVE <input type="checkbox"/>
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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

A regionally historically significant depot and barracks from the latter years of steam locomotives. The turntable is both historically and scientifically significant as having been previously installed at Kandos in 1928 and as one of the few remaining examples of the "Newcastle" type turntable, capable of revealing information about the history of turntable design and use in NSW. The barracks building is a significant example of the acceptable social structure of railway crew rest facilities.