Mount Larcom Cemetery

Other Names	N/A	
Street Address	Popenia Road	Mount Larcom
Title Details/ GPS Coordinates	111DS88	

Historical Context

Closer settlement of the Mount Larcom district occurred in the early 1880s. A provisional school was established in 1881 and, as more settlers occupied the district, a post office, general store and butcher shop were opened. At least two hotels also operated in the settlement. The North Coast railway was constructed between Gladstone and Rockhampton in 1904 and Mount Larcom became a station on the railway. The town of Mount Larcom was officially proclaimed in 1915; by the late 1930s the town included two banks, several stores, cafes, billiard and pool rooms, a public hall and the Royal Hotel. The primary industries in the district were agriculture and dairying.

Grave inscriptions in the Mount Larcom Cemetery commence from 1910, providing an indication when the cemetery was established. Migration to the town and the district more generally was diverse and this is reflected in particular by the Russian Orthodox section of the cemetery. A number of Russians migrated to the district following the Russian Revolution in 1917.

Physical Description

The Mount Larcom Cemetery is located on the western side of Popenia Road on an open, grassed area with some ornamental trees. It comprises Anglican, Catholic, Lutheran and Russian Orthodox sections and a small lawn section. It consists of a number of grave sites, some with brick, wrought iron and picket fence surrounds. Included is a small timber and corrugated steel shelter shed in the centre of the cemetery.

Integrity	Good	Condition	Good
Statutory Listings	No statutory listings		
Non-Statutory Listings	No non-statutory listings		
Inspection Date	29/06/2011		

References

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Heritage Significance

Criteria	Definition
A	*The place is important in demonstrating the evolution or pattern of the region's history.*
Statement	The Mount Larcom Cemetery demonstrates the pattern of the region's history, particularly the settlement of Mount Larcom in the early twentieth century as a consequence of the North Coast Railway and the diverse immigration to the region reflected in the denominational sections of the cemetery.

Criteria	Definition
C	*The place has potential to yield information that will contribute to an understanding of the region's history.*
Statement	Mount Larcom Cemetery has the potential to yield information that will contribute to an understanding of the region's history, particularly records of burials, which reflect the settlement and religious and cultural patterns of the district.

Criteria	Definition
D	*The place is important in demonstrating the principal characteristics of a particular class of cultural places important to the region.*
Statement	The Mount Larcom Cemetery demonstrates the principal characteristics of a public cemetery in the region.

Criteria	Definition
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.*
Statement	The Mount Larcom Cemetery has a strong association with the residents and former residents of Mount Larcom and their families, in particular the Russian Orthodox community, members of which settled in the district in the late 1910s.

Location Map