

Ficus virens — Banyan

Scientific Name:

Ficus virens

Common Name:

Banyan

Affectionately Known As:

The Tree of Life

Register Number:

200

Location of Tree:

Lot 191 Stuart Highway Service Road, Adelaide River NT

GPS:

-13.24101, 131.10965

Categories of Significance:

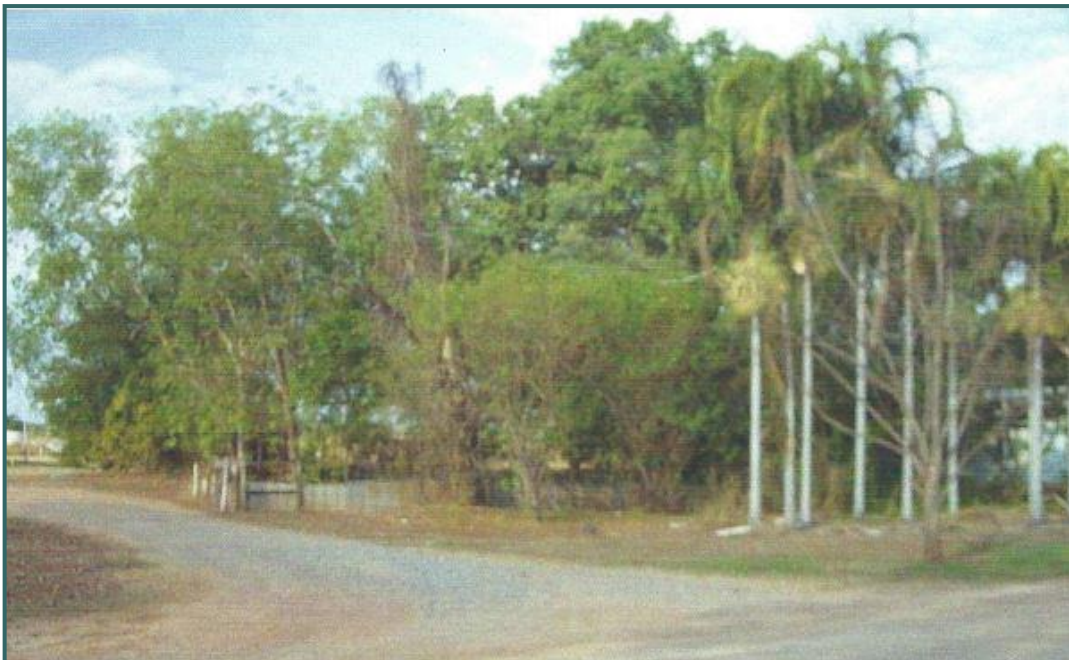
Aesthetic
Size
Age
Historical
Cultural
Unique Location

Date Planted:

Pre-1940's

Year Listed:

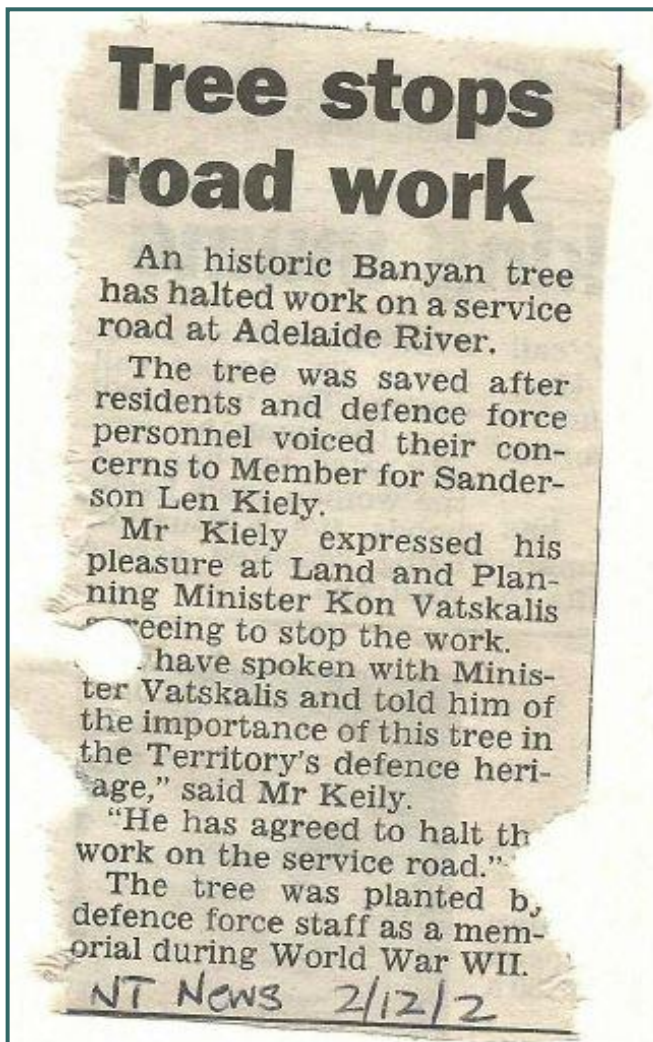
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Adelaide River has a Military Heritage. It has Australia's largest mainland World War II Cemetery, Snake Creek Siding, Old Railway Station, Old Adelaide River Police Station / House and Cell Block.

Adelaide River played a vital role in the Second World War. During this time the town and surrounding area were directly linked to major strategic importance. The honor for planting this tree could not be given to one person as it would be impossible for anyone to remember who planted that particular tree. It should be remembered as a combined effort by the service men and women stationed there during World War II.

This Banyan tree, also known as "the Tree of Life" can live forever. This living monument deserves our recognition in respectful memory of all those killed and injured in war.



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